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orange city, iowa



mark your calendars

City of Orange City:

Youth Soccer Begins

Date: Week of April 14th

Online Registration for Summer Recreation

Date: May 1, 2014

Summer Recreation Begins

Date: June 2, 2014

Pool Opens

Date: May 26, 2014

Orange City Arts Council:

Cashore Marionette

Date: April 8, 2014

Location: Northwestern College Chapel

Additional Info: Consult the OC Arts website at orangecityarts.net

Contact: ocArts@orangecityiowa.com

Onstage Orange City begins with Orange City's Got Talent!

Date: May 28, 2014

Location: Windmill Park

Additional Info: Consult the OC Arts website at orangecityarts.net

Contact: ocArts@orangecityiowa.com

alerts and reminders:

Household Hazardous Waste

This year we are moving our pickup of HHW to August 20th, 2014. Hold on to these items for our pick up with the Safety Fair which is moving to August 20th. Same place next fall!

Seasonal Parking

From October 15 - April 1, the City of Orange City does not permit on-street parking between the hours of 2:00 am - 6:00 am.

Annual Spring Clean-Up

The week of April 21-25

Electronic Recycling

April 25 (4-7 pm)

April 26 (9-12 noon)

905 3rd Ave., Alton



for the most current list of events
orangecityiowa.com/events

fourteen-unit orange city rental project gets nearly \$835,000 in federal funds



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A planned housing complex in Orange City has just been advised that they will receive nearly \$835,000 in federal funds. The Iowa Finance Authority, or "IFA" Board of Directors has announced affordable housing awards to fifteen affordable rental projects in Iowa totaling more than \$82.4 million in federal housing tax credits and HOME program awards to build and preserve 650 affordable housing units in thirteen Iowa counties. Among them is the 14-unit complex in Orange City.

The Orange City complex is being called Prairie Heights, LLC. It will be at 900 14th Street SE. Fourteen affordable units for families are planned. The tax credit award is for nearly \$285,000, and the HOME award is for \$550,000. It is being developed by Excel Health Services, doing business as Excel Development Group.

beyond onstage series concludes in march & april

From Israel, Baladino takes its audience on a journey through music of the Mediterranean region – music carried to Israel by people from Spain, Eastern Europe, Turkey, and Arabic countries.



Baladino Performing Group

The five members of Baladino embrace the old and the new, performing on string, wind, and percussion instruments both ancient and modern. Baladino musicians have made names for themselves individually and collectively.

They are the second of the Arts Midwest World Fest series in Orange City – following Le Vent du Nord. The performance is Friday, March 28 at 7:30pm.

Cashore Marionettes return after a sold-out show in 2011. Critics rave on these intricate marionettes: "This collection of puppet vignettes, set to well-chosen music, is a simple but brilliant production that carries the audience through a range of feelings... I can't recommend this show highly enough," said the Calgary Herald. Other reviewers said: "A wonderful world of breathtaking magic." "Amazing... a once in a lifetime event." "The range of movement truly has to be seen to be believed, and even that might be pushing it!" The performance is Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00pm.

Both shows are for adults and children, and will be held at the Northwestern College Chapel. General admission tickets are \$10 adults and \$7 students; children five and under are free. Tickets are sold at Dove Bookstore and at the door. Sponsor is the Orange City Arts Council.

More info? Contact the Orange City Arts Council at ocArts@orangecityiowa.com or 707-4885 or see orangecityarts.net.



Cashore Marionettes

natural gas prices spiked to record levels

Due to the extreme cold weather that we have experienced the last two billing periods, natural gas prices spiked to record levels and were much higher compared to the past few heating seasons. The City of Orange City utilizes a diversified portfolio to maintain price stability. This enables your overall delivered price of natural gas to be lower than what the market was during this period. However, please keep in mind that your bill could be much higher due to your increased usage at your residence or business as well.





dunlop wildlife rec area

We are underway with our Dunlop Wildlife Area project. The pond has been dredged, and we are waiting to hear if we have been accepted for a Vision Iowa Grant in order to start on the rest of the project. If this project interests you and you are willing to add a financial contribution to this project, please call the city offices for more information.



what we do

Orange City 21 Foundation is the fund-raising arm of the Orange City Development Corporation (OCDC) - a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization committed to economic development and community planning and betterment. Our mission is to help create and sustain a prosperous, "livable" community for the long term ... to help make Orange City truly competitive, successful, and progressive for its residents, partners, stakeholders, and future generations.

2014 downtown street improvements

The City of Orange City is doing a street project this summer. This will include the streets of 2nd St. SW between Central and Arizona, 1st St. W between Central and Arizona, 2nd St NW between Central and Arizona, 2nd St. NE between Central and Albany and Central Ave. between 3rd St. and 5th St N. This project is to start after Tulip Festival but not before May 22nd. Completion date is October 3rd, 2014. These streets will include complete pavement removal, some curb and sidewalk removal, and adding water mains and storm sewers. Light pole replacements will be added along with new 6" PCC pavement and 4" PCC sidewalks. There will be some paver and trees to match the Central Ave. project. The contractor will only be able to rip up a certain amount of project at one time so that traffic flow is not totally restricted downtown.

free e-recycling program

The Cities of Orange City & Alton are co-sponsoring a free e-recycling program that will accept computer monitors, CPU's, keyboards, printers and mouse(s), smaller batteries, and tv's. Sorry, car batteries and light bulbs are not allowed. Items can be dropped off at Alton City Hall, 905 3rd Avenue on Friday, April 25th, 4-7 pm and Saturday, April 26th, 9:00am -12pm.

it's time to shine

OC's Annual Spring Clean-Up, sponsored by the City of OC and OC Sanitation, will be held April 21-25. OC residents must purchase a \$10 lawn flag (one for each household) from the City Office (125 Central Ave. SE) or OC Sanitation (710 Ohio St. SW). Sanitation crews will only remove those items that have a special lawn flag displayed nearby. All disposed items must be placed at your usual pick-up site on your regular garbage pick-up day. Allowable items: garage and home items, furniture/wood items, and mattresses/carpets. Non-allowable items: all appliances/white goods, TV's (may dispose of with e-recycling - see above), building-remodeling materials, wood chips, auto parts (tires, batteries, etc.), concrete, steel/iron, yard waste, tree branches, oil, yard chemicals, or wet paints. Special pick-up arrangements may be available for these items with OC Sanitation (737-2645).

By serving as a catalyst for public-private partnerships, we seek to promote the development of commercial, industrial, and retail property and businesses, as well as betterment projects designed to improve quality of life

what we have done

Over the past 26 years, OC 21 Foundation has received over \$400,000 from Orange City Municipal Utilities customers. With your help, in 2013 and 2014 the OC 21 Foundation participated in the following projects:

2012 Projects

- Prairie Winds Event Center
- New rec. ball fields at the pool park
- OC Betterment Fund

2013 Projects

- Knight Center audio-visual enhancements
- Dutch Street Organ
- OC Betterment Fund

what you can do

For as little as \$1 a week, YOU can help build our future together. YOU can make a real difference by financially supporting the ongoing work of the OC 21 Foundation. Take a look at the pledge card below, and please consider what you can give. For more information or to contribute to the exciting current and future projects funded by OC 21, visit orangecityiowa.com and click on the "Orange City 21" link.



pledge card

Yes! I/we want to invest in the future of Orange City! I/we agree to be partners in maintaining and improving the quality of life and advancing economic development by making the following tax-deductible contribution:

☐ Add to monthly utility bill

☐ \$1/week ☐ \$5/week
☐ \$2/week ☐ \$10/week
☐ \$____/week

☐ Annual contribution (check enclosed)

\$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: **Orange City** State: **IA** ZIP: **51041**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Return this card with your Orange City Municipal Utilities bill or to City Hall at:

City of Orange City
Attn: OC 21 Foundation
125 Central Ave SE
Orange City, IA 51041

You can also pledge online at OrangeCityIowa.com!

(Detach and mail in)

