CITY OF UNDERWOOD NEWSLETTER

UNDERWOOD FIRE & RESCUE
ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST
SUNDAY 4/14/24 FROM 7 AM - NOON

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CITY COUNCIL

Mayor - Dennis Bardsley
Mayor Pro Tem - Jim Pingel
Council Member - JW Tiarks
Council Member - Josh Madsen
Council Member - Jodi Bose
Council Member - Kelle Erwin
Regular Council meetings held the
second Tuesdays of the month at 6 p.m.
unless otherwise posted.

Underwood City Hall, 241 Third Street, PO Box 40, Underwood Phone (712) 566-2373 Fax (712) 566-2083 CITY WIDE

GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY JUNE 1, 2024

THE CITY WILL
ADVERTISE ONE WEEK
AHEAD OF TIME IN THE
COUNCIL BLUFFS
NONPAREIL.

UNDERWOOD FIRE & RESCUE

ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



WHEN: SUN 4/14/24 TIME: 7AM - 12PM



WHERE: UNDERWOOD FIRE STATION

WHAT: ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, COFFEE AND MORE!

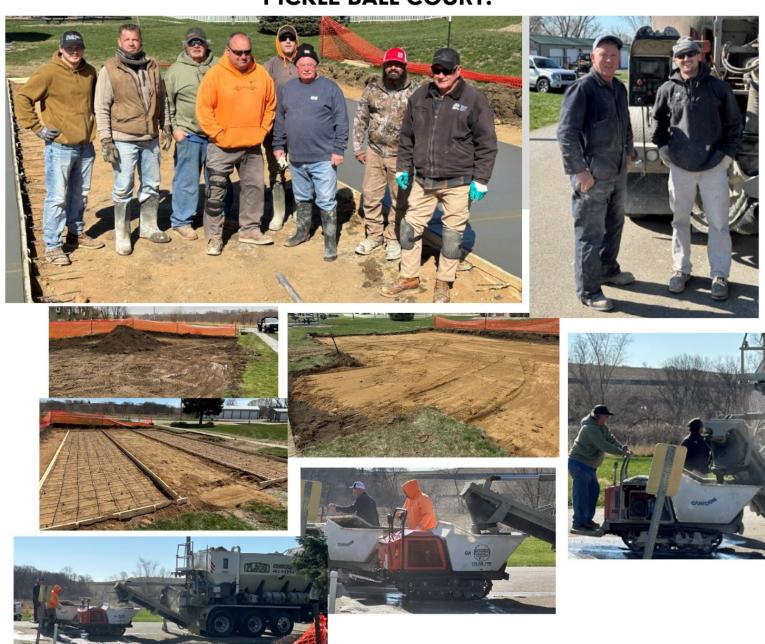
FREE WILL DONATION





PICKLEBALL COURT UPDATE AT TRAILHEAD PARK

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Mayor Dennis Bardsley Proclamation April as Fair Housing Month



Picture left to right: Council Members JW Tiarks, Jim Pingel, Mayor Dennis Bardsley, Council Members Kelle Erwin, Jodi Bose, Josh Madsen. Row 2 Left to Right: Realtors Nikki Woods, Shelly Jager, Karla Larsen.

On Tuesday, April 9, 2024, Mayor Dennis Bardsley proclaimed April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Underwood.

Joined by representatives from the Southwest Iowa Association of Realtors was Nikki Woods, Karla Larsen and Shelly Jager.

This year, we commemorate the 56th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, the landmark civil rights law signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson on April 11, 1968, that made discrimination in housing transactions unlawful. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing because of race, color national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, and familial status.

City of Anderwood Iowa

Office of the Mayor PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS April 2024 marks the 56th anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, commonly known as the Federal Fair Housing Act, which enshrined into federal law the goal of eliminating racial segregation and ending housing discrimination in the United States; and

WHEREAS housing is a human right and affording a home is part of the American Dream; and

WHEREAS equal opportunity for all to buy and rent a home without regard to race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin- is a fundamental goal of our nation, state, and municipalities: and

WHEREAS our social fabric, the economy, health, and environment are strengthened in diverse, inclusive communities; and

WHEREAS as we recognize Fair Housing Month, it is timely that we reflect on the importance in

to fair housing be removed; and

communities, states, and the nation to affirm civil rights and oppose discrimination; and WHEREAS only through continued cooperation, commitment and support of all Iowans can barriers

WHEREAS Underwood is committed to the mission and intent of the Fair Housing Act to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all; and

WHEREAS the local government of Underwood supports the education of homebuyers and sellers, REALTORS®, landlords, property managers and tenants regarding their rights and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS Underwood recognizes the need to affirmatively promote fair housing in its policies and practices, and will continue to work to identify and remove impediments to fair housing

NOW THEREFORE, I, Dennis Bardsley, Mayor of the City of Underwood, do hereby proclaim April 2024, as

Fair Housing Month

in the city of Underwood, Iowa, and urge all citizens to take due notice of the observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Underwood, Iowa, to be affixed this 9th day of April, in the year Two Thousand Twenty-Four.

Dennis C Bardoly
Dennis Bardsley, Mayor

YARD WASTE PROGRAM GUIDELINES

SERVICES:

Curbside Yard Waste Service Dates: April 1-October 31, 2024

Yard waste will be picked up the same days as recycling. (Yard waste must be at the curb the night before.)

Recycling calendar in newsletter or go to www.underwoodia.com

YARD WASTE BAGS OR YARD WASTE TAGS

- Yard waste must be placed securely inside biodegradable yard waste bags. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be accepted.
- Bags must not weigh more than 40 pounds.
- Branches and brush must be placed in yard waste bags.
- Branches must be 2 inches in diameter or less. Bundles must not be more than 4 feet long and must not weigh more than 40 pounds.



YARD WASTE IS DEFINED:

Grass, Leaves, Garden Waste, Twigs, Brush, and Branches 2 inches or smaller in diameter.

UNACCEPTABLE MATERIAL:

Litter, Trash, Garbage Street Sweepings, Sand

Kitty Litter, Pet Manure

Any of the above items co-mingled with yard waste

Un-bagged or unbundled items -Bags/ Bundles in excess of 40 pounds

Bundles over 4 feet in length / Branches over 2 inches in diameter

WHAT TO USE

You may choose to purchase "IWS" bags or bags of your choice. If you choose to purchase your own bags they MUST have an "IWS" tag on them.

Bags may be purchased for \$11.25 per bundle of five

Tags may be purchased for \$8.75 per bundle of five

Bags and Tags may be purchased at CITY HALL.

BUILDING PERMITS

NEW - 2024: There are multiple ways to submit a building permit. 1) In person 2) Online 3) Email Located at underwoodia.com, click on Forms/Permits. You can either a) arrive at city hall to get a paper permit application to complete; b) download a .pdf, print it out and complete; or c) on a computer you can access a fillable permit application, save to your computer and submit via email or via Front Desk.

**You can also submit via Front Desk and pay online: complete the permit application for your project, sign into Front Desk (if you have an account or create one). Select Forms on the left, select building permit, complete brief questions, upload your completed permit application. Upload drawings and additional information. Press submit. Please include your parcel number on the permit application. Once it is approved, an invoice will be submitted via Front Desk so you can pay online. (Service fees apply.)

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.

GRASS CLIPPINGS DON'T BELONG ON 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!

GOLF CARTS

GOLF CART LICENSING AND INSPECTIONS

NOW DUE.

PEGISTER AND GET YOUR GOLF CART

REGISTER AND GET YOUR GOLF CART INSPECTED WITH THE CITY.
FEE IS \$25.00 FOR 2024.

SPRING HAS ARRIVED

- When walking with your dogs, please pick up after your pup.
- Please do not leave your dog's "poo" on city streets, right of ways, the parks, sidewalks, or fellow neighbors properties.
- Remember to take a plastic bag with you to transport it back home.
- There is a city ordinance, please follow it out of respect for fellow citizens! Thank you!

CONTACT CITY HALL WITH YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS TO RECEIVE NEWSLETTERS.

GARBAGE PICK UP INFORMATION

Garbage pickup is every Wednesday by 4 AM unless a holiday falls on that Wednesday.

Please set your garbage out the night before. All garbage must be bagged and placed in a city distributed garbage can.

Please do not park in front of the cans or too close to them. The garbage truck needs space to retrieve the can.

Please make sure your can is facing the street with the push bar towards the house.

Sewer-Garbage Bills due the 20th of each month.

ANIMAL CONTROL

The City of Underwood contracts with the Pottawattamie County for Animal Control Services. Their officers are trained to handle animal control issues.

If you have a complaint or concern, please contact:
Animal Control Hotline at
(712) 366-1143.

FISHER CEMETERY

The caretakers of Fisher Cemetery, City of Underwood, are looking for any living relatives related to the Sharp Family.

Next to each photograph shows the name inscripted on the headstone. If you know someone related, please have them contact City Hall at 712-566-2373 or email to underwood@walnutel.net.



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William L. 1892-1907 Mabel 14 yrs Daniel 1843-1912 Alice 1848-1922 S. Belle 1870-1949 John H. 1870-1932 Lola Belle 1898-1922

L. Dale 1929 Alta 1893-1967 Leroy T. 1896-1948





May 19-25 marks the 50th anniversary of National EMS Week.

It's a time to show our gratitude toward EMTs and paramedics who provide lifesaving care across the nation every day.

Thank you to all of the Underwood Volunteer Firefighters and Rescue Members!



Check out Iowa's be aware website it covers family preparedness, disasters and emergencies, warning sirens and more! https://ready.iowa.gov/be-aware/

ALERT IOWA WAYS TO SIGN UP

WEBSITE HTTPS://PCEMAIA.ORG/
(CAN ACCESS ALERT
IOWA AT THE HOME
PAGE)

ALERT IOWA (DIRECT)
HTTPS://PCEMAIA.ORG/ALERT-IOWA

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 14 ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST 7 AM TO NOON AT FIRE STATION

HOSTED BY UNDERWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE

MAY 19-25 50TH ANNIVERSARY - EMS WEEK

MONDAY, MAY 27 MEMORIAL DAY - CITY HALL CLOSED

SATURDAY, JUNE 1 CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 JUNKWOOD HOSTED BY FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD

FRIDAY, JUNE 14 FLAG DAY

MONDAY, JUNE 17 TBD START OF MONDAY MARKETS HOSTED BY

FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD

NEW - 2024

FILLABLE APPLICATIONS
(Available only on computers)

**Located at the city website

www.underwoodia.com**

<Forms/Permits>

<u>Scroll down</u> below Permit Information and Permit Applications

- Application for City Council Agenda (Regular Council meetings held the 2nd Tuesdays of the month, unless posted differently. - Applications must be received by the Wednesday BEFORE the council meeting at noon.
- Golf Cart Registration
- Fire/Rescue Volunteer Member
- Fire/Rescue Applicant Questionnaire
- Maintenance Request Form
- Peddler License Form (Transient Merchant - Door to Door Solicitors)
- Underwood Sewer and Garbage Application

FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD IS LOOKING FOR FOOD VENDORS FOR MONDAY MARKETS THAT WILL BEGIN IN JUNE.

IF INTERESTED, CONTACT SANDY REDSHAW AT 712-310-2151.

DON'T FORGET TO MARK YOUR
CALENDAR FOR
JUNKWOOD

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024. SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF UNDERWOOD.

VENDOR APPLICATIONS FOUND ON UNDERWOODIA.COM WEBSITE.

SELECT THE JUNKWOOD 2024 TAB OR SCROLL TO END OF NEWSLETTER

2024 City of Underwood Recycling Calendar

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APRIL

EARTH MONTH WITH EARTH DAY ON APRIL 22

- Earth Day was started by Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson in 1970 to promote environmental policies on a national scale.
- Following the first Earth Day, Congress authorized the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency.
- Earth Day also led to the passage of the Clean Water and endangered Species Act.
- In 1990, Earth Day went global and mobilized 141 countries to participate in protecting the environment.

Look for more information next month for the 3rd Annual Photography Contest!



Junkwood 2024 - Underwood, Iowa, Application & Liability Release Form Sponsored by Friends of Underwood, Iowa, Community

Saturday, June 8, 2024 on 3rd & Railroad Highway (Main Street) 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Note: All Vendors must stay until end of show!

Name:		Business Name	e:
Brief description of what you will be			
Mailing Address:			
Home Phone:	Cell:		Email:
Facebook or Website:			
Payment for Booth Fee: Venmo with your application)	Check	Cash	(this helps us know where to look for your funds
Booth Prices & Sizes:			
Outside Spots - 20' wide & 12' dee	ep (coming out	from the sidewalk)	= \$40

Inside (UMBA building) Spots - 10' wide & 8' deep = \$50 (all inside spaces will be reserved for those that absolutely need it for protection of their items!)

Will you be using a trailer in your selling booth? Y or N

No Vehicles allowed in vendor spaces during the show. Restrooms inside UMBA. No electricity will be provided for outside spaces; generators are welcome. All vendors are expected to stay until the end of the show. This event is rain or shine! Please pick up trash when you leave.

Questions: Contact Mackenzie Shelton @ junkwoodiowa@gmail.com or cell: 402-680-8213

You may pay via Venmo to the name Sandra Hough (@friendsofunderwood) Make checks payable to Friends of Underwood and mail to Mackenzie Shelton 22276 185th St Council Bluffs IA 51503. Payment is due with your application. No refunds will be given. Applications are due by June 1, 2024. Any applications received after June 1 will be assessed a late fee of \$15.00. Upon receiving your application fee, your spot as a vendor will be reserved and added to our Facebook page. Within two days of the event, all vendors will be notified of their space number and spot location.

FOOD VENDORS - be sure to have proof of your food license with the state. Food vendors will be located outside the main UMBA doors.

During the show, no parking in handicap designated areas or in front of storage units across from the UMBA's main doors.

SET-UP: Inside Vendors are encouraged to set up Friday, June 7. The UMBA building will be open from 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. Doors will be locked at 9:00 p.m. to secure your wares. If unable to set up on Friday evening, inside vendors may set up on Saturday from 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. All loading vehicles must be moved to a side street by 7:30 a.m. If your vehicle is still parked in front of UMBA or the handicap spots at 7:30 AM you will be required to move it and haul your items up from another location. THIS IS A MANDATORY GUIDELINE and will be strictly enforced for the safety of the crowds. Please provide your own tables. Two chairs will be provided for your spot.

Outside Vendors - please plan accordingly for the weather. Bring a canopy or tent for shade. Tent weights recommended. No tables provided. The show will go on rain or shine. Outside vendors may set up from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m on Friday, June 7, or from 6:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 8. Setting up on Friday evening is at your own risk as no policing of the area will be provided. All loading vehicles must be moved from spaces by Saturday at 7:30 a.m. THIS GUIDELINE IS MANDATORY and will be strictly enforced for the safety of the crowds. No overnight staying allowed. Spaces are 20' wide and 12' deep (coming out from the sidewalk).

SPOTS: While we do our best to be accommodating, we cannot guarantee our vendors their spot from previous years. We will notify you at least two days prior to the event where your spot will be located.

LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE: Vendors shall be liable for any and all damag caused by that party or their agents, employees or invitees. Vendors will not Underwood responsible for any loss or damage of their personal items.	
Signature:	Date: