# **Carter Lake Newsletter**

Hello again,

It is budgeting season and the City Council has more than the average number of meetings and work at this time of year. Our old city budget ends June 30<sup>th</sup> and the new budget must be set and certified by March 30<sup>th</sup> and will start July 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a very difficult and long process, as well as continuing to provide quality City services and necessary improvement with the money available. Please call me or contact a council member if you have questions or concerns about the budget.

One of my main goals when elected to this office was to assess and improve all of our Cities critical aging infrastructure. We contracted an engineering firm to aid in this process. The first step with the low river level is starting to replace water valves and fire hydrants while trying to keep the water service interruption to a minimum during the process. Please sign up for email reminders on the city web site. Watch for postings on the city's web site, the city's Facebook page, or news media outlets for alerts. Our goal is to have the damaged water valves replaced in the streets where the repaving should start this Spring. Also, if you own or know someone who owns rental property in town, please remind them to register for the rental home inspection. This is a new ordinance. There is a penalty for all rental property not registered for rental home inspections.

During this year's Fire Department banquet Dave Huey was named Fire fighter of the year and Diana Hite was named EMT of the year. Both are very dedicated to the department and this city is very fortunate to have them! I want to thank all the members for their service.

The city is planning and providing more programs and activities than ever before, Please follow the community calendar or watch for the post.

Sincerely,

Mayor Ron Cumberledge

# **FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS**

During the water main break that occurred earlier this month, the Maintenance Department encountered multiple water valves that do not function or continue to leak after being turned off.

Therefore, plans are in place for contractors to replace fire hydrants and valves along 13th Street over the next few months.

If your street will be affected by the scheduled repairs, the Maintenance Department will be responsible for posting a notice on your front door 24 hours in advance of the water being shut off.

If you have question or concerns, please call (712) 347-5952.



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# REMINDER TO REGISTER PETS

- Pet licenses are due yearly and expire on December 31st.
- \$10 fee for neutered or spayed pets and \$15.00 for each unaltered dog or cat.
- A \$5.00 late fee beginning March 1st.
- A copy of current rabies vaccination – must not expire for 60 days.
- Please bring to City Hall or if you are mailing please include s e l f - a d d r e s s e d stamped envelope.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS**

# PET REGISTRATIONS

- Starting January 1st at City Hall
- \$15 for intact cats and dogs
- \$10 for spayed/neutered cats and dogs
- Beginning March 1st there is an additional \$5 late fee added per pet
- Must provide proof of vaccinations
- Registration and use of tags allows Animal Control to successfully return pets to owners.

# **SNOW REMOVAL**

Please remember that all sidewalks must be cleared of snow and ice within 24 hours after the snow stops.

If you do not remove your snow and ice, the city may remove it and charge you per foot for removal plus a \$75 administrative fee. Please keep your sidewalks clear of snow and ice.

# SNOW EMERGENCY

If a snow emergency is declared by the mayor, the dates and times of the emergency will be broadcast on local radio and television stations.

If there is more than 4" of snow and the mayor declares a snow emergency, there shall be no parking on the streets, avenues, or alleys until the street is cleared.

You will be allowed to park on your yard until the street is cleared in front of your residence.

# DISPOSAL OF LARGE ITEMS

Do you have a couch, chairs, or appliances that need to go to the landfill? It is the owner's responsibility to contact Waste Connections and pre-pay the fee for pickup. Only after the fee is paid will the items be picked up on your next garbage collection day. These items should <u>not</u> be left on the curb until pickup has been scheduled. WASTE CONNECTIONS (712)527-5910.

# DO YOU NEED A RECYCLING BIN?

City Hall has blue Carter Lake recycle tub and lids available. City Hall will be recording addresses for each bin and write address on each bin to help prevent lost bins

# SENIOR CENTER EVENTS

### **FEBRUARY**

4th Walmart

5th Crafts

6th Bingo doors open at 5 p.m. Bingo at 6pm

13th Birthday-Valentines Celebration at Noon

17th Closed for Presidents Day

18th Walmart Trip 12:30 p.m.

19th Site Council Meeting

25th Movies

### **MARCH**

4th Crafts

5th Bingo doors open at 5 p.m. Bingo at 6pm

10th Walmart 12:30 p.m.

12th Birthday noon

16th Angels C.C. 10:30a.m.

18th Site Council Meeting

24th Walmart 12:30 p.m.



www.cityofcarterlake.com to complete registration & waiver

# Volunteer Fire Department Hosts Annual Awards Banquet

Laughter and applause kept the annual appreciation and awards dinner lively on Saturday, January 25. After the social hour and dinner;



members, spouses, retirees, and city officials were introduced and recognized.

Phillip Newton was honored for his 25 years of service with a watch presented by Mayor Cumberledge and a commemorative flag from the fire department.

Other 2019 awards presented were voted on by the members. Dave Huey was named the Firefighter

of the Year, Di Hite received the EMT Award, and Ben Kitt was awarded the Rookie of the Year. The evening ended with a gift exchange and the "OOOOPS" awards which were especially entertaining!

The city wants to thank all the volunteers and their families for the time they devote to our city. Please let people know how much we appreciate them for their service.



Officers presenting Phillip Newton with a commemorative flag. (I to r) Eric Bentzinger, Newton, Steve Life, Nick Walton, Todd Osterhout, Dianna Hite

# Are you ready to volunteer?

The Fire and EMT crews are always looking for new volunteers. Are you interested in becoming part of this great organization? Check out our web page for an application and more details.

http://www.cityofcarterlake.com/carter-lake-iowa-fire-department

# Short Term Rental Properties

Section 1. Amendment. Section 134.01.010 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding the following definition:

"Short-term rental" means the renting of any Dwelling for a term of less than ninety (90) continuous days."

Section 2. Amendment. The Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding and incorporating the following section:

"SECTION 134.14.050. SHORT TERM RENTALS. Short term rentals of any Dwelling in any residential zoning district are prohibited unless:

- 1. The unit is owner-occupied; and
- 2. The owner is residing on-site and present during the entire duration of the short-term rental; and
- The property has obtained a rental housing permit pursuant to Chapter 134 of this Code; and
- 4. The owner has paid hotel/motel tax for the first 30 days of the stay as required by this Code.

# Carter Lake Optimist Club Serving Maid Rites and Coney Dogs

Saturday,
March 7th
11 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
626 Locust St.
(Senior Center)
\$8.00 at the door or
7.00 advance tickets



Dinner Includes: Maid Rites or Coney Dogs, salad, bread and drinks Call 347-6102 for delivery

# Rental Housing Inspection Program

In an effort to ensure the provision of safe and sanitary rental housing for its residents, the City of Carter Lake has adopted a Rental Housing Inspection Program. The program is administered by the Building Inspection Department and its contractor.

More detailed information and forms for this program are provided on the city website at <a href="http://www.cityofcarterlake.com/rental-housing-inspection-program">http://www.cityofcarterlake.com/rental-housing-inspection-program</a>

# **Administrative Policy**

The Rental Housing Program Administrative Policy contains information on program establishment and administrative procedures for the program. This document also contains a list of items the inspectors will be looking for during inspections.

# **Registration**

Any housing unit which is rented (or being offered for rent) within Carter Lake's city limits must be registered with the city. Landlords must register new properties within 30 days of acquisition or within 30 days of putting a property out into the rental market. Unregistered rental properties face a \$100 fine per unit that is found

to not be registered.

The Rental Housing Registration Form must be submitted in-person or by mail to the Carter Lake City Hall at 950 E. Locust Street, Carter Lake, IA 51510.

# **Inspection Schedule**

The baseline schedule for the inspection of all rental properties shall be once every three (3) years. As a benefit to compliant landlords, properties that pass the first inspection, with no noted concerns from the inspector, will not need to be inspected for another four years. Rental properties that require three or four inspections to pass will be assessed fines for failure to meet the requirements.

City staff will contact landlords via mail with a notice of when their rental properties are scheduled for inspection.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

We understand that landlords and tenants have questions and concerns. Review the Frequently Asked Questions located on the website and if you still have questions, call City Hall at 712-347-6320.

# SPRING REGISTRATION

Thursday February 6th

6 - 8 pm

Saturday February 15th 10 am - 2 pm

Tuesday February 25th 6 - 8 pm

# **BLASTBALL**

4 year olds Fee is \$21.40 T-BALL

5 - 6 year olds Fee is \$26.75

# **COACH PITCH**

7 & 8 year olds Fee is \$32.10

# SOFTBALL & BASEBALL

9 & 10 year olds Fee is \$53.50
11 & 12 year olds Fee is \$53.50
13 & 14 year olds Fee is \$53.50
Adjustable ball caps available for an additional cost of \$15.00
(Registration fees includes uniform and tax)

# Register at Carter Lake City Hall, 950 Locust St

If you cannot make the scheduled signup times, feel free to drop of registration and payment at City Hall.

Please bring an original copy of the player's birth certificate; a passport or other legal documents showing date of birth is also acceptable.

Additional \$10 late fee per player if registration is received **AFTER** Tuesday, February 25th

Registration forms available online <u>www.cityofcarterlake.com</u>

# **Carter Lake Family Movie**



What: Playing with Fire (2019)

Where: Owen Public Library 1120 Willow Dr.
When: Feb. 22nd @ 2PM; Doors open @ 1:30 PM
Free of charge. Outside snacks are welcome. Popcorn and water will also be provided. Open to all ages!

Questions? Call Dan at 402-659-4475.

# SWING DANCING FOR SQUIRTS

**WHAT**: Dance Lessons including Couples Country Swing, Jitterbug, Line Dancing, and more.



**WHO**: Anyone up from teenagers, all the way down to kids and anyone else younger.

**WHERE**: FEEL GOOD FACTORY 2810 N 9th St.

WHEN: Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 P.M.

February 19th to March 25th

**COST:** NONE!

# Carter Lake Adult Prom

When: February 29, 2020 Who: CL Residents Ages 30 and Up We will be having an formal social, dance, and dinner for adults here in Carter Lake. Contact the Parks and Rec Department to get an official invitation with further details. Just provide your name, phone number, and home address. You can call 402-659-4475 or email to parksandrec@carterlake-ia.gov. There will be updates on the "Carter Lake Parks and Recreation" Facebook Page. You MUST present your invitation the day of the event to enter! Space is limited so let us know ASAP! Remember, it's never too late to go to Prom!

# **Carter Lake Family Movie**



What: FROZEN II (2019)

Where: Owen Public Library 1120 Willow Dr.

When: MARCH 7th @ 2PM; Doors open @ 1:30 PM

**Free of charge.** Outside snacks are welcome. Popcorn and water will also be provided.

Open to all ages!

Questions? Call Dan at 402-659-4475.



# CL MARCH MADNESS 3 V 3 YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Where: Carter Lake Elementary School Gym

When: March 14th, 2020 @ 8:00 AM—5:00 PM

This basketball tournament will feature two different brackets: For teams of 5th and 6th graders, and the other for 7th and 8th graders.

- Games will be played on two full, half-sized courts at a time.
- Each game will consist of two 15-minute halves with a 3-minute halftime.
- Each team will have three players on the court at a time, and may have a max of six total.
- They must have colored matching jerseys AND white alternate jerseys.
- A \$50 deposit is required for each team.
- Each team will be scheduled at least 2 games.
- An adult representative must also be present with the team.
- There will be awards for the winning squads at the end!
- Each team will need to complete the Registration Form below and turn it in at Carter Lake City Hall along with their \$50 deposit.
- Copies of the tournament rules and regulations will be available at the front desk.
- Registration deadline is March 6th at 12:00 PM.
- Following the deadline, each team will receive a copy of the bracket, schedule of the games, and a copy of the rules and regulations.
- If you have any other questions, feel free to contact Dan at 402-659-4475 or send an email to parksandrec@carterlake-ia.gov. Get all your friends together and come out for a fun day of basketball!

Return registration to City Hall 950 E. I	Locust St. with a \$50 Dollar Deposit before March 6th
Team Name:	
Players (Name and Grade in School):	
Adult Representative: Name:	
Phone Number:	Email:

# **City of Carter Lake**

950 East Locust Street Carter Lake, IA 51510 Phone: (712) 347-6320 Fax: (712) 347-5454

Website: www.cityofcarterlake.com COX **Channel 22** to view Council meetings, view reminders and

announcements.

### Find us on Facebook:

"Carter Lake City Hall"

### **MAYOR**

Ron Cumberledge (712) 347-6320 <u>CITY COUNCIL</u>

Jackie Wahl(402) 679-2116Jason Gundersen(402) 680-6555Pat Paterson(712) 847-0257Denise Teeple(712) 307-1161

(712) 355-0603

# Keebie Kessler **DEPARTMENTS**

**Animal Control** (402) 658-1722 Building (712) 242-6314 City Hall (712) 347-6320 Library (712) 347-5492 Maintenance (712) 347-5952 Parks (712) 847-0536 Police (712) 347-5920 Senior Center (712) 347-6102

# Carter Lakes Park & Rec will host FREE Open Gym at the CL school gym Every Friday 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. (through Feb. 28th) We will host intermittent games and activities Equipment will be provided. Individuals can be subject to expulsion for acts violence or harassment. Parents MUST sign-in their kids at drop off with a name and phone number.

# **Community Calendar**

### **FEBRUARY**

- 4 Soccer Signups 6-8 pm @ City Hall
- 6 Softball/Baseball Signups 6-8 pm @ City Hall
- 15 Softball/Baseball Signups 10 am 2 pm @ City Hall
- 17 City Council MeetingHoliday City Offices Closed
- 22 Family movie 2 pm @ Library
- 25 Softball/Baseball Signups 6-8 pm
- 29 Adult Prom (see page 5 for details)

### **MARCH**

- 6 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament
- 7 Optimist Club Dinner Made Rites and Coney Dogs
- 8 Family movie 2 pm at Library
- 16 City Council Meeting



VOLUNTEERS PROUDLY SERVING THE CARTER LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# PATROL

MEETINGS: 1st Sunday of each month

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Senior Center 626 Locust St.



# CARTER LAKE VILLAGE POST OFFICE

950 Locust St. (Inside City Hall)

# Services provided:

Purchase of Stamps and Flat Rate Boxes Large Box: \$21.10 Medium Box: \$15.05 Small Box: \$8.30 Envelopes: \$7.75-8.40 Stamps: \$0.55 each

# EDWARD F. OWEN MEMORIAL CARTER LAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY

1120 Willow Drive Carter Lake, IA 51510

PHONE: (712) 347-5492
FAX: (712) 347-5013
EMAIL: owenlibrary@cox.net
www.carterlakelibrary.com

### LIBRARY HOURS:

 MONDAY
 10 AM - 6 PM

 TUESDAY
 10 AM - 6 PM

 WEDNESDAY
 10 AM - 6 PM

 THURSDAY
 10 AM - 6 PM

 FRIDAY
 2 PM - 6 PM

 SATURDAY
 10 AM - 2 PM

A reminder that when the schools are closed for inclement weather, the library is closed as well. Visit our website for the full list of closing dates.











If you have a physical impairment which prohibits you from visiting the library, the library can deliver and pick up library materials to Carter Lake library patrons. Please call to request this service.

# STUFF A VALENTINE'S KANGAROO



Join us on Wednesday,
February 12th from 4:00 to 5:00
to stuff a Valentine's
Kangaroo! Space will be
limited to 20 participants,
ages 4 to 10. Pre-register by
calling the library.

# ADULT VALENTINE'S HEART CRAFT

Join us on Thursday, February 13th for the next Adult Craft Day! Space is limited to 12 crafters. Please call or stop in to see if space is still available. This month's craft will be a Valentine's Heart Craft!



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR UPCOMING EVENTS. LIKE US ON FACEBOOK OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 LEGISLATIVE COFFEL @ 11-12
2	<sup>3</sup> BOOK CLUB @ 11:30	STORYTIME @ 44	5	6	7	8
9	10	STORYTIME @ 44	12 KANGAROO STUFF @ 4-5	13 CRAFT CLASS @ 4:30-5:30	14	CLOSED
16	17 LOSED for Presidents' Day!	STORYTIME @ 44	19	20	21	22 LI GISLATIVI COFFEE @ 11-12
23	24	STORYTIME @ 11	26	27	28	29



The 2020 legislative session opened on Monday at the State Capital and I think that this session can be a success if lawmakers work together and keep focused on lowans.

As we go into another legislative session, I'm honored to serve my friends and neighbors in the lowa House of Representatives for another year. Instead of partisan gridlock and doing what's best for the special interests, the 2020 session must be focused on improving the lives of everyday lowans.

I intend to focus the 2020 Legislative Session on bringing better jobs to the community through increased job training and affordable childcare; improving healthcare by lowering the cost of prescription drugs and increasing access to mental health care; making lowa schools #1 in the nation again and expanding early childhood education; and revitalizing small towns and rural areas by investing in small businesses and increasing access to affordable housing for families.

On Monday during the Condition of the State Address our Trade Works Academy's students and staff enjoyed a little recognition for their great efforts in leading the way preparing youth to join a workforce that is desperate for dedicated skilled workers. I was able to meet with these bright young people and I am encouraged by their hard work, dedication, and ambition to creating a better future for themselves.

We are already off to a fast start this session with committees already assigning billings to work on. I'm currently working on two bills. The first is to help provide additional financial support for firefighters, EMTs, and Police officers who regularly have to pay out of pocket for training and certification. The second bill extends the sunset date of the lowa Cell sitting Act. This act deals with codes and regulations surrounding the use of public land for the placement of utility poles, wireless facilities, and new tower installations. Previously this Acts original sunset date was 7-1-2020.

Over the last year, I've been listening to Iowans to learn what's important to them. I encourage anyone with questions or ideas for legislation to contact me at the State Capitol in Des Moines. While I will be attending a number of public events at home on weekends, I can be reached anytime by email at <a href="mailto:Charlie.McConkey@legis.iowa.gov">Charlie.McConkey@legis.iowa.gov</a> or by phone at 402-676-0105. We've got a lot of work ahead, but I know we can find common sense solutions and work to have a successful legislative session.

The 2020 legislature runs 100 days and is scheduled to adjourn on April 21, 2020.

### FORUMS & LISTENING POSTS SCHEDULE FOR 2020 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

### Council Bluff's Chamber of Commerce Forums

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Wilson Middle School Auditorium 715 North 21st Street Council Bluffs, Iowa

**FEBRUARY 1** 

**FEBRUARY 22** 

MARCH 7

MARCH 21

APRIL 18

# **Carter Lake Listening Posts**

11:00 am-12:00 pm

Owens Memorial Public Library

1120 Willow Drive Carter Lake, Iowa

FEBRUARY 1

FEBRUARY 22

MARCH 7

MARCH 21

APRIL 18