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NEWSLETTER

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NEW MEMBER: GENO'S ICE CREAM & SUBS



Geno's Ice Cream and Subs has officially opened. Gene Meyer, a native to the area moved to Walcott 3 years ago. After numerous years in the petroleum business and running 7 convenience stores, "I had one more venture left in my lifetime and even though my kids thought I was nuts, this was it" said Gene. Gene, along with contractor Kent Arp, used all local contractors to bring his vision to reality. Gene hopes that this new business will also serve as a catalyst for more new businesses within Walcott. The location of the corner of Main Street and Highway 6 is easily accessible from those in town and those driving by. Geno's will be a great place for local teens to start their work experience. Currently there are 10 employees, but Gene expects that number to rise in the summer.

Geno's Ice Cream and Subs will be open from 10:30am-7:00pm with extended hours in the summer. The menu includes 12 different flavors of Ashby's Ice Cream and Frozen Yogurt which will be changed out seasonally. There are also 18 candy toppers and 4 fresh fruit toppings. Ice cream can be ordered in cups, cake/sugar cones, waffle cones, or a shake/malt. Ashby's Sterling's Ice Cream is produced in Michigan with 14% butterfat ice cream mix, whole nuts, real fruit chunks, rich chocolate, fudge, caramel, and 100% pure vanilla. Ashby's ice cream cannot be bought in grocery stores-only in restaurants or ice cream parlors.

In addition to ice cream, Geno's is also serving food. Sub sandwiches are made to order on 4 kinds of bread- white, wheat, Italian or Garlic Romano. Soups and salads are also available and made fresh daily. The location provides seating for dine-in and a drive thru will open in the spring. Geno's can be reached at 284-7000.

Come check out the newest hot-spot in town!



LIBRARY NEWS

Here we are in the year 2015! Can you believe that fifteen years ago some feared that the world would end when we entered a new century? We've survived many events in those 15 years!

"Snow" will be the theme for the January story time on Saturday, January 24, from 10-11 a.m. We will make Frozen and Star Wars snowflakes, hear stories about snow, and have snow treats. There will be NO preschool story times on Wednesdays because of poor attendance. Instead I would like to read to preschoolers when they visit the library, if time and attention allow. Parents won't have to make a special trip or reschedule naptimes for their little ones. The best day for preschoolers to visit is Friday between 10 and noon. Since the "big kids" are in school, I have more time to read to them and the library is quiet. There are also toys, easy puzzles, and Duplos for them to enjoy.

Since many have probably made the perennial resolution to lose weight and/or get more fit, I will have exercise and diet books on display near the copy machine. I will also have discarded magazines available for free. Lots of books were sold in December, contributing much needed funds for supplies for story times and the summer reading program. We always have books for sale, and we welcome donations to add to our inventory. Drop in to see what we have, and drop off what books, magazines, DVDs, and CDs you no longer want.

The Book Club will meet on Monday, January 5, from 7-8 p.m. at the library to discuss *The Postmistress* by Sarah Blake and *Loving Frank* by Nancy Horan, and to share recent reads. Future book club meetings will be on the first Monday of each month. Everyone is invited and can pick up the chosen books at the library three weeks prior to the meeting. Participants can also choose their own books and review them for the group.

The Scott County Library recently published its Staff Picks for 2014, in which staff members of the six branches shared their favorite books, DVDs, and CDs. Included in the list of recommended adult fiction books were *The Doomsday Key* (James Rollins), *The Husband's Secret* (Liane Moriarty), *The Aviator's Wife* (Melanie Benjamin), *The Pilot's Wife* (Anita Shreve), *Green Rider* (Kristen Britain), and *Undetected* (Dee Henderson). Stop in and order these, or stop in to see the entire list. Regardless, STOP IN; make visiting the library a new habit in 2015.

The Scott County Library System's Eldridge

Branch is excited to be a stop on Chad Elliott's One Horse Town Tour! All ages are invited to a special concert and book signing featuring the musician, storyteller, and recently published children's author on Monday, January 5th at 6pm. Elliott's folk and blues musical style has earned him numerous awards and honors and his new children's book "Wilderman's Treetop Tales" includes songs and illustrations that families are sure to love! His work can be found at chadelliott.net.

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SNOW REMOVAL & PARKING REMINDER

The Public Works Department would appreciate your cooperation in not parking vehicles on the streets during a snowfall. If it is necessary to use street parking, City Staff encourages you to adhere to the following Snow Emergency Parking Regulations during all snowfalls:

- All vehicles and equipment shall be parked on the side with even addresses on even numbered calendar days and on the side with odd numbered addresses on odd numbered calendar days.
- If a snow emergency is declared, vehicles and/or equipment may be towed if they are parked in violation of the snow emergency parking regulations.

Residents are reminded that it is the property owner's responsibility to remove snow and ice accumulations promptly from sidewalks. Please make arrangements to have your sidewalks maintained at all times and remember that is illegal to shovel or blow snow onto city streets. Your cooperation is appreciated!

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WALCOTT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

November 2014 Calls

EMS	17
MVC	1
Fire	4
Other	8

TOTAL CALLS

326



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The 2015 recycling calendars for City of Walcott garbage & recycling customers were mailed with the December bills. Extra calendars are available at City Hall.

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SHELTER RESERVATIONS

Shelter and gazebo reservations may be made by contacting City Hall at 563.284.6571 ext. 10 starting February 2nd. Reservations will become effective when the completed reservation form and the non-refundable fee of \$35 are remitted to the City Clerk's office. Unreserved shelters will still be available to be enjoyed by the general public on a first come, first served basis.

WALCOTT SCHOOL NEWS

Happy New Year to our Walcott Panther Family! We hope that many blessings will find you in 2015. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

Our boys basketball season will begin with our first game on January 20th, so be sure to make it out to Walcott for some exciting "hoops" this year. Let's cheer our Panthers on to victory!!!!

Be sure to take a look at our new web site on the Davenport Community School District web page (davenportschools.org). Click on "Our Schools", then hi-light "School Web Sites" and then click on Walcott Elementary or Intermediate. You will be able to see our calendar of events there.

Don't forget - Every Wednesday is a one hour early dismissal at 2:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Rockin' Robyn Stender

Walcott School Secretary



Sweetheart Steak Dinner/Dance

February 7, 2015, Walcott Coliseum

6:00pm Dinner

8:00 pm Dance with Music by "North of 40"

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Pancakes**Scrambled Eggs**Sausage Homemade
Syrup**Potatoes Cinnamon Rolls**Biscuits & Gravy
Juice**Milk**Coffee

Adults: \$7 Children 4-12: \$3.50 Under 4: FREE

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Walcott Lions Club ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT

January 31, 2015

7:00pm

Doors open @ 6:00pm

Walcott Coliseum

\$10 per person or \$80 per table

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CALVARY NEWS

CARILLON CHIMES

By now, you should have heard the beautiful Carillon Chimes that play at 9 a.m., 12 noon and again at 6p.m. from Calvary United Methodist Church. Please know that these chimes have been provided in loving memory of Dr. Ken Wilcke by Judy Wilcke and their church family. We hope you continue to enjoy this memorable gift.

CALVARY KIDS CLUB

Calvary Kids' Club will be resuming their after school program on Wednesday, January 7th. Times are 3:45 to 6:45 p.m. Calvary Kids' Club provides an unparalleled vehicle for Christian Education during the weekday hours. It is not a substitute for, or a replacement of, standard programs of Christian Education such as Sunday School, Youth Fellowship, or Vacation Bible School. Rather, it is another area of Christian Education and a strong supplement to already existing programs, which are enhanced, expanded and improved through the contribution made by the Kids' Club program. The program consists of a Bible study, activity time, music and a dinner hour. Fees are \$30 for the first child and \$20 for each additional sibling. Scholarships are available. We look forward to working with your children. What a blessing they are to our church and church family. You can call the office at 284-6213 for registration or further information.

Walcott CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE

Join us Monday, January 12th
12:30 pm at City Hall.

SAVE THE DATE!!

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST
QUARTER AUCTION**

Where: **Walcott American Legion**
(121 Bryant Street)
Time: **Doors open to view
baskets/items at 1:00 pm**
(Auction begins at 2:00 pm)

**** Items will range from \$10 to over \$100 retail ****

- 1 quarter bid – item value \$10.00 to \$20.00
- 2 quarter bid – item value \$21.00 to \$40.00
- 3 quarter bid – item value \$41.00 to \$60.00
- 4 quarter bid – item value \$61.00 and up

How to play:

Bid on quality items with one to four quarters (depending on the retail value). Once all bids are placed, a randomly chosen number is called. If the person with that numbered paddle has placed a bid, he or she wins the item! Numbers will continue to be drawn until there is a winner. Bids are collected before each item drawing. You might go home with a quality basket of items for as little as a quarter!!



Please join us for a day of fun and friends! Our non-profit organization hosts many of our community events such as our Easter Egg Hunt, Halloween Parade/Supper, Breakfast with Santa and our Winter Warmth Program. We support and donate to Donuts to Welcome Teachers, Walcott Fire Department, Race for the Cure, West and Durant Post Proms, Walcott School events and many more!



Walcott Women's
**QUARTER
AUCTION!**



PADDLES:
\$3.00 for 1
or
\$5.00 for 2
Don't forget to bring your
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Soup, snacks and
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**CONTACT
INFORMATION**

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Walcott American Legion Post 548
ROAST BEEF SUPPER

Friday, January 23, 2015

Serving 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Cost - \$10.00 in advance, \$11.00 at the door

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DECEMBER 15, 2014 MINUTES

The semi-monthly meeting of the City Council of Walcott, Iowa, was held on Monday, the 15th day of December, 2014, at Walcott City Hall. Mayor John Kostichek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were: Virgil Wayne Latimer, Lisa Mengler, Jackie Puck, and Jacob Puck. Absent: Tim Koehler. City employees present: Jeff Blake, Josh Geigle, Lisa Rickertsen, and Tom Schirman.

Jackie Puck moved and Mengler seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda. Latimer moved and Jacob Puck seconded to approve the consent agenda including the invoices, minutes from December 1, 2014, and the November 2014 financial reports. Motion carried.

Introduction of Audience. Karla Burt, William Belz, Joe Hahn, and Donna Housley.

Vision Committee. Karla Burt was present on behalf of the Vision Committee to discuss approaching the Walcott School about having a liaison and exploring development of a group to provide assistance, when practical to the school. The school is important to the community and Mayor Kostichek stated he is proud of our local school and supports good communications. Jackie Puck moved and Mengler seconded to have a Vision Committee representative, Karla Burt, be a liaison between the Walcott School and City. Motion carried.

Police Department Report. Chief Blake reported the department will be receiving grant funds to purchase body cameras. He will prepare a project worksheet for a future meeting, following an official grant announcement. Burt stated she appreciated the service from the Police Department during a recent business break-in at her property. Housley questioned the procedure when observing a suspected pit bull. Chief Blake stated residents should call the Police Department when the dog is out so he can see it. Residents may also contact the Scott County non-emergency number, 388-3904, and they can dispatch a Walcott Officer if one is on duty.

Property at 1113 N. Main Street. Rickertsen stated the Realtor called and questioned if the City would be interested in leasing the city-owned building at 1113 N. Main Street for one year. Discussion was held that the objective is to sell the building. Mengler moved and Latimer seconded to not lease the building. Motion carried.

W. Bryant Street Project – Request for Early Release of

Retainage. City Engineer, Jon White, sent a letter regarding the request from the W. Bryant Street Project contractor, NJ Miller, Inc., to have a portion of the currently retained funds released. The project is substantially complete and the remaining project items, which include top soiling, seeding, and mulching, will be completed in the spring. Attorney Schirman discussed the steps as outlined in the Iowa Code for such requests. Council had no objections to the request and directed Rickertsen to notify the City Engineer to proceed with the request process.

Appointments by Mayor. Mayor Kostichek reappointed Danielle Blake to the Park Board for a five year term ending 12/31/19. Jacob Puck moved and Mengler seconded to approve the Mayor's appointment. Motion carried.

Appointments by Council. Jackie Puck moved and Mengler seconded to reappoint Lon Warnecke to the Planning & Zoning Commission, term ending 12/31/19. Motion carried. Jackie Puck moved and Mengler seconded to reappoint Kristal Koberg-Schaefer to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, term ending 12/31/19. Motion carried.

Fire Department Report. Chief Geigle reported only one bid was received for the 1987 Ford Pumper Truck. Chief Geigle opened the bid during the meeting and stated it was from JDN Investments Inc. in the amount of \$5,000. He reported he had not received further communication from the Midwest Center for Public Safety Training (MCPST), who earlier inquired about the City donating the truck in return for free training at the center for the Fire Department. Geigle and Hahn both stated it could take years to use up free training, if that option was even still available. Following further discussion, Jackie Puck moved and Mengler seconded to proceed with selling the 1987 Ford Pumper Truck to JDN Investments for \$5,000. Motion carried. The transfer of ownership will take place after the new truck has been delivered and is in service. Geigle stated the new truck should be delivered in January.

Attorney's Report. Schirman reported on the email received from a resident regarding Resolution 2014-36 that was approved by City Council on November 3rd. Discussion ensued and the City deems that the policy is permitted within the Iowa Code to limit dangerous weapons on city owned property.

Mayor's Report. Mayor Kostichek thanked the City Council, departments, committees, and public for working together throughout the year to improve the image of the community.

Questions/Concerns. William Belz presented a petition, with forty signatures, to un-ban pitbull type dogs.

Jackie Puck moved and Latimer seconded to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. Motion carried. All votes on motions were unanimous, unless noted.



January 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
EVERY SUNDAY: <i>Calvary Church:</i> 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Service	<i>First Baptist Church:</i> 10am Worship Service	BBB = Boys Basketball		1 2pm Barefoot Becky @ Coliseum New Year's Day	2	3
4	5 6pm City Council Meeting	6 2nd Semester Classes Begin 9am <i>Community Coffee @ Courtyard</i> 6:30pm Sheephead @ Courtyard	7 2pm Bingo @ Courtyard	8 7pm Beauchamp @ Coliseum	9 7pm Beauchamp @ Coliseum	10
11 1:00pm Becky @ Coliseum	12 4 pm-PTA Meeting in the IMC	13 7pm Dominoes @Courtyard	14 1:15pm 500 @ Courtyard 5:30pm <i>Park Board Mt</i> 6pm Bingo @ Courtyard	15	16	17
18	19 NO SCHOOL 6pm <i>City Council Meeting</i> Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20 4:30 pm-7BBB @ Wood, 8BBB @ Walcott	21 2pm Bingo @ Courtyard	22 4:30 pm-7BBB @ Walcott, 8BBB @ Smart	23 5pm Dinner @ Legion 7pm <i>Lost Country Dancers @ Coliseum</i>	24
25	26 4 pm -7BBB @ Bettendorf, 4:30 p.m. 8BBB @ Walcott	27	28 1:15pm 500 @ Courtyard 6pm <i>Bingo @ Courtyard</i>	29 4 pm-8BBB @ North Scott, 4:30 p.m. 7BBB @ Walcott	30 PCN—Intermediate Night @ YMCA—Time TBD	31 7pm Trivia for Lions @Coliseum

Chamber members may submit articles by the 15th of each month to be included in the next chamber newsletter. Articles written may be edited or reduced as space provides. Contact Kris Burt at 284-9028 or email at cwkkburt@msn.com.

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