

# vibrant

orange city, iowa



## reserve your favorite park

The arrival of summer means picnics, reunions, and outdoor birthday parties. After being inside all winter, we can all agree outdoors is the place to be. For a very inexpensive “get away”, Orange City has four shelters which are available to rent for your group activities. All of these City-owned facilities have a refrigerator, stove, sink, and counters.

- Vets Park Shelter (\$35/day)
- Vets Park Scout House (\$55/day)
- Swimming Pool Shelter (\$35/day)
- Windmill Park Shelter (\$35/day)

Contact the City Office at (712) 707-4885 to reserve a shelter and make key arrangements. Outdoor picnic areas can be used without a fee or reservation if the shelter house is not reserved.

## welcoming shawn lancaster

Please join us in welcoming Shawn Lancaster as our new Accounts Receivable Specialist/Office Assistant.

Shawn lives in Alton with her husband, Jim, and their children, Marisa and Luke. Most recently Shawn and her husband owned and operated the 10th Street Pub in Alton.

You will be sure to connect with Shawn at some point when you are contacting us as she works with the many different duties of our office.



## summer reading program

The Orange City Public Library’s Summer Reading Program, Read Beyond the Beaten Path, is just around the corner. Check out these exciting family events.

**Monday, June 6, 4:00-6:00 pm**

*Butterfly Exhibit & Ice Cream (Library parking lot or City Hall)*

**Tuesday, June 14, 8:00 am-5:00 pm**

*Sioux County Conservationist (City Hall)*

**Wednesday, June 15, 10:30-11:30 am**

*Decorated Bike Show with Prizes and Bike Safety Tips from Deputy Pollema (Library parking lot)*

**Tuesday, June 21, 10:30-11:30 am**

*Great Plains Zoo (City Hall)*

**Tuesday, June 28, 10:00 am-noon**

*Michael Albert, Pop Artist Workshop (City Hall)*

**Wednesday, June 29, 10:00-11:00 am**

*Special Story Time with Lisa Laird and Stanley*

**Tuesday, July 5, 6:00-8:00 pm**

*Free Pool Swimming with Library Card (Orange City Pool)*

**Tuesday, July 12**

*10:00 am Jonathan May Magic Show (City Hall)*

*11:00 am Jonathan May Magic Workshop (City Hall) -\$5 (Registration required)*

## water warning

While we are excited about the spring weather, flowering plants, and budding trees, the persistent drought conditions have not improved the community’s water supply. In anticipation of the heat and dryness of the summer months, we are moving our water conservation efforts to a Water Warning. Please note the following:

- *Lawn watering is limited to one time per week*
- *No lawn or garden watering is allowed between noon and 5 PM*
- *Watering or irrigating of flower and vegetable gardens is allowed up to one inch per week*
- *Vehicle washing is discouraged - with the exception of the use of commercial establishments*
- *Washing or cleaning of equipment, buildings, sidewalks, driveways, porches, etc. is prohibited*



## firepit guidance

Residents are encouraged to be good neighbors with backyard firepits. Firepits are allowed for recreational use only and must be attended at all times. Please extinguish the fire when leaving. Please also consider your neighbors who may desire to have open windows to enjoy fresh air.





### it's a dog's life

As spring and summer approaches and more outdoor activities occur, here are some friendly reminders of city ordinances as they pertain to pets.

- *It is unlawful for any owner to allow an animal to run at large within the corporate limits of the City.*
- *It is unlawful for the owner of an animal to allow or permit such animal to pass upon the premises of another thereby causing damage to, or interference with the premises.*
- *It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to allow or permit such dog to cause serious annoyance or disturbance to any person by frequent and habitual howling, yelping, barking, or otherwise, or by running after or chasing persons, bicycles, automobiles, or other vehicles.*
- *No owner or walker of any animal shall permit the animal to discharge feces upon any public or private property, other than the property of the owner of the animal.*
- *The owner or walker shall be deemed to permit the animal's discharge of feces if the owner does immediately thereafter take steps to remove and clean up the feces from the property.*
- *It is the duty of the owner of any dog, cat, or other animal that has bitten or attacked a person or any person having knowledge of such bite or attack to report this attack to a local health or law enforcement official.*
- *Animals found at large shall be seized and impounded at the impound facilities utilized by the City.*

We hope you (& your pets) get out and enjoy all that Orange City has to offer this spring and summer!

### oc cemetery decoration reminder

The Orange City Cemetery has a policy that flowers and decorations need to be removed by June 15 of each year. This is to allow efficient mowing and maintenance of the cemetery. All flowers and decorations must be removed by June 15, otherwise we will remove them and bring them to the bandshell in Windmill Park where family or friends can pick them up until June 30. This applies to anything that is not permanently attached to the base or gravestone. Flowers and decorations may be placed at grave sites from May 20 - June 15.

Thanks for your understanding and compliance. If you have any questions, call the City Office at 712-707-4885.

### tis the season...for weeds

Just a friendly reminder that the Orange City Municipal Code of Ordinances requires all weeds and other growth must be destroyed between the months of May through October. In the event of a complaint, the property owner will be contacted and asked to remove the weeds. In the event of failure to comply, the City or its designated representative shall enter the property and destroy said weeds or other growth at the property owners' expense. The City will assess the actual cost of labor and material expended plus 10% of this amount for administrative costs against the property cleared of weeds or other growth which constitutes a healthy, safety, or fire hazard.



### oc fireworks rules

With the July 4th holiday approaching, we would like to remind everyone of the general requirements in Orange City for setting off fireworks:

- ✔ *Fireworks can be discharged from June 15 through July 8 from 9 am to 10 pm. Exception: discharge hours are extended to 11 pm on July 4 and the Saturdays and Sundays immediately preceding and following July 4.*
- ✔ *No person under the age of 18 shall discharge consumer fireworks without parental supervision.*
- ✔ *A person shall only discharge a consumer fireworks device on property they own or on property where consent has been given.*
- ✔ *Novelties, including snakes, sparklers, or caps, can be discharged on a public place so long as all trash, wrappers, and wires are properly disposed of.*
- ✔ *Consumer fireworks shall not be discharged by persons showing visible signs of, or determined to be, intoxicated or under the influence of a drug or narcotic.*
- ✔ *Any person discharging a consumer fireworks device assumes all responsibility for its operation and the consequences thereof.*
- ✔ *No person shall discharge a consumer fireworks device in a reckless manner or manner likely to cause death, injury, fire, or property damage.*

For a complete listing of the fireworks ordinance, please contact the City Office.

