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orange city, iowa



construction update

Gelderland Addition:

As construction on the new MOC-FV elementary school moves along nicely, the street project is nearing completion. The 25 residential lots in this addition are now available for sale in Gelderland First Addition. Please contact a local real estate agent to inquire about purchasing any available lot. The photo shows a construction crew paving the 14th St SE sidewalk near the elementary school.

Commercieel Centrum:

Dirt work and utility installation is happening in the new Commercieel Centrum development. The first phase of this project will make 12 lots available for commercial and professional office use.

what you can't smell can hurt you

Carbon monoxide, or CO, is a poisonous, odorless gas produced when carbon based fuels such as coal, oil, gasoline, propane, wood, and natural gas are incompletely burned. A constant supply of fresh air is essential for the complete combustion of any fuel. If there is not enough oxygen, CO is produced. CO then seeks oxygen in the lungs, depriving the cells in your body of needed oxygen. The early stages of CO poisoning include: dizziness, flu-like symptoms, fatigue, and a throbbing headache.

You would be wise to suspect CO poisoning if you fell ill or if all the members of your family feel ill at the same time.

Any fuel burning furnace, water heater, fireplace, stove, or space heater can produce CO, especially if any of these situations exist: leaking or blocked flues and chimneys, plugged dryer vents, prolonged downdraft in a chimney or vent stack, dirty gas stove burners, cracked heat exchanger chamber, poor house ventilation, and loose vents on furnaces, water heaters, and boilers.



Never use gas ovens and ranges for heat, or operate camp stoves, propane grills, or charcoal grills inside. Have your furnace, other gas appliances, and your chimney inspected. Purchase CO detectors for your home and make sure your CO detectors meet Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standards. Place the CO detectors near your furnace and sleeping areas.

If you suspect CO poisoning, or if you have a CO detector and the alarm sounds, leave your home immediately. If you or a family member is ill, obtain medical attention. Call Orange City Utilities at 712-707-5000 from another location, or during business hours, call your heating dealer so they can make any necessary repairs. Never stay in a building where you suspect leaking CO.

share your story vibrant.orangecityiowa.com/you/why-orange-city

Have you moved to Orange City in the past few years? We would love to hear why you chose our vibrant community to call home! Use the QR code or follow the link to share your story!



date set for free e-recycling program

The Cities of Orange City & Alton are co-sponsoring a free e-recycling program on October 21 and 22.

All citizens of OC and Alton who would like to utilize the e-recycling program will need to go to City Hall to pick up a free tag. Your tag will be required before disposing of your recyclable items. You will need one tag regardless of number of items. If you do not have a tag, you will be asked to provide identification.

Items can be dropped off at the Orange City Street Dept. (809 Concord Place SE) on Friday, Oct. 21, 4:00-7:00 pm & Saturday, Oct. 22, 9:00 am -noon.

For a complete list of acceptable and nonacceptable items, go to:

orangecityiowa.com/free-e-recycling/



heading south for the winter

We know you don't want to miss out on any of your important mail while you are vacationing in warmer climates. To receive your monthly utility bill directly, please contact the OCMU office at 707-4885 with your forwarding address. Our staff will make a temporary change to your billing address for the months you are away from Orange City.



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35,000 tulip bulbs are given away each year to the residents of Orange City

city of oc job opportunity: city street crewman/mechanic

The City of Orange City is seeking applications for a full-time Street Crewman/ Mechanic position. This position works within the street department, performing work related to the maintenance and operation of the city’s streets, storm sewers, and equipment.

Join our team, and enjoy a comprehensive benefits package including Iowa Public Employee Retirement System (IPERS), health insurance, paid vacation, sick and personal leave, and work boot allowance.

A full job description and on-line application form can be found on the Orange City website at: vibrant.orangecityiowa.com/opportunities/employment/

begin saving money on your energy bills now

By following a few easy tips, you can begin saving money on your energy bills immediatly!

- ✔ Set your thermostat 68-70 degrees during the winter and 78-80 degrees during the summer.
- ✔ Check and change your furnace filter every one to three months.
- ✔ Keep obstructions away from the hot and cold air registers.
- ✔ Turn the temperature on your water heater to the lowest setting that still gives you hot water.
- ✔ Use the cold water cycle on the clothes washer when possible.



For a complete list of money-saving tips, visit: orangecityiowa.com/energy-bill-savings/

orange city arts 2022 fall mainstage lineup

September 29: Debra Marquart

Debra Marquart, Distinguished Professor of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Iowa State University and Iowa’s Poet Laureate, will be doing a musical performance and poetry reading at the Orange City Public Library at 6 pm (free for the public).

October 7: Wheels & Reels Movie

We are partnering with the Orange City Library to bring Wheels & Reels Movie Night at the Trinity Church parking lot (food donation entry fee)

October 28: Lightwire Theater

Lightwire Theater is back! The Next Gen. With dazzling visuals, poignant storytelling, and creative use of music from classical to pop, this production will be a family favorite!

November 26: Hollander Jazz

Kicking off the holiday season, local favorite, Hollander Jazz, will perform seasonal and classic jazz hits.

Please visit our events page on our website for information or to purchase tickets. Our Spring 2023 MainStage schedule will be out soon! orangecityarts.org/inspire_events

free tulip bulbs

Color your part of the community vibrant with FREE Tulip Bulbs complements of the Orange City Parks and Recreation Department. First come, first serve.

Where: Downtown Bandshell

When: 8:00am - 4:00pm

- Wednesday, October 19th
- Thursday, October 20th
- Friday, October 21st

For more information: (712)707-4885 or prdir@orangecityiowa.com




celebrate hispanic heritage

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with the Orange City Public Library! We will have a Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration for kids at the library on Monday, October 10, from 4-5 pm. There will be Coco-inspired crafts and activities, as well as Mexican treats!



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. Snow plows will be heading your way before we know it.

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