City of Dallas Center Newsletter, 2023



City offices will be closed on Monday, May 29th for the Memorial Day Holiday

May 2023 Calendar of Events						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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City-wide Garage Sale – May 13 th (see enclosed flier)						
Mother's Day – May 14 th						
Big Garbage Day – May 20 th (see enclosed flier)						
Memorial Day – May 29 th						
(no yard waste pickup, city offices closed)						
Yard Waste Pick-up (delayed one day the week of Memorial Day)						
 Single Stream Recycling Pick-Up (every other Thursday) 						
* Garbage Pick-Up (delayed one day the week of Memorial Day)						

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Hello Dallas Center!

This message is a little later than normal due to some last-minute changes from the State of Iowa, but I'm happy to report that the 2023-2024 budget has been approved. Thanks to staff and Council for their dedication and work on this budget cycle. Below are the highlights:

25% from LOST was allocated to property tax relief bringing the total tax relief to at least \$137,581 (it could be more based upon LOST dollars received).

The levy rate decreased again this year from \$12.59 to \$11.91, a little over a 5% decrease!

Around \$270,000 from road use tax will be spent to continue our multi-year street improvement program (approximately \$1M over the past five years).

The new pool is still on time to open in June and with the additional funds from the CAT grant and generous community donations, will include a heater, sunshades, and slides.

Parks and Rec continues to improve the amenities at all parks.

Important water infrastructure projects will continue with a well exploration (planning for a new well).

All of these projects are done to both infrastructure and quality of life while lowering the city levy rate substantially! We continue to make Dallas Center a wonderful place to live, work, and play. I'm proud to call it home and I'm excited for what spring will bring!

Danny Beyer, Mayor

Thank you!

The flowers in the City beds are coming up and it is time to thank those who keep them looking great! East city sign-April Scrivner; West city sign-Brenda and Ed Anderson; South city sign-Rauschenberg family; Memorial Park sign-Mike Baker; Mound Park sign and gazebo-Jackie Deaver; Heritage Park-Mary Werch; North Recreation Trail-Beta Sigma Phi; South Recreation Trail-Tall Dog Bike Club.

The help these individuals and groups give to the City is greatly appreciated!

City Hall

1502 Walnut St., PO Box 396 Monday – Friday 7:30 am–4:00 pm cityhall@dallascenter.com www.dallascenter.com

<u>Library</u>

1308 Walnut St, PO Box 521 Monday – 9:00 am–5:00 pm Tuesday–Thursday – 9:00 am–7:00 pm Friday – 9:00 am–5:00 pm Saturday – 9:00 am–12:00 pm. www.dallascenter.lib.ia.us

Phone Numbers

City Hall	515-992-3725
Dallas County Dispatch	515-993-4567
Fire Dept non-emergency	515-992-4292
Library	515-992-3185
Ed Leedom (compliance)	515-238-4485

City Officials

Danny Beyer, Mayor	515-992-3725				
mayor@dallascenter.com					
Angie Beaudet	515-992-3725				
Ryan Coon	515-992-3725				
Ryan Kluss	515-992-3725				
Amy Strutt	515-992-3725				
Daniel Willrich	515-992-3725				
Council members can be emailed at:					
council@dallascenter.com					

The Dallas Center City Council meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Memorial Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings. Refer to the City Agenda if you prefer Zoom attendance.

Open Burning ends May 10th. Please burn only when the wind is calm and don't burn wet debris. The next open burning is Oct 1st through Nov 30th.



Library News

- May 29, Closed for Memorial Holiday
- May 31, 7:00 pm-Library Board of Trustees meeting
- May 3, 10, & 17, Wednesdays, 10:00 am-Story Time
- No Story Time May 24 & 31.
- Join us Thursday Mornings at 8:00 am in the south program room for Chair Yoga! All ages and all levels welcome.

Park and Recreation News

- The Dallas Center Outdoor rollerskating season for 2023 will begin Friday, May 26th from 7:00-9:00 pm.
- The theme for the night is Blast into Summer! Roller skating, games, concessions, and music to start the summer right!
- Participate in theme night and receive a participation treat- wear sunglasses, ball caps, pool hats, flip flops, clothing with suns or other summer related activities. Be creative!
- NO CHARGE for skates (quad & inline) available. Sizes from toddlers to adults.

Pool News

- ♦ Opening Day TBD
- Swimming pool Passes will be available closer to the start of the season opener. There will be no discounted pre-sale passes this year. Family Season Pass \$125.00; Single pass \$60.00.
- Morning public swim lessons will be held July 10th-20th 9:45 am to Noon. (21st will be a party or a make-up day). \$50.00/two-week session
- Evening public swim lessons will be July 24th-August 3rd 8:00-9:00 pm. (4th will be a party or make-up session). \$50.00/two-week session.
- Private lessons will also be held, additional info will be available closer to the pool opening. \$20.00 per 30-minute session.
- For more details refer to <u>https://www.dallascenter.com/activiti</u> <u>es/pages/swimming-pool</u>

Community News

- Thank you for coming out to support the Dallas Center Easter Egg Hunt, brought to you by the Seasonal Fun Committee. The kids hunted for 3,000 eggs – stuffed with candy by community volunteers and distributed by Boy Scout Troop 116! Thanks to the many volunteers for making this event happen: Boy Scout Troop 116, Danny Beyer (Emcee), Jenna Carney, Chuck Fagen (Bunny) and his helper, Kara Jensen, Iles Funeral Home (Flyer printing), Mark Johnson (DJ), Miranda Kyhl, Nina New (Chair) Sugar Grove Goods/Meg Dickenson, and Public Works (Street Barricades).
- Dallas Center Betterment Foundation Business Spotlight* The DCBF 2nd



quarter **2023 Spotlight is The Baker's Pantry**. They feature bulk foods, a deli, lunch and coffee shop menu, and many local specialty groceries and items. Visit them in person at 904 Sugar Grove Ave, Dallas Center, IA or visit their website thebakerspantry.biz to learn more. *The DCBF Member spotlight's purpose is to create awareness of all

the Dallas Center businesses and their services and/or products.

- The American Legion Auxiliary will be distributing the veteran made red Poppies on Friday, May 19th and Saturday, May 20th. There will also be poppies and containers for donations at some of the businesses. Please wear a Poppy to raise funds for a hospitalized veteran.
- The community Memorial Day Observance will be held on Monday, May 29th in Mound Park at 10:00 am. The program is in remembrance of all of our conflicts and the veterans that were affected. The American Legion and Auxiliary plan and sponsor the program. There will be a free-will lunch following the program sponsored by the Grace Brethren Church. Veterans eat free.
- The Dallas Center Food Pantry serves an average of 10-12 people each week. As grocery prices continue to increase, there's always room to help more people. The pantry is located in the Education wing of The United Methodist Church (1504 Walnut St.) and on a second level. Please call ahead if you need elevator assistance. The pantry is open on Tuesday evenings from 4:00-6:00 pm. Donation containers are located at Baker's Pantry and the Library. Your financial donations can be mailed to 707 Circle Dr., Dallas Center, IA. You can contact the pantry at 515-478-6744. Your support is appreciated.
- Don't know what to do with old flags? If you have flags that you need to retire, there is a flag drop box outside of the Legion Hall (1502 Walnut).

DALLAS CENTER CELEBRATIONS, INC.

We have so much to be thankful for in Dallas Center and it's time to CELEBRATE. It's with a grateful heart that we are excited to announce the Seasonal Fun and Fall Festival committees have a calendar full of fantastic community events scheduled for this coming year!

Your generous donation will provide us the opportunity to continue our time-honored traditions that families of all ages have enjoyed for years including Fall Festival, Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Hayday, and Hometown Christmas. In order to continue providing meaningful, funpacked and family-oriented events throughout the calendar year we need your financial support.

Checks - payable to Dallas Center Celebrations Inc. Mailed to Dallas Center Celebrations, PO Box 104, Dallas Center, IA 50063-0104, or Scan the QR Code on the front of this newsletter.

Thank you for supporting the celebrations of Dallas Center!