

Elected Council Seats

In January, Brian Lohse, Curt Sullivan, and Eric E. Johnson will take seats on City Council. Lohse received the most support, 25.50 percent, with 153 votes. Current City Council Member Sullivan received 23 percent, with 138 votes, and current City Council Member Johnson received 21.67 percent, with 130 votes. Bondurant received a total of 600 votes on November 8 for the City Council Election at Bondurant City Hall.

As a recent member of the Planning and Zoning Commission, new City Council Member Lohse has spent the past several months busy working on the update of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The plan is intended to be a statement and vision of what the community wants the City to be and look like as we move into the future. He is very proud of the work that has been done thus far. Most of the citizens of Bondurant will recognize something in the Plan that they suggested from the Plan's survey that was available to the community during the summer of 2011. While the process will not be complete when Lohse takes his seat on the Council, it is well on its way. New Council Member Lohse looks forward to doing the work needed to implement the Plan in 2012 and to begin the work of bringing the vision of the Plan to life.

During Current City Council Member Sullivan's first term on City Council, the community has experienced many positive

changes. Some of those changes include a multi-purpose trail, downtown revitalization and improving City services. The City will continue to experience change, while some more challenging, it is imperative that we plan for the future. He looks forward to expanding Bondurant's recreation program and improving the infrastructure to meet current and future needs. Council Member Sullivan will be mindful of the costs that residents and business incur and come up with creative ways to limit the impact. He appreciates everyone's support while on City Council during his first term and looks forward to the next four years.

Current City Council Member Johnson is looking forward to working with the newly developed Bondurant Recreational Sports Complex (BRSC) Board. The BRSC Board was formed in October 2011 and is responsible for the softball and baseball diamonds located by Lake Petocka (formerly known as Kinney Park). The purpose of this board is to centralize the management and operations of the complex to achieve a safe, clean and appealing environment which meets the logistics and requirements of the clubs, persons, and organizations that will utilize the complex. The BRSC Board will soon have additional information placed on the City's website to further assist with field reservations and information on the upcoming softball and baseball season. If you have any questions, please contact the board at brsc@cityofbondurant.com or visit their Facebook page.

Equipment Purchases and Public Works Building

The City made several equipment purchases in 2011. A 2007 Bobcat skid loader was purchased for \$29,400, as well as a new public works plow truck. Cost for the truck and equipment was \$118,299. A new ambulance was also purchased for Bondurant Emergency Services at a cost of \$135,000.

In January, the City purchased the property at 902 2nd Street NE. This had been the location of an unsightly truck repair business. All junk has been removed from the property, and new windows and doors have been installed. The building exterior was repainted, and work on the interior is nearing completion. The newly renovated building will now be used for sign and equipment storage. This will allow all winter maintenance equipment to be housed in a heated building at either the Blaine Street or 2nd Street facilities. Having heated storage extends the life of the equipment and makes the equipment easier to use in the winter. Additional site work on the lot around the building will continue over the next several years. Total cost to date for property purchase, cleanup and remodeling is approximately \$200,000. An environmental assessment of the property was

conducted prior to the purchase. The property, while messy, was not contaminated.

An open house for the public will be held in Spring 2012.



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**Regular City Meetings
at the City Center**

The following is a list of the City Meetings. Please feel free to attend any of the meetings. Your attendance and participation are welcome.

- **City Council Meetings** - 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, 6:00 p.m.
- **Board of Adjustment** - 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:00 p.m.
- **BDI Meeting** – 1st Tuesday of each month, 8:00 a.m.
- **Library Board of Trustees** - 1st Thursday of each month, 7:00 p.m.
- **Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings** – 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 6:00 p.m.
- **Parks and Recreation Board Meetings** – 3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30 p.m.
- **BRSC Board** - Last Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.

Regular Community Meetings

- **American Legion** - 1st Tuesday of the month at the Legion Hall, 8:00 p.m.
- **American Legion Auxiliary** - 2nd Thursday of the month at the Legion Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- **Civic Club** - 4th Wednesday of the month at member's homes, 7:30 p.m. (September - May)
- **Lions Club** - 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, Legion Hall, 8:00 p.m.
- **Men's Club** - 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at City Center, 7:00 p.m.
- **Mother's Club** – 4th Tuesday of the month at City Center, 7:00 p.m.
- **Rolling Agers Potluck** – 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at the Legion Hall
- **Women's Club** - 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Library, 6:30 p.m. (September – May)
- **4-H group** - 3rd Saturday of month at City Center, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- **4-H group** – 2nd Monday of month at City Center, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
- **Girl Scouts Troop 394** – 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at Courtyard Estates, 6:30 p.m.
- **Boy Scouts Troop 10** – Every Thursday at Legion Hall, 6:00 p.m. Meetings, except for the Library Board of Trustees, are normally held at the Bondurant City Center, 200 2nd Street, Northeast. For an agenda or to verify the exact date and time, please call the Bondurant City Center at 967-2418.

DIRECTORY

Mayor:
Keith Ryan

Mayor Pro Tem:
Amy Bogaards

Council Members:
Amy Bogaards
Jerry Fischer
Eric E. Johnson
Brian Lohse
Curt Sullivan

City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at 6:00 p.m., at the Bondurant City Center.

Additional meetings are scheduled as necessary.

Planning and Zoning Commission

• Meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
Dave Higgins, Chair Michele Bailey Brian Clayton
Jennifer Keeler Roy McCleary Judi Mendenhall
Jolyn Meehan

Parks and Recreation Board

• Meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.
Josh Duden, Chair Nicole Bruce John Hodges
Amie Johnson Eric Johnson Jeff Meislahn
Joe Van Horn

Library Board of Trustees

• Meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Susan J. Ugolini, President Craig Campbell
Michell Klinker-Feld Patricia Kaura Craig Kinrade
Cheryl Lenhart Mary Thomas

Board of Adjustment

• Meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.
Jerry Pritchard, Chair Greg Hanson Kris Klinker
Leo Kolo Brian Wells

Bondurant Recreational Sports Complex Board

• Meets the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Josh Duden, Chair Dan Clark Damon Eckert
Eric E. Johnson Jen McIntosh Candy Stanley
Todd Wilson Bob Wright

Department Officials:

City Administrator	Mark J. Arentsen	967-2418
City Attorney	David Brick	274-1450
City Engineer	Edwin R. Slattery	246-8585
Deputy City Clerk	Michelle Wells	967-2418
Finance Director	Lori Dunham	967-2418
Administrative Assistant	Shelby Hagan	967-2418
Fire Chief	Aaron Kreuder	967-2418
Library Director	Karen Pederson	967-4790
Recreation Coordinator	To Be Filled April 2012	

Department Superintendents / Staff:

Water Department	Pat Collison	971-6856
Wastewater Department	Pat Collison	971-6856
Street Department	Ken Grove	971-6857
Building & Grounds	Boyce Bailey	971-6858
Assistant to Departments	Dave Higgins	971-6859

**Next newsletter deadline:
9 a.m. • February 1, 2012**

**Bondurant Holiday Closings
Monday, February 20
President's Day**

Current Phone Number

We are updating our records. Please be sure we have your current phone number. Call the City Center (967-2418) or email your information to info@cityofbondurant.com.

Emergency Contacts

When a power, telephone, or cable outage strikes your neighborhood, please do not assume that one of your neighbors has reported the incident.

For your convenience, below is a list of businesses and phone numbers you can call to report an outage, which will help speed up the restoration process:

MidAmerican Energy:	1-800-595-5325
Qwest:	1-800-244-1111
Mediacom:	1-800-631-9337

SNOW REMOVAL TIPS!

Snow is on the way and controlling snow and ice is a difficult and time-consuming operation. We need your help to help us to clear the streets more quickly and completely.

Crews can do a better job of plowing when cars are not parked on the street. We ask that residents park their vehicles off the street during snow removal operations. City ordinance prohibits the parking of vehicles on public streets when snow or ice removal operations are in progress. Parking on public streets will result in ticketing and towing. Fewer cars on streets will quicken plowing.

The equipment that we use to clear snow from streets may leave a ridge of snow across your driveway. It is the responsibility of the property owner to remove the ridge left by our snow plowing equipment. When shoveling out the mouth of your driveway, throw the snow to the right or left, but not in the street. Putting the snow back into the street creates more work and a safety risk.



To help ensure that sidewalks are safe during the winter, City Ordinance requires residents to remove snow and ice from sidewalks within 24 hours following the end of the snowfall. Property owners who do not comply are subject to a municipal citation. A helpful hint for residents – clear your sidewalk after the snowplows have finished plowing to the curb. When you remove snow from your sidewalk, please remember that City Ordinance prohibits placing that snow in the street. Additionally, the unnatural deposit of snow from driveways and parking lots onto City rights-of-way is also prohibited.

Equipment operators often work 12 or more hours in a shift and appreciate courteous and friendly drivers and pedestrians. Please remember to maintain a safe following distance of 75 feet from all snow removal equipment.

It's a pleasure to make your drive safer!

The Bondurant

BOUNCE!

Cribbage Tournament - January 29 @ 1:00 p.m.
Must be over age 14 to be eligible for competition. Entry forms online or at City Hall. More information TBA.

Dodgeball Tournament - February 19 1:00-3:00 p.m. Middle School Gym. More information TBA.

Basketball Open Gym - Sundays through March 18. 3:00-5:00 p.m. Bondurant-Farrar Middle School. January 29 and February 12 will be at Anderson Elementary School. Adults 18 and older can participate.

Please follow our website and Facebook page for updates!

CAR WINTER SURVIVAL KIT

Each year, hundreds of people find themselves stranded on the roadside. Winter weather can kill an unprepared person who is exposed to the elements within minutes. Whether you wind up needing it or not, a winter survival kit for your car is a good idea. It is simple to create and could save your life in the event of a vehicle breakdown or crash during the winter months. Putting your kit together is easy and here's how!

Take a empty container, like a three pound coffee can with a plastic cover, and pack the container with the following items:

- Candle stubs and matches
- Small sharp knife
- Red bandanna or cloth (hang outside your vehicle as a sign of distress)
- Pencil and paper and change for a phone call (or a cell phone)
- Large plastic garbage bag for insulation
- Snacks (high energy food like a chocolate bar or energy bar)
- Plastic whistle (to alert people to where you are)
- Plastic flashlight and spare batteries (reverse batteries in the case to avoid accidental switching and burnout, and warm batteries between your legs before using)
- First aid kit including essential medications
- Bottled water (melted snow can also be used as a water source)

In addition to the items in the winter survival kit, you may want to make sure you have these other items on hand in your trunk:

- Jumper cables
- Shovel
- Blankets
- Hat, mittens / gloves, boots
- Sand for tire traction
- Tow cable or chain
- Road flares / reflectors
- Snow brush

SNOW ORDINANCE

69.10 SNOW REMOVAL. No person shall park any vehicle or permit the same to remain standing upon any public street in the City during any one of the following times or periods:



The City of Bondurant Snow Ordinance shall take effect following a declaration of same by the City Administrator or Street Superintendent. Vehicles must be removed from any City street by 8:00 p.m., and must remain off of the City street until 8:00 a.m., the following day, or until the snow declaration has been lifted, whichever occurs latest. Vehicles not removed by 8:00 p.m., will be ticketed for violating the City's Snow Ordinance. After being ticketed, vehicles not removed from the City street by 8:00 a.m., the following day will be towed, with expenses for towing payable by the vehicle owner.

(Ordinance No. 08-201)

💡 Recycle Old Holiday String Lights 💡

Ever wonder what to do with the tangle of old, unreliable holiday string lights - the ones that don't work after being stored in your basement or attic? They ARE recyclable! Here's how you CAN recycle them.

💡 **LOCALLY**

Alter Metal Recycling - 1810 E. Hull, Des Moines, IA 50313 (515.262.0764), M-F from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This service is free. Call first.

Midwest Electronic Recovery - 7420 University Ave. (Suite A), Clive, IA 50325 (515.226.9990), M-F, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The service is free. Light bulbs must be removed from the wire string. Call first.

💡 **MAIL-IN**

Christmas Light Source Recycling Program - 1923 6th Ave., Ft. Worth, TX 76110 (866.926.4877). The lights sets are recycled and proceeds are used to purchase books for the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation in Dallas-Ft. Worth. Reward coupons available.

HolidayLED Christmas Light Recycling Program - C/O Classic Turning, Inc. 4905 James McDivitt St., Jackson, MI 49201-8958 (866.217.1461). Reward coupons available.

For more information, visit www.MWAtoday.com or call 515.244.0021.

Paine Heights Storm Sewer

Design work is complete. The City Council is considering how to finance the project. Estimated cost for the entire project is \$841,535. The City is intending to bid the project in January or February. Construction is anticipated to begin in March and be completed in November 2012. Assessments to property owners to cover part of the cost are being considered. The City anticipates finalizing the funding plan for the project by the end of 2011 and holding a public meeting for Paine Heights residents prior to bidding the project.

Boy Scout Troop 10 Can and Bottle Drive

On November 5, 2011, Boy Scout Troop 10 hosted their 5th Annual Can and Bottle Drive. The scouts of Troop 10 are proud to announce that the event was a complete success. Thank you to the community for all your support.

The money from the drive will be used to buy Christmas presents for those who are less fortunate.

We are looking forward to our 6th Annual Can and Bottle Drive in early November next year. Thank you again for all your help and support.



New Trash Cans and Lids

If you need a new trash can or trash can lid, please contact the City Center by phone (967-2418) or email (info@cityofbondurant.com). Please give your name and address and we will contact Waste Management so they can replace your trash can or lid.

CITY OF BONDURANT FEATURED EMPLOYEE

CHRIS SICKELS CAPTAIN



Captain Chris Sickels has been on the Fire Department for 21 years, and was recognized last year for 20 years of service. His Fire Department duties include responding to fires, medical calls, car accidents and any other emergency dispatched to Bondurant Emergency Services.

Part of his Captain duties includes the driving and operation of all the apparatus on the department. He may also be called upon to take charge of a scene, such as assigning scene duties, directing personnel and ensuring the safety of all members during all situations. Chris also facilitates monthly fire trainings for the department members with the other officers. Throughout the month, he assists with skill sets for rookies attending the Regional Fire School Program hosted by Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) and Bondurant Emergency Services. Additionally, Chris participates with the Department in local community events, such as parades and fund raisers.

Chris has numerous certifications as a Captain; Firefighter I, Pump Operations, Hazmat Awareness, Healthcare Provider CPR & First Aid, NASCAR Firefighter Certification and NASCAR Pit Row Supervisor.

Chris has two children; Bryan, age 23, and Logan, age 15. His oldest son, Bryan, is also a member of the Bondurant Department. Chris states that volunteering is his main passion. He is a huge fan of NASCAR, and his love of racing led him to seasonal employment at the Iowa Speedway since the first season it opened six years ago. Chris also enjoys outdoor activities such as fishing and hunting, as well as playing cribbage and spending time with friends.

Chris moved to the City of Bondurant 21 years ago and joined the department six months after. The Fire Department was an opportunity for him to meet people within the community and be in a position to be able to respond to community and family emergencies. Chris considers the members of the Bondurant Fire Department as his family. He said the Department offers a brotherhood of loyalty, commitment and teamwork unlike any other fire department. Chris has many people to credit for the things he has learned and accomplished on the Fire Department, but everyone impacts each other one way or another. And for that, Chris says thank you!

Street Widening

The south side of 2nd Street SE, east of Lincoln Street, has been widened. This provides more room for on-street parking, and improves access to the Bondurant Cemetery. A storm sewer has also been installed. Sump pump discharge lines from homes on the south side of the road will be connected to the storm sewer. The estimated cost of this project is \$192,150.

Kinney Park is now BRSC – Bondurant Recreational Sports Complex

Kinney Park was developed by the parents of Little League after the land was donated to the City for the express use of recreational baseball and softball. Over the last 20 years, countless hours have been volunteered by Bondurant citizens. Early on it was evident that the park needed a means to raise funds for management, development, and operations of the park; thus the Kinney Park Board was formed.

Over the course of 2011, the City of Bondurant reviewed the operational status of Kinney Park and determined that a new management board was required. This decision was based on several factors such as property liability, park improvements, and concession stand management. To move forward, it was important to review Kinney Park's purpose and how it was developed.

The City of Bondurant approved by-laws which ensure Kinney Parks' original intent is a top priority of the new BRSC Board. These by-laws are available for public review on the City's website under 'Departments and Boards'. So why the name change? Kinney Park reflected the volunteer efforts and donations of many community members. Bondurant Recreational Sports Complex represents new management as a committee under the Parks & Recreation Board and illustrates exciting future opportunity for the park and Bondurant.

But BRSC is more than just a name change. With the new BRSC Board, exciting adjustments are under way. Field improvements such as infield re-surfacing, concession stand remodeling, a lighted flag pole, paid concession stand workers in lieu of past parent volunteers, extension of some fields to allow ASA and USSA tournament play, and the development of community leagues like Slow Pitch softball are all under consideration. The BRSC has even begun investigating lighting some of the fields for night play.

BRSC's Board is comprised of two representatives from Little League baseball, two representatives from Bondurant Softball, two At Large community members, a City Council Member, and is chaired by a representative from the Parks and Recreation Board. The BRSC Board has a Facebook page and can be contacted through email at brsc@cityofbondurant.com.

Make the Most of it by Recycling or Repurposing

It's in with the new and out with the old between Thanksgiving and Christmas. With all the gift shopping and wrapping, holiday decorating inside and out and prepping for parties and gatherings, you have much to recycle and much to trash.

Confused? Check our Holiday Recycling information and discover your local options for all things holiday. Items listed include: gift boxes, metallic wrapping paper, Christmas lights and trees, disposable cups and plates and electronics.

For more information, visit www.MWAtoday.com or call 515.244.0021.



A PARTY OF BLUE JAYS 2012

White Oak Winery
Saturday, May 5, 2012

- The first annual B-F Party of Blue Jays event is May 5, 2012.
- The event will be at the White Oak Winery, north of Elkhart.
- The party theme will be Cinco de Mayo.
- Dinner, live and silent auctions, raffles and lots of fun.
- Social time begins at 5:30 p.m.
- Guests must be at least 21 years old.
- It celebrates the accomplishments of B-F students and faculty.
- The money raised will be used to fund future education, fine arts and sports programs.
- Purchase tickets at <https://bref.ejoinme.org/bluejayparty>
- If you haven't contributed to the Neighborhood Drive, you can still do so at <https://bref.ejoinme.org/neighbor>
- Own a home, time share, or condo that you would make available or other auction items for contribution to the event? Please let us know at the following email address: TheBlueJayParty@live.com or fill out information at <https://bref.ejoinme.org/donatenow>
- We welcome any financial support; no contribution is too small. Donate online at <https://bref.ejoinme.org/donate>
- Make your check payable to B-F Education Foundation, and send it to P.O. Box 212 or drop off at any of the school offices.
- The B-F Education Foundation is a 501c3 non-profit and qualifies as a tax exempt charitable organization.
- You will be provided the necessary receipt for your personal tax purposes.



PLEASE BECOME A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER

As a pet owner you can establish habits that will help keep our creeks free of pollutants. Animal wastes contain bacteria, viruses and nutrients, which will lower water quality in our creeks. Pet waste is bad for streams for two reasons. First, the bacteria in pet waste can cause illness in humans if contaminated water comes in contact with an open wound or is ingested. Second, bacteria require oxygen in order to live, and as a result, reduce the amount of oxygen in the water that is available for fish.

Pet waste is a neighborhood nuisance and a carrier of potential illness into our streams and rivers. Pollutants from improper disposal of pet waste may wash into the creeks and rivers through the storm drainage system.

That is why it is important to walk your pets in grassy areas, parks or undeveloped areas. Take a plastic bag or pooper scooper along on your walk and pick up your pet's waste. Once you pick up the waste, you may flush it down the toilet, bury it in the yard, or put it in the trash.



BBondurant
Chamber of Commerce

Chamber News



Todd Omundson (center) of RE/MAX Real Estate Group cutting the ribbon at the open house.

Ribbon Cutting at RE/MAX Real Estate Group

RE/MAX Real Estate Group is under new ownership and held an open house on November 15 to thank the community for supporting its business.

Upcoming Events

For event details, go to
 • www.bondurantchamber.com
 • Bondurant Chamber on Facebook

Taste the Chamber

January 20, 2012
 6:30 p.m.
 Cory's Irish Pub

Don't miss this six-course sampling of everything the Chamber has to offer.

\$25/person

RSVP today
info@bondurantchamber.com

Member Spotlight

There are many great businesses and organizations in and around Bondurant supporting the community. The Chamber will feature these businesses throughout the year so you can learn more about them.

CSI Chemical Corporation

10980 NE Hubbell Road

515-967-4297

E-mail: lyle@nutri-cal.com

Web site: www.nutri-cal.com

NUTRI-CAL
The Calcium Solution

For Use On Fruits, Vegetables, Nuts, Grains, Ornaments & Turf

Nutri-Cal® is the Number 1 organically complexed liquid calcium supplement and plant nutrient product sold today. It is made by the CSI Chemical Corporation of Bondurant, Iowa, a family owned and operated company that first opened its doors in 1955. We have package sizes for both the home garden and commercially.

Nutri-Cal® liquid calcium has 30 years of university testing and field experience and is the best source of calcium for your fruits, vegetables, and plants. Nutri-K liquid potassium provides a unique delivery system, enabling more efficient movement of potassium ion to the fruit/vegetable where it is needed most. See www.nutri-cal.com for more information.

ZUMBA



Dance Xtreme,
located right off Highway 65 in Bondurant, is now offering Zumba classes.

Cost

\$5 per class or
purchase a punch card for \$35

Classes

Monday & Thursday
5:30-6:15 p.m. or 6:30-7:15 p.m.

NO MEMBERSHIP FEES

Zumba certified instructor.

Call 515-720-1316

Quality Title Search Services

(515) 710-3814

208 10th Street S.E., Bondurant
r.mcpherson@qualitytitlesearchsvcs.com
www.qualitytitlesearchsvcs.com

I provide Real Estate Title Search Services to the Real Estate Industry covering approximately 35 counties throughout Central and Southern Iowa. I provide a variety of services including Document Retrievals, Current Owner Searches, Full Title Searches, Pre and Post Foreclosure Searches, Commercial Searches, Recordings, etc. I started in the Title Search business in 2004 and started my company in 2006 and continue to look forward to building and growing my business within the community of Bondurant.

Membership Spotlight Sponsored By:

Become a Member of the Bondurant Chamber

Membership Details and Application
www.bondurantchamber.com

Questions

771-8316 or info@bondurantchamber.com

Sponsor the Member Spotlight and place your ad here

Contact the Chamber at
 515-771-8316 or
info@bondurantchamber.com

American Legion Auxiliary

Samuel H. Briggs Unit #236

315 2nd Street NW, Bondurant, 515-967-3433

Americanism is the spirit which dominates our entire program of activity. Our services in Child Welfare, Education, & Rehabilitation are our basic activities. The interest in our communities is essential to progress. Membership is fundamental for fulfilling the obligation we pledge to God & Country. Our promotion of National Security is vital. Distribution of poppies in our communities gives the disabled veteran occupational therapy & through poppy distribution we carry on our service for the veteran & the veteran's family. We are available with help for the pre-current-post deployment military member & their families in our community.

The American Legion Auxiliary is a civilian organization of women. This organization is absolutely non-political & is not used for the dissemination of partisan principles or for the promotion of the candidacy of any person seeking public office. The Auxiliary is a non-profit veterans' associated organization.

If interested in membership (age birth to death), call the number above & leave a message. There are eligibility requirements regarding relationships to military members & their family members.



1409 2nd Street N.E., Bondurant
www.plazarv.com, 957-9393
sales@plazarv.com

Plaza RV has been in Central Iowa since 1964 offering Recreational Vehicle sales, parts and service. Plaza RV opened its new facility in Bondurant in January 2004 featuring Hitchhiker 5th wheels and all types of used units. We offer financing on most of our units up to 20 year terms. Our Bondurant location has let us increase our parts and service because of our larger shop and showroom areas to serve the needs of Central Iowa RV'ers. We can accommodate the do it yourself repair to major damage or insurance reconstruction. We also sell propane and can fill bottles as well as frame mounted tanks.

Bondurant Mother's Club

bondurantmothersclub@yahoo.com

The Bondurant Mother's Club is an organized group of women within the Bondurant-Farrar School District who work together to encourage active participation in civic activities and educational improvement of the community.

The Mother's Club is proud to partner with many other community groups and businesses in offering family events and opportunities. We enjoy coordinating Easter activities, an annual Fall Festival, Scrapbooking events and Breakfast with Santa.

The club meets once per month in Bondurant. New members are always welcome!

Long Construction

904 14th St. S.E. Bondurant

Phone 515-967-7758

Cell 515-669-8400

E-mail dennislong@mchsi.com

Web site www.long-construction.com

Long Construction has been family owned and operated since 1957. Denny Long, Brian Jackson and Eric Jackson have a combined 49 yrs of quality experience.

Our business consists of residential remodeling and light commercial construction. We specialize in kitchen and bathroom remodeling, additions, basement finishing, redesigning existing space and complete home remodeling.

We enjoy the challenges and rewards of being hands on throughout our projects. Free consultations.

Re/Max Suburban Real Estate Inc.



102 1st Street SE, Bondurant

Phone: 515-967-5424

E-mail: remaxslw@aol.com

Web: <http://swolvers.valuedagent.com/>

We are a locally owned and operated Real Estate company. All our profits are spent and invested locally! Our states largest 2 real estate brokers are both owned by Warren Buffet of Omaha; sending all the profits out of state will never help our small town! We are small enough to know you and the local market, giving you a big advantage when you list with us. All our office walk-ins are usually wanting to live here in Bondurant, giving your home much more exposure locally! Drive by any time, day or night, and see all our listings in the windows of value! Why list with an out of the area agent or broker when most of these agents do not know the school's strengths, or even our tax abatement advantages locally?

We will donate 10% of the commission we earn to any local charity of your choice here in Bondurant! Tell us which church, school program, sports or sports field you want supported this year!

Bondurant Chamber Members

GOLD MEMBERS

City of Bondurant
CSI Chemical Corp.
Legacy Bank
McGowen, Hurst, Clark & Smith, PC
Metro Waste Authority
Prairie Meadows

SILVER MEMBERS

Altoona Herald-Index
Bondurant Animal Clinic
Contractors Plumbing
Cory's Irish Pub
Iowa Realty
Stanley Consultants
Wells Fargo Home Mortgage
- Steve SchraderBachar

MEMBERS

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #396
Altoona Floral & Gifts
Baer Necessities Salon & Tan
Bailey's Excavating, Inc.
Bankers Trust
Barks and Wags
Bondurant American Legion
Bondurant Auto Body
Bondurant Christian Church
Bondurant Civic Club
Bondurant Development, Inc.
Bondurant Family Chiropractic
Bondurant Family Clinic
Bondurant Laser Wash
Bondurant Mens Club
Bondurant Mother's Club
Bondurant-Farrar Community Schools
Casey's General Stores
Class Act Productions
Courtyard Estates Assisted Living
CrossPoint United Methodist Church
Dance Xtreme
Diagonal Properties, Inc.
DRM Development
Eastern Polk Regional Development
Edward Jones Investments - Adam Kline
Farm Bureau - Craig McCoil
Federated Church of Bondurant
Fine Line Woodworks, Inc.
Fuller Associates Family Dentistry
Gi-N-Go
Growing Family Fun at Geisler Farms
Greenland Homes
Heartland Storage
Huber Grading & Land Development
Jack Rabbit Promotional Products
Jethro n' Jake's Smokehouse Steaks
Kids Academy of Bondurant
Long Construction
Lundeen Auto Detailing
Midwest Recovery
Nicole Thomas Photography
Parks Carpentry
Plaza RV
Quality Title Search Services
R & B Services, LLC
RE/MAX Real Estate Group
- Todd Omundson
RE/MAX Suburban Real Estate
- Steve and Donna Wolvers
Springer Professional Home Services
Sugar Shack Restaurant
Susan Ugolini Attorney At Law
The Birds Nest
The Principal Financial Group
- Jeff Meislahn
Williamson's Repair & Tire

Comprehensive Plan Update

The City of Bondurant began an update to its Comprehensive Plan in the spring of 2011. The Comprehensive Plan is a master plan for the entire City of Bondurant that defines a vision, a set of guiding principles and a framework for how the community develops over the next 20 years. The planning process provides an opportunity to reflect on how our community has grown over the last several years and explore emerging trends in city planning and community development such as active and healthy living, complete streets, sustainability and resiliency at a community level. The plan will address topics such as land use, transportation systems (roadways, bikeways, trails), parks and recreation, economic development, housing strategies, and infrastructure systems.



Over the course of summer and fall 2011, the City conducted a survey and engaged the community in a game board exercise to identify issues, opportunities and ideas for how our community will grow. We worked with those ideas and explored concepts for how the community will guide growth and change over the next 20 years. On December 6th, we presented these ideas to the community in an open house at City Hall. Over 30 people in attendance reviewed the plans and were able to provide comments. If you were not able to attend the open house, the boards from the presentation are available for viewing at www.cityofbondurant.com. Please visit the city's web site, review the boards and concepts and provide any comments by January 1.

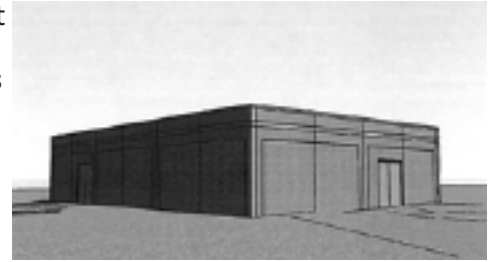
The City will develop a draft of the updated comprehensive plan this winter. Check back on the website in February to review a first draft of the comprehensive plan document.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Arentsen at Bondurant City Hall at 515.967.2418 or by email at marentsen@cityofbondurant.com.



Bondurant Recreational Sports Complex Safe Room

The City has been awarded \$459,705 by FEMA for construction of a 2,520 sq. ft. Safe Room (Storm & Tornado Shelter) at Bondurant Recreational Sports Complex. State funds of \$45,970 are also included. The City expects to spend about \$100,000 of City funds to pay for the City's match



requirement and some items which are not eligible for FEMA assistance. Total project cost is estimated to be \$490,000. SVPA Architects is the project Architect. Construction is underway at this time and is expected to be completed in time for the 2012 ball season.

The outside dimensions of the building are 60' X 41.5' for a total of 2,104 sq. ft. A graphic of the building is shown above. The building is 100% concrete. The walls are eight inches thick and the ceiling is eighteen inches thick. The building conforms to the FEMA requirement of being able to withstand an F5 tornado with winds of 250 mph. Building capacity is set at 360 people, however, the building could likely accept more people if necessary. Because the building is designed for use during ball season, there is no heating system. The building walls will be tan colored concrete, and will include reveals and exposed aggregate to provide some architectural interest.

One men's and women's restroom facility is included in the building. The building will be located at the current batting cage site next to the concession stand. The batting cage is being moved to the south side of field number five.

Because the building's purpose is emergency shelter, storage of equipment or materials in the Safe Room is not allowed. An Operations Plan has been developed and approved by FEMA. This Plan describes how access will be provided to people using the ball fields. Coaches and concession stand personnel will be instructed on how to open and use the Safe Room.

Questions or comments about the Safe Room project can be addressed to City Administrator Mark Arentsen at marentsen@cityofbondurant.com or by calling 515-967-2418.

Please Report Water in the Street

As our customer, we rely on you to alert us when main breaks occur, especially during the winter months. Call the Bondurant City Center (515) 967-2418 to report water in the street. Crews will be dispatched to the location of the main break to make repairs as quickly as possible and minimize icy street conditions.

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE:

The January 2 City Council Meeting is rescheduled to January 3, due to the New Year's Day holiday.

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Central Iowa Featherlite Trailer Sales

Bill Payment Options: Take Your Pick

Paying the bills is a task none of us likes. At the City of Bondurant, we try to make paying your utility bill easier. Check out the options below.

1) DIRECT PAY. . .THE EASY WAY!

This payment plan saves you time and money! It is an option that automatically withdraws your water payment from your checking or savings account around the 15th day of each month. A record of your monthly payment will show up on your next bill from us and on your account statement from your financial institution. You avoid the hassle of writing checks and mailing bills! No more missed payments, late fees or searching for stamps.

To sign up for DIRECT PAY, please fill out the authorization forms available at the Bondurant City Center. For questions, call Michelle Wells at (515) 967-2418.

2) PAY at the CITY CENTER

Payments may also be made at the City Center, located at 200 Second Street, Northeast. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please bring your billing statement along. The City of Bondurant accepts cash, check, or money order.

3) NIGHT DEPOSIT for Night Owls

Another option is to drop your payment in our payment drop box. You can drop your payment off at the box anytime day or night. It is a drive up box located on the west side of the drive at the City Center. Payments made in the night depository will be posted after 8:00 a.m. the following business day.



BONDURANT CITY CENTER HOURS OF OPERATIONS

Monday - Friday • 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday - Sunday • CLOSED

Lights Out?

Contact the Bondurant City Center at 967-2418 or MidAmerican Energy at 1-888-427-5632 to report burned out street lights. Please provide the nearest address or cross street when making a report, and include any other visible damage to the light or pole.



Looking for more community event information? Sign up to be included in our electronic newsletter, the Bondurant

Bounce! Send an email to info@cityofbondurant.com to be added to our mailing list.

Baseball/Softball Registration

Saturday, January 21, 2012, from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m., and Wednesday, January 25, 2012, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Bondurant Library. Registration form and fee information can be found on the following websites:

<http://www.eteamz.com/bondurant/>
or
<http://www.bondurantsoftball.com/>





Library CORNER

DAYTIME STORYTIMES

Tuesdays and Wednesdays • 10:30 a.m.

January 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, & 31
February 1, 7, 8, 28, & 29



SATURDAY STORYTIMES

10:30 a.m. • January 7 & 21 • February 4 & 18

OUTREACH STORYTIMES AT THE DAYCARES

January 13Bondurant Kids Academy10:30 a.m.
January 20Bluejay Beginnings Pre-School.....12:30 p.m.
January 27Literacy Push- Anderson Elementary..9:00 a.m.
February 10...Bondurant Kids Academy10:30 a.m.
February 24...Literacy Push- Anderson Elementary..9:00 a.m.
*There may be three more dates added and will be confirmed as soon as possible

AFTER SCHOOL ELEMENTARY AGES

**Monday, January 9 • 4:00 p.m. • Grades K and up
Marshmallow Snow Sculpture Craft**



Sip some hot cocoa and have some fun with marshmallows and pretzels! Build your own "snow sculpture" and "chill out" inside the library.

Monday, January 16 4:00 p.m.

Movie Day

**"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2"
Rated PG-13**

In Part 2 of the epic finale, the battle between good and evil forces of the wizarding world escalates into an all-out war. The stakes have never been higher and no one is safe. But it is Harry Potter who may be called upon to make the ultimate sacrifice as he draws closer to the climactic showdown with Lord Voldemort. It all ends here!



Board Games and Popcorn!

Monday, January 23 • 4:00 p.m. • Grades K and up
Come one, come all and play some fun games like Candyland, Checkers, Battleship and more!



**Movie Day • Monday, February 6 • 4 p.m.
"Kung Fu Panda: The Kaboom of Doom"**

Po is now living his dream as The Dragon Warrior, protecting the Valley of Peace alongside his friends and fellow kung fu masters, The Furious Five - Tigress, Crane, Mantis, Viper and Monkey. But Po's new life of awesomeness is threatened by the emergence of a formidable villain who plans to use a secret, unstoppable weapon to conquer China and destroy kung fu. Po must look to his past and uncover the secrets of his mysterious origins; only then will he be able to unlock the strength he needs to succeed.

Valentine Marble Magnets Craft

Monday, February 13 • 4:00 p.m. • Grades K and up
Fun craft to give or to keep!

Board Games and Popcorn!

Monday, February 27 • 4:00 p.m. • Grades K and up
Come one, come all and play some fun games like Candyland, Checkers, Battleship and more!

AFTER SCHOOL TEENS

Thursday, January 26 & February 23

4:00 p.m. • Grades 6 and up

X-Box and Wii gaming fun @ BCL!

Our gently used donated X-Box is here! Play GoldenEye Rogue Agent, King Kong, Pirates of the Caribbean, and much more. Don't forget the Wii and Super Smash Brothers, Madden 10 and more.



Teen Advisory Board • Ages 13 and up.

Thursday, January 19 & February 16 • 4:00 p.m.

Want to help choose books, music, and activities for teens? Want to do all this while munching on snacks and having a great time with your peers? Then join the Bondurant Community Library's Teen Advisory Group (T.A.G.) group and have a say in your library!

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Library Corner Continued

LIFE-LONG LEARNING PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Tuesday, January 10 • 6 - 7 p.m.

By the warmth of our fireplace, our Book Discussion Group, will explore Jon Krakauer's bone-chilling account of his climb to Mt. Everest in his book "Into Thin Air"

Tuesday, February 14 • 6 - 7 p.m.

We will be discussing Lisa See's novel "Peony in Love", where Peony, the cloistered daughter of a wealthy Chinese family, is trapped like a good luck cricket in a cage. Although, she has been raised to be obedient, Peony has dreams of her own

Book Discussion meets by the fireplace. Multiple book copies for book discussions are available at the library. New members are welcome!



SPECIAL PROGRAMS

GENTLE YOGA

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17 & 31 • 6:45 - 7:30 p.m.

This beginning Yoga class is designed to familiarize beginners with basic Yoga postures and breathing techniques to increase flexibility, strength, and well-being. With an emphasis on personal instruction students are led through stretches, hatha yoga postures and simple breathing practices, then guided into progressive deep relaxation. This is an ideal class for those with chronic pain or stress, those returning from illness or injury or anyone who would like a gentle introduction to yoga.

Dress comfortably; bring your own mat, blanket and water bottle. Class is taught by Patty Van Meter, RYT

Wednesday, January 18 • 6 - 7 p.m.

"Mt. Everest"

Adventure and Inspiration await you at the Bondurant Library. Our featured speaker will be here to discuss and show a PowerPoint presentation of 14 cancer survivors from Iowa, who meet as strangers but become one family in Nepal as they climb Mt. Everest. Take part in their struggles and successes.

Monday, February 27 • 6 - 7 p.m.

"Culture and Customs in China"

Learn more about one of the most ancient civilizations in the world. Drake University student, Sicong Ma, from China will be here to discuss her life in this fascinating country. The Library's Assistant Director will have a tasty wonton treat to serve at the program also! (Thanks, Shelley!)

SIT- N-STITCH

Thursdays 5 p.m. • By the library fireplace

January 5, 12, 19 & 26 • February 2, 9, 16 & 23

Sit with new or old friends, stitch your current project or learn something new from the pros. Open to all knitters, crocheters, quilters, etc. . . . or anyone interested in learning more.

COURTYARD ESTATES OUTREACH

Tuesdays • 2 p.m. • January 3 & February 7

COMPUTER CLASSES

10:30 a.m. • Saturdays

January 14: Computer Basics - We will cover the basics of how computers work, how to use computers, security, short cut keys and more.

January 28: Introduction to Facebook - A basic introduction to the popular social networking website to connect with friends

February 11: E-Mail Basics - Come and learn about the basics of email, how it is used and sign up for your own email account

February 25: Welcome to the Blogosphere - Wondering what all the talk about blogs and blogging is all about? Wish you knew how to find great blogs to read? Or maybe you've been thinking about starting a blog of your very own? We'll have a look around the Blogosphere and talk about the first steps in joining in - either as a reader and commenter, or as a new blogger!

Registration required for all computer classes. Pre-register at the library, or by calling 967-4790.

Visit Bondurant Community Library's dynamic Web site and discover a world of information at your fingertips. Check out our latest calendar events and search our catalog!

<http://www.bondurant.lib.ia.us>

LIBRARY CLOSED:

January 2

February 20

Note:

The Library Board of Trustees will be meeting the second Thursday, which is February 9, 2012.

Bondurant Soccer Club Spring Registration

Starting December 10, you may register one of the following two ways:

1. Online: To register online, please visit our website at bondurantsoccerclub.org and follow the online instructions. You will be required to pay via credit card.



2. By Mail: To register by mail, print off the forms at the website above. Then mail it and your payment to the address on the form.

Deadlines: For levels U8 and up the deadline will be January 25. For U6 the deadline will be April 14.

Please Note: All players that are new to the Bondurant Soccer Club will be **REQUIRED** to submit a copy of their child's birth certificate. Your child will **NOT** be placed on a team without it.

Spring season will begin Saturday, March 31. Please contact Kim Hood at 238-2990 or at hood.soccer@live.com with any questions.

Chichaqua Valley Trail Connection

The City is actively pursuing connection of the bike trails in Bondurant to the Chichaqua Valley Trail trailhead on 88th Street. This project involves construction of a ten foot wide trail from the west City limits to 88th Street, which is primarily along the FC Cooperative railroad ROW. Total project cost is estimated at \$1 million. The City has been awarded \$75,000 to date and is pursuing additional funding. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2012, but may not be completed for several years. The Union Pacific Railroad ROW between Bondurant and Berwick is now owned by the Polk County Conservation Department. It will eventually become a paved trail connecting to the Gay Lea Wilson trail south of Ankeny.



Christmas trees will be collected on January 4 and January 11. Residents **must** attach a "Compost It!" sticker to their trees for collection. Stickers are available at City Hall for \$1.15 each. You can also set out brush bundles and Compost It! bags for these two weeks.

Please note: Trees must have all decorations cleared off and be at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on those days.

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