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# vibrant

orange city, iowa



## things to know when the sirens blow

Orange City has seven tornado sirens placed throughout the community to provide adequate coverage to warn residents of impending weather. The sirens are considered outdoor warning sirens, and are intended to warn those who are outside at the time of severe weather. They are not intended to warn people inside their homes and businesses.

Tornado sirens are controlled by the communications/dispatch personnel at the Sioux County Emergency Management Agency (EMA). When bad weather arises, they monitor information from the National Weather Service and trained weather spotters.

### Personnel from the EMA trigger the sirens when:

1. A tornado warning has been issued for Orange City.
2. Or, a funnel cloud has been identified by the trained weather spotters.

Because the sirens have built-in timers to save battery life and wear on the siren, they will turn off after a few minutes, requiring the EMA personnel to trigger them again if the threat is still active.

## 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.



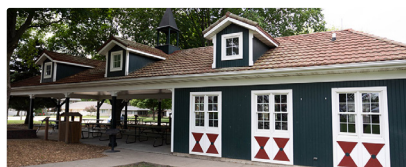
Vets Park Scout House (\$50/day)



Vets Park Shelter (\$50/day)



Swimming Pool Shelter (\$50/day)



Windmill Park Shelter (\$50/day)

For descriptions of the shelter houses, or to reserve a shelter house **ONLINE ONLY**, scan the QR code, or go to:

[orangecityiowa.com/shelter-houses/reserve-campsites-shelter-houses](http://orangecityiowa.com/shelter-houses/reserve-campsites-shelter-houses)

Outdoor picnic areas can be used without a fee or reservation if the shelter house is not reserved.



## Investigator niemyer

Congratulations to Trey Niemyer for his promotion to investigator in our Orange City Police Department.

## library's summer reading program starts june 3rd

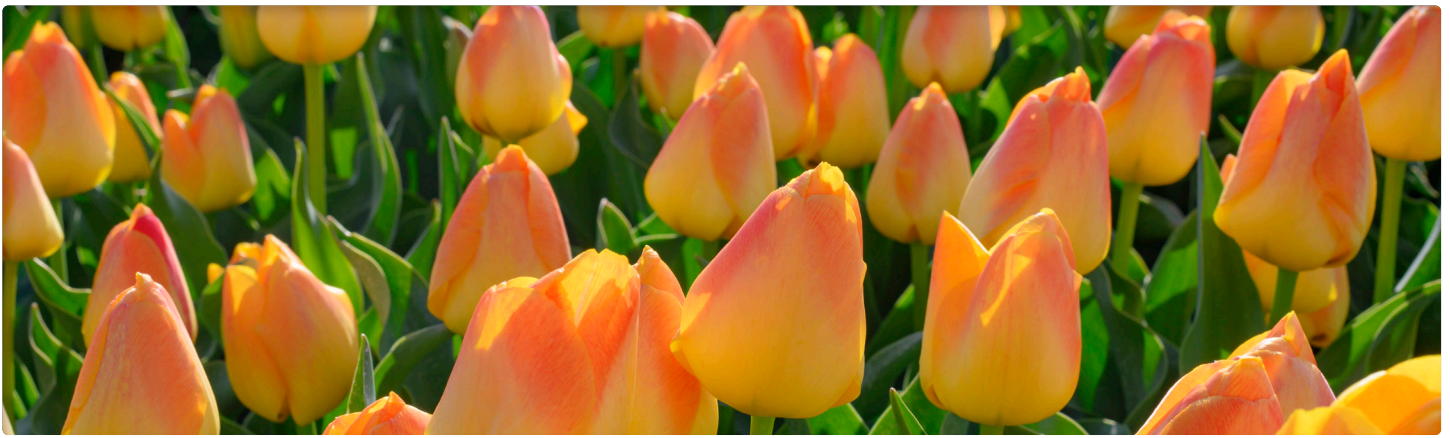
Summer is here and so is the annual Summer Reading Program! June 3rd is the first day to sign up and it is open to all ages. Reading logs will be available in the library or you may track your reading using the READSquared app. Read for fun and prizes! There is a great line-up of events that include magician Jonathan May, Sioux County Conservation, an insect zoo, a bubble show, beekeeping, zoo animals, Lisa Laird and Stanley, and an outdoor movie in Windmill Park. The theme is Read, Renew, Repeat!

## landsmeer golf club hosts food trucks and mingo

Friday, June 28, Landsmeer Golf Club will be having a handful of food trucks, in the parking lot, available to the community! Then they will host a MINGO night in the clubhouse starting at 7:00 pm. All are welcome. Food trucks available at 4:00 pm.



for the most current information [orangecityiowa.com](http://orangecityiowa.com)



## dutch heritage boosters announce exclusive tulip

The Dutch love their tulips, and the Dutch traditions in Orange City include the celebrated bloom as an important component in the community. Springtime welcomes the vibrant flowers as the blooms show off their color in late-April to mid-May heralding the advent of spring.

The Dutch Heritage Boosters (DHB), a non-profit group in Orange City, promoting the community's heritage and Dutch traditions, is excited to announce a new variety of tulip brought exclusively to Orange City. The Oranjestad DHB tulip is a never-before-seen breed introduced exclusively to the United States and Orange City. It is named in honor of Orange City, and reflects the community's love of tulips and Dutch traditions.

In conjunction with De Vroomen Garden Products of the Netherlands, and under the auspices of the Consulate General of The Kingdom of The Netherlands, the bulb will be available to preorder this spring through Tulip Town Bulb Company, Orange City, for fall planting.

The Oranjestad DHB is a Darwin hybrid and later-blooming tulip with generous blossoms opening in soft apricot tones and maturing into a blend of orange and yellow hues. The sturdy stems grow to a height of 22 inches.

The DHB plan to plant the exclusive bulb throughout the community in Fall 2024 to bloom in time for Tulip Festival 2025. "When the blooms burst forth next spring, we intend to continue celebrating Orange City through the DHB's own tulip," said Randy Van Peursem.

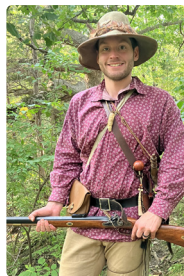
"We are working with Orange City's park system to plant in community parks, and on the DHB properties, as well as our tulip garden, so there will be multiple ways for people to enjoy the beauty of this remarkable tulip," said Keri Drescher, owner of Tulip Town Bulb Company which will distribute the bulb for the DHB.

Those wishing more information about the Oranjestad DHB tulip or the ability to order online should go to [dutchheritageboosters.com](http://dutchheritageboosters.com) or [tuliptownbulbs.com](http://tuliptownbulbs.com).

## nights at the museum: dutch american heritage museum

**Kaleb Schrock "A Generation of Adventure: The Mountain Men"  
Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 pm**

Schrock became captivated by historical reenactment at the age of 14 thanks to his grandfather. Through meticulous research and dedication to authenticity, he delves into the daily lives of famous figures like Hugh Glass, shedding light on the realities of survival in the Rocky Mountain fur trade of the early 1800s.



## give small. think big!

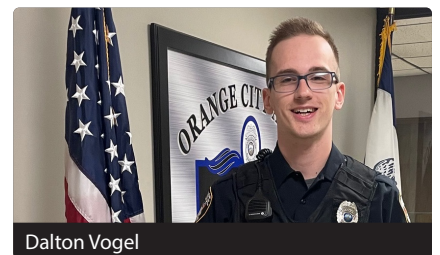
### Utility Checkoff Donation Program

For as little as \$5 a month added to your utility bill, you can help build our community's future. Make a lasting impact by financially supporting the ongoing work of GrowOC (formally OC21 Foundation).

For more info about **Give Small. Think BIG!**, GrowOC, or how to donate, go to: [orangecityiowa.com/grow-oc](http://orangecityiowa.com/grow-oc).



Trevor Gries



Dalton Vogel

## oc welcomes new officers

Welcome Trevor Gries and Dalton Vogel as the newest additions to our Orange City Police Department.

## orange city arts june lineup

Orange City Arts is proud to once again host the rock and roll band, Richie Lee & the Fabulous 50's at the Windmill Park downtown on June 5, 2024 at 7:00 pm for the 2024 OnStage Kickoff. This event is sponsored by American State Bank.

The Orange City Arts June 2024 Lineup continues:

**June 12: Community Band**

**June 19: Hollander Jazz**

**June 26: Omaha Street Percussion**

All concerts are free & start at 7:00 pm in Windmill Park, downtown OC.

## jonathan may magic show

**June 3, 6:30 pm, Theora England  
Willcox Theatre at Northwestern  
College**

The Orange City Public Library presents the magic of Jonathan May. Step into the world of wonder and excitement! You're cordially invited to witness an enchanting show like no other.

