CALENDAR

January 1 – New Year's Day

January 2 - City office closed

January 9 - Regular Monthly Council Meeting (noon)

January 11 – Sunday Ford (see library corner)

January 16 – Club 56 (see library corner)

January 16 – Book Club (see library corner)

January 18 – Chop Chop (see library corner)

January 24 – Air Fryer Class (see library corner)

January 25 - Newsletter Deadline

(boydennewsandevents@gmail.com)



**REMINDERS/NOTICES*

- **--Snow Removal** State and City Code prohibit property owners from moving snow from private property or sidewalks onto the street or alleys. Doing so creates hazardous driving conditions upon the roadway.
- **--Sidewalk Snow Removal-** City Code states that <u>it is the responsibility of the abutting property owners</u> to maintain a safe and hazard-free condition of any sidewalk outside the lot and property lines and inside the curb lines or traveled portion of the public street. This includes where the sidewalk flows into the street at intersections. <u>Maintaining safe paths to the churches and to the elementary school is important for everyone's safety.</u> Please scoop the snow off your sidewalks so they are safe for pedestrian travel, especially for the children and elderly within our community.
- **--Fire Hydrants-** If you have a fire hydrant on your corner or near your property, the Fire Department is asking for your help. If possible, please take the time to scoop the snow away from the hydrant in case of an emergency. Doing so will save the department valuable time during an emergency situation.
- **--Snowmobiles-** Please remember that snowmobiles are not allowed to drive on private property unless you have the permission from the property owner. Please remain on the public road right of way when riding in and out of the city limits. Snowmobiles are not allowed in the city parks, on playgrounds, sidewalks, or on any municipally owned property.
- --Extra Weekly Garbage Do you find yourself having extra garbage or recycling weekly? If so, don't forget you can purchase an "Extra Garbage Tag" from the City Office for \$1/tag. Each tag will be the equivalent of one 35-gallon garbage can OR two garbage bags. You are NOT limited to one tag per week. If you have a 60-gallon garbage can, but feel you'd like to exchange it for a 95-gallon can, please contact O.C. Sanitation at 737-2645 and make arrangements with them to make that switch. This extra charge will show up on your water bill.
- --Parking Restrictions- there is no overnight parking on Boyden City streets November 1 through April 1. Vehicles left overnight on city streets during this time will be ticketed.





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- HAPPY NEW YEAR -

The 2022 Boyden Charities Drive will be ending soon! Thank you to everyone who has supported this year's drive. The charities it supports are very grateful!

Thank you to the mayor and council members for their continued service to the Boyden Community!



Boyden Public Library Corner

Happy New Year! We look forward to serving our patrons in the year 2023! If you have never been to the library before we hope you make it your resolution to visit us soon. Maybe you are new to town and would like to meet more people. Make it a point to attend some of the programming that our library provides. Or maybe you hear about other people who are downloading books and you decide that this is the year you are going to learn how to do that. Whether it be books, magazines, DVD's we have something new every day!

Last month we had some difficult weather to deal with! The good news of this is that Sunday Ford will be coming to the library on Wednesday, January 11 at 2:15 for a program. (She was originally scheduled to come to the library in December.) The name of the program is "Name That Bear" and she will be talking about hibernation. All ages are welcome to attend.

Club 56 will meet January 16 at 3:45pm at the library. All girls in the 5th and 6th grades are welcome to attend!

Boyden Book Club will be meeting on Monday, January 16 at 7:00pm. We will be reading the book "*How the Penguins Saved Veronica*" by Hazel Prior. I have extra copies of this book at the library so let me know if you need a copy. Call the library with questions at 725-2281.

Chop Chop will be meeting on Monday, January 18 right after school. At this point this group is full. I look forward to seeing you all on the 18th as we learn to cook new things!

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, January 24th at 6:00pm. Chef Val Hulleman will be coming to the library and doing an Air Fryer Class. Val has a lot of cooking experience and she will be able to teach us all about air fryers. If you want to know more how to use our air fryers or if you should purchase one, come to the library! Please let us know if you are attending.

E-books Did you receive a new device to enjoy the gift of reading? Make sure to use the library's apps, Libby (Bridges) and Tumblebooks to access the library from anywhere at any time with your library card. Stop in the library if you need help.

In response to our communities' needs, Alton, Boyden Hawarden, Hospers, Hull, and Orange City have created a peer-to-peer lending consortium. The consortium authorizes users to directly search other libraries for materials and request these items as easily as if the material were at their home library. Library card holders from each of these libraries can use their home library card at each location. That means that **you only need one card to access six libraries!** These six libraries also serve as book drops for each other. Return all your loans to one library and the items are checked in and sent back to the home library for you!

With Flexshare, you can quickly reserve a material from the participating libraries, and either have the material sent to your home library or pick it up there. To do so:

- Log in to the library catalog and search for an item
- Select "Search other libraries" and designate which ones to search.
- To reserve an item and have it shipped to the Boyden Public Library, simply select "Reserve this item."
- Any question, please ask and I will be happy to help you!

Weather... It's that time of the year again when the weather can change suddenly and the roads get slick and snow covered. If the library needs to be closed due to the weather, we will post it on our Facebook page and on KIWA.





On December 5, 2022, the Boyden Community Club held their Annual Community Christmas Celebration. This year 11 trees were entered in the **Festival of Trees** event by area businesses and organizations.

Those participating were:

L & D Variety
Boyden Fire Department
St. John Lutheran Altar Guild
Boyden Belles Red Hat Society
Farmers Coop Society
Premier Communications
Demco
SIG International
Boyden Post Office
BREW
Kim Winter

THANK YOU to everyone that helped with making this a fun event!



2022 Tree Winners:

1st Place: St. John Lutheran Altar Guild

2nd Place: Kim Winter

3rd Place: Boyden Fire Department Santa's Choice: L & D Variety Store

Juana Munoz Torres was the winner of the Nativity Scene Centerpiece that was donated by Farmers Coop Society and made by Sara Friedrichsen and Personal Touch Designs.

Coloring Contest Winners

Age 0-5: Vanessa Miller Age 6-8: Rowan DeBruin Age 9-13: Kaylee Kamies Adult: Kelsi Van Leeuwen

Guessing Jar Winners: Adults: Riley Niemeyer **Kids:** Jahir Basarra

Chili Cook Off Participants

Rod Bergstrom Randy Brands Shari Fedders Kristin Hoftyzer Pastor Heath De Jong Wendy De Jong

Crowd Favorite: Shari Fedders