

November 2015

MOVILLE NEWS

Water Shut-Off Procedures:

Monthly bills are mailed the 1st of each month and due the 20th. If payment is not received by the 30th, a shut-off notice is mailed with next bill. This notice indicates when the late payment is due. If arrangements are not made by due date, water service can be shut off. Before service can be restored, a \$25 reconnect fee + full payment of past due amount is required.

Visit us On the Web!
www.visitmerville.com

Let our website help you take care of business! We add new data and links each month!

Features:

- * Announcements
- * Community Calendar
- * MYRA
- * Ridge Housing Dev.
- * Daycare Listing
- * Business Directory
- * Good Neighbor Guide
- * Building Permits
- * Pet Registration

We have future Plans to add online bill pay options for debit and credit card users.

2016 PET REGISTRATION

Starts January 1st.

Register your pet by picking up the form at City Hall or download the form at www.visitmerville.com.

Return form, fee and a copy of current vaccination record to City Hall.

Feel free to use the overnight drop box and staff will mail the 2016 tags registration meets approval, Pets not licensed by May 31 will be assessed a \$3.00 per month late fee and may be subject to violation of City Ordinances and Fines.

City of Merville

City Hall

21 Main Street

Box 420

Phone: 873-3545

Fax: 873-5660

Police: 870-1250

Email:

merville@wiatel.net

Website:

www.visitmerville.com

TOUR OF HOMES

Sat. November 21

Day or Night Tours

Tickets at Security National or UBI

Proceeds benefit the Main Street Park Courts.

See Merville Tour of Homes on Facebook or Call Deb 253-7323

Monthly Community Meetings

City Council Meets

November

4th & 18th

December

2nd & 16th

January

6th & 20th

6:00 P.M.

SENIOR CENTER MEALS

Every weekday at 11:15 am

Home Delivery is available, call for more details.

873-3095

Chamber of Commerce

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month

September– May.

Are you interested in becoming a member?

Call Jodi at 873-3545

City Hall Closed

November 26th

December 25th

January 1st

Thanksgiving Garbage pickup will be on Friday

Cold outside? Head to the Woodbury County Library and curl up by the fireplace with a good book!

Monday & Wednesday 8:00 to 6:00 Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 to 5:00 Saturday 8:00 to 1:00

**Santa Claus is
Coming to Town!**



Don't miss Santa Day at the Community Center!

The Menville Chamber of Commerce is proud to once again host Santa Day Saturday December 12th. The Masons serve breakfast from 7:30-11 am. Santa will be there from 9-11 am to visit and take pictures with the children.

A note from Public Works Supervisor Mike Weaver:

The City will be flushing hydrants on November 12th and 13th (weather permitting). Residents may notice temporary water discoloration during flushing.

Please make sure that your curb stop / water shut-off is marked so that when it is time for snow removal, it does not get damaged or broken. In the event of a broken /damaged curb stop / water shut-off due to the property owner removing snow, the cost of the repair and/or replacement of the stop will be the responsibility of the home owner. A little prevention can go a long way to keep this from occurring. Thank you for your help!

The Fire Department requests the help of residents to help keep snow away from hydrants that are in your neighborhood and near your home. We would also like to remind you of your responsibility to have your house number prominently displayed facing the street so that our Emergency Responders can find you!

**DO YOU HAVE YOUR HOUSE NUMBER
CLEARLY DISPLAYED ON THE FRONT OF
YOUR HOME? IN CASE OF A MEDICAL
EMERGENCY IT COULD SAVE PRECIOUS TIME
FOR THE AMBULANCE TO FIND YOUR HOME.**

CLEANING SNOW, ICE, AND ACCUMULATIONS

It shall be the duty of the owner to keep sidewalks abutting the owner's property clear of the natural accumulations of snow or ice. If the owner fails to do so within twenty four (24) hours after deposit of accumulation, the Mayor may have the natural accumulations of snow or ice removed without notice to the property owner. The Mayor shall give the Council an itemized and verified statement of the removal costs and a legal description of the property at the next regular Council meeting. The costs shall be reviewed by the Council and assessed against the property as taxes.





Guidelines for Snow Emergency Parking

Have you seen “SNOW PARKING IN EFFECT” aired on the local TV stations and wondered what it means? The City Council requests your cooperation in keeping vehicles off city streets during a snow emergency to allow the City Crews to safely remove snow. The Crew usually start moving snow after 3 a.m.. We recommend that before you retire to your home for the evening please make arrangements to move all vehicles off city streets.

The City of Merville has adopted a snow parking ordinance for the winter months. This Ordinance is to help get our streets plowed quickly and helps avoid personal property damage.

3-4-33 PARKING DURING SNOW EMERGENCY. No person shall park, abandon, or leave unattended any vehicle (including but not limited to cars, trucks, boats, trailers, campers, and all forms of recreational vehicle) on any public street, alley, or City-owned off-street parking area except as provided in 3-4-33A and 3-4-33B during any snow emergency unless the snow has been removed or plowed from said street, alley or parking area and the snow has stopped accumulating. Whenever an unauthorized vehicle is found, the authorized municipal officer shall cause the vehicle be towed.

A snow emergency parking ban shall continue through the duration of the snow or ice

storm and the seventy-two (72) hour period after cessation of the storm except as above provided upon streets which have been fully opened.

The ban shall be of uniform application. The Chief of Police is directed to publicize the requirements widely, using available news media each year. When predictions or occurrences indicate the need to declare a snow emergency the Mayor or Mayor’s designee shall inform the news media and publicize the parking rules under the emergency. Such emergency may be extended or shortened when conditions warrant. It shall be conclusively presumed that any snowfall of two inches or more as officially measured at Sioux City, Iowa creates a snow emergency.

3-4-33A DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS. Parking shall be permitted during a snow emergency in the designated parking adjacent to Haskell Pool and the designat-

ed parking on the west side of the 200 block of North Fourth Street for periods of up to seventy-two (72) hours of continuous use.

3-4-33B SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING PERMIT. The council may grant an emergency snow parking permit, for cause, in individual cases in which compliance would create an extreme hardship. When granted the permit shall be displayed upon the dashboard of the vehicle. All such permits shall expire May 1 of each year.

3-4-33C MUNICIPAL INFRACTION. Parking a vehicle in violation of this section four or more times between November 1 and May 1 or leaving a vehicle in a designated parking area in excess of seventy-two (72) hours shall constitute a Municipal Infraction. A civil penalty of \$100 shall be imposed for each such violation, each day a violation continues shall constitute an additional infraction.

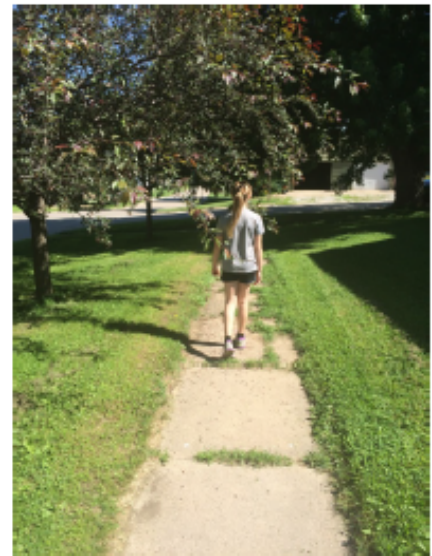
SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL & COMPLETE STREETS

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) are designed to increase children's physical activity levels by promoting biking and walking to school and providing safe environments to do so. Complete Streets initiatives compliment SRTS principles by making improvements to the roadway in order to accommodate all users.

SDHD and SIMPCO are providing technical assistance to the City of Moline and Woodbury Central Community School District on the implementation of these initiatives.

Current Results:

- A coalition was formed in February 2015 to address both initiatives.
- The school district sent out an electronic survey to parents to assess walking and biking habits and issues that affect choices to walk or bike to school.
- A SRTS logo and a banner have been created.
- The school district completed a two week walk/bike punch card contest to encourage and increase walking/biking to school in the spring of 2015.
- Safe routes to schools were identified and walking audits were completed on those routes.
- Woodbury Central Community School District has added a SRTS component to their wellness policy.
- A Safety Patrol was started to help students safely cross at the intersection of Miller and 4th Street.
- A bicycle parking pad and new racks are being installed on the NW corner of the school property.
- Assembly on bike and helmet safety provided to 3rd-5th graders.
- Curb ramps and ADA pads are being installed along S. 4th Street and South Street making the sidewalks safer and easier for all users.
- A SRTS program plan for 2015-2016 has been developed.



Pictured above is a student who assisted in the completion of the walkability audits.

WOODBURY CENTRAL
COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Safe Routes to School

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