

Newsletter



At the September City Council meeting, a new ordinance was passed regarding the usage of electric scooters and bicycles. This ordinance was passed due to the increasing number of electric scooters and bicycles everyone has been noticing over the past few months.

The rules of the new ordinance regarding electric scooters and bicycles:

- NOT PERMITTED ON ANY SIDEWALK
- NOT ALLOWED ON OLD HIGHWAY 40
- MUST BE OPERATED IN A SAFE MANNER
- OPERATORS MUST ACT WITH THE SAFETY OF OTHERS IN MIND
- THEY HAVE THE SAME RIGHTS TO THE ROAD AS OTHER VEHICLES
- THEY NEED TO STAY AS FAR TO THE RIGHT OF THE ROAD AS POSSIBLE, EXCEPT WHEN NOT PRACTICAL
- TWO ELECTRIC SCOOTERS OR BICYCLES MAY NOT RIDE SIDE-BY-SIDE
- THEY MAY ONLY CARRY THE NUMBER OF RIDERS THEY ARE DESIGNED FOR
- THEY MAY NOT HITCH OR ATTACH TO OTHER VEHICLES
- THEY MUST YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS IN THE ROADWAY
- THEY MAY NOT BE OPERATED BETWEEN DUSK OR 9:00 PM, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER, AND SUNRISE
- NO FASTER THAN 20 MILES PER HOUR
- ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 MUST WEAR A HELMET
- NO OPERATING OF ELECTRIC SCOOTERS OR BICYCLES WHILE INTOXICATED
- NO PARKING OR LEAVING OF ELECTRIC SCOOTERS OR BICYCLES WHERE THEY BLOCK ACCESS TO OR FROM ANY BUILDING
- ELECTRIC SCOOTERS OR BICYCLES MAY BE IMPOUNDED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT



A special thank you to the following citizens who helped keep the community flower pots looking beautiful this summer! Nolan Schmeidler, Kathryn Ficken, Doug & Dianne Richards, Tammy Lichter, Total Convenience, Chelsea Conrad, Marci Heier, Joel Mueller, Jamie Sterling, Andrea Ottley, Andrea Schmidtberger, Carla Schmeidler, Rachel VonFeldt, Jerry & Rhoda Urban, MaKayla & Kelby Parton, Sabina Hoffman, Jerry Schmidtberger, Linda O'Neal, Dave & Misty Richardson and Leroy & LeeAnn Schmidtberger

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CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

Bringing back a Victoria Christmas Tradition! The Victoria JR/SR High School Community Connections and Welding class will be working together to make yard ornaments. Each street will have its own special design like it was in the past. There will be two options available for each decoration: 1) finished and ready to be displayed, or 2) bare and you can decorate it yourself. Cost should be minimal if any. The Victoria City Council donated \$2,000 to cover the costs of materials. Hopefully the ornaments will be finished and ready to display this Christmas!

If you live in Victoria, and would like to sign up for an ornament, please contact City Hall at 735-2259. You can also email us at victoria2@ruraltel.net and your name will be added to the list!



THANK YOU TO THE POOL
MANAGER KAREN NOWAK AND
OUR TEAM OF LIFEGUARDS
FOR ANOTHER GREAT SUMMER!
CAIDYN DINKEL, LEAH DINKEL,
ZOE DINGES, BROOKLYN &
BRODY NOWAK, NICK SANDER,
ELI & SIENNA SCHMEIDLER
AND CAMRI VONFELDT.

YOU ARE APPRECIATED!

-SEWER AVERAGING-

Sewer averaging for the next year is based on customers' consumption during the months of December through March. The new rates will be reflected on the May bills.

BOOKMOBILE

MONDAYS @ VES	SATURDAYS @ PARK
OCT. 6 TH 2:45-4:00	OCT. 18 TH 11:30-12:30
NOV. 3 RD 2:45-4:00	NOV. 15 TH 1:00-2:00
DEC. 1 ST 2:45-4:00	DEC. 20 TH 1:00-2:00

WEATHER PERMITTING

Holiday Closures

November 11
Veteran's Day

November 27-28
Thanksgiving

December 24-25
Christmas

December 31
New Year's Eve
Open 8-12

January 1
New Year's Day

**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**

THE CITY OF VICTORIA RECENTLY APPLIED FOR AND WAS AWARDED A \$1,500 GRANT FROM WALMART FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE MONEY FROM THE GRANT WILL BE USED FOR MINOR EQUIPMENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN WANTING.

EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES

THE CITY OF VICTORIA WILL BE IMPLEMENTING SNOW ROUTES.

THE FOLLOWING STREETS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED AS EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTES WITHIN THE CITY:

CATHEDRAL STREET
10TH STREET
MAIN STREET
EAST AND WEST MAIN STREET
3RD STREET

IN A SNOW EMERGENCY THERE WILL BE NO PARKING ON THE STREETS LISTED ABOVE. THE CITY WILL ANNOUNCE WHEN A SNOW EMERGENCY EXISTS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND LOCAL MEDIA.

PENALTY. ANY PERSON WHO SHALL VIOLATE ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE DEEMED GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND UPON CONVICTION SHALL BE PUNISHED AS CLASS C BY FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500.



EXCITING NEWS!

The City of Victoria is thrilled to announce plans for a new splash pad at our community pool and park area. This project will provide a safe, fun, and family-friendly place for children to cool off and play while bringing new energy to one of our favorite gathering spots. We are seeking support from organizations and businesses to help make this project a reality.

If you would like to also contribute, please contact City Hall at 785-735-2259 or Victoria@ruraltel.net. Donations of any size are greatly appreciated and will go directly towards construction and long term upkeep. Together, we can create a space that will serve our community for years to come.

Let's make a splash for Victoria's future!



COMMUNITY SPIRIT SHINES AT THE 42ND ANNUAL HERZOGFEST

THE HEART OF VICTORIA CAME ALIVE ONCE AGAIN AS RESIDENTS AND VISITORS GATHERED FOR THE 42ND ANNUAL HERZOGFEST. DESPITE THE WEEKEND HEAT, CROWDS FILLED MAIN STREET TO TAKE PART IN A FULL LINEUP OF EVENTS THAT CELEBRATED OUR RICH GERMAN HERITAGE AND THE VIBRANT SPIRIT OF OUR COMMUNITY.

THE FESTIVAL KICKED OFF FRIDAY AFTERNOON WITH THE MOUTHWATERING AROMA OF BRATWURST AND DUMPLINGS DRIFTING THROUGH DOWNTOWN. EXCITEMENT AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION FILLED THE AIR DURING THE ALWAYS-POPULAR “ZOG OLYMPICS,” WHERE TEAMS BATTLED FOR BRAGGING RIGHTS AND COVETED TROPHIES. THE HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT, ORGANIZED BY NATHAN AND AMBER SCHIPPERS, ALSO DREW A STRONG CROWD AND ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPANTS. THE EVENING WRAPPED UP WITH STELLAR PERFORMANCES FROM MATFIELD GREEN AND THE BLAINE YOUNGER BAND, DRAWING AN ENERGETIC AUDIENCE AND SETTING THE TONE FOR A FESTIVE WEEKEND.

SATURDAY OFFERED SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE, WITH A FULL DAY OF ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES. FROM THE EARLY MORNING 5K RUN/WALK TO THE BUSTLING HERITAGE MARKET AND IMPRESSIVE CAR SHOW, THE DAY WAS PACKED WITH ATTRACTIONS. THE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AND KIDS’ ACTIVITIES KEPT FAMILIES ENTERTAINED THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON, WHILE THE POLKA MASS AND DANCE CELEBRATED OUR CULTURAL ROOTS IN TRUE GERMAN STYLE. AS NIGHT FELL, PERFORMANCES BY WES COSSMAN AND DYLAN WHEELER KEPT THE ENERGY HIGH AND MAIN STREET LIVELY WELL INTO THE EVENING.

WE EXTEND HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE MANY INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS WHO MADE THIS YEAR’S HERZOGFEST SUCH A SUCCESS. SPECIAL RECOGNITION GOES TO DEVIN RYAN, JORDAN ROBBEN, THE POOL CREW, THE VICTORIA KNIGHTS FOOTBALL TEAM AND COACHES, THE LADY KNIGHTS BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACH, REX SOLDAN, TRILOGY, FATHER CURTIS, WES WINDHOLZ AND CHOIR, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, AND OUR DEDICATED CITY EMPLOYEES.

TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS, VENDORS, AND TIRELESS VOLUNTEERS—THANK YOU. YOUR SUPPORT, TIME, AND ENTHUSIASM MADE IT POSSIBLE TO BRING THIS CHERISHED TRADITION TO LIFE ONCE AGAIN. WHETHER YOU ATTENDED THE FESTIVAL, HELPED BEHIND THE SCENES, OR PARTICIPATED IN ONE OF THE MANY EVENTS, THE HERZOGFEST COMMITTEE IS TRULY GRATEFUL. WE COULDN’T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU! WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE AGAIN NEXT YEAR ON AUGUST 7TH AND 8TH AS WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE HERITAGE, COMMUNITY, AND THE TRADITIONS THAT MAKE VICTORIA SO SPECIAL. WATCH OUR SOCIAL MEDIA FOR NEWS ABOUT OUR SPRING POKER RUN.

- THE HERZOGFEST COMMITTEE