



City of Nevada

News Along the Highway

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Opiod Community Forum -- Wednesday, March 27

Mayor Brett Barker and the Nevada Substance Abuse Task Force will host an "Opiod Community Forum" on Wednesday, March 27 at the Josephine Tope Auditorium. A panel, including a treatment provider, first responder, and the parent of an overdose victim, will be introduced at 7:00 p.m.. The event will also feature "Hidden in Plain Sight" (a guided display of youth culture and drug paraphernalia for adults) and information about the effective opiod overdose antidote, Naloxone. Additional details will be available in near future on social media and other sources.

This event is focused on opiod use, but shows how substance use can influence relationships in households and across our community. Nevada-area residents are encouraged to attend.

Tournament Help Needed!

Nevada Parks and Recreation will be hosting the 2019 USA Softball Class A Fastpitch Northern Nationals July 23 - 28. We are looking for interested persons to take on the role of scorekeeping (think groups, families, etc). Interested persons can take a day, a couple days or work the entire tournament. We will need 2 score-keepers per game per field. One for the scoreboard and one for the official book. Due to the competitive nature of this tournament, one person at the score table must be an adult competent in scorekeeping or individuals approved by Nevada Parks and Recreation Staff (for example parent/older child or approved siblings/friends). Please note, these are paid positions on a per game basis for each person. If you would like more information, please contact Nevada Parks and Recreation at 515-382-4352 or nevadarecreation@gmail.com.

Cemetery Spring Clean Up

Spring clean-up will run during the third (3rd) full week of April (15 – 19). 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.

Cemetery – New Lots Available in April

The Nevada Municipal Cemetery has new lots for sale on the east side of the cemetery. These new lots are located adjacent to the cemetery entrance along First Street. 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 gfritz@cityofnevadaiaowa.org.

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 11 and March 25, City Hall Council Chambers 6:00 p.m.**
- **Planning and Zoning Commission: Mar. 4, City Hall Council Chambers, 6:15 p.m.**
- **Library: March 25, Library Meeting Room, 5:00 p.m.**
- **Parks and Recreation Board: March 13, Gates Hall, 5:15 p.m.**

Veterans Affairs

Serving Those Who Have Served

We are extremely proud of the Story County Veterans who have honorably served our country and extend a warm welcome home from the Director and Commission of Story County Veterans Affairs.

To better assist you, please call and schedule an appointment at 515-956-2626. We have scheduled appointments in and out of the office. This will prevent us from missing you or long wait times in the lobby. Welcome to Story County Veterans Affairs!

COMMUNITY COFFEE, Second Saturday of each Month

The Second Saturday of each month city officials host a Saturday morning Coffee at Farmgrounds at 9:00 a.m.. The idea is to provide the community an opportunity to engage in conversations with city officials. One or two council members will be in attendance. From time to time they may be joined by other officials from Story County, Nevada School District and other local entities that impact our community. These are not official meetings of the Nevada City Council, but rather an opportunity for community members to provide feedback in an informal setting.

Library News

Game Design Class: Thursdays, March 7 - May 30 (except March 21), 4:30 p.m.

Do you love to play computer games? Have you ever wanted to try creating your own? If so, this class might be for you! Create your own game and show it off at the end-of-class game fair. This is a 12 week class, and attendance every week is necessary to successfully create a game. Registration is required. Open to teens in grades 5-12.

Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia:

Rescheduled to March 13, 7:00 p.m.

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging. Join us to learn about the impact of Alzheimer's, the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, stages and risk factors, current research and treatments available for some symptoms, and Alzheimer's Association resources. This program is designed for anyone who may be curious about Alzheimer's and will feature a question and answer session afterward. It's also designed for caregivers, family members, and those who are in the early stages of the disease.

Breakout Box:

March 19, 2:00 p.m. & March 21, 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a Breakout Box so mysterious, we don't even know what it will be yet! Keep an eye out for more information, or just register and be surprised.

Registration required; please register for one session only. Open to teens in grades 5-12.

Pages for Payment (All Ages):

Do you have fines you'd like to get rid of? Just read them away! Stop in during any of our Pages for Payment times, and we'll waive \$1 off of your fines for every 15 minutes that you read – it's that simple! Open to all ages.

March 18, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

March 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

March 21, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Connecting Your Environment to Sustainable, Food-Safe Gardening:

March 25, 7-8 p.m.

Prior land use, construction and water delivery materials, and plant choice can impact the sustainability and success of your garden. In this presentation, research and case studies will illustrate steps to growing thriving plants that are safe to eat.

Computer Class (Social Media):

March 26, 7:00 p.m.

Join us for a monthly program to enhance your computer skills. In March, we will discuss social media. Find out how to set up an account to connect with friends or promote your business. Learn how to use different social media platforms and what you can do to protect your privacy. Participants should have experience using a mouse and keyboard.

Scouting for Food

The Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts annual Food Drive, Scouting for Food, will be in Nevada on Saturday, March 30, 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 then 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.

Adulting 101 (Applying For Jobs & Interviewing):

March 27, 6:00 p.m.

March's program will focus on applying for jobs and interviewing. This program is geared toward 15-25 year olds, but everyone is welcome. Registration is encouraged but not required. Contact the library to register or for more information.

Teen/Tween Programs

Library Out Loud (Grades 5-12): Wednesdays, 3:45 p.m.

Pre-Teen Advisory Group (Grades 4-6): March 11, 3:30 p.m. (New day!)

Teen Advisory Group (Grades 7-12): March 25, 3:45 p.m.

Game Design Class (Grades 5-12): Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m., March 7 - May 30

Youth Programs

Story Time (2-years-old & Under): Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. (*not held March 21*)

Story Time (3-years-old & Up): Mondays, 2:00 p.m. (*not held March 18*)

Lego/Activities Club (Grades PreK – 4): Wednesdays, 3:30 p.m. (*not held March 20*)

Reading with Rover (Contact the library to sign up for a time slot): Mondays, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Adult Programs

Strings and Things: March 14, 6:30 p.m.

Game Night: March 15, 7:00 p.m.
(now on the 3rd Friday of the month)

Computer Class: March 26, 7:00 p.m.
(Social Media)

Adulting 101: March 27, 6:00 p.m.
(Applying For Jobs & Interviewing)

Book Clubs

Breakfast With a Book (at Farm Grounds): March 7, 8:30 a.m. (*How We Got to Now: 6 Innovations that Made the Modern World* by Steven Johnson)

Books on Tap (at George's Bar): March 19, 7:00 p.m. (*Doña Bárbara* by Rómulo Gallegos)

Visual Lit (at Lincoln Tap): March 21, 7:00 p.m. (*Ms. Marvel Vol. 1 No Normal* by G. Willow Wilson & *Ultimate Comics Spider-Man Vol. 1* by Brian Michael Bendis)

Reading Group: March 28, 1:30 p.m. (*Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi)

CENSUS JOBS!

\$15.00 - \$16.50 per hour

Join the 2020 Census Team! Apply Online!

Earn extra income while helping your community. The Census is hiring for a variety of temporary jobs including census takers, recruiting assistants, office staff and supervisors. Pay rates are \$15.00 - \$16.50 per hour. Apply for one of thousands of temporary openings at 2020Census.gov/jobs or call 1-855-JOB-2020 (1-855-562-2929) or Federal Relay Service: (800) 877-8339 TTY/ASCH