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A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Happy New Year to everyone. This edition of The Lighthouse will focus on a look back on 2023 and a glimpse of 2024.

The City of Clinton remained financially strong in 2023, with a 7.48% growth in assessed valuation, which equals approximately \$75 million in additional valuation. Rightly so, assessed valuation did increase through the County Assessor's Office, but the tax rates for next year will be adjusted with the 46% residential rollback. Thus, with the residential rollback and the City property taxes being lowered again (continuing to remain below the 14-year City property tax average), taxpayers will see little to no change in the taxes paid for the City of Clinton.

The City had four (4) Council Members and Mayor re-elected and returning; the Council updated 28 ordinances (making 83 updates over the last 7 years); the City Departments worked with University of Iowa undergrad and graduate students (110 students) to complete 20 projects for the City; the City partnered with four local businesses and the State of Iowa; East Central Intergovernmental Association (ECIA) oversaw a \$800,000 façade project; The Lighthouse newspaper that you are currently reading celebrates its 5th year of being sent once a quarter to every resident in Clinton (big thanks to The Clinton Herald for our partnership); and the 1st Annual Tailgate N' Tailboys USA Concerts series saw over 30,000 attend.

The Police Department received the GOLD Lexipol award for 2022 based on excellence in policy management. That same policy management has attributed to lowering the crime rate in the City by 12.2%, while responding to 39,513 calls for service and now owning the Police Sta-

tion. Public Safety continued to remain a priority, with the Fire Department completing 4,218 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) calls for service and responding to 116 fires for the year.

Staying safe and taking advantage of all the City's amenities and activities, Parks and Recreation saw 3,075 youth sports participants, 98 adult teams and 20 tourneys, and had a 20% increase in memberships for The Rec Fitness Center. Parks and Recreation, working with Public Works and a third-party contractor, completed the Skate Park on the Riverfront - the first rip and dual pump track in Iowa. Speaking of parks, the initial steps at the Eagle Point Park Castle were redone by Public Works and a new barrier wall project was begun in two overlook areas of the Park.

Several City Departments and Boards deserve "Shout Outs" for outstanding work. The Clinton Municipal Airport was awarded the Distinguished General Aviation Airport Award by the Federal Aviation Administration Department of Transportation. The Municipal Transit Administration (MTA) was awarded the Small Regional Bus Department of the Year by the Iowa Department of Transportation. These were terrific honors for both the Airport and the MTA. The Parks and Recreation Department worked with Trees Forever and the Tree Commission to ensure the City remained a designated "Tree City USA" for the 34th year in a row. For FY2023, the Clinton Public Library saw 43,122 visitors, had 6,384 people attend live Library programs, and averaged of 28 programs per month. The final shout out goes to the wonderful murals on the old McEleney building as part of the 'Paint It Back' project, the mural at the LumberKings Stadium through Synergy and the City of Clinton, and the two murals added to the

City's Pump Station next to the Skate Park, both sponsored by the Downtown Alliance and the City of Clinton.

On the construction side of things, the Regional Water Reclamation Facility (RWRF) kicked off the \$130 million joint ADM and City project expansion (funded by ADM). Just drive on Highway 67 off Highway 30 towards Camanche and one can see the progress. Meanwhile, the Engineering Department had another extremely busy year with a new 28th Avenue North Pump Station, 1st Avenue and 8th Avenue sewer separation projects, and street improvements on McKinley Street from 33rd to 36th Avenue North, South 3rd and 4th Streets, 2nd Avenue South east of South 2nd Street, North 4th Street into the cul-de-sac, 28th Avenue North., North 5th Street, 5th Avenue South, College Avenue and South 18th Street, South 7th Street reconstruction and a new construction road 36th Avenue South off South 54th Street at the Rail Park. This held the pavement management "condition index" at 61, while investing \$3.4 million annually in the City's roads. The Engineering Department also managed the construction of the City of Clinton Pavilion over Roosevelt Street and the Quiet Zones Phase I Project (\$2 million), which was completed from 6th Avenue South to 9th Avenue North (the north end will be finished in 2024).

The Community Development Department continues to ensure the City maintains the right path forward on eliminating blight and nuisance properties. The goal through the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) is to ensure safe and livable units for all our citizens. In addition, the goal of the IPMC is to work on saving structures. Community Development works closely with the City's legal team on the primary goal of having

property owners take responsibility and fix major issues at their property. If the owner isn't willing to work with the City, then the next step is to take owners of blight and nuisance properties to Court in attempt to achieve remediation of the blight and nuisance situation. In 2023, the City had 53 property owners that were directed by judges to fix or demolish their blighted and nuisance properties, of which, 33 properties were fixed by the owners while 20 were demolished by the owners. In addition, the City demolished 15 separate properties that the City took ownership of prior to completing demolition. The City received a \$500,000 EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant for the 1000 block of South 4th Street (across from Hy-Vee). This grant will assist the City in demolishing the structures along this corridor (to occur in 2024) as well as reuse planning to help prepare the area for redevelopment.

On the economic development side of things, **Atlas Roofing Corp.** - Rail Park project: \$243 million investment and 117 Jobs; **Valley Bluff Apartments** now have 180 of 231 units built; and the **Miles Communication** and City partnership saw **Fiber Optics** installed throughout the City and connections for the City, County and Schools to be completed in the near future. The Downtown saw the completion of the **Wilson Building** (originally built in 1906), with 33 apartments, the opening of **Geome** in the Makers on 5th space and the **Soi 5 Thai restaurant** in Clinton Culinary. Both areas used to be where JC Penney's was located. Economic Growth Corporation ensured history was preserved by hanging up the original JC Penney sign. The Downtown

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Department of Parks & Recreation

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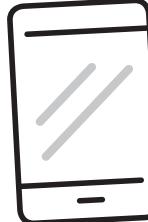
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TEXT the following to 563-500-1585

to receive text updates from the Clinton Parks & Rec Dept

PARKNREC - GENERAL INFO | PNRADSP - ADULT SPORTS | PNRYTHSP - YOUTH SPORTS



CLINTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

2023
IN
REVIEW

FROM ALL OF US AT THE
AIRPORT, THANK YOU FOR THE
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WE HOPE YOU #FLYCWIA

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OF HOSTING THE CESSNA
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TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR
LOCAL STUDENTS

3RD ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT
AERIAL DROP COMPETITIONS
OVER A DOZEN TOURS TO
COMMUNITY GROUPS

15,000 VISITORS

51,000 GALLONS OF FUEL SOLD



BUILDING & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

CITY OF CLINTON RENTAL CODE

Iowa Code 364.17 states all communities with a population of 15,000 or more must adopt a rental housing code. Rental codes ensure buildings and structures are maintained at a minimum level to ensure the health and safety of the tenants and resilience and sustainability of the structure. Not only does rental code provide a standard benchmark all rental owners must meet, they establish a building's safety and usability for years to come.

The state of Iowa rental code is 562A, Iowa Landlord and Tenant Act. This code details procedures for eviction and rights and responsibilities for both the landlord and tenant.

Section 562A.15 states the landlord shall:

- Follow building and housing codes that affect health and safety in an important way;
- Make repairs to keep the house or apartment in a fit and livable condition;
- Provide for garbage receptacles and removal;
- Supply hot and cold running water and heat, unless the tenant pays the utility company directly, and the water heater and furnace are under the tenant's control;
- Keep areas used by the tenants of more than one apartment clean and safe; and
- Keep facilities and appliances such as electric wiring, plumbing, heating, and air conditioning in good and safe working order.

Section 562A.17 spells out tenant responsibility as:

- Follow any building and housing codes that apply to tenants, and that affect health and safety in an important way;
- Keep his or her living area clean and dispose of garbage properly;
- Properly use all appliances and facilities such as plumbing, heating, wiring, air conditioning;
- Not damage or abuse the apartment on purpose or carelessly, or knowingly allow someone else to do so; and
- Avoid doing things that will disturb the neighbors' peace and quiet.
- A landlord can take certain steps if a tenant fails to comply with the law or the rental agreement.
- If the tenant violates his or her duties, like not paying rent, the landlord may cancel the rental agreement by giving written notice. In most cases, the landlord has to give the tenant a chance to fix the problem. Once the landlord takes proper steps to cancel the agreement, he or she must file a court action. The court can act to remove the tenant from the rental unit if the tenant fails to move. It is illegal for a landlord to try to force a tenant to move by any other means, such as changing locks or shutting off utilities.
- In some cases, if a tenant damages the property, the landlord may require the tenant to pay for repairs.
- If your landlord fails to main the property

or make repairs, or does not perform duties outlined in local and state codes, the tenant may end the lease by giving a proper written notice. In some cases, the tenant must give the landlord a chance to fix the problem(s). Sometimes the tenant can make repairs and deduct the cost from rent owed to the landlord. Very specific steps must be taken to end an agreement or withhold rent and legal advice should be obtained before these steps are taken.

If a landlord fails to make repairs or maintain the rental property the tenant must give the landlord a written notice requesting repairs. If the landlord does not make the requested repairs you can contact Building & Neighborhood Services to file a rental complaint. The complaint must be in writing, must detail steps taken to communicate concerns with the landlord, and any evidence of violation(s). Once a complaint is received a Code Enforcement Officer will investigate the complaint and take appropriate action, to include inspecting the rental property, to ensure the properties complies with all rental code.

Section 562A.36 states a landlord may not retaliate by increasing rent or decreasing services or by bringing or threatening eviction after the tenant has complained to a governmental agency charged with responsibility for enforcement of a building or housing code of a violation applicable to the premises materially affecting health and safety.

Along with the requirements spelled out in Iowa Code Chapter 562A, the City of Clinton adopted a rental code. Code of Ordinances Chapter 155, Rental Property Code, establishes a dwelling unit rented or leased to an occupant or occupied by a party or parties who are not the owner of the property, but who are occupying the property with the express or implied consent of the owner, is considered a rental and must be registered with the city and must a rental inspection every two years.

The City of Clinton in 2019 adopted the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code as its minimum standard all rentals must meet. The 2018 International Property Maintenance Code is part of the of International Code Council (ICC) I-Code set, which is a family of codes. As stated, all rentals within the City of Clinton must be maintained at a minimum standard at all times. Those standards are spelled out in City of Clinton, Code of Ordinances, Chapter 155.13 and the 2018 International Properties Maintenance Code.

If you feel your landlord is not maintaining your rental unit and need assistance, below are phone numbers of agencies or organizations that may be able to provide you further guidance or assistance.

Building & Neighborhood Services
563-244-3360 x2

Iowa Legal Aid
1-800-532-1275

Home Inc.

515-243-1277

Clinton County Resource Center
563-242-9211 x 4106

Information Referral Services
563-243-5818

ELECTRIC SERVICE- IS YOURS SAFE?

Have you taken a look at the condition of the wires of the electrical service located on the exterior of your home lately? If you have, and noticed dangerous-looking (bare and exposed) wires protruding and are wondering what to do with them, continue reading. If you haven't taken a look, you may want to set this paper down and go do so now, as we've been finding increased numbers of hazardous main electrical services in need of repair. Many years ago, main electrical services were installed using service entrance cables. These cables were not protected in conduit (pipes), and have been exposed to direct sunlight ever since. As these cables age, their protective coverings begin to deteriorate, and when the protective coating finally fails, the wires underneath end up bare and exposed. Bare

and exposed service entrance cables can be very dangerous and create a significant risk for fires and electrical shocks. So, what can you do to ensure that your electrical service is safe? First, you can contact a licensed electrician and request an inspection of your electrical service. If hazards are found, your electrician can give you an estimate on what it will cost to upgrade the service. Upgrades require a building permit, which your electrician will obtain from the building department, and then they'll work with the inspectors to ensure that all repairs are installed in a safe and code compliant manner. Although we don't do electrical inspections without a permit in place, if you have any questions regarding your main electrical service, contact the Building & Neighborhood Services Department today.

DO I HAVE BED BUGS?

Top Ten Bed Bugs Tips from the Environmental Protection Agency

1. **Make sure you really have bedbugs, not fleas or ticks or other insects.**
2. **Don't panic!** Don't throw out all of your things because most of them can be treated and saved.
3. **Think through your treatment options -- Don't immediately reach for the spray can.** Integrated pest management (IPM) techniques may reduce the number of bedbugs and limit your contact with pesticides.
4. **Reduce the number of hiding places -- Clean up the clutter.** A cluttered home provides more places for bed bugs to hide and makes locating and treating them harder.
5. **Regularly wash and heat-dry your bed sheets, blankets, bedspreads and any clothing that touches the floor.**
6. **Don't rely on do-it-yourself freezing as a reliable method for bed bug control.** While freezing can kill bed bugs, temperatures must remain very low for a long time. Home freezers are usually not cold enough to kill bed bugs.
7. **Use heat to kill bed bugs, but be very careful.** Raising the indoor temperature with the thermostat or space heaters won't do the job. Special equipment and very high temperatures are necessary for successful heat treatment.
8. **Don't pass your bedbugs on to others.** Bedbugs are good hitchhikers. If you throw out a mattress or furniture that has bedbugs in it, you should slash or in some way destroy it so that no one else takes it and gets bedbugs.
9. **Reduce the number of bedbugs to reduce bites.**
10. **Thorough vacuuming can get rid of some of your bedbugs.** Change the bag after each use so the bed bugs can't escape. Place the used bag in a tightly sealed plastic bag and in an outside garbage bin.
11. **Turn to the professionals, if needed.** Hiring an experienced, responsible pest control professional can increase your chance of success in getting rid of bed bugs. If you hire an expert, be sure it's a company with a good reputation and request that it use an IPM approach.

I think I may have bedbugs. What should I do?

1. If you live in a rental, notify your landlord. Depending on the circumstances, the property owner may be responsible for the elimination of all infestations.
2. City of Clinton Iowa, Code of Ordinances Chapter 155.19 (L) states "Every owner of a dwelling containing two or more dwelling units shall be responsible for the extermination of insects, rodents or other pests on the premises. Whenever infestation exists in two or more of the dwelling units in any dwelling, or in the shared or public parts of any dwelling containing two or more dwelling units, extermination thereof shall be the responsibility of the owner."
3. Contact a professional exterminator, throwing away furniture and using spray or powders purchased at the local store will not eliminate bed bugs.
4. Cooperate with extermination efforts.
5. Reach out to Building & Neighborhood Services with any questions or concerns.

CLINTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

BEWARE OF TAX SEASON SCAMS:

A Community Alert from the Clinton Police Department

As we embark on the familiar journey of tax season, it's crucial to be on high alert for devious tax scams. Each year, countless individuals fall prey to these schemes, and this year, we, the Clinton Police Department, are committed to ensuring you're equipped with the knowledge to protect yourself.

The Rising Tide of Tax Scams

Scammers, with their clever tactics, are targeting everyone – from the elderly to small businesses. They impersonate IRS officials through phone calls, craft phishing emails, and set up fake tax preparation services. These tactics are not just devious but also highly damaging.

Phishing, Identity Theft, and More

The most common scams include phishing

(emails and fake websites), threatening phone calls, stealing personal information for fraudulent tax returns, dishonest tax preparers, and fake charities. These scammers are clever, and they adapt their methods to seem as convincing as possible.

A New Scam Alert

Recently, on July 3, 2023, the IRS warned of a new scam involving a mailing that pretends to be about an "unclaimed refund." The letter, riddled with odd phrasing and factual inaccuracies, is an identity thief's trick to get your personal information. It's a stark reminder to be vigilant.

Your Armor Against Scams

1. Know How the IRS Communicates: The

IRS usually contacts people by mail first, not via phone or email.

2. Guard Your Personal Information: Be wary of unsolicited communications asking for sensitive details.

3. Secure Your Online Presence: Use secure networks for online tax filing and have strong, unique passwords.

4. Choose Reputable Tax Preparers: Do your homework before entrusting someone with your tax details.

5. Stay Informed: Keep abreast of the latest scam trends and tactics.

How to Spot and Report Scams

- Be cautious of communications that don't seem right – odd punctuation, incorrect dates, and requests for detailed personal information are red flags.

- Never click on links or respond to messages claiming to be from the IRS.

- Report suspicious emails or texts to phishing@irs.gov and other relevant authorities.

Our Commitment to You

Your safety and security are paramount. We are here to assist and protect you from these nefarious schemes. Let's stand together this tax season, informed, vigilant, and secure.

Stay Safe, Stay Informed, and Report Suspicious Activity!

THE RISING PERIL OF FENTANYL:

Understanding Its Impact on Accidental Deaths

Introduction

In the realm of accidental deaths, a new and insidious player has emerged, overshadowing traditional causes such as automotive accidents and falls. Fentanyl, a potent synthetic opioid, has become a primary driver of accidental overdoses, altering the landscape of public health concerns. This article delves into the complexities surrounding fentanyl, its widespread impact, and the urgent need for awareness and action.

The Fentanyl Crisis: A New Era of Accidental Deaths

The Overlooked Epidemic

Accidental deaths have long been dominated by automotive accidents and falls, but recent analyses reveal a disturbing trend: fentanyl-related fatalities are soaring, particularly among the youth and middle-aged populations. The alarming increase in such deaths can be attributed to the pervasiveness of fentanyl in various illicit drugs, often unbeknownst to users.

Understanding Fentanyl's Potency

Fentanyl, vastly more potent than morphine, poses a significant risk even in minuscule quantities. A mere milligram can be lethal, primarily due to its ability to induce respiratory inhibition, a critical factor in many overdose fatalities.

The Accidental Poisoning Epidemic

Infiltration into Illicit Drugs

Fentanyl has insidiously woven its way into numerous counterfeit drugs, ranging from opioids to stimulants. Users seeking substances like oxycodone or Adderall, often through informal channels such as social media, are unknowingly exposed to fentanyl-laced products. This trend underscores a significant shift in the drug landscape, where the pursuit of cost-effectiveness and potent effects by illicit manufacturers endangers countless lives.

The Alarming Statistics

Recent studies highlight a grim reality: deaths of despair, encompassing suicides, alcohol-related deaths, and accidental overdoses, are escalating at an unprecedented rate, with fentanyl use being a primary driver. The years 2019 to 2021 saw a staggering increase in such fatalities, underscoring the urgency of addressing this crisis.

Fentanyl's Far-Reaching Impact

Youth and Young Adults at Risk

The youth, often experimenting or seeking relief from mental health issues, are particularly vulnerable. The deceptive nature of counterfeit pills, combined with the unpredictable potency

of fentanyl, results in a perilous gamble with every use. This crisis calls for heightened awareness and education, particularly among young people and their guardians.

The Broader Societal Implications

Beyond the immediate health risks, fentanyl's proliferation poses broader societal challenges. It exacerbates the issues of drug addiction and mental health crises, straining public health resources and law enforcement efforts. Moreover, the grief and trauma experienced by families and communities due to these preventable deaths have long-lasting social repercussions.

Conclusion: A Call to Action

The rise of fentanyl as a leading cause of accidental deaths demands a multifaceted response. This includes robust public education, stringent regulation of drug manufacturing and distribution, and expanded access to addiction treatment and mental health services. Law enforcement agencies, healthcare providers, and community leaders must collaborate to combat this epidemic, prioritizing preventative measures and support systems. As a society, recognizing and addressing the fentanyl crisis is not just a matter of public health—it's a moral imperative to safeguard future generations.

HOW TO BECOME A POLICE OFFICER IN IOWA

Becoming a police officer in Iowa typically involves several steps. Here's an overview of the general process:

1. Meet Basic Requirements:

- Be at least 18 or 21 years old (depending on the department).
- Have a high school diploma or GED.
- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Have a valid driver's license.

2. Education and Training:

- Consider pursuing higher education in criminal justice or related fields. While not always required, having a degree can be beneficial.
- Complete a law enforcement training program approved by the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA). Most agencies will require completion of the ILEA program as part of the hiring process.

3. Physical Fitness Test:

- Pass a physical fitness test, which may include running, push-ups, sit-ups, and other exercises.

4. Apply for Open Positions:

- Check for job openings with local police departments or sheriff's offices in Iowa.
- Submit an application for the position you're interested in.

5. Written Exam:

- Take a written exam to assess your knowledge of law enforcement procedures, ethics, and related topics.

6. Background Check:

- Undergo a thorough background investigation, which includes a review of your criminal history, employment history, financial status, and personal references.

7. Interviews:

- Participate in one or more interviews with representatives from the police department or agency.

8. Polygraph Examination and Psychological Evaluation:

- Some departments may require a polygraph examination and psychological evaluation to assess your suitability for the job.

9. Medical Examination:

- Undergo a medical examination to ensure you meet the physical requirements necessary for the job.

10. Training Academy:

- If hired, you'll attend the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA), where you'll receive comprehensive training in various aspects of law enforcement.

11. Probationary Period:

- After completing the academy, you may undergo a probationary period where your performance is evaluated on the job.
- Additionally, maintaining a clean record, staying physically fit, and gaining relevant experience (such as through internships, volunteer work, or military service) can enhance your chances of becoming a police officer in Iowa.

CLINTON STREETS AND SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENTS

In Clinton, our Streets and Solid Waste Departments are dedicated to ensuring that our City's infrastructure and environment are maintained to the highest standards. From street maintenance to waste management, these departments are continuously working to keep Clinton clean, safe, and well-organized.

Streets Department: Maintaining Our City's Infrastructure.

The Streets Department in Clinton handles several critical responsibilities within the City's right-of-way. Their key tasks include:

Pothole Repairs:

Quick response to repair potholes, ensuring safe and smooth travel.

Potholes are a common problem on roadways, and they occur due to a combination of traffic, weather conditions, and the natural aging of the road. Here's a basic explanation of why potholes form:

Street Signage: Regular maintenance and replacement of street signs for clear navigation.

Street Sweeping: Keeping our streets clean and debris-free.

Snow & Ice Removal: Ensuring roads are safe during winter months.

Alley Grading: Maintaining the functionality of our alleys.

Right-of-Way Mowing and Weed Spraying: Preserving the aesthetic and health of our green spaces.

Debris Removal: Clearing fallen trees and branches to maintain safe roadways.

Solid Waste Department: Managing our City's waste efficiently.

Our Solid Waste Department plays a vital role in managing the city's waste systems. Their responsibilities include:

Collection Services: Efficient collection of garbage, yard waste, rubble and recycling using city-owned carts.

Solid Waste takes the following to the landfill annually.

Garbage – approximately 7,738 tons or 15,476,000 million pounds.

Yard waste and brush – approximately 1,826 tons or 3,652,000 pounds.

Rubble – approximately 1252 tons or 2,504,000 pounds.

Recycling – approximately 952 tons or 1,904,000 pounds.

Cart Management: Handling orders for delivery and cancellation of city-owned waste and recycling carts.

1. Water Penetration: The primary cause of potholes is water penetrating the surface of the road through cracks. These cracks can be caused by the wear and tear of traffic over time or can be the result of environmental factors like freezing and thawing cycles.

2. Freezing and Thawing: In climates with cold winters, the freeze-thaw cycle exacerbates pothole formation. When water seeps into the road through cracks, it freezes and expands in cold temperatures. This expansion can cause the road material to crack and break apart. When the ice melts, it leaves gaps or voids under the surface.

3. Traffic Pressure: The passage of vehicles over these weakened spots in the road applies pressure, causing the surface to collapse and form a pothole.

Please generate a work ticket for any potholes you find at <https://clintonia.comcate.com/en>, click on "submit request" lower right corner.

CLINTON FIRE DEPT.

NEW HIRE



Hello, my name is Dylan Moss. It is a great honor to finally be apart of the Clinton Fire Department. I was raised primarily in the Goose Lake and Charlotte, Iowa area where I graduated from Northeast High School in 2016. In 2016, I joined the Iowa Army National Guard and spent 4 years with the 1034th CSC. During my time in the National Guard, I attended many military schools, conducted military funeral honors, and served one tour to Afghanistan. After my deployment, I returned home and met my amazing wife.

AuBreeAnna. We enlisted into the Active Duty Army where we spent 3 years assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division located at Fort Bragg, NC. where I was Cavalry Scout and Paratrooper. Today, we have our beautiful 1-year-old daughter, Payton. During my time in the military, I was fortunate enough to obtain my National Certification for Emergency Medical Technician-Basic and my National Certification for Paramedic. I am proud to continue to serve my community and be apart of a new family where we strive to make a difference.



Do you have a person in your life who may be a hoarder? Hoarding is a condition where a person has persistent difficulty discarding personal possessions. The large amount of possessions fill the home and prevent the normal use of the space. Living space becomes cluttered. It may be unusable. Hoarding brings distress and emotional health concerns.

WHY HOARDING INCREASES FIRE RISKS

- Cooking is unsafe if flammable items are close to the stove or oven.
- Heating units may be too close to things that can burn. They might also be placed on unstable surfaces. If a heater tips over into a pile, it can cause a fire.
- Electrical wiring may be old or worn from the weight of piles. Pests could chew on wires. Damaged wires can start fires.
- Open flames from smoking materials or candles in a home with excess clutter are very dangerous.
- Blocked pathways and exits may hinder escape from a fire.

HOW HOARDING IMPACTS FIRST RESPONDERS

- Hoarding puts first responders in harm's way.
- Firefighters cannot move swiftly through a home filled with clutter.
- Responders can be trapped in a home when exits are blocked. They can be injured by objects falling from piles.
- The weight of the stored items, especially if water is added to put out a fire, can lead to building collapse.
- Fighting fires is very risky in a hoarding home. It is hard to enter the home to provide medical care. The clutter impedes the search and rescue of people and pets.

How Can You Help Reduce the Risk of Fire Injury

- When talking a person who hoards, focus on safety rather than the clutter. Be empathetic. Match the person's language. If they call it hoarding, then you can call it hoarding.
- Help the residents make a home safety and escape plan. Stress the importance of clear pathways and exits. Practice the plan often. Exit routes may change as new items are brought into the home.
- Install working smoke alarms in the home. Test them at least once a month.
- Reach out to community resources. Talk to members of the fire department to alert them of your concerns. They may be able to connect you with members of a hoarding task force for additional help.

Clinton Fire Department

563-242-0125

Felix Adler Children's Discovery Center

Clinton, Iowa's Children's Museum!



Family Book Event with Local Illustrator!



CELEBRATE

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Sunday, Feb. 25
2 - 3:30 pm

Meet the Illustrator—
local artist Hayle Calvin!

- Book Reading
- Book Signing
- Activities
- Refreshments

Program is FREE with
Museum Admission:
\$5 per person ages 2 - 64
\$4 per person ages 65+
Free ages 1 & younger
Free museum members

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER YOUR PETS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024!!

Why should you license your pets?

Being a pet owner requires all sorts of responsibility. One that is often overlooked is registering your pet with your city government and getting him/her licensed. The American Humane Association indicates that 62% U.S. households own a pet. Another national average indicates that only 16% of pets are estimated to be licensed in the United States. Failing to license your pet can hinder your chances of getting him back if he/she gets out without you.

If the above isn't reason enough for you to properly register your pets, here are a few more reasons why you should:

1. If your pet goes missing, having him/her licensed drastically improves your chances of getting him back.

A license tag helps animal protection and shelters quickly identify your pet and get him back to you safely. Animals that are licensed tend to be kept at the shelter longer than unlicensed animals.

2. Licensing lets people know that your pet is up to date on its rabies vaccinations. An animal cannot be licensed unless it is properly vaccinated. Animal control or a Good Samaritan will be much more likely to want to handle and care for your missing pet if they know that it is healthy and sans rabies.

3. License fees support the efforts of many local animal shelters. If you purchase your pet license at the Humane Society, half of the annual fee that you pay to license your pet goes to the shelter to help keep the shelter running.

Be a Good Citizen – License your Pet!!

Pet licenses may be purchased at City Hall; you may purchase at the Humane Society; or you may apply for a license by mail.

What is required to get a license?

In order to apply for an animal license, you must provide a certificate showing that your pet is up to date with its rabies vaccinations. Animals over four months and older must be licensed.



City of Clinton Animal License

Application/Renewal Form



Kindly complete this application to include current rabies vaccination information and return it by mail with the appropriate fee to: City of Clinton, P O Box 2958, Clinton, IA 52733-2958. We will mail the license and animal tag back to you. In person: please visit the Finance Office located in the lower level of City Hall at 611 S 3rd Street. Please complete one application for each of your animals.

Owner Information

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

P Pet Name: _____

e Pet Type: Dog/Cat/Ferret

Circle One

t Sex: Male Female

Circle One

i Health: Altered Unaltered

Circle One

n MicroChip# : _____

o Breed: _____

r Color: _____ Marks: _____

m Date of Birth: _____

a Rabies Tag #: _____

t Expires: _____

i Veterinarian: _____

o _____

91.23 ANIMAL LICENSE FEES

Animal license fees are due January 1 of each year:

License Type	Unaltered & No Micro-chip	Micro-chip Only	Altered Only	Altered & Micro-chip
Dog or Cat	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
Dangerous Dog or Cat	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Support Animal	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$10.00
Service Animal	No fee	No fee	No fee	No fee
Replacement License	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00

City Animal Licenses are valid from January 1 thru December 31
All dogs, cats, and ferrets 4 months and older will need a City License.

332 - 8th Avenue South
Clinton, Iowa 52732
(563) 243-3600



Family Book Event with Local Illustrator!

Susie Clark

The Bravest Girl You've Ever Seen

Desegregating Iowa Schools in 1868

by Joshalyn Hickey-Johnson
illustrated by Hayle Calvin

Meet the Illustrator, Hayle Calvin

**SUNDAY, FEB. 25
2 - 3:30 pm**

Meet the Illustrator—
local artist Hayle Calvin!

- Book Reading
- Book Signing
- Activities
- Refreshments

Program is FREE with
Museum Admission:
\$5 per person ages 2 - 64
\$4 per person ages 65+
Free ages 1 & younger
Free museum members

CELEBRATE

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

**SUNDAY, FEB. 25
2 - 3:30 pm**

Meet the Illustrator—
local artist Hayle Calvin!

• Book Reading

• Book Signing

• Activities

• Refreshments

36th ANNUAL

Omelet Breakfast

FUNDRAISER

Support Learning Through Play!

TICKET PRINTING SPONSORED BY

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\$15 Adults & Teens

\$8 Children 12 & younger

Save the Date!

Sunday, March 24, 2024

9 am - 1 pm

Held at the Discovery Center!













COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: CODE ENFORCEMENT

Trees 98.06

The next couple of months are perfect for heavier pruning of trees which should be done when the tree is dormant and before active growth begins. This is a great time to trim up those branches that are overhanging the sidewalks and roadways.

City ordinance states all tree branches overhanging the City streets must be trimmed to 13 feet above street level and 9 feet over sidewalks. Bushes close to a sidewalk or street need to be trimmed back away from the area to ensure safe passage as well as ensuring there is no obstructing of vision. This is also a good time for checking your trees for dead branches that might fall during storms as well as if the tree is dying or diseased.

City Garbage / Recycling Totes 50.23

This is a great reminder this time of year, as with snow falls your carts can and will be buried by the snow plow if they are left out at the street. We get many complaints regarding carts being left out in the street or blocking sidewalks. Be courteous to your neighbors. Please remember to bring your totes back up to your house after they have been dumped, do not leave them out in the street or curb area; this is how they get damaged or stolen.

"(2) No solid waste, garbage container or yard waste container or single-stream recycle container shall be deposited by any person upon any sidewalk, crosswalk or roadway, or upon any alley right of way, so as to obstruct or block pedestrian movement or vehicular traffic.

(3) No person shall deposit a garbage, yard waste, or single-stream recycle container upon the parking, terrace or alley more than 12 hours before the date designated for garbage, yard waste, or recycle collection. No person shall allow garbage, yard waste, or single-stream recycle containers to remain on the parking, terrace or alley for more than 12 hours after the date designated for solid waste collections.

(4) All garbage, yard waste, or recycle containers shall be stored behind the front yard building setback, except when placed on the parking, terrace or alley on the designated date of collection."

SIDEWALK SNOW / ICE REMOVAL RESPONSIBILITY 97.027

Residential sidewalks

Sidewalks need to be cleared of snow and/or ice to ensure the public safety. Tags will be placed on doors of residential properties if a complaint is received regarding sidewalks not being cleared after 48 hours of the even stopping.

Business district sidewalks

(1) Sidewalks on the following streets are hereby defined as business district sidewalks:

- (a) Main Avenue between Harding and Third Streets;
- (b) North Second Street between Twenty-Third Avenue and Main Avenue;
- (c) Fourth Avenue South between First and Third Streets;
- (d) Fifth Avenue South between First and Fourth Streets;
- (e) Sixth Avenue South between First and Fourth Streets;
- (f) Seventh Avenue South between Second and Fourth Streets;
- (g) Eighth Avenue South between Second and Fourth Streets;
- (h) First Street between Fourth and Seventh Avenues South;
- (i) Second Street between Third and Eighth Avenues South; and
- (j) Third Street between Fourth and Eighth Avenues South.

In the event snow and/or ice remains on a business district sidewalk for more than 12 hours after

the snow stops falling, or after ice forms, the City may remove the snow or ice from the sidewalk. The cost of the actual removal, plus a filing fee will be assessed against the property.

Sidewalks other than business district sidewalk

This division applies to all sidewalks not defined as business district.

In the event snow and/or ice remains on the sidewalk for more than 48 hours after the snow stops falling or after ice forms, the City may remove the snow or ice from the sidewalk. The costs of actual removal, plus a filing fee will be assessed against the property.

Dumping of Snow 97.010

A friendly reminder as we are into winter as to what you should not do when shoveling or plowing snow.

It is unlawful for any person to throw, push or place or cause to be thrown, pushed or placed, any ice or snow from private property, sidewalks or driveways onto the traveled way of a street or alley so as to obstruct gutters, or impede the passage of vehicles upon the street or alley or to create a hazardous condition therein; except where, in the cleaning of large commercial drives in the business district it is absolutely necessary to move the snow onto the street or alley temporarily, the accumulation shall be removed promptly by the property owner or agent. Arrangements for the prompt removal of the accumulations shall be made prior to moving the snow.

Signs in the Right of Way 159.048

Signs are not allowed in the right of way, unless you apply for a permit. If someone places a sign in the right of way in front of your property please remove the sign from the area. If you give permission to a contractor to put their sign out during or after they have done work for you, please ensure this sign is placed on your property and not in the right of way.

"(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 facia 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."

Nuisance Abatement Chapter 90

The City's nuisance ordinance regulates those situations that can be defined as a public nuisance. These can include, but are not limited to, such things as the accumulation of junk and garbage on private property, snow not shoveled off the public sidewalks, the storage of inoperable vehicles, graffiti, dead trees on private property and vacant buildings.

You can register a complaint as well as access the complete nuisance ordinance on the City's website.



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New job, new retirement account options

Changing jobs? Consider these 401(k) options:

- Leave the money in your previous employer's plan
- Move it to your new employer's plan
- Roll it over to an Individual Retirement Account (IRA)
- Cash out the account subject to early withdrawal penalties



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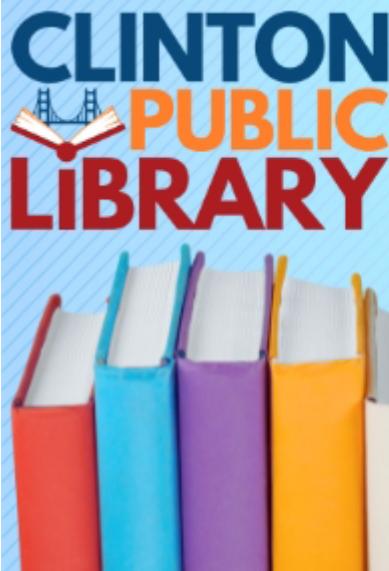
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We can talk through your financial goals and find the option that works best for you.

CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY | 306 8TH AVENUE SOUTH | CLINTON, IA 52732 | 563-242-8441 | WWW.CLINTONPUBLICLIBRARY.US



THE CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY ASPIRES TO BE AN ACCESSIBLE RESOURCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY WHERE ALL CAN DISCOVER, LEARN, CREATE, CONNECT, AND GROW.

THE MISSION OF THE CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY IS TO PROVIDE A WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT, OFFER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO BENEFIT ALL AGES, AND CONNECT PEOPLE TO RESOURCES WITH THE GOAL OF ENRICHING OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY.

Clinton Public Library is a department of the City of Clinton and offers a full range of services, programs and materials!

We offer: Faxing, Scanning, Printing, Public notary, 3D Printing, Cricut, Bookbinding, Button making, Lamination, Cake pans, Cookie cutters, Free Computer use & more!



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CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Main Branch | 306 8th Avenue South | 563-242-8441

MONDAY - THURSDAY 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM
FRIDAY 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED:
February 19th & May 27th

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Writer's Workshop

2nd Saturdays | 12:30pm - 2:00pm

For teens and young adults-come and explore your writing skills and find support and critique from fellow writers. Our writer's workshop is intended to give you an allotted time and space to work on your creative ventures alongside other writers, and allow you the opportunity to receive feedback on your work. We will also be providing a writing prompt each month for those who would like some inspiration. Come meet other writers and bring your ideas to life!

#52Stories

Hy-Vee Market Grille (901 S. 4th Street) | Saturday, January 6th | 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Hy-Vee Market Grille | Saturday, February 3rd | 1:30pm - 3:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, March 2nd | 1:30pm - 3:00pm

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. We will meet the first Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted. **Registration is encouraged**, please call (563) 242-8441 or register through our online calendar.

Lyons Reads Book Club -Winter Hours!

Hy-Vee Market Grille (901 S. 4th Street) | Saturday, January 27th | 10:30am - 12:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, February 24th | 10:30am - 12:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, March 23rd | 10:30am - 12:00pm

This book club is relaxed and we have fun conversations about books and authors. We each read our own book and discuss it with our group. Registration is encouraged, please call (563) 242-8441, or register through our online calendar. This meeting will be at the Hy-Vee Market Grille, 901 S. 4th Street.

Spice Club

Clinton Public Library | Saturday, March 23rd | 2:00pm - 3:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, April 27th | 2:00pm - 3:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, May 25th | 2:00pm - 3:00pm

If you enjoy trying new spices, recipes, and meeting new people, 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 pre-measured sample of that spice, and a couple of recipes. We will meet the 4th Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted. It is not required, but feel free to bring samples of what you made to our meetings! **Registration is required**. Please call (563) 242-8441 or register through our online calendar.

The Plarn Project

Clinton Public Library | Saturday, March 16th | 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, April 20th | 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Clinton Public Library | Saturday, May 18th | 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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. We will meet the 3rd Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted. **Registration is encouraged**, please call (563) 242-8441 or register through our online calendar.

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MEET YOUR NEXT READ



NextReads
clintonpubliclibrary.us/newsletter

FIND YOUR NEXT READ IS JUST CLICKS AWAY

Want on-the-spot book suggestions and other tips to improve your reading life?

Give BookChat a try! A live book expert will provide you with readalikes and sear tips to navigate NoveList like a pro! Visit the library's website, log into NoveList Plus and click the chat box in the corner. Book experts are available Monday through Saturday, 12pm - 9pm.

Another resource the library has recently added is NextReads. NextReads newsletters deliver reading recommendations directly to your inbox.

Choose from 20 newsletters that highlight recent releases and buzz-worthy books across a variety of genres and age ranges.

LIBRARY ENGAGEMENT

Library Engagement FY2022 - FY2023

	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
Total live library programs	347	250
Total # of people attending live library programs	6,384	4,419
Public computer & WiFi use	12,228	11,483
Door count	43,122	42,039
Reference questions	3,500	2,665

Total # of checkouts
60,221
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The Community saved  
\$1,153,309  
by using our library!

Library staff presented highlights from our fiscal year 2023, which was July 2022 through June 2023, to the city council during the December 11 COW meeting. If you missed it, you can watch it on the city's YouTube page. Here are some of our engagement highlights from this most recent fiscal year compared to the previous.

## UPCOMING ONLINE SPEAKERS

Register for upcoming talks from bestselling authors and thought leaders at <https://libraryc.org/clintonpubliclibrary>

Brought to you in partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium.

Thursday, February 8th | 7:00 PM CST

Spice, Spirit, and Swoon-A Guaranteed Happily Ever After with Rom-Com Author Tessa Bailey

Tuesday, February 20th | 3:00 PM CST

Exploring Identity, Love, and Being Black in America in Fiction Writing: A Conversation with Award-Winning Author Jason Mott

Wednesday, February 28th | 1:00 PM CST

Be a Kick-Ass Boss Without Losing Your Humanity: An Author Talk with Kim Scott

Wednesday, March 6th | 3:00 PM CST

The Power of Friendships with NPR Legal Affairs Correspondent Nina Totenberg

Thursday, March 14th | 3:00 PM CST

20 Years of Dragon-Riding in YA Fantasy with International Bestselling Author Christopher Paolini

Thursday, March 21st | 6:00 PM CST

On Retelling Greek Classics: An Exploration of the Modern Epics with Madeline Miller

## LIBRARY PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

### Wiggle Time - Tuesdays at 10:30 am

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 10:30AM

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 3:00PM

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.

# 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/Department/Registration](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/Department/Registration)

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)

ACTIVITY AREA HOURS (lower level of The Rec)

Year-round (except Holidays)

24 HOURS FOR FITNESS MEMBERS

|           |                            |              |
|-----------|----------------------------|--------------|
| SATURDAY  | All Areas - Drop in Rec    | 9am - 5:30pm |
| SUNDAY    | All Areas - Drop in Rec    | 9am - 5:30pm |
|           | June 1 - Aug 30            | 5:30pm-8pm   |
|           | Scheduled Drop-in (M-F)    |              |
|           | Sept. 1 - May 30           |              |
| MON - FRI | Gyms                       |              |
|           | 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 14-17) | \$4                                   | \$162  | \$22    | \$15                |
| Senior (age 55+)     | \$4                                   | \$162  | \$22    | \$15                |
| Adult                | \$5                                   | \$216  | \$27    | \$20                |
| 2-Person             |                                       | \$324  | \$37    | \$30                |
| Family (6ppl)        |                                       | \$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 The 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                                            |

Pool Membership - Riverview Pool during operating hours

|                   |                                              |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Student Ages 5-17 | \$70 season (daily \$4) ages 4 and under \$2 |
| Senior            | \$80 season (daily \$4)                      |
| Adult 18+         | \$90 season (daily \$5)                      |
| 2-Person          | \$140 season                                 |
| Family            | \$200 season (6ppl)                          |
| Family \$         | \$225 season (7+ppl)                         |

Daily Pass Non-Student: \$5

Family - children on family membership must be 26 years or younger and be tax dependent (proof required)

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

|                        |                                         |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <u>WHO:</u>            | Men and Women                           |
| <u>DAY &amp; TIME:</u> | Year Around 6am-9am                     |
| <u>SITE:</u>           | Erickson Community Center (lower level) |
| <u>FEES:</u>           | ECC Club Membership \$20                |

### KNITTING AND CROCHET CLUB

|                        |                                      |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <u>WHO:</u>            | Adults                               |
| <u>LOCATION:</u>       | Erickson Community Center, Club Room |
| <u>DATES:</u>          | Year round                           |
| <u>DAY &amp; TIME:</u> | Tuesday, 9am-11:30 am                |
| <u>FEES:</u>           | 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.

### TEXT THE FOLLOWING CODES TO 563-500-1585 TO STAY UP TO DATE ON INFO:

Parks & Recreation General Information: **PARKNREC**

Parks & Recreation Adult Sports: **PNRADSP**

Parks & Recreation Youth Sports: **PNRYTHSP**

#### 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 Erickson 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 25 people and has access to the Big Gym.

**LOCATION:** Erickson Community Center

**DAY & TIME:** Call for availability

**RESERVATION DEADLINE:** Five business days notice

### “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.

### FRIDAY FUN NIGHT

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, February 23, 2024

### 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:** March 22, 2024

**TIME:** 6 pm to 8 pm

**FEES:** \$5 Per Person

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

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

### 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:** March 22, 2024

**TIME:** 6 pm to 8 pm

**FEES:** \$5 Per Person

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

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

### SPRING BREAK CAMP

For the kids staying in town during Spring Break and are looking for fun things to do with friends. In the Big Gym and outside depending on weather. Play various games such as Dodgeball, Kickball, Wiffleball, Football, Basketball, and Spikeball. Concession Stand will be available

**WHO:** 3rd – 8th Grade Kids

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

**DATES:** March 12, 13, 14 2024

**TIME:** 1st Session: 1 - 3PM 3rd - 5th Grade

**2nd Session: 3 - 5PM 6th - 8th Grade**

**FEES:** \$5 Per Person

**REGISTRATION:** At The Door Beginning At 12:45

### HORSESHOE LEAGUE

## SPRING YOUTH SOCCER

### Register online [www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/Departments/Registration - choose Youth League](http://www.cityofclintoniowa.gov/Departments/Registration - choose Youth League)

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 8th 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.

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. Based on their grade during the 2023-2024 school year.

\*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 (4th/5th Grade and Middle School)

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

**DATES:** April - 13, 20, & 27, May 4, 11, 18 (Rain date June 1)

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

**Registration Period:** Now through Thurs, March 14th (Don't forget you can register online)

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

**Late Registration thru March 20 (Only if availability permits):** Late Fee: \$55

## GIRL'S YOUTH SOFTBALL

**DIVISIONS:** Juniors: 5th & 6th & 7th Grade

Majors: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Grade

**REGISTER BY:** Drafted League

**V.S.E. Held at Emma Young Park** (see description below)

**NOTIFICATION BY COACH:** After April 11th

**PRACTICE LOCATION:** Emma Young, Chancy, Mayer Park

**PRACTICES BEGIN:** Week of April 15(tentatively)

**GAME TIMES:** 5:30pm or later

**GAME SITE:** Emma Young Softball Complex/Platt Park/Westbrook Park

Rural community fields possible

**GAME DAYS:** All Leagues: M - F Possible (once or twice weekly)

**REGISTRATION PERIOD:** Now thru April 4th

**Fee:** \$54 per person      **Financial Assistance:** \$33      **Late Registration:** \$61 if available

After these deadlines, participants will be placed on teams by the Department.

\* **A VISUAL SKILL EVALUATION (V.S.E.)** is a time when the coaches have a chance to review players' relative skill and athletic ability. Each player will 1) bat (4 pitches) from a pitching machine, 2) run the bases to 2nd base, 3) field two ground balls thrown by a coach, 4) catch a pop fly, 5) throw each of the ground balls and pop fly to a player at 1st base and 6) pitch 5 pitches to a stationary target. The coaches will use a player identification system in evaluating each player and use the information gained in the V.S.E to draft their respective team at the coaches' meeting. Players will be identified by the school at which they registered, but the team selection process is determined solely by the selections made by the coaches. Each player registered is guaranteed placement! Contact us if attendance is not possible on the V.S.E day.

**V.S.E. TIMES:** Juniors: Tuesday, April 9th Emma Young JD field, 5:30pm

Majors Wednesday, April 10th Emma Young JD field, 5:30pm

Players will need to complete a "VSE" only once while involved in the "Major" league, then once in "Junior" league. In the second year of each league, the player will be excused from the V.S.E. as they are automatically placed on the previous year's team, unless a re-draft is requested.

**DIVISION: Minors: Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd (2023 - 2024 School Yr.)**

**REGISTER BY:** Elementary school

**NOTIFICATION BY COACH:** After April 11th (Coaches meeting)

**PRACTICE LOCATION:** Elementary School playfields

**PRACTICES BEGIN:** Week of April 15th (tentatively)

**GAMES & TIMES:** 5:30pm or later

**GAME DAYS (approx.):** Once/Twice weekly

**GAME SITES:** Honeywell Field/Platt Park/Westbrook Park

**REGISTRATION PERIOD:** Now thru April 4th

**Fee:** \$48 per person      **Financial Assistance:** \$29

**Late Registration:** \$55 if available

After these deadlines, participants will be placed on teams by the Department

**ALL GIRLS SOFTBALL - BASIC ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION:**

League play (round robin) and skill development. There will be playing rule modifications aiming toward National High School rules, beginning with Fillies and progressing to Palominos.

**MEETING DAYS & TIMES:** For about 1 1/2 hours between 5pm- 8 pm (varies) Mondays – Thursdays normally. Sometimes may be on Friday or Saturday. Optional on Sunday. 4 meetings per week max.

**TEAM LIMITS:** 10-13 per team – determined by the total number of registrations per age, grade, site and volunteer coach availability.

**NOTES: FOR ALL SUMMER SOFTBALL PROGRAMS**

1. Provide their own mitt/glove.

2. Game schedules distributed the 2nd week of practice.

3. Youth Sport Program T-shirts to all players. Coaches will receive a shirt also.

4. Team and individual pictures will be scheduled - consult coach

**2nd graders can register for Minors or Majors per parent/ guardian**

## 20TH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S GRAND EASTER EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024

(Rain Date March 30 same times)

Please join us for an afternoon of fun and celebration. There will be separate hunts for the different age groups, with thousands of eggs filled with candy and prizes donated from local merchants and the community. Come and hunt, or just watch and enjoy! Thanks Clinton Kiwanis and Parks and Rec

**LOCATION:** Riverview Park (at the Bandshell)

**WHO & TIME:** 1pm meet and greet with Easter Bunny

1:30pm Hunt starts for kids ages 4-10. The 4 year olds will start the hunt with the 5-10 years following. Each age group will promptly follow the previous group.

**SPECIAL NOTES:** Parents are not allowed in the hunt areas

**Sponsored by:** Clinton Kiwanis Club & Clinton Parks & Recreation Department

## NEW: ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM

The City of Clinton Parks and Recreation will launch a NEW online registration portal (RecDesk). This system will allow registered users to reserve park shelters and other facilities, as well as register for programs, memberships and classes as they are available. The online registration system includes a secure online payment portal.

To set up your household account go to [www.clintoniowa.recdesk.com](http://www.clintoniowa.recdesk.com). Start by creating the primary/head of household account. Then add your other household members.

Note: for all credit card transactions, a 1.5% service fee will be charged.

If you currently have an active fitness membership, set up your account as instructed above. We will then need you to stop by the office and activate your payment in the new online system. Stay tuned for special hours for this to be completed. Then we will activate your current FOB in the new system and you are good to go.

Thanks for your patience during this transition. Register now for Spring Soccer. You can also stop by The Rec and continue to register as always in person.

## RV CAMPGROUND – CLINTON MARINA

9th Avenue N and Riverview Dr — April 30-Oct 15 running water. First come first served \$22 day. When no running water \$15 a day. Call 563-242-3600 for more information.

## ADULT SOFTBALL & KICKBALL

Contact the Administrative Office of the Parks & Recreation Department if you have any questions about team formation.

### 1. ENTRY PROCEDURE: USE THE OFFICIAL LEAGUE ENTRY FORM

(Available from the Administrative Office or online.)

1) Minimum Roster 2) Team Manager Information 3) Entry Fees Paid

### 2. ENTRY DUE DATE DEADLINES:

Men's, Mixed leagues: **Thur. April 11th**

Women's Softball: **Thur. May 9th**

Kickball: **Thur. May 2nd**

### 3. LATE FEE:

After the deadline, but before the league meeting, if accepted, a \$25.00 late fee will be assessed to each entry.

### 4. LEAGUE PLAYING RULE AND SCHEDULE MEETING:

Site: Erickson Center

**Thursday, April 18th Mixed**

**April 18th All Men's**

**May 16th Women's Softball**

**5:30pm - 6pm**

**6:15pm - 6:45pm**

**5:30pm - 6pm**

**5:30pm - 6pm**

**5:30pm - 6pm**

### 5. TEAM ENTRY FEE / NIGHTS OF PLAY:

(10 game season) (\*Entry fees include tax)

| NIGHT  | LEAGUE                      | APPROX. DATES        | GAME TIMES | FEE   |
|--------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------|-------|
| Sunday | Men's - Upper Middle, Lower | May 5 - Aug 25       | 4pm - 10pm | \$550 |
| Monday | Mixed                       | April 29 - July 8/15 | 6pm - 10pm | \$375 |
| Thurs. | Women's                     | May 30 - Aug 15      | 6pm - 10pm | \$375 |
| Wed.   | Kickball (1 ump)            | May 15 - Jul 31      | 6pm - 10pm | \$295 |

**No games:** May 26, 27 (Memorial Day); June 5, 6 (Tailgate & Tallboys)

July 3, 4 (Independence Day); September 2, 3 (Labor Day)

(Sunday League 15 week session)

### 6. ROSTERS:

Roster Change Deadline: Summer Softball – **June 10**

Kickball - **June 10**

### A. ADMINISTRATION

1. Any roster change may be made any time before the deadline during office hours.

2. Rosters are frozen after this deadline. If you are not on a roster, you are able to sign roster any teams rosters. Once you have signed a roster, you are locked into that team for the remainder of the season.

### PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

A player can only play on one team in each division if eligible:

(Men's, Women's, Mixed).

Penalty for infractions is one year suspension from all kick, volley, and softball league play.

An individual "Looking For A Team" list is available. Call 563-243-1260 to place your name on this list.

### 7. DIAMOND RESERVATION:

User Fee: \$5

Weather permitting. Times available daylight Monday through Friday (weekdays) and Saturdays. Reservations are available until league play begins (specific for each night). Reservations must be made within one week of scheduled usage. Made for one hour beginning on the hour. Lights are not available. Facility reservations take precedent over drop-in practice.

**Softball Umpire's Meeting:** **Wed April 24th, 5:30pm - 7:30pm ECC**

USA Test, work schedule, and playing rules discussion.

## LEAGUE "ULTIMATE"

"The integrity of Ultimate relies upon a spirit of sportsmanship that places the responsibility for fair play on the player. Competitive play is encouraged, but never at the expense of mutual respect among competitors, adherence to the rules, or the basic joy of play."

"Ultimate" is a non-contact disc sport played by two co-ed teams of six players. The object of the game is to score a goal by a player catching any legal pass in the end zone... A player may not run while holding the disc. The disc is advanced by passing it in any direction to other players. If a pass is incomplete or a turnover occurs, the play results in an immediate change of team possession of the disc. Play governed by the Ultimate Players Association (UPA).

**ENTRY FEE:** \$70 per team

**ENTRY PROCEDURE: Due Date: Thursday, May 16th by 5:00 PM**

League Entry Forms available from the Dept. Office or online

1) Minimum Roster 2) Team Manager Information 3) Entry Fees Paid

### LEAGUE MEETING: TBA

### LEAGUE PLAY: BEGINS June 4th - Max Roster of 10

Tues. 6pm, 7pm, 8pm, 9pm

## PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT CONTINUED

### SUMMER CAMP AT THE REC 2024

This activity/educational-based, summer day camp program is now a mainstay of summer education and recreational activities for Kindergarten thru 5th graders. Online registration will be an option after you have initially registered at the Erickson Community Center.

**GRADES:** Currently in K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (based on the 2023-24 school yr.)

**SITE:** Erickson Community Center

**DATES:** June 3-Aug 16

**DAYS & TIMES:** 7am-5:30pm, Monday thru Friday

**FEES:**

- WEEKLY \$95 a week see schedule below (Multi-Child discounts 2nd child \$90, 3rd child \$85)
- ALL SUMMER \$925- pay the entire summer by May 24. Savings \$100.
- DAILY \$25 daily fee if spots are available
- FREE & REDUCED LUNCH \$615 pay the entire summer by May 24 for the entire summer if child qualifies for free and reduced lunch. Clinton County Residence only. Current paperwork must be submitted with registration.

WEEKLY THEMES items may change. If not noted pick up and drop off at lower level The Rec 1401 11th Ave N.

**Week 1 — June 3-7:** \$95 4th - Pool, 5th - Pick up/drop off at Eagle Point North Shelter, 6th - Pick up/drop off at Chancy Shelter (301 22nd Place) - Bring your own lunch all week

**Week 2 — June 10-14:** \$95 - Field Day Stations, 11th-K/1st to Bettendorf Family Museum. 12th - Rainbow Pottery 4th/5th graders, 12th-2nd/3rd graders to Bettendorf Family Museum. Pool all days. Lunch at Jefferson

**Week 3 — June 17-21:** \$95 - Animal Movement Stations - 18th-1-Smile 9:30, 19th - Rainbow Pottery 2nd/3rd graders, 20th - ALL to Maquoketa Caves - Leave at 9am Bring own lunch, Pool all days but 20th and Lunch at Jefferson all days but 20th

**Week 4 — June 24-28:** \$95 - Tennis/Pickleball Stations - 26th - Rainbow Pottery K/1st graders, 27th - Plaza Bowling 4th/5th graders, 28th - Tennis Carnival All, Pool all days. Lunch at Jefferson

**Week 5 — July 1-3:** \$75 (Bring your own lunch) Drop off at Clinton Park (4th Ave S and S 4th St. Across from POP School) Pick up at Riverview Pool (101 S. 1st St). Bring own lunch everyday Jefferson is closed. Tour Fire Station, Library, Discovery Center No camp on 7/4 and 7/5

**Week 6 — July 8-12:** \$95 - Hula Hoop Stations, 9th - Sawmill Museum 10am K/1st, 10th YOUTHFEST in Davenport ALL - Leave 9am, Bring own lunch, Pool and lunch at Jefferson everyday but 10th

**Week 7 — July 15-19:** \$95 - Jump Rope Stations - 16th - Sawmill Museum 2nd/3rd graders, 17th - Airport tour 4th/5th graders, 18th John Deere Pavilion Moline and McManus Park Bettendorf - Bring lunch. Pool and lunch at Jefferson everyday but 18th.

**Week 8 — July 22-26:** \$95 - Volleyball/Football Stations, Tennis/Pickleball lessons from Coach Rasche, Pool and lunch at Jefferson everyday

**Week 9 — July 29-Aug 2:** \$95 - Basketball/Soccer Stations Tye-Dye Tuesday bring an item to tie-die, 2nd - Putman ALL Leave at 9am bring lunch. All days except 2nd Pool and Jefferson for lunch. Last week for Jefferson Lunch

**Week 10 — Aug 5-9:** \$95 (Bring your own lunch) 50th day of Camp Stations 6th Rock Creek K/2nd graders, 7th Rock Creek 3rd-5th graders. Pool everyday.

**Week 11 — Aug 12-16:** \$95 (Bring your own lunch) - Back to School Stations, Pool everyday, celebrating the summer.

\* \*If a third party is providing the registration fee, in full or in part:

An official document from this third party MUST be presented at the time of registration in order for the registration to be accepted.

**REGISTRATION PERIODS:** Must register and pay by Friday at noon either in the office or online for the following week. If payment not received, late fee of \$5 will be added if spots are available. Daily fee is not subject to a late fee.

### DOG PROGRAMS

**DOG INSTRUCTORS:** Judy May

**LOCATION:** Riverview Pool Bathhouse

**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 – February 27, 2024 | Session 2 – April 9, 2024

### 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; 2:30pm - 3:30pm

Session 1 – March 2 - April 6

Session 2 – April 13 - May 11

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

### PUPPY AND DOG OBEDIENCE AT RIVERVIEW POOL BATHHOUSE

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

Saturdays; 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Session 1 – March 2 - April 6

Session 2 – April 13 - May 11

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

**BEST  
WORST  
Date**

**Send in your best WORST date story for a chance to win a night out at Great Rivivalist Brewery! (\$250 value)**

### RIVERVIEW POOL RATES 2024

101 South 1st St, Clinton, Iowa | Lap Swim 10:30am-12:30pm Daily.

DAILY, ONE TIME, ADMISSION: Youth age 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult, 'sitter' or guardian age 16 and over within arm's reach. Youth age 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult, "sitter" or guardian age 16 and over and they must stay on premises.

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| INFANT/TODDLER (4 and under)                                  | \$2      |
| YOUTH (5 to 17)                                               | \$4      |
| SENIORS 55+                                                   | \$5      |
| ADULT (18-54)                                                 | \$5      |
| GROUP RATE of 10 or more (regardless of age)                  | \$4 EACH |
| A Group is at least one adult over 16 for each 5 to 8 youths. |          |

#### POOL MEMBERSHIP

|                                       |                                                               |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Student Ages 5-17                     | \$70 season (daily \$4) ages 4 and under \$2                  |
| Senior                                | \$80 season (daily \$5)                                       |
| Adult 18+                             | \$90 season (daily \$5)                                       |
| 2-Person                              | \$140 season                                                  |
| Family                                | \$200 season (6ppl)                                           |
| Family                                | \$225 season (7+ppl)                                          |
| Family- children on family membership | must be 26 years or younger and be tax dependent (proof req.) |

### RESERVATIONS FOR POOL RENTALS FOR 2024

June 15 - July 28: No rentals; June 29 and 30th - Stars of Tomorrow Swim Meet

Package A: Kiddie Pool/Splash Pad – 9:30am - 11:30am \$50 for 2 hours (No Lifeguard) Limit 30 ppl

Package B: RVP \$350 for 2 hours

RVP is available for Saturday and Sunday evenings 5:30pm-7:30pm

Rentals include: Main pool, Kiddie pool and Splash Pad

Locker rooms - 2 Water Slides - Gaga pit - Lifeguards

Renter may bring food and non-alcoholic beverages in and eat in the picnic shelter area. Glass containers are not permitted. (If staffing permits and swimmers are able to utilize Diving Well, it will open for a short time). Rental of inflatable volleyball court \$100.

Rules: All swimming pool rules apply including swim tests and height for Wibits and slides. Balls and flotation devices (less than 6 feet in length) will be allowed during rental in main pool only. Music will be played. If air temperatures are below 70 degrees, renter will be allowed to cancel prior to 3pm and receive refund.

### PRIVATE/ONE ON ONE SWIM LESSONS @ RIVERVIEW POOL

2024 dates: June 10-14 June 17-21, July 24-28, July 8-12 July 15-19 July 22-26

10:30, 11am, 11:30am, Noon, DAYS: M-T-W-TH 6pm, 6:30pm DAYS: M-T-TH on Wednesday times are moved up one hour (5pm, 5:30pm due to Family Swim) Register at ECC or online

FEE: \$45 Register by Thursday at noon for the following week lesson. Space limited. DAYS: M-T-W-TH, rain make-up day on Friday REG MAX: 6 openings per session, per start time

### COMMUNITY GARDEN

Rental fee for a 10' x 10' plot FREE. Each additional plot is free. Tools are available. Volunteers are also needed to help organize, prepare and tend the garden and to maintain special designated plots which will be used to grow food that will be donated to local food pantries. The Franciscan Peace Center and the Sister's of St. Francis recruit gardeners to participate in the community garden.

### RENTALS

#### 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

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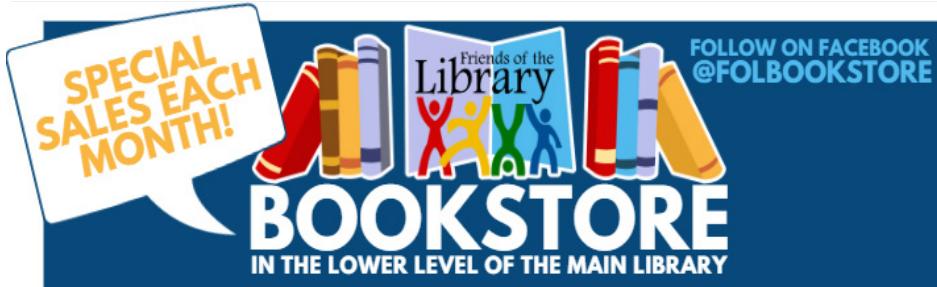
## CLINTON PUBLIC LIBRARY CONTINUED

## THE LIBRARY BOARD

The Board of Trustees meet on the third Monday of each month at 5:15pm. Meetings are open to the public. The Library Board of Trustees is the governing and policy-setting body of the public library, in accordance with the Code of Iowa, Chapter 392, Section 392.5. The Board is composed of nine residents of the City of Clinton who are appointed by the Mayor. Five must be in attendance to reach quorum. Appointments are for six years and the terms are staggered. We have a variety of occupations and ages on our board and each member offers a unique perspective of our community.

The Library Board splits into committees outside of the usual board meetings to discuss a variety of issues and ideas surrounding library operations. All board members who participate on the board are a part of at least one committee. This gives the board members a chance to have more in depth conversations and bring it to the whole board at meetings for recommendations on decisions that need to be made.

The Building Committee makes recommendations and reports to the Board of Trustees on matters of property and buildings at such times as requested by the Board. The Finance Committee, in conjunction with the Director, prepares the annual budget and any necessary revisions for the approval of the Board. The Library Committee is responsible for the internal programming and public relations of the Clinton Public Library. The Personnel Committee works closely with the Director in developing and recommending personnel policies with regard to staff positions, salaries and benefits. And, the Community Relations Committee recommends to the Library Director and the Board of Trustees ways in which the citizens of Clinton can be made more aware of the services that are available to them at their public library. The committee shall also be responsible for locating sources of revenue for library projects and initiating the process of writing requests for grants.



Are you looking for some good quality books to purchase at a low price? Well, search no further! The Friends of the Library Bookstore supports the library with every purchase. Follow the Friends on Facebook for updates for new hours.

**LOVE**  
*Your Library*

February is National Library Lovers' Month! Here are some ways to support us.

**JOIN**

Sign up for a library card and use it! It's your ticket to free books, resources, and much more.

**DONATE**

With your support, we can offer even more services to you and the rest of our community.

**VOLUNTEER**

With the help of volunteers like you, the Friends of the Library Bookstore keeps their doors open. (Keep a lookout for them in the Lyons District soon!)

Thank you for your help in serving Clinton and the surrounding area!



## BUILDING &amp; NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

## IS THERE MOLD IN YOUR HOME?

Why is mold growing in my home? Molds are part of the natural environment. Outdoors, molds play a part in nature by breaking down dead organic matter such as fallen leaves and dead trees, but indoors, mold growth should be avoided. Molds reproduce by means of tiny spores; the spores are invisible to the naked eye and float through outdoor and indoor air. Mold may begin growing indoors when mold spores land on surfaces that are wet. There are many types of mold, and none of them will grow without water or moisture.

Can mold cause health problems? Mold can cause an allergic reaction in some individuals. About 50% of the population of the United States is allergic to mold. If you are NOT allergic to mold, it is unlikely that you will have health effects from mold exposure. If you are allergic to mold, your reaction depends on how sensitive you are to mold. Symptoms of an allergic reaction are

1. Itchy or watery eyes, runny nose.
2. Sinus drainage.
3. Respiratory discomfort, and
4. Cough.

How do I get rid of mold? It is impossible to get rid of all mold and mold spores indoors; some mold spores will be found floating through the air and in-house dust. The mold spores will not grow if moisture is not present. Indoor mold growth can and should be prevented or controlled by controlling moisture indoors. If there is mold growth in your home, you must clean up the mold and fix the water problem. If you clean up the mold, but don't fix the water problem, then, most likely, the mold problem will come back. Below are steps you can take to help eliminate mold:

1. Fix the source of the water problem or leak to prevent mold growth.
2. Reduce indoor humidity (to 30-60%) to decrease mold growth by:
  - Venting bathrooms, dryers and other moisture-generating sources to the outside
  - Using air conditioners and de-humidifiers
  - Increasing ventilation
  - Using exhaust fans whenever cooking, dishwashing and cleaning
3. Clean and dry any damp or wet building materials and furnishings within 24-48 hours to prevent mold growth.
4. Clean mold off hard surfaces with water and detergent, and dry completely.
5. Prevent condensation: Reduce the potential for condensation on cold surfaces (i.e., windows, piping, exterior walls, roof, or floors) by adding insulation.
6. Fix plumbing leaks and other water problems as soon as possible. Dry all items completely.
7. Absorbent or porous materials, such as ceiling tiles, carpet, toys, stuffed animals, bedding, and books, may have to be thrown away if they become moldy. Mold can grow on or fill in the

empty spaces and crevices of porous materials, so the mold may be difficult or impossible to remove completely.

8. If you are unsure about how to clean an item, or if the item is expensive, or of sentimental value, you may wish to consult a specialist.

9. Bathroom Tips - Places that are often or always damp can be hard to maintain completely free of mold. If there's some mold in the shower or elsewhere in the bathroom that seems to reappear, **increasing ventilation** (running a fan or opening a window) and **cleaning more frequently** will usually prevent mold from recurring, or at least keep the mold to a minimum.

Should I test my house or apartment for mold? No, the Iowa Department of Public Health does NOT recommend testing for mold for several reasons:

1. Mold is present at some level in outdoor air throughout the year so testing may be unreliable.
2. It is very difficult, even for professionals, to get meaningful test results.
3. Mold testing can be very costly.
4. There are no regulatory levels or guidelines for comparing testing results.

Who should do the cleanup? Who should do the cleanup depends on a number of factors, one consideration is the size of the mold problem. If the moldy area is less than about 10 square feet (less than roughly a 3 ft. by 3 ft. patch), in most cases, you can handle the job yourself, following the guidelines herein. However:

1. If there has been a lot of water damage, and/or mold growth covers more than 10 square feet, consult a professional restoration or mold removal company.
2. If you already have a mold problem ACT QUICKLY. Mold damages what it grows on. The longer it grows, the more damage it can cause. Leaky window - mold is beginning to rot the wooden frame and windowsill.
3. If you choose to hire a contractor (or other professional service provider) to do the cleanup, make sure the contractor has experience cleaning up mold. Check references!

If you are dealing with mold issues and your property is a rental, communicate concerns to your landlord and assist in creating a plan to address concerns. We recommend all concerns be shared with your landlord in writing. If repairs are required please allow the property owner time to scheduled and make required repairs. If your mold problem is created by a lack of maintenance, water leaks, deteriorated walls or window sills, or lack of weatherization and repairs are not taking place, please contact Building & Neighborhood Services at (563) 244-3360 to file a rental complaint. Mold growth not created by a lack of maintenance, like mold on shower or bathing surfaces, is not a rental violation and must be removed by the tenant and /or property owner.

## REGISTER NOW!



**Saturday, March 2**

**2:00 - 4:00 pm**

Plaza Bowl - Clinton, IA

Join us for a striking good time at the JA Bowl-A-Thon!

[heartland.ja.org](http://heartland.ja.org)



[mckenz.dejaynes@ja.org](mailto:mckenz.dejaynes@ja.org)

# 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 & YOUTH

YWCA Clinton proudly offers childcare for ages 6 weeks to 11 years at two convenient locations.

**Extended care childcare is available at the YWCA Downtown Campus, 6am-9pm, Monday - Friday.**

Our childcare curriculum supports our philosophy and belief that children learn best when they are actively engaged in play.

Modeled after the Creative Curriculum Program used in our Preschool, our childcare curriculum engages children's minds, allowing them to obtain a deeper understanding of the everyday world around them.



### Downtown Campus Lyons Campus

317 7th Ave S,  
Clinton, IA 52732  
Monday-Friday  
6:00am-9:00pm

250 20th Ave N  
Clinton, IA, 52732  
Monday-Friday  
6:00am-5:30pm

## K-5 SPRING BREAK CAMP:

**Register Now for Spring Break Camp: March 9th - 17th**

Join us for fun activities, games, crafts and swimming March 9th - 17th from 6am to 6pm. Children should bring a sack lunch, swimming suit and towel. Space is limited. Families will be served on a first-come, first-served basis. Spring Break Camp is included in the weekly rate of \$90 per week for part time children and \$165 per week for full time children. Sign up today! Call (563) 242-2110.

## GET HEALTHY! JOIN THE YWCA!

### 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.

## FITNESS ON DEMAND

YWCA Clinton offers Fitness-on-Demand workouts. We can pre-schedule a workout for you or you can pick the workout of your choice from our kiosk. Bring a friend or two and use our various equipment - bikes, rowers, BOSU's, hand weights, etc.

FOD is available in our Multi-Purpose Room during non-class times. Contact LuAnn at 563-242-2110 x304 or email [health@ywcaclinton.org](mailto:health@ywcaclinton.org)

## SWIM LESSONS

YWCA Clinton offers swim lessons for ages 6 months to adult. Private Lessons are available based on instructor availability. To register: sign up online or call us at (563) 242-2110. For class levels, visit [ywcaclinton.org](http://ywcaclinton.org).

**Session Sign Up: February 19th - 25th**

**Session: February 26th - April 6th**

#### Lifeguard Class Dates:

**February 19th - 25th**

**Class Meets: M-F 5:30-9:00pm, Sat 10:00-5:00pm and Sun 12:00-3:00pm**

Cost is \$150 for members and \$175 for nonmembers. We are currently offering an option to lifeguards who sign a 1 year contract to lifeguard at YWCA. They will get the cost of the class reimbursed to them over the year as they finish out their contract. Students must be 15 years or older.



#### CPR Class Dates:

Call for more details  
242-2110 x. 303.

Cost is \$80 for members  
& \$100 for nonmembers.

## COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR WALK WITH US FEBRUARY 24TH

It's that time of year to start leading teams and gearing up to walk together on February 24th, 2024 for Coldest Night of the Year! This amazing event helps to raise awareness and fundraise for charities that are serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. Please join the Empowerment Center in uplifting those hurting by grabbing a walking buddy and bundling up for this fun event!

Register to walk or lead a team: Visit [ywcaclinton.org/events](http://ywcaclinton.org/events) for more information.



## WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS ON MARCH 21ST

For the past fifty-one years, the Woman of Achievement Awards have honored and celebrated women who have made significant contributions to our community through their service and leadership. This year's event will take place at the Tuscany Special Events Center at Rastrelli's on March 21, 2024, at 5:30 PM. Advanced reservations are required. Reservations can be made at [ywcaclinton.org](http://ywcaclinton.org) or at the YWCA front desk. Early bird tickets are available now for \$40 and will go up to \$50 starting March 7, 2024.



## CLINTON HALF MARATHON, 10K, 5K ON SEPTEMBER 8TH

Set a goal, run a distance! Clinton Half Marathon registrations are now open at [www.clintonhalfmarathon.com](http://www.clintonhalfmarathon.com). Be a part of this great healthy community event!

