



September 2022

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# Events

- Sept 17 Optimist Club Blue Army Bull Bash**  
7pm at Monroe County Fairgrounds
- Sept 21 International Day of Peace Gathering**  
6:30pm at St. Paul UCC
- Sept 23 Rummage Sale**  
& **24 Concord Presbyterian Church**
- Sept 25 Midwest Bird & Animal Swap & Sale**  
5:30-11am at Monroe County Fairgrounds
- Sept 30 Stubbornfest**  
& **Oct 1** 2-11pm Friday & Noon-11pm Saturday  
at Stubborn German Brewing Co.
- Oct 1 Life Network's Life Day**  
8:15am at First Baptist Church,  
Columbia, IL
- Oct 1 New Design & Its Forgotten Cemetery**  
1:30pm at the MoCo History Museum
- Oct 2 Wurstmart & Country Store**  
11:30am-2pm at Immanuel Lutheran
- Oct Haunted Trail & Hayride**  
7-8 7-11pm at Waterloo Sportsmans Club
- Oct 8 PumpkinFest** See information at right.
- Oct 9 Ocktoberfest** Historic Maeystown, IL
- Oct 14 Night at the Museum**  
Bellefontaine House
- Monroe County Farmer's Market**  
7:30am - Noon at Annex every Saturday

Visit the city's website for details and contact information.

## Trash Pickup Reminder

Just a reminder, there WILL BE trash pickup on Columbus Day, Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.



## Welcome

The City would like to welcome the following new businesses to our community:

- The Bear & The Bird**  
210 South Main Street
- Scooters Coffee**  
808 Illinois Route 3
- The Nursery**  
128 West Mill Street
- The Hair Bar**  
130 West Mill Street



# PumpkinFest

Saturday, October 8

at the Court House Square from 9am-4pm

Craft & Merchant Booths, Games, Contests, Music, Entertainment, Food & Beverages and much more!

### Contests

- 5k/10k Fun Walk/Run
- Washer Tournament
- PumpkinFest Coloring Contest
- PumpkinFest Art Contest
- Pumpkin Strong Arm Contest
- Pumpkin Scavenger Hunt
- Costume Contest
- Dog Costume Contest
- Decorated Pumpkin Contest - Carved & Painted

### Entertainment

- Bubble Bus
- Magic Shows
- Pumpkin Train Rides
- Harvey the Juggler
- Hayrides
- Games
- Mirabel & Moana and Harry Potter Visits
- Upper Limits Rock Climbing Wall
- Halloween Mad Science Show
- Martial Arts Demonstration

**PumpkinFest Charity Drive!**  
Make a Donation - Get a Free PumpkinFest shopping bag!  
Thanks to First National Bank of Waterloo for organizing!  
Visit website for a list of most needed items!

For more information, a timeline of events and contest rules, visit [www.waterloo.il.us/pumpkinfest](http://www.waterloo.il.us/pumpkinfest) or contact City Hall at 618-939-8600 ext. 211.



## PumpkinFest 50/50 Raffle

Get your tickets for the PumpkinFest 50/50 Raffle! This year proceeds will be donated to the Monroe County History Museum. Tickets can be purchased now at City Hall and the History Museum, and they will be sold all day at PumpkinFest on October 8th, with the drawing taking place that day at 3:30pm. Good luck!!



## 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 939-1000 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.

Visit City Hall if you would like a copy of our Natural Gas Safety Pamphlet!



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