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[www.elyiowa.com](http://www.elyiowa.com)

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## August 26 – Touch a Truck

At work, these trucks and vehicles may be driving fast, moving large rocks or even saving lives! Come see them in a safe environment where kiddos can do some hands on exploring and learn from the experts themselves. Whether that's sitting in the driver's seat, checking out the size of their tires or climbing into a dump bucket; there will be activities for all to enjoy! This free event will take place on Saturday August 26 at the parking lot on Rowley Street from 10am – 1pm.

## September 17 – Fall Fest 5k



ELY FALL FEST  
PRESENTED BY ELY PARKS & RECREATION

The Fall Fest 5k will once again take place the Sunday before the all-day event, rather than the Friday of Fall Fest weekend. The race will start at 9am on Sunday, September 17. As in years past, the race will be chip timed and there will also be a 1-mile fun run. Shirts will only be available for pre-registered runners, there will be an extremely limited number of shirts available the day of the race. Please make sure that you get signed up online to guarantee a shirt. Following the race, join everyone at cinnamon roll breakfast at City Park where the race will end. Stick around for awards and delicious room from My Mom's Bakery right here in Ely! Sign up for the race by visiting [getmeregistered.com](http://getmeregistered.com) or [elyiowa.com](http://elyiowa.com).

## September 23 - Save the Date for Fall Fest!

On Saturday the 23, spend the day strolling through the vendor fair, check out the massive car show, play some wiffle ball and be sure to not miss our best Kids Zone ever! Don't forget to stop by the local businesses in Ely for a drink or bite to eat while you are in town! Visit us on the web at [www.elyiowa.com](http://www.elyiowa.com) or find our Facebook page for the newest Fall Fest information. If you would like to be involved with this year's event, please contact [callie@elyiowa.com](mailto:callie@elyiowa.com)

## Can Drive – Parks & Recreation Fundraiser!

The Park & Recreation Department is accepting cans and plastic bottles. Donations can be dropped off outside of the City garage on Main Street, south of Dan & Debbie's Creamery. Your donation will benefit fundraising efforts for various park & recreation related projects and programs! Since 2020, over \$17,000 has been raised from the Ely Can Drive, which has helped pay for Fall Fest Fireworks and baseball diamond improvements such as new electricity and two scoreboards! Thank you everyone for all of the generous donations! Remember three important words when donating: empty, clean and dry – and if you can, please pre-sort your cans & bottles into separate bags.



## Resident Reminders

**1** Developed residential property within the City, whether vacant or occupied, is required to be mowed any time the vegetation reaches a height of more than six inches during the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, and October.

**2** When mowing your lawns, it is your responsibility to remove the clippings and leaves from the street. Removing the leaves and clippings will prevent the clogging of the storm sewers and have significant benefits for the local lakes and streams as well as aid in drainage during flash flooding events. Thank you!

**3** The City of Ely requires homeowners to trim their trees 10 ft. above sidewalks and 15 ft. above streets.

**4** Effective 2017, utility bills see an increase in water and sewer charges by 2% in the month of July. This is an annual adjustment to offset the increasing costs of utility management.



The 3rd Annual Pumpkin Float is happening Friday, October 20! For this one special night, the City Park Pond will come aglow with floating pumpkins. The smell of fire pits and roasting marshmallows will fill the air while your favorite Halloween tunes help to bring the spooky vibe. Ely Parks & Recreation will be selling \$1 s'mores kits, warm hot chocolate, delicious hot dogs (while supplies last) and other beverages at the concession stand during the event. Families are welcome to bring their own snacks and blankets or chairs to sit on. Reserve your raft for the float by visiting the City's CivicRec portal. Registrations will open on September 25.



## Youth Baseball Sponsors

Ely Parks and Recreation and our youth baseball participants would like to say a HUGE thank you to our 2023 sponsors. Without your continued support, our program would not be possible. #supportlocal

E & J Geothermal, Inc	MMS Consultants
Peritia Advisors	Brown Concrete & Backhoe
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380 Companies	Novak Electric
T & K Roofing	TSF Structures, Inc.
Hills Bank	FJ Krob & Company
Harger's Acoustics	South Slope
House Divided Brewery	

## Flag Football

Football season will be here before we know it! Registration for Ely flag football opened on June 1 and will close August 1. This introductory four-week program runs through September on Tuesday & Thursday evenings. One-hour practices and games are on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 5:45pm at Ely City Park. The league is an all-inclusive opportunity for boys and girls ages 6 to 8 years old. All players will receive a team jersey and mouth guard. Register online at [www.elyiowa.com](http://www.elyiowa.com). If you have questions, contact [callie@elyiowa.com](mailto:callie@elyiowa.com).

## Golf Cart, ATV, UTV Registration

This is a reminder that the Golf Cart/UTV/ATV ordinance was updated in March 2022. ALL vehicles must be registered with the City by July 1. Requirements when applying are a current copy of applicants' driver's license, a copy of your insurance, a completed registration form and payment if you are registering a golf cart.

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**Council Meetings:**  
1st and 3rd Monday  
each month 7:00 p.m.  
in the Council Chamber  
2nd floor.

# Ely Expression

## Congratulations CLASS OF 2023 to Ely Seniors!

As a community, we want to congratulate all the seniors in Ely. We would also like to thank everyone who donated in support of the annual banner campaign. We wish you all a wonderful, fun filled summer and hope the best for you and your future endeavors!

Jaden Alanis	Eli Ebel	Sara Rose
Harrison Allard	Anson Fauchier	Grady Sacora
Lindsay Armour	Blake Gioimo	Jace Scarberry
Landen Ballard	Keira Gogel	August Sellon
Nickolas Ballard	Matthew Hilleman	Audrey Sellon
Sage Berns	Alec Holub	Ashley Siech
Sydney Bildstein	William Horrigan	Ella Skiye
Mikaela Bock	Hank Hougen	Luke Smith
Ashton Carmer	Blayk Jackson	Sam Smith
Zach Cooper	Nate Lemke	Teghan Trimble
Molly Crumbo	Alexis McGaffee	Trenten Utech
Cael DeFlieger	Elaina Miller	Berkley Wessels
Jacob Umstead	Samantha Mostaert	Lydia Whitaker
Josey Dennis	Sydney Nelson	
Chloe Ealy	Addison Netolicky	

### COMMUNITY NEWS

The City of Ely has a website!

Check it out at

[ELYIOWA.COM](http://ELYIOWA.COM)



### Nixle Voice & Text Alerts

The City uses Nixle to notify residents of important alerts and reminders. These alerts include snow emergencies, water main breaks, upcoming events and more. Sign up by texting 52227 to 888-777 or sign up at the bottom of the home page on the city website. If you have questions or need assistance, please call City Hall at 319-848-4103.

### Like Us on Facebook; Follow Us on Twitter!

That's "City of Ely, Iowa" on Facebook and Twitter for the most up-to-date information on what is happening with the City of Ely.

### Mayor Miller's Updates

Stay up to date on the most recent council meetings and city projects by signing up for Mayor Miller's monthly newsletter. To sign up, send your email address to [eldy@elyiowa.com](mailto:eldy@elyiowa.com). Contact City Hall if you do not have access to email or you would like a hard copy.



## Join the Ely Fire Department!

The Ely Volunteer Fire Department has a proud tradition of service and is seeking community minded people with a desire to serve one of the noblest callings. Volunteer positions are currently available for Firefighters and/or Emergency Medical Personnel. Must be 18 years of age or older with a valid drivers license. Must live within Ely city limits or have previous fire dept training/experience. Questions can be directed to any FD member or email Chief Cooper at [elyfdchief@southslope.net](mailto:elyfdchief@southslope.net) Applications can be found on our website [elyfire.com](http://elyfire.com) We are working to plan an informational recruitment meeting later this summer. Follow our page on Facebook, Ely Fire Department, for more information.