



City of Nevada

News Along the Highway

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Scouting for Food

The Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts annual Food Drive, **Scouting for Food**, will be in Nevada on Saturday, March 24, starting at 8:00 a.m. until completed. Cub Scout Pack 128 will collect the food or empty pop cans from your front step. Boy Scout Troop 128 will sort it at St. Patrick's Church. The food and can money will then be donated to the Nevada Food Pantry. Please help by placing your donation in a bag on your front step before 8:00 a.m.

Cemetery Spring Clean Up

Spring clean-up will run during the third (3rd) full week of April (16 – 20). During this time, all decorations will be disposed of, including those that are placed in vases, saddles, or on Shepherd's hooks if they are damaged or unsightly. Any decorations that you wish to keep must be removed prior to this time and new decorations may be placed back out after the clean-up. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the cemetery at 382-6240 and talk with the Sexton.

Nuisance Abatements

A nuisance may consist of any or all of the following: refuse, garbage, rubbish, ashes, scrap lumber, building materials, abandoned or unattended refrigerators, inoperative appliances, other substances offensive to sight, smell, or detrimental to the health, welfare and best interests of community.

If you want to report any properties you believe are in violation please contact the Nevada Public Safety Department at 515-382-4305. If you wish to know more about this topic, check the City of Nevada web site under Code of Ordinances. Please clean up your yard and avoid any legal issues which will be time consuming and expensive.

Cemetery – New Lots Available in April

The Nevada Municipal Cemetery has finished marking out new lots on the east side of the cemetery. These new lots are located adjacent to the cemetery entrance along First Street. Cemetery staff will begin selling spaces to the public beginning April 2, 2018. Prices for these spaces remain the same as other standard burial spaces in the cemetery. A single space will sell for \$600.00. Please contact Gene Fritz, Cemetery Sexton, for questions, availability, and purchases. Gene can be reached at 515-382-6240, or by email at nevadacemetery@midowa.net.

Pets in the Parks/Cemetery

With spring and nice weather fast approaching, the Parks and Recreation Department would like to remind everyone of a few simple courtesies when visiting the parks and cemetery. Everyone likes to have a positive experience and enjoy a clean environment. Please be sure to pick up after your pet when you have them out with you. There are pet waste stations placed at most entrances to the trail system. If you don't bring a bag with you, please pick one up before entering the park.

Pets must be on a leash at all times. This is a safety issue for all park users, as well as for your pet. Failure to keep your pet on a leash may result in a citation as outlined in the City of Nevada Municipal Code of Ordinances.

Pets are not allowed on any athletic field at any time. The Parks staff works very hard to

provide quality athletic fields for all our community sporting events. The kids, coaches, and spectators involved in these activities deserve a clean and sanitary venue for their activity.

Lastly, dogs are allowed in the cemetery, but must be on a leash and remain on the roadways at all times. At no time shall anyone allow their dog to run at large in the cemetery. There is no pet waste station at the cemetery, please remember to bring a bag with you and pick up after your pet.

Please be a responsible pet owner so everyone can enjoy the outdoors. If you have questions or concerns regarding pets in the parks or the cemetery, please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 382-4352. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Meeting Schedule

- **Council: March 12 and March 26, City Hall Council Chambers 6:00 p.m.**
- **Planning and Zoning Commission: Mar. 5, City Hall Council Chambers, 6:15 p.m.**
- **Library: March 19, Library Meeting Room, 5:00 p.m.**
- **Parks and Recreation Board: March 14, Gates Hall, 5:15 p.m.**

The Parks & Recreation is now on Twitter.

You can follow us at

[@nevadaiapnr](https://twitter.com/nevadaiapnr).

Our goal is to help keep you more informed regarding activities, schedule changes, cancellations, updates, registration deadlines, alerts, etc. If you have questions, please contact the office at 382-4352.

Coffee With Council

Two Saturday mornings each month, two city officials plan to meet with the public for coffee and conversation. This is not an official meeting of the council, but rather an opportunity for members of our community to meet with their local officials in an informal setting to be updated on city business and provide their feedback.

Saturday, March 3:

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Luke Spence (Ward 2) and Dane Neilson (Ward 4)

Saturday, March 17:

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Brian Hanson (At Large) and Jason Sampson (At Large)

Hosted by: Farm Grounds, 1024 6th Street, Nevada

Library News

Library Survey: We'd love to hear your opinion! Please help us provide the best possible service to our community and patrons by completing the enclosed paper library survey, or answer the survey online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/NevadaLibrary. When you have completed the survey, you may choose to submit your contact information to be entered into a drawing to win one of two Kindle Fire 8s or a \$50 Visa gift card.

Donations Wanted: The Friends of the Nevada Public Library welcome donations of books, CDs, and DVDs that are in good condition. Donations may be dropped off during library hours, and tax receipts for donations are available.

Read Down Fines: This March, the library will be offering three opportunities to read in exchange for fine forgiveness. Check into our meeting room anytime during the designated times listed below, and every 15 minutes that you read will equal \$1 off of your fines. Visit our website or Facebook page for more details.

March 14 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

March 15, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

March 16, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Story Times

Preschool Story Time:

Mondays, 2:30 p.m.

1-2 year old Story Time:

Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.

Youth Spring Break Programs:

STEM Petting Zoo with ISU Extension:

March 13, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

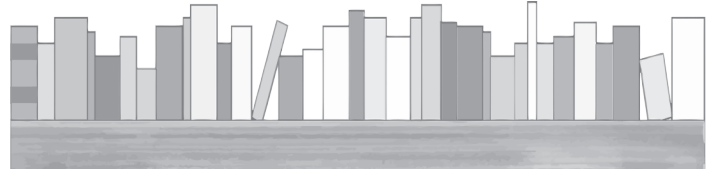
Through the FLEX experience, visitors will explore circuit bending with littleBits, observe 3D printing, and take a virtual roller coaster tour of the Iowa State University campus.

Story County Iowa Alerts Registration

Story County Iowa Alerts has loaded phone numbers from the white pages, but we don't have your cell phone numbers or email address. Get connected by using the link below to register these devices and personalize what you get for messages. Once you've got your devices registered, then you get to decide from which communities you want to get emergency alerts. Don't forget to register for alerts for the town where you work, where your children go to school, or where you may have elderly relatives. Finally, you can identify special needs you may have to emergency responders or register to get emergency alerts directly from participating school districts. It's easy, just go to the link below and fill-in or check the boxes.

Go to

https://entry.inspironlogistics.com/story_ia/wens.cfm for more information.



Breakout – Zombie Apocalypse

(Grades 5-12): March 15, 2:00 p.m.

Preregistration is required *A mad scientist has created a plague to turn everyone into zombies! Can you retrieve the antidote from the Breakout Box and prevent the zombie apocalypse before time runs out?*

This program is limited to 15 participants. Stop in or call the library at 515-382-2628 to sign up and secure your spot!

Movie Afternoon: March 16, 2:00 p.m.

Recurring Programs for Youth:

Pre-Teen Advisory Group (Grades 4-6):

March 26, 3:30 p.m. in the story time room

Teen Advisory Group (Grades 7-12):

March 26, 3:30 p.m. in the meeting room

Lego/Activities (Grades PreK-4):

Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m.

Library Out Loud (Grades 5-12):

March 14 and March 28, 3:45 p.m.

Adult Programs:

The library will host Linda McCann and her presentation about the *Civilian Conservation Corps* on March 24 at 2:00 p.m.

Recurring Programs for Adults:

Strings and Things, March 8, 6:30 p.m.

Breaking the Ice, March 26, 7:00 p.m.
(*Charm School*)

Game Night, March 16, and March 23, 7:00 p.m.

Reading Group, March 29, 1:30 p.m.
(*The Dynamite Room* by Jason Hewitt)

Babysitting Basics

A Babysitting Basics class for youth in fifth and sixth grade is being offered by ISU Extension and Outreach on March 15. The class will run from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants will learn about the responsibilities of a babysitter, what employers expect, and how to care for infants and toddlers. There will also be guest speakers teaching on the subjects of age appropriate toys and activities, safety, and basic first aid and rescue breathing. All participants receive a book filled with information about childcare as well as a certificate of completion at the end of the course. Registration forms are available at www.extension.iastate.edu/story and are due with the \$25 registration fee by March 5. For questions about Babysitting Basics, contact the ISU Extension and Outreach – Story County office at 515-382-6551 or email Mary Wilkins, Youth Outreach Coordinator, at mwilkins@iastate.edu.