

The Arlington Report

2 FILE FOR MAYOR

3 FILE FOR 2 OPEN CITY COUNCIL SEATS

One thing is for certain, next year's City Council will be looking quite a bit different than this year's. Just how different, will be determined at the November 4th General Election. The filing period for the open positions closed on Tuesday, August 12th with two filing for mayor and three filing for the two open council seats. There will be a new head of the table, since Mayor Jim Kreft did not file for re-election. The two hoping to get his seat are Rich Nagel and Bruce Anderson. There will also be two new council members in 2015, as Curt Reetz and Jason Ruehling did not re-file. Those vying for the soon to be open seats are Michelle Shelly Battcher, Jim Heiland, and Tom Hatlestad.

ARLI-DAZZLE

Hard to think about snow and winter, but here's your chance to get your business or organization signed up for the Arli-Dazzle Parade. The Arli-Dazzle Parade, probably the LARGEST lighted Christmas parade in Minnesota, will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2014. Enter your parade unit now by calling Kim Schneider at After Burner Auto Body (507) 946-2809 or email: afterburnerautobody@frontiernet.net. It is FREE to enter your parade unit. This year they have a new Arli-Dazzle Button Raffle for \$5. You have a chance to win all sorts of prizes with the Grand Prize being a 3-night getaway on Lake Winnie at High Banks Resort, a \$1,235 value! Pick up your 2014 Collector Arli-Dazzle button at City Hall today!

2015 STREET & UTILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that the Arlington City Council will meet at the City Hall at 6:30 p.m. on September 15, 2014, to consider the construction of the 2015 Street & Utility Improvements. The construction of sanitary sewer, water main, storm sewer and street improvements is the nature of the meeting. The total estimated cost of the improvements is \$3,232,433.52. The area for the improvements is 3rd Ave. NW (Alden St. to Elgin St.), 4th Ave. NW (Alden St. to 5th Ave. NW), W. Alden St. (5th Ave. NW to 2nd Ave. NW), W. Brooks St. (5th Ave. NW to 3rd Ave. NW), W. Chandler St. (5th Ave. NW to 3rd Ave. NW), W. Douglas St. (4th Ave. NW to 2nd Ave. NW) and W. Elgin St. (3rd Ave. NW to 2nd Ave. NW). People who desire to be heard with reference to the proposed improvements will be heard at this meeting. Written and oral objections will be considered. Bolton & Menk, City Engineer, will also conduct an Open House meeting from 4p.m.-6p.m. on October 20th at the Community Center for the general public and those in the affected areas of the project scope.

LAWN MOWERS STILL NEEDED

Mowers are needed for the remainder of the season. The hours for lawn mowing/trimming are Monday-Friday 8am-6pm. Areas mowed/trimmed include the parks, cemetery, and around City buildings. No weekend or evening mowing/trimming will be permitted. Approximately 32 hours per week are allowed for mowing/trimming and maintaining equipment (oil changes, clean out decks, etc.). Seasonal Part-Time Wage is \$8.75 per hour. Applicants must be 18 years or older to apply and have a valid driver's license. Contact the City Office for an application, 204 Shamrock Drive, Arlington, 507-964-2378.

BIKE LICENSE

Have you or your child ever lost your bike or has your bike ever been stolen? The Arlington Police Department has come up with a solution to finding it. You can now pick up a FREE bike license at the police station. The license will register your bike, so if a bike is found or turned in, they will be able to identify the owner. The license is not required, but it will help the police get the bike back to the rightful owner. If you have any questions please contact the Arlington Police Department at 964-5200 or pick up a license at the Police Station, 108 4th Avenue NW.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Sibley East students are back to school in September. Junior/Senior High starting September 2nd and Elementary starting September 4th. Please keep an eye out and drive safe around the school.

SEPTEMBER FUN FACTS

- ◆ The only US president to have had a September birthday was William Taft (1909-1913).
- ◆ At least six films have had the title "September" which is more than any other month.
- ◆ On September 1, 1939 World War II began in Europe because the German troops invaded Poland.
- ◆ Grandparents' Day is observed in the US on the first Sunday after Labor Day. *Source by: <http://www.express.co.uk/>*

MONTHLY CITY OF ARLINGTON TRIVIA QUESTION

ANSWER: The City of Arlington took over duties of the Arlington Public Cemetery on June 4, 1990.

According to the US Census—What was Arlington's population increase from 2000 to 2010?

Submit your answer with your utility payment at the City Office. Please include name, address phone number and guess.

Prizes will be awarded to the 5 closest answers.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Jim Kreft -- Mayor
Ben Jaszewski -- Council Member
Jennifer Nuesse -- Council Member
Curt Reetz -- Council Member
Jason Ruehling -- Council Member
Galen Willis -- Council Member

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Liza Donabauer -- Administrator
Lisa Tesch -- Deputy Clerk
Vicki Pomplun -- Admin. Asst.
Annie Shotliff -- Community Center Coordinator

Tony Voigt -- Maintenance Supervisor

Kirby Weckworth -- Maintenance Worker

Cory Danner -- Police Chief
Bruce Rovinsky -- Police Officer

CONTRACTED SERVICES

Ross Arneson -- City Attorney
Cynthia Smith-Strack -- EDA, Planning & Zoning Consultant
Darin Haslip -- Building Inspector
PeopleService -- Water/Wastewater
Jason Femrite (Bolton & Menk) -- City Engineer

PHONE NUMBERS

City Hall: 964-2378
Fax Line: 964-5973

After-Hours On-Call:
507-327-6601

Fire Garage: 964-2279

Police Dept.: 964-5200

Library: 964-2490

Hospital: 964-2271

S.E. School: 964-2292

Post Office: 964-5503

OTHER SERVICES

Water/Sewer/Electric Services

City of Arlington (964-2378)

Gas Service

CenterPoint Energy (800-245-2377)

Cable/Phone/Internet Services

Mediacom (800-332-0245)

Internet/Phone Service

Frontier (800-435-1504)

Garbage Services

Waste Management (800-422-5785)

Renville-Sibley Sanitation (866-800-6244)

Gaylord Sanitation (888-613-2274)



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WATER SAVING TIPS AROUND THE HOUSE

Bathroom: Together, the shower, the toilet, and the faucet in your bathroom use a lot of water. In fact, toilets alone account for 30% of indoor water use in the average home. Fix leaks! One drop per second wastes more than 3,000 gallons of water per year! Fix a leaky toilet, you may not see or hear a leak, but it can waste more than 200 gallons per day! An easy way to find out if the toilet is leaking: remove the lid from the back of the toilet, place a drop of food coloring in the tank, wait 15 minutes without flushing, if the color shows up in the toilet bowl, you have a leak. Replace the fixtures, if they were installed in the house before 1992. There's a good chance you could

save money by replacing them. Install low-flow shower heads. How do you know if you have a low-flow shower head? Here's how: place a gallon bucket under the shower head, turn it on at full pressure, time how long it takes to fill the bucket, if it takes less than 20 seconds, you could save water by installing a low-flow shower head. They use a third less water than regular shower heads.

Laundry: One of the easiest ways to save on your utility bill is to switch to a high-efficiency washing machine. Look for the Energy Star label and you could reduce your utility bill by an average of \$50 per year. Wash full loads: the washer fills up with water whether it has one item or a full load. Use cold water, you'll save money because you're not paying to heat the water, only use hot water for very dirty loads!

Kitchen: Keep a container of drinking water in the fridge, so you won't have to run the tap every time you want a cold drink of water. Fill the sink or a pan when washing fruits or vegetables, instead of letting the water run, and you could save 50 to 100 gallons of water per month. Run the dishwasher instead of washing by hand, it uses less hot water and could save you \$40 a year. Fully load the dishwasher, it costs the same amount to wash one dish as it does to wash a full load.

Tips for kids: Have kids help you look for leaks around the house. Remind them to turn the water off while brushing their teeth, it could save as much as 8 gallons of water a day! Tell them to speed up their shower, make a game about seeing if they can beat their time from the day before. Every minute in the shower is approximately 4 gallons of water. *Source by: Project Energy Savers, LLC*

SEPTEMBER COMMUNITY EVENTS

8th ANNUAL RAISE THE ROUF

Friends Care Hearts Share, LLC. (FCHS) is a local non-profit organization that holds the "Raise the Rouf" benefit every year. They hold this event to raise money to uphold their mission statement: support our local community members coping with over-bearing medical expenses due to life threatening illness by providing moral and financial support. Every year they choose a recipient from the local community. This year Raise the Rouf will take place on September 6, 2014 from 4 pm - 12:30 am. The event is held in Green Isle at the Club New Yorker. There are various activities that will be held along with bands throughout the afternoon and evening. The events include a 5K run/walk, bean bag tournament, and bike run. Tickets to the event are \$10.



PRO AUTO BULL RIDING EVENT

On September 6th at 6:00 pm, Pro Auto NYA and the Sibley County Fair Board are hosting a Bull Riding Event for Jared Allen's Homes 4 Wounded Warriors. Jared Allen's Homes 4 Wounded Warriors organization helps to build handicapped accessible homes for wounded soldiers that have served in Iraq and Afghanistan. This year there will be a tail gating event held from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, a live auction for the charity, mutton busting for the kids, and the band Rusted Revolver will play after the Bull Riding Event. Adult tickets are \$15 (every Adult ticket is a raffle ticket), Kids ages 4-12 \$5 (Kids tickets are not raffle tickets), ages 3 and under Free, \$2 from every Adult ticket goes to the charity. If you need more information or would like to find out how you can donate to Jared Allen's Homes 4 Wounded Warriors, contact Matt Sharping at 612-275-1094.

22nd ANNUAL HARVEST EVENT

The Arlington Area Ambulance Association invites you to attend their 22nd Annual Harvest Event Fundraiser. The Event will take place on Friday, September 19, 2014, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Arlington Community Center. The Harvest Feast will consist of a hog roast dinner with all of the trimmings. Refreshments will also be available. Music will be furnished by Henry and the Trailblazers Band for your dancing and/or listening enjoyment. Most residents should have received a family dinner ticket and a raffle chance in the mail. The cost is \$20.00 for a Family Dinner and \$10.00 for an individual ticket. Please return your donation and raffle chances at the Arlington State Bank, Y-Not Plumbing & Heating, Quast Oil, Thomes Brothers, Arlington City Office, or give it to any of the Arlington Ambulance members. The money raised from this year's event will be put towards the purchase of medical equipment. The Arlington and Green Isle Lions Clubs will be sponsoring a free diabetes screening in conjunction with the Arlington Ambulance Harvest Event. Arlington Cub Scout Pack 140 will again help with the tables and will be selling desserts during the event. The Arlington Area Ambulance Association wants to thank you in advance and look forward to seeing you at the event on the 19th! Take-outs will be available.