



LEADERSHIP LETTER

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As a community we are entering the time of year when the opportunities for social gatherings

increase. Tulip Time will take place May 2-4 and we anticipate 150,000+ people will attend! Crossroads' Klompen Classic 5K Run/Walk, with an expected 2,000 participants, will take place the night before Tulip Time begins. Thursdays in Pella events begin June 6th in Central Park. Our Community Services Department and Public Library programs are listed in this newsletter. The 40th Annual Resurrected Tin Car Show, estimated to have 350 cars on display, will be held in July. The Lake Red Rock Balloon Fest, expecting 30 hot air balloons, will return to the lake area in July.

The list of social gatherings is longer than this space allows, but you get the idea. There are a multitude of social gatherings for all ages to enjoy and inspire our passion for the City

of Pella this summer. The Pella Area Community & Economic Alliance website, www.pella.org, contains a long list, with a variety of social gathering experiences. If you are looking for something to do, be sure to visit this website. It gives you a lot from which to choose!

Yet, behind the social gatherings are groups of people who create these experiences for our enjoyment. These groups include city leaders and staff, local organizations, professionals, and volunteers. Their efforts make the City of Pella a dynamic place to live and visit! We are blessed by the willingness of these dedicated members to give of their time and talents for the benefit of the community and passion for Pella.

Thank you volunteers, professionals, organizations, city leaders and staff for all you do to enhance our passion, inspire our involvement, and create gatherings for us to enjoy each other and create community within the City of Pella!

AQUATIC CENTER OPENING

Join us for opening day at the Aquatic Center on Monday, May 27. Summer passes can be purchased in the indoor pool office.

The Aquatic Center will be open:

- **MAY 27** 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- **MAY 28-31** 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- **JUNE 1** 1:00 to 6:00 p.m.
- **JUNE 2** 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- **JUNE 3-7** 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Regular hours start on June 8

Visit our website at www.cityofpella.com/aquatics to view hours and rates

SUMMER PROGRAM GUIDES

View the following summer program guides on our website:

Aquatics
www.cityofpella.com/SummerAquatics

Parks and Recreation
www.cityofpella.com/SummerCC

MEETING DATES

Meetings are held at the Public Safety Complex (614 Main Street) unless otherwise noted
View meeting agendas on our website at www.cityofpella.com/calendar.aspx

Board of Adjustment
5/14: 6:00 p.m.
5/28: 6:00 p.m.

City Council
5/7: 7:00 p.m.
5/14: 6:00 p.m.
5/21: 7:00 p.m.

Community Development Committee
5/8: 5:30 p.m.

Community Services Board
Community Center
Room 206
5/17: noon

Historic Preservation Commission
City Hall
5/13: 5:30 p.m.

Library Board
Pella Public Library
5/14: 4:00 p.m.

Planning and Zoning Commission
5/14: 6:00 p.m.
5/20: 7:00 p.m.

SPECIAL DATES

Free Bundled Brush Pick-up
5/15: 7:00 a.m.

Memorial Day Closings
5/27: City offices closed

- Garbage/Recycling Changes**
- Monday routes move to Tuesday (5/28)
 - Tuesday routes move to Wednesday (5/29)

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LIBRARY EVENTS

IN MAY

- **Culture Night: Australia**
Community Center Room 206
May 13 - 7:00 p.m.
- **Creating the Black Utopia of Buxton, Iowa**
May 14 - 6:30 p.m.
- **Genealogy Club visits the Marion County Courthouse**
May 16 - 10:00 a.m.
- **Planting for Pollinators: Creating Stepping Stones of Habitat**
May 18 - 10:00 a.m.
- **Photo Digitizing**
Registration Required
May 20 - 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. & 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- **Brown Bag Book Club**
May 30 - noon
- **Saturday Story Time**
Every Saturday - 10:30 a.m.
- **Whatchamacallit Wednesdays**
Every Wednesday - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

View additional details about all events online:
<https://pellalibrary.libcal.com/calendar/main>

SPECIAL HOURS IN MAY:

- **MAY 2-3** 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **MAY 4-5** Closed
- **MAY 12** Closed
- **MAY 26-27** Closed

JOIN OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Summer Reading Program, "A Universe of Stories," will start soon; logs will be available on May 28.

CHECK OUT OUR SEED LIBRARY

We have vegetable, flower, and herb seeds available to check out; all you need to do is return an equal number of seeds in the fall to keep the seed library going. Stop in for more information and to see what we have.

For more information, call 628.4268.



ANNUAL RECYCLING EVENT

WHEN: Sat., May 18, 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: 815 W 10th Street (Midwest Sanitation)

WHO: local residents (no businesses, schools, churches, or other organizations)

Items accepted at no charge: computer monitors, PCs, laptops, TVs, cell phones, keyboards, printers, and cameras. A maximum of two CRT monitors/TVs with tubes per vehicle will be accepted at no charge; a \$10 charge per item will apply for more than two.

Items NOT accepted include: appliances, microwaves, light bulbs, paint, and oil.

For more information, call 628.4571.

ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT

This annual report helps customers understand the quality and safety of tap water provided by the Pella Municipal Water Department.

View the 2018 report at:

www.cityofpella.com/2018water

For questions, or to obtain printed copies of the report, call 628.2464.



FREE TULIP BULBS



Tulip bulbs planted in specified street beds and City parks will be available for removal on Monday, May 20 beginning at 7:00 a.m.

Standard guidelines for digging tulip bulbs:

- Removal is only allowed from the following bed locations:
 - Street beds located between the sidewalk and street on:
 - Main Street between Peace and Liberty
 - Main Street between Washington and Sunken Gardens
 - Washington Street from Open Bible Church to Brinkhoff Park
 - Franklin Street from the Post Office to West Market Park
 - City Parks: Brinkhoff, Central, South, Sunken Gardens, West Market
 - City Buildings: City Hall, Community Center, Library, Klokkenspiel
 - Fair Haven Memorial at the Union and E 3rd Street intersection
- Use a pitch fork when digging tulip bulbs
- Remove all foliage with the bulb; do not leave stems or leaves behind
- All soil must remain in the flower beds; if soil is spilled outside the bed, rake it back into the bed
- Removal only applies to tulip bulbs; no other spring bulbs, perennial flowers, or shrubs
- Abide by on-site signage as tulips in formal landscaped areas or in perennial beds are not available for digging

TREE REBATE PROGRAM

Join in the effort to boost Pella's urban forest by participating in our tree rebate program. The City will rebate 75% (maximum of \$75) of the cost of eligible trees that meet program guidelines. Property owners are limited to two rebates per calendar year.

Rebate forms for trees purchased and planted between March 1 and June 5 must be received by June 30. This program will also be available in the fall, between August 28 and November 15.

Read the full program guidelines on our website:
www.cityofpella.com/treerebate

