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### City-wide Garage Sales

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual City-Wide Garage Sale will be on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We will provide a map again this year of all the garage sale locations and advertise the event in the Courier and Evansdale News. If you are interested, register your garage sale at the Evansdale City Hall business office by May 25<sup>th</sup> to be placed on the map.

There is a \$2.00 registration fee, which will cover the cost of advertising.

Maps are free for everyone and can be picked up at City Hall, the library, and local convenience stores as early as Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. For your convenience, the maps can be printed from our website.

### Spring Clean-up

The Spring Clean-up will be on Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. to noon. Dumpsters will be available at the Street Department Garage at 130 Brown Street for residents to bring items for disposal. Just separate any metal items from the rest because metals are recycled rather than taken to the landfill.

The following will **not** be accepted: regular household trash, tires, concrete, rocks, batteries, hazardous waste, yard waste, and large quantities of building materials.

This service is available to Evansdale Residents only.

When you arrive at the Street Department, you will be required to present your driver's license showing your Evansdale address

### Appliances

If you wish to dispose of appliances during the clean-up, purchase a sticker for each appliance at City Hall for \$12 by June 8<sup>th</sup>. You do not need a sticker for the disposal of a television or microwave. We're sorry, water softeners are not accepted.



### Hazardous Materials Drop-off

Household hazardous materials may be dropped off at the Waterloo Waste Water Treatment Plant located at 3050 Easton Ave in Waterloo on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am – 2:00pm. For more information call 319-266-8722 or visit wastetrac.org. The drop-off is sponsored by the City of Waterloo and the Black Hawk County Solid Waste Commission.

### Spring ~ 2018

Evansdale City Hall  
123 N. Evans Road  
Evansdale, IA 50707  
Phone: 319.232.6683  
Fax: 319.232.1586

Hours:  
Monday – Friday  
7:30 am – 4:30 pm



Mayor, Doug Faas

### Council

Ward 1, Kenny Loftus  
Ward 2, Gene Walker  
Ward 3, Steve Seible  
Ward 4, Dick Dewater  
At Large, Lynn Bender

Police Chief,  
Jeff Jensen

Public Works Director,  
Chris Schares

Building Inspector,  
Brian Wirtz

Library Director,  
Shannon Jensen

Water Works Office  
Manager, Sandy  
Clements

Water Works Plant  
Manager, Mike Ellison

Waste Water,  
Chris Even

Fire Chief,  
Ryan Phillips

City Clerk, DeAnne  
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# City of Evansdale

City of Good Neighbors

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Our city is in the process of planning some needed, and state mandated, updates to our Waste Water Treatment Plant and lift stations. Cost estimates are preliminary at this point, but the total project cost will be in the millions of dollars. The state has grants and low interest loans available to finance a project such as this, and the city will be applying for all applicable grants and loans.

From planning stage to final construction will be a several year process, but the city needs to be determining a method to pay the costs before the state will accept our applications for any grants or loans. When the city has a more definite idea of the total costs of the project, we will then be able to determine a method of loan repayment that will satisfy state requirements for issuing a loan to our city. The most likely method of repayment will be the city issuing revenue supported bonds. What does this mean for the residential and commercial property owners in the city? Depending on the total cost of the upgrades and the length of the loan, property owners in Evansdale can expect an increase in their monthly sewer charges in an amount sufficient to satisfy the loan repayment. No one (including me) likes to see an increase in their quarterly water/sewer/garbage bill; but if we want to continue to flush our toilets, take showers, use the kitchen sink, etc. we must make the necessary and state mandated updates to our Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Another component of being eligible to apply for the state grants and loans is the requirement that the city address their inflow and infiltration issues that affect our Waste Water Treatment Plant maximum capacity. This means the city must adopt and enforce an ordinance that speaks to unauthorized connections to the sanitary sewer system from sump pumps, footing drains, roof drains, and any other unauthorized inflows into the sanitary sewer system. The City Council is currently reviewing several different ordinances, and we expect to have a new ordinance in effect addressing these issues later this year. This means someone from the city or an authorized representative may be asking permission to check your sump pump, footing drains, roof drains, or other inflow issues to verify that your property is not improperly connected to our sanitary sewer system. There will be more to follow on this subject once the city finalizes the ordinance and inspection procedures.

Doug Faas, Mayor

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**Yard Waste  
Spring/Summer Hours**  
(April 1 – October 31)  
Monday-Sunday: 7:00am-7:00pm

## Pet Licensing

Dog and Cat licenses are due April 15<sup>th</sup>. All tags expire each year on the 31<sup>st</sup> of December. It is required by Evansdale Code of Ordinance that all pets age 6 months and older be registered and a certificate of rabies be on file with the city. Just bring your rabies certification to City Hall to get your pet licensed today.

## Evansdale Fire Department Recruiting Members!

We are looking for new members to help serve their community & earn some extra cash while doing so. By belonging to our “paid-on-call” department, you will earn \$80 per month or more for being on-call responding to over 600 fire, rescue, and EMS calls per year. In addition to the extra cash, you will experience the excitement of responding to emergencies and help others in a way few others will ever experience.

We provide all the training & equipment and only ask you to commit a few days a month to be on-call in addition to attending two training sessions each month.

If you live in Evansdale, Elk Run Heights or the Maywood area of Waterloo, you may qualify to be part of the Fire Rescue family. To apply, visit our website at [www.evansdalefire.com](http://www.evansdalefire.com) click on the employment link to download the application and send it in or stop by the Fire Station for a quick tour and have your questions answered.

You can also contact Fire Chief, Ryan Phillips at 319-233-6930.

The Yard Waste Center is available for Evansdale, Elk Run, and Raymond residents for disposal of yard waste including leaves, grass clippings, Christmas trees, garden waste, branches, and tree trimmings. Stumps that exceed 6” in diameter are not accepted.

The Yard Waste Center is located on the river side of the levy in Deerwood Park next to the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

**Please do not deposit plastic bags at the Yard Waste Center!** They are not biodegradable and will compromise the composted soil that we have available for our residents.

We will have an abundance of mulch available for our Yard Waste Center patrons this year due to the removal of several of the ash trees as advised by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources evaluation of the infected ash trees in our city.

## Recycling

We still have blue 64-gallon recycle carts available for sale. You can purchase one at City Hall for \$52.50. For the 2018 recycle pick-up schedule or for more information on our curbside recycling program, check our website under City Departments > Garbage and Recycling.

# Water Works News

Updates were recently completed on Well #3 which will eliminate the cloudy, bubbly water that was sometimes experienced, due to entrained air. Significant gains in production were also realized. We will be starting a new looping project soon, which will loop the dead ends between Joy Drive and Brookside Avenue. Another project under consideration would loop the dead end on Bellefontain Avenue to W. Gilbert Drive. Improvements such as these, help with our goal to make our water system one of the best!

Water main flushing has resumed from our winter break. We will flush a segment of the system every Wednesday until cold weather returns next winter. Periodic flushing helps to clean the mains and also helps to avoid discolored water during normal operations. We suggest that you avoid doing laundry on Wednesday's.

Have you checked out our Facebook page yet? Find us at Evansdale Water Works. We post news releases and important information as it happens, especially water main break events. We also plan on posting items of interest in the near future!

The number of people enjoying the convenience of having their payments automatically deducted from their checking or savings account continues to grow. Please call us for details! As always, you may also go online through your bank's online bill-pay service and pay your bill anytime, day or night, or make advance payments.

The Board of Trustees would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for all the help we willingly receive from the City's Street and Sewer Departments, from time to time. Sometimes the call for assistance comes on a balmy summer day...but usually NOT! It's most likely to come on a frigid, wet, miserable day. The teamwork that has developed is truly a reflection of the caliber of the employees that are working to make Evansdale one of the best places to live. Thank you!

We look forward to a nice, long spring and summer...how about you?

Your Water Works Team:  
Sandy Clements  
Mike Ellison  
Char White



## Summer Reading Program 2018 “LIBRARIES ROCK!” in the works!

Let's get ready, get ready, get ready to ROCK! This year's theme is LIBRARIES ROCK! and will include programs, crafts and other activities geared towards rockin' and readin'! Registration will be during the week of June 11-16, and the program will run for four weeks thru July 14<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to get the kids signed up and prevent that summer slide.



### Fifty is nifty!

On February 20<sup>th</sup> of this year, the Evansdale Public Library celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> year in existence! In 1968, Ordinance 232 was passed by the city council to maintain a free public library in the city of Evansdale.

Because Iowa weather is always so lovely in February, the decision was made to hold off our celebration until this summer during the Evansdale Community Days celebration.

Make sure to like our Facebook page to stay up-to-date with our plans, including two new Kindle giveaways, just for coming in and checking out books or other materials!

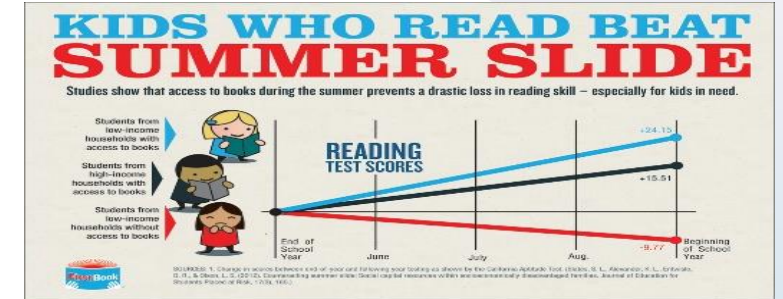


### The dates have been set for the 2018 Evansdale Community Days!

Friday, July 27<sup>th</sup> – Free Family/Social Gathering at Community Response Center (CRC) from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. with fireworks at dusk.

Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> will be a fun packed day, starting at 9:30 a.m. with the parade. The route will be announced at a later date. The theme this year is “Living the Good Life”, so start planning your parade entry. The family and kid's events will be from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., located at the Lafayette Business District. The number of free kid's activities has been expanded for 2018. Mud Volleyball starts at 11 a.m. on Saturday at the CRC site and Ted's Hardware is sponsoring his annual BBQ cook-off on Friday and Saturday, located in the parking lot in front of his business.

**More details will follow as plans are finalized, catch the details on our website [Evansdale.govoffice.com](http://Evansdale.govoffice.com)**



The best ways to keep your child from becoming a “rusty reader” over the summer are:

1. Encourage your children to read books they enjoy for at least 30 minutes per day. Your child will likely be more engrossed in material they choose themselves than material that is forced on them.
2. Provide incentives for reluctant readers. For example, if your child enjoys basketball, agree to take them to the local court if they do their “daily reading.”
8. Make reading a social act. Establish a time during the day when all members of the family gather and read on their own, or take turns reading the same book aloud.
9. Connect your reading to family outings. If you take your kids to an aquarium, consider reading a book about fish or the ocean with them later that day. The outing can help place the reading into a broader context.

(Source: <https://blog.ed.gov/2011/08/why-summer-reading-pays-off-year-round/>)