

# City of Dallas Center Newsletter

September 2017

## 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  
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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.

**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.

**Yard waste** - Yard waste will be picked up every Monday through November. Yard waste can be placed in any container other than your Waste Management container or in paper bags. Bundle sticks and branches in no more than 4' lengths. Yard waste includes grass, leaves, twigs, etc.

## September 2017 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	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

\* Garbage Pick-Up

♣ Yardwaste Pick-Up

◇ Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up

Labor Day – September 4<sup>th</sup> (city offices closed)

Autumn Begins – September 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Mayor's Message~

- Street Maintenance and Repairs - Dallas Center receives Road Use Tax (or the fuel tax that was recently raised by the Iowa Congress) based on our population.
- Last year we received approximately \$201,000.
- We fund street projects (2017-15<sup>th</sup> Street by the middle school, 2016-Sycamore Street by the Co-op, 2015-700 block of 11<sup>th</sup> Street), street repairs (so far in 2017 public works has put 60 tons of cold patch on potholes with plans to do more) - the potholes never end! Road maintenance and repairs are prioritized by traffic volume, road condition and future plans.
- We also use these funds to help purchase equipment such as snow plows, skid loader, backhoe, street sweeper, etc., as well as to purchase the salt, sand and other supplies used during the snow removal and street repair processes.
- Some of this money also goes to help pay bonds for previous road projects (this helps keeps the debt levy lower).
- These funds will continue to be used to maintain, repair or replace our roads in the future.

Mayor Mike

## Seasonal Fun Committee News~

- The Seasonal Fun Committee has started planning for Beggar's night!
- Current plans include: Chili and hotdogs served at the Fire Department; Hay Bale Maze; Contests for Best Carved Pumpkin (All Ages), Best Pet Costume, Best Trunk for Trunk or Treat and Coloring Contest (Ages 1 to 10); Pictures of the kids by Gypsy Wild Photography
- Additional information: Watch for October's flyer and Like "Seasonal Fun Committee" on Facebook
- The Seasonal Fun Committee is looking for volunteers to help plan events throughout the year. Volunteers meet once a month and plan four events: Halloween, Christmas, Easter and Art in the Park.

## Home Base Iowa Program –

- ◆ The City is currently looking for 4 to 6 volunteers to head up our Home Base Iowa program.
- ◆ Home Base Iowa is a program to assist veterans as they return to civilian life.
- ◆ Dallas Center wishes to become a Home Base Community.
- ◆ If interested, please contact David Bagby at [council@dallascenter.com](mailto:council@dallascenter.com) for additional information.

### **Library News-**

- Sept. 4-Closed for Labor Day
- Sept. 12, 3:30 pm-Book & A Bite Book Club (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders)
- Sept. 13, 1:30-3:00 pm-Early Out Program
- Sept. 13, 4:00 pm-Teen Movie & Snacks
- Sept. 14, 7:00 pm-Adult Pinterest Party
- Sept. 19, 3:30 pm-Time Lords Book Club (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>)
- Sept. 21, 7:00 pm-Lit Wits Adult Book Club
- Sept. 21, 7:00 pm-Adult Coloring
- Sept. 27, 1:30-3:00 pm-Early Out Program
- Sept. 27, 7:00 pm-Library Board of Trustees Meeting
- Story Time is every Wednesday at 10:00 am

### **Pool News~**

- \* Thanks to all the patrons who used the Lena Moser Pool this summer, it was a fantastic season!!
- \* Special thanks to Cassidy Fox along with her staff who worked very hard to make the pool a safe and fun place to be this summer.
- \* Also, thanks to Linda LaValley for doing such a great job at the concession booth.
- \* It was a great season and we look forward to 2018!

### **Park News~**

- Thank you to Darla MacConnell, Haley Wineland, Jill Bejarno and Brianne Kiley for running the skating rink this year.
- A thank you and keep up the good work to all who maintain the city and park signs and Recreation Trail: Brenda & Ed Anderson, Mike Baker, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, Tall Dog Bike Club, April Scrivner, Jackie Deaver, Brianne Kiley, Jeani Shepherd, Derrick Weller and Mary Werch

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

### **Community News~**

- ◆ **Farmers' Market** continues through September 29<sup>th</sup> at the Raccoon River Valley Trail Head on Fridays from 4:00-7:00 pm.
- ◆ **A very big thank you** to all who helped with the hazardous waste day, it was a huge success again this year!
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ The **Yellow Swan Bed and Breakfast** is again offering many trip opportunities for 2018. These are successfully and professionally run trips offered by Collette Vacations. The 2018 trips include Hawaii in January, Panama in March, England, Scotland & Wales in April, National Parks of American in June, The Galapagos Islands in August; Cruising the Danube in September and America's Music Cities Holiday Tour in December. Brochures with trip details can be mailed to you by contacting 515-992-3118 or [yellowswan@mchsi.com](mailto:yellowswan@mchsi.com).
- ◆ The Fire Department would like to remind all homeowners of the importance of having your **house number clearly visible** in case you ever have an emergency. If you don't have a house number posted on the outside of your house, please do so.

### **FALL FESTIVAL-**

- ◇ Fall Festival 2017 was another outstanding success! The cooperation of the citizens, the city staff and departments, city boards, the civic organizations, the businesses and most importantly, the festival committee, really exemplifies our great sense of the community involvement in Dallas Center.
- ◇ A huge "THANK YOU" goes out to Diana Hawbaker, Lezlie Ellerman, Julie Baldner, Kate Erickson and the entire DC Celebrations Committee for their many hours of planning, hard work and dedication for this year's Fall Festival.

### **5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DALLAS CENTER HOMEBREWERS' FEST** **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017 FROM 5:00 TO 9:00 PM AT MEMORIAL HALL** **To Benefit the Dallas Center Food Pantry and Dallas County Shop With A Cop**

- Enjoy some great home brewed beer and help out a great cause.
- Again this year, several home brewers in Dallas Center want to share some of their beer with you and help out our local Food Pantry with some cash donations for the up-coming holiday season.
- No fee to join the fun, but monetary donations are greatly encouraged. There will be silent auction items and drawings for free stuff, so bring your check-book or cash and be ready for a great time!

### **Compliance Reminder**

- The Code Enforcement Officer is giving notices on grass, weeds, junk, junk vehicles, and vehicles and other items blocking alleys.
- Please take the time to look around your property and clean up these items and finish those building projects that you have been working on.
- We greatly appreciate your cooperation in keeping our town looking beautiful!

- **On-Line Payment Reminder** - for those of you that use your bank's online bill pay for paying your water bill, please allow **7-10 business days** for the check to reach us through mail. So, if you pay online a couple of days before the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, but we don't receive it until after the 15<sup>th</sup>, you will be assessed a penalty.
- **Automatic bill pay** is available for your City bill, please call 992-3725 or email [cityhall@dallascenter.com](mailto:cityhall@dallascenter.com).