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PD Recognizes Officer of the Year

Wyoming Police Chief James Carmody recently presented officers and civilian staff with several awards, including the Wyoming Police Department Officer of the Year award.

Officer Paul Pena, who has served with the Wyoming Police Department for more than 20 years, received the 2012 Officer of the Year Award for his practice of exemplary police work throughout the year.

"Officer Pena is a model for our department," Carmody said. "He has my utmost respect and that of his fellow officers and Wyoming residents. It is my honor to name him Officer of the Year for his strong ability and ambition to assist others, his excellent attitude and his high degree of professionalism.

"We are very proud of all of our officers and the civilians and partnering individuals who received awards this year. They all deserve the acknowledgement as well as our appreciation."

Betsy Macicak was named Civilian of the Year. Officer Dustin Cook received an Individual Commendation and Michele Groendyk of the American Medical Response

Special Response Team received a Unit Commendation.

The department presented life saving awards to Officers Devon Holmberg, Dwayn Holmberg and Ryan Patterson for helping save the life of an individual having a dire medical emergency.

Ten officers were recognized with safe driving awards, including: Officer Robert Aungst, Detective Scott Rittenger, Officer Jeremy Walter, Detective Jill Whitcomb, Officer Mark Doornbos, Sergeant Mark Easterly, Sergeant Brian Look, Officer Charles Walker, Officer Margaret McKinnon and Officer Carmen Morales.



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Public Works Open House

The Wyoming Public Works Department will hold a free open house for Wyoming families on May 20.

From 5-8 p.m., residents are invited to visit the Public Works facility at 2260 Burlingame Ave. SW to learn about the services Wyoming offers and explore the equipment employees use to keep Wyoming safe and clean.

Equipment, automobiles and construction equipment will be on display. Public Works employees will be grilling hot dogs as well as serving chips and soda to the event attendees.

For further information, call the Public Works Department at 530-7362.



May 7 Election Information

Elections will be held on May 7 for voters in three Wyoming school districts. Godfrey-Lee, Grandville and Wyoming Public School district residents will be asked to vote on several bonding proposals.

Wyoming polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the day of the election.

Voters can find out if they are registered, find their specific polling location and see a sample ballot with current proposal verbiage by visiting www.michigan.gov/vote.

If you have questions, would like assistance or for more information, please call the Wyoming City Clerk's Office at 530-7296.

MAYOR'S

Message



Summertime is always busy in the City of Wyoming. While we offer many of our amenities and services year-round, a large number of our facilities - especially our parks - are best enjoyed while the weather is warm.

Our city has 21 parks with a combined 655 acres, each unique in its offering. For example, on the north side of Wyoming, Lamar Park, located at 2561 Porter St. SW. offers amenities include a splash pad, picnic areas, playground equipment and a variety of athletic sports areas. Closer to the center of town, the bike path that connects Buck Creek Nature Preserve at 4269 Burlingame Ave. SW and Lemery Park at 4050 Byron Center Ave. NW will be updated this spring. Buck Creek Nature Preserve also features a fishing area, playground equipment, athletic sports areas, rest rooms and a concession stand.

These are just a few of the highlights of Wyoming's parks. To learn more about these resources, visit the City of Wyoming's website at www.wyomingmi.gov. Be involved and be informed.

LIBRARY NEWS The second-annual WYOMING READS program runs through May 31. Register at the library to be eligible to win prizes. This year's theme is "Wyoming Reads Around Our Neighborhood." Join us as we read about neighborhoods and discuss how we can bring our own neighborhood closer together. The May feature is Peter Lovenheim's "In the Neighborhood: The Search for Community on an American Street." Lovenheim will participate in a discussion via Skype during the May ADULT BOOK CLUB, a friendly, informal discussion on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. PROGRAMS FOR TODDLERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN including a variety of stories, rhymes, music and movement activities are available for children and their caretakers. The programs run to the end of May. Pick up a Spring Activities brochure at the library or check it out at www.kdl.org. COMPUTER CLASSES offered at the library cover the basics of general computer use, the Internet, emailing, and Microsoft Word. You can pick up a brochure in the library listing the classes offered by all of the KDL branches. Call 784-2007 to register. 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 Thursdays at 6 p.m. For further details on these and other programs, visit the library for a program guide, check out www.kdl.org, call 784-2007 or follow us on Twitter @KDLnews for all the latest updates on programs, events and resources at your library.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS CAR SEAT INSPECTIONS will be available Thursday, May 9 and Thursday, June 13 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.

PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS A 5K TRAINING CLASS beginning on Aug. 30 will be held for eight weeks. The class will meet on Thursday nights from 6 - 7:15 p.m. at Oriole Park. The class will be instructed by local running enthusiast, Dave Minier and will include a written training plan. Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$40 for residents and \$57.50 for non-residents. For more information on programs or events, contact the Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department at 530-3164.

Public Works Department Spring Projects

The Wyoming Public Works Department is planning a number of spring road construction projects.

"We have a lot of work happening this spring and summer," said Bill Dooley, Wyoming's director of public works. "We are going to do all we can to minimize disruptions to our residents and those who do business in Wyoming. In the end, all this work will have a really good outcome."

May through August, Wyoming will invest \$1.8 million in local road resurfacing projects including:

- Gezon Parkway from Byron Center Avenue to Weller Court
- 52nd Street from Burlingame Avenue to Clyde Park Avenue
- 56th Street from Wilson Avenue to Canal Avenue
- Burlingame Avenue from Burton Street to Chicago Drive
- Godfrey Avenue from Chicago Drive to the north city limit
- Sharon Avenue from 28th Street to 30th Street
- Boone Avenue from 36th Street to the north end
- 34th Street from Boone Avenue to Perry Avenue
- Perry Avenue from 36th Street to the north end
- Albers Street from Godfrey Avenue to Nagel Avenue
- Nagel Avenue from Albers Street to Lee Street
- Deboer Street from Godfrey Avenue to Nagel Avenue

May through September, Wyoming will perform \$1.2 million of water main replacements on Avon Avenue and Meyer Avenue, each from 28th Street to Porter Street. June through August, a \$1 million bridge rehabilitation on Burlingame Avenue over Buck Creek is planned.

In addition to these local projects, construction to support the Bus Rapid Transit Silver Line on the Division Avenue corridor will continue through August 2014. MDOT is planning work at 28th Street and Clyde Park Avenue July through September.

Federal resurfacing construction of \$3.2 million will take place in Wyoming July through October. Areas include Ivanrest Avenue from the north to the south city limit. Division Avenue work will include 28th Street to 36th Street, 44th Street to 54th Street and the south-bound right-turn lane at 54th Street.

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

Wyoming City Council

Jack Poll, Mayor

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

Dan Burrill, Council Member-at-Large

Kent Vanderwood, Council Member-at-Large

Bill Ver Hulst, 1st Ward Council Member

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