

vibrant

orange city, iowa



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calendars



Storyteller Antonio Sacre

His tales of growing up bilingually in a Cuban and Irish-American household have inspired audiences worldwide to gather their own family stories and become storytellers themselves. His stories have been published in award-winning books and audio recordings and some are now being developed for film and television. His unique views on everything from growing up as a self-described “Leprecano” (a tongue-in-cheek mash up of his Latino and Irish roots) to moving to L.A. after his Hollywood hopeful girlfriend are inspiring, often hilarious, and always honest.

Date: Friday, February 8, 7:30 pm
Location: Northwestern College
DeWitt Theatre Arts Center
Tickets and info: orangecityarts.net



Teada of Ireland

An Irish traditional band with a truly worldwide reach, Teada (pronounced “TAY-dah”) has appeared as a frequent headliner at major music festivals throughout the US, Canada, Mexico, Europe, Africa, Russia, Asia, and Australia. Their traditional yet refreshingly modern sound entrances wherever the band travels.

Date: Friday, March 8, 7:30 pm
Location: Prairie Winds Event Center
Tickets and info: orangecityarts.net



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**notice to oc property owners:
sump pump system compliance inspection**

Due to higher than expected flows in the Orange City sanitary sewer system during the spring and summer months caused by heavy rain events, the Mayor and City Council have authorized the inspection of each property in Orange City. The purpose of the inspection is to verify a building’s sump pumping system is capable of diverting ground water to the outside of the building, rather than into the City’s sanitary sewer system.

The City’s sanitary sewer system is not designed to handle pumped ground water from homes during heavy rain events. When ground water is pumped into the City’s sanitary sewer system, the sanitary sewer lines fill and back up into lower elevation basements in homes.

Inspection Process:

City staff will be contacting each Orange City property owner to conduct an in-building inspection in the next few months. The order of the inspections will be in relation to areas of backup problems in Orange City. If the property building’s sump pumping system is not capable of diverting ground water outside correctly, an order to make the correction will be given to the property owner. The property owner will then have 45 days to bring their sump pumping system into compliance. A second inspection will occur after the property owner makes the change or at the 45 day limit date to determine compliance.

If the sump pumping system does not comply after 45 days, the property owner will be fined \$200.00 and given a second notice to bring the pumping system into compliance.

Thereafter, the property owner will be fined \$200 for each 30 days their sump pumping system continues to be non-compliant. The property owner can appeal for an extension for a reasonable explanation that corrective action will take longer than the 45 days.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with these efforts. Please contact the Orange City City Office with questions at (712)707-4885.

high school seniors eligible for \$1,000 scholarships

Parents of high school seniors...is your child planning to attend a college or technical college and interested in a line of study related to the electric industry? Missouri River Energy Services and your hometown municipal utility are offering two types of scholarship opportunities:

- 1. \$1,000 scholarships for 2-year or 4-year undergraduate studies in mathematics, science, electrical engineering, or other engineering programs, electrical technician, etc.
- 2. \$1,000 scholarships for 1-year studies to become a Power Lineworker at an eligible technical college in the upper Midwest region.

Scholarship applications for students graduating in 2018 are available from your high school guidance counselor or available at www.mrenergy.com. Check out this opportunity now! Applications must be postmarked no later than March 15.

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Bluestem Grill Open for Lunch
The Bluestem Grill is located inside Landsmeer Golf Clubhouse.
Open to the public for lunch
Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 am until 1:30 pm
Lunch specials available daily!

SEASONAL
NO PARKING
OCT. 15 - APRIL 1
2:00 AM TO 6:00 AM

Be advised! From Oct. 15 - April 1, the City of Orange City does not permit on-street parking between 2:00 am – 6:00 am.

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six months of vibrant life:
an update on orange city’s campaign to attract new residents

On Wednesday, January 16, a group of Orange City business leaders came together to hear an update on the Orange City Vibrant Life marketing campaign. The Vibrant Life campaign is six months old and has been seen locally, regionally, nationally, and around the world. At the meeting, website and social media analytics of the campaign were shared, and those involved in the campaign noted positive engagements with the Vibrant Life content across all platforms.

As a reminder, the Vibrant Life marketing campaign was developed in partnership with the Orange City Development Corporation (OCDC), OC21 Foundation, and the City of Orange City. The campaign is the result of requests from industry leaders to help find and attract workers to the area. With an unemployment rate that hovers around one percent in Sioux County, it is challenging for local businesses and industries to fill open positions.



Together, OCDC, OC21, and the City of Orange City worked with Spireworks, a local creative marketing agency, to develop the Vibrant Life campaign. The campaign consists of four platforms that share the Orange City story. The first is a new website, vibrant.orangecityiowa.com. The purpose of the website is to show opportunities to live, work, and play in Orange City and also share stories of how Orange City and its citizens are thriving. The second way we are marketing our community is through a video series with Orange City citizens telling their story of why they live in Orange City and what they most enjoy about our community. These videos can be found on YouTube and the Vibrant Orange City website. The third way that we are marketing Orange City is through social media, including Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook. Social media gives us a chance to tell our story in real time and to let people know what is happening in our community. The final part of the campaign is a print piece that employers can use in employment packets and job fairs.

We continue to look for more stories that share why Orange City is a vibrant place to call home and how our employers have great opportunities for those considering a move to our area. We invite you to view the website, watch the videos, and follow us on social media. Our story changes every day, and we thank you for being a part of this community effort to attract new neighbors, co-workers, and friends.

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library’s annual winter reading program is now for all ages

Bundle Up with a Good Book will run from Friday, February 1, through Saturday, March 2. Pick up a reading log and record the days that you read. Read 15 minutes or more each day. Once you’ve marked 10 days, submit an entry into the drawing for great prizes! We will have special events for all age groups to attend in addition to our regular programming.

Adults: we will have a Crafting Night on Thursday, February 7, from 6:30-7:30 pm where we will make three different crafts: glass bottle vases, decorated coasters, and painted rocks. Limited to 20 people. Registration is open until Monday, February 4.

We are also hosting a Trivia Night on Thursday, February 14, from 6:30-7:30 pm. Registration is open until Monday, February 11. Teams must have at least 4 people.

Children (and caregivers), join us for an after hours Family Fort Building Evening on Friday, February 22, starting at 6:00 pm and running until 8:00 pm. Build forts in the stacks and read to each other. Bring blankets, sleeping bags, pillows—whatever you want to build your fort. Don’t forget the flashlights!

Teens: there is an After Hours Lock-In for grades 5-12 on Friday, March 1, from 6:00-11:00 pm with lots of games, food, and fun! Permission slips are required for this event and must be turned in by Tuesday, February 26. Permission slips are in your reading log or available at the front desk.

Find all registration links on the library’s website at orangecitylibrary.com/go/library or contact the front desk at (712)707-4302.