

City of Johnston, Iowa
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Crown Point
Community Center and
Senior Dining Center
6300 Pioneer Parkway
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City offices will be closed November 11, 2011 in observance of Veteran's Day. Trash collection will stay on schedule. City offices will be closed November 24-25, 2011 in observance of Thanksgiving. Trash collection will remain on schedule.

Curb Side Pumpkin Collection

Problem: The trick-or-treaters have come and gone and you still have carved pumpkins on your doorstep.

Solution 1: Toss that pumpkin (and any others) in your Compost It! bag or cart, along with your leaves and yard waste.

Solution 2: If you have a garden, bury it (diced or whole) directly into your garden soil. The winter freeze and thaw cycle and bacteria will break the pumpkin down. But be sure to remove all seeds or you might end up with a few pumpkins seedlings sprouting.

Fall Brush Clean-Up is November 17 and 18 from 7 am to 3:30 p.m. and November 19 from 8 a.m. p.m. Residents may drop off branches at the Public Works facility located at 6400 NW Beaver Drive. Branches need to be 18" in diameter or less. Please remember that no leaves or grass clippings will be accepted during this time.

NW 62nd Avenue Construction—Follow the construction activity for NW 62nd Avenue on the city's website. Updates on construction will be posted on www.cityofjohnston.com and on Twitter and Facebook.

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www.cityofjohnston.com

Yard Waste Collection Ends the Last Week of November

Fall is your last hurrah to enjoy the weather and the fall leaves—until you have to rake them up. Collection for yard and garden waste ends the last week of November (November 28 or 29 in Johnston) on your garbage collection day. Make sure your lawn and garden is ready for winter by raking up leaves and clearing out any rotten vegetables.

Residents can bag leaves and grass and bundle brush, using Metro Waste Authority Compost It! bags and stickers. Bags are available in bundles of five for \$7.75 and stickers cost \$1.15 each. Yard waste stickers are used for brush bundles or can be used if you choose to bag your leaves or brush in store-brand kraft-style bags. The price of the stickers covers the cost to collect the material. If you choose to use a store-brand bag and do not attach a sticker, the bag will not be collected.

Learn more about our solid waste, recycling, and yard waste curb side collection by visiting www.MWAtoday.com/communities or calling 515-244-0021.



Harvest Dance at Crown Point

A harvest dance featuring the music of Gaylin Sudik and Friends playing a wide selection of music for your dancing and listening pleasure will be held from 6:30-9:30 p.m. November 16 at Crown Point Community Center, 6300 Pioneer Parkway in Johnston. The event is sponsored by the Johnston Senior Citizen Advisory Board and is open to the public for an admission fee of \$5.

AT THE LIBRARY

Iowa Author Visit – Saturday, November 19, 10:30 am. Ty Smedes will discuss the text and photographs in his book entitled

The Return of the Iowa Bald Eagles. Smedes is a well-known author and photographer from the local area.

Family Movie @ the Library – Sunday, November 27 at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for the free showing of Cars 2. No registration is needed.

Holidays in Johnston – Save the Date!

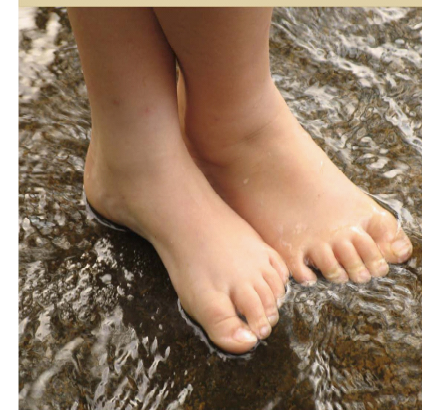
The annual Holidays in Johnston celebration will be held at the Library on Saturday, December 3 from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Santa will be escorted by Johnston firefighters again this year, so don't miss the big arrival at 2:30. Then stay and enjoy stories, crafts, cookie decorating and special music. Mark your calendar for this special community event!

Holiday Closings in November

The Library will be closed on November 11 for Veterans Day. It will also be closed at 4:00 p.m. on November 23, as well as all day November 24 & 25 for Thanksgiving.



Dog waste pollutes



Stormwater carries bacteria from dog waste into streams and rivers through storm drains.

Scoop the poop, bag it, and place it in the trash

Clean yards. Clean streams. (And clean feet!)

101 REASONS TO PICK UP PET WASTE:
NUMBER 16

Johnston Park Advisory Board Opening

Due to a resignation, there is a term open on the Johnston Park Advisory Board. This term expires 6/30/2013.

Applications are available on the City of Johnston web site. Applications are due to City Hall by 5:00 p.m. on November 18, 2011. The Park Advisory Board meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Crown Point Community Center.