



## Go Inside the New Public Safety Building at Public Safety Day

The Waukeee Police and Fire Departments will host their annual Public Safety Day on Tuesday, August 5 from 5-7 p.m. at the brand new Public Safety Building, 815 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Get a tour and meet some of our officers, firefighters, paramedics and public safety staff. Explore safety vehicles, enjoy free food and other fun activities for the whole family.

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## Pay Utility Bills by Text Message

Easily pay your utility bill on the go with our new option to pay by text message. When your bill is ready, you'll get a text. Just reply "Pay" to pay your bill with the card saved to your account. Sign up today by calling 877-847-8583 (option 4) or by enrolling online. Have your account number, mobile number and payment card ready. Get all the details on this and other payment options at [Waukeee.org/UtilityPayment](https://www.waukeee.org/UtilityPayment).

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## City Council Approved Strategic Priorities for Fiscal Year 2026

Each year, the City Council, mayor and department directors go through a strategic planning process to set priorities for the coming fiscal year. This year, a few key areas of focus for the City are the future Civic Campus project, affordable housing initiatives, an update to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan and drawing businesses to Waukeee. See the full list of priorities at [Waukeee.org/StrategicPriorities](https://www.waukeee.org/StrategicPriorities).

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## Save Water with These Helpful Tips for Irrigation

Thank you for doing your part to lower demand on our water system during the lawn watering ban as we battle high nitrate levels in source rivers. After the ban is over, you can still be smart about water usage during summer months to protect the water supply and save money by using less water.

1. Don't overwater. Established lawns only need watering 1-2 times per week. Watering too frequently can keep roots shallow, which makes it harder for grass to survive drought. Rain counts as watering, so don't forget to factor that into your irrigation schedule.
2. Follow the odd-even schedule based on your address. If your house number ends in:
  - a. ODD numbers: water on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays
  - b. EVEN numbers: water on Sundays, Wednesdays or Fridays
3. Avoid watering during the hottest hours of the day—between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Keeping irrigation to early morning hours means more water makes it to your grass or garden instead of being lost to evaporation.
4. If you have automated sprinklers, don't set it and forget it! Adjust your settings to match the recommended schedule and be sure to turn them off when it rains. Soil can only hold so much water.



Enjoy a free outdoor showing of Wild Robot at dusk on August 8 in Centennial Park.



## Summer Fun Continues in August and September

Check out these programs with Waukee Parks & Recreation and save your spot at

**[Waukee.org/Registration](http://Waukee.org/Registration)**.

- Youth ages 9-14 can work on their golf swing at the Intermediate Youth Golf Clinic (\$90). Sessions are available on August 16, September 13, September 20. Registration closes 3 days prior.
- Learn fundamentals and a fun routine with Youth Cheerleading with Heartland Cheer and Dance, Saturdays, September 6-27. Sessions are open for ages 3-5, 5-7, 8-11 in this 4-class series for \$85. Save your spot by 9 a.m. on 8/29.
- Tumbling Tots 2 (ages 4-5), August 18-21, \$25 will get the wiggles out while strengthening balance and coordination. Registration closes on August 15.
- Grab some friends or coworkers and join the Coed Sand Volleyball league on Sunday evenings, 8/17-9/28, or the Pickleball League on Monday evenings, 8/18-9/29. Register your team by noon on August 6.
- Change up dinner with easy meals from Dinner Delights. In less than two hours on September 7, take six meals home to fill your freezer. \$145 includes all ingredients and supplies. Register by September 5.
- Explore WWII history in Iowa with our How Its Made day trip to Marshall County. \$85 includes bus transportation, lunch and museum entry. Register before August 5.

### Art & Library Fun

Play Bonus Bingo with the Waukee Public Library from August 1-23 and win prizes for a variety of library-related activities! Stop by the library or visit **[WaukeePublicLibrary.org](http://WaukeePublicLibrary.org)** to learn more. While you're there, enjoy miniature works of art in the Waukee Community Tiny Art Show. It makes a nice date activity or a fun outing for the whole family.

### Options for Seniors

- Bingo! Try your luck at bingo on Fridays at 1 p.m. at the Waukee Public Library. Save the dates: August 1, September 5, October 3 and November 7.
- Waukee Area Seniors and Police (WASP) meets August 27 at 9 a.m. in the new Public Safety Building at 815 NW 20<sup>th</sup> Street. Enjoy a light breakfast at this free event.
- Senior Tech Class: Setting Up Your Phone for Success at 10 a.m. on August 14 at the Waukee Public Library. Registration at [WaukeePublicLibrary.org](http://WaukeePublicLibrary.org) is requested but not required for the free class.

### Take a Walk

Check out the new, colorful sculptures on the trail near Tallgrass Lane and Grand Prairie Parkway. This is the first major installation from the City after completing the Public Art Master Plan. The fun geometric figures are a unique, recognizable point for Waukee that visitors and residents can enjoy.

Discover a new book with our Storywalk on the Heart of the Warrior Trail. Start near the Warrior Lane roundabout and head west along the trail to read the story as you walk.



**Registration opens September 2 for [Waukee Parks & Recreation](http://Waukee.org) fall and winter programs.**