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December's Important Dates and Meetings

- **CITY COUNCIL;** Monday, December 2 and 16; 5:30pm
  Waukee Community Center; 675 Walnut St.
- **PLANNING & ZONING;**
  Tuesday, December 10; 6 p.m.
  Waukee Community Center; 675 Walnut St.
- **PARK BOARD;** Thursday, December 19; 6pm
  Waukee Community Center; 675 Walnut St.
- **LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES-LIBRARY;**
  Tuesday, December 10; 6:30pm
- **CITY OFFICES CLOSED:** Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25 in observance of Christmas Holiday

** City Hall is undergoing remodeling through the end of January 2014, but is still open for business Monday through Friday, 8am–5pm. Thank you for your patience. **

December 2013 Waukee Community Center Activities

* **PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL ACTIVITIES WILL NOW BE AT THE NEW COMMUNITY CENTER 675 Walnut Street**
- **CONGREGATE MEALS ARE NOW SERVED AT SUGAR CREEK SENIOR HOUSING: 1600 L.A. Grant Parkway**
- **SENIOR POT LUCK is** Friday, December 6 at 12 noon with Program/Business meeting following.

**** NO WHITE ELEPHANT BINGO WILL BE HELD DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER ****

**** NO TRIAD WILL BE HELD THE MONTH OF DECEMBER ****

- Any **QUESTIONS** please call 987-8390.

NIXLE

By paying attention to the weather conditions you can avoid a citation for parking during a snow emergency. In some cases vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense. To be aware of these alerts sign up at **nixle.com**.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

The officers and staff at the Waukee Police Department want to wish everyone a "Joyous Holiday Season" and a "Prosperous New Year". Children are welcome to stop by the Public Safety Building to see our fun decorations and pick up a candy cane.

CHRISTMAS DRIVE REMINDER

The annual Waukee Christmas Drive is still going on. Donations of canned goods, paper products and personal hygiene products along with new, unwrapped toys will be accepted at the Waukee Police Department through December 18. Items may be dropped off Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm.

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make the check payable to the "Waukee Christmas Fund". We anticipate the needs will be greater this year due to financial hardships so we can use all the help we can get.

If you would be interested in adopting a family, please contact Ann at 978-4016 or Marggie at the Waukee Police Department, 987-1073.

Names of families needing assistance will only be taken until December 6 and this will be strictly adhered to. Applications must be obtained online at www.waukee.org/2013christmasdrive.html.

SNOW ORDINANCE

If an inch or more of snow is forecast, Waukee, along with most other metro cities, will implement our snow ordinance. If the snow ordinance is put into effect during the overnight hours, consideration will be given to allow citizens time to move their vehicles the next morning.

Every attempt is made to get our streets clear of snow as quickly and safely as possible after a snow storm. Please give consideration to moving your vehicle off the street prior to retiring for the evening or departing for work in the morning when snow is forecast.

The ordinance is announced on the following television and radio stations:
Television: KCCI (8), WHO (13), WOI (5), WAUKEE CABLE STATION (97-1) Radio: WHO, KKDM, KPTL, KXNO, KDRB, KIOA (AM & FM), KRNT (AM & FM), KSTZ, KAZR, KPSZ, KWKY, KJJY, KBGG (AM & FM), KGGO, KLTI, KHKI
It will also be posted on Waukee Facebook, Twitter and City of Waukee website.

To be aware of these alerts you may also sign up at nixle.com. Click on *register now*. This program is free and easy. Once registered, you will automatically receive information from the Waukee Police Department by text, email or both.

IN SOME CASES THE VEHICLES WILL BE TOWED AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE. If you are issued a violation citation the fine is $25.00.

For more details or for questions, please visit www.waukee.org or call the Waukee Police Department administrative office between the hours of 8am-5pm, Monday through Friday at 987-1073.

PARKS & REC

Winterfest 2013 – Friday, December 6
Santa Claus is coming to Waukee! Come visit Santa and tell him what you want for Christmas. There will be an ice sculpting demonstration. Also, stop by the Waukee Community Center to warm up with hot cocoa, hot cider and cookies!
Location: The Historic Downtown Triangle Park
Time: 6–8pm

Me and My Pal – Ages 18–30 months
Me and My Pal is designed to get you and your little one out of the house to meet new friends. Each *Me and My Pal* class will consist of games, play time, activities and songs for little ones!
Location: Waukee Public Works Facility
Time: 10–10:45am
Fee: $10
Dates: Tuesdays and Thursdays, December 3, 5, 10, 12, 17 and 19

Science Center of Iowa Trip – Thursday, January 2
Students will enjoy exploring the many exciting exhibits at the Science Center as well as a live show! This trip is open to kids in 2nd–4th grade. Limited space is available. We will leave from the Waukee Public Works Facility.
Time: 12–4pm
Fee: $20

2014 Girls Recreation Softball League
Waukee Parks and Recreation offers a recreational girls' softball league and we are asking for all girls to register from Kindergarten through 7th grade. Players are split into 5 separate leagues according to grade. The season will run from middle of April through the first week of June. Online registration begins December 1, 2013 and ends February 17, 2014. Register your daughter for the grade they are currently in for the 2013–2014 school year. Please email Josh at jvandekamp@waukee.org with any questions you have about the upcoming season.

Volunteer coaches are needed!

START YOUR HOLIDAYS RIGHT AT WAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY!

Festival of Trees and Wreaths
The Festival kicks off the holiday season in Waukee with a festive lighting, music, refreshments and a Teen Advisory Board silent auction. You may vote for your favorite for $1.00 per vote. For more information, check the library's website at www.waukee.lib.ia.us or call 987-1280.
Date: Thursday, December 5. The trees are lit at 6:30pm, and will be followed by PajamaTime Storytime at 6:45pm

Christmas Crafts
Kids of all ages are invited to make a wide variety of holiday crafts, perfect for gift-giving. Kids of all ages invited. No charge or registration. Adults and older siblings are encouraged to come and lend a hand.
Date: Saturday, December 7
Time: 10am–12pm

CARBON MONOXIDE

This time of year, with homes closed for the winter, carbon monoxide poisoning becomes an issue. Even new homes can have furnace problems. Some people contribute their illnesses to colds and flu since the symptoms are almost identical. It is a good idea to have your furnace checked once a year and invest in a carbon monoxide detector. Parents may want to take time to talk with their teenagers and other family members regarding carbon monoxide from vehicles. Vehicles should be checked regularly to make sure the exhaust system is working properly, there are no holes in the pipe and that the fumes are being vented out the back of the vehicle and not coming back inside through the trunk or other areas. Everyone should be cautioned against sitting in their vehicles for long periods of time with the vehicles running and the windows closed. Carbon monoxide can sneak up on you without your even knowing it since it is odorless and colorless. Both home and vehicle carbon monoxide poisoning can be deadly. Remember not to warm your car inside a garage even with the door open. Fumes can overcome you without your knowledge. Be careful, alert and safe!