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The City of Waukee is the place to be this summer! There are many fun activities going on this summer-you don't have to leave the city limits!

Celebrate the Fourth of July in Waukee

Waukee is the place to be for the best 4th of July celebration! The 4th of July parade will begin at 2:00 p.m., winding through the Historic Downtown and ending at Centennial Park where the fun continues for the rest of the day and night. Bring your friends and family for fun with inflatables, the Game On Game Trailer, live music from the band "Toaster," and food vendors. A spectacular fireworks show will start at dusk - attendees won't want to miss this massive display that marks the end of Waukee's great annual celebration.

All residents are welcome to enter a float in the parade. The parade line-up starts at 1:00 p.m. at the Vince Meyer Learning Center. Candy is a great addition to any float but we ask that water guns and squirt guns not be used on floats. For more information, visit www.waukee.org/fourthofjuly.

Waukee Police Receive Donation for Purchase of Body Cameras

Waukee Police Chief John Quinn, Council Member Rick

Rod French, owner of Kenworth Mid-Iowa, donated $14,000 to the Waukee Police Department for the purchase of body cameras for on-duty police officers. Mayor Bill Peard and Police Chief John Quinn accepted the donation on behalf of the City of Waukee and the Waukee Police Department.

"Officer-worn body cameras are becoming an important technological

On June 19, Waukee kicked off the second annual BACooN Ride in Centennial Park with BACooN Sizzles Waukee. I want to thank the many community members who welcomed out-of-town guests and made Waukee an enjoyable place to visit the evening before the ride. We are looking forward to even more fun this summer as we prepare for our annual Independence Day Celebration on July 4th and our second annual Public Safety day on August 4th.

In the meantime, I hope you will check out all of the fun events hosted by the Waukee Public Library and the Parks and Recreation Department. The library's Summer Reading Program includes hero-themed events where family-friendly special guests will be visiting each week to promote literacy. Parks and Rec is hosting a variety of events, and there are still slots available for those who want to sign up for Parks and Recreation's summer camps, but space is limited!

Whether you're looking for an event to enjoy with the whole family, or a place for the kids to learn something new, Waukee has got it all this summer.

Take a Road Trip to a Royals Game with Waukee Parks and Recreation

Photo credit: Kauffman Stadium panorama shot courtesy Adam from Flickr Creative Commons

Join the Waukee, Ankeny and Grimes Parks and Recreation Departments on a day trip to Kansas City on Sunday, July 26 to watch the 2014 American League Champion Kansas City Royals take on the Houston Astros!

The game will be held at Kauffman Stadium and game time is 1:10 p.m. There will be one stop for restrooms and food each way and travelers are welcome to bring food and beverages on the bus. Children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Registration ends July 13.
Contact Danae Edwards at dedwards@waukee.org or 515-978-0007 for more information.

Peterson, Mayor Bill Peard, and Council Member Shelly Hughes accept a donation from Rod French, Owner of Kenworth Mid-Iowa.

aspect of modern law enforcement," says Quinn. "Mr. French's generous donation shows that there are people who appreciate the service provided by our officers. We are incredibly grateful and look forward to implementing the cameras in the field in order to improve safety for both the public and our police officers."

The funds will be used to purchase 18 body cameras to be worn by Waukee Police Department officers while on patrol. The cameras will be activated each time an officer has contact with a person during the response to a call for service.

Waukee Farmer's Market in Full Swing

The Waukee Farmer's Market is underway. The seasonal tradition in the Historic Downtown Triangle began June 3, and local vendors will continue providing fresh food and craft items from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday through September 26. More than 20 vendors have signed on to sell fresh produce, eggs, jewelry, pottery, and more. Old time favorites Pop Pop's Kettle Korn and Nehring Farms (selling honey products) will return this year along with new vendors Curbin' Cuisine with Caribbean-style food and Shell T's Pots selling pottery. Visitors can enjoy live music while they peruse the many goodies.

Local vendors display fresh produce at the Waukee Farmer's Market. Photo courtesy of Terry Snyder

There is no cost to attend the farmer's market; payment for goods varies depending on the vendor and may include WIC and SNAP benefits, credit card, check and cash. For more information visit www.waukeedowntown.com.

SUMMERTIME IN WAUKEE

You're going to have a blast soaking up the Summertime in Waukee! Check our Summertime in Waukee Calendar for all the latest events at www.waukee.org/summertime.

Join Parks and Rec for a Movie in the Park

Bring the family out to Centennial Park on July 25 for a big screen showing of **Planes: Fire and Rescue**!

Big screen movies under the big dipper provide for an abundance of family fun. This free event is a great way to make memories with your family and neighbors while enjoying Hollywood's biggest hits under the stars. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Fresh popcorn and drinks are sold by the Park Board.

Waukee's new non-emergency number is in effect beginning July 1. The new phone number is 515-222-3321, while 911 will remain the emergency number.

Pet Licenses Now Available at Waukee Police Department

2015-2016 licenses for dogs and cats are now available through the Waukee Police Department. The licenses are valid from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. You must bring a copy of your animal's rabies vaccination. Cost is $2.50 for spayed or neutered pets and $5 for non-spayed or non-neutered pets. Contact the Waukee Police Department at 515-978-7979 with questions.

Location: Centennial Park
Time: Dusk (approximately 8:30 p.m.)
Date: Saturday, July 25
Fee: Free

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Reminders

***City offices closed for Independence Day** on Friday, July 3.
***Annual 4th of July Celebration** will be held on Saturday, July 4.
***Movies in the Park** will be held on Friday, July 25.

Waukee Community Center Activities

675 Walnut Street
* **Congregate meals** are now served at Sugar Creek Senior Housing at 1600 L.A. Grant Parkway
* **Cribbage and Cards with the 50 Plus Club**
Saturdays at 7:30 p.m.
Call Dolores Betzold at 987-5981 with questions.
***Potluck and Bingo**
First Friday each month at Noon (**Cancelled** July 3 due to holiday)
Bingo at 1:30 p.m.
Lunch catered by Fareway for $4 per meal.
BINGO cards are $0.10 each.
* **TRIAD**
Wednesday, July 29 at Noon.
Please contact Officer Mackenzie Sposeto with the Waukee Police Department with questions at msposeto@waukee.org.

Notifications

The City of Waukee phone numbers will be changing over the next several months.The current phone numbers will continue to roll over to the new numbers during this transition. Please take note of the following phone number changes:
* **City Council**: 515-978-7904
* **City Hall**: 515-978-7900
* **Fire**: 515-978-7998
* **Police Department**: 515-978-7979
* **Public Library**: 515-978-7944
* **Public Works**: 515-978-7920

Contact Us
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