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WOW! What a Celebration!

Thank you for making our 60th birthday fantastic! We estimated over 300 people in attendance and each enjoyed learning about Hiawatha's history, a piece of the 60 foot long cake and Hiawatha bottled water. Many former residents returned for the celebration and remarked on the positive growth of Hiawatha over the years. The 60 foot Birthday cake was created by Hy-Vee, with three cake decorators assembling and adding final touches at noon, the day of the party. The 60 foot cake took 45 sheet cakes and 45 gallons of frosting, which could serve approximately 2,200 people. Hy-Vee donated nearly all of the cost, therefore after our party, the left-over cake was distributed to care centers, preschools and REM.

The second half of our birthday celebration will be during the Lions Club sponsored Hog Wild Days, Saturday, June 19th. We will honor our founding father, Fay Clark, by having his wife, Marvel Clark, as Grand Marshall of the parade, parade begins at 10:30 a.m. There will also be a special birthday float with the Hiawatha History Committee riding and throwing commemorative wooden nickels to the spectators. Local car clubs will also have vehicles from the 1950's and 1960's in the parade and on display Sunday, June 20th at Guthridge Park. After the parade, Hiawatha Bank & Trust Co., will sponsor entertainment on the midway and American Legion Post 735 will host bingo. There will be fun for all ages to continue celebrating our 60 years of history.



Hiawatha Clerks
1950 - Present:
Beverly Daws,
Roberta Hamdorf,
Linda Bendixen,
Kim Downs

L.O.S.T Project Update

This year, the City Council approved Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) funding to reconstruct two Hiawatha streets. C Avenue between Blairs Ferry Road and Tucker Street will be replaced with new concrete pavement, drain tile, and sanitary sewer repairs. Roadway lighting is also being improved with this project. The engineer's estimation of cost is \$133,000. This contract is out for bid and City Council will award this contract at the June 15, 2010, regular Council meeting, with a construction start date of July 6, 2010.

Third Avenue between Clark Street and Marion Street will be replaced with new concrete pavement and utility upgrades including storm sewer, drainage intakes, and a larger size water main. Ongoing ground water issues on this street will be addressed with rock stabilization and drain tile. The completed projects should provide 30 or more years of good pavement service. These and other projects funded with LOST money will include special signs indicating your local option tax dollars at work. The engineer's estimation of cost is \$250,000. The anticipated date to award this contract is August 4, 2010, estimated construction start date of August 18, 2010.

Both projects will be 100% funded with Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) dollars.





Hiawatha Public Library Program Updates

Children's Programming

Make a Splash. Read!, a summer reading program for preschoolers through fifth graders continues through July 31 at Hiawatha Public Library. Mark your calendars for these special events coming soon. Remember, these programs are free!

Officer Melsa and Mod Present The Mod Squad: Monday, June 14, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

Officer Melsa serves and protects the citizens of Hiawatha like other members of the Police Department. However, her partner happens to have four legs and a bushy tail. Meet The Mod Squad and find out how they keep us safe.

Crafts with Miss Jean: June 16; 23; 30 and July 7, 2010 at 2:00 or 3:00 p.m.

Get crafty with Miss Jean. Preschoolers through fifth graders are invited and as always, this program is free. Call Hiawatha Public Library at 393-1414 to find out what we will be making that week.

Wet and Wild Water: Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. Those in the front row - - beware! You may get wet! Learn about molecules, surface tension, water pressure and density. Presented by the Grout Museum District.

Story Time with Red Robin: Monday, June 21, 2010 at 6:30

p.m. Yes, Kids! The Red Robin of hamburger fame will be here to meet you! Plus, there will be stories about this famous red bird.

Kids in Nature: Thursday, June 24, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. K-3rd graders, get ready for a unique trip beginning with a Native American story. This will be a hands-on experience. Registration required; limit 30.

Anime-Nia: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. Anime-Nia is an anime preview club for 8th - 12th graders. This month, catch Fruit's Basket. See how Tohru reacts when she meets other members of the Sohma family. Snacks included!

Youth Programming

Make Waves at Your Library, a teen summer reading program for sixth through twelfth graders continues through July 31, 2010 at Hiawatha Public Library. Teens are also invited to partake in these additional fun activities.

Barnes and Noble Bookfair to benefit Hiawatha Public Library: Friday, June 4, all day

Stephenie Meyer Release Party

To celebrate the midnight release of the Stephenie Meyer's novella, The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner, B&N is having a bookfair in support of Hiawatha Public Library. While you wait to buy the book, enjoy the Twilight Party between 9:00 p.m. and Midnight.

* Twilight Jeopardy and other games
* Fortune Telling

- * Dream Catcher craft
- * Prizes
- * Art contest winner awards
- * Come dressed as your favorite Twilight character

Watercolor Basics with Joyce: Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at 2:30

Join us as Joyce discusses her creative process, special techniques and teaches a few basics of using watercolor paints.

Sarah Prineas Book Discussion, The Magic Thief: Tuesday, June 22, 2010 at Noon

A young thief is drawn into a life of magic and adventure after picking the pocket of a powerful wizard. Is he hero or villain? You decide. Then share that decision with other young adults. Pizza and soda included at no additional cost! Register today and we will give you a copy of the book. And don't forget, you can meet author Sarah Prineas on Saturday, June 26, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at Theatre Cedar Rapids.

Teen Luau: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. Sixth - twelfth graders are welcome to "visit" Hawaii without the travel hassles. Come to the library for crafts, hula dancing and snacks.

 Adult Programming
 Summer is in full swing here at the Hiawatha Public Library! Our Adult Summer Reading Program begins on June 1st. Participating just takes three simple steps: 1. Stop into the library to pick up your reading log. 2. Fill out a slip for each book you read. 3. Toss your slip into our handy dandy trash can at the front desk to get your name in the drawing for some cool weekly prizes and some really cool grand prizes. We told you it was simple!

In addition to our weekly prizes and drawings, we also have some wonderful programs lined up! Want to learn a new hobby? Join Diane on Wednesday, June 2nd at 6:00 p.m. and learn to knit! She will be teaching four classes during the month of June. Par-●ticipants will need to bring size 9 needles and a 4-ply hank of yarn with them the first night of class. Remaining class dates are as ofollows: 6/9, 6/16, 6/23.

On Tuesday, June 15th at 2:30 p.m., we are very excited to be welcoming local artist, Joyce, who will be presenting a watercolor basics class. She will discuss her creative process, special techniques, and teach a few basics using watercolor paints.

 Charlaine Harris is the author of the hugely popular Sookie Stackhouse novels which are the basis of HBO's acclaimed series True Blood. The next entry in the series, *Dead in the Family*, will be released in May. She will be presenting at Theatre Cedar Rapids on Friday, June 18th at 7:00 p.m. as part of the OutLoud! Author Series. Don't miss your chance to meet her!

•We are welcoming Linn County Conservation Education Specialist Gail, on Thursday, June 24th at 7:00 p.m. to present a program on Summer Birds of Iowa. Come out and learn about birds that you might see at your backyard bird feeder or during a walk in the oforest. She will present a slide show and will have other hands-on material available about our feathered friends!

Finally, on Saturday, June 26th at 1:00 p.m., we will be having two docents from the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art presenting a program on Grant Wood and they will also be giving an update on the restoration work of the stained glass window in the Veterans Memorial Building.

All programs are free and open to the public. For more information on all these programs and more, please visit our website at www.hiawathalibrary.com.

Hog Wild Days Celebration

The Hiawatha Lions Club provides the following events free to the public during this year's Hog Wild Days, June 17 - 20, 2010:

Thursday, June 17, 5:00 p.m. - JR MR. & MISS HIAWATHA CONTEST. All boys and girls, ages 6 to 10 years old are welcome to apply. Write a 50 word essay "I HAVE FUN IN HIAWATHA BECAUSE..." with your name, age, and phone number by June 15, 2010, and mail to Lions Club, PO Box 262, Hiawatha, IA 52233. Also this year for Hiawatha's 60th birthday, we are having the HIAWATHA'S MOST FAVORITE GRANDMOTHER CONTEST. Write a 50 word essay on why your grandmother is the best, include her name and phone number and your name and phone number by June 15, 2010, and mail to the above address. Prizes will be awarded to all and the winners will ride in the 10:30 a.m. Hog Wild Day Parade on Saturday, June 19, 2010.



Saturday, June 19, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. - IOWA KIDSIGHT. Lions Club FREE vision screening for children ages 6 months to 4 years old. See website for details, www.hotwilddays.com.

Sunday, June 20, 2:30 p.m. - PING PONG DROP. FREE for all children 12 years old and younger. Every child wins a prize.

Fireworks donations are appreciated!

Highlighting Hiawatha Businesses...

YMH Torrance

Torrance is lowa's leading full service material handling provider. Their diverse product lines include new Yale Forklifts, all brands of used equipment, rentals, parts, EnerSys batteries and much more. Relocating their corporate office in October 2004, Torrance moved to their current Hiawatha location at 1495 Hawkeye Drive. Since then, they expanded their location in 2008. Torrance's corporate office currently employs 30 employees.



The belief at Torrance is small differences in the community can make a large difference in the world. Though the groups they support have changed over the years, what hasn't changed is Torrance's commitment to support the community and its citizens. Visit their website for a full list of products and services they offer at www.ymhtorrance.com or contact Torrance at info@ymhtorr.com or 888-410-0480.

UltraLawn

UltraLawn was established in 1985, is locally owned and operated and proudly serves the greater Cedar Rapids area as a lawn care, tree and shrub care, and landscaping service provider. We take tremendous pride in caring for our showcase properties. Complete satisfaction is guaranteed and our customer base reflects this with constant referrals of our services. Contact our company and realize a level of quality service you've never experienced before. Visit our website at www.ultralawn.com or contact UltraLawn at (319) 378-0386.



UltraLaw Mission Statement:

To stand above the competition by providing our customers with exceptional service, quality products and unparalleled customer care. At UltraLawn, taking pride in what we do and the customers we serve is how we define ourselves. Customer satisfaction is our top priority.

Edward D Jones

Kris Lamont is the new financial advisor for Hiawatha's Edward Jones branch, located at 1450 Boyson Road. He was previously a financial advisor with Edward Jones in St. Louis, Mo., before moving back to lowa last December.

Edward Jones is a financial services firm exclusively serving individual investors and offering a range of investments including: certificates of deposits, stocks, mutual funds, and taxable and tax advantaged bonds. Kris helps his clients save for retirement, save for an education, and with 401(k) rollovers.

The office is currently accepting new clients, so Kris would like to invite you in for a free portfolio review. Walk-ins are always welcome. The office can be reached by calling (319) 378-3450.



Council Action

May 5, 2010

Resolution 10-101 - Setting a public hearing date to consider the proposed plans, specs, form of contract, opinion of probable cost and proposed improvements for the Heritage Green Drainage Project.

Resolution 10-102 - Setting a public hearing date to consider the proposed plans, specs, form of contract, opinion of probable cost and proposed improvement for the Northwest Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Extension Project.

Resolution 10-103 - Authorizing request for proposals - Jet/Vacuum sewer cleaning and pipeline video inspection services.

Resolution 10-104 - Authorizing Police Department purchase of three (3) Panasonic Toughbook laptop computers.

Resolution 10-105 - Approving FY 2010-2011 Holiday schedule.

May 19, 2010

Resolution 10-106A - Approving sewer waiver on second water meter for 102 Ashworth Court South.

Resolution 10-106 - Approving resolution determining an area of the City to be economic development area, and that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development or a combination thereof, of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare of the residents of the City; designating such area as appropriate for Urban Renewal Project; and adopting the Amendment No 6 to the Hiawatha Urban Renewal Plan thereof.

Resolution 10-107 - Approving an amendment to the terms of Revenue Bond Series 1999 of City of Hiawatha.

Resolution 10-108 - Adopting plans, specification, form of contract and estimate of cost for 2010 Heritage Green Drainage Project. Resolution 10-109 - Adopting plans, specification, form of contract and estimate of cost for 2010 Northwest Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Extension.

Resolution 10-110A - Accepting temporary construction easement and permanent easement - Jane Ellen Fink Revocable Trust.

Resolution 10-110B - Accepting temporary construction easement and permanent easement - Patrick & Diane L Kilburg. Resolution 10-110C - Accepting temporary construction easement and permanent easement - Richard & Joyce White. Resolution 10-111 - Amending FY 2009 - 2010 Budget

Resolution 10-112 - Placing plans, specs, form of contract, estimate of cost, directing publication of notice to bidders, setting public hearing for C Ave from Blairs Ferry Road to Tucker Street Pavement Reconstruction Project.

Resolution 10-113 - Adopting Schedule of Amendments in reference to North Center Point Road Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Extension Project.

Resolution 10-114 - Authorizing Resolution of necessity in reference to North Center Point Road Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Extension Project.

Resolution 10-115 - Placing plans, specs, form of contract, estimate of cost, directing publication of notice to bidders, setting public

hearing for North Center Point Road Water Main and Sanitary Sewer Extension Project.
Resolution 10-116 - Approving Teamsters Local Union 238 Contract Proposal for City of Hiawatha Public Works Department from 7/1/2010 through 6/30/2011.

Resolution 10-117 - Authorizing use of Farmers State Bank, Hiawatha, Iowa for banking services for the City of Hiawatha.

Resolution 10-118 - Naming Depositories of Financial Institutions.

Resolution 10-119 - Authorizing contract with a collection agency for Hiawatha Ambulance Services.

Resolution 10-120 - Authorizing sale of skid mount "Grass Fire Unit" from fire engine 289 to City of Ryan Fire Department.

Resolution 10-121 - Authorizing Fire Department to proceed with accepting Rockwell Collins Green Communities Grant and the purchase of a Clean Fire Extinguisher Training System.

Resolution 10-122 - Acknowledging the need for Police Department and Fire Fighter Volunteer's Services at the 2010 Hiawatha Hog Wild Days Event.

Another Successful Earth Day Clean-up!

The City of Hiawatha hosted our 6th annual Earth Day Event to honor our home planet by recycling various items. "Shred-It" company of Cedar Rapids, Linn County Solid Waste Agency, Midwest Electronics Recovery, Hiawatha Legion Post #735, Hiawatha Lions Club and Hiawatha Fire Department in cooperation with Hy-Vee TAKEAWAY assisted our community in it's disposal of paper. electronics, hazardous household waste, unserviceable flags, glasses, hearing aids and prescription waste.

Our community saved approximately 12 trees, shredding 2 tons of paper, collected 15,367 pounds of electronic equipment to be recycled, received 25 unserviceable flags, 200 glasses and 7 hearing aids for donation, 9 gallons of prescription waste and 109 individuals throughout Linn County participated in the Hazardous Household waste drop off by dispersing 2001 pounds of chemicals.

Many thanks to all who brought their used flags to the City's recycling day. It is great that the City of Hiawatha provides us with this vehicle. We had many folks say that they wished they knew that the Hiawatha Legion sold flags. We have mainly 3'X5' nylon flags but we can obtain any other size. Although the deadline for the Avenue of Flags sign-up has passed, you can still sign up by picking up those sign-up forms at City Hall or by calling 393-2601.



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Police Department Summer Safety Reminders

School is out and summer is here. The Hiawatha Police Department would like to encourage everyone to have a safe and enjoyable summer. Please watch for children who are riding bicycles or walking near the roadway. Be prepared to stop as children are not always watching for you. It is also a good time to revisit safety tips with each of your children.

- Never play in the street
- Always wear your safety helmet when riding a bike or skateboard
- Make sure your parents know where you are and when you will return
 - Never talk to strangers; report any attempts by a stranger to an adult

Curfew Reminder - A curfew is in effect for anyone under the age of 16. Persons under 16 years of age are not permitted to be or remain upon any alley, street, or public places between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. unless accompanied by a guardian, parent or other person charged with the care and custody who is over 18 years of age. The curfew does not apply to a minor traveling between his or her home or place of residence and the place where any approved employment, church, municipal or school function is being held.

Also, please be considerate of your neighbors if you own a dog. Do not let your dog(s) run at large. Each owner is responsible to ensure their dog(s) do not bark or howl excessively causing neighbors to be unduly disturbed.

WellHead Protection Program

Residents that are interested in reviewing our proposed Wellhead Protection Ordinance will be able to access it on the City's website, www.hiawatha-iowa.com, using the Water Department page.

The map will be available for review at the Water Department office from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Comments are welcome. Please send them to the Hiawatha Water Department at PO Box 485, Hiawatha, Iowa 52233.



What is Stormwater and How You Can Help

Stormwater is water that flows from precipitation into the street from rainstorms and includes water from garden hoses, sprinklers, even washing the car, as it flows to the storm drains along the street. Oil, antifreeze, detergents, pesticides, fertilizers and other pollutants from driveways, back yards, parking lots, business and construction sites, industrial sites and streets flow into storm drains and then directly to our streams, creeks and wetlands untreated during and after a rain.

Storm water from urban runoff is a leading cause of pollution in rivers and lakes. Those pollutants also include heavy metals, chemicals, mud and sediment and of course, litter. All of this pollution alters fish habitats, changes the chemical makeup of streams, and makes it difficult for normal aquatic organisms to live and reproduce.

Citizens can help by being observant to the conditions around your residence or business. Please contact the City if you notice:

- Stains on or around the ground and storm drains
- Unusual discoloration of grass, plants or other vegetation
- Road or parking lots with dirt and mud accumulation or the appearance of unusual fluids left in the road right-of-way.

With your assistance, we can keep Hiawatha a great place to live and work.

Dial 811 Before You Dig!

lowa law states that if you are excavating, including digging, you must call lowa One Call at least 48 hours in advance (of your digging) in order to minimize the risk of damaging any type of underground facilities (electric, gas, communications/television, water and sewer). The service is free and so is the phone call. Making the phone call can help eliminate the risk of disrupting service and greatly reduce the potential risk of serious personal injury.

