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## **Events**

- Jan 23 WHS Band Parents Mouse Races
  6pm at Waterloo VFW
- Jan 28 Get the Job You Deserve
  7pm at Morrison Talbott Library
- Feb 2 Children's Rummage Sale 3-6pm at SPPCS

#### Feb 5-7 Foxfire

- **& 12-14** presented by Monroe Actors Stage Co. Visit www.masctheatre.org for more info.
- Feb 6 Camp Wartburg Trivia Night 7pm at Camp Wartburg
- **Feb 6** Taste of the Region 5-9pm at Gibault Catholic High School
- Feb 13 Life Network Trivia Night
  6pm at Gibault Catholic High School
- Feb 13 Lions Club Trivia Night Waterloo VFW
- Feb 18 Large Item Trash Pick-up Day
- Feb 20 Sportsmans Club Trivia Night 7pm at Waterloo Sportsmans Club

### Holiday Trash Pickup Reminder

Trash WILL BE picked up on President's Day, February 15, for all Waterloo residents.



## <u>Radon</u> Awareness

January is National Radon Awareness Month. Radon is a radioactive gas that is the leading cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers. Forty two percent of the homes in Illinois have elevated levels of radon. Test and fix your home if the levels are high and perhaps save a life. Contact Gloria at 618.830.4660 for a \$10 test kit.

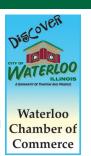


## WSA Baseball Sign-Ups

The Waterloo Sports Association registration is ONLINE ONLY this year from February 1 through February 21 at www.waterloosports. ws. Divisions are listed online as well; eligibility is based on the child's age/grade at the time of registration.

# Waterloo Banner Program

The time has come to renew the Waterloo Banner Program. The purpose of this program is to enhance and beautify the appearance of Market Street and promote Waterloo businesses, community service organizations, school recognized organizations, churches and independent contractors with a home office in Waterloo. For this renewal, existing participants have the option to keep their place in the program and have until January 21 to submit a new contract.



For participants wanting to join: we added some new poles to the program, so you will have an opportunity to get a banner, regardless if all of our existing participants re-sign. Due to the high demand, any new participant applications will be put into a lottery for the available poles. New applications will be accepted at City Hall February 1 through February 29 and the drawing will be held on March 1, 3 pm at City Hall. To get an application and read the full program guidelines, please visit www.waterloo.il.us.



## **Snow Removal Policy**

The goal of the Waterloo Public Works Department is to provide snow and ice control in a safe, timely and cost-efficient manner. Below are a few highlights of the City's Snow Removal Policy and How Residents Can Help.....

- Please park your car off-street whenever you can.
- Please make sure that basketball goals and other obstructions are not placed in or adjacent to the street.
- Attempts will be made to keep excessive amounts of snow from accumulating at the end of driveways or in front of mailboxes. However, this is a reality of snow plowing and cannot be helped. Property owners are responsible for cleaning their driveway approaches and around mailboxes.
- The City will not be responsible for plowing alleys.

You can find the complete Snow Removal Policy on the City's website at waterloo.il.us.



## **Natural Gas Safety**

#### How to recognize a leak:

- By Smell an odorant is added to give natural gas the distinct odor of sulfur or "rotten eggs"
- By Sight visual clues of a possible gas leak are blowing dirt or dust, dead vegetation in a normal green area, a dense white cloud over a gas line, continuous bubbles in standing water or ground fires.
- By Sound any unusual sound near a gas line such as hissing, a high-pitched whistle or roaring sound indicate a gas leak.

#### What to do if a leak is recognized:

- Everyone leave immediately. If in a building, keep the door open as you exit.
- Call the City of Waterloo from a safe location such as a neighboring house or business at 939-8600 or 939-6413 after hours.
- Do not use a phone, TV, radio, computer, appliance, garage door opener or anything that may create a spark
- Do not touch electrical outlets, light switches, door bells or anything else that may create a spark
- Do not smoke, use a lighter, light a match or use any other open flame device.
- Do not start up, shut off or operate any type of gas or electric powered vehicle or equipment.



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