

# The Strawberry Vine

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## Letter from the Mayor

### *Things to See & Do:*

- Backbone State Park
- Wilder Museum
- The Big Strawberry
- [www.strawberrypoint.com](http://www.strawberrypoint.com)

Welcome to March, the month that brings us SPRING! Hopefully warmer temps and green grass will soon be here.

The Strawberry Days planning meeting will be held March 1st, if you can't make this meeting please call McKenzie at 933-4417. It takes many volunteers to make ours a great celebration. Mark your calendar for June 11, 12 & 13!!

Did you know our Giant Strawberry has our city starring in a movie? Amy Elliott's documentary called "World's Largest", which will premiere at the 2010 South By Southwest Film Festival in Austin, Texas from March 12th to 20th. She was so impressed with our town that she made our Strawberry the opening for the documentary, stating that it "sets the tone for the entire film". The film covers 58 "World's Largest" sites around our country. Elliott says our berry is certainly worth seeing.

The City of Strawberry Point needs you! Meetings to provide input for our Hazard Mitigation Plan are scheduled for March 24 and 31 at 6 pm in City Hall. Everyone is welcome at both meeting, but if you can only make one of them, please join us for that meeting.

A large group of summer visitors will be around on June 16-17. The National Hay Expo returns to Hamlett's farm just west of town and will provide us an opportunity to spread the good news about Strawberry Point. Watch the city newsletter and website along with the Press Journal for updates. If you have an idea to attract Hay Expo people to our town or would volunteer to help out let city hall know.

Ragbrai spends the night in Manchester on July 30th. This is another chance to sell our city. We are checking with Manchester to see what we might do. There will probably be some support people in town, I will keep you posted.

Summer brings the opportunity to continue to work on our Vision 2020 Plan. The plan is posted on our website if you see a goal that fits your talents, contact one of the groups heading up that goal or city hall. Don't forget about Strawberry Point News on KMCH-FM each Monday at 8:50 am. If you have something for the broadcast please let me know.

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Mayor &  
City Council

Dale Fox

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Jan Parkin

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# City Hall News

Meeting dates for March: March 3rd and 17th.

## Reminders:

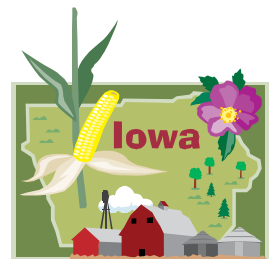
Remove snow and ice from sidewalks within a reasonable amount of time following a storm. No parking on City streets between 2 am and 6 am November 1st through April 1st. No parking on City streets during a Snow Emergency to allow the snow to be totally removed.

**2010 Census:** Census forms will be mailed shortly. Bring your completed Census form to City Hall to be mailed and receive a free “Thank You” gift, including a mug, chip clip, seat cushion, luggage tag, or a reusable bag. First come, first serve! Please

complete your census form to ensure Strawberry Point receives funding for the next 10 years. Information contained in the Census form is kept confidential!

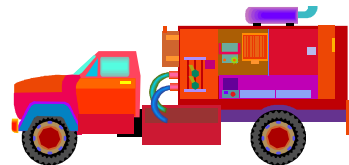
The staff at city hall also welcomes any comments and suggestions. Please feel free to stop in or call us at 563-933-4482.

Deanna Dement  
City Clerk/Administrator



## Fire Department

No news.



## Library

No news.

Beth Brase, Library Director

# Economic Development & Tourism

Strawberry Days planning meeting Monday, March 1st at City Hall, 5:30 pm

Strawberry City Wide Garage Sales—April 30th and May 1st

Strawberry City Wide Cleanup—Saturday May 8th

McKenzie Johnson

Director of Economic Development & Tourism



## Ambulance

The ambulance service would like to thank everyone for their continued support. We would especially like to thank all of our Retired and current service members and their families for your commitment throughout the years.

If your group or organization is interested in learning CPR and/or First Aid, we can provide that for you. Give us a call for

*Spring is  
almost  
here!!!*

further information. It could save a life!!

Continue to stay safe! Spring is on the way!

Theresa Callahan  
Duane Johnson  
Interim Service Directors

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## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- \*Brad Chambers—March 1st
- \*Chris Palmersheim—March 14th
- \*Bob Pope—March 20th
- \*Doug Schmidt—March 23rd
- \*Dennis Dement—March 30th

*Deanna Dement—City Clerk/  
Administrator*

*Liz Jaster—Deputy City Clerk*

*McKenzie Johnson—Economic  
Development Director*

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## **Police**



Police Chief Bob Pope

No news.