

## Mayor's Message

A few weeks ago, I dropped off some outdated electronics at the Community Earth Day eCycling event. I was so impressed with the number of volunteers, the organization, and the number of participants, I asked the eCycle Committee for some details to include with this letter. The Committee did such a great job with the recap, I am going to quote it here:

“The community-wide residential electronic recycling (Earth Day eCycling) event held annually in Pella began 12 years ago with the partnership of local businesses that wanted to provide a way for their employees and residents of the Pella community to safely and securely dispose of unused electronics. The 2016 event sponsors included the City of Pella, Pella Corporation, Vermeer Corporation, Roseman's Inc, PPI, Gleason & Associates, Midwest Sanitation, and Pella Regional Hospital. These sponsors provide the necessary funding for the event in order to professionally and safely process all of these items brought into the event. Donations are accepted and utilized for a local grant program that is open to local schools and non-profits of the Pella community. This grant program has helped to install water bottle filling stations and recycling containers at our local schools and provided a recycling container in Central Park.

“2016 marks the 12th consecutive year for this Earth Day event. Since 2005, more than 5,267 households have responsibly recycled more than 19,560 electronic items with a combined weight of 565,528 pounds of electronic waste diverted from our local landfills. Although the numbers have not yet been finalized for the 2016 event held on April 23rd, four and a half semi-trailers were double stacked and loaded with the items collected at this year's event.

“This is a true community team effort. Not only do the partnering organizations provide the funding necessary to process the collected items, but volunteers from each of their organizations help secure and properly handle these electronic items each year. The sponsors have also been fortunate to have the assistance of volunteers, including the Central College football and wrestling teams and for the last three years the Pella High baseball team has volunteered at the event. Over the last 12 years this event has helped spark community collection events in other cities in Iowa, Illinois, and Kentucky. This also started an eCycling event for businesses that Central College sponsors here in Pella.”

I am sure you are as pleased as I am to have dedicated and generous volunteers and employees to provide such a valuable service. It is important to be good stewards of our resources and responsible with the environment. Thank you to everyone involved, please keep up the GREAT work!

– Mayor Jim

## Welcome John!

On March 28th, John Bone joined the Public Works Department as a Street Maintenance I. John grew up in Oskaloosa and moved to Pella in 1997. He and his wife, Stacey, have been married for 20 years and have two children ages 10 & 15. John enjoys spending free time with his family and coaching various sports with his children.



## \$30 Rebate for Air Conditioner Tune-up

Warmer weather is on the way, so now is the time to get your cooling system ready for summer. The City of Pella offers a \$30 rebate when you have a contractor tune up your central air-conditioner or air-source heat pump. As part of the service, a contractor will clean coils and drains, check the refrigerant charge and belts, and inspect the entire system, including fins. Customers can apply for this rebate **every other year**, so if they have not applied for it last year, they are eligible.

To learn more about the variety of rebates available to residential and business customers of the City of Pella, call (641) 628-2581 or visit [www.brightenergysolutions.com](http://www.brightenergysolutions.com).

## June Meeting Dates

**6/7: 7:00 p.m.**  
City Council at  
Police Training Room,  
614 Main St. (rear entrance)

**6/8: 5:30 p.m.**  
Community Development  
Committee, Public Works  
Conference Room

**6/14: 4:00 p.m.**  
Library Board  
Pella Public Library

**6/16: 6:00 p.m.**  
Historic Preservation  
Commission, Public Works  
Conference Room

**6/17: Noon**  
Community Services Board,  
712 Union, Room 204

**6/21: 7:00 p.m.**  
City Council,  
Police Training Room,  
614 Main St. (rear entrance)

**6/24: 7:00 a.m.**  
Airport Committee at  
Airport Terminal,  
Meeting Room

**6/27: 7:00 p.m.**  
Planning & Zoning  
Commission at  
Police Training Room  
614 Main St. (rear entrance)

## June Special Dates

**6/15 All Day**  
Free Brush Pickup  
by City

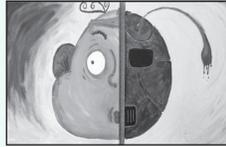
# Annual Water Quality Report

The City of Pella's annual Water Quality Report helps customers understand the quality and safety of tap water provided by the Pella Municipal Water Department. The 2015 report is now available on the City of Pella website at <http://ia-pella.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/Home/View/413>.

If you would like a printed copy of the annual Water Quality Report mailed to you or have any questions concerning the report, please contact the Pella Municipal Water Department at (641) 628-2464.

## JUNE ADULT CLASSES: **Hors d'oeuvres and Art**

The Pella Community Art Center is offering adult (16 & up) classes with all materials and hors d'oeuvres being provided. An instructor will lead the evening's project. Pre-registration is required, please call 628-4571 or email [cross@cityofpella.com](mailto:cross@cityofpella.com) to register. To guarantee your spot, payment is due 48 hours before the class. Cancellations with less than 48 hours notice will not receive a refund.



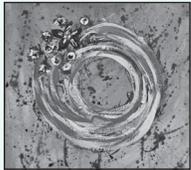
Face Off: June 13



Close Your Eyes: June 29

### Painting for Two:

Painting for Two is a great way to have some bonding time with your favorite adult. We will walk you through all the steps from start to finish. You will take home two finished 12" x 12" canvas paintings that when hung together complete a story and complement each other. Instructor: Mary Robertson  
Location: Painting Studio  
Time: 7:00 - 9:00  
Fee: \$30 for both  
Ages 8 & up



Wreath Painting  
Tuesday, June 14  
7-9 pm - \$20



Mixed Media Tulip  
Tuesday, June 21  
7-9 pm - \$20

## COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

### SUMMER ART CENTER CLASSES

We offer a wide variety of summer art classes for individuals ranging in age from 2 to 99. Check our website for a complete listing of classes, descriptions and pictures. Also check out our Art in the Park schedule.

### OPEN GYM HOURS & GYM RENTAL

The gym is open for free to the public on Monday – Friday from 7:30 am - 4:15 pm. No organized practices or clinics for non-recreational teams are allowed before 4:15 p.m. Rental hours: Monday – Friday after 4:30 and all day/evening on Saturday & Sunday. Call 628.4571 to reserve a time slot. Games are available to rent for 3 days at a cost of \$5 per game and a \$30 deposit.

Community Services Office (Community Center) 712 Union, 7:30-11:30 am – 12:30-4:30 pm Monday – Friday. Registration forms can be found on our web site at [www.cityofpella.com](http://www.cityofpella.com).

### YOUTH SOCCER

Open to all children entering grades K-8 in the fall of 2016.

- Program Dates: August 22 through October 15
- Program Fee: \$40 living in city limits, \$48 living outside city limits
- Registration Dates: Now through June 24
- Late Fee: A late fee of \$25 will be charged after the deadline

### FLAG FOOTBALL

Open to all children entering grades 3-6 in the fall of 2016. The program is a non-contact activity.

- Program Dates: August 22 through October 14
- Program Fee: \$40 living in city limits \$48 living outside city limits
- Registration Dates: Now through June 24
- Late Fee: A late fee of \$25 will be charged after the deadline

### ADULT CO-ED SOFTBALL

Designed for men and women to form teams for a friendly game of softball. Games will be played on Monday evenings beginning July 5 through August 22 at the new Sports Park. A double elimination tournament will be held on Saturday, August 27.

- Minimum of 6 teams and a maximum of 16 teams
- Maximum of 12 players per team with a minimum of 6 females per team
- Registration fee is \$100 plus applicable sales tax per team
- Registration forms on our web site at [www.cityofpella.com](http://www.cityofpella.com)
- Registration deadline is Friday, June 17 at 4:30 p.m.

### PARK SHELTER RENTALS

Shelter houses can be reserved for a fee of \$25 per time slot for residents and \$30 per time slot for non-residents.

## JUNE LIBRARY EVENTS

- June 3 at 3:00 p.m.: **Magician Rick Eugene** at the JKF Auditorium in the Community Center. All ages are welcome.
- June 9, 16, and 23 at 12:00 p.m.: **Theater Thursday** in the Meeting Room. Kids and parents are welcome to bring a sack lunch to the library at 12:00 p.m. The movie will start at 12:30 p.m. Children under the age of 5 must have a parent or mature person in the room watching the movie. Children under the age of 8 must have a parent or mature person in the library while watching the movie. For movie title, please call the library.
- June 13 at 7:00 p.m.: Book signing by author **Bob Brink** in the Meeting Room. Brink, an Iowa native, is the author of two novels.
- June 14 at 7:00 p.m.: **Family Fun Night**. Join us for outdoor games and fun. We will meet in the Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m. All ages are welcome. The program will be held rain or shine.
- June 16 at 10:15 a.m.: **Genealogy Club** meeting in the Heritage Room.
- June 30 at 12:00 noon: **Brown Bag Book Club**. Call the library for the book title to be discussed.
- June 30 at 3:00 p.m.: **Pockets Full of Fun** (puppet and ventriloquist show) at the JKF Auditorium in the Community Center. All ages are welcome.
- **Story Time** will be offered on June 13, 20 and 27 at 10:30 a.m.
- **Tot Time** will be offered on June 14, 21 and 28 at 10:15 and 11:00 a.m.
- **Saturday Story Time** is offered every Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Saturday story time is suggested for ages 3 and up with parents.

For more information about any of these programs, please call the library at 628-4268.

**CHECK THIS OUT:** The library has cake pans! If you need a special cake for a birthday, a graduation, or some other event, check out our selection!

## SUMMER READING PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

"On Your Mark, Get Set...READ" is the theme for this summer's reading program – for kids, teens and adults. Reading logs are available now. Program sign up begins June 6th. All reading programs will end on July 30th. For more information, call the Library at 628-4268