



The Hiawatha Business Summit, held February 27, was a resounding success, drawing a large turnout for business owners looking to build effective marketing and get a good return on that investment.

The first series of the 2024 quarterly summit was sponsored by the Hiawatha Economic Development Corporation (HEDCO) and the Cedar Rapids Metro Economic Alliance.

The summit was held at Metro Studios, 1350 Sherman Road, Hiawatha. Metro is a marketing and advertising agency that helps many businesses, from small to large companies (Fortune 1000). They work in the digital marketing space, on social media, build and market websites, help create content and manage traditional marketing plans that include TV commercials, outdoor advertising and radio ads.

Kirk Hayden, VP and owner of Metro is a ten-year member of the HEDCO board. Metro Studios started 39 years ago in eastern Iowa and built their current studio in Hiawatha.

"And I can tell you it's been an amazing venture and adventure for us being in Hiawatha over the past 24 years or so," Hayden said. "Hiawatha is a great place to do business and continue to do business and grow."

Metro's presentation was titled, "Are You Wasting Your Marketing Dollars?" Metro's staff explained the intricacies of marketing, with a particular focus on identifying the right digital platforms to maximize measurable success. The presenters said that many businesses construct a marketing plan that doesn't align with their audience or uplift their product, and can lose dollars doing that.

The digital marketing strategists told the audience, made up of business people from Hiawatha, Cedar Rapids and Marion, that results should show a good return on investment. They gave examples of what kind of marketing plan might be best for light manufacturing versus a technology company. They explained the many ways to measure effectiveness and how to break down those digital measurements by tracking "clicks" or "impressions."

The Metro Studios staff also talked about how people search for products or businesses on the internet, using Google search, and the difference between organic searches and paid sponsorships.

They cited data that showed that website design is extremely important - 94% of first impressions are made from a company's website design. They also showed that 54% of website traffic comes from a mobile device and a company's website needs to be visual and adaptive to those devices. The next Hiawatha Business Summit is May 21 at Prairiewoods and will focus on health care issues in the workplace. For more information, to register for that upcoming summit and to watch the full video of the February event, go to the HEDCO website at [www.hedco.org](http://www.hedco.org). If you have questions about economic development in Hiawatha, you can contact Liz Mathis at [lmathis@hiawatha-iowa.com](mailto:lmathis@hiawatha-iowa.com)

## WELCOME JILL WEIGEL



Welcome New City Council Member, Jill Weigel! Jill is a graduate from Iowa State University, University of Iowa and University of Northern Iowa and is currently employed as a Forensic Interviewer. She has been a Hiawatha resident for over 10 years and is excited to think about what is yet to come for the City of Hiawatha. Jill knows that Hiawatha will keep changing quickly and loves to be a part of supporting and helping with that development. Jill has said, "I want Hiawatha to be a place that people choose to be, now and in the future and would be honored to serve Hiawatha on city council." Welcome Jill!



Please join us for a  
**RETIREMENT  
 CELEBRATION**

honoring  
**PATRICK PARSLEY**

on the occasion of his retirement after 10 years of  
 dedicated service to the City of Hiawatha  
 Community Development Department

**Open House:**  
 Friday, May 3 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM  
 Presentation at 3:00 PM  
 Hiawatha Community Center  
 101 Emmons Street, Hiawatha, IA

**OFFICER MELSA-WHITED'S RETIREMENT FROM HIAWATHA POLICE DEPARTMENT**



It is with a full heart that I announce the retirement of a valued member of the Hiawatha Police Department. After 20 years of service Officer Melsa-Whited is retiring from law enforcement on March 22, 2024. Officer Melsa-Whited began her career with the Hiawatha Police Department in December of 2003. She attended the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy and began solo patrol in the spring of 2004. In March of 2005, Officer Melsa-Whited was selected to become the department's very first K-9 handler. Officer Melsa-Whited, and K-9 Mod, received specialized training and as a pair investigated countless narcotics violations and searches for wanted persons both within Hiawatha and in the metropolitan area with other agencies. After serving this community for 7 years Mod retired to a comfortable lifestyle at home. Officer Melsa-Whited transitioned from patrol work to watch desk in 2012 and has likely been your first point of contact when reaching out to the HPD. When I asked Officer Melsa-Whited to share some thoughts on the last 20 years she responded like a true veteran of the department. She responded, "reflecting on the past two decades, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunities, challenges, and growth that this profession has offered me. I joined this department with a deep sense of commitment to public safety and a passion for serving the community. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Hiawatha community I served for their trust and cooperation. It has been an honor to be a public servant and I am grateful for the experiences that have shaped my career." The Hiawatha Police Department will forever be grateful for the service Officer Melsa-Whited has given this great community. Hiawatha is undoubtedly a better place for her time with us. We wish Officer Melsa-Whited the very best as she closes this chapter of her life and opens a new one! We will miss her!

*Chief Ben Kamm*

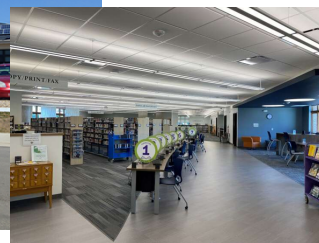


**HIAWATHA PUBLIC LIBRARY SEEKING BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER**

If you love the Hiawatha Library and want to see them continue their mission to "strengthen the community and improve the quality of life by: providing resources and programs that foster the creation of young readers, serving as a central source of information about programs, services, community agencies and organizations and welcoming new immigrants and refugees" then we would encourage you to join the Library Board and help make a difference in your community!

The Board meets monthly on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM. Major functions of the Board include:

- Hire and evaluate the library director
- Set salaries and benefits for the library's personnel
- Participate in the budget process and secure adequate financial support for the library's operations and services
- Set policies for the library's operations and services
- Engage in planning for the library's future
- Ensure library director and staff participate in training and continuing education
- Participate in Board training and educational opportunities
- Ensure the library's involvement in State Library, Library Service Area, and Metro Consortium initiatives.



For more information contact Chris Stoner, Director of Hiawatha Public Library cstoner@hiawatha-iowa.com (319) 393-1414



## ANOTHER GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICY

**PUBLIC NOTICE:** In accordance with City Ordinance section 50.08 this article shall serve as notice to all property owners. Failure to control weeds and grass may result in further action by the city without further notice from May 1st through September 1st.

The Hiawatha City ordinance 50.02 (10) requires property owners to keep grasses mowed so that grass and weeds are less than 8 inches in height. This includes the individual lot, along with parking adjacent thereto, alleys, public ways or areas up to the centerline of said ways.

By maintaining the grass and weeds to the required height it will help eliminate certain health and safety concerns. An additional benefit to proper lawn maintenance is the enhancement of our storm water management.

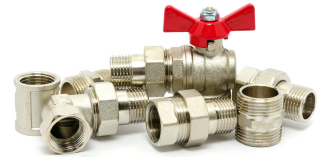
- Grass and weeds should be kept at 8" or less. The recommended grass length is 3". When your lawn is 3" tall, it allows water more time to absorb into the soil versus running into the street or onto the sidewalk and towards the storm drains.
- Grass clippings should never go into the street.
  - This clogs storm and drains and affects the quality of our water and,
  - creates a serious safety hazard for cyclists.
- Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces. All drainage needs to be dispersed on your own property. This helps to prevent pollutants such as motor oil or detergent from entering our water sources.

## EXERCISE YOUR WATER VALVES

Another good reminder for our water customers is to exercise the valves near your water meter this spring. Typically, you will find two valves. One on either side of the meter. The valves are there to isolate the water meter, should there be a need to remove it or replace it. The valves are also there in the event you should experience some kind of a water leak within your property. Should you find yourself in this circumstance you can close either valve to stop the leak from continuing. Hopefully, by doing this, you are preventing property loss and a higher water bill due to a leak after the water meter. Closing the valves slowly and reopening them will keep the passage ways clear allowing for proper closure and sealing. Exercising these valves could prevent them from seizing up or malfunctioning when you need them most.

The Water Department can also assist in locating your curb stop and turning it off to stop the flow of water when you have an emergency water leak within your home or business. However, when these circumstances happen outside work hours it could take some time to get an individual to your location to assist you along with an after-hours charge. But, with properly exercised water valves an issue could be resolved sooner with less cost.

Questions about water valves or curb stops? Call the Hiawatha Water Department at 319-393-5556.



### Preschool & Kindergarten **REGISTRATION** 2024-2025 School Year

Building Bright Futures!

Kids deserve the best education. At CRCSD, our preschool and kindergarten programs lay the foundation for school success and a lifetime of learning.

Our classrooms provide a safe and nurturing environment where students are embraced, educated, and empowered to be future-ready.

**ENROLL NOW**

MORE INFO  
[www.crschools.us](http://www.crschools.us)

### CRCSD Preschool & Kindergarten Registration Now Open

Your child deserves the best education. The preschool and kindergarten programs at Cedar Rapids Community School District lay the foundation for school success and a lifetime of learning. Classrooms provide a safe and nurturing environment where students are embraced, educated, and empowered to be future-ready. CRCSD will offer FREE full-day or half-day 3 and 4-year-old preschool classes this fall. These classes are filled on a first come first serve basis. Your student is eligible to apply for preschool for the 2024-2025 school year if they are turning 3 or 4 years old on or before Sept. 15, 2024. Full-day kindergarten is offered at all CRCSD elementary schools Monday through Friday, 8:50 AM to 3:50 PM. The elementary school your child will attend is determined by your home address. Busing is offered to eligible students. To enroll in kindergarten for the next school year (2024-2025), your child must be 5 years of age on or before September 15, 2024. We look forward to welcoming your student to CRCSD this fall! Get more information and enroll at [crschools.us/enroll](http://crschools.us/enroll).

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is sending free books directly to the homes of 150 Hiawatha kids aged 0-5. Register now so your child can start building their home library, too!



[www.hiawathapubliclibrary.org/imagination-library](http://www.hiawathapubliclibrary.org/imagination-library)

### HIAWATHA HISTORY COMMISSION

#### Show off your Hiawatha knowledge!

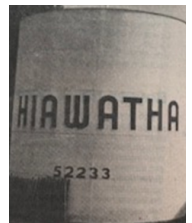
Do you know what happened to Hiawatha's first water tower when it was removed from the top of the original City Hall on September 6, 1982?

#### Answer to March History Mystery

Grandmother Oak, the oldest tree in Prairiewood's Franciscan Spirituality Center, is estimated to be 300 years old. She is located in the back of their property. She is well loved by their guests who enjoy visiting her often. She was minimally damaged during the derecho and continues to stand tall and proud.

How do YOU want to celebrate Hiawatha's 75th anniversary in 2025?

Call Marilyn with your answers and suggestions at 319-721-7077





**STAY UP TO DATE WITH PROJECTS AND DETOURS AT  
WWW.HIAWATHA-IOWA.COM UNDER THE "LATEST NEWS" SECTION**

**12th Avenue & Boyson Road Schedule**

Construction is set to begin on Monday, April 1 at the intersection of 12th Ave and Boyson Rd. The contractor will begin with temporary lane widening on the south side of the road as well as temporary access driveways to Junge Automotive and Toyota dealerships. After the temporary pavement has been placed, the north half of Boyson Road will be closed with all traffic shifting to the south. This will allow the contractor to construct the north half of the roundabout and connection to North 12th Avenue. This phase is expected to be completed around June 14. Once the north half has been completed, the south side of the roadway will begin construction. Phase 2 is expected to be completed by August 30. All final tie-ins and completion of the project should be completed by October 11.

**Boyson Road from Hawkeye Drive to Robins Road**

The City will be hosting a public open house for consideration of a new alignment and layout for Boyson Road from Hawkeye Drive to Robins Road. This Open House will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 from 5:00 - 6:00 PM, located at City Hall Multipurpose Room, 101 Emmons St. All are welcome to attend and provide input on the conceptual layout.








**PROGRESSION OF FIRE STATION NO. 2**



**April showers might bring May flowers, but spring in Iowa can also bring floods, thunderstorms and tornadoes, sometimes simultaneously. Here's what you need to know about severe weather hazards.**

**Understanding Severe Weather Hazards**

<b>Tornado</b> 	Tornadoes are violently rotating columns of air that can destroy buildings and cause significant injury or death <b>ACTION:</b> Take shelter immediately in a sturdy structure
<b>Large Hail</b> 	Hail can damage vehicles, crops, buildings, and cause injuries <b>ACTION:</b> Move indoors away from windows
<b>Strong Wind</b> 	Strong wind can knock over trees and damage buildings <b>ACTION:</b> Move indoors away from windows
<b>Heavy Rain</b> 	Heavy rain can cause flash flooding <b>ACTION:</b> Avoid rising creeks and water-covered roads
<b>Lightning</b> 	Lightning strikes can cause significant injury or death <b>ACTION:</b> Move indoors if you hear thunder

**WEEKEND**

**BBQ**

**SAFETY TIPS**

Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors and NEVER be left unattended.

Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it

Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area. Remove flammable materials from around the grill

Grills should be placed well away from the home and deck railings and out from under eaves

in multifamily dwellings grills are not allowed on decks and must be 10ft away from the structure when in use.

THE HIAWATHA FIRE DEPARTMENT





Register your garage sale at <https://bit.ly/Hiawatha-Parks-Rec>  
 Deadline to have your address included on the list is April 29th.

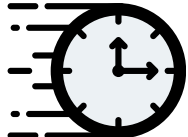


Snapology provides fun, hands-on STEM experiences for students in kindergarten through 5th grade. From Robotics to Engineering to Animation, there's something for everyone! Your child will use LEGO® bricks, K'Nex and technology to make learning fun.

**Madrigal Magic Workshop • Ages 5-12**  
**Monday, April 22nd • 1pm - 4pm • \$36**  
 In this Encanto-inspired workshop, your learner will embrace their inner magic and develop models that represent the qualities that make them special while putting their imaginations to the test! Your learner will walk away from this workshop with a concrete idea of how they would fit into the magical Madrigal family and how they would help the community with their special gifts. Most importantly, they will be challenged to develop their engineering and critical thinking skills in a very fun way.

**Training Dragons Workshop • Ages 5-12**  
**Monday, April 22nd • 1pm - 4pm • \$36**  
 Enter the world of Vikings and dragons in Snapology's Training Dragons workshop inspired by How to Train Your Dragon™! Children will help Toothless fly, create a map, and become a certified dragon rider in this fun, dragon-run fantasy land!

Register today!  
<https://bit.ly/snapology-hiawatha>



# DEADLINES ARE APPROACHING

## HIAWATHA SOCCER

May 29 through June 27

AirFX Soccer Fields | Ages 3 - 4

Introduce your child to organized soccer in a friendly and non-competitive environment. Coaches will help players learn a variety of skills including ball control, shooting, passing, teamwork and sportsmanship. Hiawatha Soccer offers a lot of fun for players as well as parents. Sessions will consist of practices and scrimmages. Coaches needed! Register today at <https://bit.ly/Hiawatha-Parks-Rec>



Day	Time	Fee	Deadline
Mon/Wed	6:00 - 6:30pm	\$30	May 5
Tues/Thurs	6:00 - 6:30pm	\$30	May 5

## REC UNITED SOCCER

Wednesdays, June 12 - July 31

Tuma Soccer Complex | Ages 5 - 10

Hiawatha, Marion and Cedar Rapids Parks and Recreation Departments have combined to bring you a recreational summer soccer league for all ages and abilities. Focus will be placed on learning age appropriate skills and fundamentals to better enhance the players ability and understanding of the game of soccer. An emphasis will be placed on teamwork and good sportsmanship by all involved. If your child is looking for a summer soccer program, this is the league for them! Shin-guards required and cleats are recommended. <https://bit.ly/Hiawatha-Parks-Rec>

Time	Fee	Deadline
Games scheduled at 6 or 7pm	\$45	May 5

## RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE

Saturday, April 20 | 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Hiawatha Community Center | Age 11-15

Register today at <https://bit.ly/Babysitters-Training>

American Red Cross Babysitter's Training will provide youth who are planning to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care for children and infants. This training will help participants to develop leadership skills; learn how to develop a babysitting business, keep themselves and others safe and help children behave; and learn about basic child care and basic first aid. Participants are required to bring a sack lunch.

As a caregiver, family member or friend of someone facing memory loss, you know how tough the experience can be. That's why the Hiawatha Public Library has partnered with Country House Residence to offer a monthly Caregiver Support Group. It will be facilitated by Dawn Riley, Senior Living Consultant and Certified Dementia Practitioner with over 20 years' experience. While no book or training can fully prepare you for the experience, together, we will learn strategies, offer advice and support each other in our journey.

2nd Saturday of each month | 1:00 - 2:30 PM

Hiawatha Public Library | Glenn Schminke Room 103.2  
 150 W Willman Street, Hiawatha

# VOLUME 189

April Calendar

- 01 Preschool Storytime 10:00 AM
- 03 Mahjong 2:00 PM
- 03 Friendship Craft Club 6:00 PM
- 04 Scrabble Club 1:00 PM
- 04 Mystery Book Club 2:00 PM
- 05 Music and Movement 10:30 AM
- 06 Jump Over Things Day 10:30 AM
- 07 Pound Fitness 6:00 PM
- 08 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM
- 08 Scrabble Club 5:30 PM
- 09 Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM
- 10 Expressive Arts 10:00 AM
- 10 Mahjong 2:00 PM
- 10 Friendship Craft Club 6:00 PM
- 11 Scrabble Club 1:00 PM
- 13 Pied Piper Concert 9:00 AM
- 13 Caregiver's Support Group 1:00 PM
- 15 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM
- 14 Paws to Read 6:30 PM
- 16 Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM
- 17 Mahjong 2:00 PM
- 17 Tween Paint & Potting Event 4:00 PM
- 17 Friendship Craft Club 6:00 PM
- 18 Scrabble Club 1:00 PM
- 18 Friends of the Public Library 6:00 PM
- 18 Comic Book Club 7:00 PM
- 20 Cat Cafe at the Library 10:00 AM
- 20 Earth Day 9:00 AM
- 20 Red Cross Babysitting Clinic 9:00 AM
- 23 Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM
- 24 Mahjong 2:00 PM
- 24 Friendship Craft Club 6:00 PM
- 25 Scrabble Club 1:00 PM
- 26 Doodlebugs 10:30 AM
- 29 Preschool Story Time 10:00 AM
- 30 Tuesday Tales 10:00 AM

For additional information visit [www.Hiawatha-Iowa.com/calendar](http://www.Hiawatha-Iowa.com/calendar)



**DELIVER BY  
MONDAY,  
04/01/2024**

# Postal Customer Hiawatha, Iowa 52233

PRSR STD  
US Postage  
PAID  
Hiawatha, IA  
Permit No. 33  
**ECRWSS**

## HIAWATHA COUNCIL ACTION

The Hiawatha City Council meeting minutes may be obtained online at <https://bit.ly/Hi-docs> or by request to the City Clerk at City Hall at 319-393-1515.

### February 21, 2024

#### Resolution #24-014

2024 Street Improvements

#### Resolution #24-015

FY2025 Budget

#### Resolution #24-016

Springbrook Dr Sanitary Sewer

#### Resolution #24-017

McGrath KIA Plan Design

#### Resolution #24-018

Purchase of Toyota Tacoma

### March 6, 2024

#### Resolution #24-019

Sewer Waiver

#### Resolution #24-020

Urban Renewal Plan

#### Resolution #24-021

Springbrook Dr Sanitary Sewer

#### Resolution #24-022 - #24-026

Capital Loan Notes

#### Resolution #24-027

McGrath Hyundai

#### Resolution #24-028 - #24-029

Earth Day Event

## April Meeting Calendar

03 City Council	5:30 PM
08 History Commission	1:30 PM
08 Board of Adjustment	5:30 PM
09 Parks Commission	5:30 PM
09 Library Board	7:00 PM
16 Water Board	5:30 PM
17 City Council	5:30 PM
23 Planning and Zoning	5:30 PM

## PROCLAMATIONS

A proclamation is an official declaration made by the Mayor or City Council to recognize a day, week, or month to honor, celebrate or create awareness of an event, special occasion, cause or issue. This April, Hiawatha is recognizing three proclamations, as described below:

### National Library Week

National Library Week, celebrated Sunday, April 7 - Saturday, April 13, 2024, highlights the valuable role libraries, librarians, and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening our communities. The theme, "Ready, Set, Library!", promotes the idea that in our always-online world, libraries give us a green light to something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and focus on what matters most. Find your crew at Hiawatha Public Library's workshops, events and book clubs.

### National Volunteer Week

April 21 - 27, 2024 is designated as the time to recognize the hard work, dedication and passion of volunteers and national service members throughout our nation.

### Arbor Day

Arbor Day was first celebrated by Nebraskans in 1872 when J. Sterling Morton, secretary of the Nebraska Territory, proposed the first tree planting holiday to be called Arbor Day. Today Arbor Day is celebrated in all 50 states.

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Parks & Recreation Director	Kelly Willadsen	319-393-1515 x251	kwilladsenehiawatha-iowa.com
Community Development Director	Patrick Parsley	319-393-1515 x229	pparsleyehiawatha-iowa.com
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Water Superintendent	Marty Recker	319-393-1515 x232	mreckerhiawatha-iowa.com
Police Chief	Ben Kamm	319-393-1212	chiefehiawathapolice.com
Fire Chief	Matt Powers	319-393-4180	mkpowersehiawatha-iowa.com
Library Director	Chris Stoner	319-393-1414	cstonerehiawatha-iowa.com

For more information about City of Hiawatha and its services, call [319-393-1515](tel:319-393-1515) or visit [www.hiawatha-iowa.com](http://www.hiawatha-iowa.com)

**CITY COUNCIL** | City of Hiawatha Regular Council Meetings are the first and third Wednesday of each month.



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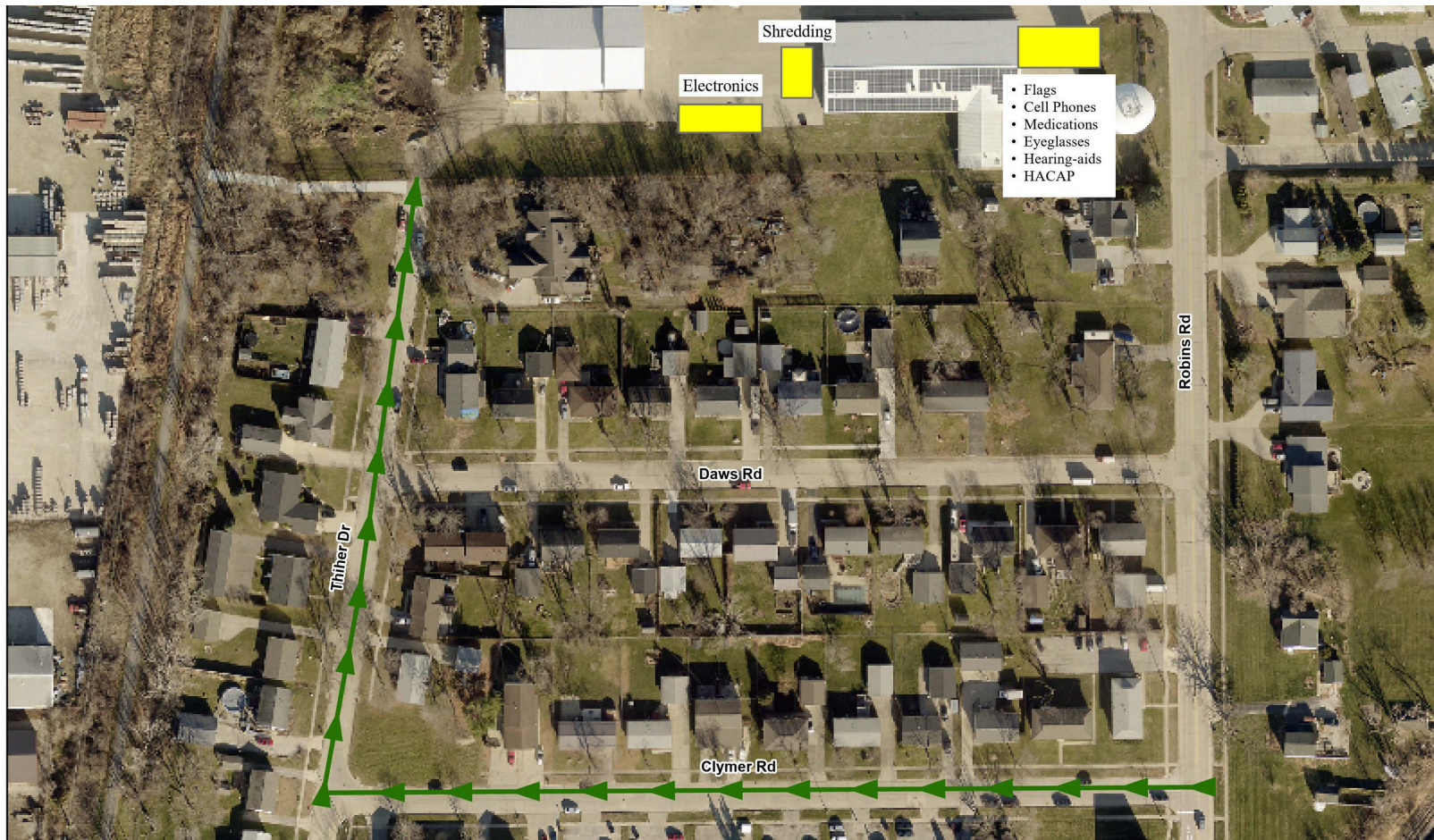


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# EARTH DAY 2024

APRIL 20, 2024  
9:00AM - 10:30AM  
PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY  
1410 ROBINS RD - ENTER FROM CLYMER RD



**MUST BE A HIAWATHA RESIDENT.  
VERIFICATION OF RESIDENCY IS REQUIRED.  
BRING YOUR WATER BILL OR DRIVER'S  
LICENSE AS PROOF OF RESIDENCY.**



### Glasses & Hearing Aid Disposal by Hiawatha Lions Club

Accepting unwanted eyeglasses, hearing aids & cellphones.

### Electronic Recovery – Midwest Electronic Recovery

Items accepted at this event:

- Personal computers/laptops, monitors, keyboards computer cables, wires & mice,
- printers & copiers,
- networking hardware, software, disc drives, & servers
- televisions, stereos & cable & satellite equipment
- VCR's & DVD's,
- telephones, fax machines, & circuit boards

Electronic equipment from businesses is **not** accepted at this event. Businesses should contact Midwest Electronic Recovery for more information at 319-845-2001.

### Flag Disposal by Hiawatha Legion Post #735

Hiawatha Legion Post #735 will accept all flags; Federal, State and POW. Bring your unserviceable flags for proper disposal. Hiawatha Legion Post #735 may also be offering new flags for purchase.

### Food Drive by HACAP Food Reservoir

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| • Canned chicken and/or tuna | • Canned fruits, vegetables and soup |
| • Whole wheat pasta          | • Dried beans                        |
| • Brown rice                 | • Nuts & seeds                       |
| • Peanut butter              | • Boxed meals                        |
| • Dried fruits               |                                      |

### Medication Disposal

Accepted

- unneeded or expired medications
- patches
- ointments
- medication for pets
- over the counter medication

Not accepted:

- syringes
- inhalers
- aerosols

### Document Shredding by Heartland Shredding, Inc.

Accepting up to 5 grocery bags full of unwanted documents to be shredded on site. Vehicles are welcome to remain until their documents have been shredded. Documents for shredding need NOT be free of staples, paper clips or binder clips. You may also include a limited quantity of floppy diskettes and CD's.



## IMPORTANT DATES



**April 20 Earth Day**

**April 22 Yard Waste & Brush Collection**

**May 4 City-Wide Garage Sales**

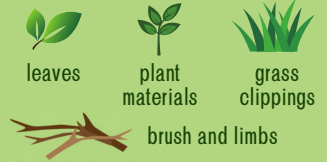
**May 6 Amnesty Pick Up**

# LEAVES, YARD WASTE & BRUSH GUIDELINES

Leaves and yard waste must be put in paper bags and placed curbside by 7:00 AM on Monday, April 22, 2024. Crews will not collect brush or branches larger than 12" in diameter and will not collect tree demolition. All other branches should be spread along the curb to facilitate easier pickup. Do not stack branches.



### YARDWASTE INCLUDES:



# AMNESTY DAY

## ITEMS MUST BE PLACED BY THE CURB BEFORE 7:00 AM ON MAY 6

Hiawatha's citywide amnesty day is intended to assist residents by hauling away items that are not normally picked up by their regular garbage haulers. Please read the updated requirements listed below carefully. These are designed to speed up the process and increase the safety of our staff. Photos provided illustrate examples of how piles should and should not be organized for pick-up. Staff will collect items that go to the landfill first, then come back to pick-up steel and appliances. New this year, homes that do not meet requirements will receive a notice on their front door stating why items were not collected. Please recycle all items that can be recycled.

### ALLOWED:

- Broken glass placed in a plastic bucket or other suitable container. Windows and doors with broken glass will not be collected.
- Small items placed in trash cans or plastic bags. Mark trash cans with an "X" if they are to be discarded. 40lb weight limit.
- Large items such as furniture, mattresses, doors, beds, tires, chairs, toilets, etc.
- Please cut railroad ties, plastic, lumber, carpet and drywall in 4' or less lengths and tie in bundles. No demolition project debris. Remove nails and screws from lumber, trim, drywall, etc.
- Metal and appliances need to be placed curbside separate from other items as they will be collected by a different crew.
- Refrigerators and freezers must be cleaned out prior to pick-up.

### NOT ALLOWED:

- Waste oil & solvents
- Batteries
- Deposit beverage containers
- Pressurized tanks
- Cans with undried paint
- Cardboard
- Florescent bulbs
- Demolition project debris
- TV's, Computer monitors & other electronics (take these to Earth Day on April 20)

## DO NOT BRING IN DEBRIS FROM OUTSIDE OF HIAWATHA. REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING TO HIAWATHA POLICE DEPARTMENT AT (319) 393-1212



### REJECTED:

- Items not bagged.
- Fluorescent tubes in pile.
- Cardboard in pile.
- Carpet not cut to length and tied.
- Steel not separated and not cut to length and tied.



### REJECTED:

- Wood not stacked/tied.
- Small items not bagged.
- Carpet not rolled up and tied.
- Cardboard in pile.



### ACCEPTED:

- Items Bagged and tied.
- Steel and appliances separated.

Contact Linn County Solid Waste Agency for proper disposal instructions for items not allowed at Amnesty Day by phone at 319-377-5290 or online at <https://www.solidwasteagency.org/>