

april 2015

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orange city, iowa



mark your calendars



Youth Soccer Programs

Starts April 6 - Schedules and teams are sent out the week of March 30.

Register online: orangecityiowa.com



Memoir: Writing Your Stories

8 classes taught by Barbara Turnwall

Dates: April 6-30. Register by Mar 30.

Location: Old Factory Coffee Shop

Additional info: orangecityarts.net

Email: ocArts@orangecityiowa.com



Dutch Costume Exchange

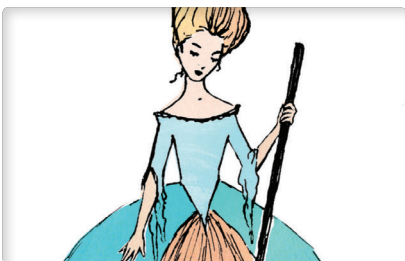
Date: April 8, 2015

Time: 2 to 6:30 pm

Location: Basement of Iowa State Bank

Additional Info: octulipfestival.com

Email: tulip@orangecitycomm.net



Cinderella: comedic opera

Beyond Onstage series

Date: April 11, 7:30 pm

Location: Northwestern Chapel

Additional info: orangecityarts.net

Email: ocArts@orangecityiowa.com



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free e-recycling program

The Cities of Orange City & Alton are co-sponsoring a free e-recycling program that will accept computer monitors, CPU's, keyboards, printers and mouse(s), smaller batteries, and tv's. Sorry, car batteries and light bulbs are not allowed. Items can be dropped off at Alton City Hall, 905 3rd Avenue on Friday, April 24, 4-7 pm and Saturday, April 25, 9:00 am - 12 pm.



it's time to shine

OC's Annual Spring Clean-Up, sponsored by the City of OC and OC Sanitation, will be held April 20-24. OC residents must purchase a \$10 lawn flag (one for each household) from the City Office (125 Central Ave. SE) or OC Sanitation (710 Ohio St. SW). Sanitation crews will only remove those items that have a special lawn flag displayed nearby. All disposed items must be placed at your usual pick-up site on your regular garbage pick-up day.

Allowable items: garage and home items, furniture/wood items, and mattresses/carpets. Non-allowable items: all appliances/white goods, TV's (may dispose of with e-recycling - see above), building-remodeling materials, wood chips, auto parts (tires, batteries, etc.), concrete, steel/iron, yard waste, tree branches, oil, yard chemicals, or wet paints. Special pick-up arrangements may be available for these items with OC Sanitation (737-2645).



oc council approves daycare center expansion

On Monday, March 2, 2015, the Orange City Council approved the expansion project for Orange City Area Daycare and Preschool. The bid from Krull Construction of \$1,783,382 was accepted and Krull Construction from Orange City was

awarded the contract. The Daycare Center expansion construction project will begin yet this spring with a December, 2015 projected completion date. This project will result in a 10,380 sq. ft. addition to Orange City Area Daycare and Preschool greatly increasing their capacity.

oc welcomes new golf pro

Landsmeer's Head Professional, Jonathan Beaver, joined us in 2015. Jonathan, his wife, and two children made the move to Orange City to join our facility and community. Jonathan has been an active member of the PGA of America since 2009 and has a passion to continue cultivating the culture and atmosphere of member and junior participation in the game of golf.



april is national safe digging month (811)

The state of Iowa, along with the City of Orange City, officially recognizes the month of April as National Safe Digging Month. For the past several years in Iowa, Common Ground Iowa and Iowa One Call have partnered together to promote Safe Digging Month in Iowa and National Safe Digging Month. Orange City Utilities would like to also join in this effort to make sure all of our residents remember Iowa One Call.

Please keep in mind that designating April as Safe Digging Month doesn't mean that excavation safety awareness and underground facility damage prevention practices shouldn't be embraced year-round. Good safety and damage prevention practices are always important to the wellbeing of everyone in Orange City and Iowa.



Harlem Quartet
Beyond Onstage series
Date: April 20, 7:00 pm
Location: Northwestern Chapel
Additional info: orangecityarts.net
Email: ocArts@orangecityiowa.com



Summer Recreation
Summer Recreation Information will be available the week of April 20th. Go to orangecityiowa.com for all your summer recreation informational needs.



The Library will be closed for Staff Development on Tuesday, April 21, from 9 am to 1 pm.

reminders

Household Hazardous Material disposal coming Fall 2015


SEASONAL

NO PARKING

OCT. 15 - APRIL 1

2:00 AM TO 6:00 AM

Seasonal Parking Ends
The City of Orange City will lift the seasonal parking ban on April 1.

 for the most current information
orangecityiowa.com



tulip festival plans are in full bloom

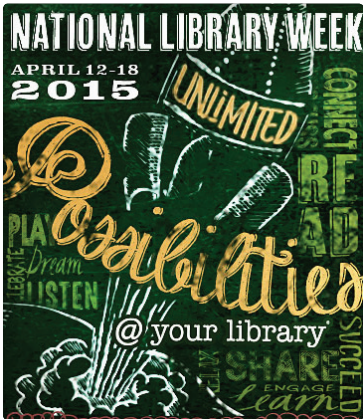
Tulip Festival is just weeks away, and we're looking forward to celebrating 75 years of Remembering Our Roots. Below are a few insights into our May celebration:



2015 Tulip Queen Cara Venema & her court

- **Volunteer Opportunities.** Many volunteer opportunities are available for the 2015 festival, including float drivers, parade announcers, marching band hosts, pedi-cab drivers, Mode Show participants, and flower show floral arrangers, just to name a few! Please contact the Tulip Festival office or complete the volunteer information form on the festival website if you are interested.
- **Commissioned Art Work.** The painting for the 75th Tulip Festival by John E. Vander Stelt was revealed at the Tulip Festival Extravaganza on March 18. Prints of the painting are available for purchase at the festival office.
- **Historical Book.** Reserve your copy of the Tulip Festival historical book by Bill Kalsbeek for a pre-sale price of \$30 through April 15. The hardcover books will be available for pick-up later this spring.
- **Tulip Festival Tickets.** The cast, crew, and orchestra for this year's Night Show are diligently preparing for the show's debut. A new float is also being constructed for this year's parades. Be sure to purchase your Night Show (\$20) and reserved parade seat (\$4) tickets today!
- **New for 2015.** A craft show will take place on Saturday during Tulip Festival, and OnStage Orange City will kick-off its 2015 series with music in Windmill Park each night of the festival.

To find more details on the information above, contact the Tulip Festival office at: 712-707-4510 or visit the festival website at www.octulipfestival.com.



the library is the place to be in april

National Library Week is celebrated April 12-18, but we have great events happening all month long! Throughout the month of April, the library will host Judy Thompson's Homestead Series. This collection of 12 watercolor paintings will be on display, and the artist, Judy Thompson, will give an Artist Talk on Tuesday, April 7, at 6:30 pm. She will describe the "inspiration, history, and artistic process behind the creation of the Homestead Series." Along with the display and artist talk, we will be hosting several other programs focused on Northwest Iowa and its history.

Thursday, April 9, at 6:30 pm, Bob Huibregtse of the Orange City Historical Society will lead a presentation on the history of Orange City as represented in the books by local authors. Tuesday, April 21, at 6:30 pm, Margo Vanderhill will do a presentation on local prairie restoration projects. Bob Huibregtse will be back on Thursday, April 30, at 6:30 pm to share about local historical farming practices.

Outside of our prairie theme, we will be celebrating National Library Week April 13-17! Come in for special events and activities all week long! On Tuesday, April 14, the Stiletto Girls, authors of eight romance novels, will offer a writer's workshop including tips for getting your work published. Later in the week, the library will host the weekly Chamber Coffee. All are welcome to join us on Friday, April 17, at 9:30 am for coffee and goodies! We will have plenty of information about the unlimited opportunities that can be found at your library!

The library will host the Des Moines Metro Opera on Saturday, April 11, for a workshop at 3:30 pm. You are welcome to come learn about the components of an opera and then contribute to an opera improvised on the spot! This will be a great program for school aged children, and will be followed by a Fairy Tale craft and snack time!

orange city arts council presents

Hilarious characters and situations are set to some of Rossini's finest music in Cinderella! It's comic opera at its most exhilarating best! The Des Moines Metro Opera brings Cinderella to the Northwestern Chapel Saturday, April 11, at 7:30 pm. Kids (grades K-6): don't miss the free workshop at the OC Library at 3:30pm.

"Contagious enthusiasm." That's Harlem Quartet. "They change the notion of what a classical musician looks like..." The quartet's recent album with Chick Corea and Gary Burton was a 2013 multi-Grammy award winner. This impressive group will perform in Orange City Monday, April 20, at 7:00 pm in the Northwestern Chapel.