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Hiawatha Fun Fest 2016



Thank you to the Hiawatha Community for a successful first annual Fun Fest event! We hope many of you had a chance to gather with family and friends and enjoy the numerous activities we had to offer. Many of our vendors were local non profits raising funds for their great cause!

The Hiawatha Fire Department had nearly 80 runners participate in their first Fireman's 5K with a few firemen running in full gear raising money for their causes.

The HiCREW Kiwanis club served over 100 pancake breakfasts and raised nearly \$600 in support of their Dictionaries For Kids Program.

We had 38 parade entries with numerous Hiawatha non profits, businesses, political candidates and organizations! Join us next year!

We hope you enjoyed the delicious food and beverages that Shriners, Ruby's Pizza, Girl Scout troop 5583, Kona Ice and the Women's Auxiliary had to offer! Shriners raised over \$1,200 for their children's efforts, the Girl Scouts raised \$500 for their troops upcoming activities, the Women's Auxiliary sold baked goods and raised \$70 in support of our veterans.

The kids activities area had hundreds of kids! Thank you to the Hiawatha Library, Marion Music Academy, Macaroni Kids, Lowes Kids Build, Hiawatha Kids League, Hiawatha Fire Department Obstacle Course, our Face Painter and everyone that participated in the Touch a Truck event. All of the activities were so much fun!

The Smash a Car fundraiser was put on by the Hiawatha American Legion. They raised nearly \$150 that will be sent to the Iowa Honor Flight Veteran program here in Iowa. We thank them for serving our country!

BINGO was a huge hit at the Red Pavilion. HACAP Food Reservoir in Hiawatha ran the game to raise funds for people in need and to continue supplying the metro area families with food, clothing and shelter.

We hope you didn't miss the Cedar Rapids Spirits, Not Quite Brothers, Felix and Fingers Dueling Pianos and Mad Chad Taylor the Chainsaw Juggler! We had a slight adjustment in the schedule and appreciate your cooperation! The evening was filled with fun and laughter!

How about those fireworks! Thank you J&M Displays! You put on one heck of a show to finish off the evening! We hope you enjoyed our last hurrah for the summer. See you next year for more fun!

This event wouldn't have been possible without all of the volunteers, non profits and sponsors! Farmers State Bank, World Class Industries, Mercy Care Blairs Ferry, Wright Way Trailers Inc., Metro Studios, Munson Electric Inc., Kerndt Brothers Bank, Personal Safety Corp, Cedar Rapids Toyota, Hawkeye Communications and the City of Hiawatha. THANK YOU!



North Center Point Road/Emmons Street/ Robins Road Intersection Improvement - Phase I - \$820,000

The first phase of the North Center Point/Emmons/Robins Intersection is approximately 80% complete and Robins Road has been reopened to traffic. Emmons Street west of North Center Point Road is now closed for final connections of the new water main and franchise utility conduit. A detour has been established on 4th Avenue to Willman Street and a 4-way stop has been temporarily installed at Willman Street and North Center Point Road. The project is scheduled to be complete with the final cleaning and seeding to take place in the next few weeks. The Phase II project is scheduled for construction later this year.



The project is funded with capital project funds, LOSST funds and water revenue funds.

North Center Point Road/Emmons Street/Robins Road Intersection Improvement - Phase II - \$2,813,000



Hiawatha awarded a contract to Rathje Construction Inc. from Marion, Iowa to reconstruct the existing intersection of North Center Point Road/Emmons Street/Robins Road. This project will move the intersection approximately 100 feet to the northwest. Construction will continue until Fall of 2017. Plan for changing traffic conditions which will include lane closures and lane changes. Two-way traffic will always be maintained on North Center Point Road.



The project is funded with capital project funds, LOSST funds and water revenue funds.

Asphalt Overlay Project on “B” Avenue between Clark Street and Tucker Street Completed in August - \$42,530

Hiawatha contracted with Pate Asphalt of Marion, Iowa to complete an asphalt overlay of “B” Avenue from Clark Street to Tucker Street. Cleaning and street repairs were completed in one day and the asphalt surface was completed the following week in one day.



The project was funded with the additional Road Use Tax dollars approved by the State last year.

Sealing of Pavement Joints on various streets in Hiawatha to take place in August and September - \$34,000



Hiawatha contracted with Illowa Construction to clean and fill over 20,000 feet of existing paving joints on various streets in Hiawatha. A sealer of soft asphalt material is applied to accommodate the concrete slabs expansion and contraction due to weather conditions. The sealers purpose is to prevent water, ice and dirt from getting into the joints which can cause freeze/thaw damage to the street during winter months. One lane of each street will be closed while the joints are routed and cleaned before the sealer is applied.



The project was funded with Road Use Tax dollars and is scheduled to be completed in August.

Water and Sewer Extension project nears completion in newly annexed area - \$1,280,000

Hiawatha contracted with Ricklefs Excavating Inc. from Anamosa, Iowa for the construction of the sewer and water main extension to the newly annexed area along Edgewood Road between Fitzroy Road and County Home Road. Over 5,000 feet of 12” water main, 2,700 feet of 8” sanitary sewer and 4,000 feet of 8” pressure line has been constructed. The new lift station is now under construction and scheduled to be completed in late September.

The project is funded with LOSST funds and capital project funds allowing for future economic development expansion.



Hiawatha Council Action

August 3, 2016

<p>RESOLUTION #16-161 approving and authorizing execution of a five year Development Agreement by and between the City of Hiawatha and Towers Edge, LLC.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-162 supporting the Hiawatha Fire Department in raising funds for the Muscular Dystrophy As-</p>	<p>sociation (MDA) in 2016.</p> <p>Motion approving the appointment of one Temporary Part-Time Fire Medic: Austen Seely.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-163 approving a Professional Services Agreement for design services in connection with the 2016 Boyson Road Trail Extension Project.</p>	<p>RESOLUTION #16-164 approving a letter of support to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in favor of a Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Study.</p>
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August 17, 2016

<p>RESOLUTION #16-165 approving sewer waiver on second water meter for 3031 Savannah Court.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-166 approving sewer waiver on second water meter for 3033 Savannah Court.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-167 approving sewer waiver on second water meter for 3043 Savannah Court.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-168 setting a public hearing date (9/7/16 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider amending Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 137 Vacation & Disposal of Streets §137.05 Disposal of Vacated Streets or Alleys by adding 4 portions of right-of-way previously vacated & disposed.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-169 approving & authorizing execution of an Agreement between the City of Hiawatha & Terracon Consultants, Inc. for on-call concrete & other material testing throughout Hiawatha.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-170 authorize the installation of a retaining sidewalk, benches & landscaping along the 4th Avenue railroad tracks for liability purposes; 744 feet of commercial four foot painted chain link fence including top rail, post & six gage meshes will be placed at the top section of the large riprap embankment, at a total cost of \$8,800, with Cook Fence Co. of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in connection with the License for Multi-Use</p>	<p>Pathway/Sidewalk Agreement between the City of Hiawatha & Chicago, Central & Pacific Railroad Company.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-171 approve Change Order #1 for the FY 2015-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Project with an increase in contract amount of \$13,380, resulting in a revised total project contract amount of \$823,649.93.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-172 approve Change Order #2 for the FY 2015-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Project with no change to the contract amount of \$823,649.93.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-173 approve application for Partial Pay Estimate #1 for the 2015-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Project, & direct City Clerk to make payment to Ricklefs Excavating Ltd., of Anamosa, Iowa, in the amount of \$412,739.33.</p> <p>RESOLUTION #16-174 approving a letter of request for joint metro & county funding for the I-380 Interchange Project.</p>
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September Calendar

- 04 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 05 Holiday - City Hall Closed
- 07 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 11 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 12 History Committee Meeting 1:30 PM
- 12 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:00 PM
- 13 Parks Commission Meeting 6:00 PM
- 13 Library Board Meeting 7:00 PM
- 14 Council meeting airs 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ch 4 (IMON) 7:00 PM Ch 18 (Mediacom)
- 18 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 20 Water Board Meeting 5:30 PM
- 21 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 25 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 26 P&Z Meeting 5:30 PM
- 28 Council meeting airs 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ch 4 (IMON) 7:00 PM Ch 18 (Mediacom)

October Calendar

- 02 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 05 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 09 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 10 History Committee Meeting 1:30 PM
- 10 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:00 PM
- 11 Parks Commission Meeting 6:00 PM
- 11 Library Board Meeting 7:00 PM
- 12 Council meeting airs 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ch 4 (IMON) 7:00 PM Ch 18 (Mediacom)
- 16 Farmers Market 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 18 Water Board Meeting 5:30 PM
- 19 City Council Meeting 5:30 PM
- 23 FINAL Farmers Market & Fall Festival 11:00-2:00 PM Guthridge Park
- 24 P&Z Meeting 5:30 PM
- 26 Council meeting airs 6:00 - 7:30 PM Ch 4 (IMON) 7:00 PM Ch 18 (Mediacom)

Fire Department Participates in Mutual Aid Department Training



The fire department routinely trains with neighboring fire departments. In July, Hiawatha firefighters were able to participate in a training burn and a mass casualty drill that was hosted by mutual aid departments. Six firefighters participated in a training house burn near Toddville that was put on by the Monroe

Fire Department. This training allowed some of Hiawatha's newest members an opportunity to practice their skills and extinguish practice burns. We also had several crews attend a mass casualty drill in Robins last month. The mock accident allowed our medical crews practice triage and treating patients that were involved in a mock school bus accident. Most recently both Monroe Township and Robins participated in a rural water supply drill as part of the August training. Both departments assisted by providing tankers to shuttle water to simulate what to do in case of a fire in a location that did not have fire hydrants.

These trainings are beneficial to all of the departments involved. It not only provides additional training opportunities, it also allows the members of the various departments to interact in a controlled setting. This working relationship is important to have in the case of large incidents where the fire department relies on equipment from other departments. The departments will continue to train together to ensure that everyone is prepared for any type of incident that may happen.

SAVE THE DATE!!

Hiawatha Fire Department will host the Annual **Hiawatha Fire Department Chili Supper**. The event will be held at the Hiawatha Fire Station, the corner of 10th and Emmons Street, on **Saturday, November 5, 2016, from 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM**. Come out and enjoy some great chili with fixin's, home-made desserts and hot dogs. If you're brave enough, be sure to test our super hot chili!



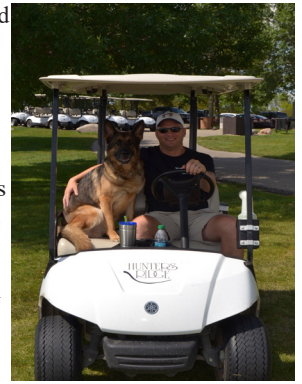
Smoke Detector and Battery Check Day!



The Hiawatha Fire Department will conduct their annual smoke detector and battery check day on Saturday, October 29. Firefighters will help those who need assistance with checking smoke detectors and replacing batteries. This is also a good time for you to review your home escape plan with your family and others in your house. Watch for more details and sign up information in next month's newsletter.

2016 Hiawatha Police K9 Golf Outing

On August 14, 2016 the Hiawatha Police K9 Unit hosted the 4th Annual Golf Outing at Hunters Ridge Golf Course. The proceeds from this annual event provide for the ongoing financial support and future growth of the Hiawatha Police K9 Unit. The Hiawatha Police K9 Unit was established in 2005 and has been funded and supported thanks to the generous donations of numerous individuals and businesses in the Hiawatha, Marion and Cedar Rapids communities.



This event has continued to be a great success and a fun event for the participants. Nearly all the teams that participated this year were returning teams from previous HPD K9 Golf Outings. About 75 golfers and volunteers attended the event and another 10-15 citizens and golfers from Hunters Ridge stopped to see us while we were there, several of which made generous donations. More than 50 area businesses and individuals sponsored the event either as a tournament, hole, team hole or raffle/auction prize sponsor. This event would not experience near the success if it was not for these sponsors, thank you for your support!

After golfing the teams and volunteers enjoyed a wonderful dinner catered and donated by Villa's Patio Mexican Restaurant. After dinner Silent Auction winners were announced and there was a raffle drawing for various prizes valued at approximately \$3,000. To conclude the day's activities K9 RESO and Officer Naaktgeboren performed a K9 demonstration showcasing some of RESO's various skills.



If you would like to know more about the Hiawatha PD K9 Golf Outing or the K9 Unit, please contact us at K9@hiawathapolice.com or follow us on Facebook at "Hiawatha Police K9 Unit."

Library Hires New Staff

Welcome JR Grawe to the library staff! JR has joined the library team as a part-time page (shelver). She hails from Wisconsin. She and her family relocated to our area within the past year. She is a graduate of Wartburg College and her work experience includes youth ministry and behavioral education. She and her spouse are also foster parents to a toddler, as well as parents to their two children ages 10 and 12. JR's family loves to travel and visit all parts of the United States. Her favorite down-time activity is reading (of course!) and she particularly enjoys reading non-fiction. She is excited to meet the community through her job at the Hiawatha Public Library.



HiBRAI Recap

The 14th Annual HiBRAI (Hiawatha Bike Ride Around Iowa) took place on August 13 and 14, cycling 55 miles from Clark Park in Hiawatha to Riverside Hotel and Casino! Riders rode back Sunday to Hiawatha totaling 110 miles for the weekend. The Hiawatha Friends Foundation had 161 riders participate and raised nearly \$4,000 in support of the Hiawatha Parks and Recreation children's programs and park updates. Thank you to the HiBRAI sponsors: Hiawatha Bank, NXT Bank, Northtowne Cycling and Fitness, Hausers Water, Hy-Vee, Pepsico and Culvers. Your support was greatly appreciated!



Touch a Truck



Fifteen AWESOME vehicles from around the corridor came to let kids honk, toot, beep and climb in and all over their favorite vehicles. Thank you to the following businesses who donated their vehicles and their time to this free event: Hiawatha Fire, Hiawatha Police, Hiawatha Public Works, Peck's Garden and Landscaping, ABC Disposal, Hawkeye Ready Mix, Darrah's, Altorfer Inc., HACAP, Uncle Stan's, Cedar Rapids Community Schools, Mr. Rooter and 5 Seasons Motor Sports.



Farmers Market Continues Through October

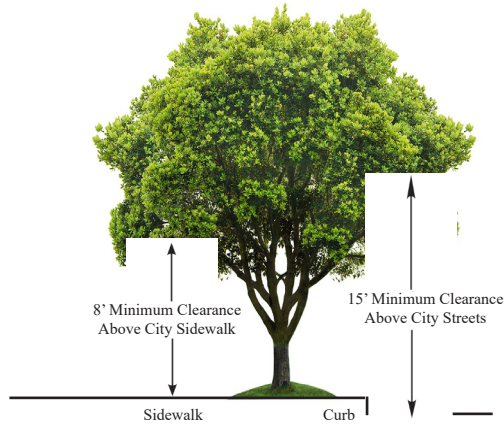
Although the Weekday Farmers Market has come to a close, the Hiawatha Farmers Market on Sunday's is still in full swing! Stop out at Guthridge Park 10th Ave parking lot between 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM to pick up your favorite fresh produce, handmade items and more! The market will continue through our Fall Festival celebration on October 23. Children are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes and trick or treat to the different vendors and participate in crafts and activities! Come meet your neighbors and enjoy the market!

The History Committee sends out a special thanks to the Hiawatha Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and the American Legion for placing the American Flag along the streets on the Holidays.



Another Good Neighbor Policy

Most city ordinances are enacted to facilitate citizens living together in harmony. One such ordinance in Hiawatha is tree ordinance #151. This ordinance describes how to manage and trim trees when they encroach on the public right of way. This picture illustrates the specific clearance requirements.



We are requesting all citizens of Hiawatha be good neighbors and keep your trees and shrubs trimmed along the public sidewalk and street.

Firefighter of the Month

We are going to feature one of our newer firefighters this month. Firefighter Daniel Walter joined the fire department in October of 2015. He moved to Hiawatha from Independence, to attend Kirkwood College. In Independence, Daniel was a fire department explorer and came to Hiawatha with Firefighter and EMT certifications. Because he lives close to the station and has a fairly open schedule, Daniel has consistently been one of the most active firefighters on the department. In fact, as of July he has been to over 400 calls this year. That is more than anyone else on the department. That equates to about the equivalent of four years experience as a volunteer.



We also want to congratulate Daniel on his admission to the University of Iowa's Emergency Medicine Learning Resource Center's Paramedic Program. Daniel will be attending classes, labs and internships for almost a year before taking the National Registry test to become a full fledge paramedic. Once he completes his training, he will undergo orientation here in Hiawatha, demonstrating skills, passing protocol tests and demonstrating competency on calls before being allowed to work on the streets as a paramedic. Daniel will become one of 13 paramedics currently on the fire department.

If you would like more information regarding becoming an EMT, joining the fire department, or becoming a fire department explorer, please contact 319-393-4180!

Summer Reading Program Winner

Congratulations Olivia!

Olivia was the winner of the Summer Reading Program at the Hiawatha Public Library. Olivia won the opportunity to tour the police department and ride in a police car. She was super excited and asked what any sister would, "Can my brothers come?" Olivia and two of her brothers toured the police department and had fun seeing the inside of a police car. They especially liked turning on the emergency lights and sirens. Keep up the good work Olivia! Readers are Leaders!



Snowbirds and Vacationers



Snowbirds and vacationers should contact the Police Department to complete a house check form providing contact information while you are away. The house check form is available on the city website at www.hiawatha-iowa.com, or at the police department during normal business hours, Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Emergency contact, license plates of vehicles at the residence and other pertinent information is needed to complete the form. While you are away, officers can check the exterior of the residence to ensure all appears to be in order. This service is free and we encourage you to take advantage of the program. You can feel secure knowing your residence is being checked while you are away and the police department can provide additional security for you and your neighborhood.

Water Department Note: Don't forget to call the Water Department to hold your bills, forward your bills, or turn off your water while you are away. Call us at City Hall at 319-393-1515.

The Hiawatha History Committee Presents

"Did You Know" the history behind Hiawatha street names?

Bowler Street

Bowler Street was named after George Bowler, a former Hiawatha mayor serving multiple terms between 1958-1993. Bowler also owned a construction business in town.



Chaffee Drive

Chaffee Drive was named after the Chaffee family. The Chaffee women worked at a cafe in the old Quonset building and the Chaffee brothers worked as welders with Hiawatha's founder Fay Clark.

The Hiawatha History Committee sends out a big Thank You to the anonymous person who donated newspaper articles about Fay Clark.

If anyone out there has historical documents, photos or other artifacts you would like to donate to the History Committee, bring those to City Hall at anytime.

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Junge Automotive Group Grand Opening

City representatives and Hiawatha Economic Development Corporation members welcomed Junge Automotive Group to Hiawatha on Saturday, July 30, 2016! Junge Automotive Group celebrated their new location at 1200 Boyson Road with a grand opening and ribbon cutting. Help us welcome them to Hiawatha by checking out their new location!



Want to Receive Notifications on City Events, Construction and Weather Related Information?

It's easy, just sign up on the Hiawatha website.

Be the first to know about snow emergencies, leaf pick-up, deadlines, events, announcements and more! Subscribe to city text alerts.

Visit the Hiawatha website at www.hiawatha-iowa.com. Scroll down to the very bottom of the home page where it says, "Stay Current." Click on the "Get Alerts" button where you will register your name and email address to subscribe to Hiawatha's notification system.

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