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## A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Greetings, from your Mayor Scott Maddasion and City Administrator Matt Brooke, citizens often ask what each of us does. First and foremost, we create an environment that is positive, that is fair and impartial and that ensures the needs of the many far outweigh the needs of a few (Star Trek quote). Really find the Danai Wellness website quote to resonate; "The people we choose to surround ourselves with will eventually shape the way we think, behave, and feel on a daily basis. Surrounding yourself with people who lift you up, lend you knowledge, and help you learn from mistakes will eventually raise your standards to become a better person in the long run." So, would tell y'all, please decide to surround yourself with greatness, let go of negative relationships, identify positive people, join a professional group, get outside your comfort zone, surround yourself with good people and inspire action. As Mark Twain put it, "Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you, too, can become great." Finally, a superb quote from Hans F. Hansen, "People inspire you, or they drain you – pick them wisely."

To start with over 39 years of service to the MTA and over 40 total years with the City of Clinton, our very own Municipal Transportation Authority (MTA) Director Dennis Hart and his team were just awarded the 2023 small transportation City of the Year. Congratulations to Director Dennis Hart and his entire team. Proud to have such a great transportation service here in Clinton, actually celebrating its 50th Year since taking over in 1973. Look to see a new "purple" route added for a trial run from August to December of this year. It will include the Court House, County Admin building, Lyons Tech Park and possibly over to Fulton, IL.

Next off on surrounding yourself with greatness, the Parks and Rec Department, led by Director Josh Eggers aligned with the Parks and Rec Review Board (PRAB), with other City Departments Staffs and working with the Citizens are folks who inspire each other and are making major changes in the City of Clinton.

The New Skate Board, Scooters, and Bicycles pump dual tracks on Riverfront. First in the State of Iowa to have a double pump track. It has been great to drop by the Skate Park numerous times and continue to hear all the positive compliments. One of the best story's was from CPL Shane Haskel, who stated young adults from Davenport were here skating and providing coaching to the younger Clinton kids practicing on the pump track. Just another positive for Parks and Rec, PRAB, Public Works and the City for continuing to find ways to provide activities for the Community. Director Josh started with leveraging the local skaters and interested parties early on and then wrapped in Spohn Ranch to figure out final designs. Could not be prouder the entire team along with the relationship with Spohn Ranch for this wonderful addition to the Riverview Park.

Talk about positive and motivational both Jacob Schoenhaar and Hayle Calvin. Both inspiring artists have roots in the area. Jacob is a Clinton native and has done many projects throughout the city. Jacob strives himself on using his graffiti style to bring happiness to people's day. As he loved the Clinton Skate Park growing up, he wanted to dedicate a piece of art to such an amazing space on the City building right next to the Skate Park. Jacob, who is color blind strives to make his art as colorful as possible. Jacob wanted something that resonated with people of all ages and highlighted Clinton. This is what led to the design of the birds, in their Clinton hat's, enjoying the new skate park! The Community mural is the first large scale piece of art completed by local artist Hayle. It is on the east side of the City building next to the Skate Park. She wanted to highlighted strength and beauty among the community. Hayle, with the help of her sister and mom, were able to create something that could bring people from all walks of life together to celebrate their diversity, and to come together to support each other in all that they do. With this being Hayle's first mural, she wanted to do something a little simpler, but still had an incredible impact.

Speaking of team work and determination. Engineer Director Jason Craft saw several years of hard work become a reality.

On May 30, 2023 the Dep. of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration approved Quiet Zones from 6th Ave S. to 9th Ave N. After four years of City's collaboration with the Canadian Pacific Railroad, Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT), and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the City of Clinton has established a Quiet Zone from 9th Avenue North to 6th Avenue South through Riverview Park. A quiet zone is a section of a rail line at least one-half mile in length that contains one or more consecutive public highway-rail grade crossings at which locomotive horns are not routinely sounded when trains are approaching the crossings. Trains are set to cease sounding their horns in advance of these crossings on May 31, 2023, but may still sound them in emergency situations. The City Council invested nearly \$2.0 million of public money in this area, including removal of three crossings (South 1st Street, 4th Avenue South, and 4th Avenue North), along with upgraded safety improvements at all other public crossings. The Iowa DOT, Canadian Pacific, and Federal Highway Administration also invested approximately \$500,000 in grant money for these upgraded crossing improvements in this area. The City continues to work on Phase II which will provide a Quiet Zone north of 18th Ave N. passed Eagle Point Park.

The Quiet Zone approval arrived with just enough time to welcome the first ever USA Concert Series in partnership with the City of Clinton to the Riverfront. The City saw over 25,000 people attend the first ever three-day USA Concert and City of Clinton Tailgate N' Tailboys Concert. The biggest attendance was on Saturday with Jelly Roll headlining. Interesting tidbit that 80% of the attendees were not from the Clinton zip code 52732 rather from all other areas outside of Clinton. This exciting for many reasons. Starting on being able to showcase Clinton and have visitors see how wonderful the City really is. The Iowa State University Economic formula stated over \$6.1M was brought to the Businesses, fuel, food, lodging sales that all

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## Department of Parks & Recreation

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include Local Option Sale Tax during this event.

All this talk about People that inspire you, or they drain you – pick them wisely, elections are right around the corner. We have created a Clinton Residents Guide to City Government: <https://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/797/A-Clinton-Residents-Guide-to-City-Government-PDF?bidId> is on the City Web Site. Here you can see on ways to share, what to share, and how to share. In addition, discusses where upcoming meetings can be found and how to follow along with the Agenda. Speaking of Elections, elections are coming up in November that will include the

Mayor and four Council Members; 2nd and 4th Ward, along with two at large. If you are interested paperwork needs to be completed. Filing period, nomination papers must be filed by the Controlling auditor during the filing period. First day, Monday, August 14, 2023 and last day is Thursday, August 31, 2023 by 5:00 p.m. If you are interested come see the City and Deputy City Clerks or have additional questions.

Finally, it is our pleasure to highlight two economically and beneficial projects that were finalized and recently announced after many months of discussion and working together as a team. Both will positively affect the residents in Clinton. First, Atlas Roofing Corporation, who by the time you read this will have hosted its Ground-Breaking Ceremony for a \$243 Million Dollar project at the Clinton Industrial Rail and Air Park. Atlas will start with 117 High Quality Jobs and will look

to grow that number. It truly was a pleasure working with Atlas and Grow Clinton. Along with this is just the beginning with road, rail, utilities still need to be brought to fruition. In addition, the City of Clinton and ADM completed an agreement and the work has already begun on a \$130 Million-dollar waste water project with ADM paying for the entire project. Great work was done by City staff members, and it was enjoyable to work with the City's RWRF Director Bob Milroy and Finance Director Anita Dalton, along with Kristen Billings-Cooper of the Law firm Ahlers & Cooney joined together to work with ADM to make this a reality. Stay tuned for more to come with a Riverfront Study, more business growth and development adding jobs, adding more living units, adding more amenities as we strive to improve the City of Clinton each and every day.

## MUNICIPAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (MTA)

### WHERE'S MY BUS?



All transportation services are open to the general public.

For Fixed Route and Para transit information - Call: 563 242 3721

1320 So. Second Street, Clinton, Iowa 52732

[www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/215/MTA-Transit](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/215/MTA-Transit)

For the convenience of the MTA passengers to know when and where their bus is at, the passengers are able to go to City of Clinton website:

<http://www.cityofclintoniowa.us>

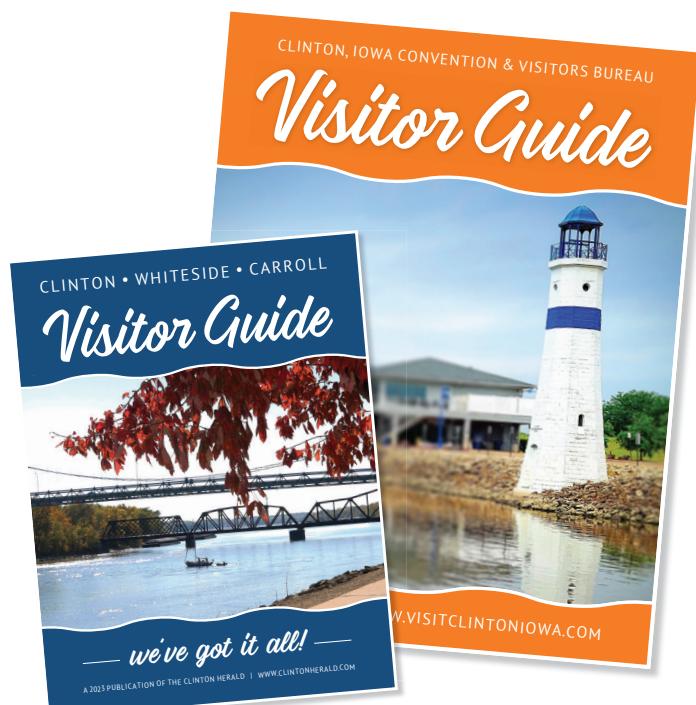
Click on the Departments tab, then click the MTA Transit tab, on the left side of the page click on the tab "Live Map" Where's My Bus? , then save the link to your phone.

With the link (<https://clinton.mobilitat.com:8421/public/map/index.shtml>), the MTA passengers can see and track exactly where the buses are on their fixed routes.

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## CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## PARK REGULATION CHANGES

In December 2018, the Clinton City Council amended Chapter 96 (Park Regulations) to establish more uniform park hours and allow for more strict enforcement of park hours to prevent loitering and other criminal activity in city parks after park hours. Changes in the park hours are highlighted below.

**Chapter 96.05 prohibits alcoholic beverages during certain hours.**

Eagle Point Park and all other City Parks and City-Owned Property. The possession, use, and consumption of alcoholic beverages, including

beer and wine, is prohibited in Eagle Point Park and in any other city parks, including but not limited to Chancy Park, Clinton Park, Hawthorne Park, DeWitt Park, Four Square Park, Riverview Park, or any and all other city areas delineated as parks by signage or other indicia, Joyce's Island and Willow Island and the land between the islands in the City; and all other City property between the hours of sunset and 11 a.m. except as allowed by special permit from the Parks and Recreation Department.

**Chapter 96.08 regulates park hours.**

**Eagle Point Park.** No person shall be in Eagle Point Park between the hours of sunset to 6:30 a.m. except as allowed by a special permit from the Parks and Recreation Department for the use of the Lodge and its parking lot or some other special permit.

**Riverfront Drive.** Riverfront Drive is part and parcel of Riverview Park for purposes of this Ordinance. No person shall loiter, gather with others, or physically idle or remain on Riverfront Drive between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

**All Other City Parks.** No person shall be in any other

city parks including but not limited to Chancy Park, Clinton Park, Hawthorne Park, Four Square Park, DeWitt Park, Riverview Park, or any and all other city areas delineated as parks by signage or other indicia, between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m., except as allowed by special permit from the Parks and Recreation Department.

**Chapter 96.14(16) regulates the outside use and consumption of alcoholic beverages,** including beer and wine, which is prohibited in the R/V Park between 12:00 midnight and 11 a.m.

## CURFEW ORDINANCE

In December 2018, the Clinton City Council amended Chapter 134.01 to provide better and more effective enforcement of the City's curfew ordinance by imposing more stringent requirements on parents or legal guardians responsible for minors who violate the Ordinance.

**Here is a highlight of the changes:**

Unless accompanied by a responsible adult, no minor 17 years of age or under shall be in any public place during the following times:

• Sunday through Thursday, 10:30 p.m. through 6:00 a.m.

each day

• Friday and Saturday, 11:30 p.m. through 6:00 a.m. each day

It is unlawful for any responsible adult to allow a minor to be in any public place in the City within the time periods prohibited by this section unless the minor's presence falls within one of the exceptions.

On the first offense of a curfew violation, the responsible adult shall be notified of the offense. On any subsequent offense, the responsible adult commits a municipal infraction and may be cited for each separate offense.

## STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES

When you see a school bus slowing down or stopping, it's not just the bus you need to have your eyes on – but the surrounding area too. Children wait at least several feet away from a bus and often cross the street when they are boarding or getting off the bus. It is for this reason why you must stop for school buses and not attempt to pass.

**Illegal School Bus Passing**

Illegal school bus passing poses a significant threat to children and others on the road. In every state, passing a school bus while the stop arm is extended and flashing red lights is illegal.

**Understanding School Bus Lights**

Learn the school bus laws in your state and always follow them, as well as the flashing lights that school bus drivers use to alert you.

- Yellow flashing lights indicate the bus is preparing to stop to load or unload children. You should slow down and prepare to stop your vehicle.
- Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate the bus has stopped and children are getting on or off. You must stop your car and wait until the red lights stop flashing, the extended stop arm is withdrawn, and the bus begins moving, before you can start driving again.

Parents, it's important to talk to your child, or children, about bus stop safety. Here are some tips.

**Before the Bus Arrives**

Your child should arrive at the bus stop at least five minutes before the bus arrives. Before the new school year, visit the bus stop and show your child where to wait for the bus — at least three giant steps (six feet) away from the curb. Remind your child that the bus stop is not a place to run or play.

**Getting On and Off Safely**

When the school bus arrives, your child should wait until the bus comes to a complete stop, the door opens, and the driver says it's okay to get on or off. Your child should use the handrails to avoid falling.

**Always Use Caution Around the Bus**

Your child should never walk behind a school bus. If your child must cross the street in front of the bus, tell them to walk on a sidewalk or along the side of the street to a place at least five giant steps (10 feet) in front of the bus before crossing. Your child should also make eye contact with the bus driver before crossing to make sure the driver can see that they're crossing to avoid the danger zone. If your child drops something near the school bus, like a phone or book, the safest thing is for your child to tell the bus driver right away. Your child should not try to pick up the item because the driver might not be able to see them.

## BUS SAFETY

School buses are the most regulated vehicles on the road; they are designed to be safer than passenger vehicles in preventing crashes and injuries, and in every state, stop-arm laws protect children from other motorists.

**Different by Design**

School buses are designed to be highly visible and include safety features such as flashing red lights, cross-view mirrors, and stop-sign arms. They also have protective seating, high crush standards, and rollover protection features.

Seat belts play an important role in keeping vehicle passengers

safe. Still, since school buses are different by design, they have different kinds of safety restraint systems.

- Large school buses are heavier and distribute crash forces differently than passenger cars and light trucks. These differences help bus passengers experience much less crash force than those in passenger cars, light trucks, and vans.
- NHTSA decided the best way to provide crash protection to passengers of large school buses is through a concept called "compartmentalization." This requires that the interior of large buses protect children without them needing to buckle

up. Through compartmentalization, children are protected from crashes by strong, closely-spaced seats with energy-absorbing seat backs.

- Small school buses (with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less) must be equipped with lap or lap/shoulder belts at all designated seating positions. Since the sizes and weights of small school buses are closer to those of passenger cars and trucks, seat belts in those vehicles are necessary to provide occupant protection.

## REDUCING MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

In 2022, more than 1 million vehicles were stolen in the United States—and about half of those thefts were due to driver error. Vehicle theft is a multi-billion-dollar crime, costing vehicle owners more than \$8 billion in 2022 alone. Passenger cars make up more than 74% of all stolen motor vehicles. Summers prove to be the worst season for vehicle theft.

**A motor vehicle was stolen every 32 seconds in the United States in 2022.**

Use common sense when parking and exiting your vehicle:

- Take your vehicle's key; do not leave it in or on your vehicle.
- Close and lock all windows and doors when you park.
- Park in well-lit areas if possible.

- Never leave valuables in your vehicle, especially if they can be seen from the outside.

**Thieves want vehicle parts and valuable items, too.**

Radios and wheel covers aren't the only popular stolen vehicle parts thieves take. They want whatever sells, from the mandated labeled parts to those that aren't. Some of the most popular vehicle parts or valuable items stolen from vehicles include doors, engines, transmissions, airbags, radios, GPS units, cell phones, iPads, laptops, and purses.

**Protect Your Ride**

There are numerous antitheft systems and devices designed to make vehicles more difficult to steal or easier to trace and recover. Here are how some of them work:

- Audible and Visible Devices: These devices, such as a horn alarm, deter theft by bringing attention to an unauthorized attempt to steal or enter a vehicle. Visible devices create a visual threat/warning/deterrence, such as the use of steering-wheel locks, as well as theft-deterring decals, flashing lights, and window etching.

- Immobilizing-Type Devices: These prevent thieves from bypassing a vehicle's ignition system and hot-wiring the vehicle. Some incorporate computer chips in ignition keys or disable the flow of electricity or fuel to the engine.

- Vehicle Recovery Systems: These devices use electronic transmission technology that help law enforcement reveal the location of stolen vehicles—and possibly catch the thief in the act.

## BEWARE THE LURE OF GIFT CARD SCAMS!

The first rule of thumb in avoiding swindles, scams, or frauds: is never to purchase gift cards for anyone you haven't had a good hearty chat over a cup of tea with! The world may have changed, but the sneaky tricks of con artists are as old as the tale of two Greek seafarers back in 300 BC. So, why do folks still fall prey? Scammers are crafty, using deceptive tactics and exploiting people's trust. And they're often just too slippery for the law to catch!

These tricks come in all shapes and sizes, always finding new ways to hoodwink folks, especially our dear seniors and vulnerable community members. One trick currently doing the rounds involves coaxing people into buying gift cards over the phone. The scammer will spin a convincing story with a sense of urgency, asking you to purchase specific gift cards to fix some problem. They might even tell you a fib to tell the store clerks when you're buying these cards. After buying, they'll ask for the card and PINs, and then, poof! Your hard-earned money disappears.

**Here are some red flags to look out for:**

- A call from a so-called government official claiming to be from the IRS or Social Security demanding debt payment or to dodge an arrest warrant.
- A "tech support" caller insisting there's something fishy with your computer.
- A caller trying to persuade you that money was mistakenly dropped into your account, which you can send back using gift

cards.

- Someone you've only met online suddenly expresses deep feelings for you and asks you to send money or gifts.
- A caller pretending to be a dear friend or family member in a pinch and needs money pronto.
- A call suggesting you've won a prize but need to pay fees with gift cards.

A call from a supposed utility company, retailer, or your bank about an unauthorized purchase threatening dire consequences if you don't comply.

Finding these scammers can be tricky as they use untraceable phones and fake identities and often operate from foreign lands. The stolen money gets transferred overseas, making it tough to get back.

Thankfully, many government and local agencies, like Homeland Security Investigations, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center, and local law enforcement, are on the lookout. They're working hard to spot these scams and stop them.

When a scammer is caught, they could face many charges, including theft, money laundering, forgery, and unauthorized credit card access. If the stolen money amounts to a significant sum, the scammer could face a hefty fine or even prison time.

The best shield against these scams is you! It's imperative to know about these scams to stay safe. As they say, if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Never give money to a stranger, and don't share sensitive information like banking details or Social Security numbers.

This brings us to a special note to store clerks. You are often our first line of defense against these scams. If you see a customer buying a large amount of gift cards, especially seniors, don't hesitate to strike up a conversation. Ask about their day, and if you feel comfortable, inquire about the large purchase. Your courageous engagement could potentially save them from falling victim to a scam.

Sadly, our seniors can be more susceptible to scams, often because of a trusting nature or feelings of loneliness. If you suspect an elder is being victimized, please report to the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) at (800) 362-2178.

Feeling embarrassed about being scammed? Don't be. Reporting helps law enforcement spot new scams and can help protect others. If you're a victim, stop all contact with the scammer, notify your bank, and report it to the police, the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (<https://www.ic3.gov/>), and the FTC (<https://www.ftc.gov/>).

You can file a report online with the Clinton Police Department at: <https://clintonpd.policecitizen.com>

Remember, it's always better to be safe than sorry!

## CLINTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

CLINTON FIRE DEPARTMENT  
REPLACES 1988 BRUSH TRUCK  
WITH NEW TECHNOLOGY

The Clinton Fire Department replaced the last of the yellow vehicles with a 2022 F350 crew cab with an Ultra High Pressure (UHP) skid unit and front remote-controlled turret. UHP flows 20 gallons per minute at 1,400 PSI and can eject a foam solution from .5% to 6%. The new Squad 49 is a more capable off-road vehicle, can haul up to 5 firefighters, will be better at controlling incidents at the airport, and can be operated 12 months out of the year.

Squad 49 is in service and responds out of Central Fire Station.

FIRE DEPARTMENT AWARDED  
2022 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR AUTOMATIC CHEST COMPRESSION DEVICES

The Clinton Fire Department is excited to announce that they are the recipient of a 2022 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$47,181. This grant will provide federal funding for 90% of the cost of three Automatic Chest Compression Devices. The remaining 10% of the funding will be provided by the City. The purpose of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program is to protect the health and safety of the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards.

The Automatic Chest Compression System is an automatic CPR machine that provides high-quality chest compressions. It is easy to use and can be deployed in a variety of settings, making it ideal for first responders. The Automatic Chest Compression System consists of a silicone sleeve that is placed over the patient's chest and a unit that delivers the compressions. Once activated, the device will deliver compressions at a rate of 100 per minute. The machine can be adjusted to deliver either shallow or deep compressions, depending on what is appropriate for the patient's situation. The Automatic Chest Compression Devices have been shown to improve survival rates in



cardiac arrest.

The Clinton Fire Department would like to thank Senator Charles Grassley, Senator Joni Ernst, Representative Mariannette Miller-Meeks, Mayor Scott Maddasion, the Clinton City Council and City Administrator Matt Brooke for their support of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

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## CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

## Trees Chapter 98

Dead, Diseased or Dying Trees

## 98.08 INSPECTION AND REMOVAL.

This is the prefect time of year to look at your trees. If you have little to no green on your tree, it is a good indication you are losing the tree and you will want someone to look at the tree.

If the tree is dying or diseased, it's time to start planning for the removal of the tree. The City receives complaints about dead, diseased and dying trees on a regular basis. These trees are a danger to everyone, due to the potential of a large limb falling or the entire tree coming down. When the City receives a complaint regarding a dead and/or dangerous tree, a code enforcement officer comes out and does an inspection and will send a notice to the owner. Please do not ignore City notices, call the code officer that issued you the notice or reach out to a tree trimmer. The city is always willing to assist and work with property owners on all situations.

## Swimming Pools

Supplemental Regulations 159.045

(H) Swimming pools. The regulations set forth in this division regulate the location of swimming pools.

(1) Swimming pools are described as any structure intended for swimming, recreational bathing or wading that contains water over 24 inches deep. This includes in-ground, above-ground and on-ground pools, hot tubs, spas and fixed-in-place wading pools.

(2) Swimming pools are not allowed to be located in any front yard.

(3) For in-ground, above-ground and on-ground swimming pools, hot tubs, spas and fixed-in-place wading pool, including any attached decks, may not be closer than two feet to any side or rear property line.

(4) Except in the case of corner lots, when the swimming pool, hot tub, spa or fixed-in place wade pool is located ten feet or less from the main building, it can be in line with the existing building line. If it is located more than ten feet from the main building, it must be a minimum of ten feet from the corner street side property line. A ten-foot visual clearance zone must be observed when a corner front or side property line abuts an alley.

## 90.02 Nuisances Enumerated

(N) Swimming pools, spas and hot tubs. Swimming pools, spas and hot tubs shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, and in good repair, and be fitted with appropriate security fencing as required by AG105.2 in the 2006 International Residential Code as adopted by the city. Any swimming pool, spa or hot tub that is kept in an unclean or unsanitary condition shall be subject to the provisions for penalty and abatement as described in §§ 90.07, 90.08 and 90.11.

## GRASS &amp; WEEDS 94.01

Be a courteous neighbor and keep your grass and weeds cut; this also helps to keep bugs, rodents and snakes down in your neighborhood

Remember grass and weeds need to be kept below 8 inches, and to cut all the way to the curb out front of your property as well as to the alley out back of your property. Grass and weeds growing over 8 inches anywhere on the property is against city ordinance.

When mowing your grass, if any blows into the street you are required to remove it from the street/curb area as well as blow it off the sidewalks. City ordinance 97.003 makes it unlawful for any person to throw or deposit on any street or alley any glass bottle, nails, tacks, wire, cans, trash, garbage, rubbish, litter, offal, leaves, grass or any other debris likely to be washed into the storm sewer and clog the storm sewer, or any substance likely to injure a person, animal or vehicle.

SIGNS IN THE RIGHT OF WAY  
159.048

Signs are not allowed in the right of way, unless you apply for a permit.

This includes garage sale and estate sale signs.

(3) No sign or banner, or part of any sign or banner, shall be placed on or overhang the traveled portion of any public street or alley, except on a temporary basis and upon a finding of the City Administrator that the sign or banner advertises a public event of general importance to the city, and only if the City Engineer determines the proposed sign or banner can be suspended safely without obstructing sight-lines or obstructing travel on the roadway. Any such sign or banner shall be approved by City Administrator stating the reasons why the sign or banner complies with this division (W)(3), the dates during which the sign or banner may be hung, the exact location and height of the sign or banner, and an exhibit depicting the sign or banner proposed. No sign or banner shall be affixed to any city pole or other city property without the express written consent of the City Administrator. The applicant shall be civilly liable for any damage to city poles or other property resulting from the fastening or erection of any banner on said poles or other property.

(4) No sign, except as provided for in this division, shall be erected on or overhang any public right-of-way. Wall or fascia signs (division (T)(3)(c) above), projecting signs (division (T)(3)(e) above) and signs on awnings, canopies and marquees (division (T)(3)(h) above) may overhang a public right-of-way, excluding the traveled portion of a public street or alleyway.

## POLLINATOR GARDENS 94.02

Pollinator gardens are permitted in the City upon compliance with City Code. All pollinator gardens must have a Pollinator

Garden Permit from the City Clerk's office.

POLLINATOR GARDEN. A garden, with specified limits abounded and delineated by an appropriate decorative fence, brick wall, railroad tie boundary, or other boundary, planted with flowers and grasses native to Iowa or the Midwest, as specified in § 94.04(F).

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. A property located in an area occupied by residential dwellings included but not limited to houses and apartments and any property within 200 feet of the dwelling.

(F) Specially permitted pollinator gardens, which are specified as follows:

(1) Built and planted pursuant to a free natural planting area permit issued by the City Clerk's office or their designee, the application for which shall include:

(a) A legibly hand-drawn or computer-generated site plan showing the proposed planting plan.

(b) A maintenance plan outlining how the natural area will be managed to ensure the area will not become a nuisance. Maintenance plans must include intended actions to be taken to prevent invasive species, either through lawful chemical applications or weeding, general weeding, and fall mowing.

(c) Natural planting area signage with the permit number must be prominently displayed adjacent to the pollinator garden.

(2) All applicants, including circumstances where rental property or being sold on contract, shall sign written verification that the applicant understands all code requirements and that applicant agrees to abide by all code requirements. Written verification must be signed by the property owner.

(3) Pollinator gardens must use plants native to Iowa or to the Midwest and recommended by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, such as:

- Black-eyed Susan
- Coneflower, pale purple
- Marigold
- Blue flag iris
- Cow parsnip
- Milkweed and butterfly milkweed
- Borage aka Starflower
- Dahlia
- Prairie dropseed
- Bottle brush
- Daisy
- Snapdragon
- Butterfly bush
- Foxglove Beardtongue
- Spiderwort
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- Indian grass
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## BUILDING &amp; NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

## PROPERTY OWNER MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

Chapter 155A.06, of the City of Clinton Code of Ordinances adopted the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code (2018 IPC) as the "Clinton Property Maintenance Code." Through the adoption of this code, all property owners were given the responsibility to ensure public health, safety and welfare by maintaining their structures and premises, equipment and facilities for light, ventilation, space, heating, sanitation, protection from the elements, a reasonable level of safety from fire and other hazards, and for a reasonable level of sanitary maintenance, to an approved minimum standard.

According to the Clinton Property Maintenance Code, property owners have the responsibility of keeping the exterior of their property and premises maintained in a clean, safe and sanitary condition. Examples of exterior property and premise maintenance include:

- Premises shall be graded in order to prevent water from getting into the structure. Sidewalks and driveways shall be kept in a proper state of repair.
- Premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weed and plant growth in excess.
- Structures and exterior properties shall be kept free from rodent harborage and infestation.
- Accessory structures, including detached garages, fences and walls shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.
- Lastly, the owner shall restore exterior surfaces to an approved state of maintenance and repair if they become damaged, mutilated or defaced with any marking, carving or graffiti.

Property owners also have the responsibility of keeping the exterior of their structure maintained in good repair, structurally sound and sanitary, so as not to pose a threat to the public health, safety or welfare. Examples of exterior structure maintenance include:

- Structural members shall be maintained structurally sound, and be capable of supporting imposed loads.
- Exterior surfaces such as doors, door and window frames, cornices, porches, trim, balconies, and decks shall be maintained in good condition.
- The building must have approved address numbers posted.
- Foundation walls must be kept free of cracks to prevent water and rodents getting inside.
- Gutters and downspouts shall be maintained in good repair.
- Exterior stairways, decks, porches and balconies shall be maintained structurally sound, in good repair, with proper anchorage and capable of supporting the imposed loads.
- Chimney's shall be maintained structurally sound, and in good repair.
- Handrails and guards shall be firmly fastened and capable of supporting normally imposed loads and shall be maintained in good condition.
- Windows shall be maintained free from cracks and holes, and missing/damaged screens shall be replaced.
- Doors shall be secure and maintained in good condition.
- Basement hatchways shall be secured and maintained in good condition to prevent

the entrance of rodents, rain and surface water.

- Lastly, gates, gate assemblies and hardware shall be maintained in good condition and shall secure tightly.

Furthermore, property owners have the responsibility of keeping the interior of their structure maintained in good repair, structurally sound and in a sanitary condition. Examples of interior structure include:

- Structural members shall be maintained structurally sound, and be capable of supporting imposed loads.
- Interior surfaces, including windows, door and walls shall be maintained in good, clean and sanitary condition.
- Peeling, chipping, flaking or abraded paint shall be repaired, removed or covered.
- Cracked or loose plaster, decayed wood and other defective surface conditions shall be corrected.
- Stairs and walking surfaces, including ramps, landings, balconies, porch, deck or other walking surfaces shall be maintained in good repair.
- Handrails and guards shall be securely fastened and capable of supporting normally imposed loads and shall be maintained in good condition.
- Interior doors shall fit reasonably and shall be capable of being opened and closed by being properly and securely attached to jambs.
- The interior of structures shall be free from any accumulation of rubbish or garbage and insect and rodent infestation.
- Property owners also have the responsibility of providing and maintaining minimum light and ventilation (natural or artificial), and space conditions (sizes and occupant limitations), as well as plumbing (toilets, sinks and tub/showers), mechanical (HVAC and water heaters) and electrical facilities (electrical systems).
- Fire safety facilities shall be provided and maintained, such as means of egress, emergency escape and rescue openings, smoke and carbon monoxide detection, fire separation and fire extinguishing equipment.

Maintaining structures and premises to an approved minimum standard has many benefits, which include but are not limited to:

- protecting your investment, by retaining its market value
- decreasing long-term costs, by getting the most out of your property and equipment
- decreasing potential crime, by maintaining a decluttered, well-lit, and secured property
- increasing your overall safety
- taking pride in the City, by beautifying your neighborhood

Overall, investing time and effort in maintaining your property really pays off.

## SMOKE ALARMS ARE IMPORTANT FOR FIRE SAFETY

Smoke alarms are important to fire safety in your home because, the risk of dying in home structure fires is 55 percent lower in homes with working smoke alarms than in homes with no alarms or none that worked. Buying smoke alarms can be a bit confusing to someone who is not aware of all the different types and the terminology being used. Because of this, we will break down some of the most frequently asked questions to help you choose the best alarm.

There is a difference between a smoke "detector" and a smoke "alarm"; basically a smoke detector is just a sensor that monitors for smoke and is connected to a whole building fire alarm system, while a smoke alarm has both the sensor to monitor for smoke and the speaker that emits the sound to notify the home occupants.

### What are the different types of smoke alarms?

Having the proper number of working smoke alarms installed (regardless of the type) in the correct locations is key when it comes to safety.

### Ionization vs Photoelectric

There are some different types of alarms that can be purchased that have different pros and cons. The first difference you will see is Photoelectric vs Ionization. The difference between the two types is the sensor that is used to detect the smoke. An ionization smoke alarm is generally more responsive to flaming fires (imagine a fire where you can see the flame), and a photoelectric smoke alarm is generally more responsive to smoking smoldering fires (such as a cigarette).

### Ionization

Ionization smoke alarms utilize a small amount of radioactive material to ionize air molecules into positively and negatively charged molecules that create a small electric current. The introduction of smoke into that ionized air will reduce the amount of current and cause the smoke alarm to sound. Typically, smoke alarms with ionization detectors tend to be less expensive than alarms with photoelectric detectors.

### Photoelectric

Photoelectric smoke alarms utilize a light source and a photosensitive cell. When smoke enters the chamber, light scatters and is picked up by the photosensitive cell, causing the alarm to sound.

### Combination Ionization and Photoelectric

To get an alarm that is just as responsive to smoldering fires as it is to flaming fires, you can get an alarm that has dual sensors. These alarms have both an ionization sensor and a photoelectric sensor that will cause the alarm to sound. A dual sensor alarm provides the best protection and for that reason it is recommended.

### Intelligent multicriteria alarms

There are alarms available that are multicriteria or intelligent alarms; what this means is they use many different sensors such as photoelectric, ionization, and heat along with an algorithm to detect a fire. Because of the multiple sensors, this type of alarm is better at reducing unwanted, or "nuisance" alarms from non-fire sources (such as when you are cooking), it does not necessarily mean that the alarm is able to detect fires sooner.

### Voice smoke alarms

There are some smoke alarms available that will produce both the temporal 3 pattern (a continued set of three loud beeps – beep, beep, beep) as well as having a voice announcement that can tell you things like where the smoke is

being detected or if there is an issue with the smoke alarm.

### What is a combination smoke and Carbon Monoxide (CO) alarm?

A combination smoke carbon monoxide alarm is an alarm that has both sensors to sense smoke and to sense for carbon monoxide. These alarms may look like smoke alarms and are mounted on the ceiling or the wall near the ceiling. If your house has fuel burning equipment (oil or gas boiler, oil or gas furnace, oil or gas water heater, fire-place ect.) then you will need to also have carbon monoxide detection within your house.

### How do smoke alarms get their power?

There are many ways that smoke alarms can get their power.

### Replaceable batteries

Some smoke alarms will get all their power from batteries that are replaceable, they can be a 9v battery, AAA battery, AA battery, or another type of battery. These batteries should be replaced at least once a year and the alarm tested every month.

### 10-year battery alarms

Some smoke alarms come with a sealed non-replaceable battery that can provide power to the smoke alarm for up to 10 years. This alarm does not require the batteries to be replaced, however, you should still be testing them monthly.

### Hardwired with battery backup

Some smoke alarms are provided with both primary power that is hardwired in from the home's electrical system and a secondary battery backup. The secondary battery backup can be either a battery that needs to be replaced at least yearly, or it can be a 10-year sealed battery that does not need to be replaced.

### Do I need battery or hard-wired smoke alarms?

If your home has hard wired connections, then you should replace the alarms with hard wired smoke alarms of the same manufacturer. You can use a different manufacturer; however, this may require an electrician to come in and wire in a different plug (also see the interconnection section below).

If you are performing renovations or building a new home, check with the Building and Neighborhood Services Department for code requirements.

### How often do I need to replace my smoke alarms?

Smoke alarms must be replaced:

- Every 10 years based on date of manufacturer on the back label (7 years for Combination CO/Smoke Alarm)
- if the alarm sounds an end-of-life signal (see back of alarm for description of signal)
- if the alarm fails a monthly operability test
- or, after a fire event

### How do I know I am buying a quality alarm I can rely on?

Smoke alarms are required to be tested by a third party recognized laboratory to stringent product standards. Make sure that the alarm you are buying was tested by and labeled (shown on packaging and on the label of the alarm) by a recognized testing laboratory. Some examples include Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and Intertek.

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## BUILDING &amp; NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

## CPSC Warns Consumers to Immediately Stop Using HECOPRO Digital Display Carbon Monoxide Detectors Due to Failure to Alert Consumers to Deadly Carbon Monoxide; Sold on Amazon.com

Washington, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is warning consumers about the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning from the use of HECOPRO digital display carbon monoxide (CO) detectors. The CO detectors can fail to alert consumers to the presence of carbon monoxide. More than 150 people in the United States die every year from accidental, non-fire related CO poisoning associated with consumer products.

Carbon monoxide sensitivity tests performed on the detectors found that they failed to alert when exposed to pre-determined concentrations of carbon monoxide (400 ppm), in violation of relevant safety standards. If a consumer installs a CO detector that does not alert to the presence of carbon monoxide, and carbon monoxide enters the home, the consumer will not be warned of the presence of this harmful gas, making injury or death very likely.

The CO detectors are made of white plastic, with approximate dimensions of 4.1 x 1.8 x 4.1 inches, featuring a digital display. The CO

detectors are generally advertised to detect dangerous levels of carbon monoxide and alert with a flashing red LED and a loud alarm pattern.

The CO detectors were sold on Amazon.com under ASIN B07T66J7KJ for between \$9 and \$13.

CPSC urges consumers not to purchase or sell these CO detectors and to stop using these and dispose of these products immediately and CO detectors. Report a dangerous product or a product-related injury on [www.SaferProducts.gov](http://www.SaferProducts.gov).

Note: Consumers should install carbon monoxide (CO) alarms on each level of their homes and outside separate sleeping areas. CO alarms should be battery operated or have battery backup. Test CO alarms frequently and replace dead batteries.

## Changes to Newly Registered Rental Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Rules

On April 11, 2023 the City of Clinton Council voted to pass an updated Fire Safety Requirements, Chapter 152 Code of Ordinances, with the ordinance taking effect on April 25, 2023. Included in the updated ordinance are new requirements for smoke and carbon monoxide alarms within newly registered rentals.

Before the changes to Chapter 152, hardwired, interconnected, smoke alarms were required to be installed in each sleeping room throughout the house and hardwired, interconnected, dual sensor smoke / CO alarms must be installed in the common living area on each level, to include the basement by heating equipment. All alarms must also have two sources of power, connection to the house electrical systems with battery backup.

Under the newly adopted Chapter 152, Fire Safety Requirements, hardwired smoke alarms are no longer being required in new rentals. All new rentals must install therein, approved 10-year, non-removable and non-replaceable, interconnected, battery-operated alarms. The

new ordinance allows interconnection to be met by using wireless technology, and no longer requires two sources of power. Smoke alarms must be installed in the following locations:

- (1) In each sleeping room.
- (2) Outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity within 15 feet of the bedrooms.
- (3) On each additional story of the dwelling including common entryways, hallways and stairways, basements and habitable attics, and not including crawl spaces and uninhabited attics.
- (4) In dwellings or dwelling units with split levels and without intervening doors between adjacent levels, a smoke alarm installed on the upper level shall suffice for the adjacent lower level provided that the lower level is less than one full story below the upper level.

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## ALWAYS BUY A UL OR ETL LISTED SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM

We here at Building & Neighborhood Services are asking the public to look twice when purchasing smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, especially when buying online. Always look for a mark confirming that your alarm is listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL) or Intertek ETL and choose alarms from a well-known national brand.

During recent rental inspections, Code Enforcement Officials have identified multiple alarms with counterfeit marks, or no markings at all. The alarms had been purchased through online retailers. It's important every residence have working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, and it's equally important those alarms be reliable. Alarms that aren't tested by an independent laboratory may not protect you when you need them most.



Always choose alarms from a well-known national brand; we count on smoke and CO alarms to alert us to life-threatening danger. It may be cheaper to buy an alarm sight unseen online, but if the price seems too good to be true then it probably is.

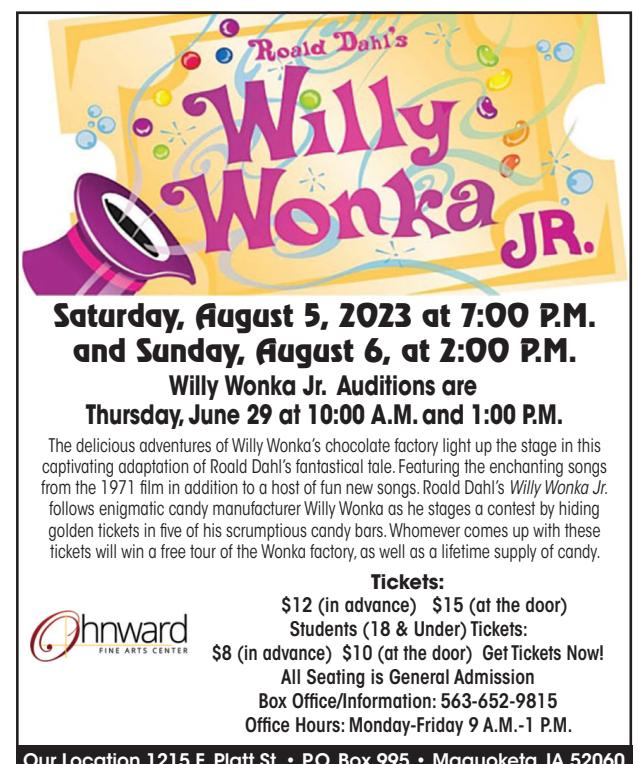
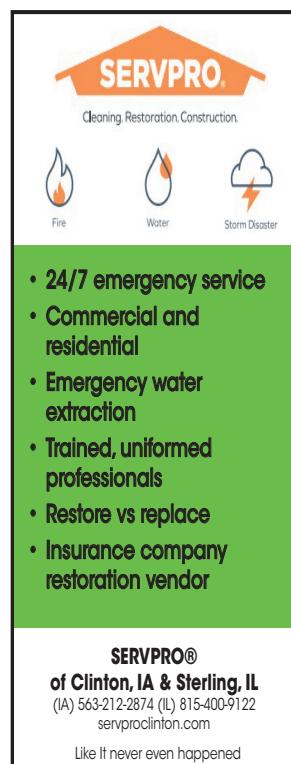
In addition to choosing listed smoke and carbon monoxide alarms from a reputable brand, residents should also know when to replace them. Smoke alarms and most combination smoke/CO alarms should be replaced after 10 years. Most carbon monoxide alarms should be replaced after five to seven years, depending on the make and model, or when the end-of-life signal activates.

Just like batteries, smoke and CO alarms don't

The City of Clinton, Code of Ordinances, Fire Safety Requirements, Chapter 152.02 require all rentals within the City of Clinton have smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms installed and also requires all alarms be listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory. Currently, only Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and Intertek Testing Services NA, Inc. (Intertek) are permitted to test and list smoke and/or CO alarms in the United States. The thorough review processes these laboratories use helps ensure alarms will accurately detect hazards, alert the consumer promptly, and perform other critical functions. Code Enforcement Officials have found counterfeit alarms purchased online that do not detect hazards as advertised. When purchasing a smoke or carbon monoxide alarm always look for the below logo on the packaging and/or back side of the device.

last forever, if your alarm takes batteries, replace the batteries twice a year. We recommend doing this when you change your clocks. When it's time to buy a replacement alarm, current codes require you install a smoke alarm that has a sealed, tamper proof, nonremovable battery; you won't have to worry about changing the battery for the life of the device. Remember to test your alarms once a month to be sure they're working properly.

If you have any concerns your smoke or carbon monoxide alarms are not UL or ETL listed, you can first check the device for the above logos, if you cannot find a logo on the device or if the logo is not a UL or ETL logo, then we recommend you immediately replace the alarm with an approved alarm.



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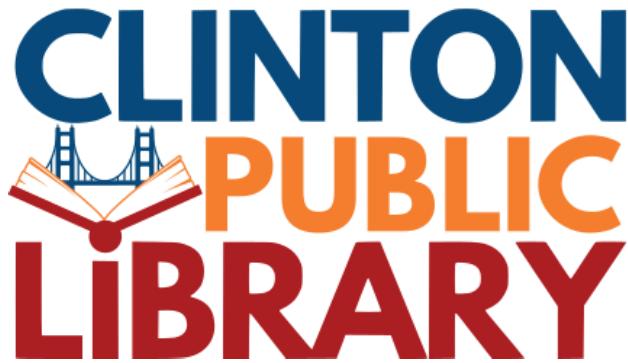
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## UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

### Basic Embroidery

Saturday, August 5th, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Lyons Branch Library

If you would like to learn how to embroider and are not sure where to start, please join us for a basic embroidery class taught by Marilee Hilgendorf. With only a few supplies and learning some basic stitches, we will be creating a beautiful craft project. The library will be providing some supplies for this class but you are encouraged to purchase a hoop, embroidery thread, and embroidery needles. If you already embroider and would like to join a stitching group, you are welcome too! Registration is encouraged, please call (563) 242-5355 or register online.

### #52Stories

Saturday, August 5th, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Lyons Branch Library

On every headstone or plaque, there are two dates separated by a dash. How do you define your dash? The #52Stories genealogy project provides the inspiration you need to write down one story every week for a year by using a handwritten journal, blog, voice, or video recording. During this meeting we will chat about what we are doing with our own #52Stories project by sharing our stories & photos. Registration is encouraged, please call (563) 242-5355.

### The Plarn Project

Saturday, August 19th, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Lyons Branch Library

Plarn is plastic yarn that is made from plastic shopping bags. This material is used by local volunteers to make comfortable sleeping mats for the homeless. Upcycling these plastic bags is a way to help our community and also reduce the amount of plastic going into landfills. If you are interested in donating clean plastic grocery bags & cutting them, please join us to learn more about this project. Registration is encouraged, please call (563) 242-5355 or register online.

### Cookbook Club Part Deux

Saturday, August 19th, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Lyons Branch Library

If you enjoy telling stories, sharing your family recipes, and meeting new people, please join us at the Lyons Branch Library. We welcome all levels of cooking experience, diets, and recipes whether new or old. We are creating a cookbook for the Clinton Public Library. Registration is encouraged. Please call (563) 242-5355 or register online.

### Spice Club

September 23rd, October 28th, November 18th, December 16th, 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Lyons Branch Library

If you enjoy trying new spices, recipes, and meeting new people, please join Spice Club! We welcome all levels of cooking experience and diets and want to help you take your cooking to the next level. At each monthly meeting you will be provided with a spice kit that includes some information and history of a featured spice or spice blend, a couple of recipes, and pre-measured samples to use in recipes. Registration is encouraged. We will meet the 4th Saturday of the month and feel free to bring samples of what you made to our meetings. Please call (563) 242-5355 or register online.

### Summer Beach Read Book Club

Tuesday, August 29th | 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Read a beach read to relax this summer!

### Lyons Reads Book Club

Wednesdays | 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Lyons Branch Library  
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## LIBRARY PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

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Bring your blankets, chairs, and snacks.

### Wiggle Time

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. | Storytime Room on the 2nd Floor

Children 0-3, Join us for Wiggle Time! We will have songs, toys, and bubbles for you and your baby/toddler to interact. This is a great chance for kids and caregivers to socialize with each other and their peers.

### Storytime

Wednesday & First Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. | Storytime Room on the 2nd Floor

Aimed for Pre-K, ages 3-5, but all ages are welcome. Join us for fun stories, songs, and a puppet show. We usually have a craft available afterwards.

### Afternoon Adventures

Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. | Makerspace/2nd Floor (depending on the activity)

K-6th graders are invited to join us starting at 2:30 for fun STEAM activities. Join us for some hands on learning and fun! Activities range from 45 minutes to 75 minutes long depending on the activity. Caregivers are encouraged to join with their younger children.

Sign in is required from caregivers and if they are not joining their children for the activities, we encourage them to stay in the building. Children under the age of 8 are not to be left alone in the building without a caretaker at least the age of 14.

## NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH!



Get in Your Element this September—sign up for a library card! From borrowing books, ebooks, and museum passes to getting homework help, learning new skills, or attending story time, a library card helps you do more of what you enjoy. Get a library card and dive into a new hobby. Use your library card to tinker in a maker space and spark your creativity. A library card is your most important school supply—it's elemental, really—and everyone should have one!

## BANNED BOOKS WEEK (OCTOBER 1-7, 2023)

When we ban books, we're closing off readers to people, places, and perspectives. But when we stand up for stories, we unleash the power that lies inside every book. We liberate the array of voices that need to be heard and the scenes that need to be seen. Let freedom read!

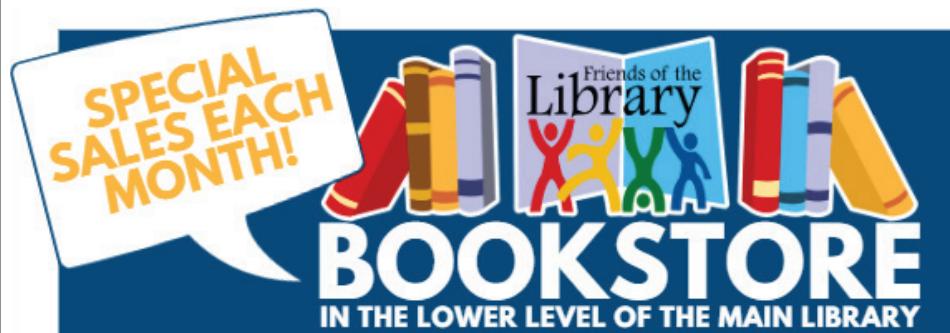
The unparalleled number of reported book challenges in 2022 nearly doubles the 729 book challenges reported in 2021. Censors targeted a record 2,571 unique titles in 2022, a 38% increase from the 1,858 unique titles targeted for censorship in 2021. Of those titles, the vast majority were written by or about members of the LGBTQIA+ community or by and about Black people, Indigenous people, and people of color.

A challenge is an attempt to remove or restrict materials, based upon the objections of a person

or group. A banning is the removal of those materials.

Banned Books Week (October 1-7, 2023) is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. Typically held during the last week of September, it spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books in libraries and schools. It brings together the entire book community—librarians, booksellers, publishers, journalists, teachers, and readers of all types—in shared support of the freedom to seek and to express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.

For more information, statistics, and infographics about banned and challenged visit the American Library Association webpage. <https://www.ala.org/advocacy/bbooks>



MON 10 AM - 2 PM • WED 1 PM - 5 PM • SAT 10 AM - 2 PM

Temporary Hours:

Monday 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Wednesday 1:00-3:00 p.m. Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK @FOLBOOKSTOR

Are you looking for some good quality books to purchase at a low price? Well, search no further! The Friends of the Library Underground Bookstore supports the library with every purchase and is located on the lower level of our library.

We've added more EBOOK & EAUDIO titles in Rivershare!

## CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY CONTINUED

ASK A TRUSTEE: LINDA DUTCHESS  
*Library Board Trustee Vice President*

I was raised in Clinton and as a young girl, one of my favorite places to go was the Clinton Public Library. I was in awe of all the books. I guess that was the beginning of my love for reading. I moved to California for many years after my high school graduation. While I lived there, I volunteered at the city library. When I moved back to Clinton a few years ago, I was going to apply to volunteer at the Clinton library. A friend suggested I apply for the Board of Trustees which had an opening at the time and I did. I enjoy being on the board. I think the thing that I love most about being on the Board (besides meeting wonderful, dedicated people) is being able to share



few. There is so much more to the library than just the books, although having an unlimited supply of reading is wonderful. I enjoy reading mysteries and biographies the most. I recently read Kristin Hannah's book "The Great Alone" and loved it. So, I went on to read her book "Mystic Lake". Another book that I could not put down while I was reading it was "Only One Cure" by Jenifer Ruff. So good! I just wish that everyone would take the time to explore the Clinton Public Library sometime. Even as a Board member, I am constantly learning about new programs and plans for the future. Please take the time to explore and enjoy the Clinton Public Library.

## MAKERSPACE

Tuesdays 9:00AM - 12:30PM | Thursdays 3:30PM - 7:00PM | Fridays 10:00AM - 12:30PM

Help make your projects come to life with our MakerSpace facility!  
Here are the machines we have available for use:

- BUTTON MAKER
- CRICUT
- EMBROIDERY MACHINE
- LAMINATOR
- SEWING MACHINE
- 3D PRINTING

# INFORMATION FAIR

**WITH FREE FOOD & RAFFLE PRIZES!**

FREE

3 - 5 PM  
THURSDAY  
SEPT 21ST  
CLINTON PARK  
SOUTH 4TH ST

RAIN LOCATION:  
CLINTON COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

LEARN ABOUT LOCAL  
RESOURCES FOR THE  
WHOLE FAMILY!



Sponsored by the  
Clinton Public Library & the  
Council of Social Agencies  
of Clinton County



**The Lyons Farmers Market**

## Open for the Season

**Every Wednesday & Saturday,  
Rain or Shine!!!**

**Wednesday's 4pm-6pm  
& Saturday's 8am-12pm!**

**Featuring Homegrown Fresh Fruits & Vegetables, Eggs, Baked Goods & Much Much More!!!**

**Lyons Four Square Park**

AUGUST 11

5-9 PM

# BACKYARD BBQ

## FUNDRAISER

**August 11, 2023**

**5PM-9PM**

**Skyline Center  
1818 S. 21<sup>st</sup> St., Clinton, IA**

**Live Music By  
THE STOCKWELLS**

**Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips  
Dessert & Cold Beverages**

**(Including Alcohol Options)**

**Carnival Games, Bounce House & Inflatable Obstacle Course, 50/50 Raffle & Silent Auction! NEW This Year, Celebrity Dunk Tank, Where You Can Sink One Of Clinton's Community Leaders Throughout The Night!**



# PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

## “WE WORK... SO YOU CAN PLAY!”

ERICKSEN COMMUNITY CENTER: 1401 11<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE NORTH, CLINTON, IA 52732 | P: 1-563-243-1260 | HOURS: MON - FRI 8AM - 5PM

MARINA OFFICE (LOWER LEVEL OF CANDLELIGHT INN): 511 RIVERVIEW DR, CLINTON, IA | P: 563-242-3600 | HOURS: APRIL - OCT 9AM - 6PM

WEBSITE: [www.cityofclintoniowa.gov](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov) | ONLINE REGISTRATION: [www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/225/Parks-and-Recreation-Department](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/225/Parks-and-Recreation-Department)

Follow us on Social Media: Facebook  City of Clinton - Parks & Recreation Department | Instagram  CityofClintonParksandRec | Twitter  @CityofRec

### ACTIVITY AREA HOURS

**ADMIN OFFICE - OPEN YEAR-ROUND**  
8am - 5pm, Monday - Friday (except Holidays)  
24 HOURS FOR FITNESS MEMBERS

**ACTIVITY AREA HOURS (LOWER LEVEL OF REC)**

Year-round (except Holidays)

<b>MON - FRI</b>	Jog and Walk Club	6am-9am
	Fitness Center	6am-8pm
<b>SATURDAY</b>	All Areas - Drop in Rec	Noon-5pm (Pending no leagues)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	All Areas - Drop in Rec	Noon-5pm (Pending no leagues)
<b>June 1 - Aug 30</b>		

**Summer Hours**

5:30pm-8pm

**June 1 - Aug 30**  
Scheduled Drop-in (M-F pending no leagues)

**Sept. 1 - May 30**

MONDAY-FRIDAY

<b>Gyms</b>	
Drop-in Rec	9am - 5:30pm
League Play & Rec Programs	5:30pm-10pm
Fitness Center Day Pass	6am-8pm

Special Events and/or programs are held throughout the year. Please consult the Lighthouse, our social media pages and watch for flyers that adjust these listed hours.

### MEMBERSHIP FEE SCHEDULE

**Fitness Membership** - Weight Room, Gyms, Classes if available

	Daily	Annual	Monthly	Monthly Auto-Deduct
Student (Ages 16/17)	\$4	\$162	\$22	\$15
Senior (age 55+)	\$4	\$162	\$22	\$15
Adult	\$5	\$216	\$27	\$20
2-Person		\$324	\$37	\$30
Family (6pppl)		\$432	\$47	\$40
Additional Family Member (Youth) - \$10				
We take Tivity Memberships - Prime/Prime PB/Silver Sneakers - Renew Active				

**Club Membership** - access to the Clubs at Rec - \$20 a year

Jog and Walk	Monday-Friday	6am-9am
Knitting & Crochet Club	Tuesdays	9am-11:30am

**Basic Membership** - big and small gyms and youth room

Student Ages 7-17	\$25 annually (daily \$4) (6 and younger free)
Senior	\$25 annually (daily \$4)
Adult 18+	\$50 annually (daily \$5)
2-Person	\$75 annually
Family	\$100 annually
Daily Pass:	\$5

### CAMPGROUNDS

Come stay in one of the area's most popular campgrounds at Clinton Riverview Park! Clinton RV Park features 28 camp pads which includes two ADA compliant pads with full hook-up. Campers may stay 14 consecutive days provided they remain current with their fees and must check-out by 1 PM on the 15th day and vacate the campground for a period of 24 hours. Campground fees are \$22/night which includes access to the bath house, 30/50 AMP electric, water hook up, and a dump station on the premises. Water will be turned off during the month of October weather depending at which point the fee drops to \$15 nightly with no water hook-up or bathroom entry. Our camp hosts are in the camp site next to the bath house. They can be reached at 563-559-4755 for the bathroom code and/or help you with any questions or concerns. You can also contact the Marina office at 563-242-3600. Or, check out our FB page under 'Clinton Iowa Riverview RV Campground'.

### CLINTON MARINA

The Clinton Marina is in full swing for the season. Please visit our FB page under 'Clinton Marina' for hours and updates. We offer fuel, diesel, apparel & gifts, bait (worms), ice-cream novelties, drinks & snacks, beer, ice, and an array of boater items to get you river ready. We also have transient slips available for \$1 per foot (\$20 minimum) with weekend specials of \$45 for under 30' and \$70 for anything over. Don't forget, it's required by law that you carry a life jacket for everyone on board, an air horn or whistle, a throw cushion, and a fire extinguisher – most of which we carry. For more information, call us at 263-242-3600 or email us at: marina@cityofclintoniowa.us.

We also offer an assortment of winter storage options for your boat. Winter boat storage goes as follows:

Boat Launching for Slip Renters	\$3.50 per linear foot
Boat Haul Out for Slip Renters	\$6.50 per linear foot
Launching Non-Slip Renter	\$6.50 per linear foot
Haul-Out Non-Slip Renter	\$8.50 per linear foot
Trailer Assist	\$100.00 flat fee
Outdoor Winter Storage (blocks)	\$1.50 per square foot
Trailer & Jet Ski Storage	\$100 flat rate

Marina Mechanic Tyler Jensen offers an array of services from winterization and wrapping, full service mechanic needs, stereo/sound systems, custom detailing; seat, carpet, and canvas repair, to much more. He can be reached at 563-249-7341.

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

1. You may register by mail or online at [www.cityofclintoniowa.us](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.us). A mail-in registration form is available by request. 2. Telephone registrations are not accepted.

3. Payment in full must accompany registration. 4. Senior citizens receive a discount off of adult rates. (not less than a youth fee in the same activity). 5. For registration purposes, youth are up to 17 years of age, adults are 18 and over, & seniors age 55 and over.

**DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT**

The City of Clinton in the provisions of employment, services and facilities, does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, color, sex, creed, national origin, age or disability. If anyone believes he or she has been subjected to such discrimination, he or she may file a complaint alleging discrimination with either the Office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240, or with the City Administrator who has been designated to coordinate compliance with

the non-discrimination requirements contained in section 35.107 of the U.S. Department of Justice regulations. Information concerning the provisions of Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act are available from the City Administrator.

**ACCOMMODATIONS**

To make participation in programs/services more enjoyable, individuals with a disability requiring accommodations are requested to inform the Parks & Recreation Department at least 48 hours in advance, so that those accommodations requested can be ready for the individual for participation in their chosen activity.

**ACCIDENTS/INSURANCE**

Individual, team or group accident insurance is not provided by the City of Clinton for participants in Parks & Recreation Department programs. We recommend that you check with your personal agent to assure coverage. Please report any injuries to department staff personnel.

### RENTALS AT ERICKSEN COMMUNITY CENTER

Make the Ericksen Community Center your place for a special kids' birthday, scouts, class, or Sunday school party!

**TWO DIFFERENT PACKAGES:**

**Party Package A** - Community Room and Small Gym - \$60/hr- Community Room holds up to 70 people with tables and chairs and the small gym is across the hall with 2 basketball hoops.

**Party Package B** - Commons Area and Big Gym - \$80/hr- Commons area holds up to 35 people and has access to the Big Gym. (currently under construction)

**LOCATION:** Ericksen Community Center

**DAY & TIME:** Call for availability

**RESERVATION DEADLINE:** Five business days notice minimum

### DEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

You can pick up the application form and return it to the Parks & Recreation Department Office in person at the Ericksen Community Center, 1401 11th Avenue North, Clinton, Iowa. You must have a photo I.D. that will be photo copied when you submit your application. Applications must be returned before you can take the proficiency test. You do not need to show proof of hunter safety if you participated in last season's hunt. Please read all material. Season will run Sept 16, 2023-Jan 13, 2023. Proficiency testing is required for hunters who did not take the test in 2022-2023 season. Proficiency testing is required every other year. The testing is TBA or by appointment by calling 563/243-1260. Testing will take place at the Ericksen Community Center (by the pond) - 1401 11th Avenue North - Clinton, IA. Completion of a "Deer Harvest Report" is required within 24 hours of harvest. Complete a report at Central Fire Station - 344 3rd Ave. N.

### 4TH ANNUAL RIVERVIEW BACON & BREWFEST

Saturday, September 23, 2023 | 4-7PM | Cost: \$25/person | Riverview Park Bandshell  
Beer and Bacon, Music and Games! (21+) Mark your calendars!

Competitions like bacon eating contest, best bacon vendor and mug holding contest

### “HEY COACH” – COACHES WANTED

This is what a team of kids would call you if you volunteer to coach for a team. Teach the fundamentals of passing, dribbling, defense and shooting in a fun age-appropriate environment. Coaches will organize practices and set-up plays for their team. A coach's meeting will be held to hand out program materials and to explain the program. Coaches must fill out a Coach's Application and complete a background check, which are available online or at the Recreation Department Administrative Office.

### YOUTH JR. TACKLE FOOTBALL

**GRADE:** Grade 5 & 6 (based on the school year, 2023-2024)

**REGISTRATION PERIOD:** now thru **August 17, \$100**

Registrations accepted now thru equipment fitting days if spots available, Financial Assistance Rate: \$60

**EQUIPMENT FITTING & REGISTRATION:** Each Team will have a certain time for equipment fitting

**LATE REGISTRATION & EQUIP FITTING** (if availability permits): **\$110**

Equipment fitting will occur at each scheduled practice.

**TEAM FORMATION BASED ON:** School attendance center:

In Camanche, DeWitt, Easton Valley, Fulton, Clinton

**NOTE:** Clinton Schools will be drafted in an effort to balance roster sizes

**GAME DAYS:** Mon, Tues and/or Thurs not earlier than 5 pm and beginning no later than 7:30pm

**GAME DATES:** **Sept. 18 thru Oct. 26**

**GAME LOCATIONS:** River Kings & Queen Complex

**SCHEDULE:** Practices can begin August 28. Each player is required to practice 3 days before contact on pads.

**NOTIFICATION:** Coaches meeting – August 24 at Ericksen Center after the V.S.E.

**RAIN OUT PROCEDURE:** Parks & Recreation Dept. Staff will contact the coaches, who will then contact parents.

V.S.E (Visual Skills Evaluation): 5:30pm Thursday August 24th for **Clinton Schools ONLY** (Bluff, Eagle Heights, Jefferson, Whittier Elementary Schools, Clinton Middle School and Prince of Peace Catholic School) will be held at the Ericksen Community Center. Players will need to complete a "VSE" only once while involved in the league. In the second year, a player is automatically placed on the same team as the previous year, unless a re-draft is requested.

### FLAG FOOTBALL

Instruction in non-tackle flag football for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th grades. Volunteer coaches will show youngsters an assortment of warm-ups, drills and plays needed to acquire basic football skills. T-shirts will be given to all players and coaches. Teams will consist of 7 players on the field at one time with minimum playing rules. Children registered by school attended.

**WHO:** Grades 1st/2nd – 3rd/4th Boys and Girls

**LOCATION:** Emma Young Park – softball fields

**DATE:** September 24 – October 29

**DAYS:** Sunday Early Afternoons, some week nights & other days for practice as scheduled

**PRactices:** 1-1/2 hour dependent upon coach's availability.

**Registration Period:** Now thru Aug 24 **Participant Fee**

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR YOUTH SPORTS

Financial assistants available for youth sports if child qualifies for free and reduced lunch. Must provide letter from school for each school year.

### GIRL'S GRADES 2<sup>ND</sup> - 3<sup>RD</sup> VOLLEYBALL CLINIC

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center Gym  
**DAYS:** Sundays  
**DATES:** September 10, 17, 24  
 October 1, 8, 15

**GRADE & TIME:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade      3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
 1-2 pm      2:15-3:15 pm

**Registration Period:** Now thru Aug. 31: Participant Fee: \$44      Financial Assistance Rate: \$26

**Late Registration (Only if availability permits):** Participant Fee: \$51

**LIMIT:** 12 minimum; 18 maximum for 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

It is recommended that girls wear knee pads. Coaches and T-shirt are provided.

### GIRL'S GRADES 4<sup>TH</sup> - 6<sup>TH</sup> VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center Gym  
**SERVING CAMP**

**DAYS:** Sundays  
**DATES:** September 10, 17, 24

**GRADE & TIME:** 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade, 4-5pm

**Registration Period:** Now thru Aug. 31: Participant Fee: \$28      Financial Assistance Rate: \$17

Late Registration (Only if availability permits): Participant Fee: \$35

**LIMIT:** 12 minimum; 30 maximum for Camp. It is recommended that girls wear knee pads. Coaches and T-shirt are provided.

**PASSING CAMP**

**DAYS:** Sundays  
**DATES:** October 1, 8, 15

**GRADE & TIME:** 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade, 4-5pm

**Registration Period:** Now thru Sept. 21: Participant Fee: \$28      Financial Assistance Rate: \$17

Late Registration (Only if availability permits): Participant Fee: \$35

**LIMIT:** 12 minimum; 30 maximum for Camp. It is recommended that girls wear knee pads. Coaches and T-shirt are provided.

### GIRL'S GRADES 4<sup>TH</sup> - 6<sup>TH</sup> VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center Gym  
**DAYS:** Sunday Afternoons

**DATES:** October 29  
 November 5, 12, 19 (No games 11/26)  
 December 3, 10

**Registration Period:** Now thru October 5th      Participant Fee: \$48      Financial Assistance Rate: \$29

**Late Registration (Only if availability permits):** Participant Fee: \$55

**LIMIT:** 12 minimum; 36 maximum for 4<sup>th</sup> thru 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. It is recommended that girls wear knee pads. T-shirt are provided.

\* **A VISUAL SKILL EVALUATION (V.S.E.)** is for new players or for players requesting to be re-drafted. Returning players are automatically placed on the same team as the previous year.

**V.S.E. time on Thursday, October 12, 2023** - 5:30pm At the Erickson Center

**Coaches Meeting** to Follow the VSE At 6:30pm At the Erickson Center

### FALL YOUTH SOCCER

Come take part in one of the area's largest youth soccer programs. This program is designed to teach the fundamentals of soccer to participants ages 3 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Children will learn the fundamentals of soccer through practices and games through instruction by volunteer coaches. Games consist of smaller sided play to ensure more quality touches of the ball during games. Roster sizes will vary depending on number of registrations for each league.

Register online [www.cityofclintoniowa.gov](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov), Proceed to site choose: Youth League

There are 9 leagues available including Preschool (co-ed), K-1st Grade Boys, K-1st Grade Girls, 2-3rd Grade Boys, 2-3rd Grade Girls, 4-5th Grade Boys, 4-5th Grade Girls, 6-7-8th Grade Boys and 6-7-8th Grade Girls. Participants are registered by the school they attend.

\*Request will be limited \*Parents/Guardians will fill out a Player Evaluation to help with team assembly

1. Beginner    2. Intermediate    3. Advanced

**LOCATION:** Jurgenson Soccer Complex-Clinton, IA

Possible Games in DeWitt, IA (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grade and Middle School)

**DAYS:** Saturday and some Tuesday's/Thursday for (Pre-K, K-1,2-3)

**DATES:** Sept - 16, 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21 (Rain date Oct.28)

**AGES:** 3 years old through 8<sup>th</sup> grade (2023-2024 school year)

**Registration Period:** Now through Thurs, Aug 17th (Don't forget you can register online)

**Participant Fee:** \$48      Financial Assistance Fee: \$29

**Late Registration thru Aug 23 (Only if availability permits):** Late Fee: \$55

**Coaches Meeting:** Aug. 23rd

### MINI SHOOTERS PRESCHOOL BASKETBALL CLINIC

Get your preschooler off to an early start in this program designed to introduce basketball movements at an early age. Participants will learn the basic basketball fundamentals of passing, dribbling and shooting through age-appropriate drills. Participants will engage in activities that will increase hand-eye coordination for your youngster.

**SESSION:** **3yr Old Parent Tot Mini Shooters**

**LIMIT:** 24 per Session

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, Small Gym

**DAYS:** Tuesdays

**DATES:** November 7, 14, 21, 28 December 5 (No 11/21)

**AGES:** 3yr. olds (Do not need to attend preschool) Participants must turn 3 yr. olds prior to the end of the program.

**TIME:** 5:00pm - 5:45pm

**Registration Period:** Now through Oct. 19th      Participant Fee: \$40      Financial Assistance Rate: \$24

**Late Registration (only if availability permits):** Participant Fee: \$47

**SESSION:** **4 and 5yr old Mini Shooters**

**LIMIT:** 24 per Session

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, Small Gym

**DAYS:** Thursdays

**DATES:** November 2, 9, 16, 30 December 7 (No 11/23)

**AGES:** 4 & 5 yr. olds (Do not need to attend preschool)

**TIME:** 5:00pm - 5:45pm

**Registration Period:** Now through Oct. 19th      Participant Fee: \$40      Financial Assistance Rate: \$24

**Late Registration (only if availability permits):** Participant Fee: \$47

**LIMIT:** 24 per Session

What is a Rec Club Membership? With your \$20 annual pass, you have access to the Clubs at the Erickson Community Center. If you are interested in adding a Club, please see the staff.

### JOG AND WALK CLUB

**WHO:** Men and Women  
**DAY & TIME:** Year Around 6am-9am  
**SITE:** Erickson Community Center (lower level)  
**FEES:** ECC Club Membership \$20

### KNITTING AND CROCHET CLUB

**WHO:** Adults  
**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, Club Room  
**DATES:** Year round  
**DAY & TIME:** Tuesday, 9am-11:30 am  
**FEES:** ECC Club Membership \$20

Bring your favorite needle craft hobby and a friend or come by yourself and make new friends. Enjoy a social morning of needlework, conversation and refreshments.

### LITTLE SHOOTERS BASKETBALL SKILLS & DRILLS CLINIC

This 6 week program is designed to introduce basketball fundamentals at the elementary age and early MS level. Participants will learn the basic basketball fundamentals of passing, dribbling, defense and shooting through age-appropriate drills. Program is instruction based and is conducted by experienced staff, as well as local high school players. Participants will experience 4 weeks of skills and drills session, followed by 2 weeks of scrimmage games. Each participant will receive a T-shirt.

**WHO:** Boys and girls in grades K-6th (2023-2024 school year)

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, Gymnasium

**DAYS:** Saturdays

**DATES:** Oct. 28 - Nov. 4, 11, 18 (No 11/25)

December 2 & 9

**TIME:** Kindergarten: 9am - 10am

1st-2nd Grade: 10:15am - 11:15am

3rd-4th Grade: 11:30am - 12:30pm

5th-6th Grade: 12:45pm - 1:45pm

**Registration Period:** Now through Oct. 19      Participant Fee: \$44      Financial Assistance Rate: \$26

**Late Registration (only if availability permits):** Participant Fee: \$51

**LIMIT:** 60 maximum per session

### FRIDAY FUN NIGHTS

Upper elementary school students here's your chance to hang out with friends at the "REC". Concession Stand available for refreshments. Activities included but not limited to kickball, basketball, a movie, dodgeball, volleyball, and soccer. Parents are welcomed to stop in during this activity. This event is a lock-in, once you come in, you stay until close, unless a parent or guardian enters the building to pick you up. Supervision by department staff and volunteers will be provided.

**WHO:** Elementary School Youth, Grades 3, 4 & 5

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, Lower Level

**DATES:** Friday 5:30 to 8:30 pm Oct. 27, 2023 & Feb. 23, 2024

**FEES:** \$5 Pay at Door

### 4TH & 5TH GRADE DODGEBALL NIGHT

For youngsters who can't get enough Dodgeball! Come as a team of five players and get ready for two hours of active play. Teams may register on that night, or phone the recreation office at 563-243-1260. Prizes As Well.

**WHO:** Elementary School Youth, Grade 4 and 5

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, GYM

**DATE:** November 4, 2023

**DAY & TIME:** Saturday, 6 pm to 8 pm

**FEES:** \$5 Per Person

**LIMIT:** 3 Teams Minimum; 8 Teams Maximum

**REGISTRATION:** At the door beginning at 5:30

**INSTRUCTOR:** Recreation Staff

### MIDDLE SCHOOL DODGEBALL NIGHT

Popular activity for grades 6, 7 and 8. Put down the remote control and bring a team of five for two hours of exciting play. Teams may register on that night, or phone the recreation office at 563-243-1260. Prizes As Well.

**WHO:** Middle School Teens, Grades 6, 7 and 8

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center, Gym

**DATE:** December 2, 2023

**DAY & TIME:** Saturday, 6 - 8 pm

**FEES:** \$5 Per Person

**LIMIT:** 3 Teams Minimum; 8 Teams Maximum

**REGISTRATION:** At the door beginning at 5:30

**INSTRUCTOR:** Recreation Staff

### ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

**1. ENTRY PROCEDURE:** Fall Due Date: Thurs., Sept. 28, by 5 pm

Entries contain Team & Manager Info and Entry Fees Paid

Only original rosters accepted no copies. Items must be completed to establish entry order due to space limitations. (Forms available from the Department Office.)

**2. ENTRY FEE:** Volleyball: \$175

\$25 late fee charged after deadline, if entry is accepted.

**3. LEAGUE MEETING:** FALL: Thursday, October 5

Site: Erickson Center All Volleyball—5:30 pm Agenda to include review of playing rules, administration of league play and preliminary schedule distribution. Rosters completed first night of play/practice

**4. FALL SEASON:** Playing nights-Oct 16, 2023-Jan 18, 2024 (approx.)

Times: 6 - 10 pm Weekdays

Monday: Mixed Power Volleyball

Wednesday: Women's Power Volleyball

Thursday: Mixed Modified Volleyball

Women's Modified Volleyball (Upper & Lower)

No games Oct 30 Nov 22 & 23 (Thanks.) Dec 25, 27, 28, (Holiday Break)

**5. ROSTER ADMINISTRATION:** Roster change deadline: Fall: Nov. 9

Rosters are frozen after the deadline listed above

## PARKS &amp; RECREATION DEPARTMENT CONTINUED

## ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL

**Entry Due:** September 7  
**Entry Fee:** \$250  
**League Meeting:** Thursday, September 14th at 5:30pm at Erickson Community Center  
**Approx. Dates:** September 17 - October 22, Sundays

## ADULT BASKETBALL OPEN GYM

**DAYS:** Sunday Nights  
**TIME:** 6:00 - 9:00pm  
**AGES:** Adults 18 and older  
**FEE:** \$3  
**Approx. Dates:** Nov 5th- April 7th | No Open Gym (Nov.26, Dec. 24, 31 Feb. 11, Mar.17, 31)

## PARK AREAS TO RENT (April 30 - Oct 15)

Eagle Point Castle: \$40/day, 30ppl, parking at South Shelter  
Eagle Point Maple Grove: \$15/day, open space, no services  
Eagle Point Waterfall: \$40/day, no vehicles on circle drive, 30ppl  
Gazebo Neubauer Park: \$15/day, no services, 30ppl  
Lubbers Fountain: \$40/day, 30ppl max, parking on street  
Pond Pier - Emma Young Park: \$15/day, no services  
Shelter - Chancy Park: \$25/day, 55x32, 12 tables, no electricity, no bathrooms, 54ppl  
Shelter - Clinton Park: \$40/day, electricity, 12ppl  
Shelter - Eagle Point - North: \$25/day, 56x32, 27 tables, no electricity, bathrooms nearby, 162ppl  
Shelter - Eagle Point - Central: \$40/day, 34x25, 9 tables, electricity, no bathrooms, 54ppl  
Shelter - Eagle Point - South: \$40/day, 22x20, 8 tables, electricity and bathroom, 48ppl  
Shelter - Rotary Park: \$40/day, bathrooms, 75ppl

## ATHLETIC SPACES

Clinton Park Basketball Courts: \$15/hr complex max \$50 a day  
Cross Country Course - Emma Young: \$100 a day, no services  
Emma Young Softball Diamond: \$50/day/diamond, lights \$15/hr/diamond max \$120 a day  
Hawthorne Horseshoe Pits: \$15/hr complex max \$50 a day  
Jurgenson Soccer Field: call for pricing  
Mayer Park Softball Diamonds: \$15/hr complex max \$50 a day  
Riverview Pickleball Courts: \$50/hr/complex max \$200 a day  
Riverview Sand Volleyball Courts: \$15/hr complex max \$50 a day

## BANDSHELLS

Lyons Four Square: \$40 includes electricity, no bathroom  
Riverview Park: \$100 with electricity, bathroom 4/30 - 10/15

## EAGLE POINT LODGE

299 ppl max, \$50/hr M-Th and \$75/hr F, Sat, Sun and Holidays, deposit required. 3 hour min. For availability, choose Lodge at:

<http://www.recreation.cityofclintoniowa.us/calendar.aspx>

## ERICKSEN COMMUNITY CENTER

Big Gym: \$50/hr whole gym \$30/hr 1/2 gym, one high school court, 2 smaller courts, bleachers, next to concession stand.  
Club Room: \$25/hr, upstairs mtg room, 30ppl  
Commons Area: \$45/hr  
Community Room: \$45/hr lower level mtg room, 70ppl  
Small Gym: \$30/hr, one small court  
Youth Room: \$45/hr, lower level mtg room 30ppl  
Party Package A: Community Room and Small Gym \$60/hr  
Party Package B: Commons Area and Big Gym \$80/hr  
Entire Lower Level: \$125/hr

## MOVIE SCREENS

Outdoor Screen: \$500 call SWANK 1-800-876-5577 to reserve rights to movie. Must have proof. Must have proof. 25 miles from The Rec. May 1 - Sept 30 - 30'x20', blow up screen total size 35x25x16  
Indoor Screen: \$250 SWANK info required, year around. 25 miles from The Rec.

## DOG PROGRAMS

## DOG INSTRUCTORS: Judy May

**LOCATION:** Riverview Pool Bathhouse & Nature Barn

**Register:** Erickson Community Center- 1401 11th Ave N, Clinton, IA 52732 563-243-1260. Each class will require a minimum number to be registered. Once the maximum is met, class is closed even if it has not reached the registration deadline. A soft light-weight nylon buckle collar and 6' leash are required. Any breed of dog will be accepted provided they have proof of distemper, kennel cough (12 wks), rabies (4 mos) and parvo shots. Must be presented at time of registration (marked receipt from vet)

## Registration Deadlines:

Session 1 - September 5 | Session 2 - October 17

## DOG AGILITY TRAINING AT RIVERVIEW POOL BATHHOUSE

This course gives dogs exposure to jumps, contact obstacle, weave poles, and the basics of canine agility. All breeds of non-threatening dogs allowed, AKC certification not required. Owners must provide a leather or nylon leash and collar.

**PREREQUISITES:** Dogs must be 6 months old minimum. Handler must show proof of successful completion in a dog obedience class prior to participation.

**LIMIT:** 5 minimum, 8 maximum

**DAY & TIME:** Saturdays; Session 1 - Sept. 9 - Oct. 14

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Session 2 - Oct. 21 - Nov. 18

**FEE:** \$40 (Late fee \$47 if space available)

## PUPPY &amp; DOG OBEDIENCE AT NATURE BARN (formerly Kindergarten for Puppies and Dog Obedience)

Now a combined class for puppies at least twelve (12) weeks of age and all ages of dogs. This class is designed to introduce you and your dog to collar and leash, to endure handling and to obey simple commands. Also, helpful hints on grooming, housebreaking, gnawing and chewing. This class is designed to help you learn how to train your dog; being consistent with your commands, knowing what verbal commands and the hand signals to give your dog. The canine good citizenship test will be taken during the final class. Recommended that the same person should handle the dog at each session.

**LIMIT:** 6 minimum; 10 maximum

**DAY & TIME:** Saturdays; Session 1 - Sept. 9 - Oct. 14

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Session 2 - Oct. 21 - Nov. 18

**FEE:** \$40 (Late fee \$47 if space available)

## PET PICTURES

Pet professional photographer, James Perron, will take pictures of your pets on Saturday, November 18, 10 am to 1pm at the Eagle Point Nature Barn. Appointments are necessary and may be made by contacting Judy May, Dog Obedience Instructor at 249-4132. You will receive a 3x5" and 5x7" photo for the \$15 fee. Enlargements and reprints available upon request. All posing challenges are accepted for single or group.

**Scary Scurry Dog Walk:** Eagle Point Park, Saturday, Oct 22nd inclement weather date Sat, Oct 29th

**Fall Fest:** Eagle Point Nature Barn, Saturday, Oct 22nd inclement weather date Sat, Oct 29th

## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

## City of Clinton - Budget FY2024

	General	Special Revenues	TIF Revenues	Debt Service	Capital Projects	Proprietary	Budget 2021	\$15,33780
<b>Revenues &amp; Other Financing Sources:</b>								
Taxes Levied on Property	\$7,913,143	\$4,759,660	\$0	\$1,635,324	\$0	\$0	\$14,308,127	C
Other Taxes	\$5,318,183	\$4,292,468	\$361,690	\$159,644	\$0	\$0	\$10,131,985	I
Licenses & Permits	\$612,100	\$32,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$644,600	T
Use of Money/Property	\$1,065,465	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,900,713	\$18,150	\$3,984,328	Y
Intergovernmental	\$978,111	\$4,188,310	\$0	\$107,168	\$0	\$3,091,400	\$8,364,989	
Charges for Fees & Service	\$1,706,200	\$55,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,347,465	\$14,108,665	P
Special Assessments	\$12,800	\$105,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$117,800	R
Miscellaneous	\$102,700	\$4,071,576	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,174,276	O
<b>SubTotal - Revenues</b>	<b>\$17,708,702</b>	<b>\$17,504,514</b>	<b>\$361,690</b>	<b>\$1,902,136</b>	<b>\$2,900,713</b>	<b>\$15,457,015</b>	<b>\$55,834,770</b>	<b>P</b>
Other Financing Sources	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,108,609	\$0	\$0	\$6,108,609	R
Transfers In	\$5,836,928	\$453,825	\$131,712	\$0	\$315,151	\$9,345,427	\$16,083,043	T
Proceeds of Debt	\$0	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$8,947,046	\$0	\$9,197,046	Y
Beginning Fund Balance	\$4,437,820	\$2,020,032	\$642,376	\$59,601	\$3,517,139	\$1,014,439	\$11,691,407	
<b>TOTAL Revenues &amp; Other Sources</b>	<b>\$27,983,450</b>	<b>\$20,228,371</b>	<b>\$1,135,778</b>	<b>\$8,070,346</b>	<b>\$15,680,049</b>	<b>\$25,816,881</b>	<b>\$98,914,875</b>	<b>T</b>
<b>Expenditures &amp; Other Financing Uses:</b>								
Public Safety	\$14,105,984	\$671,250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,777,234	A
Public Works	\$0	\$3,427,007	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,427,007	L
Culture & Recreation	\$3,476,071	\$3,119,325	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,595,396	E
Community & Economic Development	\$453,670	\$785,000	\$361,690	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,600,360	V
General Government	\$2,491,532	\$426,825	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,918,357	Y
Debt Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,010,245	\$0	\$0	\$8,010,245	
Capital Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,700,317	\$0	\$6,700,317	per valuation
<b>Total Government Activities Expenditures</b>	<b>\$20,527,257</b>	<b>\$8,429,407</b>	<b>\$361,690</b>	<b>\$8,010,245</b>	<b>\$6,700,317</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$44,028,916</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>
Business Type/Proprietary Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,712,775	\$15,712,775	supports the general fund
<b>TOTAL Gov't &amp; Business Type Expenditures</b>	<b>\$20,527,257</b>	<b>\$8,429,407</b>	<b>\$361,690</b>	<b>\$8,010,245</b>	<b>\$6,700,317</b>	<b>\$15,712,775</b>	<b>\$59,741,691</b>	
Transfers Out	\$3,493,041	\$8,732,077	\$131,712	\$0	\$420,000	\$9,414,822	\$22,191,652	
Excess Revenues & Other Sources Over (Under) Expenditures/Transfers Out	<b>\$3,963,152</b>	<b>\$3,066,887</b>	<b>\$642,376</b>	<b>\$60,101</b>	<b>\$8,559,732</b>	<b>\$689,284</b>	<b>\$16,981,532</b>	

The General Fund is the main operating fund for the City. Funds are earmarked for and restricted for specified purposes. The Road Use Tax Fund is an example of a special revenue fund. Special Rev Funds are Increment Financing utilized by many local governments for redevelopment and improvement projects on existing structures. The debt service fund is used to service interest & principal payments on debt. Capital projects funds consist of various types of financial resources utilized in the acquiring or constructing of capital facilities or assets. Proprietary funds are used to account for services financed and delivered in a manner similar to private industry. Sewer & Solid Waste funds are examples.



**Parking here for "Just a Minute..." ...is 60 seconds too long!**

**NEVER** park in a space reserved for people with disabilities **UNLESS** you have a permit, placard or handicapped parking plates. It's the courteous thing to do—and it's the law.

**REMEMBER:** Do not park in the striped access aisles next to spaces reserved for people with disabilities, even if you have a permit or plates. Access aisles provide room for wheelchair users to transfer safely to and from their vehicles.

Learn more about the laws on reserved parking for people with disabilities. Contact United Spinal Association at:



National Headquarters  
120-34 Queens Blvd. #320  
Kew Gardens, NY 11415  
(800) 404-2898  
www.unitedspinal.org



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## CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT CONTINUED

### CODE DEPARTMENT continued from page 5

(4) Noxious weeds, such as those listed in Iowa Code § 317, are not permitted in any pollinator garden. Those include, but may not be limited to:

- Buckthorn plantain
- Hoary Cress
- Red sorrel
- Buckthorn
- Horsenettle
- Russian knapweed
- Bull thistle
- Leafy spurge
- Sorghum
- Canada cocklebur
- Multiflora rose
- Spiny plumeless thistle
- Canada thistle
- Pale dock
- Teasel
- Common sunflower

- Plumeless thistle

- Thistle

- Curly dock

- Poison hemlock

- Velvetleaf

- Field bindweed

- Puncturevine

- Wild carrot

- Field sow thistle

- Quack grass

- Wild mustard

(5) Planting of any portion of a pollinator garden in the right-of-way is prohibited.

(6) Setback requirements:

(a) Five-foot buffer strip between property lines.

(b) Five-foot buffer strip from the right-of-way.

(c) Two-foot buffer strip from a public sidewalk.

(d) Three-foot buffer strip from a fire hydrant.

(e) Three-foot buffer strip from a transformer.

(f) Three-foot buffer strip from a gas riser.

(g) Plantings over three feet in height are not permitted.

(h) A ten-inch height must be maintained for the two feet adjacent to the buffer strips along the public right-of-way and public sidewalk.

(i) Plantings shall not encroach across property lines, into public sidewalks, or public streets or alleyways.

(7) Appropriate pollinator gardens will re-seed themselves from year to year. It is expected that pollinator gardens will require two or more years to establish. However, if a pollinator garden is found to be out of compliance, i.e. noxious weeds, improper maintenance, overgrowth across property lines, etc. more than three times, the natural planting area permit shall be revoked and the pollinator garden shall be removed within 30 days thereafter.

### Access Aisles: Why They Exist

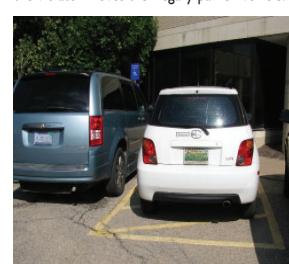
For many people with disabilities, access aisles serve a critical purpose. These yellow or blue striped aisles next to accessible (or handicapped) parking spaces provide extra room so wheelchair users or other people with disabilities can exit or enter their vehicles.

The access aisle provides room for people to:

- Lower their van's ramp or lift
- Navigate with wheelchairs, scooters, walkers, canes or unsteady gait

If this area is blocked even a small amount, a person with a disability who requires the extra space may not be able to get out of or into his/her vehicle.

Or, if a person with a disability returns to the vehicle and finds a car parked over the access aisle, the person may have to wait hours until the violator moves the illegally parked vehicle.



Access aisles are not intended for emergency parking, as shown in the violation above.



### Wide Access Aisles Versus Narrow Access Aisles

The photo above shows a van-accessible space, which is next to a wide (eight foot) access aisle. The wheelchair user needs this much space, at a minimum, to safely lower the ramp and exit or enter the van.

In the photo below, the van is parked in a standard accessible spot next to a narrow (five foot) aisle. This does not allow enough space for the wheelchair user to safely exit and enter without possible damage to her wheelchair – or to the car parked nearby.



### Accessible Parking Etiquette: Dos and Don'ts

#### Do display your accessible parking permit.

It is required by law that you display your accessible parking permit, including accessible parking placards or license plates, when you park. You may have a permit that legally entitles you to use the space, but if you don't display it, you could receive a ticket.

#### Do leave van accessible parking spaces open for ramp- or lift-equipped vehicles.

 A sign with the words "Van Accessible" and the international symbol of accessibility means the parking space is designed for ramp- or lift-equipped vehicles (RLEVs). Van-accessible parking spaces have a wider access aisle than standard accessible spots. The **eight-foot wide aisle** provides enough space for a wheelchair user who has a ramp- or lift-equipped vehicle to lower the ramp or lift, and have room between vehicles to exit/enter the van.

In contrast, access aisles next to regular accessible parking spaces are only **five feet wide**, which is not enough room for wheelchair users to safely exit or re-enter a van that has a lift or ramp. In addition, there are fewer van accessible parking spaces than regular accessible parking spaces in most parking lots.

#### You can help by keeping the access aisles completely open.

Even if you only parked over the aisle a small amount, you could restrict a wheelchair user's ability to enter and exit a ramp- or lift-equipped vehicle.

It might seem like access aisles cover a large area, but people with disabilities need **all** of the space to deploy their ramps or lifts. The wide aisle provides room to safely maneuver on and off the ramp or lift.

So please stay within the lines and honor the aisles!

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Although you may park in van-accessible spaces with an accessible parking permit, you are encouraged to reserve van-accessible spaces for RLEV users unless there are no regular accessible parking spaces. Otherwise, RLEV users might not be able to find a parking space at all.

#### Do not use an accessible parking permit once it's expired.

Accessible parking permits have expiration dates. Please be mindful of the expiration date of your placard or license plate, and do not use it after it's expired. It's against the law.

If you still need to use it after expiration, apply for a new one or renew your permit.

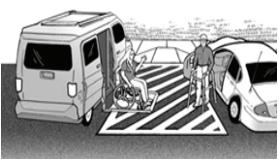
#### Do not let others use your accessible parking permit when you are not present.

The owner of an accessible parking permit must be present when using the permit. Do not lend your permit to your family members or friends so that they can use the accessible parking spaces.

There can be legal consequences both to you and to the person who borrowed your permit, including a fine and your permit being revoked.

RLEV = Ramp- or lift-equipped vehicle

### Accessible Parking Etiquette Honor the Aisles!



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## 2023 Airport Events

### Aug 18th 5pm : Flour Bombing and Cookout

Watch as pilots and bombardiers attempt to hit a target with a flour bomb

### Sept 22nd 5pm : Football Drop and Cookout

Watch as pilots and bombardiers attempt to hit a target with a football

### Oct 20th 4pm : Trunk-or-Treat and Candy Drop

3rd annual trunk or treat & candy drop. Airplane rides will be available for purchase

### Nov 17th 4pm - Turkey Drop and Cookout

Watch as pilots and bombardiers attempt to hit a target with a rubber turkey

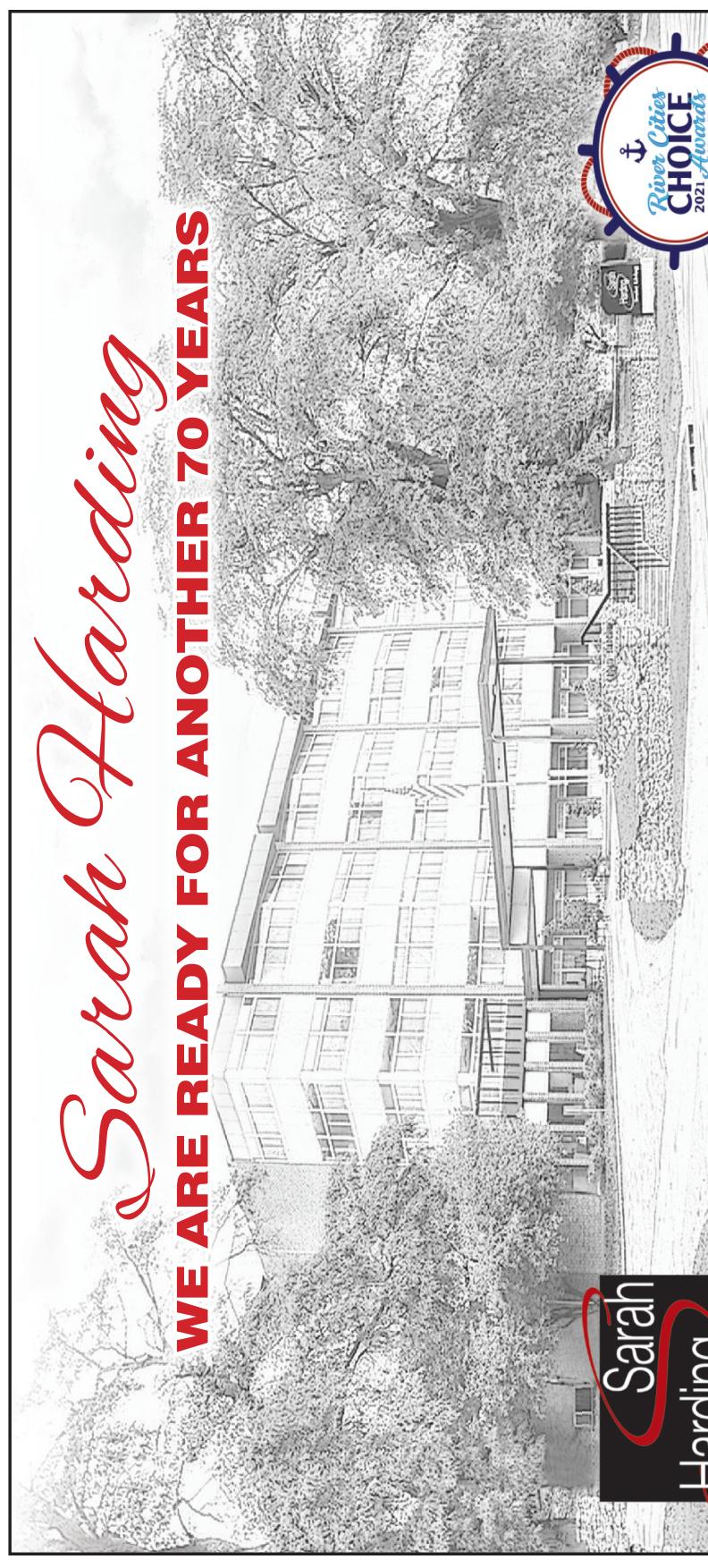
Food will be available for purchase at each event.



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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

**Public Works Department: Hours of Operation: 7:00 am – 3:30 pm | Phone: 563-242-2144, then option 1 (Public Works), then option 3 | Phones Answered from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm**

The City of Clinton Public Works Departments strive to maintain the safety and health of our community in all our endeavors. Public Works consists of 4 departments.

The Streets Department's 8 employees have several responsibilities within the city's right-of-ways. Some of these responsibilities include: pothole repairs; putting up and replacing street signage; street sweeping; snow & ice removal on city streets; alley grading; right-of-way mowing and weed spraying; and removing fallen trees, branches, and debris within the roadway.

The Solid Waste Department's 6 employees are responsible for the collection of the city-owned garbage, yard waste and recycling carts. The Solid Waste Department is also responsible for taking the orders for delivery and cancellation of the city-owned carts. The Solid Waste Department also assists with snow removal when a "Snow Emergency" is declared.

The Sewer Maintenance Department's 4 employees maintain the storm and sanitary sewer systems throughout the city. The Sewer Maintenance Department also assist with snow removal when 1 or more inches of snow is forecasted.

The Facilities and Grounds Department's 6 employees maintain city owned property and buildings throughout the city. The Facilities and Grounds Department also assist with snow removal when 1 or more inches of snow is forecasted.

Residents are encouraged to use the work Ticket system to generate a work order for any work needed within the city and parks, <https://clintonia.elevio.help/en/submitRequest>.

**As a reminder when driving around town, we ask that you please use caution and slow down when approaching street crews in the roadway. Thank you!**

**By following these two simple rules, you can help save lives, avoid receiving a traffic ticket and prevent the potential loss of your driver's license. Iowa law requires motorists to:**

1. Change lanes or slow down, absent any other direction from a peace officer, when approaching the following vehicles, as provided in (Iowa Code section 321.323A):

A stationary emergency vehicle that has its flashing lights activated.

A stationary tow, recovery, maintenance, construction, solid waste or recycling collection vehicle that has its flashing lights activated.

Any stationary motor vehicle, including a passenger vehicle, that is continually displaying its emergency signal lamps (i.e., standard hazard lights).

2. Yield the right of way to an emergency vehicle displaying flashing lights or giving an audible signal by moving over to the right, stopping and waiting until the vehicle has passed before proceeding. (Iowa Code section 321.324).

Iowa DOT Traffic Fatality Count as of Friday, 06/23/23 is 153 deaths.

## STREETS DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

### Debris in Street or Alley

Please be aware that it is against City Ordinance to blow cut grass or leaves into the roadway and gutter. Yard debris clogs up storm drains/catch basins and can contribute to sewer backups. If you have a storm drain/catch basin anywhere around your property, please keep it clear to ensure all runoff drains properly.

City Ordinance: § 97.003 Placing Debris on Street or Alley

It is unlawful for any person to throw or deposit on any street or alley any glass, glass bottle, nails, tacks, wire, cans, trash, garbage, rubbish, litter, offal, leaves, grass or any other debris likely to be washed into the storm sewer and clog the storm sewer, or any substance likely to injure any person, animal or vehicle.

(Iowa Code § 321.369) (1999 Code, § 135.03) Penalty, see § 10.99

### Trimming Trees

City Ordinance: § 98.06 Duty to Trim Trees

The owner or agent of the abutting property shall keep the trees in or overhanging the street trimmed so that all branches will be at least 13 feet above the surface of the street and 9 feet above the sidewalks. If the abutting property owner fails to trim the trees, the city may serve notice on the abutting property owner requiring that such action be taken within five days. If such action is not taken within that time, the city may perform the required action and assess the costs against the abutting property for collection in the same manner as a property tax. Except as allowed in this section, it is unlawful for any person to trim or cut any tree in a street or public place without first obtaining authorization from the city. The Building and Neighborhood Services Official or his or her designee shall have the power to enforce this section.

(Iowa Code §§ 364.12(2)(c), 364.12(2)(d), 364.12(2)(e), 364.12(3)(b)) (Ord. 2437, passed 12-14-2010) Penalty, see § 98.99

Trees in right-of-ways are owned by the property owner, not the city. The city may remove trees in the right-of-way when there is a hazard caused by the tree, the tree is dead/dying or for public works projects. When a tree in the right-of-way has been identified to be removed a notification letter will be sent in advance to the homeowner. Any damage to a home and or property caused by a tree in the right-of-way would be covered by the homeowner's insurance policy.

### Property Owners/Tenants Responsibility for Maintaining Right-of-Way

All owners of property and/or tenants of rental property are responsible for the maintenance of the right-of-way adjacent to the parcel's property lines. All grass, weeds, vines, and brush must be kept to less than 8" of growth.

City Ordinance: § 94.03 Maintenance of Boulevard and Residential Property

All owners of property abutting any road right-of-way shall maintain their property and the abutting road right-of-way by cutting or destroying all grasses, weeds, vines and brush when the growth exceeds eight inches in height.

### Residential Street Light Outages

Many people are not aware that the majority of the street light outages in residential neighborhoods are **not** the responsibility of the City of Clinton. The City of Clinton is only responsible for the lighting and poles in the business corridors throughout town as well as the traffic signals. Street lights located in the residential areas of town are the responsibility of Alliant Energy. For any problems concerning residential street lights Alliant Energy prefers to be contacted by the homeowners directly. Listed below is the contact information for outages:

#### Traffic Signals or Business Corridor Lights

City of Clinton: 563-242-2144 (option 1, option 3)

#### Residential Street Lights

Alliant Energy: 1-800-255-4268

or you may submit a request online:

[www.alliantenergy.com/CustomerService/AlliantEnergyService/OutageCenter/RequestStreetlightRepair](http://www.alliantenergy.com/CustomerService/AlliantEnergyService/OutageCenter/RequestStreetlightRepair)

### Sewer Maintenance

Sewer maintenance consists of 4 employees that maintain the city's storm and sanitary sewer collection system which consists of curb and gutter, catch basins, manholes along with storm and sanitary sewer lines throughout the city. The city does not maintain the private laterals that tie into the city sewer system. Homeowners and business owners are responsible for the sewer lateral from the home/business structure to where the lateral ties into the city's infrastructure. For sewer backups, call 563-357-6055.

#### § 52.005 SEWER CONNECTION REQUIRED.

The owner of any building or property which is located within the city, or in any area under the jurisdiction of the city and from which sewage is discharged is required to connect to a public sewer at the owner's expense within 90 days after service of official notice to do so, provided that the public sewer is reasonably available for connection. A property shall be considered reasonably available for connection if the building sewer discharge is within 200 feet of connection to the city sanitary sewer system by private gravity sewer, or within 200 feet of connection to the city sanitary sewer system by private pressurized sewer. Additionally, if the building or property is used for human occupancy, employment or recreation, the owner is required to install at the same time toilet facilities in accordance with the State Building Code and other ordinances of the city. The official notice shall be given by the Council or its designated agent and shall be served upon the owner personally or by certified mail. In the event a building or property owner fails to connect to a public sewer in compliance with a notice given under this section, the city may undertake to have the connection made and shall assess the cost thereof to the property owner. The assessment shall be collected with and in the same manner as general property taxes. This section shall not apply to pre-existing septic systems unless application is made for a permit for repair or replacement of said system.

## SOLID WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM INFORMATION

Total waste, recycling, yard waste/brush and rubble taken to landfill from January 3 through June 1, 2023:

Garbage – 2974.35 tons or 5,948,700 pounds  
Recycling – 404.48 tons or 808,960 pounds

Yard waste/Brush (yard waste started the first full week of April):  
537.51 tons or 1,075,020 pounds.  
Rubble – 868.86 tons or 1,737,720 pounds.

### Upcoming Garbage, Yard Waste and Recycling Delays:

Labor Day, Monday, September 4th

Monday, September 5th – NO garbage/yard waste/recycling collections.

Collections will be delayed by one day for the rest of the week.

Monday's Routes – Will be collected on Tuesday, September 5th.

Tuesday's Routes – Will be collected on Wednesday, September 6th.

Wednesday's Routes – Will be collected on Thursday, September 7th.

Thursday's Routes – Will be collected on Friday, September 8th.

Friday's Routes – Will be collected on Saturday, September 9th.

### Large Item Collection

The City of Clinton **no longer** provides Large Item Collection. For persons needing to dispose of large items, the items may be taken directly to the Clinton County Area Solid Waste Agency located at: 4292 220th St. – Clinton, IA 52732. For questions about the landfill, please call (563) 243-4749 or visit the website at: [www.ccaswa.com](http://www.ccaswa.com).

### Sharps Disposal

The City of Clinton **does not** collect and/or dispose of used sharps as they pose a potential threat to the Sanitation workers. However, residents may transport and dispose of sharps collected in an empty container similar to a laundry soap container (which has been labelled) and drop it off free of charge at the Clinton County Area Solid Waste Agency located at: 4292 220th St. – Clinton, IA 52732. For questions about the landfill, please call (563) 243-4749 or visit the website at: [www.ccaswa.com](http://www.ccaswa.com).

### Solid Waste Collection Program

#### CART INFORMATION

- All City of Clinton collection carts are the property of the City.
- The City has 3 types of collection carts: Gray – garbage, Green – yard waste, and Blue – recycling.
- Collection carts are assigned to an address, not an individual (family). When ownership of a residence changes, each cart must stay at the address it is assigned to. Residents may cancel services at any time and all appropriate carts will be removed.
- Residents have the option to purchase extra carts if so desired, purchased carts move with the owner.
- Each resident is responsible for the proper care and security of the collection carts. The resident will be charged for replacing a cart should it become damaged or stolen as the result of improper care and/or not keeping the cart secured on the property.

#### COLLECTION INFORMATION

- All carts must be out by 7:00 am the day of collection.
- Garbage should be bagged in the gray cart.
- Yard waste should be placed loose in the green cart (**no bags**).
- Recycling should be placed loose in the blue cart (**no bags**).
- Carts **will not** be emptied if there is improper or incorrect material in the cart (such as garbage in a yard waste or recycling cart).
- Hot ashes should never be placed in the carts.
- Construction debris is not allowed in any of the carts.
- Toxic or hazardous waste is not allowed in any of the carts. This includes: electronics, pesticides, paint cans with paint, motor oils, sharps containers, flammable material, etc. (Contact the Clinton County Landfill at 563-243-4749 for any questions about acceptable material.)
- The maximum weight limit of the 95-gallon carts is 150 lbs.
- To avoid exceeding the weight limitation of the cart, or causing possible damage to the cart or collection vehicle, do not place rocks, concrete, bricks or dirt inside carts. Any items placed within the cart must fall out easily when the cart is being serviced. Please do not overfill or tightly pack items into the cart.
- Lids must be closed.
- Carts must be located in an area that is easily accessible for the automated trucks. Collection drivers will not leave their vehicles in order to move a cart.
- Give adequate space between carts for collection by the automated trucks – 3 feet apart is optimal.
- Carts must be placed for collection away from homes, garages, fences, parked vehicles, utility poles, mailboxes, etc. 5 feet is the preferred distance to ensure that any property or possessions are not damaged.
- Carts should not be placed higher than 1 foot above the surface that the collection truck is on.
- Carts should not be left at their collection spots past the collection day. Carts should be removed from the street or alley right-of-way and placed in a designated storage area on the resident's property. (This will prevent a possible road hazard, damage to the cart, or theft of the cart.)

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Tarping Loads to the Landfill

Please be aware that tarps and/or covers are required by City Ordinance on any and all waste being transported to the Clinton County Area Solid Waste Agency (aka the Landfill):

City Ordinance: § 50.27 Loading

Vehicles or containers used for the collection and transportation of any solid waste shall be loaded and moved in a manner that the contents will not fall, leak or spill therefrom, and shall be covered to prevent blowing or loss of material. Where spillage does occur, the material shall be picked up immediately by the collector or transporter and returned to the vehicle or container and the area properly cleaned.

(1999 Code, § 106.03) (Iowa Code §§ 321.460 and 805.8A(13)(c)

## SINGLE-STREAM Recycling

Thank you, City of Clinton residents, for your continued support at making our Single-Stream Recycling program a success.

To find out more about Single Stream Recycling you can go to the City's website at <https://city-ofclintoniowa.gov>. Search under Departments, then Public Works and finally click on Solid Waste,



- Recycle Week A
- Recycle Week B
- Holiday No Collections
- Collections Delayed By One Day
- Weekly Recycling

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# YWCA CLINTON

Eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all in the Clinton community and surrounding area for 108 years.



## CHILDCARE SERVICES

The YWCA Children's Center offers quality and affordable childcare programs at both our Downtown & Lyons locations! We provide care for children ages 6 weeks to 11-years-old from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Call your preferred location for an application and more information.

**Downtown:** 317 7th Ave • 563-244-8340

**Lyons:** 250 20th Ave N • 563-242-2190

**Fall / Winter Camp Dates:**  
**Registration is open for:**

Session time begins 8/20/23-6/1/24.  
2023 YOUTH Winter Break Camp  
2024 YOUTH Spring Break Camp  
2023/2024 3 Yr Preschool  
2023/2024 4 Yr Preschool  
2023/2024 FALL Afterschool Program  
2023/2024 FALL Extended Care Program

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Register for YWCA Clinton's After School Program! Children will have fun with activities such as swimming, crafts and park visits. Open to children completing kindergarten through 5th grade and operates Monday through Friday from 2:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 12:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. After School has extended care available as well for those needing care after 5:30 pm. Registration forms are available at the YWCA Clinton front desk or can be found at [ywcaclinton.org](http://ywcaclinton.org). For more information, call our Youth Department at (563) 242-2110.

Scan for More Info



## JOIN THE YWCA CLINTON FITNESS CENTER!

### YWCA Clinton Fitness

#### Membership Includes:

- Use of our **EXERCISE FACILITIES**, including the weight room, cardio room, and locker rooms.
- Access to the **SAUNA** to relax in, to recover, and feel great!
- An average of **80 FITNESS CLASSES PER WEEK** on land and in the water with a full access membership, including BodyPump, Yoga, Cycling, Aquacize, Senior Classes, and more!
- Entry to our **INDOOR POOL** and all its services, such as lap swimming, water-based fitness classes, water therapy, open swimming, and family fun, available with a full membership!
- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS** to ensure access for all.



#### More YWCA Clinton Fitness Center Services:

- **IN-BODY COMPOSITION ANALYSIS** to break down your body type percentages and develop a personalized workout routine!
- **PERSONAL TRAINING PACKAGES** to help you learn new exercise routines and provide motivation to improve your overall health and wellness!

To sign up for a fitness membership or another of YWCA Clinton Fitness Center's services, visit our front desk or call us at 563-242-2110. Contact our Health & Wellness Manager, LuAnn Larson, at [health@ywcaclinton.org](mailto:health@ywcaclinton.org) with questions.

## ABOVE & BEYOND CANCER

YWCA offers a **FREE** monthly support group for adults and family members impacted by any type of cancer diagnosis. Members share thoughts, feelings and experiences while connecting with others. Get started by calling 563-249-0077 or by emailing [health@ywcaclinton.org](mailto:health@ywcaclinton.org).



## SWIM LESSONS

YWCA Clinton offers swim lessons for all ages and skill levels! To register, sign up online or call us at 563-242-2110. More information is available at [ywcaclinton.org](http://ywcaclinton.org).

#### Fall Dates:

**1st Session Sign Up:** Sept. 5 - Sept. 10

**1st Session:** Sept. 11 - Oct. 21

**2nd Session Sign Up:** Oct. 23 - Oct. 29

**2nd Session:** Oct. 30 - Dec. 16



**NO LESSONS THE WEEK OF THANKSGIVING**

#### Lifeguard Class Dates:

Aug. 21 - Aug. 27 & Oct. 23 - Oct. 29

Call Ben at (563) 242-2110 x303



#### CPR Class Dates:

Aug. 11

Call Ben at (563) 242-2110 x303



## EMPOWERMENT CENTER

YWCA Empowerment Center seeks to stop homelessness before it starts. Our dedicated and passionate team serves individuals and families in both Clinton and Jackson Counties who are currently experiencing homelessness or are at risk of losing their housing. We provide resources, referrals, and information on our Housing Programs. If you are someone OR you know someone who experiencing a housing crisis, please call our Empowerment Center Hotline (toll free) at (833) 849-8976.



## GO THE DISTANCE RAFFLE

YWCA Clinton's "Go the Distance" Raffle tickets are now available for purchase. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the YWCA Clinton front desk. Purchase a raffle ticket for a chance to win an "Explore Clinton" basket, \$1,000 cash prize or a year membership to YWCA Clinton. All proceeds of these tickets directly support YWCA Clinton.



## YWCA TO HOST THE CLINTON HALF MARATHON

YWCA Clinton is hosting the 12th Annual Clinton Half Marathon on Sunday, September 10, 2023. Runners can choose a race distance of 5k, 10k or Half Marathon.



The race starts along 5th Avenue South in Historic Downtown Clinton, quickly traversing Riverfront Drive, paralleling the mighty Mississippi, with challenging hill climbs leading to Eagle Point Park's majestic overlook of the widest part of the Mississippi River!

All race proceeds benefit YWCA Clinton, giving a voice to the voiceless and making a difference in the lives of so many. Registration is now open! Visit [www.clintonhalfmarathon.com](http://www.clintonhalfmarathon.com) for more information or to register for the race.

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