

## Hiawatha City Week Celebration

During the week of October 6-10, 2014, the City of Hiawatha celebrated City Week. This was our opportunity to help residents and local business owners become more informed about the services of our city government with a goal of increasing knowledgeable citizen participation in the future.

City Week was sponsored by the Iowa League of Cities, which is the oldest, continuously operating municipal league in the country. Founded in 1898, the League is a not-for-profit organization that advocates for issues affecting cities throughout Iowa. The League provides wide-ranging services for cities including research, workshops, reports, publications, pooled investments, and risk management. Hiawatha is a member of the Iowa League of Cities. The Iowa League of Cities encouraged local municipalities to showcase and celebrate their cities and the many services they provide. As a result, cities across Iowa joined in the recognition and celebration of City Week by holding their own events and activities.

### Hiawatha City Week Events: Open House

City Staff, City Council and the Mayor held an open house in the Community Center on October 8 starting at 6:00 p.m. Hiawatha residents and members of the business community were invited to stop by to ask questions and find out what the City Departments are working on.



City Departments including Water, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Police, Community Development, En-

gineering, Library, Fire, and Policy and Administration, set up display tables featuring pictures, handouts, maps and other materials relating to projects, services and activities going on in their departments. City Council and the Mayor also had a table at the open house. The Police Department brought Reso, the K-9 dog, the Fire



Department put the ambulance and fire truck on display in the City Hall parking lot, and the Water Department held a drawing to give away hats, water bottles, and shirts.

Before the open house, city departments submitted some fun facts for Hiawatha residents to answer and turn in on the night of the open house. The prize for the most correct answers was a \$25 gift card to Culver's. Although our open house was not well attended, we will try a new approach next year to see if we can draw a better turn out.

### Volunteer Awards and Recognition Ceremony

City Staff, City Council and the Mayor held a volunteer awards and recognition ceremony in the Community Center on October 9 starting at 6:30 p.m.



The ceremony was our opportunity to recognize all of our city volunteers for their hard work and commitment in serving on our boards, commissions, helping out in our Parks and Recreation Department, Fire Department, Police Department, and Public Library, and providing assistance during city events and activities.



There were 170 making up the list of volunteers for the City of Hiawatha, and approximately 70 people attended the awards ceremony including volunteers, their family members, and guests. Mayor Theis expressed appreciation to the volunteers on behalf of himself and City Council, for dedicating their time and talents to the City of Hiawatha. The Mayor, City Council, and City staff presented awards to the volunteers and appetizers and cake were served.



Special thanks to Wal-Mart and Hy-Vee for helping sponsor the food for our City Week events.



# Reminder - Hiawatha Annual Leaf and Yard Waste Clean-up

**Monday, November 10**  
Leaves & Yard Waste Only -

Must be in disposable paper bags and placed curbside by Monday before **7:00 a.m.**

No Brush or Tree Trimmings will be picked up this week.

**Monday, November 24**  
Leaves & Yard Waste Only -

Must be in disposable paper bags and placed curbside by Monday before **7:00 a.m.**

No Brush or Tree Trimmings will be picked up this week.

Please do not park in front of leaf bags. Do not sweep or rake leaves into City streets or storm sewers. This is a violation of City Ordinance. Violators of Hiawatha's leaf burning prohibition will be subject to fines.

## Snow Ordinance Reminder

Yes, living in Iowa means another season of snowfall and a reminder of the Hiawatha Snow Ordinance.

Our Snow Ordinance will be in effect when the National Weather Service (NWS) predicts a snowfall in which three (3) or more inches of snow are

expected. While the Snow Emergency is in effect, **there is no parking on any city street.** Vehicles found parked in violation of this ordinance will receive a **\$25** parking ticket and/or be impounded.



During snow removal operations, vehicles found in violation on City streets will be towed. The Snow Emergency declaration will be given to all the local media including but not limited to: KGAN (Channel 2), KCRG (Channel 9), and KWWL (Channel 7). The declaration will also be posted on the City website, [www.hiawatha-iowa.com](http://www.hiawatha-iowa.com). Your cooperation is appreciated.

REMEMBER - Don't park in the street if:

- The 24 hour (or less) prediction by the NWS is for three (3) or more inches of snow.
- Three (3) or more inches of snow has fallen and/or your street has not been cleared.

When in doubt about parking, just move your vehicle off the street. Also, the City will **NOT** generally conduct snowfall clearing operations on all streets for a snowfall of less than two (2) inches. This policy remains unchanged from prior years. Please remember: Sidewalks must be shoveled within 24 hours of the cessation of snow fall, clear snow from around

fire hydrants that are near your property, check with your neighbors regarding snow removal and direct sump pumps and downspouts away from hard surfaces so that water doesn't build up and freeze, creating slippery conditions on driveways, sidewalks, or streets. For the current road conditions: call 511 or log onto the Iowa DOT winter road conditions web page. <http://weatherview.iowadot.gov/>



## Linn County Farm Bureau 100th Anniversary!

Linn County Farm Bureau will be observing its 100th anniversary in November, 2014. Farm Bureau moved from Marion to Hiawatha in 1995, first at 1510 Boyson Road and now at 1323 Boyson Road. Farm Bureau is a grass-roots, statewide organization dedicated to helping farm families prosper and improve their quality of life. More than 155,000, both rural and urban, members statewide work together to achieve economic growth, educational improvements and environmental quality in their communities. Linn County Farm Bureau is proud of their 5300+ dues paying members who often take advantage of the many benefits and services of membership. Farm Bureau is governed by a board of directors and offers leadership and educational opportunities to its members and the community. Farm Bureau is pleased to promote the People. Progress. Pride of Iowa as we work to make our state the best that it can be for all of us. Linn County Farm Bureau can be reached at 319-393-3276 or [linncounty@lfbf.org](mailto:linncounty@lfbf.org) or [www.iowafarmbureau.com](http://www.iowafarmbureau.com).

## Hiawatha Recognizes Two Area Businesses

### Primus, Inc.

Primus, Inc., was originally established by Don Primus in 1973 as a property development and home building company. They offer a variety of office sizes in Hiawatha, NE and SW Cedar Rapids, primarily along the I-380 corridor. Their goal is to provide a welcoming and pleasant office space for their tenants, which includes preventative maintenance and prompt response to maintenance requests.

In addition to office space, they have commercial development land for sale in Hiawatha along North Center Point Road, on Boyson Loop and at the corner of Boyson Road and Miller Road.

They have maintained their office in Hiawatha for more than 20 years and have been located at 2000 Progress Drive, Hiawatha, since July 2000.

Please visit their website at [www.primus-inc.net](http://www.primus-inc.net) for more information on the availability of their lease space and land for sale.



### Metropolitan Family Medicine and Chiropractic



When Matthew J. Roes, D.C., M.D., founded Metropolitan Family Medicine and Chiropractic in October 2007, he had a specific vision of patient care in mind based on several core principles: to create a medical home where patients would have access to the very best care that medicine and chiropractics could offer, a place where most of the procedures a patient might need could be offered under one roof, to approach patient care from a more comprehensive point of view, and to spend the time that patients need in order to properly address their health concerns.

Metropolitan offers its own digital x-rays, EKG, blood lab, all on-site. In addition to primary medical care, they also perform specialized procedures such as no-needle/no-scalpel vasectomies, skin lesion removals, trigger point injections, and joint injections. Patients interested in being seen can contact the clinic at (319) 294-3263, visit their location at 754 N. Center Point Road and are invited to visit their website at [www.mycmd.com](http://www.mycmd.com).

## 2014 Playing for Keeps Fundraiser

The Friends of Hiawatha Parks and Recreation hosted the 6th Annual Playing for Keeps fundraiser at the Hiawatha Community Center on October 18, 2014. The funds helped support Hiawatha's Summer Adventure Camp with the purchase of supplies, field trips, transportation and to raise money to provide scholarships for students who can't afford the program. Several items, such as, Kansas City Royals, St. Louis Cardinals and University of Iowa athletics tickets, restaurant gift certificates, tools, overnight stays and even a plane ride were up for auction. Nearly \$6,500 was raised for the children's programs. All those in attendance were able to sample craft beer provided by Fleck Sales, Iowa wine from Cedar Ridge Winery, and "Taste of Iowa" hors d'oeuvres provided by Edgewood Road Hy-Vee. Dennis McMurrin provided musical entertainment while attendees were able to bid on desired items and socialize with one another. The Friends of Hiawatha Parks and Recreation would like to thank all sponsors who helped to make Playing for Keeps a success: University of Iowa Community Credit Union, Oscars Restaurant, Master Tool & MFG Inc., YMH Torrance, METRO Studios, Fleetcare Service Inc., and HI-CREW Kiwanis Club. A special thank you to the many businesses and individuals who donated auction items.



## Thank you to Cedar Rapids Toyota



For the last three years, the Hiawatha Parks and Recreation Department has partnered with Cedar Rapids Toyota to lease a Toyota Tacoma for \$1 (from April through October). For this we put the Cedar Rapids Toyota magnet on the truck to market their business. The expenses we incurred were basic maintenance and gas expenses out of the Parks and Recreation department budget. We would like to thank Cedar Rapids Toyota for their support and allowing us to lease a truck for our seasonal parks staff to use! Thank You!

## October Kids Movie Night in Costume!

Kids Halloween Movie Night took place on October 10th, featuring the film Spy Kids.



We had some scary characters attend with costumes from Ninja Turtles, Chucky, Zombies and more! Join us on November 7th for the last Kids Movie Night of 2014! The featured film will be Malificent, a new film telling the story of Sleeping Beauty with a twist!



## Hiawatha Police Install New Car Cameras

The Police Department recently began replacing our in-car video camera systems.

The previous cameras were installed more than eight years ago and served our needs well. With repair bills mounting, their replacement was planned within the CIP process. Bids were awarded over the summer with installation beginning October. We chose the Panasonic Arbitrator 360 HD. This is a very popular and durable system used by many local agencies. The cornerstone of this system is the ability to record 360 degrees of video around the car. Additionally, all recordings are in high definition. Automatic wireless upload to our server will eliminate the need to transfer and store hard drives in the office.

The anticipated completion date of the project is this November. However, two of the patrols have already experienced some of the benefits we anticipated. One of these patrol cars stopped a stolen vehicle at 3:00 a.m. The crystal clear high definition video of a suspect fleeing the stolen car was used to identify and charge this individual.

## Hiawatha Police - Training First



The demolition of the houses on Kainz Drive provided several area agencies the opportunity to train in realistic scenarios.

The Hiawatha Police Department conducted "force on force" or "reality based training". This is a mixture of stressful decision making scenarios and close quarters force options to consider. Officers were given marking weapons that fire plastic ammunition and are tested on various individual skills.

In addition to this training, canine teams from Hiawatha, Linn County, Marion, Tipton, and Cedar Rapids used the structures on several occasions. The canine teams trained on building searches, narcotics detection, and improving tracking skills.

Special thanks go out to Dave Wright for offering this opportunity to area first responders.

We conduct defensive tactics training on a quarterly basis. Officers are constantly training on ways to reduce risk of injury to officers and the person being taken into custody.

The recently purchased wrestling mat provides sufficient room to incorporate reality based scenario training in our defensive tactics training.



## Hiawatha Fire Fighters Raise \$11,551 During Annual Fill the Boot Drive, Celebrate “60 Years Strong” With MDA



Members of the Hiawatha Fire Department raised \$11,551 during their annual Fill the Boot drive held in August, to benefit children and adults affected by muscle disease throughout the Hiawatha Area.

Hiawatha had an outstanding year filling the boot, increasing their total from last year by over \$2,000 making them the 5th highest fundraising department in the state of Iowa in 2014 and the 2nd highest of all non-union departments.

“For six decades, fire fighters have fueled MDA’s mission to find treatments and cures for life-threatening muscle diseases, and this year’s Hiawatha Fill the Boot results are a perfect example of the true dedication firefighters have shown toward supporting the families we serve,” said Fundraising Coordinator, Jillian Sharp. “We’re grateful for the support of this incredible department, who dedicate their time to raise money, allowing us to fund life-saving research, advocate for children and adults affected by muscle disease, and rally our community to fight back.”

Funds raised through 2014 Hiawatha Fill the Boot drive will help support MDA’s programs of worldwide research, specialized health care services, and day-to-day support - which includes sending over 75 children affected by muscular dystrophy and related muscle diseases to a week-long, barrier-free MDA summer camp at Camp Courageous in Monticello, IA.

As the Muscular Dystrophy Association’s largest national sponsor, firefighters fuel MDA’s mission to find treatments and cures for life-threatening muscle diseases. Fire fighters support for MDA began in 1954 and has remained strong to this day.

The Hiawatha Fire Department would also like to extend a special thank you to the community for their support of their efforts in filling the boot and for their overwhelming generosity.

### About MDA

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is the world’s leading nonprofit health agency dedicated to finding treatments and cures for muscular dystrophy, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and other neuromuscular diseases. It does so by funding worldwide research; by providing comprehensive health care services and support to MDA families nationwide; and by rallying communities to fight back through advocacy, fundraising and local engagement. Visit [MDA.org](http://MDA.org) and follow MDA at [facebook.com/MDAnational](https://www.facebook.com/MDAnational) and [@MDAnews](https://twitter.com/MDAnews).

## Hiawatha Fire New Recruits Complete Initial Training at House Burn

In September, City Council approved eight new fire department volunteers. Those volunteers went through background and physical checks before beginning their basic orientation training. Firefighter Recruits received both class room and hands on training in a number of topics. The focus of the training is to help them become competent team members, able to function as part of a firefighting or ambulance team. The recruits have various backgrounds; some are already certified as Firefighters, EMT’s, and Paramedics. Others will now begin those certification processes. For the recruits that are already certified, a key element of their training is orientation shifts. Those recruits have to go on a number of calls, under the supervision of an experienced member, before being allowed to operate.



The recruits and other members received valuable training on October 18th and 19th, 2014. The Fire Department trained in a vacant house at the corner of Center Point Road and Boyson Road. The house, owned by Dave Wright, is on land being redeveloped for a commercial business. Mr. Wright recognized the importance

of realistic, hands on training for public safety officials, and made the house available to both the Police Department and the Fire Department.



Over the last several weeks, firefighters and police officers have been training in the house. The training culminated with the fire department setting 16 separate fires in the house over a two day period. Teams of firefighters entered the house, searched for victims, and extinguished fires. On Sunday, October 19th, around noon, the firefighters set a large blaze in the house and allowed it to burn down.

This year’s firefighter recruits are: Drake Tilscon, Caleb Fairlie, Jean Giet, Jed Hobbs, Pacer Langguth, Chris Lauderdale, Josh Phillips, and Juliana Smith.

## Hiawatha Public Library News

### Give thanks to your Library.

During November and December help fill the Hiawatha Public Library’s wish list. Stop in the library and choose a book from our wish list tree. You can either pay for the book at our front desk or purchase it online using your Amazon account. Just search for Hiawatha Public Library under the wish list option. (Please purchase only from the wish list provided. Thank you.)

We will provide a receipt for tax purposes and place your name in the front of the book showing that you donated to our collection.

Thank you so very much!

### Chili’s Benefit Hiawatha Library.

Are you craving some southwestern egg rolls or sweet potato fries? Do you want to support the Hiawatha Public Library because it gives children and adults access to computers, books, e-books, and much more?

You are in luck, because in the months of November and December, each time you eat at the Chili’s on Collins Road AND show them a voucher, 15% of your purchase will benefit the library.

In order to make your purchase benefit the library, you will need to pick up a voucher at the library, or download a voucher and have it on your phone to show them.

Copies of the voucher to download or print are available through the Library’s Facebook page and will be sent out via e-mail. You may also e-mail Alicia at [mangina@hiawatha-iowa.com](mailto:mangina@hiawatha-iowa.com) at the library if you would like a copy of the voucher e-mailed to you.

## Hiawatha Council Action

October 1, 2014

**Ordinance 808 - Amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 122 Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants in its entirety to provide regulations and licensing requirements for Push-carts & Vendors.**

**Resolution 14-191 - Amend Hiawatha Park Pavilion and Park Rules to allow the use of inflatables in parks and approve Application for Use of Inflatables.**

**Resolution 14-192 - Amend resolution 11-100 adding pushcart license fees and reclassifying peddlers, solicitors and transient merchants as vendors.**

**Resolution 14-193 - Set public hearing date (October 15, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider vacation of portion of Boyson Road right-of-way described as Parcel A, Plat of Survey No. 1952, Auditor's Plat #372.**

**Resolution 14-194 - Approve renewal of Employee Health and Dental from 12/1/14 - 11/30/15, and Flex Spending Benefits for 1/1/15 - 12/31/15.**

**Resolution 14-195 - Order construction of permanent sidewalks upon property located at 405 Blairsferry Crossing.**

**Resolution 14-196 - Order construction of permanent sidewalks upon vacant space on the property located at 2250 Blairs Ferry Road.**

**Resolution 14-197 - Approve design of new commercial building located at 1255 N Center Point Road to Hiawatha Design Guidelines.**

**Resolution 14-198 - Approve relocation of commercial or industrial enterprises / Fair Play Agreement with City of Cedar Rapids.**

**Resolution 14-199 - Approve 28E Agreement with Iowa Alcoholic Beverages Division for Tobacco Enforcement and authorize appropriate City Staff to sign agreement.**

**Resolution 14-200 - Approve Library Emergency Action Plan providing employees procedures during emergency situations.**

**Resolution 14-202 - Authorize City Staff to proceed with filing of Iowa's Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP) Grant for construction of interchange improvements at Boyson Road and Interstate 380 - application deadline 10/1/14.**

October 15, 2014

**Ordinance 807 - Rezone property located at 307 6th Avenue from R-3 (Single Family Residence District) to C-ORS (Office/Research/Service District) as requested by Marty Gaffey.**

**Ordinance 809 - Amend Code of Ordinances of the City of Hiawatha, Iowa, 1996, by amending Chapter 137 Vacation and Disposal of Streets 137.04 Findings Required.**

**Ordinance 810 - Amend Code of Ordinances of the City of Hiawatha, Iowa, 1996, by amending Chapter 137 Vacation and Disposal of Streets 137.04 Findings Required.**

**Resolution 14-203 - Approve Sewer Waiver 116 Willowood Drive.**

**Resolution 14-204 - Pledging financial support FY15-16 to NTS.**

**Resolution 14-205 - Pledging financial support FY15-16 to EDC.**

**Resolution 14-206 - Order construction of permanent sidewalk at 1210 Robins Road.**

**Resolution 14-207 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to consider disposal of vacated right-of-way and authorization to accept bids for purchase of right-of-way described as Plat of Survey No.'s 1929 and 1952, Auditor's Plat #372.**

**Resolution 14-208 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 96 Building Sewers and Connections 96.02 Permit Fee and Connection Charge.**

**Resolution 14-209 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 115 Utility lines 115.01 Definition and 115.06 Fees Established.**

**Resolution 14-210 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 134 Right-of-Way 134.05 Permit Required.**

**Resolution 14-211 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 135 Street Use and Maintenance 135.02 Obstructing or Defacing and 135.09 Excavations.**

**Resolution 14-212 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 136 Sidewalk Regulations 136.07 Permit/Bond Requirement and 136.08 Sidewalk Standards.**

**Resolution 14-213 - Set public hearing date (November 5, 2014 @ 5:30 P.M.) to amend Hiawatha Code of Ordinances Chapter 151 Trees 151.03 Permit Required.**

**Resolution 14-214 - Approve installation of glass overhead door with frosted panels to Hiawatha Design Guidelines for commercial property at 935 Boyson Court Suite B.**

**Resolution 14-215 - Approve 28E Agreement between Hiawatha and Marion for purchase of bulk road salt and salt brine and authorize Mayor and City Clerk to sign necessary documents.**

**Resolution 14-217 - Amend Confined Spaces Entry Program.**

## November Calendar

- 05 City Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 07 Kids Movie Night 6:30 pm
- 10 History Commission Meeting 1:30 pm
- 10 Yard Waste Pickup Leaves Only
- 10 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:00 pm
- 11 Parks Board Meeting 6:00 pm
- 11 Library Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 12 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 13 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 18 Water Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- 19 City Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 24 Yard Waste Pick up Leaves Only
- 24 P&Z Meeting 5:30 pm
- 26 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 27 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 27 Holiday - City Hall Closed
- 28 Holiday - City Hall Closed

## December Calendar

- 03 City Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 08 History Commission Meeting 1:30 pm
- 08 Board of Adjustment Meeting 6:00 pm
- 09 Parks Board Meeting 6:00 pm
- 09 Library Board Meeting 7:00 pm
- 10 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 11 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 16 Water Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- 17 City Council Meeting 5:30 pm
- 24 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 24 Holiday - City Hall Closed
- 25 Holiday - City Hall Closed
- 25 Council Meeting airs 7:00 pm Channel 18
- 29 P&Z Meeting 5:30 pm
- 31 Holiday - City Hall Closed



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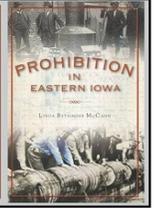
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11/08/2014**

## *“Prohibition in Eastern Iowa”*

The Hiawatha Public Library is pleased to welcome back local historian Linda McCann as she discusses her newest book called *Prohibition in Eastern Iowa*.

McCann will discuss the 13 year time period and the impact it had on Eastern Iowa and local townspeople. From farmers who grew corn used in making illegal liquor, to the bootleggers who trafficked it and the gangsters who sold it, Eastern Iowa saw its fair share!

Prohibition in Eastern Iowa  
Thursday, November 6th at 6:30pm  
with author Linda McCann  
Hiawatha Public Library



Copies of Linda McCann's books will be for sale following the presentation.

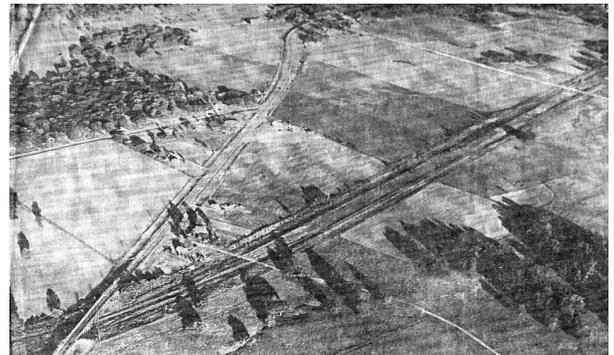
This event takes place on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hiawatha Public Library.

## Get Connected to City Hall via E-mail for Breaking News!

The City of Hiawatha knows their residents/businesses like to be kept updated regarding important announcements. We are in the process of conducting a test to determine which and how many of our resident/businesses would be interested in receiving email notifications in regards to breaking news and weather related emergencies.

To be a part of this test group, please send an email to [admit@hiawatha-iowa.com](mailto:admit@hiawatha-iowa.com) and enter the phrase “email notices” in the subject line.

We are excited about this new opportunity and would love your input. Thank you.



Aerial view of Hiawatha in 1946, before incorporation. Courtesy of Hiawatha History Commission

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