Coralville Fire Department Climbs the Ladder
CITY’S FIRE PROTECTION CLASSIFICATION EARNs UPGRADED RATING

Achieving the Upgrade
ISO has upgraded the Coralville Fire Department’s Public Protection Classification, with the City earning a classification of 2 on a scale of 10, with 1 being the highest possible ranking. Out of more than 48,000 fire departments in the nation, less than 600 are classified as a 2. Coralville joins elite ranks, earning the highest rating currently held by any community in the state: just three other fire departments in Iowa have a Class 2 rating. The new classification becomes effective on October 1, 2013. The City’s prior Class 3 rating was achieved in 2009.

Coralville’s move up the ISO classification ladder is indicative of the work and investment the City and the department have put forth to achieve such an accomplishment. The 2013 upgrade reflects improvements in the areas of operators, dispatch circuits, reserve ladder companies, distribution, company personnel, training, and the water system. The City had already reached the highest possible score in the areas of telephone service, engine companies, reserve pumpers, pump capacity, and hydrants.

ISO is the nation’s leader of data and analytics for the property/casualty insurance industry. Many insurers use ISO’s Public Protection Classifications for underwriting and calculating premiums for residential, commercial, and industrial properties.

ISO Rating Criteria
The Public Protection Classification is based on a numerical rating system, which determines the overall grade of three weighted components:

- **10% Fire Communications** – How well the fire department receives fire alarms and dispatches its fire-fighting resources.
- **40% Municipal Water Supply** – Community water supply for fire suppression beyond maximum daily consumption.
- **50% Fire Department** – The number of engine companies and the amount of water a community needs to fight a fire, including the type and extent of training provided to fire-company personnel, number of people who participate in training, firefighter response to emergencies, and maintenance and testing of the fire department’s equipment.

“I’ve always known the Coralville Fire Department is among the best in Iowa and this rating confirms that. I would like to thank all of the firefighters for their work and dedication to protecting the citizens of Coralville.”

Coralville Mayor Jim Fausett

About the Coralville Fire Department
The Coralville Fire Department has two fire stations, located at 1501 5th Street and 2525 Holiday Court. An expansion and renovation of the 5th Street station is scheduled to be complete later this fall and will include the addition of 4,300 square feet for offices, a conference room, and fitness room; and three dorm rooms for the department’s residential program plus
three additional sleeping rooms for volunteer firefighter staffing. In addition, Coralville’s Fire Rescue Training Facility west of 1st Avenue is a regional fire training center for fire departments, public emergency organizations, law enforcement, and private industry. The facility includes a two story, state-of-the-art burn building; a four-story training tower; confined space training tunnels; a flammable liquid training area and automobile simulator for car fire training; extrication pad; and a helicopter landing zone.

The Coralville Fire Department is staffed with over 55 volunteers and 4 paid members. The department averages 74,810 hours each year of on-duty volunteer staffing, with an average of 13.7 firefighters responding per structure fire. The department provides fire, medical, hazardous material, and water rescue services for Coralville, University Heights, East Lucas Township, and the University of Iowa Research Park. The Coralville Fire Department also provides proactive prevention services such as site plan reviews and fire safety education. Local community projects include fire safety education and station tours.

“This review reflects the commitment and dedication of the City and the Department to fire protection in the community, including ongoing training, emergency response, the construction of a second fire station, and purchase of a second ladder truck. The development of the Joint Emergency Communications Center is also reflected in this rating.”

David Stannard, Coralville Fire Chief

1876 SCHOOLHOUSE TO RING IN NEW BELL

The year 2013 marks Coralville’s 140th birthday as well as 30 years since the 1876 Schoolhouse was dedicated as the Johnson County Heritage Museum.

This building, a community landmark which was built just three years after Coralville was incorporated, is one of the few remaining country schools left in the state of Iowa. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976, one hundred years after it was built. The brick and limestone building is owned by the City and maintained and operated by the Johnson County Historical Society.

This year the building received a new roof, belfry repairs, and landscaping. Later this year, a new bell will be installed.

The schoolhouse is open for tours by appointment only. Contact the Johnson County Historical Society at 319.351.5738.
FRY fest:
It’s All About the fans

On Friday, August 30, the fifth annual FRY fest, a day-long “Celebration of all that is Hawkeye” in Coralville’s Iowa River Landing, kicks off the Hawkeye athletic season the day before the first Iowa home football game.

With over 20,000 in attendance, it has become a tradition for fans to take part in the numerous family-friendly activities. For those new to the area, the event (named in honor of former University of Iowa football coach Hayden Fry) is often the first taste of what it means to be a part of the Hawkeye landscape.

NEW This Year

Fashion show/product showcase:
Vendors show off their favorite fan gear, with models including Hawkeye fans and the Spirit Squad.

Herky on Parade, Part II unveiling:
The life-size Herky statues are back for another public art project, and the first three designs of Herky on Parade 2014 will be revealed!

FRY fest 2013
At a Glance
When: Friday, August 30, 2013, all day
Where: Coralville’s Iowa River Landing
Info: www.FRYfest.com
Cost: Free (with the exception of the ticketed Chris Cagle/Dustin Lynch concert)
Fan Favorites: Hawkeye car show, blood drive, World’s Largest Hawkeye Tradeshow and Tailgate Party (diverse line of Hawkeye merchandise), autographs, athletes, coaches, athletic demonstrations, kids’ activities, food, pep rally, concert.
**FRY fest Concert:**

Chris Cagle & Dustin Lynch

Ticket Sales
- www.FRYfest.com (through August 20)
- In person (through August 29): Backpocket Brewing, Coralville City Hall, Coralville Hy-Vee, Iowa Children’s Museum at Coral Ridge Mall, Iowa City/ Coralville Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, MidwestOne Bank (Iowa City, Coralville, and North Liberty locations)
- At FRY fest (on August 30)

Ticket Prices
- Through August 25: $15 each
- Beginning August 26: $20 each

More Information
- www.FRYfest.com

Much like FRY fest itself, the outdoor concert event that concludes FRY fest on Friday, August 30 is more than just a finale, it’s an experience: two artists, thousands of Hawkeye fans, and the backdrop of the Iowa River Landing.

Country stars Chris Cagle and Dustin Lynch cap off FRY fest 2013.

Lynch, whose debut single “Cowboys and Angels” went platinum this spring, opens at 7:00 pm. His self-titled, inaugural album debuted at #1 on the Billboard Country Albums Chart, making him the only new male act to have his album land at #1 in 2012.

Chris Cagle takes the stage at 8:30 pm. Cagle’s first number one smash, “I Breathe In, I Breathe Out,” remains a fan favorite. His 2012 album, Back in the Saddle, which includes the charted songs “Let There Be Cowgirls” and “Got My Country On,” reached No. 6 on Billboard’s top country album chart.

Concert and beverage garden proceeds benefit Coralville’s 4thFEST celebration.

**Free FRY fest Shuttle from Downtown Iowa City**

Coralville Transit and Cambus provide a continuous loop of free direct shuttle service to FRY fest at the Iowa River Landing on August 30 with buses running from downtown Iowa City near the corner of Clinton and Washington Streets. Buses run approximately every 15 minutes from 4:00 pm until 30 minutes after the concert ends. The free shuttle is open to the public. Coolers are not permitted on the shuttle.

**Bicycle Parking**

On-site bike parking is available at no charge in the grass lot in front of AAA Mechanical, 832 Quarry Road.

**Paid Event Parking**

Limited $5.00 pre-pay event parking is available at two locations:
- **All day, Iowa River Landing north parking ramp and south parking lot:** Adjacent to the Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center. Marriott overnight guests will have ramp parking access as usual with a designated pass.
- **Beginning at 4:00 pm, west parking ramp:** Parking ramp adjacent to the University of Iowa Health Care building. Concert parking only.

**Bike Ride Celebrates Hawkeyes & RAGBRAI Sunday, September 1**

The granGABLE bike ride/race connects all that is Hawkeye with cycling, wrestling, and a commitment to excellence. This fondo, named in honor of legendary former University of Iowa wrestling coach and Olympic gold medalist Dan Gable, is for cyclists of all abilities. The ride features three different routes winding through Johnson and Iowa counties, starting and ending at the Iowa River Landing, home of FRY fest. The gold route stretches over 100 miles, the silver route covers 60 miles, and the bronze route is 25 miles.

All proceeds benefit the Iowa Bicycle Coalition and Hawkeye Wrestling Club. Information about participating or volunteering is available at www.granGABLE.com.
Sculpture Park Will Fuse Visual Art & Literature

Eleven permanent sculptures with artistic and literary ties to Iowa will be added to the landscape of the Iowa River Landing this fall, with the support of an Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs Great Places grant and local funds.

Tipping Point
by Sarah Deppe.
Based on Sea Change by Jorie Graham.

To Dorothy
by James Anthony Bearden.
Based on the poem “To Dorothy” by Marvin Bell.
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This fall, drivers and pedestrians along 5th Street will see the addition of a bronze statue — a public art piece which has been over 24 years in the works — in front of the Police Station.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SCULPTURE IS 24 YEARS IN THE MAKING

A watercolor of the future The Coralville Protector statue in front of the Police Department, by Brodin Studios.

On Saturday, October 12, 2013, The Coralville Protector, a tribute to past and present Coralville Police Department officers and staff, will be unveiled and dedicated on the south side of the Coralville Police Station. Brodin Studios of Litchfield, MN were commissioned to create the customized bronze sculpture of a police officer and two children.

The sculpture, similar to the first such sculpture created by Brodin Studios in the 1980s, will incorporate the Coralville Police Department’s badge, uniform patches, radio, and sidearm so that the sculpture will be truly representative of the Coralville Police Department.

Chief Barry Bedford stated that no tax dollars will be expended for the sculpture; the funding for the statue is entirely from private community donations to the Police Department over the past 24 years. A landscaping plan has been developed by the Parks Department, and the funds for landscaping the project have been set aside for the past few years in anticipation of the sculpture.

The public is invited to attend the formal dedication on October 12. Additional information will be available this fall in the Beat, at www.coralville.org, and via social media.

 Former Police Offers & Staff Invited for Reunion

All former officers and staff who served the community as part of the Coralville Police Department are invited back for a special reunion event to be held prior to the statue dedication.

If you, or someone you know, worked for the Coralville Police Department in the past, please contact Karen Mutchler at 319.248.1800 or kmutchler@ci.coralville.ia.us for reunion information.
Oakdale Boulevard Extension
The extension of Oakdale Boulevard from Pembrokeshire Drive to Dubuque Street NE is a joint project between Johnson County and the City of Coralville. Oakdale Boulevard was paved in late July and the road, along with the addition of an 8 foot wide trail along the north side of the road, will open in October 2013. This major east-west arterial street will provide a direct link between Coralville’s 1st Avenue and Iowa City’s Dubuque Street.

Heartland Drive Improvements
Heartland Drive has been closed this summer between Heartland Place and Commercial Park due to ongoing road improvements. When Heartland Drive re-opens by November, it will be ready to accommodate future traffic volumes with the addition of a traffic signal at the Heartland Place intersection, as well as a new roundabout on Heartland Drive that will provide direct access to future development on both sides of the road.

Street Improvements
Improvements to the 600 and 700 blocks of 12th Avenue, including pavement work and water main replacement, should be completed by mid-September. Reconstruction of 20th Avenue from 9th Street Place to 10th Street is scheduled to start in September and be completed in October.

Clear Creek Trail Extensions
Two projects to extend the Clear Creek Trail are expected to be completed in August:
• Clear Creek Trail Phase 5, Part 2 - This project starts west of the extension of Coral Ridge Avenue south of Highway 6 and will extend the trail another 0.6 miles to the west, stopping just short of Deer Creek.
• Clear Creek Trail – 1st Avenue to Biscuit Creek (American Discovery Trail) - This project will construct a new 0.37 mile section of the trail along the north side of Clear Creek between 1st Avenue and the Highway 6 Bridge over Clear Creek.

IOWA RIVER LANDING UPDATE

Iowa River Landing North of East 9th Street

- 30hop (opening 2014)
- Backpocket Brewing
- Charlotte’s (opening 2014)
- Coralville Transit Intermodal Facility (opening 2015)
- Future Retail
- Homewood Suites
- Jos. A. Bank Clothiers (opening 2014)
- Marriott Hotel & Convention Center
- Parking
- Residential Condos/Retail (opening 2015)
- Scratch Cupcakery (opening 2013)
- University of Iowa Health Care – Iowa River Landing
- Von Maur
- Waterstreet Coffee Bar (opening 2013)
The Metro Planning Organization of Johnson County (MPOJC) and the City of Coralville obtained a state grant to purchase 278 way-finding signs for bicyclists. The cities worked with Kris Ackerson, MPO Assistant Transportation Planner, to create a sign network for a variety of destinations. “We wanted to create a system for people to feel more comfortable using bicycles for transportation. We have such great trail and on-street accommodations for bicyclists in the area. Way-finding signs will make it easier for people to comfortably navigate on their bikes just like street signs do for motorists,” Ackerson noted.

Coralville used the majority of their allotted signs to direct people on the trail system. “We have a fantastic network of trails but with no sign system, it can be confusing,” said Sherri Proud, Director of Parks and Recreation. “We used both mileage and average number of minutes by bicycle on the route signs so people will not only see destinations, they can also gauge their trip in minutes or mileage,” added Proud.

The project was funded through State Transportation Enhancement funds. The project totaled $15,298 with the grant paying 80% of the costs and the cities contributing a 20% match. Resources such as a trail map and a bicycle parking brochure can be found at www.coralville.org/trails.
## Coralville Center for the Performing Arts

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Tickets for most Coralville Center for the Performing Arts events are available at:
- 319.248.9370
- www.coralvillearts.org
- Coralville Recreation Center, 1506 8th St.
- Coralville Center for the Performing Arts Box Office, 1301 5th St.

**Festival of Trees**

Saturday, November 30

at the Coralville Marriott

Get into the holiday spirit with this special event to benefit City Circle Acting Company and the Coralville Center for the Performing Arts!

The evening includes live music, performances, food, and dancing, as well as the opportunity to bid on artistically decorated wreaths and trees.

To find out more about tickets, sponsorships, or the donation of a tree, wreath, or stocking, call 319.248.9371.

See What’s on Stage

[www.facebook.com/coralvillearts](http://www.facebook.com/coralvillearts)  
@CoralvilleIAArt
September Is National Library Card Sign-Up Month

Do you have a library card? If not, there is no better time to get one, and the first card is always free. In addition to traditional library services, a card allows Coralville residents free access to e-books and e-audiobooks through OverDrive, as well as digital magazine issues through Zinio. Getting a card takes less than five minutes – just bring picture identification and something with your current address.

Did you lose your library card? The Library is offering free replacement cards during the month of September. Stop by any public service desk at the Library with a photo ID for a free replacement card.

Banned Books Week

September 22 to 28

What are "banned" and "challenged" books? Challenged books are those that members of the public have asked libraries, bookstores, or schools to remove because they object to something in the content. If the library or school agrees to remove the book, it is considered banned.

Challenged books include:

- Lord of the Rings, by JRR Tolkien
- Gone with the Wind, by Margaret Mitchell
- Harry Potter (series), by J.K. Rowling
- The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, by Mark Twain
- Captain Underpants (series), by Dav Pilkey
- Merriam Webster’s 10th Edition Dictionary
- Brown Bear Brown Bear, by Bill Martin Jr
- My Mom’s Having a Baby, by Coralville’s own Dori Hillestad Butler

Celebrate the Freedom to Read

Join a live display of people reading challenged materials during Banned Books Week, September 22 to 28. Readers are welcome to bring their favorite challenged book, or choose from a display. Anyone can sign up! To participate, stop by the Library or call 319.248.1850.

It’s a Mystery

The Library’s mystery discussion group continues its journey around the world this fall!

Wednesday, September 11 at 10 am
Heart of the Hunter
by Deon Meyer (South Africa)
A KGB-trained assassin who went to help the antiapartheid movement is called out of his newly quiet life to help the daughter of an old friend, with the aid of a stolen BMW motorcycle.

Wednesday, October 9 at 10 am
The Man With the Baltic Star
by James Church (North Korea)
North Korea’s Inspector O was sent to a mountaintop to live in exile. Now he’s called back to Pyongyang to work on a murder case with, of all people, the South Koreans.

Wednesday, November 13 at 10 am
Beastly Things
by Donna Leon (Italy)
A man with no identification and only one shoe is found in a canal. No one has filed a missing persons report; no one knows who he is. But Commissario Guido Brunetti must find out—in between excellent meals at his home.
Community Book Discussions

**The Year We Left Home by Jean Thompson**
(this year’s “All Iowa Reads” selection)

**September 12 at 7 pm**
What happens to the members of an Iowa farm family from the Vietnam War to the Iraq War? Join the discussion about the fates of the Erickson family and how they might be similar to or different from your own. Learn more about All Iowa Reads at www.iowacentterforthebook.org/air.

**The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot**

**October 1 at 7 pm**
Henrietta Lacks was a poor black woman. In 1951, doctors treating her for cancer took tissue samples from her body without her knowledge. Cells from those samples — called HeLa cells — were used to develop the polio vaccine and are used to this day in cloning, gene mapping, and research. Few people knew her story until journalist Rebecca Skloot’s book was published in 2010. The City of Literature, Integrated DNA Technologies (which works with HeLa cells), the UI College of Public Health, and the UI Museum of Natural History are sponsoring “An Evening with the Lacks Family: The Story behind The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks” on Thursday, October 10 at 7:00 pm at Macbride Auditorium on the University of Iowa campus.

In preparation for the event, the Coralville Public Library will hold a wide-ranging discussion of the book and the issues it raises — of racism, poverty, and medical ethics — on October 1 at 7 pm.

Copies of the plays are available for checkout at the Library.

**Thursday, September 26 at 10:00 am**
**Romeo & Juliet**
A tragedy by William Shakespeare

**Thursday, October 31 at 10:00 am**
**The Little Foxes**
A drama by Lillian Hellman

**Thursday, November 21 at 10:00 am**
**Once**
A musical by Enda Walsh, Glen Hansard, and Marketa Irglova

LitFlicks is a free, book-based movie series at the Library. Fresh popcorn is provided.

**Thursday, August 29 at 6:00 pm**
**The Avengers**

**Tuesday, October 29 at 6:00 pm**
**Silence of the Lambs**
Based on the novel by Thomas Harris. Starring Jodie Foster and Anthony Hopkins. Directed by Jonathan Demme.

Benefits the Coralville Ecumenical Food Pantry
During the month of September a non-perishable food item donation* will pay your library fines!

Items most needed at the Food Pantry:
- Monetary donations
- Peanut butter
- Mac and cheese
- Rice
- Canned vegetables
- Canned meats or fish
- Hearty soups and stews
- Beans (canned and dried)
- Canned fruit
- Crackers

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College Planning Night
Thursday, October 10 at 7:00 pm
High school students and their parents can learn about college planning during a free presentation offered by Coralville Public Library and the Iowa College Access Network (ICAN).

Receive answers on topics like preparing for, choosing, and comparing colleges; college visits; and the financial aid process.

For more information, contact Karen Stierler at 319.248.1850 or kstierler@coralville.lib.ia.us.

Teens’ Top Ten
Teens, there’s still time to read some of this year’s Teens’ Top Ten nominated books and vote for your favorites! The ten books to receive the most votes will be named the 2013 Teens’ Top Ten!

Voting starts August 15 and ends September 15. The winning titles will be announced during Teen Read Week.

Teen Read Week
October 13 to 19
The Coralville Public Library, along with 5,000 libraries across the U.S., will celebrate Teen Read Week with special events and activities encouraging teens to read for fun and become regular library users.

Learn more: teens.coralvillepubliclibrary.org

Food for Fines
Benefits the Coralville Ecumenical Food Pantry
During the month of September a non-perishable food item donation* will pay your library fines!

Items most needed at the Food Pantry:
- Monetary donations
- Peanut butter
- Mac and cheese
- Rice
- Canned vegetables
- Canned meats or fish
- Hearty soups and stews
- Beans (canned and dried)
- Canned fruit
- Crackers

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The City of Coralville is undergoing a process to create a new comprehensive Community Plan. The Plan will address land use and development, transportation, neighborhoods, parks and open space, the environment, community facilities, and much more. The data collection for the first stage of the process, an analysis of existing conditions, is complete. The next stage is just beginning.

How can you help?
Join us at the Community Vision Workshop where residents, business owners, elected and appointed officials, members of the consultant team, and other stakeholders will work together to create a vision for the City of Coralville. Attendees will participate in an interactive workshop to map out their concerns, the things they like best about the community, and the changes they would like to see in both the near and long-term. The vision workshop will be a fun and engaging way to provide your thoughts about the future of Coralville.

Why is the Vision Workshop important?
The purpose of the workshop will be to establish an overall vision for the future of the City of Coralville that can provide focus and direction for subsequent planning activities, serve as the cornerstone of the consensus building process, and identify a path for growth. Based on the Vision Workshop and previous steps in the planning process, preliminary planning goals and objectives will be developed as part of the plan.

Contact Us
For any questions or comments about the Community Plan, please contact Ellen Habel, Assistant City Administrator, at 319.248.1700 or ehabel@ci.coralville.ia.us.

The City Council is made up of five Council Members who serve overlapping terms of four years. The Mayor is elected for a two-year term. These at-large positions are elected by Coralville citizens, and the offices are non-partisan.

Running for Public Office
The City of Coralville’s nomination process to appear on the ballot is by petition. The nomination papers required to run for the City election (an Affidavit of Candidacy and the Nomination Petition) are available from the City Clerk’s office at City Hall, 1512 7th Street. Candidates are required to have 25 signatures on their petitions, and candidates may begin collecting signatures at any time.

Once the forms are submitted, the City Clerk verifies if the nomination papers are complete and sufficient for filing and delivers election materials to the County Auditor.

Important Deadlines
Nomination papers can only be accepted by the City Clerk during the filing period from August 26, 2013 until 5:00 pm on September 19, 2013. The City Clerk must deliver all nomination papers to the Johnson County Auditor’s Office by 5:00 pm on September 20, 2013.

Candidate Resources
The Johnson County Auditor’s Office publishes an election calendar, which specifies the type of election, election dates, and the candidate filing periods. Information is available at www.johnson-county.com/auditor/index.html or by contacting the Johnson County Auditor’s office at 319.356.6004 or elections@co.johnson.ia.us.

A candidate’s guide to city elections, the Affidavit of Candidacy, and the Nomination Petition can be found at the Iowa Secretary of State’s website at sos.iowa.gov/elections/electioninfo/cityelections.html.

Learn More
For more information, please contact Coralville City Clerk Thor Johnson at 319.248.1700 or tjohnson@ci.coralville.ia.us.
SIGN UP FOR NEW JOHNSON COUNTY EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

On July 1, 2013, Johnson County changed its high-speed telephone emergency notification service from CodeRED to the Johnson County Emergency Notification System (JCENS). The new system offers better pricing and more features than the previous system. Four neighboring counties will utilize the same system which will allow for regional resource sharing.

This notification system for mass public safety alerts is a free opt-in service for Johnson County residents. During an emergency, the system delivers mass voice, text, and email messages to registered phones and email addresses. The system allows dispatchers and emergency managers to notify the entire county or specific areas of an evacuation, lost or missing person, or other public safety threat.

The new system also sends alerts to email and text-capable cell subscribers for specific hazardous weather threats issued by the National Weather Service.

**Who Should Sign Up?**

Landline phone numbers previously subscribed to CodeRED were moved into the new notification system. However, any cell phone numbers or email addresses previously subscribed to CodeRED must re-register with the new Johnson County Emergency Notification System.

To subscribe to the Johnson County Emergency Notification System, please visit http://entry.inspironlogistics.com/johnson_ia/wens.cfm.
Labor Day Holiday
**Monday, September 2**
City offices closed. No transit service. Garbage will not be picked up on Monday. Garbage and recycling routes will be picked up one day later than usual.

Mayor’s Fall Clean Up Week
**October 7-11**
**What:** Set out large items, like furniture or bathroom fixtures, for free pickup on trash collection day. Place items curbside up to 24 hours before or by 7:00 am collection day. Tag other extra garbage and yard waste as usual.
**Not accepted:** Appliances, construction materials, electronics, or hazardous materials. Call 319.248.1740 for more information.

Community Shred Day
**Saturday, October 12**
8:00 am to noon
**Where:** Hy-Vee parking lot, 1914 8th Street
**What:** Residents can drop off a cardboard box with personal papers to be destroyed at the North Cedar Recycling facility. Sponsored by the City of Coralville with thanks to North Cedar Recycling and Hy-Vee.

Harvest Moon Festival
**Sunday, October 13**
2:00 to 4:00 pm
**Where:** S.T. Morrison Park
**What:** Enjoy an afternoon of family fun, games, and activities. Sponsored by the University of Iowa Community Credit Union

National Drug Take Back Event
**Saturday, October 26**
10:00 am to 2:00 pm
**Where:** Hy-Vee and both Coralville Walgreens (1st Avenue and Heartland Drive locations)
**What:** Bring old or unused prescription or over-the-counter medications for free, safe disposal. This event is sponsored by the Coralville Police Department and the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration. To learn more, contact Officer Hayden at the Coralville Police Department at 319.248.1800.

Optimist Halloween Party & Parade
**Sunday, October 27**
2:00 to 4:00 pm
**Where:** Coralville Recreation Center

Veteran’s Day Holiday
**Monday, November 11**
City offices closed. Regular transit service. Garbage will not be picked up on Monday. Garbage and recycling routes will be picked up one day later than usual.

Aisle of Lights
**Sunday, December 15**
Begins at 5:00 pm
**Where:** Throughout Coralville.
**What:** Thousands of white paper sacks, each filled with sand and a votive candle, are set out at dusk. All residents may participate. Festive activities are held throughout Coralville during the weekend. For more information, contact Herb Staub at 319.351.3848.

Fall Leaf Collection
**What:** Curbside pickup on regular garbage days, just like yard waste pickup.
**When:** Through November 30 or the first winter snowfall.
**How:** Place leaves curbside in biodegradable yard waste bags, or in a 33-gallon container with an annual yard waste sticker, or mulch or compost leaves for your own use.
- Biodegradable yard waste bags are available at Coralville Hy-Vee, Lenoch and Cilek Ace Hardware, Theisen’s, and City Hall for $1 per bag.
- Annual yard waste stickers can be purchased for $25 at City Hall
**Remember:** Loose leaf piles aren’t picked up. Please don’t rake leaves into streets, ditches or drainage ways — this clogs storm drains and leaves blow back into yards.

Optimist Halloween Party & Parade
**Sunday, October 27**
2:00 to 4:00 pm
**Where:** Coralville Recreation Center

Trick or Treating
**Thursday, October 31**
5:30 to 8:00 pm