



## Van Meter Flag Program

### Flags of Van Meter

The Van Meter Community Development Corporation, the Van Meter High School FFA Chapter, 4-H Club, Van Meter High School Junior Class After Prom, and Van Meter Boy Scout Troop 120 would like to invite the citizens of Van Meter to participate in our flag fundraiser for 2026! All funds raised will go towards the benefit of the Van Meter High School FFA, 4-H Club, Junior Class After Prom, Boy Scouts Troop 120, building trails, increasing connectivity around town, and downtown revitalization.

We are actively seeking more groups to partner/profit share with for this fundraiser. We need help with putting flags up and taking them down each holiday. It takes about two hours to set up and another hour for takedown. Depending on the number of flags we get this next year, and how many volunteers you have, we would estimate your group could probably earn around \$1200+. If you belong to a group that could use some extra funds, please email us at vanmeterflag@gmail.com and we can tell you more about how this works.

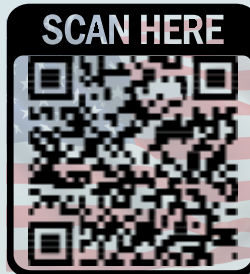
### Program details:

1. Full-year (5 flags) for \$50.00.
2. Volunteers will install, remove and store the flags. During times when a flag is not displayed, a durable yard insert will be placed in your yard that will be hidden from view to keep the spot marked.
3. Feel confident that your donation is tax-deductible through The Van Meter Community Development Corporation which is a 501(c)3.

### Holidays included are:

1. Memorial Day
2. Flag Day
3. 4th of July
4. Labor Day
5. Veterans Day

Scan the QR code to complete the form online!



- [JUNE TRASH SCHEDULE](#)
- [JUNE 1ST-TRASH & RECYCLE](#)
- [JUNE 8TH-TRASH](#)
- [JUNE 15TH-TRASH & RECYCLE](#)
- [JUNE 22ND-TRASH](#)
- [JUNE 29TH-TRASH & RECYCLE](#)

[MEETING SCHEDULE](#)  
**Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm- City Council Meeting**

## Elected Officials:

- MAYOR**  
Joe Herman
- MAYOR PRO TEM**  
Travis Brott
- COUNCILMAN**  
Joel Akers
- COUNCILMAN**  
Jarin Young
- COUNCILMAN**  
Joe Lake
- COUNCILMAN**  
Jason Barney

## City Staff:

- INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR-CITY CLERK**  
Travis Cooke
- DEPUTY CLERK**  
Madeline Lavallee
- PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**  
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- PUBLIC WORKS**  
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- PUBLIC WORKS**  
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- EMERGENCY**  
911



**RACCOON RIVER DAYS**  
VAN METER, IOWA  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
ALL EVENTS AT THE SOCCER COMPLEX  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

 <b>8:00 AM</b> <b>PARK2PARK 5K</b> REGISTRATION: 7:00 AM	 <b>3:00 PM</b> <b>FOOD TRUCKS / BEER GARDEN OPEN</b>
 <b>8:30 - 11:00 AM</b> <b>PANCAKE BREAKFAST</b> ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BY CHRIS'S CAKES	 <b>4:00 PM</b> <b>LITTLE MR. &amp; MRS. VAN METER CONTEST</b>
 <b>11:00 AM</b> <b>WATER PARADE</b> LINEUP STARTS 10:15 AM SOUTH OF HS FOOTBALL STADIUM	 <b>4:30 - 9:00 PM</b> <b>CARNIVAL</b>
 <b>12:00 - 3:00 PM</b> <b>KICKBALL TOURNAMENT</b> VAN METER LITTLE LEAGUE FIELDS	 <b>7:00 - 9:30 PM</b> <b>ANTHONY KOESTER BAND</b> ROCKIN' COUNTRY PARTY VIBES!
 <b>3:00 PM</b> <b>BAGS TOURNAMENT</b>	 <b>8:00 PM</b> <b>CHICKEN POOP BINGO</b>
 <b>9:30 PM FIREWORKS!</b> 	

**EVENT MAP • PARADE MAP • PARKING MAP**  
SCAN OR SEARCH ON GOOGLE MAPS TO PLAN YOUR DAY!

**BE SURE TO FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE UPDATES!**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

July 27<sup>th</sup> - July 31<sup>st</sup>

6:15pm-8:15pm

Van Meter United Methodist Church

For children TK-5<sup>th</sup> grade

Sign up at VMUMC.com



**SIGN UP FOR VBS**

**SUMMER FUN IN Van Meter!**  
Gather, Connect, Enjoy Our Community.

**VAN METER Parks & Recreation**

**Yoga in the Park**

Start your Saturday mornings with fresh air, movement & community.

**8:30 AM** | **FREE** | **ALL AGES WELCOME**

**2026 DATES**

**MAY 30** | **JUNE 13 & 27** | **JULY 11 & 25** | **AUG 8 & 22**

Green space between the Legion & Legion Shelter House

Bring your mat, water & a friend!

**Art-In-the-Park**  
Get creative in the great outdoors!

**2026 DATES**

**JUNE 13 & 27** | **JULY 11 & 25**

**JOHNSON PARK**  
10:00 AM

**Concerts-on-the-Corner**  
Live music. Good vibes. Great community.

**2026 DATES**

**JUNE 14** | **JULY 12** | **AUG 9**

**MEMORIAL PARK**  
6:00 PM

Bring a chair or blanket & enjoy the show!



ALL EVENTS ARE FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

FOLLOW US FOR UPDATES!



**BINGO**

Bingo will return at the Veterans Reception Center on **June 20th @ 7PM**



**\$300**

**JACKPOT!**

*"Thank you to who donated to our fundraiser "Fill the Jar for JAM" on May 9<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the amazing generosity of the Van Meter Community we were able to raise \$1,000 for our JAM program here at VMUMC! We are so thankful for this community's extreme generosity! Thank you all so much!  
-Van Meter United Methodist Church Children's Ministries*

**Limited irrigation is allowed on the following schedule: Odd numbered properties can irrigate on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5 AM to 8 AM. Even numbered properties can irrigate on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 AM to 8 AM. No irrigation is allowed on Fridays, Saturdays, or Sundays. New construction will be able to place sod on a case by case basis with watering instructions from Public Works. Public Works will monitor usage and may change these restrictions if irrigation use endangers the supply of water needed to fight fires.**

**Questions** The city of Van Meters website allows citizens to submit  
**Comments** inquiries through the **"Contact Us"** tab and complaints  
**Concerns** through the **"Complaints"** tab. For any questions, comments, or concerns do not hesitate to reach out!

**Questions**  
**Comments**  
**Concerns**



**THANKYOU**  
FROM OUR LIBRARY

Thank you to the Dallas County Foundation and the Bock Family Foundation for awarding grant monies to VMPL. These funds were used to purchase a set of 55 Wonderbooks to use in conjunction with our Summer Reading Program titled Plant A Seed, Read. We are thrilled to have these materials available for check out starting today!



**...63.02 STATE CODE SPEED LIMITS. The following speed limits are established in Section 321.285 of the Code of Iowa and any speed in excess thereof is unlawful unless specifically designated otherwise as a special speed zone. 1. Business District – 20 miles per hour. 2. Residence or School District – 25 miles per hour.**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Library Hours
	1	2 Trail Mix Bar 10 AM - 7 PM	3 Storytime with Christie 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	4 Adult Recipe Exchange 6 PM - 7 PM	5	6 VM FOL Book Sale 8 AM - 1PM <u>Saturday Storytime 10:30 AM - 11 AM</u>	Monday 10am - 5pm Tuesday 10am - 7pm Wednesday 10am - 5pm Thursday 10am - 7pm Friday 10am - 5pm Saturday 8am - 1pm Sunday Closed
7	8	9 Book Garden 6 PM - 7 PM	10 Gettin' Crafty with Ms. J 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	11 Fingerprint Berries 1 PM - 2 PM	12	13 Art in the Park 10 AM - 11 AM	
14	15	16 Emotional Support Chicken Bookmark 6 PM - 7 PM	17 Clay Creations 1 PM - 2 PM	18 Farming in a Glove 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	19	20	
21	22 Tiny Art Show (On display through July 6th)	23 Dallas County Conservation 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	24	25 Ceramic Owl Painting 1 PM - 2 PM	26	27 Art in the Park 10 AM - 11 AM	 VM PL Amazon Wishlist
28	29	30 Lacy and the Bees 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	 <b>May 30th to July 25th Summer Reading 2026! Around-the-Town Scavenger Hunt!</b>				

### Event Details

- **Summer Reading** - Plant a Seed, Read! Summer Reading is from May 30<sup>th</sup> to July 25<sup>th</sup> !
- **Around-the-Town Scavenger Hunt** - The Plant a Seed, Read characters are scattered around town. Grab a sheet at the circ desk and see if you can find them all! Return your completed sheet for a prize!
- **Trail Mix Bar** - Stop by on June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10 AM - 7 PM for a trail mix bar at the library!
- **Storytime with Christie** - Join Ms. Christie at the library for a fun story filled morning!
- **Adult Recipe Exchange** - Bring your best recipe to the library and share with friends. Light snacks and beverages provided.
- **Van Meter Friends of the Library Book Sale** - Hosted on the VMPL lawn (weather permitting).
- **Saturday Storytime** - Takes place on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month. Stop by the library for stories, songs, and snacks with Ms. J!
- **Book Garden** - Families work together at the library to create a garden featuring their favorite books! Registration required.
- **Gettin' Crafty with Ms. J** - Join Ms. J at the library and make your own Summer themed bookmark! Registration required.
- **Fingerprint Berries** - Come create berry art at the library using your own fingerprints! Registration required.
- **Art in the Park** - Located at Johnson Park. Registration required.
- **Emotional Support Chicken Bookmark** - Come to the library and create a supportive fabric friend to accompany you on your reading journeys! Registration required.
- **Clay Creations** - Come play with clay at the library! Registration required.
- **Farming in a Glove** - Join Ms. Jamie at the library and learn about how a seed sprouts. Registration required.
- **Tiny Art Show** - Canvas available for pick up at the beginning of June. Return finished artwork by June 20<sup>th</sup> to be featured. Tiny art will be on display from June 22<sup>nd</sup> to July 6<sup>th</sup> !
- **Dallas County Conservation** - Join Ms. Erica at the library for a themed presentation! Registration required.
- **Ceramic Owl Painting** - Come paint a ceramic owl at the library! Registration required.
- **Lacy and the Bees** - Join Ms. Lacy as she discusses bees, honey, and hive maintenance at the library! Registration required.

#### Library Hours

Monday  
10am - 5pm  
Tuesday  
10am - 7pm  
Wednesday  
10am - 5pm  
Thursday  
10am - 7pm  
Friday  
10am - 5pm  
Saturday  
8am - 1pm  
Sunday  
Closed



**THE VAN METER PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT IS EXITED TO CONTINUE PARTNERING WITH DASH SPORTS TO BRING HIGH QUALITY YOUTH SPORTS CAMPS TO THE CITY THIS SUMMER!**

DASH Sports is a professional sports training company dedicated to providing well-organized, structured, and fun skill-based programs for kids. Their experienced staff brings over 25,000 hours of coaching experience and a true passion for youth sports development.

All camps will be held at the Van Meter Recreation Complex, Van Meter South Gym and the Van

Meter  
HS track.

Questions? Contact Sam at  
[schia@vanmeteria.gov](mailto:schia@vanmeteria.gov)

**SCAN  
ME**



**SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFO  
AND REGISTRATION**

## 2025 WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK

This report contains important information regarding the water quality in our water system. The source of our water is groundwater. Our water quality testing shows the following results:

CONTAMINANT	MCL - (MCLG)	Compliance		Date	Violation	Source
		Type	Value & (Range)			
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM]	80 (N/A)	LRAA	8.00 (8 - 8)	09/30/2025	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Lead (ppb)	AL=15 (0)	90th	ND	2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3 (1.3)	90th	0.31 (0.05 - 0.47)	2023	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
950 - DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM						
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0 (MRDLG=4.0)	RAA	1.09 (0.83-1.33)	2025	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Fluoride (ppm)	4 (4)	RAA	0.62 (0.22-0.62)	1/2025	No	Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
02 - WELLS #2 ('68) AND #3('04) AFTER TRTMNT						
Barium (ppm)	2 (2)	SGL	0.15	07/18/2023	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	N/A (N/A)	SGL	20	07/18/2023	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10 (10)	SGL	1.7254	2025	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits

Note: Contaminants with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations. DEFINITIONS

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) -- The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- ppb -- parts per billion.
- ppm -- parts per million.
- pCi/L – picocuries per liter
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND -- Not detected
- RAA – Running Annual Average
- Treatment Technique (TT) – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- SGL – Single Sample Result
- RTCR – Revised Total Coliform Rule
- NTU – Nephelometric Turbidity Units

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water posed a health risk. More information about contaminants or potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Lead can cause serious health effects in people of all ages, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and parts used in service lines and in home plumbing. Our water supply is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes but cannot control the variety of materials used in the plumbing in your home. Because lead levels may vary over time, lead exposure is possible even when your tap sampling results do not detect lead at one point in time. You can help protect yourself and your family by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Using a filter, certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead, is effective in reducing lead exposures. Follow the instructions provided with the filter to ensure the filter is used properly. Use only cold water for drinking, cooking, and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water. Before using tap water for drinking, cooking, or making baby formulas, flush your pipes for several minutes. You can do this by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. If you have a lead service line or galvanized requiring replacement service line, you may need to flush your pipes for a longer period. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK at 515-996-2644 ext.4. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <https://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Lead tap sampling data can be found in the Iowa Drinking Water Data Portal: <https://programs.iowadnr.gov/iowadrinkingwater>

Our water supply has completed a service line inventory. Please contact us for information regarding the inventory and how you can access the results.

## SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

This water supply obtains its water from the sand and gravel of the Alluvial aquifer. The Alluvial aquifer was determined to be highly susceptible to contamination because the characteristics of the aquifer and overlying materials provide little protection from contamination at the land surface. The Alluvial wells will be highly susceptible to surface contaminants such as leaking underground storage tanks, contaminant spills, and excess fertilizer application. A detailed evaluation of your source water was completed by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, and is available from the Water Operator at 515-996-2644 ext.4 .

## CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact VAN METER MUNICIPAL WATER WORK at 515-996-2644 ext. 4.

Decisions are made at the city council meetings held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the United Methodist Church (100 Hazel Street) and are open to the public.