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Shell Rock, IA City Newsletter

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Town Hall Meeting Update

Parks Galore and a Whole Lot More

The Shell Rock Development Corporation unveiled an ambitious community project Jan. 23 at a town hall meeting. Working with the city, the SRDC and a team of volunteers developed a 3-part project to promote recreation and growth in town:

1. Improve and expand our parks and recreation facilities, including a new city park in the flood plain/dry run area between Washington Street, Prairie Street, and Courtland Street
2. Create a recreation program to better use those recreation facilities and provide more activities for the community
3. Promote population and tax-base growth (new housing), with improved recreation as a draw

The improved recreation facilities are the largest part of the project and are divided into 2 phases (see below). Phase I kicked off at the town hall meeting, and Phase II is expected to start some time next year. The new Rockin' Recreation Program is now being designed and is expected to offer new activities this summer. The entire recreation project grew out of last year's town hall meeting, where attendees shared ideas on how they thought the town should progress, specifically on how funds from the Ray and Marie Mason gift should be spent. The area that received the most support was Recreational, Historical and Aesthetic Improvements. Last year's town hall meeting drew 113 people. This year's had 131 in attendance

IMPROVE RECREATION FACILITIES

Phase I

starts January 2007

replace baby pool with splash pool
new filter and cement repair at pool
rebuild tennis courts
sidewalk from north to pool park
more lighting at the pool park
add a small T-ball field
add benches and bleachers
shade for dugouts and bleachers
other ball field improvements
add small and mid-size soccer fields

Phase II

expected start 2008

walk/bike trail in new dry run park
expand play equipment at pool park
new basketball court at pool park
new volleyball courts at pool park
disc golf in new dry run park

Parks Galore and a Whole Lot More—Costs and Funds

Phase I of the Parks Galore project is expected to cost \$484,800 (as of 1/23/07).

In order to qualify to apply for a large state grant (CAT), we need to raise \$237,400 by April 1. The following funds have already been committed to the project:

City of Shell Rock	\$12,000
Park Board (from the Esther Toll estate)	\$10,000
Pool Board (from the Esther Toll estate)	\$10,000
Shell Rock Tennis Club	\$10,000
Shell Rock Music Assoc.	\$15,000
Shell Rock Development Corp	\$50,000
TOTAL	\$107,000

Rockin' Recreation Program

The new recreation program will consolidate current recreation offerings by bringing information and registration forms together at one site. It will also offer new programs for all ages, from scuba diving to craft workshops. Program organizers need your input on what types of courses to offer. Response sheets are available at city hall. New offerings already on the schedule are scuba diving/snorkeling classes at the swimming pool, and tennis camps or lessons on the newly rebuilt courts.

Architect's Drawing for the McCague Park

Parks Galore Fund Raising

The Parks Galore project team will sponsor a series of fund raisers to make the recreation plan a reality, with a big push in February and March, so we can raise enough money to apply for the big CAT grant (Community Attentions and Tourism). Some dates to put on your calendar include:

Saturday March 24—Parks Galore Fund-Raising Dinner, Silent and Live Auctions.
Held at Faith Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Shell Rock. More information coming soon!

Tuesday nights Dining Out for the Parks

—a percentage of sales on these dates goes toward our project

Feb. 6: Ziggy's Domino's Pizza, Waverly location only, includes dine in, carry out, and delivery to Shell Rock

Feb. 13: Pizza Ranch, Waverly only—between 5-8 pm, 10% of sales donated to Parks Galore. Mayor Larry Young will be bussing tables. (His tips are included as fund raisers too!)

Feb. 20: Godfather's Pizza, Waverly location only—Coupon deal for Feb. 20 only (pick up coupon at Security State Bank in Shell Rock or print off city's Web site- coming soon). For dine in, carry out and delivery to Shell Rock.

Feb. 27: Godfather's Pizza, Waverly location only—Coupon deal for Feb. 27 only (pick up coupon at Security State Bank in Shell Rock or print off city's Web site- coming soon). For dine in, carry out and delivery to Shell Rock.

March 6: Ziggy's Domino's Pizza, Waverly location only, includes dine in, carry out, and delivery to Shell Rock

March 13: The Cooler—details coming soon

March 20: Hometown Bar & Grill—details coming soon

March 27: Pizza Ranch, Waverly only—between 5-8 pm, 10% of sales donated to Parks Galore.

Watch the Waverly Paper or check the city's Web site for details!

How Can I Help make the Parks Galore project a reality?

Support fund-raising efforts. Various organizations will sponsor Parks Galore fund raisers over the next couple of years, with a big push in February and March 2007, so the city can qualify to apply for a large state grant.

Volunteer for a fund raiser. We will need help for various community fund-raising activities. This is a great place to pitch in!

Help plan and run a fund raiser. Are you associated with a group that supports community service? Join the fun and help raise funds for the big community project.

Donate a gift to the project. Cash gifts can help us achieve our goals faster. All giving levels welcome. Or buy a piece of the project and help out that way!

More information available at Shell Rock City Hall or on the Web at www.shellrockiowa.org.
Or contact [Danielle Rusch](mailto:Danielle.Rusch@shellrockiowa.org) at 885-6727.

New Spec Home coming this month!

The city housing committee has made arrangements, and the Development Corporation has provided a low-interest construction loan, to have Steere Home Builders of Waverly build a spec home in the Second Williams Addition (the Wosepka Addition). The moderately-priced ranch home is scheduled to be delivered Feb. 23 and will be listed at \$138,960. At 1104 square feet, the house will have 3 bedrooms, 1 ½ baths, main-level laundry, an attached double garage and a large deck off the eating area, as well as a full basement. For more information, contact Steere Home Builders at 319-352-1013 or 319-240-4220.

Mayor Young to don apron and bus tables for Parks Galore

Mayor Larry Young will bus tables at the Pizza Ranch in Waverly Feb. 13 from 5 to 8 pm, as part of the fund raising for Parks Galore and a Whole Lot More. Stop by (or order out) during that time and help earn money for the community project! Remember, any of Larry's tips go toward the project too, so let's support our favorite busboy!

Fund raiser—Domino's Pizza cards available for sale

Ziggy's Domino's Pizza in Waverly has offered the Parks Galore project pizza cards to use as a fund raiser. For \$10, community members can buy a card that has 16 coupons for buy 1 pizza at menu price, get 1 free that is good through December of 2008. Every card sold raises \$9 for the project! Available through City Hall or at Security State Bank.

Project brochures available at city hall.

Volunteer cards available at city hall.

Recreation program input sheets available at city hall.

Architect's drawings available for viewing at city hall.

Spring Swing 2007

The following dates have been set for the 2007 Spring Show.

Thursday, April 12	1 Show—7:00 pm
Friday, Sat. April 13 & 14	2 Shows - 7:00 pm & 8:50 pm
Tues. April 17	1 show - 7:00 pm
Thurs., Fri., April 19 & 20	2 Shows—7:00 pm & 8:50 pm
Saturday, April 21	1 show - 7:00 pm

Tickets will be on sale starting March 4th at the Benny Gambaiani Public Library

Box Office Hours: 4:00 pm—5:30pm

Everyday **Box Office Phone: 319-885-6510**

4th of July Kick Off Breakfast

The 4th of July Committee is hosting it's annual kick off

Breakfast on:

Sunday February 4th 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Adults \$5.00

Children 5—11 \$3.00

Children 4 and under Free

Ambulance Soup Supper

The Shell Rock Ambulance will hold it's annual soup supper on Feb. 24, 2007 from 5:00 pm—8:00 pm. The menu includes chili & chicken noodle soup and dessert. There will be a free will offering at the door. Raffle tickets for 8 hog half's will be on sale for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets are available from crew members, city hall, The Cooler and at the door.

REMINDER FROM POLICE CHIEF LOU STAUDT

When a snow emergency is declared you must remove your vehicles off city streets.

Snow mobiles are not allowed on private property.

Please keep your sidewalks shoveled.

There is a parking limit of 48 hrs. on any street.

4 wheelers are not allowed on any streets.

Boyd Building Rental

If you are planning a special occasion or any get together please consider renting the Boyd Building. The rent for the auditorium and kitchen has been reduced to \$50.00 with a deposit of \$100.00. Please call city hall at 885-6555.

Shell Rock Residents Serving the Military

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