

BITS and PIECES



CITY HALL
325 Wisconsin Street
LeClaire, Iowa 52753-9525
www.leclaireiowa.gov

April-June 2023
(Quarterly)



City Hall will be **Closed** on the following days:
Good Friday – (Friday) April 7th, 2023
Memorial Day – (Monday) May 29th, 2023

MAYOR

Dennis Gerard [12/31/23] 289-4242 Ext. 1111
E-mail: dgerard@leclaireiowa.gov Please feel free to call City Hall and leave a message for either myself or the particular council member that you wish to speak to. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Amy Blair [12/31/25] 289-4242 Ext. 1151
E-mail: ablair@leclaireiowa.gov. Duties: Finance and Parks & Recreation Commission Liaison (includes Levee)
Barry Long [12/31/25] 289-4242 Ext. 1152
E-mail: blong@leclaireiowa.gov. Duties: Mayor-Pro Tem, Public Safety.
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Sara Gravert [12/31/23] 289-4242 Ext. 1154
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Ryan Salvador [12/31/25] 289-4242 Ext. 1155
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Duties: Tourism Board, Civic Groups & Economic Development Liaison.

Stay up to date with City news at www.leclaireiowa.gov. Click on "How Do I..." to sign up for notifications. Here you can subscribe to multiple mailing lists, including Agendas and Alerts. Just click on the method you would prefer to be notified, E-mail  or Text  and verify your email address.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

"STORM WATER MANAGEMENT"
INFORMATION & CONTACT HELP LINE!!
(563)-289-4242 (Ext. 1502)

PARKS & RECREATION

Summer Events are starting up soon! Keep up with Parks and Rec on Facebook to what events we'll have! Program signups and Rentals are now available online <https://secure.rec1.com/IA/le-claire-ia/catalog>
May 6th "Babysitting for Success" – class where your child can learn the basics of being a babysitter, including First Aid with a little help from the LeClaire Fire Department.

April 8th Easter Egg Hunt - Come ready to fill your baskets! The hunt will begin at 2pm sharp on the Huckleberry Park soccer fields. Make sure you are on time! There will be different age groups for each egg hunting section. Don't forget our famous LeClaire Easter Bunny will be available for pics!



LIBRARY

LEGO Club: Tuesday, April 4, May 9, June 6 at 4pm:
Family Storytime: Wednesdays in April, May and June @ 6pm
Read-Aloud Stories with Mr. Haack: Tuesday, April 11, May 23, June 13 at 6:30pm
Life-Size Game Night: Thursday, April 27, June 15 at 4-6pm Pre-registration is required. Ages 8 and under need supervision.
CreaTEEN Crafts: Thursday, April 13, June 8 at 5pm Pre-registration is required.
Toddler Time: Friday, April 14, May 12, June 9 at 10:30am
Full STEAM Ahead! Saturday, April 22, May 13, June 24 at 10:30am: Parent/guardian is required for Ages 8 and under.
Lazy Crafternoons: Tuesday, April 18, May 16, June 13 at 5pm: Pre-Registration is required. Ages 8 and under need supervision.
Doki Doki Anime Club: Thursday, April 27, June 29 at 5pm

Hands-on Art History: Tuesday, April 25, May 30, June 27 at 5pm: Pre-Registration is required. Ages 8 and under need supervision.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB): Thursday, April 6 at 5pm: For ages 12-18. Attendance may count toward service hours.

Scott County Iowa Genealogical Society presents "Crash Course in Genealogy" Saturday, April 11th at 11am

SUMMER READING PROGRAM BEGINS IN JUNE

Ballet QC presents Dance Me a Story: "Danny O' Dare" _ Wednesday, June 7th at 11am:

Eulenspiegel Puppets presents "In the Mirror: Three Tales from Asia" Friday, June 16th at 2pm

The Jonathan May Show (magician): Wednesday, June 21st at 5pm

Jay and Leslie present "Laughing Matters"

Friday, June 30th at 4pm:

For information on our regular Storytime's, craft programs, game nights, etc., view our calendar of events and sign-up to receive monthly news & events updates at www.leclairelibrary.org Events are also posted on www.facebook.com/leclairelibrary. Your library card is FREE – just bring a picture ID with your current address to the library and you will leave with a card.

Request items on our online catalog or borrow e-books, e-audiobooks and e-magazines by downloading the free Libby app at www.leclairelibrary.org.

Free online resources at www.leclairelibrary.org include Transparent Language and Kidspeak – language learning apps; Brainfuse/HelpNOW – live tutoring and educational tools for all grade levels, test prep and resume help; Brainfuse/VetNOW – help for veterans to access resources, and People's Law Library of Iowa – an easy-to-understand, basic information website about the law. Contact us at library@leclaireiowa.gov and (563)289-6007.

LECLAIRE CIVIC CLUB

The club meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Civic Center. We have a **potluck** starting at 6:15pm before the meeting for members who wish to participate. Enjoy home-cooked food and fellowship.

The Civic Club serves **breakfast** every Wednesday morning from 8am to 9:30am. Stop by and make new friends.

Reserve the Civic Center for events. **Rental** cost is \$75 for 6 hours and \$125 for whole day. Call or email Debbie at (563)349-4403 or smith5grand@gmail.com to reserve the center.

Trivia is the 3rd Saturday of the month from January to May and proceeds benefit a charity or organization in our community. Doors open at 6PM to serve food. Trivia starts at 7PM. \$10 per person. You can purchase food from the kitchen or bring your own to share at your table. To reserve tables, contact Debbie at (563)349-4403 or by email at smith5grand@gmail.com. Trivia is on the following Saturdays: April 15th, and May 20st. Trivia on the 15th benefits Vettes on The River, a 501c(3) that raises money for local Veterans' organizations.

SAVE THE DATES! Saturday April 1st - Baked Potato & Salad Bar at the Civic Center. Details to follow. Saturday April 8th after dusk, club members will Egg Your Yard for Easter. (We hide colored plastic eggs filled with candy and other goodies in your yard for you.) Pricing, sign-up, and additional details will be published in March on our Facebook page.

The LeClaire Civic Club will be hosting a Loaded Baked Potato & Salad Bar Dinner at the LeClaire Civic Center, public welcome on Saturday April 1st. Serving from 4:00 to 6:30 pm. Drink and dessert included. Get your tickets by contacting Joyce 563-289-4205, Connie 563-505-3909 or any member of the club.

We have been a community association of volunteers since 1938. This is our 85th year. Our logo is The Green Tree. The Green Tree Hotel, a large rock elm, stood on the banks of the Mississippi River for over 200 years. The "Green Tree" was a rendezvous spot for itinerant rivermen to meet and cook their meals while looking for jobs. The logo is fitting because part of our mission is to provide a meeting spot for the community. Come to a meeting and learn more about the club or follow our history messages on our Facebook page on Thursdays.

Annual membership renewal is \$8. Renew your membership for 2022 by sending payment to LeClaire Civic Club, PO Box 562, LeClaire, Iowa 52753. If you are interested in joining or learning more about the club, contact a member of the board or learn more at www.leclairecivicclub.org.

BUILDING PERMITS

Our permitting process has moved online at [LeClaire, IA | Official Website - www.leclaireiowa.gov](http://www.leclaireiowa.gov)



Permits

SWIMMING POOL REQUIREMENTS

Before all the neighborhood kids take that first “dip” in the old back yard pool this summer make sure that your pool is safe and that it meets the requirements for fencing and enclosures. This includes the need for enclosures that surround those very popular “temporary, inflatable” pools **THAT ARE NOT CONTINUOUSLY MONITORED BY AN ADULT AND THAT ARE NOT DRAINED AND STORED ON A DAILY BASIS and UNCOVERED HOT TUBS AND SPAS.** Please call for a copy of the detailed ordinance if you have any questions at all. The Police Department will be closely monitoring this matter as a significant public safety issue and will be stopping by and knocking on your door or calling you if they see any problems. Thanks for your help and cooperation in protecting all the neighborhood kids!!

SENIOR UTILITY NOTICE

All seniors who are eligible for the senior discount need to submit proof of income for the year 2022 by May 15, 2023, to stay on the senior rate. This proof can be in the form of an SSA-1099 or an income tax form. The income level requirements for 2023 are \$14,580 for a single resident or \$19,720 for a married resident. Please remember if you have someone living with you that is under 65 you will not be eligible for this discount. Thank you.

GARBAGE CALENDAR 2023

Garbage & Recycling -
 Garbage Only -
 Extra Pickups/Cleanups -

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CITY-WIDE CURB-SIDE Cleanup day on April 5th & 6th will take place on your normal pick up day (Wednesday/Thursday). Any resident may put out curbside one large bulky waste item, where you normally place your garbage/recycling totes by 7 AM.

UNACCEPTABLE Materials for Spring Clean-up:

- **Household Hazardous Materials** – These can be dropped off at the Household Hazardous Materials Facility, located at 5640 Carey Ave., Davenport, IA.
- **E-Waste** – These can be dropped off at the Electronics Recovery Center, located at 5650 Carey

Ave., Davenport, IA. **“E-waste” is defined as devices that contain a circuit board or a cathode ray tube such as, computer monitors, TVs, VCRs, stereos, computers, radios, and video game systems.**

- **Regular Garbage**
- **Construction Debris**
- **Commercial Business Items**
- **Appliances**
- **Tires**
- **Yard Waste**
- **Lawnmower/Snowblower** - Unless they are completely emptied of gas and oil.

NOTICE: WEED ABATEMENT LAW – As of April 1st the City begins to implement the weed abatement process. Notices are being published in this publication and in the Quad City Times advising the property owners of their duty and responsibility to keep their property, (and that area between the street driving surface and the property line) free of weeds and other plant growth. **THERE WILL BE NO OTHER NOTICES!!** If a weed problem is found to exist the City will abate the problem and assess the costs accordingly to the property. The charges for abating weed nuisances will be **First Violation**-First Worker \$100.00/Hr.; Each Additional Worker \$50.00/Hr. **Second Violation**-First Worker \$200.00/Hr., Each Additional Worker \$100.00/Hr. **Third & Subsequent Violations**-First Worker \$400.00/Hr., Each Additional Worker \$200.00/Hr., or if a contractor is used, the charge will be the contracted amount plus 25%. What constitutes a "weed nuisance"? Following is the definition established by law: In all areas of the City, any noxious weeds or vegetation, as defined by the Code of Iowa, are deemed to be nuisances, as well as any dense growth of weeds, vines, brush, or other similar vegetation which are reasonably believed to be constituting a public safety, health, or fire hazard. In any developed area within the City or within one hundred feet (100') of any developed area within the City, any weeds, vegetation, vines, brush, or other growth which exceeds ten inches (10") in height shall be deemed a nuisance. In all other areas of the City, any weeds, vegetation, vines, brush, or other growth which exceeds two feet (2') in height shall be deemed a nuisance. Natural areas, including but not limited to waterways, or farmland may exceed these established height limitations.



LECLAIRE EMERGENCY
 POLICE 911/FIRE 911
 AMBULANCE 911
 POLICE NON-EMERGENCY REQUEST FOR SERVICE 388-3904
 POLICE NON-EMERGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE 289-4242

LECLAIRE OFFICE OF TOURISM

April / May / June 2023 Bits

Please continue to get out and enjoy the businesses in LeClaire that are open to serve you, and follow our Facebook page “LeClaire, Iowa” for updates.

We another great business that opened in February – The Potter’s House opened on February 11. They sell beautiful hand crafted Polish pottery that is made in Poland.

There are many great events coming up, including the Taste of LeClaire on March 25, a new “chalk the walk” event being planned for May 13, Shops with Hops on May 20, while Friday Night LIVE in LeClaire continues every first Friday of the month. 1.5 hour sightseeing cruises on the Riverboat Twilight start on May 27. Find Music BINGO at Riverview Roadhouse on Mondays and live music outdoors all summer. PLUS fun “Party in the Park” outdoor movie nights at Huckleberry Park, June – September!

Spring is here – plan a fun staycation or girls’ getaway! More events are continuously being added. Find details on LeClaire events at:

www.visitle Claire.com/events/

If you’d like to receive our monthly e-news, you can go to <https://www.visitle Claire.com/contact/e-newsletter/> and submit your email or check out our website anytime. Please post your photos and tag us, too, so we can see how much fun you’re having in LeClaire! #visitle Claire #le Claireiowa @le Claireiowa @visitle Claire

LECLAIRE INFORMATION CENTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Please share your knowledge and love of LeClaire with our visitors! Contact Cindy Bruhn at info@visitle Claire.com or 563-650-7963 to volunteer.