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It's National Fire Prevention Week!

National Fire Prevention Week is October 9-15. The theme this year is "Don't Wait - Check the Date" (replace smoke alarms every 10 years). The Waukee Fire Department has a few fire prevention [tips on the City website](#) to help keep you safe!



Also, in honor of this week-long designation, [check out this short video](#) from inside the firehouse and out in the field with the Waukee Fire Department.

Waukee PD Seeking Neighborhood Watch Participants

The Waukee Police Department is looking to empower citizens to become active in community efforts through participation in Neighborhood Watch. If you are interested in helping with Neighborhood Watch in your area, please [email Officer Brian Murra](#) or call and ask for him at 515-978-7979.



LIHEAP Can Help Low-Income Residents Pay Heating Bills

If you or someone you know might struggle to pay heating bills this winter, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) may be able to help. LIHEAP helps keep families safe and healthy through initiatives that



The Mayor's Corner

Celebrating City Week



Waukee Mayor
William F. Peard

It's City Week in Iowa! City Week is part of an ongoing effort to raise public awareness about the services that cities perform and to educate the public on how city government works. In honor of City Week, I hope you'll take some time to get to know your elected officials and learn about Waukee's governing body.

The Waukee City Council holds regular meetings every first and third Monday of the month at Waukee City Hall, located at 230 W. Hickman Road. Certain regular meetings are rescheduled due to holidays or other conflicts. Special or work session meetings are held as necessary. The public is welcome to attend the meetings. If you wish to attend, but are unable, all regular City Council meetings can be [watched on YouTube](#) shortly following adjournment.

Here's a recent photo of myself with the wonderful five-member Waukee City Council. If you ever want to browse through upcoming meeting agendas, please [click here](#).



From L-R: Anna Bergman, Rick Peterson, Mayor Peard, Larry Lyon, Brian Harrison and Shelly Hughes

It is an honor to serve you! [Click here](#) to read more about your Mayor and Council Members. And, to learn more about all other working parts of the City of Waukee, visit the [City Departments page on the City's website](#). Happy City Week!

assist with energy costs. [Learn more.](#)

Prepare to Be Scared at "The Haunted Toy Box" October 28 & 29

The Waukee Park Board is preparing for its annual haunted house! Enter if you dare, but be prepared to be scared Friday, Oct. 28 and Saturday, Oct. 29 from 7-10 p.m. at the Centennial Park Enclosed Shelter. This year's theme will be "The Haunted Toy Box". Admission is \$5, but save \$1 with a non-perishable food donation. The haunted house is recommended for middle school-aged children and older.



Waukee Public Library Wraps Up Successful Summer

The Waukee Public Library wrapped up a record-breaking summer with more than 45,000 visits tracked at the library, nearly 60,000 items checked out and more than 2,000 [Summer Reading Program](#) participants! And, the Winter Reading Program will kick off November 17 at 6:30 p.m. with a visit from the Blank Park Zoo. Plus, for first time ever, participants will be able to register and log hours online as well as on paper.



Library's Annual Book and Bake Sale Scheduled for October 22

The Waukee Public Library Friends Foundation Fall Book and Bake Sale is set for Saturday, Oct. 22 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. with a pre-sale the night before for members from 6-7:30 p.m. This is a great way to support the library, discover great books at a great price, and even find a tasty treat!



Information About Dallas County Absentee Voting

Dallas County residents can vote absentee for the General Election now through November 7, 2016 in person or via mail. Please [click here](#) to review voting options and dates. To find polling places or general voting information, visit the [Dallas County Auditor's website](#) or call 515-993-6914.

**TRICK
OR
TREAT**

**Save the Date:
Beggars' Night**

Sunday, Oct. 30
6-8 p.m.



Apply for the Waukee Police Citizen's Academy by October 16

There are a few remaining spots in the Waukee Police Department's [Citizen's Academy](#) - apply today! The Citizen's Academy will take place November 3, 2016 through January 26, 2017, as a 30-hour block of instruction designed to give the public a working knowledge of the practices, policies and procedures governing the Waukee PD. The academy consists of 10 weekly three-hour sessions and an optional ride-along with a patrol officer. [Click here](#) to apply. Space is limited.



Get Ready for Letters from Santa and WinterFest!

Santa Claus asked the Waukee Parks & Recreation Department to help put all of the nice kiddos of Waukee on his Christmas Wish List. [Click here](#) or stop by the Public Works Building at 805 University Avenue to apply for this program by **November 17**, then children will receive a personalized letter in the mail from Santa! And, be sure to mark Friday, Dec. 2 on your calendars for [WinterFest](#). Santa himself will make his anticipated stop in Triangle Park at 6 p.m. to light the tree and kick off an evening of winter fun!



Rake Your Leaves With Care

Autumn is here, and soon the leaves will fall. Our Stormwater Department is sharing tips for proper leaf removal, as decomposing leaves can make their way to bodies of water and "steal" oxygen from fish.



- Instead of raking, suck them in with a leaf blower in reverse, mow over leaves or use them as mulch.
- Add leaves to your compost pile.
- Never rake leaves into the street, as they may end up in storm drains.



TOT
teams of tomorrow
Fundamental and Creative Basketball

TOT Greater Des Moines is focused on improving children's physical and mental growth through movement and music.



Sessions for ages 3-5 are being offered in Waukee!

LEARN MORE



Click Here to Apply for a Spot on a City of Waukee Board or Commission BY NOVEMBER 30, 2016!

Also, the last day for yard waste pick-up will be November 28.

Waukee in the News

[Sewer Facility Link Lets Waukee Keep Growing - The Des Moines Register](#)

[No Injuries in Waukee House Fire - WHO-TV](#)

Reminders & Upcoming Events

- **Upcoming Regular City Council Meeting** dates are October 17, November 7 and November 21.
- **Library Fall Book Sale:** Saturday, Oct. 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Waukee Public Library
- **Prescription Drug Take-Back Day:** Saturday, Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Waukee Public Safety Building
- **Halloween Haunted House:** Friday, Oct. 28 and Saturday, Oct. 29 from 7-10 p.m. at Centennial Park Enclosed Shelter
- **Beggars' Night:** Sunday, Oct. 30 from 6-8 p.m.
- **All City Buildings Closed:** November 11, 24 and 25
- **Winter Reading Program Kick-Off Event:** Thursday, Nov. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Waukee Public Library
- **Final Day of 2016 Yard Waste Pick-Up:** Monday, Nov. 28
- **WinterFest:** Friday, Dec. 2 from 4:30-8 p.m. at the Downtown Triangle and Waukee Community Center
- **Christmas Carnival with Festival of Trees:** Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Waukee Public Library

Waukee Community Center Activities

- **Saturday Night Cards with the 50 Plus Club**
 - Saturdays at 7:15 p.m.
 - Call 515-778-6422 with questions
- **Social Lunch & Bingo**
 - Friday, Nov. 4 (last of 2016)
 - Social lunch at noon
 - Bingo at 1 p.m. (cards \$0.10)
- **TRIAD**
 - Wednesday, Oct. 26, noon-1 p.m. (last of 2016)

The Waukee Community Center is located at [675 Walnut Street](#). Congregate meals are now served at Sugar Creek Senior Housing at 1600 L.A. Grant Parkway.

Contact Us

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