

Carter Lake Newsletter

Hello Again,

Here is some updated information on the Community Center. This proposed building will house Parks and Recreation, the Senior Center and of course the Library, and will be the new hub for community activities. The hope of this new facility will be a rebranding of the old Senior Center; the word *senior* tends to imply a somewhat older generation and not the way people like to think of themselves. We are going way beyond “bingo” with this new activity center. Currently the attendance is flat at the Senior Center and we hope that by losing the word *senior*, building a modern activity center and concentrating on people age 50 plus, we will provide a greater value for the community.

During the day this facility will serve lunch and provide activities and transportation for those in need. In the afternoon and evenings, it will serve as an activity center for kids and families including a wellness center fitness room, a multipurpose area, library, gym & activity center. This will be a recreation hub with the existing outdoor track, splash pad and plenty of room for future improvements.

The projects estimated cost is \$3,932,343 and would be funded with the following funds:

Hotel Motel Tax	\$1,261,505
Gaming funds	\$1,026,200
Cell Tower funds	\$ 76,800
Smoke Signals funds	\$ 110,000
Total in savings	\$2,474,505

The Hotel/Motel tax revenues have accrued in savings over the past few years, due to the new and improved hotels which are attracting more commerce to the area; We now have \$1,088,005.00 in a reserve account for this project.

The city currently pledges \$410,000.00 to the Locust Street debt which will be paid off June 2020 year. If we continue with this payment and apply for grants, this project will be paid off in 6 years or less and it will not change the tax levy.

Please don't hesitate to contact a City Council member or myself with any questions or concerns about this exciting project, we all will be happy to assist you. Again my goal with the Community Center project is to provide the public with balanced and objective information. Remember the final decision-making will be in the hands of our citizens when you vote on November 5th at City Hall. *Sincerely, Mayor Ron Cumberledge*

YOUTH FISHING DERBY

Saturday, September 14th 9 a.m. to Noon
at Mabrey Park in Carter Lake

Rain Date: Sunday, Sept. 15

- ◆ FREE!! Equipment is supplied for pre-registered participants
- ◆ For kids 5 to 16 ONLY.
- ◆ Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Sponsored by Carter Lake Preservation Society
and Carter Lake Parks & Rec Department**

Register via email at parksandrec@carterlake-ia.gov

Must provide name and age of each participant

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Parking Regulations

Parking. No person shall drive upon or park a vehicle between the curbing of any hard surfaced street and the sidewalk, unless said area is hard surfaced with concrete, asphalt or any other hard surfacing, except during a declared emergency snow removal. “Hard surfaced” means concrete, asphalt or brick, “crushed run” rock, if the rock is no less than three (3) inches in depth and enclosed in a hard surface enclosure around the sides of the crushed run rock, by bricks, blocks, retaining wall or other solid wall confining and containing the crushed rock.

Residential Off-street Parking: All personal vehicles in one, two family and multi-family residential uses shall be parked or stored in the following manner:

All residential drives required and non-required parking surfaces shall be hard surfaced.

Pavement Requirements: Four (4) inches of Portland cement concrete or 4 inches of granular sub-base with brick pavers or use of asphalt material not less than 4" of asphalt shall be used.

Parking is permitted in the side yard or in the rear yard, behind the required front yard setback and must be contiguous with the primary surfaced driveway.

Parking requirements must be met without use of

public right-of-way.

Location of Parking for Recreational Vehicles, Trailers and Boats: Parking and storage of recreational vehicles, trailers and boats within residential districts is subject to the following additional conditions. These conditions are in addition to those requirements for parking of personal vehicles.

Recreational vehicles, trailers and boats must be maintained in a clean, well-kept state and owned by owner of the primary residence.

Recreational vehicles, trailers and boats may not be permanently connected to utility lines.

Recreational vehicles, trailers and boats may not be used for the storage of goods, materials, or equipment other than those items that pertain to the use of the vehicle.

Recreational vehicles, trailers and boats shall be parked outside of required front yard and street side yard setbacks.

Snow Parking: Upon the accumulation of four (4) inches or more of ice or snow or upon the declaration of such emergency situation by the Mayor, there shall be no parking on the streets, avenues or alleys until streets are cleared as described in this section.

Garbage & Recycling Pickup

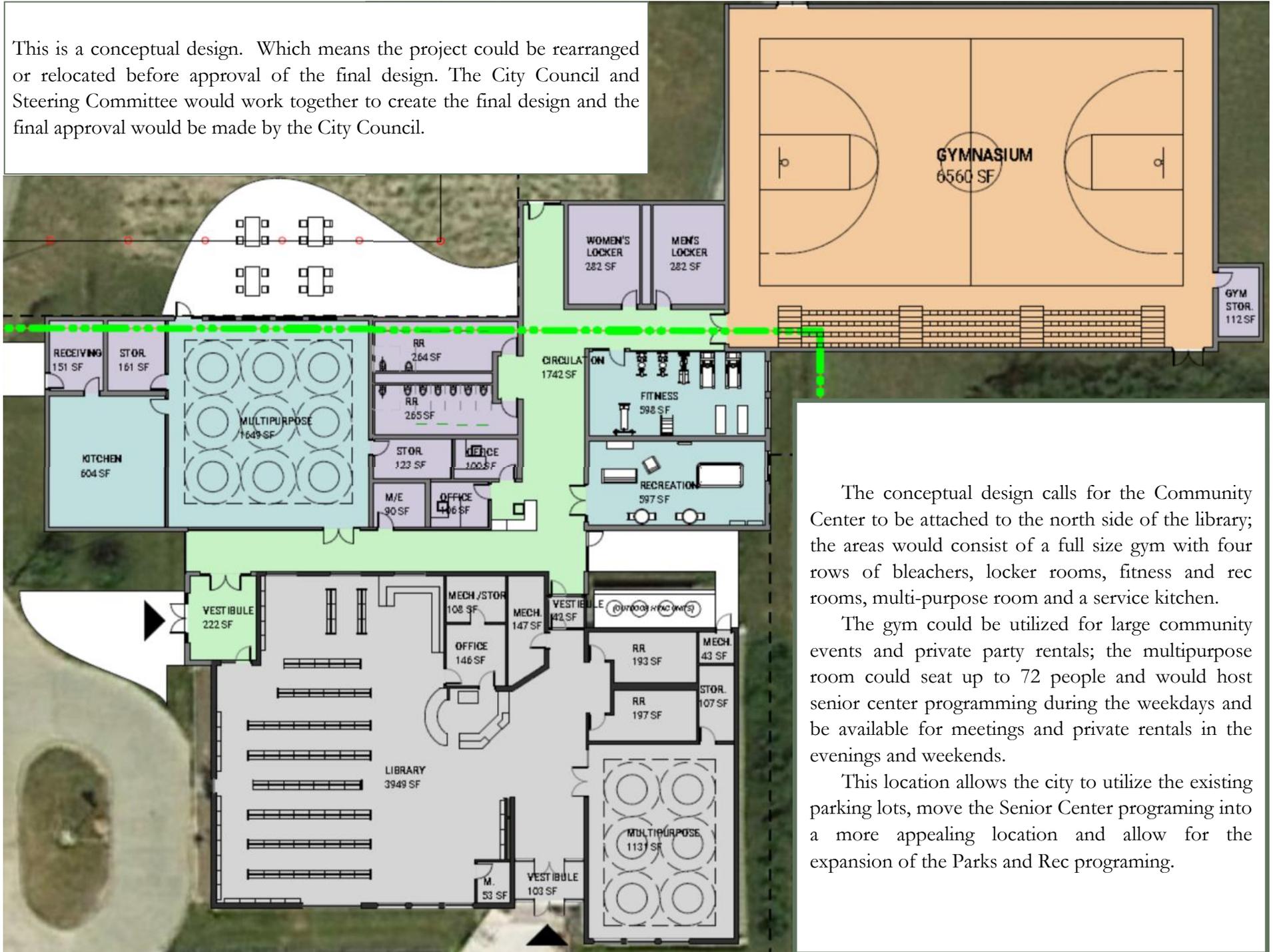
It appears that there has been some confusion and frustration with garbage collections. Waste Connections purchased the previous company and has agreed to abide by the original contract terms. To help clarify, I am providing the exact language under the contract.

- “Garbage”, as used herein, shall be interpreted to mean and include all waste, animal and vegetable matter, rubbish, trash, debris, tin cans, aluminum, paper and other waste materials generally, including articles ordinarily and customarily hauled away and dumped. Garbage shall also include any yard waste, which includes grass, leaves or branches.
- The Hauler specifically states it will not pick up paint or any type of liquid, concrete,

demolition, remodeling debris, automotive parts, dirt, or any commercial type items.

- The Hauler shall be required to take only that garbage and rubbish which is placed in containers and which shall number no more than five (5) 35 gallon refuse containers for a single resident. The Hauler is not required to pick up garbage or rubbish which is not in a proper container or to clean the garbage or rubbish from the ground or paving if the container has been turned over, tipped over or set on its side by any person or thing other than the Hauler.
- Any litter or spillage caused by Hauler during pick-up by moving properly prepared refuse from curb to dumpster to truck shall be Hauler’s responsibility to remove.

This is a conceptual design. Which means the project could be rearranged or relocated before approval of the final design. The City Council and Steering Committee would work together to create the final design and the final approval would be made by the City Council.



The conceptual design calls for the Community Center to be attached to the north side of the library; the areas would consist of a full size gym with four rows of bleachers, locker rooms, fitness and rec rooms, multi-purpose room and a service kitchen.

The gym could be utilized for large community events and private party rentals; the multipurpose room could seat up to 72 people and would host senior center programming during the weekdays and be available for meetings and private rentals in the evenings and weekends.

This location allows the city to utilize the existing parking lots, move the Senior Center programming into a more appealing location and allow for the expansion of the Parks and Rec programming.

Proposal: Carter Lake Community Center (CLCC)

On June 12, 2019, a group of volunteers, selected by the City Council met for the first meeting of Carter Lake Community Steering Committee. It became clear that the local community wanted more than just to maintain current programs. They wanted a Community Center that fosters healthy community interaction, creativity, collaboration and cooperation.

On August 21, 2019 the City Council hosted a community workshop to unveil the conceptual design for a future Community Center. The conceptual design was unveiled to help the community visualize what a future center could provide to Carter Lake.

We envision the Community Center fulfilling the needs and desires of the community. We envision dynamic programs and activities for all ages, from preschool to seniors. We see a coalition of organizations and non-profits who would benefit and support a wider range of events, entertainment and sports activities. We are committed to maintaining and cultivating the Community Center as a jewel of cooperation and sustainability in which we can all take pride.

We see cultivation of leadership, partnership, growth, and confidence, with fundraisers, activities, and programs tying the community together; a place for community members, visitors, and the generations to meet, mingle, network, and recreate.

CLCC proposal is designed to succeed without tax support, through the strength of community participation and control. All CLCC proceeds will cycle back into programs, activities, and Community Center operations.

Looking to the Neola Community Center and the Florence Community Center as examples, CLCC is dedicated to creating a sustainable, vibrant, inclusive community center in Carter Lake.

Who We Are

The Carter Lake Steering Committee along with the City Council are an assortment of young and old community-involved volunteers and residents, parents, grandparents, business owners

and nonprofit board members.

Overview:

A Community Center for Carter Lake

Carter Lake's a vibrant and active community with a varied and talented population and several not for profit organizations, contributing in valuable and important ways. What's missing is a community center, operated by the City, for the benefit of all. This is the vision of the Community Center of Carter Lake.

Mission:

- Serve all members of the community.
- Foster creativity, collaboration and interaction across generations.
- Demonstrate community values of stewardship, interdependence and independence.
- Create a coalition of partner organizations for greater efficiency and broader offerings.

Immediate Goals:

- Building community involvement and support.
- Creating long-term financial sustainability.
- Broad community representation and effective management.

Strategic Growth Areas

- Expand outreach in the community and scope of activities leading to increased use of the facilities and increase in revenues.
- Create a coalition of local organizations and non-profits that would result in a wider range of classes, events, community building opportunities, entertainment and sports activities.

Strategic Objectives

- Create strong local leadership.
- Support the health of the community through health and sports related programming, special events, and community services for all ages.

Financial Overview:

Using conservative revenue estimates based on our current savings, future hotel motel tax collections and agreements with Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; combined with extensive research and in-depth discussions with the Council, a balanced construction budget is projected:

<i>Community Center - Savings</i>	<i>1,088,005</i>
<i>Annual Hotel Motel Tax</i>	<i>173,500</i>
<i>Cell Tower Lease - Savings</i>	<i>76,800</i>
<i>Gaming Funds - Savings</i>	<i>501,200</i>
<i>Annual Gaming Funds</i>	<i>525,000</i>
<i>Annual Smoke Signals Funds</i>	<i>110,000</i>
<i>Grants and Loans</i>	<i>1,457,838</i>
<i>Anticipated Cost for the project</i>	<i>3,932,343</i>

COMMUNITY CENTER - SAVINGS

ACCOUNT: These funds are a result of a vote that occurred in November 1997, the citizens of Carter Lake voted to implement the Hotel Motel tax.

“Under Iowa Code Section 423A.7, a city that has lawfully established a hotel/motel tax must spend at least 50 percent of related revenues for "the acquisition of sites for, or constructing, improving, enlarging, equipping, repairing, operating, or maintaining of recreation, convention, cultural, or entertainment facilities including but not limited to memorial buildings, halls and monuments, civic center convention buildings, auditoriums, coliseums, and parking areas or facilities...or for the promotion and encouragement of tourist and convention business in the city or county and surrounding areas." Any remaining revenues may be spent by the city for any other lawful city purpose.”

Carter Lake has six (6) hotels within our jurisdiction; when the last two hotels opened in recent years, we experienced a significant increase in Hotel Motel tax collections. The estimated annual receipts are at \$690,000. These funds are divided as follows: General Fund 25%; Library 10%; Parks & Rec 40%; and Community Center 25%. The annual funds earmarked for the CLCC of

approximately \$173,500 will be used for the operations and maintenance of the Community Center building.

PONCA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA: In lieu of paying property tax the Mayor negotiated an agreement with the Ponca Tribe of Nebraska for annual payments in the amount of \$525,000 from Prairie Flower Casino. The Tribe also owns Smoke Signals tobacco shop and has an agreement to make annual payments of \$110,000 in lieu of property tax.

GRANTS AND LOANS: In June 2020, the Locust Street reconstruction bond will be paid off and the City Council plans to apply these funds towards the annual loan payments for this project; It is anticipated that it will take 4-6 years to pay off the note at \$400,000 per year. The City Council will also be working on applications for grants for the proposed project.

If you have questions or concerns, please call City Hall at (712) 347-6320 and we will provide contact information of council member or committee member to get your questions or concerns addressed.

***Please make plans to vote on
November 5th at City Hall.***

Sincerely,

***Carter Lake City Council and
Carter Lake Community Center Committee***

2019 Election on November 5th

City Council term is 4 years

New term effective date:

January 1st, 2020 - December 31, 2023

The Council Candidates are:

Nate Bradburn

Keebie Kessler

Pat Paterson



**Edward F. Owen
Memorial Carter Lake
Public Library**

1120 Willow Drive
(712) 347-5492

**STORYTIME EVERY TUESDAY
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10TH**
from 11 to 11:20 AM
Pre-registration is required!

CRAFT NIGHT!

This event is **FREE** and open to the public, but space will be limited to 12 crafters. Please stop in or call to see if space is available!

Thursday, September 19th:
Hanging Mason Jar Sconce

**Your library has partnered
with these organizations:**

LAURITZEN GARDENS:
Day passes available for check-out year-round to adult patrons over 18.

OMAHA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM:
75 single-use free Family Admission passes for check-out while supplies last.

FONTENELLE FOREST:
Day passes available (one per day/per location) for check-out to adult patrons over 18.



SEPTEMBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY!	3	4 COFFEE CLUB @10 AM	5 	6	7
8 	9 BOOK CLUB @11:30 AM	10 STORYTIME @11 AM	11 COFFEE CLUB @10 AM	12	13	14
15	16 	17 STORYTIME @11 AM	18 COFFEE CLUB @10 AM	19 CRAFT NIGHT 4:30 - 6 PM	20	21
22	23 FIRST DAY OF FALL!	24 STORYTIME @11 AM	25 COFFEE CLUB @10 AM	26	27 	28
29 	30					

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"Carter Lake City Hall"

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Ron Cumberledge (712) 347-6320

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

Community Calendar

SEPTEMBER

14 Fishing Derby @ Mabrey Park 9am to Noon

16 City Council Meeting @7pm @ City Hall

20 Movie Night at the Ball Park 7:30pm

27-29 City Wide Rummages (Ads due @ City Hall 9/25)

29 5k Run 10am - Noon

(Register @ The Feel Good Factory 2810 N 9th St)

OCTOBER

5 City Wide Cleanup Day

SEPTEMBER AT THE SENIOR CENTER

5 Bingo Night at 6 pm

10 Walmart Trip

12 Casino Night 3-6 pm @ Presbyterian Church

16 Angels Care Classroom @ 10 am

24 Walmart Trip

26 Movie Day

Carter Lake City Wide

**RUMMAGE ADS must be dropped off to
City Hall or emailed to**

clerk.assistant@carterlake-ia.gov

BEFORE Sept. 25th.

**Please include address, dates & times of
sale along with a list of items for sale.**

**Advertisement will be placed in the
Omaha World Herald and the Daily
NonPareil.**

**Printed Rummage List will be available at
Carter Lake Library, City Hall, American
National Bank, Kwik Shop and Casey's
General Store**

**Online at www.cityofcarterlake.com
and www.craigslist.com**



**Friday - Sunday
September 27-29**

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**CARTER
LAKE**

**clean
UP
Day**

*Saturday
Oct. 5th*



**KEEPING
Your home.
CLEAN**

GET INVOLVED

**RESIDENTS MUST HAVE ALL ITEMS
OUT ON THE CURB BEFORE
6 AM SATURDAY MORNING**

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Trees, shrubbery, carpet, fencing, poles, iron, etc. must be cut in 4' lengths, bundled, and cannot weigh more than 50 pounds per bundle; Garden waste;
- White Goods (Appliances) MUST be empty and door removed; water heater, stove dehumidifier, freezer, air conditioner, TV.
- **ALL TIRES** - Take to DUMPSTER located at City Maintenance Shop Saturday ONLY

MATERIALS THAT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

- **Construction and demolition material** (bricks, stones, concrete, concrete block or rubble, shingles, lumber, landscape timbers, siding, and drywall).
- **Liquids** (motor oil, antifreeze, paint, and household chemicals). Some service stations accept motor oil for recycling. Empty paint cans will be accepted if the drivers can see that the paint is dried or absorbed with a substance like cat litter or saw dust.
- **Hazardous materials** (flammables, propane tanks, auto parts, explosives). Auto parts should be taken to an auto salvage yard. Propane Tanks and Hazardous Materials may be dropped off to the Recycling Center, 4441 Gifford Road, Council Bluffs (712) 328-4985
- **E-Waste (electronics)**. The Recycling Center, 4441 Gifford Road, Council Bluffs, (712)328-4985. Drop off VCR's, DVD players, stereo equipment, clock radios, gaming equipment, computer towers, mouses and keyboards, input devices, scanners, video and surveillance cameras, fax machines and cordless phones for recycling (Cost 25 cents/lb).
- **QUESTIONS? CALL WASTE CONNECTIONS (712) 527-5910**

2019 Shop with a Cop Application:

MUST BE A CARTER LAKE RESIDENT TO APPLY

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Total Number of kids in household: _____

Currently on food stamps: Yes or No

Currently receiving WIC: Yes or No

If you are receiving a basket or a certificate from any other agency, we cannot duplicate services. We will be cross referencing names with other organizations.

Signature of applicant: _____

Shop with a Cop provides a fun filled day for a number of children in need throughout Carter Lake while creating positive relationships with law enforcement. This unique December shopping experience assists children and can deter them from choosing a life of crime or violence.

Each child/family will be assigned an officer to shop with. The children will be given a spending amount of \$125.00 each to spend on essential clothing items. These items include, coats, boots, shoes, hats, gloves, socks, underwear, jeans or any other clothing items you feel they need.

Of course it's not all about clothes. We would like to be able to use some of the money to get each child one or two toys. Electronic purchases such as tablets, iPads, cell phone or computers, will not be allowed.

Each family will also be going home with a food basket that will have all the fixings needed to bake and serve Christmas dinner for the entire family.

While every effort is made to assure all applicants will have a nice holiday, every family may not be able to be helped, depending on the number who applies and if you have received this benefit from our department in the previous years.

Applications must be turned in to the Carter Lake Police Station by October 25th, 2018.

Applications can be turned in to the station between the hours of 8am to 4pm Monday thru Friday.

You must bring the following copies with you when you apply.

- 1. Current picture identification for Carter Lake – Driver’s license or ID**
- 2. Social Security Cards for everyone in the household**
- 3. Proof of household income for the last 30 days**
- 4. Current utility bill, with Carter Lake address, in your name within the last 30 days**
- 5. Birth certificates for all children**

Failure to have all the listed information attached will disqualify your application.

Applicants must also be willing to sign a release form allowing the Police Department or News media to use images of the children taken during the event for publication.

If you have any question, please contact Capt. Driscoll at the Police Station.

Clothing: Please list 3 to 5 items your child/children need

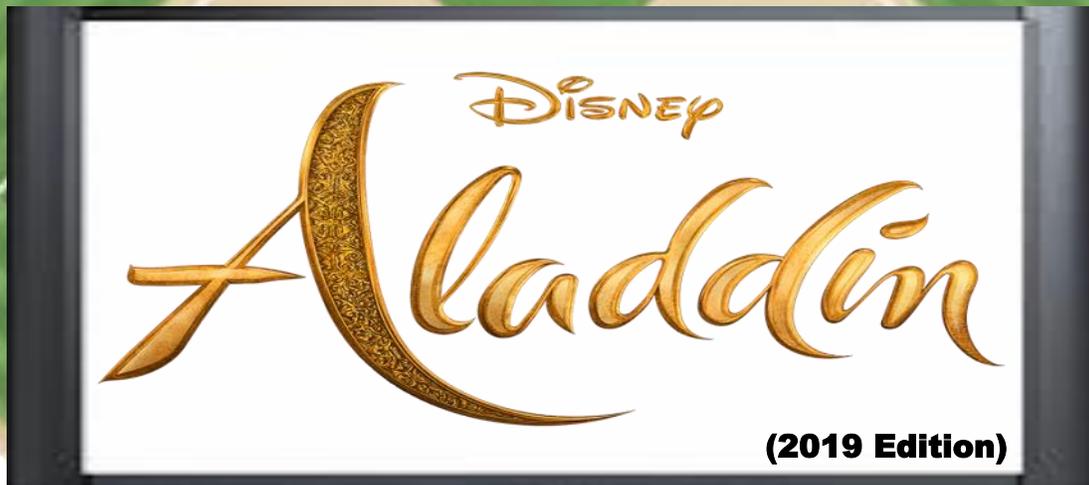
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Toys: Please list a couple toys your child/children want

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

The purchase of a family game may also be permitted if the child wants.

Carter Lake Family Movie Night



Where: Carter Lake Baseball Complex—Field 1 (the south field)

When: Friday September 20th; The field opens at 6:30 PM and the film will start at 7:30 PM and go until about 10 PM.

What to Bring: Things to sit outdoors (lawn chairs, blankets, pillows, etc.), optional snacks and drinks (popcorn and juice boxes will be provided), and Fall attire (light jacket recommended).

No RSVP required and open to all ages!

Call Dan at 402-659-4475 if you have any questions.

FUNDRAISER

SUPPORT the Optimist Senior Holiday Party & more!

Sunday, Sept 29th, 2019

\$25 Registration Fee

- Self-Start - begin anytime between 10a & noon
- Register, start/finish at THE FEEL GOOD FACTORY
- First 50 participants receive a gift
- T-Shirts provided
- Vendor Fair inside TFGF 10a-12p
- STARBUCKS Cold Brew Bike on site!
- Walk - Run - Bike
- Kid & Pet Friendly

Registration Forms available online & at TFGF
email tfgfactory@gmail.com or text 402.680.2964





Students Head Back to School with New Legislative Changes

For K-12 students, classes can begin on August 23rd. Since this falls on a Friday this year, many are starting the following week.

However, nearly all local school districts will face another year of belt tightening as Republican lawmakers approved just a minor increase in state funding this year. For the 9th time in the

last decade, the funding increase is below the cost of inflation which means many school districts will reduce course offerings, put off technology or book purchases, increase class sizes, and reduce their education workforce.

Districts with highest transportation costs will receive some new assistance this year, but it is not a long-term solution. Since some rural districts have a small number of students but geographically cover hundreds of square miles, they spend a large amount of their budget on transportation costs instead of in the classroom.

Some other educational requirements passed the Legislature in previous years, but take effect this school year. This includes trainings and protocols on suicide prevention training, concussion protocols with coaching training, and school emergency operation plans to address school safety.

New legislation raises the passenger limit on school vehicles that are vans, minivans, SUV's, or station wagons from the current Iowa law of eight to the federal limit of 10. Rules would allow pickups for up to 9 passengers and able to carry less than 2,000 lbs. to be used as school buses. The operator of the pickup must meet school bus driver qualifications. This was mainly done to help 4-H programs in hauling supplies.

High School Students Encouraged to Serve as Iowa Legislative Pages

The Iowa Legislature is looking for high school students to learn more about the legislative process by applying to serve as a Legislative Page in the Iowa House of Representatives for the 2020 legislative session.

Legislative Pages provide invaluable assistance to representatives and staff by running errands, delivering messages, and distributing bills and amendments. Pages will work with staff and representatives in the Iowa State Capitol building.

The Iowa House Chief Clerk's office will be accepting applications until Friday, October 4, 2019. Guidelines to the program include:

- Must be 16 years of age by January 13, 2020

- Uniforms are provided

- Living arrangements are unsupervised and must be found on their own

- Students are responsible for transportation to and from the State Capitol

- This is a paid position and excused absences are permitted

- Students are expected to be able to handle any school responsibilities

- Parental permission is required to participate in this program

For more details on the page program and how to apply go to, <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/careers>.

Resources Available for Consumer Restitution from Equifax Breach

State Attorney General Tom Miller announced that he reached a settlement, along with attorneys general from around the country, for restitution with Equifax. Equifax, the consumer credit reporting agency that is one of the three biggest credit reporting agencies, exposed customer data in 2017 that was determined to be the largest breach of consumer data ever.

The agreement will provide restitution for victims that had their data compromised as well as financial resources for the state. Equifax agreed to establish a Consumer Restitution Fund of up to \$300 million for consumer reimbursement. The fund may receive an additional \$125 million if the initial agreement is not enough to repay all customers. Anyone that is affected by the breach will also receive extended credit-monitoring services for up to 10 years.

The state of Iowa received an additional \$1.4 million that will be used for the Consumer Education and Litigation Fund. The fund can be used to educate the public about consumer fraud. The Attorney General may also use funds in the state to pursue consumer fraud lawsuits in the state. The fund also includes money specifically targeted to protecting seniors from consumer frauds.

Equifax also agreed to help consumers “freeze” and “thaw” their credit, help consumers to dispute inaccurate information in credit reports, and maintain additional staff to help consumers that could be victims of identity theft. Equifax will improve their data security team; reduce the collection of sensitive data and use of Social Security numbers; and reorganize and improve monitoring of their network.

Consumers that believe they are eligible for resources under the settlement may apply online, by mail, or by phone. Consumers may call 1-833-759-2982 for additional information. Additional information, including regular email updates on the Equifax settlement, can be found at www.ftc.gov/Equifax.

Suicide Rates Increasing in Iowa, Nationally

A report released by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) finds that suicide rates in Iowa and across the nation have risen by nearly 30% since 1999 and is the 10th leading cause of death nationally. The number of suicides in Iowa has increased from 449 in 2016 to 476 in 2017.

One big contributing factor in this alarming increase is mental health conditions, including those that affect children. This year, a bill that begins the process of creating a mental health system for children in Iowa has been signed into law. While the bill is a great first step in improving the system, many Iowans and lawmakers are concerned it does not include any additional investment from the state, causing a bigger strain on existing services and resources. In order to truly make meaningful and lasting changes to the system, it needs to be fully-funded.

Other contributing factors to the increase in the suicide rate include relationship problems, substance abuse disorders, a decline in physical health, job troubles, financial, and legal issues.

Because of the high rate of suicide in our state, the Iowa Department of Public Health has teamed up with the Suicide Prevention Resource Center to offer a free online course to better understand the data associated with suicide, with the end goal of reducing its prevalence in the state.

To take the free course, please visit <https://training.sprc.org/enrol/index.php?id=35>.

If you or someone you know is having thoughts of suicide, please visit www.YourLifeIowa.com for free and confidential help by online chat, text, or phone.

High-Demand Manufacturing Job Growth in Iowa

Advanced manufacturing is the largest business sector in Iowa and employs 215,000 Iowans, which is 14% of the workforce. Today, there are over 6,000 manufacturing companies in Iowa ranging including food products, agricultural products, and medical devices.

Iowa is an ideal place for manufacturing due to its centralized location with access to Interstates 35 and 80, large renewable energy industry, and low cost of land.

However, technology in manufacturing is changing quickly. Iowans need to be ready to adapt to the new technology and we need to continue to have an educated workforce that is ready for the challenge. Already, 82% of manufacturing jobs require a medium to high digital skill level.

The Iowa Innovation Council is working on an Iowa Manufacturing 4.0 plan which can be used as a corner stone for growing advance manufacturing in Iowa. In order to stay competitive, Iowa needs to invest in higher education, STEM fields, and training for workers who are already in the manufacturing field but need to advance their skills.

Please be sure contact me should have any questions or comments at

Charlie.McConkey@legis.iowa.gov .

-Representative Charlie McConkey-

STAY INDEPENDENT: A Healthy Aging Series

FREE SESSIONS!

Information and tips to help you remain *financially* healthy and safe.

Spot, Stop and Avoid Fraud

Tuesday, September 10 10:00 am-11:00 am

Top scams in Iowa, warning signs of scams, ways to protect yourself, and resources if you fall victim.

Stretching Your Dollars

Tuesday, September 17 10:00 am-11:00 am

Discover resources and ways to save money you may not have thought about.

Planning for the Inevitable

Tuesday, September 24 10:00 am-11:00 am

Explore funeral and burial-related options as part of your estate plan. Organize documents before a crisis to make your preferences known.

**Please register by
Monday, September 9**
by calling Linda Tice at the
Dahlheimer Senior Center
Ph. 712-347-6102

**Carter Lake Public Library
1120 Willow Drive, Carter Lake, IA**

Instructor
Sandra McKinnon, M.S.
Family Finance Specialist
ISU Extension and Outreach