

### CITY MEETINGS

#### City Council Meeting

Live Cablecast  
1st & 3rd Monday at 6:00 p.m.  
Rebroadcasted the same week  
at 5:00 a.m., Noon, 6:00 p.m.,  
City Hall Council Chambers

#### IMU Board of Trustees

Live Broadcast  
4th Monday at 5:30 p.m.  
Rebroadcasted the same week  
at 5:00 a.m., Noon, 6:00 p.m.,  
City Hall Council Chambers

#### Council Study Committee

Live Broadcast  
2nd Monday at 6:00 p.m.  
Rebroadcasted the same week  
at 5:00 a.m., Noon, 6:00 p.m.,  
City Hall Council Chambers

#### Park & Rec. Commission

2nd Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.  
Check agenda  
for meeting location.

#### Library Board

2nd Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.  
Public Library

#### Planning & Zoning

Live Broadcast  
2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.  
Rebroadcasted the same week  
after Council Study.  
Check Cable Channel 7  
for daily times.  
City Hall Council Chambers

#### Board of Adjustment

1st Wednesday of Month  
City Hall Council Chambers

#### Substance Abuse & Risk Behavior

3rd Wednesday of Month

### CITY HALL

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
110 N. First St.  
PO Box 299  
Indianola, IA 50125-0299  
Ph: (515) 961-9410  
Fax: (515) 961-9402  
www.cityofindianola.com

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PO Box 356  
Indianola, IA 50125-0356  
Ph: (515) 961-9444  
Fax: (515) 961-9439  
www.i-m-u.com



## Warren County Fair July 27 - August 1



## National Balloon Classic July 29 - August 6



## School Starts August 22

Please remember to drive carefully as we approach some of Indianola's busiest tourist weeks. Increased vehicle volume and road work will cause some delays. School starts on August 22. Crews will be out painting crosswalks near schools in preparation for the upcoming year. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

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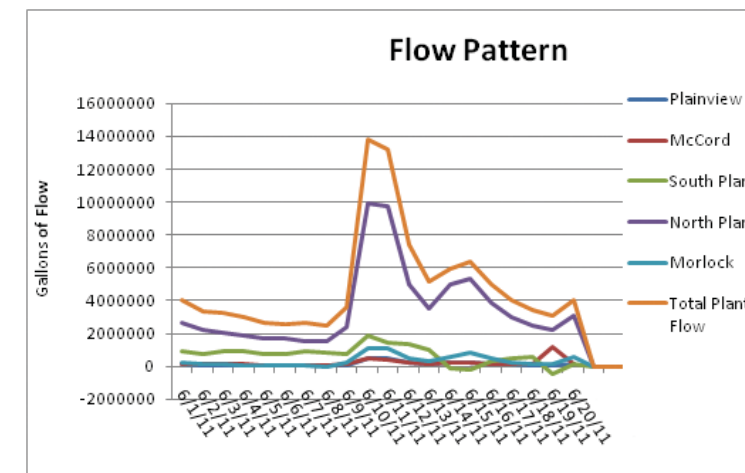


July 2011 • COMMUNITY UPDATE • August 2011

## Inflow and Infiltration Update

During the rainfall event of June 9th and 10th, 2011, over 125 homes reported sewage and/or water in their basements. This was caused by sewer backups and sump pumps that could not keep up with the water pouring in around foundations. The City of Indianola received in excess of 8.5 inches of rain in just over 24 hours, and when that much rain falls in such short of a period of time, all the water has to go somewhere. Unfortunately, a lot of storm water ended up in the sanitary sewer system which is not designed to handle that much water. The sanitary sewer system is more than adequate to handle the wastewater needs of Indianola if the storm water can be kept out. Storm water is handled by a storm sewer system, which is completely separate from the sanitary sewer system.

The staff at the Water Pollution Control Plant worked around the clock during the storm event. The supervisor, five operators, one apprentice operator, office manager and other city staff, all responded to call-ins, checked sewer lines for obstructions, made emergency repairs and identified problem areas and maintained pump stations.



June Flow Rates from the Water Pollution Control Office

The average daily flow of wastewater through the WPC plant is 2.5 million gallons. During this storm event, that number swelled to more than 14 million gallons, most of which was storm water that does not need to be treated by the sewer plant and should flow to the storm sewer system.

The City implemented an Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) program in an effort to remove storm water from the sanitary sewer system in conjunction with the Clean Water Act of 1974 and a mandate from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. I&I removal from public sanitary sewers must be completed by 2013 and private sewers must be completed by 2018. During the course of this program, every home and business in Indianola must be visually inspected, and a foundation test performed to identify where I&I exists. Repairs to the private sewer service will

be made in accordance with the I&I program and to city specifications. To date, the Water Pollution Control Department has tested approximately 2800 homes and businesses (out of 4871). I&I occurs when storm water finds its way into the sanitary sewer system. The most common causes of I&I are sump pumps and/or footing tiles connecting into the sanitary sewer system, root intrusion into service lines and service line (pipe) breakdown. When any of these are observed, repairs are required so that storm water intrusion is removed. This is an ongoing process and once all inspections are completed, the process will start again.

In addition to inspections on private property, the City is also inspecting sewer mains and manholes to determine where repairs, such as cure-in-place lining, point repairs, short liners, t-liners and Vac-Tees, are needed.

In the meantime, any property owner that knows any of these issues exists on their property can take steps to resolve them now, even though WPC may not have inspected their area yet or identified them. Incentives and financing are offered by the City to help offset the costs of these repairs and the WPC staff is willing to assist property owners in identifying any issues they may have. The more storm water that is kept out of the sanitary sewer system, the less likely there will be backups. In addition, the life of the sewer plant and collection system will be extended and associated costs lowered by removing storm water from the sanitary sewer system.

## MAYOR & COUNCIL

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962-5300 (W)

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At Large Council Member  
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At Large Council Member  
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Locate Underground Utilities  
1-800-292-8989

## Library to Close for Updates in Early August

The Indianola Public Library will be closed on August 4-7 for re-carpeting and other building upgrades.

After over 15 years, the carpet in the Library will be replaced beginning August 4 and ending August 7. Not an easy job, the bulk of the work in the main public area will be completed during that time period. Finishing work will be completed during Library hours or after hours. The Library Board of Trustees hopes to keep disruptions in public service to a minimum.

Louie's Floor Covering Inc of Des Moines submitted the low bid of \$24,822.10.

Alice Gaumer, Assistant Director, remembers clearly the last time the Library was re-carpeted.

"All of the stacks had to be taken down which meant that all of the books had to come off the shelves," she said. "We boxed up the books and had people check them out with the due date being after the Library re-opened. We were closed for at least a week - and then had to put all of the shelves back up and the books back on the shelves."

Joyce Godwin, Library Director, went through a similar experience at her previous job. "The only positive thing I remember about it was having a potluck and not worrying about the food that ended up on the floor! Other than that, boxing up all the books and putting them back on the shelves again was an enormous amount of work."

"Because of those memories for both Alice and I," she continued, "we tried to put this off even longer! But the carpet is really worn and has large wrinkles in places which creates a safety hazard."

This time around won't be nearly as traumatic for either of them or the staff. The existing carpet is being replaced with carpet tiles, which should make installation much easier.

"Every carpet person we spoke to assured us that carpet tiles would be less disruptive and also easier to replace if individual areas get worn or badly soiled," Godwin said.

The open areas in the center of the building will be done first and should be completed by the time the Library reopens on August 8. This time, the books and shelving will not be disassembled. The carpet installers will simply cut the old carpet away from the shelving and put the new tiles in place.

While the Library is closed, additional floor outlets will be added to the middle of the floor. Sun-blocking film will also be added to the atrium windows, helping to conserve on energy.



**Brian Harvey and Jon Beck**  
replace ballasts and bulbs at the  
Indianola Public Library

Regular visitors to the Library should expect limited access to public computers beginning on August 1. Access to some areas of the collection might also be limited while new carpet is being laid.

New ballasts and light bulbs, also more energy-efficient, have already been installed. Staff and patrons alike have noticed how bright the building is now.

Please note: Because there will be no storage in the Library, book donations **WILL NOT** be accepted from August 1-22.



## Seasonal Information!

### Indianola Brush Facility

West Iowa & North Kenwood Boulevard  
Serving residents with brush recycling, household hazardous waste and e-waste collection.

Normal Operating Hours are:

**Thursdays - Noon to 7:00 p.m.**  
**Saturdays - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
**Sundays - Noon to 4:00 p.m.**

### 2011 Fees

#### Brush/Trees/Shrubs

Bundle	\$ 5.00
Pickup	\$12.00
Trailer	\$18.00

#### Leaves/Grass Clipping Garden Waste

Bag	\$ 2.00
Pickup	\$12.00
Trailer	\$18.00

### Household Hazardous Waste

Don't forget that Hazardous Household waste is accepted at the brush facility during normal operating hours. Check the city website at [www.indianolaiowa.gov](http://www.indianolaiowa.gov) for more information.

#### Accepted Items:

Stain and varnish, drain and oven cleaners, weed killer, gasoline and kerosene, aerosol cleaners, oil and lead-based paint, ammonia-based cleaners, petroleum-based adhesives, alkaline & rechargeable batteries, fertilizers and pesticides, metal polishes and rust removers, sharps/needles/syringes, oil filters, mercury thermostats and fluorescent light bulbs.

#### Non-Accepted Items:

Latex paint, lead-acid batteries, motor oil, ammunition/explosives, radioactive material, radioactive material, compressed gas cylinder, fire extinguishers, empty containers, incandescent light bulbs and used tires.

### Grass Clippings

When mowing your lawn please keep grass clippings off the street.

Grass clippings on the street are an eyesore and can clog storm runoff drains causing localized flooding.

Also, your lawn will benefit from the natural compost provided by the grass clippings.

### Weeds and Tall Grass

The City of Indianola asks that all weeds and tall grass be kept mowed. In addition to enhancing the beauty of the community, keeping grass mowed reduces the severity of some allergies, slows the growth of additional weeds, and significantly reduces the danger of fire during hot dry periods. Property owners are responsible for the maintenance of their properties.

### Special Water Meters

Hydrant/sewer reduction meters may be used for watering new sod, seed, landscape, or ground settling. Wastewater charges will not be assessed when using these meters. The meters are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Contact City Hall at 961-9410  
for more information

### Free Wood Mulch

Wood mulch is available at the Indianola Brush Facility during normal hours of operation free of charge. Individuals wanting mulch will need to provide their own containers and assistance is not normally provided except on the second Saturday of the month.

On the second Saturday of the month from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm assistance for loading pick-ups and/or trailers is provided for a fee of \$10.00 per load. The fee helps to off-set equipment and personnel expense. The fee went into effect on May 14th, 2011 for those wanting assistance with loading mulch material.

**Stay Informed**  
**City Web site:**  
[www.indianolaiowa.gov](http://www.indianolaiowa.gov)  
**City Cable Channel 7**  
**Community Update**  
**Newsletter**  
**Weekly Flyer**  
**Twitter.com**  
[cityofindianola](http://cityofindianola)

### E-Waste Collection:

The City of Indianola will be accepting residential electronic waste at the Brush Facility during normal hours of operation.

#### Items collected free of charge include:

Computer Systems, Cell Phones, DVD Players, Fax Machines, VCR's, Printers, Video Game Systems

Monitors and Televisions will be collected for a fee as follows:

\$7
<b>18" and Under</b>
\$12
<b>19" to 25"</b>
\$17
<b>26" to 32"</b>
\$22
<b>33" to 40"</b>
\$27
<b>41" and Up</b>

Console Televisions  
Tube Price + \$10

### Weekly Flyer via Email

Would you like to get the City's weekly flyer by email?

Send your email address to [kripperger@cityofindianola.com](mailto:kripperger@cityofindianola.com)

Summer is here and with it comes many options for obtaining fresh fruits and vegetables, along with many other items, that are produced locally.

Farmers markets support a sustainable food system by offering regionally grown produce. Small family farms stay in business, land is protected from development, and consumers receive fresh food that does not travel far. Many markets sell more than just fruits and vegetables, and include meats, wines, cheeses, flowers, herbs, baked goods, wool and handcrafted items. These markets provide a direct link between the farmer and consumer, benefiting both.

In addition to markets, farmers use other methods to sell food, including:

- CSA (community supported agriculture). Members purchase shares in a farmer's crop before the season begins and are provided a portion of the harvest all season long.

- Farm stands. Farm stands range from a bench with tomatoes alongside the road to an enclosed structure that sells many types of produce, meats and even baked and processed foods. During the height of the summer when vegetables are abundant, you can still find small stands at the side of the road with vegetables and a cash jar, so customers can pay what they want.

- "Pick your own" farms. Some farmers, especially berry and orchard growers, allow consumers to pick their own produce. Usually for a set price by the bushel or pint, families can go into the farmer's fields and pick their own crops. This is good for individuals interested in freezing or canning.

Farmers markets can be found in cities all across the US. For a complete listing of markets in all 50 states, please visit [www.localharvest.org](http://www.localharvest.org).

## East Side Electric Conversion Update

The Indianola Municipal Utilities east side electric conversion is in full swing and is expected to continue through June 2012. The project includes the general area of 3rd Street east to Pickard Park and E. Kentucky south to E. 5th.



Above average amounts of rainfall received this spring and summer has made restoration work difficult. IMU staff is working closely with the contractor to ensure it is being done as quickly as possible. IMU sincerely appreciates the patience of our customers during this process.

Customers who wish to view the complete plans and specs for the project may do so at the IMU administrative office located at 111 South Buxton Street. Those with questions about how their specific properties will be affected should call 961-9444 to schedule a meeting time with IMU personnel.

## Residential Energy Audits

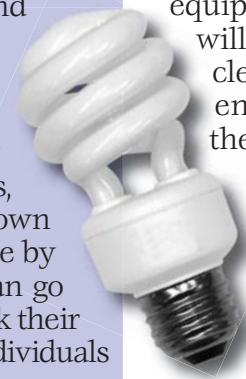
If you are an Indianola Municipal Utilities electric customer whose home was built before December 31, 2000 and whose primary heating energy is supplied directly by MidAmerican Energy, you are eligible for a FREE home energy analysis.

An energy specialist will check the existing insulation level in your home, the efficiency of its heating, cooling and water heating equipment and the condition of the windows. Recommendations will then be provided to you in writing so you can develop a clear plan of action to make your home more comfortable and energy efficient. Free improvements that can be made during the assessment include:

- A water heater insulation blanket
- Six feet of water pipe insulation
- Up to two energy-saving faucet aerators
- Up to two energy-saving showerheads
- Energy-efficient light bulbs

In addition, Indianola Municipal Utilities and MidAmerican Energy offer rebates on certain home improvements. Federal tax credits may also be available. Homeowners should check with a qualified tax advisor for details.

Call 800-545-0762 Today to Schedule a FREE Home Energy Analysis!



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## Computer Class: Introduction to Microsoft Word

Indianola Activity Center  
Wednesday, July 20 & 27  
9:30-10:30 a.m.

Learn how to create letters and documents using Microsoft Office Word 2007 in this two-part class. Little or no prior computer experience necessary.



Registration required  
This class is free but class size is limited.

## Fall Storytimes

Storytimes begin the week of August 29, 2011 through April 26, 2012!  
Registration is not required.

## Toddler Times

For ages 12-36 months with an adult  
Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

A fun event for children ages 12-36 months with an adult. Simple stories, songs, crafts, and rhymes. Please note this new day!

## Story Explorers

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., and 3:30 p.m.,  
Thursdays and 10:30 a.m.

Thirty minutes of fun for children ages 3-5.



Themed sessions including books, songs, finger plays, and simple crafts. (All Story Explorer programs are the same.)

## The Fiery Trial Iowa and the Civil War

32-foot mobile traveling exhibit  
Indianola Public Library  
September 9 - September 13

## One World, Many Stories

Weekly Programs for Kids • May 31st-July 22nd  
Please Register  
[www.indianolaiowa.gov](http://www.indianolaiowa.gov)

### Wanderers

12 - 36 months, with an adult  
Mondays, 10:15 - 10:35

### Travelers

Ages 3 - 5  
Tuesdays, 10:30 - 11 am & 1:30 - 2 pm  
Thursdays, 10:30 - 11 am

### Explorers

Ages 6 - 8  
Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am & 3:30 - 4:30 pm

### Adventurers

Ages 9 - 11  
Thursdays, 1:30 - 2:30 pm

## Evening Book Club

Tuesday, July 26  
7:00 p.m.

Discuss great books with other book lovers at the Evening Book Club. Whether you love the book or hate it, the discussion is never boring. Copies of each month's selection are provided to participants.

## One World, Many Stories

(For All Ages)



Reading is important regardless of your age. Be sure to take part in the Library's "Go the Distance!" Reading Challenge and read your way through the summer. Participants are rewarded as they

read their way through the summer and also have the opportunity to sign up for prizes at the end of the program.

Reading logs are now available and must be turned in on or before July 30.

Prizes are supplied by the Friends of the Indianola Public

# Leisure Lines

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## Older Active Adults 55 +

The Indianola Area Senior Center is located at the Activity Center and operates Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Anyone age 55 or better is eligible to participate in events and activities. Currently there is no membership fee; however, a monthly donation of \$5 per person is suggested. It houses a billiards room, exercise room and computer lab as well as space for wellness & art classes, games and cards, seminars and socials.

A free quarterly newsletter, the *Young @ Heart*, is published and is available by email or in print. As an effort to “go green” and to save time and money on mailings, residents are encouraged to begin receiving the newsletter by email. Please contact the Parks & Recreation office to let us know how you would like your issue delivered.



## Indianola Parks & Recreation

2204 W. 2nd Ave (Hwy 92)  
Indianola, IA 50125  
Office Hours:  
Mon-Fri 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.  
Phone (515) 961-9420  
Fax (515) 961-9426  
indianolaparks.com

## Easy, Convenient Registration

Save \$2 per program when you register online!

indianolaparks.com

You may also register by phone or fax.

Phone, fax, and online registrations require a Visa, Master, or Discover Card.

Registrations with cash or check may be mailed in, brought in, or left in the drop box at the Parks & Rec office.



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unveiling & dedication

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6  
1:30 - 3:00  
BUXTON PARK



## 3rd Annual Cardboard Boat Races

Saturday, August 13th • 7:00 p.m.

Fast becoming an Indianola tradition, the races are held each summer before the Family Dive-In Movie at Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center. Build your own boat using only two materials: duct tape and cardboard! Download boatbuilding tips and the official rules from our website, then get busy making a family memory!



## Resident Adopt-a-Tree Fall Registration

August 15th - September 9th

Indianola residents can save on the cost of new trees for their yards by participating in a program offered by the Indianola Community Tree Committee and Indianola Parks & Recreation. Each year the Adopt a Tree program offers a variety of trees that are recommended for our area and that beautify the landscape.

This year's offerings include the Thornless Hawthorne, a tree that flowers in spring and has red fruit in the fall and winter; the evergreen Serbian Spruce which can grow up to 60 feet tall; the Goldenrain Tree which features foot-long clusters of yellow flowers that form lime green three sided pods; and an Ornamental Silver Pear whose distinctive pyramidal shape is covered with white flowers each spring.

The trees are valued at \$40-\$60, and are offered to Indianola residents for \$25 which includes planting. For an additional \$12 the tree will be staked, tied and mulched. The trees are offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Fall registration dates are from August 15 – September 9. Download an application and return it and payment to the Parks & Recreation office during those dates only.



The Love Bug (G)  
Saturday, August 13th  
Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center  
8:15 p.m.

Family Dive In Movie – watch the movie while you float in the pool!

## Fall & Winter Activity Guide

Activity Guides will be mailed the week of August 1st. Online registration will begin Monday, August 8th, at 8:00 a.m. Save \$2 per program when you register online. All



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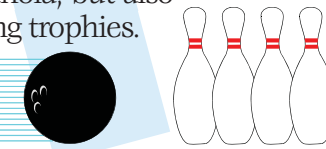
## New Ways to Keep Moving Pickleball

A fun game that is played on an indoor or outdoor court with the net lowered to 34 inches at the center. It is played with a perforated plastic baseball (similar to a whiffle ball) and wood or composite paddles. It is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. The Senior Center will be offering morning Pickleball this fall for a variety of age and skill levels.

## Wii Bowling

We hope to develop a league that will not only involve people in Indianola, but also create an opportunity for challenging other Senior Centers for traveling trophies.

Call Jerry Luedtke, Older Adult Activity Coordinator, for more information about these new fall programs at 961-9420.



## AARP Driver Safety Program

Monday, August 15th from 12:30 – 4:30 p.m.

This 4 hour training course focuses on driver safety for drivers 55+. Learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws and rules of the road. Find out how to safely use anti-lock brakes, air bags and safety belts. Brush up on driving techniques for left turns, right-of-way and blind spots.

Discover how to deal with aggressive drivers.

Registration Deadline: Monday, August 8, or when full.

Fee: \$14 Resident/Nonresident (\$2 Discount if AARP member)

Call 961-9420 to register with a debit or credit card.

Register in person to receive AARP discount.

## Iowa State Fair - Older Iowans Day

Wednesday, August 17th 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Spend a day at the fair on the day set aside to celebrate Older Iowans, without having to worry about parking or driving! Your trip price includes round trip travel in an air conditioned van and admission into the 2011 Iowa State Fair. Meet at the Indianola Activity Center. Corndogs, etc, are on your own! Registration Deadline: Wednesday, August 3rd, or when full Fee: \$15 or \$12 with Resident Discount



## Get Your Muscles Ready for Fall

Thursday, August 18th at 2:00 pm

Interactive group presentation about proper body mechanics with fall activities such as raking, walking and buttoning up the garden. 20 minute interactive stretching program and healthy refreshments included. Presented by Accelerated Rehabilitation Registration Deadline: Monday, August 15th Fee: Free!

