

**DUNLAP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** 

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#### Meetings

DCDC meets monthly in the DCDC office on Main Street the second Monday of each month at 4:00 p.m. All meetings are open to the public, but topics to be brought to the Board's attention, must be placed on the meeting agenda in advance.

#### **About DCDC**

DCDC stands for Dunlap
Community Development
Corporation. It was formed in 1991
as a 501(c)(6) organization with the
purpose of enhancing the economic
environment of Dunlap and
improving the quality of life for its
citizens. DCDC also works with
local government and other
institutions in Dunlap to support
the development of the Dunlap
community in order to sustain and
expand business endeavors.

#### PROUD OF IOWA AT DUNLAP'S 4TH OF JULY

The Dunlap 4th of July Committee has been working hard to ensure that the 2024 parade and park celebration are a success. It's bringing back traditional components as well as initiating new ones to ensure activities that appeal to everyone. This year's parade theme is "Iowa Pride."

"We want people to reflect on why they're proud to live in Dunlap and in Iowa, and make their floats reflect those ideas," shared committee member and DCDC Executive Director, Jill Schaben.

The year's festivities will be similar to those of past years, kicking the event off on July 3rd with a golf tournament, ice cream social, and street dance. On the morning of the 4th, all are invited to take part in the annual Dunlap Fun Run and Walk.

The kiddie parade, sponsored by Hair by Megan Hanigan, begins its route at the Dunlap Post Office at 10:30 a.m. The main event parade begins at 11:00 a.m. with parade entries departing from the 4 County Fairgrounds.

"The 4th Committee has taken the park celebration to a new level again this year," said Schaben. "There will be an awesome setup of fun inflatables, including water slides and soccer darts."

Wristbands can be purchased for \$15 for unlimited access to the inflatables.



"Parents seem to like the wristbands. They take the guesswork out of having to buy a bunch of tickets."

There will also be many free activities for kids to enjoy. (Continued on page 5)

### IMPROVEMENTS MAKE A SPLASH AT THE DUNLAP POOL

Visitors to the Dunlap Pool this season will likely notice the plethora of improvements that have been initiated. Thanks to grant money from the Dean J. King Foundation, funding from the City of Dunlap and donations from many community members, the pool experience continues to see upgrades.

Here is a list of some of the improvements:

- · 2 new ground-entry-level lifeguard chairs
- a new seat and base for the high lifeguard chair
- · the derelict lifeguard chair has been removed
- · many new white lounge chairs
- · a new life preserver and rescue rope
- 3 new custom-size hall mats for the bath house
- new commercial toilet paper holders in all the stalls
- stripes painted inside the bath house for aesthetics
- · more snack stand options
- freshly painted hazard steps near the shallow entry
- · a brand new pool heater
- · and more!

Like these improvements? Be sure to thank Gary and Jenn Neilsen, the City of Dunlap, the Dunlap Grants Committee, DCDC, the Dean J. King Foundation, and the long list of community members who donated toward this cause! (This list was published twice on social media.)













## THE COMMUNITY'S NEW LED SIGN IS CRANED INTO PLACE

After months of researching, planning, designing, fundraising, grant writing, etc., the Dunlap community is finally seeing the fruits of their efforts as our new LED sign is installed. The sign replaced a marquee-style sign that served as the sole community message board in Dunlap since its installation in 1991.

Chesnut signs, in tandem with Daktronics, built the sign per the Dunlap Grants Committee's specifications and it was craned into place in early June. Bonsall TV and Appliance ran power to the sign.

This sign was made possible due to the efforts of the Dunlap Grants Committee, DCDC, and the City of Dunlap. Funding was received from the Iowa West Foundation, John and Karen Giovanetti, Kaitlin Wille, Corey and Ashley Donsheski, Dana and Susan Sturgill, Danny TenEyck and Riley Kafton, Baldwin Electric, and Leo and Theresa Malone. Larry and Lanette Malone, along with Jerry Malone donated their time, equipment and energy to remove the previous sign.

In the coming weeks, DCDC and the City of Dunlap, as sign content managers will continue to fine-tune the appearance and rotation times on the LED screen. We will soon share guidelines for how the sign will be updated and how individuals and businesses can make requests to put information on the sign.

Businesses cannot advertise on the sign per regulations put into place by the Iowa DOT. The signs main purpose will be to share information about public, community-oriented events.







# DAM! THE IMPROVEMENTS JUST KEEP COMING!

Recently, Pleasant View Park in Dunlap has been seeing many improvements with funding from the Iowa DNR REAP Grant.

#### Did you know?

This park has received REAP funding more than once throughout history? The first time was in 1991. The money received at that time was used to plant 4,200 trees, perennial flowers, shrubs and native grasses! (*The top photo at right is from 1985.*)



#### Current status:

The City of Dunlap has been working to get electrical power ran down the hill to the shelter houses and restrooms at Pleasant View Park.

The shelter house paint has been touched up and the restroom has a new mural thanks to DCDC, with funding from the Paint Iowa Beautiful grant. Thank you to Deb Heller for helping paint.

A new pedestrian bridge is being welded and will be craned into place upon its completion.









"Thanks to the Dunlap American Legion, once again this year, kids will have access to a slew of free activities like large-scale Connect 4 and Tug of War," explained Schaben. "This year we're taking it a step further and offering a pedal tractor course, made out of small square bales, sponsored by Van Wall Equipment and the Dunlap Livestock Auction."

Boyer Valley Performing Arts is hosting the food stand, and the Boyer Valley Girl Scouts will be selling sweet treats as an additional fundraising effort. A Peachwave Frozen Yogurt truck will be stationed at the park during the celebration.

A basketball tournament is being organized by volunteers that will offer both a kids' bracket and an adults' bracket, giving participants of varying ages a shot at victory.

"The dunk tank is making its regular appearance. We've got some fun people on the list that are sure to encourage some dunk tank sales. And Pig Poop Bingo is back this year."

Pig Poop Bingo is a game where a pig is released into a pen with a grid. When the pig poops, the winning "square" is decided. The winner will receive \$500.

"Last year, Myrlen Hein refurbished Dunlap's kiddie train cars. The cars were really worn out, but thanks to Myrlen, they are ready for street-use again and looking better than ever."

The Silver Fox Auto Show will be taking place on Main Street immediately following the parade. Additionally, the Dunlap Golf Course and Dunlap Swimming Pool will both be open for portions of the day.

The night will end with a "bang!" as the Dunlap Fire Department shoots fireworks off at Pleasant View Park beginning at dusk.

The 4th of July Committee works hard to put on this parade and celebration, meeting monthly and hosting fundraising activities to ensure enough funds for a successful event.

Visit www.dunlapia.com and click on Events for more information about Dunlap's 4th of July parade and celebration. Contact DunlapDCDC@gmail.com with questions.



# \$20/SQUARE - ONLY 100 SQUARES WINNING SQUARE GETS \$500!

- 25 Squares for sale at the Dunlap Golf Course
- · 25 Squares for sale at the Dog House Bar & Grill
- 25 Squares for sale at the Lower Bar
- 25 Squares for sale at the City Park on the 4th of July
- = 100 Total Squares!

A pig will be released into a pen with a grid at the Dunlap City Park on the 4th of July.

When the pig poops, the winning "square" will be decided.

The winner will receive \$500 cash on site  $-\Omega R$ -

the winner will be contacted after the 4th if not present at the time of the announcement.



Join the 4th of July Fun Run and Walk, July 4th. The course is 3 miles for both running and walking. Participants start and finish at the Dunlap City Park.

The kids race is for ages 2 - 10.

All participants and spectators are invited to a breakfast following the event.

Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 male and female finishers and all children.

#### **SERVICE TO COMMUNITY**

DCDC would like to thank all of the groups and individuals who donate their time and energy to important service projects.

Thank you to the BV Girl Scouts for initiating the Dunlap Community Garden and to all those who continue to sustain it by volunteering to help water the plants, mow around the plots, and more!

Thank you to the Dunlap American Legion for ALL the ways they help our community. The Legion recently added a U.S. Flag Retirement Drop Box in front of Dunlap City Hall!

Thank you to the Dunlap Flower Club for keeping our main street and parks looking great with the addition and upkeep of stunning flower arrangements!

Interested in community service? Contact DunlapDCDC@gmail.com about the opportunities below.



- Install new stair railing at railroad stairs (requires assembly and drilling into cement)
- Install new angled history display boards at railroad stairs (dig holes, pour cement)
- Re-seed grass around new LED sign (once the base has been installed)
- Paint shelter houses at City Park (need power washed first)
- · Power wash shelter house floors
- Remove derelict concrete benches from pool and take to county shed
- Remove derelict concrete benches from People's Park
- Remove planters and picnic table from Pocket Park area









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#### **CELEBRATE WITH OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES**

DCDC appreciates all local businesses and would like to congratulate those who have celebrated recent advancements and improvement projects!

Wendt's Pots and Posies had new exterior sign lettering installed on the front of their building. It looks great!

Smitty's Grocery updated its point of purchase experience with a new barcode scanning system. This will make checking out a breeze!

Krystal Hartmann added a Farm Fresh Eggs kiosk to town, located at 1137 Toledo Ave. across from the old Gold Slipper.

John and Dede Sullivan purchased the former Karen's Consignment Shop on Dunlap's main street. Sullivans look to offer this commercial space for rent. Interested parties should certainly reach out!

Have a business "win" you would like featured?

Email DunlapDCDC@gmail.com and let us know!









#### PRAIRIE MEADOW ESTATES HITS ITS HALFWAY MARK

DCDC has stunning lots for sale on the south side of the Dunlap Golf Course. New construction is happening now with more planned to begin within this calendar year.

Many of the lots can be purchased in combination with a neighboring lot to offer a larger build area. DCDC has a list of local building contractors available upon request. Email DunlapDCDC@gmail.com to obtain the list.

Contact Elizabeth Heistand with Schaben Real Estate at (712) 267-3219 to view the available housing development plots.





Hello!

The Dunlap 4th of July Committee invites you to the 2024 Parade and Celebration!

We appreciate all the businesses, individuals and organizations who have participated in our community's parade in the past and we hope you will consider once again taking part in this year's festivities!

### This year's parade theme is "IOWA PRIDE!"

(Think corn, American Gothic, hogs and cattle, Iowa State Fair, Iowa landmarks, etc.)

Please accept this invitation to join our parade line up. Dunlap's Independence Day Celebration will be on Thursday, July 4th this year. Here is the parade schedule:

- 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Parade Lineup at the 4 County Fairgrounds (north end of town)
   Entrants who arrive after 10:30 a.m. will not be on the announcement list and may be behind the horses!
- 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Line up for Kid Parade next to Post Office (719 Iowa Ave)
- 10:30 a.m. Kid Parade
- 11:00 a.m. Parade Start

This year's theme is "Iowa Pride." Be sure to make your float/entry really stand out. The spectators love the unique floats that have been created in the past and we are anxious to see what this year brings. Reminder – we are not allowing water balloons, water guns or water launching from parade entries.

We look forward to seeing you in Dunlap on the 4th of July. We have enclosed a flyer of all the events happening during this year's celebration. Please feel free to share it with others or display it in your place of business.





1:30 - 2:00 **DANNY STEELE** 

2:00 - 2:30 VALERIE MCCLOSKEY

2:30 - 3:00 **LUKE BALDWIN** 





### **JULY 3RD**

#### 4 Person Best Ball Tournament - 9 Holes

3:00 p.m. - Registration 4:00 p.m. - Tee Off - Dunlap Golf Course

#### Ice Cream Social

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - United Methodist Church (Free will donation)

#### Street Dance at the Dog House Bar

8:00 p.m. - featuring band Tyler Anthony

### FIREWORKS DISPLAY

STARTS AT DUSK
PLEASANT VIEW PARK
JULY 4TH

# FOLLOW "DUNLAP IOWA" ON FACEBOOK EMAIL DUNLAPDCDC@GMAIL.COM FOR MORE INFO.

### **JULY 4TH**

#### Fun Run/Walk

8:00 a.m. - Dunlap City Park

#### Parade

10:30 a.m. - Kiddie Parade (Lineup at the Dunlap Post Office in advance) 11:00 a.m. - Parade Begins

#### **Games and Activities**

12:00 - 3:00 p.m. - Dunlap City Park \$15 Wristbands for unlimited fun

#### Silver Fox Auto Show

8:00 a.m. - Registration
(Across Hwy 30 from Town and Country)
Registration is FREE! Pre-register to get a reserved spot!
\*\*Good will offering if you would like to donate!
Car show starts immediately following the parade!

#### 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

#### More Opportunities for Fun

Dunlap Golf Club is open on the 4th! Dunlap Pool is open from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.







#### **Businesses**

7S Farms

Baldwin Electric

Bonsall TV & Appliance

CHI

City of Dunlap

Classic Leather Inc.

Cogdill Farm Supply

Common Grounds

Community Bank

Community Pharmacy

Cottonwood Event Center

**CRF** Consulting

Dairy Sweet

**Dunlap Golf Course** 

**Dunlap Livestock Auction** 

Dunlap Lumber & Home Supply

#### Individuals

Fonley Allen

Mike & Geri Anderson

Renea Anderson

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John & Kami Behrendt

Nick & Darcy Behrendt

Marilyn Berens

Francis & Treva Block

Dan & Connie Brasel

Mark & Donna Brasel

Nick & Lindsey Braun

Bob & Shelly Buresh

Evie Cline

Frank & JoEtt Cogdill

Sam & Sue Cogdill

Tim & Sue Cogdill

Todd & Sabrina Cogdill

**Barb Corey** 

Lila Corey

Bob & Karen Donscheski

Terry & Kay Donscheski

Josh & Julie Elder

Marge Emswiler

Colin Folk

Nick & Jane Gambs

John & Karen Giovenetti

Bill & Becky Greenwood

Jim & Deb Greenwood

**Dunlap Plumbing & Heating** 

**Dunlap Post Office** 

Edward Jones Financial

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Empire Land & Cattle

Fouts Funeral Home

Gross & Co.

The Hair Station

Harrison County REC

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Hoffman Insurance

Horizon Physical Therapy Klein Senior Insurance

Lambert Family Chiropractic

Leader's Salvage

Malone Bulldozing

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Dennis Houston

Deb Hull

Sandra Iversen

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John & Jayne Klein

Sheldon & Deb Koski

Denny & Linda Lehan

John & Kaley Lehan

Mike & Mary Lehan

Chris & Kara Marlowe

Jake & Kim McAllister

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Cathy Murphy

Marilyn Murphy

Ryan & Jodi Murphy

Mark & Sue Nemitz

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Schaben from Scratch

Schaben Real Estate

Silver Fox Foundation

Smitty's Grocery

Sullivan Seed

Sullivan Supply

The Lower Bar

The Town & Country Store

Twin Valley Vet Clinic

United Bank of Iowa

Wendt's Pots & Posies

Wild Daisy Bridal

Paul Klein

Jay & Lynn Randall

Jay & Lyffii Ranuatt

Michael & Paula Riester

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Rollie & Beth Roberts Scott & Mary Roberts

Tracey Roberts

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Bailey Schaben

Cody & Jill Schaben

Jay & Karla Schaben

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Jon & Julie Schaben

Walter Schaben

Benjamin Schauer

Jenny Seuntjens

Jim & Sue Stephens

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Doug Stockstad

Dana & Susan Sturgill

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William & Sandra Wadsworth

Ed & Bev Wendt

Louis & Jolene Wessling

Mary Ellen Young

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