



# City of Dallas Center Newsletter

October 2016

## City Hall

1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396

7:30-4:00 M-F

[www.dallascenter.com](http://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](http://www.dallascenter.lib.ia.us)

## Phone Numbers

City Hall 992-3725

Police Dept non emergency 992-3086

Dallas County Dispatch 993-4567

Fire Dept non emergency 992-4292

Library 992-3185

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The **Dallas Center City Council** meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Legion Hall. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings.

City Hall will be closed on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> for employee training.

**Open Burning** is allowed from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM until November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please burn only when the wind is calm and do not burn wet debris that causes excess smoke. NO burning on the city streets and never leave a fire unattended.

**Please remember there is no burning the entire day on October 31<sup>st</sup> due to the Beggar's Night activities.**

## October 2016 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9	10 ♣	11	12	13 *	14	15
16	17 ♣	18 ◇	19	20 *	21	22
23	24 ♣	25	26	27 *	28	29
30	31 ♣					

\* Garbage Pick-Up

♣ Yardwaste Pick-Up

◇ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up

Beggar's Night – October 31<sup>st</sup>

## Beggar's Night Festivities on October 31<sup>st</sup> ~

- 🔥 The Seasonal Fun Committee will be holding festivities on Walnut Street from 5:00 - 6:00 PM.
- 🔥 Some of the events being planned are: Pet Costume Contest, Girl Scout's Costume Contest, caramel apples and Trunk or Treat.
- 🔥 Hot dogs at the Fire Station
- 🔥 Trick or treating will run from 6:00-8:00 PM.
- 🔥 Come bring your family out for some Halloween FUN!



## Library of Tomorrow News~

- ◆ The Library of Tomorrow committee will resume meeting on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. The time and place of this meeting will change from those of our prior meetings. We will be having our October meeting in Memorial Hall and the meeting time will be 5:45 PM - 8:00 PM. The committee will have 15 (fifteen) minutes for public comments and questions prior to the regular meeting beginning at 6:00 pm. This change in time and place is to accommodate our architectural team from OPN, who will be presenting some ideas for each of the two sites under consideration.
- ◆ Bob Findlay and Greg Cagle of the library Board of Trustees, Jeani Shepherd and Shelly Cory of the Library of Tomorrow committee, and city engineer, Bob Veenstra, met with the architectural team on September 13<sup>th</sup> to tour and discuss the two sites. Moving forward from that tour, the OPN team is now developing the ideas they will share at the October meeting.

## Do you have a vehicle you need to get rid of? We have a few options for you...

- **Teen Challenge of the Midlands Vehicle Donation Program** - will arrange for the removal of your vehicle (free of charge) and issue you a tax-deductible receipt. The minimum tax deduction is **\$500.00**. You may contact them at 888-344-4673 or online at [www.tcmid.org](http://www.tcmid.org) and follow the link "End of the Road" Donation.
- **Wheels for Wishes** - a car donation program benefiting Make-A-Wish Iowa. They offer a free and easy way to recycle or donate unwanted vehicles, by turning them into a wish for a local child. To donate, you can call 1-855-369-9474 or fill out their online vehicle donation form at <http://iowa.wheelsforwishes.org>. They will contact you within 24 hours to schedule your free vehicle pick-up.

**Thank you to Donna and Dan Wagner** for running the Farmer's Market again this year. Your many hours of service are greatly appreciated!

### Library News~

- Story Time is every Wednesday at 10:00 am
- Oct. 8, 10:00 am – Knitting with Sylvia
- Oct. 11, 3:30 pm – Book n A Bite Club
- Oct. 12, 1:30 pm -3:00 pm – Early out program
- Oct. 13, 7:00 pm – Adult Coloring
- Oct. 18, 3:30 pm – 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Club
- Oct. 20, 7:00 pm – Book Club – The Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh
- Oct. 26, 7:00 pm – Library Board of Trustees Meeting
- Oct. 27, 7:00 pm – Children's Halloween Party

### Park News~

We had another great year at the skating rink! Thank you to Jill Bejarno, Kristin Gray and Brianne Kiley for running the rink this year. Remember we can always use donations of new or used roller blades or roller skates.

### Fire Department News~

- Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>
- The theme this year is "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years"
- Please check the batteries in your smoke detectors.
- For more information on fire prevention, please contact Amy Hofland at 992-4292.

If you have extra garbage or large items (chairs, couches, mattresses, etc.) to dispose of, you can purchase **garbage stickers** at City Hall or the Roy R. Estle Memorial Library. The cost per sticker is \$1.50 (this does not cover appliances).

**Interested in serving on a City Board or Commission?** Go to our website at [www.dallascenter.com](http://www.dallascenter.com) and complete an application to serve.

**Street light outages** can be reported at the following MidAmerican website: [http://www.midamericanenergy.com/streelight\\_outage.aspx](http://www.midamericanenergy.com/streelight_outage.aspx)

### Community News~

- 🍎 **It's time to Join Scouting!!** We have a great group of over 30 youth engaged in fun, educational, and exciting programs this year. Anyone interested is invited to JOIN our Pack meetings throughout the year. We meet the third Monday of each month from 6:30-8:00 PM at the United Methodist Church in Dallas Center. Call Cubmaster Ben Chiochon at 515-802-5579 or email [bchiochon@gmail.com](mailto:bchiochon@gmail.com) with questions.
- 🍎 **Cub Scout Popcorn Time!!** This year there is more chocolate than ever!! If you want to support the Scouts who do so much for this community and have not been asked to buy yet, please contact me and I will make sure a Scout takes your order! Call Cubmaster Ben Chiochon at 515-802-5579 or email [bchiochon@gmail.com](mailto:bchiochon@gmail.com).
- 🍎 The **Wellmark Foundation** is awarding grants up to \$10,000 for projects that promote active living as well as access to and consumption of healthy foods. Council member Curt Pion has entered our community project (Raccoon River Valley Trailhead) for a chance to receive a grant. Voting started Sept. 26, please go in and vote for our project at [Facebook.com/WellmarkBCBS](https://www.facebook.com/WellmarkBCBS). Don't forget to show your support!
- 🍎 **Medicap Pharmacy** in Dallas Center will be offering **flu shots** this season during the hours of 8:30 am-5:30 pm Monday-Friday and 8:30 am-1:30 pm on Saturdays. Flu shots are available on a walk-in basis for people ages 6 and up and no prescription is required.
- 🍎 **Boy Scout Greenery-** Holiday decorating will be here before you know it! Dallas Center Boy Scout Troop 116 would like to deliver your holiday greenery fresh, directly to you. The Troop will be kicking off their annual fundraiser with door to door sales throughout the month of October. Order your favorite wreaths, swags, garland and more! If we miss you at home, items can be ordered by contacting any member of Troop 116 or by calling Melissa Stimple (401-7139) or Lisa Howell (314-9129).
- 🍎 The **Yellow Swan Bed and Breakfast**, operated by Gary and Jan Busby, continues to offer trips to well-known destinations. They currently have room still available for an Australia / New Zealand trip being planned for February 2017. They also have brochures on a 13 day Alaska trip being planned for July 2017. Anyone interested in either of these trips should contact Gary or Jan at 515-992-3118 or 515-975-6849 or e-mail them at [yellowswan@mchsi.com](mailto:yellowswan@mchsi.com).
- 🍎 The holidays are just around the corner and don't forget to add the library to your list! Friends of the Estle Memorial Library will again be hosting their **annual silent basket auction** during the Dallas Center Holiday Celebration. More details will be available in the November newsletter.
- 🍎 **Merry Christmas!** Children's Christmas Store is in need of donations! Anything that can be used as a gift for mom, dad, grandparents, etc., would be appreciated. Call Lisa Howell at 992-3728 or 314-9129 (evenings) to schedule a pick-up or drop-off.
- 🍎 **SAILDC Info:** Residents of Dallas Center can now **order groceries on-line** from Perry Hy-Vee and/or by phone from The Baker's Pantry. The groceries will be ready for pick-up at The Baker's Pantry every Thursday afternoon. SAILDC volunteers will help residents who cannot drive out of town order their groceries, and will deliver them to their homes if needed. A credit or debit card will be required to use this service, since we cannot send cash or checks through the Internet to Hy-Vee at this time. Winter is coming, and if we can get enough people using this service you won't need to brave the roads to keep fresh food on your tables! For more information, call SAILDC at 515-344-2074 or email [info@SAILDC.COM](mailto:info@SAILDC.COM).

### Notes from September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting

- ◇ Council set October 31<sup>st</sup> as Beggar's Night.
- ◇ Council approved Resolution 2016-22 – providing for the acquisition of real estate and for acquiring perpetual and temporary construction easements for the Southwest Storm Water Drainage Project; approving deeds and easements; and authorizing payment of compensation to owners.

Complete copies of the minutes are available on our website at [www.dallascenter.com](http://www.dallascenter.com) or City Hall