



Events

Many community events are currently cancelled or postponed, to comply with the Restore Illinois Metrics and to follow Social Distancing measures in an effort to help prevent the spread of the Coronavirus. Please do your part to follow these mandates, so that we can keep our community safe, and return to our “normal” lives as soon as possible.

- Oct 19-25 Explore Waterloo’s Witches Night Out**
Visit [facebook.com/ExploreWaterloo](https://www.facebook.com/ExploreWaterloo) for details!
- Oct 22 Large Item Pickup**
- Oct 24 Elizabeth Cody Stanton**
1:30pm at MoCo History Museum
- Oct 24 Roaring 20’s Virtual Oktoberfest**
www.gjibaulthawks.com
- Oct 25 Midwest Bird & Animal Swap/Sale**
5:30-11am at MoCo Fairgrounds
- Oct 25 Wurstmarkt Dinner (Drive Thru Only)**
11am-3pm at St. Patrick Church Tipton
- Nov 7 Calling and Building Turkey Calls**
1:30pm at MoCo History Museum
- Nov 11 Veterans Day Virtual Ceremony**
Visit the City of Waterloo’s Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/waterlooil or website at www.waterloo.il.us to view.
- Nov 14 Boy Scout Pack 301 Scouting for Food Drive**
Benefiting local food pantries. Bags will be put out on Nov. 14 and picked up on Nov. 21

Large Item Pickup

The next large item pickup will be on Thursday, October 22. Please visit our website for details: <http://www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/trash-recycling/large-item-pickup/>

Share the Feast

The Waterloo Lion’s Club will host their annual “Share the Feast” Thanksgiving Dinner, pick-up and delivery only from 11:30am-1pm. It will be at a new location - the Waterloo VFW. Contact Ruth Ann Mueller at 939-6867 to place your order.



COVID-19 Halloween Guidance

From the Illinois Department of Public Health

Because the traditional ways to celebrate Halloween do not allow for proper social distancing, the Illinois Department of Public Health is providing guidance to allow for safe Halloween celebrations. Below is a summary of their recommendations. For the full guidance, visit <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/community-guidance/halloween-guidance>. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention offers additional guidance, available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>.

Neighborhood Trick-or-Treating

- As an alternative to door-to-door trick or treating, anyone who would like to distribute treats should leave individually wrapped candy or treats on a table, on their front walkways, sidewalks, or any outdoor space that allows for at least 6 feet of social distance from the door.
- All individuals participating in trick-or-treating, including those passing out candy should maintain social distance of at least 6 feet and wear proper face coverings. A costume mask is not a substitute for a face covering.
- Only household members should trick-or-treat together and should maintain 6 feet social distance from other trick-or-treaters at all times.
- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer should be carried and used frequently.
- Candy collected during trick-or-treating should not be consumed until after handwashing. Discard unwrapped candy.
- Outdoor areas are preferred for trick-or-treating.

Alternatives to Trick-or-Treating

Trunk or treat events are considered a higher risk activity and are discouraged.

The Trunk or Treat for the City of Waterloo has been cancelled.

As a reminder, if you think you could have COVID-19 or may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person Halloween festivities and should not give out candy to trick-or-treaters. Individuals at increased risk for severe illness should not attend in-person Halloween gatherings.

In Search of Local WWII Veterans

Since we are unable to gather in person, the City of Waterloo, Waterloo Park District, VFW and American Legion are planning to host a virtual Veterans Day Ceremony, which will be posted to the City of Waterloo’s website (www.waterloo.il.us) and Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/waterlooil) on November 11th.

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the End of WWII. Thus, we would like to include interviews from our local World War II Veterans. If you know someone that would like to participate, please contact Mayor Smith with the following information: Veteran’s Name, Branch of Military, Rank, Dates Served and any Overseas Deployments. He can be reached at 618-939-8600 ext. 200 or mayorsmith@waterloo.il.us. Social distancing, masks and safety measures will be in place during these recorded interviews, or family members may conduct the interviews at home.

Reminder: If **Second Sight Systems** has contacted you to replace your water meter, please call them at 618-368-2600 or email at meters@sssrf.com to set up an appointment. Rest assured, guidelines have been established for all of the field employees to follow the CDC’s social distancing protocols related to COVID-19.



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