# Happy New Year City of Dallas Center Newsletter



#### January 2015

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City Hall
1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396
7:30-4:00 Monday-Friday
www.dallascenter.com

# Library 1308 Walnut St., PO Box 521

Monday 9:00-5:00 Tuesday-Thursday 9:00-7:00 Friday 9:00-5:00 Saturday 9:00-12:00 www.dallascenter.lib.ia.us

#### **Phone Numbers**

City Hall	992-3725
Police Dispatch	993-4567
Police Dept non emergency	992-3086
Fire Dept non emergency	992-4292
Library	992-3185

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#### **Christmas Tree Pick-Up-**

Waste Management will pick up <u>undecorated trees</u> on Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Everything must be removed including plastic bags. Wreaths and garland should be put out with the regular garbage.

Holiday Celebration Committee would like to thank everyone who participated and contributed in the Holiday Celebration on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. The winners of the home decorating contest were Jeff and Cindy Chambers!

January 2015 Calendar of Events						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5*	6	7	8 *	9	10
11	12 *	13 ♦	14	15 *	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 *	23	24
25	26	27 ♦	28	29 *	30	31
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\* Garbage Pick-Up

◆ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up

\* Christmas Tree Pick-Up

A HUGE note of thanks to the whole community for coming together and giving food, monetary donations and support to the local food pantry.



- We were able to assist several families with food and gifts for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. If you gave in any way, thank you!!!!
- Let us not forget the next few months after the holidays are sometimes the hardest financially.
- Please call me if you or someone you know needs food assistance. Also please remember to continue the outstanding support.
- Thanks again for your continued and consistent giving!!!
   ~Jackie Deaver 992-4206 or 992-3276

#### Winter Reminders ~

- ◆ Snow Parking Ban It is unlawful to park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle on any public street, alley or city-owned off street parking area during any snow removal period. The ban shall continue from the beginning of the snowfall to 24 hours after the snowfall has ceased. To help our operators perform their plowing duties in a safe and efficient manner, we ask that residents park elsewhere when the snow begins to accumulate.
- ◆ Sidewalks Snow and ice removal from sidewalks is the responsibility of the property owner. Residents are required by ordinance to clear sidewalks within 24 hours of the end of a storm. Please pile the snow on your yard, not in the street. If your sidewalk is icy, you may correct the hazard by applying a heavy coat of sand or de-icer. A helpful hint for residents clear your sidewalk after the snowplows have cleared to the curb.
- Fire Hydrants The Fire Department requests property owners who have a hydrant on their parking area to clear the snow away for easier access in case of fire.

"Council Corner"

Notes from the December 9th meeting

Council approved Ordinance 490 – amending Chapter 151 of the Code of Ordinances relating to trees.

A complete copy of the minutes is on file at City Hall and on the website.

### **Library News-**

- Story time is every Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00 AM
- Jan. 1, Library closed
- Jan. 14, 1:30 PM-Early out program, Dallas County Conservation
- Jan. 15, 7:00 PM-Book Club Patty Jane's House of Curl by Lorna Landvik
- Jan. 28, 1:30 PM-Early out program. IPTV Dan Wardell
- Jan. 28, 7:30 PM-Library Board of **Trustees Meeting**

The Dallas Center Public Library Foundation will hold their annual meeting on January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Roy R. Estle Memorial Library.

#### Park News~

The Park and Recreation Board will be sponsoring a free pruning workshop on March 28th. Watch the February and March newsletters for more information.

Safety Reminder - If you are out walking, jogging or running in the dark please remember to wear light colored or reflective clothing or perhaps a flashing light of some sort so that drivers can see you. Please be safe!

#### Community News~

- DC-G Spring Soccer Registration. Early Bird registration (\$5 discount) goes through January 4th, regular registration is January 5th-18th with late fee of \$25 assessed from January 19th-25th. Refer to the DCG Soccer Club website for details and to complete the online registration at www.dcgsoccer.com
- **Softball Registration**-It's hard to think about warm weather and softball right now, but softball registration is starting! Online registration will be open January 1 -February 28, 2015. You can access the online registration option from our website. www.dcgsoftball.com. We will also have a walk-in registration on January 24th from 9:00 AM - noon at South Prairie Elementary in Grimes and Dallas Center Elementary in Dallas Center and February 7th from 9:00AM-12:00 PM at The Meadows in Grimes.
  - Every family can benefit from the ISU Extension & Outreach's **Strengthening** Families Program: For Parents and Youth Ages 10-14. No matter what ones situation is, all families can be assisted by building upon their skill set, gaining new tools and techniques to enhance their family life and reinforce the bond they already have with their youth-especially during those critical adolescent years. Strengthening Families has been proven effective in delaying the onset of substance abuse and reducing risky behavior in youth. Findings also concluded parents experience gains in setting appropriate limits and following through with consequences while still showing love and support. Entire families can benefit by achieving an enhanced positive relationship. During the first hour of the weekly sessions, parent and child meet separately. As adults discuss problem solving approaches, effective communication and using loving methods to set limits for their son or daughter, youth will engage in topics of how to deal with stress, set goals and handle peer pressure. In the second hour, families unite and interact through activities to solidify lessons, work toward building more stable relationships, and have FUN! Dates: Sundays, January 18-March 8 (no class February 1). Time: Class from 5:30-7:30 PM. Free meal at **5:00 PM.** Location: Adel Elementary School, 1608 Grove St., Adel. Price is \$15 per family, child care for younger children provided at no extra charge. For questions and to register Contact: Lisa Mickelson at (515) 993-4281 or <a href="mailto:lmickel@iastate.edu">lmickel@iastate.edu</a>.

## Pet Licenses are required ANNUALLY in January

- **Purpose** for identification if pet is lost, to prevent pets from being destroyed as stray, and as a way of tracking vicious animals.
- → **Registration** every dog or cat shall be registered with the City prior to January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
- → Application Requirements provide proof of current vaccination against rabies, state breed, sex, age, color and name of dog or cat, and address, telephone, and signature of owner.
- → Registration Fees license fee is \$5.00. If the animal is not spayed or neutered, the fee is \$20.00 each. A \$5.00 late fee will be imposed on each dog or cat not registered by February 1st of each year.
- → Impoundment registered animals found at large are subject to a municipal infraction of \$100.00-1st offense, \$200.00-2nd offense, \$400.00-3<sup>rd</sup> offense, \$625.00-4<sup>th</sup> offense Unregistered animals or registered animals found at large on more than three (3) occasions shall be seized and impounded. Impounding costs are \$200.00.
- → Tags will not be mailed unless a pre-stamped envelope is included with the application.

City of Dallas Center 2015 Pet License Application						
Owner:			Address: _			
Home Phone	:		Cell:	Work:		
Please circle 1. Dog/Ca 2. Dog/Ca 3. Dog/Ca	M/F M/F	Neutered/Spayed Neutered/Spayed Neutered/Spayed	Breed/Color: Breed/Color: Breed/Color:	Pet's Name:		
Owner Signa	ture:			Date:		
		No license will be iss	sued without a current copy of the	rabies vaccination attached to this application.		

Check with your vet as most will send you a copy upon request.