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Coal Valley, Illinois

“Building Community Throughout Our Village.”

Coal Valley Fire Protection District Celebrates 75 Years

The Coal Valley Fire Protection District having a “75th Anniversary of the Fire Department Community Celebration!” on Saturday, July 27th from noon to 3:00 pm at the Coal Valley Fire Station. This free family event will include water “fights” for kids, a photo booth, touch a fire truck and an ambulance, a tour the Fire Station from noon to 1:00, goody bags for kids, and a Mobile Training Center used for training scenarios for firefighters. The Mobile Training Center will be set up for kids to crawl through and for kids to put out a fire through a window.

In addition, Blackhawk Bank and Trust will have games and prizes to give away; the Red Cross will have information regarding smoke detectors; and a health Station for have your blood pressure, pulse ox, and temperatures taken and to receive a File of Life information magnet.

Past and present fire protection board members, EMS, and firefighters will be in attendance to discuss the Coal Valley Fire Protection District history. Photo books will be available to look through and a slideshow with lots of pictures to reminisce about.

Those attending will also be served cookies and beverages and will receive a free door prize entry for attending!

Village of Coal Valley Hosts Boom Bash on July 5th!



CV Residents Utilized Village Clean-Up Days

The Coal Valley Village Clean-Up Days were held June 19th, 20th and 21st, at the Coal Valley Maintenance Garage. Village Maintenance workers Tiffin Krotz (left) and Ryan Hamerlinck (right) unload a vehicle (pictured below)



Village Seeks Local Support to Relocate Old Jail

The Village of Coal Valley is seeking to relocate the old village jail-house that is currently on display at Municipal Park, 1000 1st Street, in preparation for new playground equipment placement.

Letters of interest are being accepted from Coal Valley residents that would consider relocating the jail to a property within the Village limits. The letters of interest will be accepted until Wednesday July 31st. Please e-mail your request to villageofcv@coalvalleyil.org or mail to Village of Coal Valley P.O. Box 105 Coal Valley, IL 61240.





Hometown Coal Valley

BY DRUE MIELKE, EDITOR

Henry County Fair-2024

HENRY COUNTY FAIR

"The Best Week of the Year"



Coal Valley is in Rock Island County as well as Henry County so last month, I had an opportunity to attend the Henry County Fair that ran from June 18th through June 23rd in Cambridge. .

This was another successful year for the Henry County Fair held. The volunteers are a big part of creating a great event as well as the Henry County Fair board for working seamlessly to assure every event is perfect.

Emma Schroeder (below), Coal Valley, entered the 4-H Beef Show on Thursday, June 20th while her brother Ely Schroeder helped out at the 4-H booth.



HENRY COUNTY PORK PRODUCERS HELPED FEED THE FAIRGOERS.



HENRY COUNTY FAIR BOARD PRESIDENT, JAKE SEYS, COAL VALLEY, AND SECRETARY JENNIFER WEST WORKING IN THE FAIR OFFICE ASSURING A GREAT 2024 FAIR.



Also volunteering with Ely at the 4-H concessions is Jenny Garner, Extension Director in Henry, Mercer, Rock Island, Stark Counties of the University of Illinois Extension. Upcoming 4-H Shows include Mercer County Fair,(July 9-13); Rock Island County Fair (July 15-19); and Stark County Fair (July 26-29).



A COLORFUL MIDWAY GREETED FAIR ATTENDEES.

**AGE-
KINDERGARTEN
COMPLETION
THROUGH
SIXTH GRADE**



FREE!

**JUNE- JULY
2024**

**SUMMER
PARK
PROGRAM**

**9 AM - 12 PM
EVERY MON, WED, FRI**

**MUST BE A COAL
VALLEY RESIDENT**

ACTIVITIES

**ART & SCIENCE
PROJECTS
SPORTS & GAMES
and more!**

**ADVANCED REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED
COAL VALLEY FACEBOOK PAGE**



JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

The 75th Anniversary of the Fire Department Community Celebration!

When: **Saturday, July 27, 2024**

Time: **12:00-3:00**

Location: **Coal Valley Fire Station**

This is a **FREE**, family event!!!

Activities/Stations include:

- **Water “fights” for kids**
- **Mobile Training Center:** This is used for training scenarios for firefighters and will be set up for kids to crawl through AND for kids to put out a fire through a window.
- **Photo booth**
- **Touch a fire truck and an ambulance!**
- **Tour the Fire Station!** From 12:00-1:00 only
- **Goody bags for kids**
- **Blackhawk Bank:** will have a game and prizes to give away!
- **Red Cross** - will have information regarding smoke detectors
- **Past and Present Board Members, EMS, and Firefighters** will be in attendance to discuss the CVFPD history. Photo books will be available to look through.
- **Slideshow** with lots of pictures to reminisce about.
- **Health Station** - have your blood pressure, pulse ox, and temperatures taken, receive a File of Life information magnet for your refrigerator.
- **Cookies and Drinks!**
- **FREE Door Prize entry for attending!**



Robert R. Jones Library Events



JULY



Toddler Program	Monday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Grade School Program	Tuesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Middle/High School Program	Wednesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Adult Program	Thursday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
All Ages - Family Program	Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
	Saturday	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

WE NOW OFFER BEGINNING MAHJONG CLASSES AT THE LIBRARY:
 Register on our Website for a learning session on **Mondays & Wednesdays at 5:30 PM**

What's New: KINDNESS ROCKS CONTRIBUTION
 Join us in Spreading Kindness throughout our library grounds by participating in our **Kindness Rocks project!** Bring a touch of **positivity and creativity** to our outdoor space by crafting your own unique kindness rock to add to our landscaping.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 10:30 AM: Music & Movement 1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up 1:00 PM: Puzzlers 2:00 PM: Knot Crafters	2 10:15 AM Fellowship Footsteps Walking Book Club 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start 1:00 PM: Book + Cook Club 4:30 PM: Hooked - Crochet Basics	3 10:30 AM: Little Learners Library Meet Up! 1:00 PM: Pirate Adventure Bingo Bonanza! 2:00 PM: PNG "Beyond the Jacket" Workshop 6:00 PM: Family Game Night	4 The Library is closed in observance of Independence Day	5 10:30 AM: Magnificent Monarchs 2:00 PM: Gamers Club	6 10:00 AM: Weave + Relax Crochet + Knit Club 11:00 AM: Tots Together Social Hour
8 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 10:30 AM: Music & Movement 1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up 2:00 PM: Knot Crafters	9 10:15 AM Fellowship Footsteps Walking Book Club 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start 1:00 PM: Crafteria 5:00 PM: Library Flavors Cook Book Club	10 10:30 AM: Little Learners Library Meet Up! 2:00 PM: PNG "Beyond the Jacket" Workshop 6:00 PM: Family Game Night	11 10:30 AM: Toddler Tales Story Time 11:00 AM: Thursday Throwdown 1:00 PM: Tech You're It 2:00 PM: Conspiracy Theory Debate 6:00 PM: Build & Bond: Family LEGO Night	12 10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations 2:00 PM: FIGGE Art Camp 2:00 PM: Manga Club	13 10:00 AM: Weave + Relax Crochet + Knit Club 11:00 AM: Tots Together Social Hour
15 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 10:30 AM: Music & Movement 1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up 1:00 PM: Puzzlers 2:00 PM: Knot Crafters	16 10:15 AM Fellowship Footsteps Walking Book Club 10:30 AM: Iowa Turtles 6:00 PM: Valley Readers Book Club	17 10:30 AM: Little Learners Library Meet Up! 2:00 PM: PNG "Beyond the Jacket" Workshop 6:00 PM: Family Game Night	18 10:30 AM: Toddler Tales Story Time 11:30 AM: Read to a Dog 1:30 PM: Pokémon Go 4:30 PM: Creative Crafters Fiber Arts Series 6:00 PM: Build & Bond: Family LEGO Night	19 10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations 2:00 PM: FIGGE Art Camp 2:00 PM: MakerSpace	20 10:00 AM: Weave + Relax Crochet + Knit Club 11:00 AM: Tots Together Social Hour
22 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 10:30 AM: Music & Movement 1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up 2:00 PM: Knot Crafters	23 10:15 AM Fellowship Footsteps Walking Book Club 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start & Movement 1:00 PM: Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead 6:00 PM: Tranquil Tuesday	24 10:30 AM: Little Learners Library Meet Up! 10:30 AM: Memory Oasis 2:00 PM: PNG "Beyond the Jacket" Workshop 2:30 PM: Artful Escapes 6:00 PM: Family Game Night	25 10:30 AM: Rhyme Time for Tots 1:00 PM: Slime Squad 4:30 PM: Whispering Pages Book Club 6:00 PM: Build & Bond: Family LEGO Night	26 10:30 AM: Manipulation Stations 2:00 PM: FIGGE Art Camp	27 10:00 AM: Weave + Relax Crochet + Knit Club 11:00 AM: Tots Together Social Hour
29 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 10:30 AM: Music & Movement 1:00 PM: Mahjong Meet Up 1:00 PM: Pokémon Trade, Play, + Create 2:00 PM: Knot Crafters	30 10:15 AM Fellowship Footsteps Walking Book Club 10:30 AM: Wee Littles Art Start 1:00 PM: Brick Builders Club 3:00 PM: PNG Virtual Reality Voyage	31 10:30 AM: Little Learners Library Meet Up! 2:00 PM: PNG "Beyond the Jacket" Workshop 6:00 PM: Family Game Night			

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AUGUST



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Grade School Program	Tuesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Middle/High School Program	Wednesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Adult Program	Thursday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
All Ages - Family Program	Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
	Saturday	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Last Chance TO EARN RAFFLE TICKETS!
 ATTEND PROGRAMS TO EARN RAFFLE TICKETS TOWARDS SUMMER READING GRAND PRIZE BASKETS FOR YOUTH, TEEN AND ADULTS.

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Coal Valley Police Department Police Calls

	Traffic Tickets	Written Warnings	Ordinance Tickets	Crash Reports	Domestic Calls	Mental Health	Arrests Made	DUI	Calls For Service
June 2023	20	19	9	1	2	1	5	0	497
July 2023	14	23	4	3	4	2	2	0	412
August 2023	13	19	3	5	5	1	3	0	296
September 2023	14	10	3	4	1	0	6	1	224
October 2023	6	11	0	1	5	1	2	1	226
November 2023	2	7	0	3	2	0	1	0	147
December 2023	6	12	0	2	1	1	1	0	198
January 2024	15	4	0	4	4	0	4	1	163
February 2024	11	14	3	8	3	1	6	0	189
March 2024	8	23	1	3	2	1	3	1	158
April 2024	8	4	13	1	4	1	2	0	172
May 2024	16	18	5	1	3	2	1	0	275
June 2024	16	27	3	1	3	3	3	0	299
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