

City of Colo Newsletter

City Hall Office Hours:
Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – Noon
Other times by appointment

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January/February 2016

Colo Crossroads Festival 2016

July 8, 9 & 10
“Bringing Back Colo Fun Days”

The next committee meeting is January 2nd, 2016 at 8 AM at Niland's Café. We welcome new members and will address all questions and concerns. The following meetings will continue to be the first Saturday of each month at 8 AM at Niland's café including February 6th and March 5th.

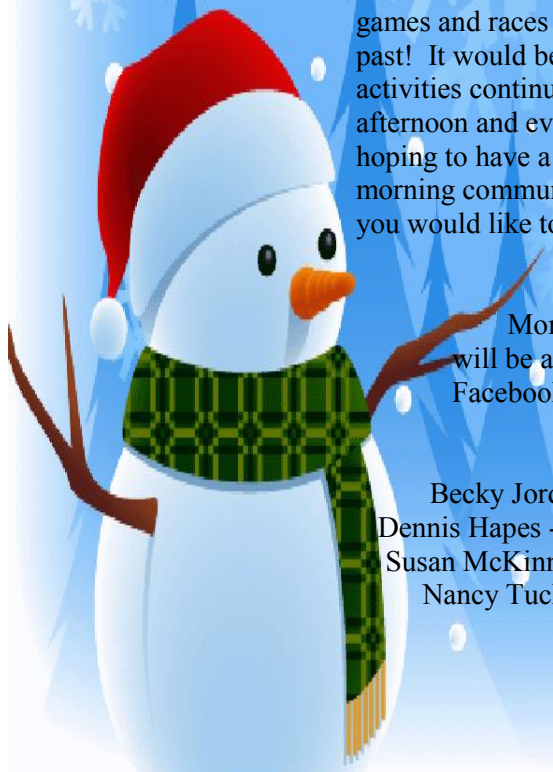
Check out our Facebook page and see our new t-shirt design. The shirts are ready to pre-order @ \$12/each. Please contact Becky Jordan.

We need many volunteers to step up and help. If you would like to see an event happen during the festival weekend please contact us and let us know. Also please let us know if you would be willing to coordinate or help with any activities.

The tentative weekend schedule is falling into place with the Fire Department coordinating all activities on Friday including fun events for the kids and a dinner. Saturday will include the parade and then fun and food in the park.

We would like to include games and races from years past! It would be great if the activities continued into the afternoon and evening. We are hoping to have a Sunday morning community service. If you would like to see it happen, please volunteer. More information will be available on the Facebook page.

Becky Jordan - 377-2756
Dennis Hapes - 515-290-9544
Susan McKinney - 377-2786
Nancy Tucker - 377-3737



Colo Library News

The Colo Public Library is very excited to announce that Elsa will be visiting the library on Friday February 5 at 2:00. Elsa will be reading and singing to us. Also she will help us make a craft and of course lots of pictures!! All ages are welcome to attend and feel free to wear your princess outfit!!
Coffee Corner - The library now has coffee available anytime! Stop by and make a cup of coffee, cappuccino, tea. The coffee is free! Stop in and enjoy a cup of coffee while reading the newspaper or magazine.



The library has coffee cups available for \$5.00



Adult Reading group meets once a month and discusses a book. January 22 the group will discuss the book *Winter Garden* by Kristin Hannah and February 26 the group will discuss *Before You* by Jojo Moyes. The group meets at 2:00. If you are interested please stop by the library for a copy of the book.

Programs at the Colo Public Library



Calm Coloring - Adult Coloring
January 14 & 28 at 6:30 p.m. the library will provide colored pencils, coloring pages. Participants may bring snacks.
Early Out Wednesdays - 3rd grade and older from 3:00 to 5:00, January 6 - *Crazy for Coloring*, February 3 - *Game Day* and March 2 - *Crazy for Crafts*.
K-4 After School Programs on Mondays from 4:00 to 5:00 starting Feb. 8.
Story County Extension Programs for elementary and middle school students starting January 20 from 3:00 to 5:00. Check the library's website <http://www.colo.lib.ia.us> for more information on these programs.

A very special "thank-you" to all of the businesses and organizations that participated in the Festival of Trees at Christmas in Colo and to everyone that came out to cast their vote! Congratulations to Clover Leaf Club for being selected "Mayor's Choice" and to the two organizations that tied for first place,



Colo Fire Department and 4-H Country Pioneers!

Colo United Methodist Church W.O.W

W.O.W. classes will begin again on Wednesday, January 13th. Supper is at 6:00 p.m., classes immediately following, ending at 7:15 p.m. There are classes for all ages! Come join us!



Recycle your old glasses!

There is a box at the Colo Telephone Company for eye glasses you no longer need or use. Please don't throw them away, put them in the recycling box!

Sponsored by the Colo Lions Club.



COLO CARES



Neighbor Helping Neighbor

Colo Cares is a local effort to support families and individuals in our community. We do not accept grant money that obligates us to regulations that may not match the needs here, but we do accept local donations. We are able to quickly move to assist in emergencies and for specific needs, primarily by loaning equipment, volunteering services and networking with area agencies. Colo Cares supports the Colo Food Pantry, Colo Clothing Share, Medical Equipment Loan program, among others.

You are invited to join us in volunteering to assist those in our community. It requires limited time and effort, but does so much for those who ask for help. Being a good neighbor is the only requirement.

Volunteer opportunities:

- *Phoning a local shut-in each week.
- *Clearing snow from walks and cars for a shut-in
- *Changing light bulbs in ceiling fixtures
- *Hauling unwanted items away
- *Clearing broken limbs/branches after storms

In partnership with another local group, we are compiling a list of those with healthcare experience, including nurses, CNA's, paramedics, EMT's, etc., either civilian or military. Licenses do not have to be current. This list would be used in conjunction with local emergency response planning. If you would like to be included on this list, please email at bmcguire25@hotmail.com.

IF EVERYONE DOES A LITTLE, A LOT GETS DONE!



City Snow Ordinance

“No person shall park, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle on Main Street between its intersection with West Street and its intersection with Second Street and on Fourth Street from one hundred fifty feet (150’) North of Main Street to one hundred fifty feet (150’) South of Main Street during any snow emergency proclaimed by the Mayor unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has ceased to fall. A snow emergency parking ban shall continue from its proclamation through the duration of the snow or ice storm and the forty-eight (48) hour period after cessation of such storm except as provided above upon streets which have been fully opened.”

1) No vehicle shall be parked on either side of the above described streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. through 6:00 a.m. during such snow emergency. 2) The proclamation of a snow emergency shall be publicized by the notification of the news media, stating that a snow emergency is in effect and that the regulations set out in this Section shall be enforced. 3) A sign stating these regulations shall be posted in each block of street within the affected area. 4) Any vehicle found parked in violation of this Section shall be impounded and towed away. The towing and storage bill shall be assessed against the owner of said vehicle.

5) This Section and the posting thereof shall not be construed as suspending parking limitations or restrictions imposed by any other Section of this Code.



- ★ End each year with a few good lessons and start the new one by showing that you have learnt the lessons of the past well.
- ★ The new year has brought another chance for us to set things right and to open up a new chapter in our lives.
- ★ The most important thing to remember as we approach 2016 is that it's much better to commit mistakes that can strengthen your character other than playing it safe.
- ★ Don't think of the opportunities that you have missed in the last year. The New Year is an unwritten book, so choose your actions and words wisely and fill it up with pages that are worth reading by the end of the year.
- ★ Leave behind you the old chapters that were filled with pages of worries and begin the New Year with happiness, cheer and smiles.
- ★ Unlike what most people think it is never late to be what you wish to be.
- ★ Courage is integral in the realization of a man's dreams and wishes.

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City Hall will be closed Friday, January 1st to observe New Years Day.

City Council
Meetings



Monday, Jan. 4 – 7:00 p.m.
at City Hall
Monday, Feb. 1 – 7:00 p.m.
at City Hall



Open to the Public



Articles for the
March - April
Newsletter are due
by
February 20th