

vibrant

orange city, iowa



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calendars



Wit, a Pulitzer Prize-winning play Presented by Eastcheap Theatre Collection

Dates: January 12-13
Location: Northwestern College
DeWitt Theatre Arts Center
Learn more:
facebook.com/eastcheap



An Evening of Dance

Date: Saturday, January 20
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Unity Christian Knight
Center
Tickets available:
orangecityarts.net



Youth Basketball registration is now open!

1st and 2nd Grade Boys and Girls
Basketball mixed (Choice of Tuesday
or Thursday night from 5:30-6:30)
3rd-4th Grade Boys and Girls
Basketball (Tuesday for the girls,
Wednesday for the boys 3:45-5:00)
All the programs will be at the Town
Hall in Orange City.
Register at https://www.activityreg.com/selectactivity_t1.wcs



2017 construction season recap

2017 was another active year for construction in Orange City. There was in excess of \$34 million dollars invested in construction projects in 2017. Those projects included a total of 24 housing units including 12 single family homes and 12 multi-family units. Residential construction totaled \$5,146,980 in new investment. There was \$1,188, 547 invested in industrial, commercial, garages, additions, etc. An additional \$27,839,000 was invested in other projects including the NWC science building and the City of Orange City Waste Water facility

library's adult winter reading program starts january 15

Read daily to win grand prize entries and get a small prize when you sign up!
Attend programs like Pushing the Limits book discussion on January 25 at 6:30, discussing *Eagle Blue* by Michael D'Orso and Hot Treats for Cold Nights on February 1 at 6:30 pm, where you can create your own yummy treat mixes to take home and enjoy. Pants Optional on February 13 at 6:30 will be a hilarious, unrestricted insight into author Carol Steingreaber's life and childcare will be provided! Our final program is Winter Skin Care on February 20 at 6:30 where we'll be making our own skin care products to take home. Register for Hot Treats for Cold Nights and the Winter Skin Care programs online or at the library.

two students recieve \$500 college scholarships

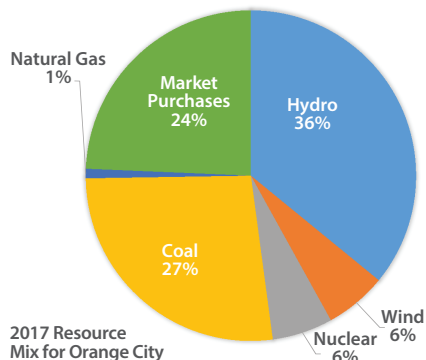
Two students received \$500 scholarships from Orange City Utilities and MRES (Missouri River Energy Services). Scholarships were given away during the Power Play basketball games between NWC and Dordt College, played on December 6, 2017. Northwestern men and women won both hard fought games. Great job to our teams and congratulations to these students!!



Pictured are from left: Jodi Livingston, Carter Van Gorp, Paige Drenth, and Duane Feekees.

home repair financial assistance available

There is financial assistance available for Sioux County residents to assist homeowners with upgrades, repairs, and improvements to houses. The program is the Northwest Iowa Regional Housing Trust Fund. Financial assistance is provided for low to moderate income homeowners to make necessary home repairs. The assistance will be in the form of both forgivable grants/loans and/or low interest loans (2%) depending on the homeowner's income.
For additional information, brochures are available at the City Office. If you wish to apply for assistance, contact Sherry Zinn at Northwest Iowa Planning and Development at (712)-262-7665 ext. 139 or email Sherry at sherry.zinn@nwipdc.org



orange city's power supply mix - caring for the environment

This diverse mix of power supply resources results in reliable, affordable, and environmentally friendly electric service for Orange City's citizens and businesses.

Renewable resources continue to be added to the mix. A small solar project was added in 2016 and a new hydroelectric project is under construction.

• **HYDROPOWER**
our most reliable renewable resource.

• **WIND POWER**
available about 35 percent of the time.

• **SOLAR POWER**
available about 20 percent of the time.

To learn more, call us today at (712) 707-4885



Trash and recycling totes need to be kept off of the streets.

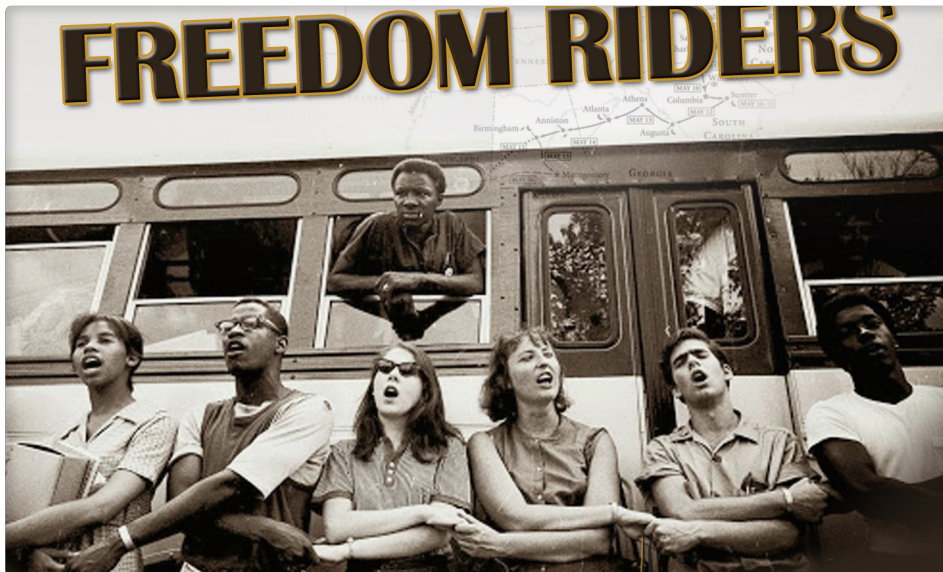
Streets must be kept clear for the snow plows.



City Offices closed Monday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

For non-emergencies during that time, the OC Police Department may be contacted at 707-4251

For OC utility emergencies, please call 707-5000.



celebrate american history with orange city arts

This February, Orange City Arts invites community members to join in commemorating Black History Month with Mad River Theater Works' production of "It's a Powerful Time: The Story of the Freedom Riders." This family-friendly musical drama will be presented February 3, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Unity Christian Knight Center.

Set in 1961, "Freedom Riders" explores the courageous voices behind one of the most significant non-violent protests in the Civil Rights Movement. A stirring performance of music and drama, "Freedom Riders" demonstrates the power of working together to affect change.

Inspired by this upcoming performance, area elementary students will present historical theatre to their peers by partnering with Orange City Arts and OCStages Orange City Youth Theatre to write and produce their own plays celebrating this vital time in American history.

Through an Art Project Grant from Iowa Arts Council, tickets for "Freedom Riders" will be available with "pay-what-you-can" pricing. Orange City Arts recommends a donation of \$15, but tickets are available for as low as \$1. Ticket reservations can be made online at <http://orangecityarts.net> or by calling 712-707-6514.



friends of the festival update

As we look to close out 2017, we find ourselves looking back on the year. Because of all the rain, there is some of the '17 Tulip Festival that we'd just as soon forget. However, when difficult times present themselves, you find out what you're made of. Many people stepped up to make the best of a not-so-good situation. So, even though our memories may not be what we wished for, here's to hoping and praying for a dryer, warmer 2018 festival.

In 2018, we hope to fund the following important ventures through the Friends of the Festival Foundation:

- Our final year of financial commitment to Stadscentrum (which proved useful in 2017!)
- Our participation in a partnership project to enhance the Night Show through a lighting project to enhance the offering in the Knight Center.

Please consider making a tax-deductible, year-end gift to the Friends of the Festival Foundation in support of these projects. Your contribution enables us to share our thriving Dutch heritage with visitors and community members alike.

You may donate online at: <http://www.octulipfestival.com/get-involved/giving/> or mailing a donation to:

Tulip Festival Office | 509 8th Street SE | Orange City, Iowa 51041

