

CITY OF UNDERWOOD

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- **Golf Carts and Grass Clippings**

Reminders of registering your golf cart and information about storm sewer

- **Photography Contest**

3 age groups: 6-12, 13-18, 19+
Keep reading for more information!

- **4th of July Events**

UMBA has updated information on 4th of July events - Parade starts at 10:30 a.m.

- **Monday Markets**

Join Friends of Underwood for various themes each Monday beginning 6/19

- **City Updates**

Phase 1 of the Trail through Underwood

- **Fire Station Mural 2023**

Friends of Underwood project of an outside wall mural at Fire Station



WOODMEN LIFE - CHAPTER 6011 DONATION OF US AND IOWA FLAGS

PICTURED L TO R: TRACEY LANDEN,
TERESA HOFFMAN, (WOODMEN LIFE) AND
MAYOR DENNIS BARDSLEY

Woodmen Life donated 21-United States Flags and 4-State of Iowa Flags to the City for use throughout the year. We appreciate their support.

If you see them, please thank them for their generosity!

2ND ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Take part in this contest for
a chance to win 1st prize in your
age category!

This contest is open to all
citizens who have an
Underwood address or go to
school at Underwood
Community Schools.

There are 3 age categories:
6-12, 13-18, 19+.



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MIDWEST, BUILDING
INSPECTOR

Please go to the city website at underwoodia.com
and click on INFORMATION photography page for
all details on the contest or keep reading.

NEWS, REMINDERS, PROJECTS

The new street signs just arrived. This is a sample of what the new street signs look like.

We hope to have them installed for the 4th of July.



REMINDERS

GOLF CARTS

Golf cart licensing and inspections are now due. Register and get your golf cart inspected.

Fee is \$25.00 for 2023.

Law Enforcement can pull you over and potentially issue a ticket if registration is not provided.

GRASS CLIPPINGS DON'T BELONG IN THE STREET

Ordinance 135.03 PLACING DEBRIS ON

It is unlawful for any person to throw or deposit on any street or alley any glass, glass bottle, nails, tacks, wire, cans, trash, garbage, rubbish, litter, offal, leaves, grass or any other debris likely to be washed into the storm sewer and clog the storm sewer, or any substance likely to injury any person, animal or vehicle. (Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.369)

The City does not have a dump. It is not allowed to place them in the North Street Ditch, nor North Street to Milwaukee, nor Charles Drive. This clogs the storm sewers.

Thank you for your support!

Underwood is going GREEN. Help us by contacting City Hall to provide your email address for Sewer-Garbage Billing and for the newsletter. The newsletter is only emailed now.



Trails Project

Pottawattamie County Board of Supervisors approved City's request to include Phase 1 of the Underwood Trail for the forgivable loan given to the City.

At the June regular meeting, City Council approved the ARPA funds for Phase 1 of the Trails from North Street to 4th Street along Railroad Highway in the Right of Way.

Design of the Trail will be completed by Engineering Firm, Snyder and Associates, out of Atlantic, Iowa.

*Yard Tags and Bags
are available at City Hall.*

***Please remember to pick up after
your pets when out walking them.
Take your dog's poo bag with you
and not leave it on neighbors
lawn or sidewalk.***

***There have been multiple
complaints recently.***

UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

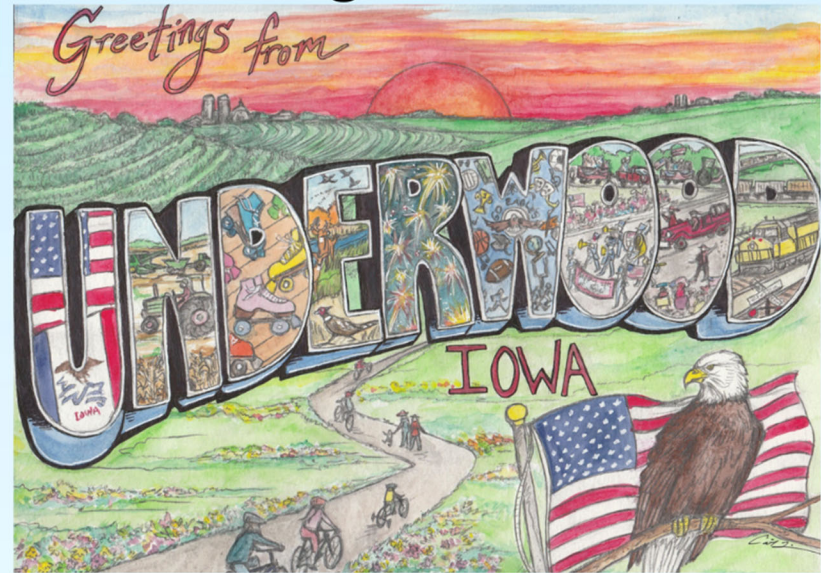


UNDERWOOD'S MONDAY MARKET

UMBA HALL PAVILLION
300 2nd Ave, Underwood, IA 51576
6 pm - 7:30 pm

JUN 19: SUMMER ROCKS
JUN 26: BINGO
JUL 10: CAR SHOW
JUL 17: CHRISTMAS IN JULY
JUL 24: BUBBLES AND BALLOONS
JUL 31: FLORAL FUN
AUG 7: SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES
AUG 14: PIE NIGHT
AUG 21: SCHOOL APPRECIATION NIGHT
AUG 28: CANVAS PAINTING
SEPT 11: SALUTE TO VETERANS

Friends of Underwood initiated this Fire Station Mural and worked with Cait Irwin, Artist, who was commissioned to design the mural.



Thanks to
Friends of Underwood,
community and business
members, volunteers, public
works staff, and vendors, for
making Junkwood 2023
awesome!

THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF WESTERN IOWA ANNOUNCED A \$2,000.00 GRANT AWARDED FOR THE FIRE STATION MURAL

THE PROJECT IS SPEARHEADED BY THE FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD.

THANKS TO FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD MEMBERS FOR THIS GREAT PROJECT!

- THE CITY OF UNDERWOOD IS THE GRANTEE AND FISCAL MANAGER OF THE GRANT FUNDS, AS FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD IS NOT A 501 (C) (3) ORGANIZATION.
- CITY COUNCIL APPROVED THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF WESTERN IOWA GRANT COMMUNITY ACT AGREEMENT ON JUNE 13, 2023.

FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD IS LOOKING TO RAISE AN ADDITIONAL \$8,000.00 FOR THE MURAL WHICH WILL BE LOCATED ON THE WESTERN EXTERIOR WALL OF THE FIRE STATION.

DONATIONS MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT CITY HALL OR FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD EVENTS, INCLUDING MONDAY MARKETS.

UNDERWOOD

BUILDING PERMITS

WHAT REQUIRES A PERMIT?

- One & Two Family Dwelling (including Multi Family Dwellings):
- New Structure
- Addition
- Decks (30 or more inches above grade)
- Accessory Structure over 120 square feet.
- Interior Work: Residential
- Finish Uncompleted Existing Area
- Some remodels: call for information

Commercial Building Permit

- New Structure
- Addition
- Remodel
- Accessory Structure
- Tenant Improvement

Swimming Pools

Permit Required for swimming pools.

Enclosure Required: Pools must be completely surrounded by a fence or wall not less than 54 inches in height and at least four feet from each side of the pool.

This is applicable to all types of swimming pools, whether permanent, temporary, or movable in nature, provided said pool is more than twenty-four inches in depth.

Exterior Renovation Permit

- Re-roof: if removing sheathing
- Re-siding
- Window Replacement: if changing size of window
- Electrical Permit: Residential and Commercial

Mechanical Permit:

Commercial and Residential

Plumbing Permit:

Commercial and Residential

Swimming Pool & Spa Permits

Demolition Permit

Fence & Wall Permit

Please obtain a permit before building, remodeling, or replacing an item. The building department will determine if a permit is needed for your project. It takes 5-7 business days for review.

SUMP PUMPS

It is prohibited to connect a roof downspout, sump pump, exterior foundation drain, areaway drain, or other source of surface run-off or groundwater to a building sewer or building drain which in turn is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer.

This is called infiltration into our sewer system, which we must lower.

2ND ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Sponsored by City Council and
JDW Midwest, Building Inspector

Here's the scoop: We are looking for unique color photographs that represent the beauty and wonder of life in our beautiful town. Photos must be taken within Underwood addresses.

What's next? If any of your photos are selected by the judging committee, you will have your name listed along with your photograph on the 2023 website.

PRIZES

First Place Winners will receive a monetary award. Age is determined as of 7/31/2023.

Age 6-12 - 1st prize \$50

Age 13-18 - 1st prize \$75

Age 19+ - 1st prize \$125

ELIGIBILITY/AGE CATEGORIES <<<

This contest is open to all citizens who have an Underwood address or go to school at Underwood Community Schools.

There are 3 age categories:
6-12, 13-18, 19+.

Entry Agreement/ <<< Photography Release Form

Mandatory completion of the Entry Agreement /Photography Release form found on Underwood's website.

When Winners are Announced

Announcing winners near Labor Day. No submissions will be returned.

*WE USE EMAIL TO COMMUNICATE THE OUTCOME OF THE CONTEST. IT IS CRITICAL FOR YOU TO PROVIDE US WITH AN EMAIL ADDRESS.

Do you have some amazing photos of our area? Would you like to see them featured in the 2023-2024 City of Underwood website?

>>> SUBMISSION INFORMATION

How do I submit photos for consideration?

If you would like to have your photos considered for inclusion, here is what you need to do:

Provide a disk or thumb drive or email high resolution (300 dpi) electronic files (either .jpg or .tif) of the photos.

Please include the location and a name of the photo, if applicable.

Make certain that you provide contact information: including name, phone number and email address* along with your disc or thumb drive AND on the outside of your envelope, if mailed.

If submitting via email, please put in the subject: "2023 Photography Contest."

Submit disk in an envelope or some other type of container and make sure your name is prominently and legibly displayed on the outside, as well as the age group.

DON'T FORGET THE RELEASE FORM!

>>> Submission Deadline and Info

Submissions must be RECEIVED in our office by 2:00 p.m. on Monday, August 7.

Postmarks do not qualify and late entries will not be accepted. Some winning photos may have to be cropped in order to fit with a specific use.

You are welcome to email, mail or drop your digital photographs to City Hall.

City of Underwood, 241 Third Street, PO Box 40, Underwood, IA 51576 or email to: underwoodclerk@walnutel.net

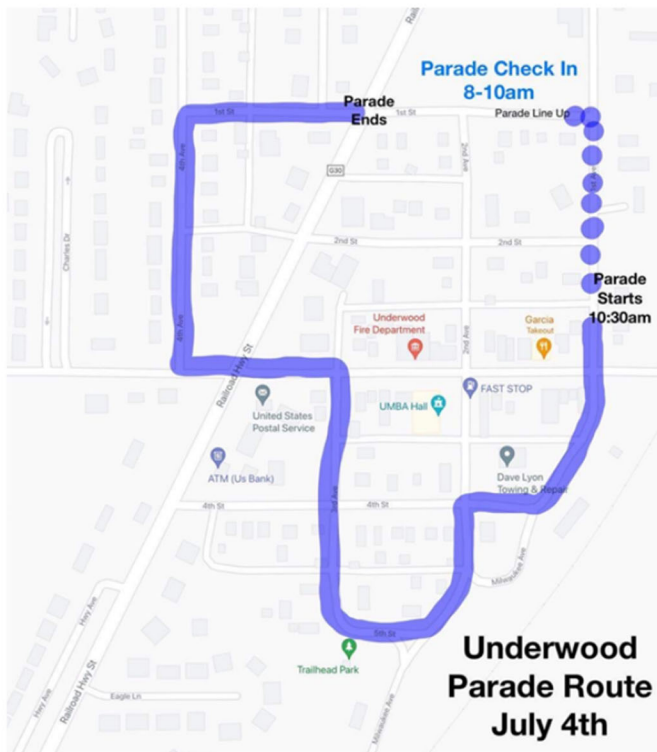
FOURTH OF JULY Hosted by UMBA

Registration for the parade is on July 4th by the school buses on 1st Street (old high school) starting at 8AM. The earlier, the better!

Pottawattamie County Corn Growers will be checking everyone in that morning, so be sure to join us for one of the BEST traditions!

THEME: Underwood Iowa 4th of July

Uniting the Community in Celebration for Generations!



Runderwood - 2023
DONUT DASH
Starts at 7:30 a.m.



See next page for the 4th of July flyer.

Check out UMBA Hall website and/or Facebook page for more information.

Underwood, IA

July 4th, 2023

UNITING THE COMMUNITY IN CELEBRATION FOR GENERATIONS



7 am

10th Annual Underwood 5K Walk/Run

Registration starts at 7am, Walk/Run starts at 7:30am. Sign up before race day in order to guarantee your t-shirt. Donuts by Sasshole.

Register online at www.umbahall.com. Register by June 20th.



7-10 am

Bloody Mary Recovery Tent

Beer Garden Pavillion. Sponsored by: UMBA

Pancake Breakfast

Proceeds benefit the Junior class post prom.

10:30 am

Parade

Organized by Iowa Corn Growers Assn. Registration for the parade is on July 4th by the school buses on 1st Street, starting at 8am. The earlier, the better!

After PARADE

Food

- until 3 pm

Tilly's BBQ, Ohana, Sasshole,
Rolling Cravings, Cotton Candy
& Food Inside UMBA Hall

Carnival

- until 3 pm

Proceeds benefit:
Underwood Student Groups

Silent Auction

Sponsored by: The Underwood
Band Program

- until 3 pm

Inside UMBA Hall
Pick up items by 4pm

Bingo

- until 5 pm

Inside UMBA Hall

11 am

Beer Garden

Featuring ice cold beer & margaritas! Cash bar. Proceeds to support next years 4th of July celebration. All TIPS go to the Underwood Elementary Baseball/ Softball Field Project.

1 pm

Bean Bag Tournament

Located on basketball court. To register contact Reggie Ross: (515) 288-0951

2 pm

Co-Ed Kickball Tournament

Located on Elementary School Baseball Fields. To register contact James: (402) 676-1356

Price per team is \$50 16 & Under. Price per teams \$100 17+. Prizes include cash & giftcards. Proceeds to support NYMPA (Non Profit for Youth Mental and Physical Amelioration)

Due to the rising cost of FIREWORKS and our usual local partnership being fully booked for this year's celebration, we have made the decision to adjust our plans. Instead of organizing a dedicated fireworks show, we kindly ask you to join in watching the various displays happening throughout the neighborhood. We understand that this change may come as a surprise, but we believe it presents an opportunity for our community to come together and appreciate the fireworks shows organized by our neighbors. We will take this year as an opportunity to evaluate and potentially enhance our fireworks display for future celebrations. Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to your continued support in the future.

EVENT IS ORGANIZED BY THE UMBA BOARD. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JEREMY: (712) 269-8255

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NEWS AND GENERAL

*Special Thank
you to
Metropolitan
Area Planning
Agency
(MAPA) for
their
contribution!*

MAPA took the video footage of our community in late May 2023, completed the video and provided it to the City on June 15, 2023.

The video can be found on the underwoodia.com website on the Home page, as well as the tab category - City Video.

Check out this link to watch it as well.

<https://youtu.be/no-b4u3UStE>

City Council

Mayor - Dennis

Bardsley

Bob Dose

Jim Pingel

JW Tiarks

Josh Madsen

Royce Forbush



We would like to thank Public Works staff, Dave Powell and Justen Tooley, for all the work they have completed on keeping the roads patched and cleaned, the cemetery for looking pristine, and keeping the parks looking good!



CITY ELECTION November 7, 2023

- Candidate packets are available at City Hall, 241 Third Street, Underwood
- August 28, 2023 - First Day to file nomination papers
- September 21, 2023 - Last Day to file nomination papers
- Minimum of Ten (10) signatures needed for candidate

Nomination papers delivered to:

Underwood City Hall, 241 Third Street, Underwood, Iowa
No Later than 5 p.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2023
Contact City Hall for more information at 712-566-2373

The Pottawattamie County Auditor, Melvyn Houser, designated Underwood's City Clerk as The Filing Officer for the city election.

Packets Include:

- Candidate's Guide to City Elections
- State of Iowa Affidavit of Candidacy completed and notarized
- State of Iowa Nomination Petition for Non-Partisan Office