

Summer Safety Tips and Ordinances

The City of Wyoming including Police, Fire, Inspections and the Parks and Recreation Departments have shared the following tips and reminders of city ordinances to keep you and your family safe this summer.

Outdoor Fireplace and Grill Ordinances

- An outdoor fireplace shall be a manufactured container that is fully enclosed with a cover, no larger than 4 feet in diameter
- Outdoor fireplaces shall not be placed closer than 20 feet to any combustible material or closer than 20 feet to adjoining lot lines
- A noncombustible barrier at least 18 inches in width shall surround the outdoor or portable unit
- Outdoor fireplaces shall be used only for the burning of clean wood or other solid fuel and shall not be used for the burning of garbage or yard waste

- Fire rings are prohibited
- Use and storage of grills is strictly prohibited on all apartment balconies and patios

Grilling and Campfire Tips

- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill
- Do not place a grill under eaves or overhanging branches
- Be sure your grill is at least 15 feet from any structure
- Keep a safe distance when enjoying a campfire
- Do not ever play around or with fire

General Tips

- Be careful not to overload electrical outlets with air conditioners or fans
- Never refuel your gas-powered equipment when the engine is hot
- Never leave children or pets inside a closed vehicle

Fireworks Safety and Ordinances

Two City of Wyoming ordinances govern the use of consumer fireworks within city limits.

The first ordinance restricts the use of consumer fireworks to the day before, the day of and the day after a federal holiday. Michigan law prohibits the restriction of fireworks on those days. The use of consumer fireworks on any other day of the year, however, will violate the city's fireworks ordinance.

The second ordinance makes the use of consumer fireworks outside of those times a violation of the city's disturbing the peace ordinance.

Consumer fireworks includes "devices that are designed to produce visible effects by combustion, that are required to comply with the construction, chemical composition and labeling requirements promulgated by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission as defined in Act 256. Consumer Fireworks do not include low-impact fireworks."

Consumer fireworks include bottle rockets, roman candles and fireworks that become airborne. Low-impact fireworks including sparklers and snakes are still legal under Wyoming's ordinances.

The Wyoming Fire Department reminds residents that the safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend a public display conducted by trained professionals.

Consumer use of allowable fireworks should be controlled by a competent adult.

The City of Wyoming encourages residents to be respectful of neighbors when using fireworks.

MAYOR'S

Message



As I'm sure we all are, I am looking forward to another summer in Wyoming. I'm grateful for the beauty of our city and for the residents, business owners and city employees who contribute to keeping Wyoming safe, clean and fun. The strength of our community is multiplied when we work together with respect and a common goal.

As temperatures rise and we take our celebrations outdoors, I encourage you to take responsibility and become a leader in cultivating strong relationships with your neighbors, local businesses and with our various city departments. If you haven't already done so,

take advantage of the summer to get to know your neighbors. You can also make a point to patronize local businesses. This summer, you're sure to see police officers, firefighters, Parks and Recreation employees, Facilities and Maintenance crews and City leaders working towards making the city safer, cleaner and more fun. If you have the opportunity, join me in thanking them for their hard work and dedication to Wyoming. As always, I encourage you to be involved and be informed.

Mayor Jack A. Poll

LIBRARY NEWS SUMMER HOURS will close the library on Sundays beginning June 2. Sunday hours will resume September 8. The **ADULT BOOK CLUB** is a friendly, informal discussion on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. The June discussion will focus on **TITLE by AUTHOR**. The **SUMMER READING PROGRAM** will include fun activities, fabulous prizes and, of course, a lot of great reading! Sign up at the library from June 1 - Aug. 10. **SIT-N-STITCH** with others at the library. Bring your own knitting or crocheting projects and supplies and share ideas and skills while making new friends on Thursdays at 6 p.m. For further details on these and all of our programs, stop in the library to pick up a program guide, check out our web page at www.kdl.org or call us at (616) 784-2007! Plus, KDL is now on Twitter! Follow us at <http://twitter.com/KDLnews> for all the latest updates on programs, events and resources at your library.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS CAR SEAT INSPECTIONS will be available Thursday, June 13 and Thursday, July 11 at Wyoming Fire Station #1, 1500 Burton St. SW from 5 - 8 p.m. Pre-register by calling Safe Kids of Greater Grand Rapids at 391-7233 ext. 2. **SAFE CITY** is a five-day summer program designed for children ages 5 - 7 years old. For two hours per day, children learn about bicycle safety, fire safety, pool safety and rules of the road. A morning session from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and an afternoon session from 1 - 3 p.m. will be offered June 24 through June 28 at Fire Station #3, 2300 Gezon Pkwy SW. Both classes will be combined and invited with their families on Friday, June 28 to attend a special ceremony and cookout from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Class size is limited and will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. The cost is \$5 per child with a registration form no later than noon on Monday, June 17. Registration forms are available on the city website. Please contact 530-7250 with any addition questions.

PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS REVERSE MENTORING will be offered by the Wyoming Parks & Recreation Department's Teen Council at the Wyoming Senior Center on June 10, July 8 and August 12 from 9 - 11 a.m. to help answer questions regarding cell phones, digital cameras, GPS, lap-top computers, starting a Facebook or e-mail account and looking up information online. Pre-registration is required by calling 530-3190. **SPLASH PADS** are open from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. June 1 through Labor Day. Splash pads are available at Lamar Park, Southlawn Park and Oriole Park. **PLAY & LEARN** returns this summer to North Godwin, Oriole Park, West Godwin and West Kelloggsville elementary schools! Stop in to be part of activities including arts and crafts, team games, board games, sports and field trips. Play & Learn will run Monday through Thursday, June 17 through August 8. The morning session will meet from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., and the afternoon session will meet from 12:30 - 4 p.m. For more information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 530-3164. Come out and enjoy the fun! The 5th Annual **KID 2 KID SALE** will be held on Saturday, July 20 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the north parking lot at the Wyoming Senior Center. Kids (with help from their parents) will be able to sell, purchase or trade toys just like at a real garage sale. Kids are invited to bring old toys, games, movies and sports equipment to the sale. Booths cost \$5 for Wyoming residents and \$7.50 for non-residents and include a table and two chairs. Pre-registration by July 11 is required for those interested in selling items. Call 530-3164 to reserve a booth. Don't have anything to sell? This event is also open to kids and adults who are just interested in taking advantage of the awesome deals!

WYOMING SENIOR CENTER NEWS MEDICARE MADE SIMPLE, a one-hour presentation by Nancy Courser from Ron Courser & Associates will take place at the Wyoming Senior Center on Saturday, June 8 at 11 a.m. Learn about Medicare options for those who have or will turn 65 or have become eligible. Topics will include an overview of Parts A,B,C and D, information on the Medicare Advantage and Medigap plans, drug plan comparison, enrollment deadlines, costs and coverage. Please pre-register by calling the Wyoming Senior center at 530-3190. A **EUCHRE TOURNAMENT** will be held at the Wyoming Senior Center on Thursday, June 6 beginning at 10 a.m. Each player will be partnered with every other player one time through the course of the tournament. The cost is \$5 for members and \$7.50 for non-members. A pizza lunch will be provided as part of the fee.

Telephone Numbers

Mayor's Office	530-7227
City Manager.....	530-3173
City Clerk	530-7296
Police Department.....	530-7300
Fire Department	530-7250
Public Works	530-7260
Utilities	261-3550
Planning & Community Development.....	530-7258
Parks & Recreation.....	530-3164
Building Inspections.....	530-7285
Assessor	530-7231
District Court.....	257-9814
Treasurer.....	530-7280
Utility Billing.....	530-7389
Wyoming Senior Center.....	530-3190
Wyoming Public Library.....	784-2007

Meetings

City Council Meeting | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

City Council Work Sessions | on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commissions Meetings | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Zoning Board Of Appeals | on the first and third Monday afternoons of the month at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Commission | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conference Room

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Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem,
Council Member-at-Large

Dan Burrill, Council Member-at-Large

Kent Vanderwood, Council Member-at-Large

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