

vibrant

orange city, iowa



mark your
calendars



Felicitas: A Lifetime of Service

Date: Saturday, Sept. 9, 7:30 pm
Location: Northwestern College
DeWitt Theatre
Tickets and additional information
available at orangecityarts.net
Email: ocArts@orangecityiowa.com



**Registration deadline for Orange
City Youth Theatre**

Date: Monday, September 11
To register visit ocstages.org



Fall Pool Hours

Sunday, August 20, 1-4:30 pm
Monday, August 21, 1-6 pm
Tuesday, August 22, 1-6 pm
Wednesday, August 23, closed
Thursday, August 24, 4-7:30 pm
Friday, August 25, closed
Saturday, August 26, 1-6 pm
Sunday, August 27, 1-4:30 pm
Monday, August 28, closed
Tuesday, August 29, 4-7:30 pm
Wednesday, August 30, closed
Thursay, August 31, 4-7:30 pm
Friday, September 1, closed
Saturday, September 2, 1-6 pm
Sunday, September 3, 1-4:30 pm
Monday, September 4, 1-5 pm (last day)
Tuesday, September 5, 6-7 pm dog swim



**construction begins on the new
\$10,000,000 waste water treatment facility**

The new Orange City Waste Water Treatment Facility is under construction. Gridor Construction has started to move dirt and construct rebar mat in the southwest corner of the Sequence Batch Reactors (SBR). They will be pouring about 500–600 cubic yards of concrete per week. The subcontractor is keeping ahead of Gridor with the rebar and the progress is keeping steady. Completion date for this project is the end of 2018.

We want to remind all residents to be aware of the continuous rolling of cement trucks and delivery trucks with rebar. This is going to continue throughout August and September. When bringing out grass or limbs, please take extra care in the driveway traffic and parking of your vehicle.



dial-a-ride and “jack of all trades”

Bill Van Marel is the driver for the Orange City Dial-A-Ride program. This program provides transportation services for the citizens of Orange City. Bill takes citizens to appointments, shopping, or wherever else they need to get to and from. In addition to Dial-A-Ride, Bill also performs the the janitorial duties for City Hall. Bill always goes above and beyond whatever is necessary to do his job and he does it with a cheerful attitude. We thank Bill for his dedication!

does your tote runneth over

Here are a few items to note from OC Sanitation and the City of Orange City regarding the green tote trash pick up.

1. Do NOT overfill. If a larger can is needed, you can upgrade by calling OC Sanitation at (712) 737-2645.
2. Do NOT set the green tote in the street. Set it behind the curb but within 18". Driveways work great.
3. Tote should not be put out more than 12 hours before normal pick up time.
4. Tote needs to be out by 7:00 am the day of normal pick up.
5. Lid opening needs to be placed towards the street or they will not be emptied.
6. If high wind warnings are issued for your pick up day and can is nearly empty, please hold with setting it out until the next week.



Thanks for your cooperation.



do you have
HHM in your house

Orange City and Alton household residents (sorry no businesses) will again have an opportunity to safely discard those household hazardous materials (HHM). On Wednesday, September 20, the Cities of Orange City, Alton, and the NW IA Area Landfill will co-sponsor a HHM Recycling event from 4–6 pm at the Orange City Street Department building. This building is located just south of Ace Hardware. The address is 809 Concord Place SE. Acceptable items include:

- *degreaser*
- *waxes/polishes*
- *solvents*
- *lacquers/thinners*
- *caustic cleaners*
- *stain removers*
- *pesticides/herbicides*
- *oil based paints* (latex paints will be assessed a \$1/gal. fee.)



The City Offices will be closed on Labor Day - Monday, September 4. For non-emergencies during that time, the OC Police Department may be contacted at 707-4251 For OC utility emergencies, please call 707-5000.



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current information
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new fire station is nearing completion

Progress on the new fire station is moving along nicely and still on schedule to be done this fall. Interior wall and floor tile are being installed. Work on landscaping has started. The three bays in the old fire station are being remodeled. Concrete, plumbing, and electrical are nearly complete. Painting is taking place in both the new addition and the old section that is being remodeled. Ceiling tiles are being installed.

2016 property tax levies due 2017-2018

Orange City’s total tax levy ranks 686th in the state compared to the other 943 Iowa communities. Property taxes due in 2017-2018 increased to a rate of \$30.87/\$1,000 in comparison to \$30.75 (696th rank in 2016-17) or \$30.32 (730th rank in 2015-16). In the Northwest Iowa survey below, four communities lowered their “city” property tax mill levy and three saw increases. The City of Orange City has been fortunate to manage its operating costs quite effectively while making prudent capital investments. The survey’s combined mill levy averaged \$32.44 compared to Orange City’s \$30.87.

	Area School & County	School District	City	City Chg. From 2015	Total Prop. Tax	*State Ranking
Storm Lake	9.25	15.67	14.27	(0.32)	39.19	157
Cherokee	5.83	12.76	16.14	(0.01)	34.73	381
Orange City	5.84	10.24	14.79	0.23	30.87	686
Sioux Center	5.84	15.97	11.80	(0.03)	33.60	457
Carroll	4.93	10.37	11.60	0.02	26.90	875
Sheldon	6.91	13.69	13.60	0.19	34.20	415
Spencer	7.13	14.10	11.99	0.00	33.22	495
LeMars	5.20	11.53	12.50	(1.00)	29.23	788
Alton	5.84	10.24	13.99	0.00	30.06	737
OC-2015	5.96	10.23	14.56		30.75	696
OC-2014	6.12	10.22	13.98		30.32	730
OC-2013	6.12	10.92	13.95		30.51	704
OC-2012	6.02	11.72	14.44		31.38	643
OC-2011	5.99	11.72	14.46		32.17	647

State ranking of 943 cities with # 1 = highest total Property Tax Levy.

welcome back students & faculty

The City of Orange City and all of our citizens are happy to welcome you to our schools and our community this fall. Our merchants are ready to serve you with the finest merchandise and dependable service to help make your school year an enjoyable experience. Stop in to visit with us. We enjoy meeting you!

Caution: Our children will be walking and bicycling to and from school on sidewalks and painted, designated walkways. Please drive with care when entering our school route zones. Parents, please instruct your children to the safest and best routes to travel to school.

