



A little about 5TH QUARTER BAR & GRILL

5th Quarter Bar & Grill opened in April of 2021 and hosted a Grand Opening event on May 15, 2021.

Most of our menu items are homemade, prepared by our talented kitchen team members.

Our most popular items are our Wings, Mozzarella Sticks, Philly Sandwiches and our Award-Winning Tenderloin (**placed in Iowa's Top 5 in 2022**). You'll also find our fun food challenge, "The Heater!" Contestants have 30 minutes to finish a sandwich compiled of 2 fries tenderloins, 2 hamburger patties, grilled onions, jalapeños, a mango habanero sauce, hot sauce, with pepper jack cheese, on Texas Toast and served with 1LB of fries. To date, only 2 contestants have successfully finished the challenge and our featured on our Wall of Fame.

In addition to tasty food and drinks, we host several events throughout the year. Most notably, our Sand Volleyball and Bags Leagues that take place from June-August/September. We also host fun craft events, Trivia Nights, Bingo, and an occasional Comedy Show or Karaoke Night.

When Van Meter residents, Krystle and Mike Mohr, started their journey to open 5th Quarter (5Q), they not only wanted to offer food, drink and entertainment options for our community but also wanted it to be a welcoming place where friends and family became "Mohr." Since opening in 2021, The Mohrs have worked with several community and committee members to help achieve that goal and contribute to a stronger sense of community. 5th Quarter has sponsored events and worked with Raccoon River Days, Athletic Booster Club, Fan Fest, VMEPC's Parent Prom, Youth Athletic Programs, High School After Prom, Blank Park Zoo, and several organizations and committees. There is a "Wall of Thanks" visible at 5th Quarter sharing all the different organizations and causes that have sent thank yous for their contributions.

The easiest way to find out about the happenings at 5th Quarter is to follow us on Facebook:

<https://m.facebook.com/5thQuarterVM/>

or stop in, grab a bite and visit with us to find out more.

MEETING SCHEDULE

October 14, 2024 - Regular Council Meeting 7pm

- No public hearings scheduled for October
- Regular business items to be discussed

October 28, 2024 - Workshop 6pm

- Comprehensive Plan Review

OCTOBER RECYCLING SCHEDULE



Elected Officials:

MAYOR

Joe Herman

MAYOR PRO TEM

Travis Brott

COUNCILMAN

Joel Akers

COUNCILMAN

Blake Grolmus

COUNCILMAN

Quin Pelz

COUNCILWOMAN

Penny Westfall

City Staff:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Liz Faust

CITY CLERK

Jess Drake

ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK

Larain Climer

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Drew McCombs

PUBLIC WORKS

Shane Luvaas

PUBLIC WORKS

Spencer Leonard

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Jonatha Basye

LIBRARY ASSISTANT

Joan Von Ruden Kruger

PARKS & REC DIRECTOR

Sam Chia

POLICE CHIEF

Mike Brown

FIRE CHIEF

Mark Schmitt

DALLAS COUNTY DISPATCH

515-993-4567

EMERGENCY

911

BUILDING & TRADE PERMIT REMINDERS

What is a building permit?

A building permit gives you legal permission to start construction of a building project in accordance with approved drawings and specifications.

When do you need a building permit?

Permits are required for the following:

- New buildings or homes
- Additions (bedrooms, bathrooms, family rooms, etc.)
- Residential work (decks, garages, fireplaces, pools, etc.)
- Renovations (garage conversions, kitchen expansions, etc.)
- Electrical systems or replacement
 - *This includes all work outside of an electrical panel & inside the panel.*
- Plumbing systems or replacement
 - *This includes new installation or replacement of existing plumbing equipment including water heaters & supply, drain, and vent lines. Fixtures such as toilets, faucets, and shower heads do not require a permit as long as the work being completed does not interfere with the existing valve; if a new valve is to be installed, a permit will need to be obtained and test shall be completed.*
- HVAC (heating, ventilating and air-conditioning) systems or replacement
 - *Mechanical permits are required for the new installation or replacement of existing mechanical equipment including central air conditioners, furnaces, air handlers, mini-split systems, and any other types of equipment.*
- Demolition of a building

Do you need a permit for accessory buildings (sheds, garages, etc)?

Yes. Building permits are reviewed to ensure that the proposed project is in compliance with the appropriate zoning code as it relates to size (including height), location on the property, setbacks, and more.

Do you need a permit for window replacement?

The replacement of a window does not require a permit UNLESS the headers are moved, altered or replaced.

Do you need a permit for a deck?

Construction of a deck will always require a permit, even if replacing an existing deck of the exact same size. Replacement of any singular components of a deck, including required guard rails or the stairs that serve the deck will also require a permit. These requirements apply to a deck of any size whether the deck is attached to the house or detached/freestanding.

Do you need a permit to demolish a building or accessory building?

Demolition of a building such as a house, shed or commercial building will require a permit. The applicant shall submit an application prior to demolition, listing all known hazardous materials known to be on site and a safety abatement plan for said materials. A demolition permit is not required for structures such as decks or additions that are part of a renovation that will replace all or part of the removed structure and the new structure has been allowed by a building permit.

Do you need a permit for a fence?

The City of Van Meter does not require a fence permit. However, if you are installing a fence on a corner lot, it is recommended that you call the Building Inspectors to ensure that the placement of fence does not impede traffic visibility. Depending on where the property is located, there may be covenants that dictate fence specifications.

Do you need a permit for a pool?

Installation of swimming pools (in-ground or above ground) capable of holding 24 inches of water or more require a permit.

Do you need a permit to add, replace or repair a driveway or driveway approach?

All work on driveway approaches and curb cuts in the public right-of-way must have an approved permit application before work is started.

Do you need a permit add, replace or repair a sidewalk?

Yes. A permit is required to remove, reconstruct or install a sidewalk.

How to submit a building or trade permit:

Visit www.vanmeteria.gov - City - City Documents - Building Information to obtain building and trade permits. Submit the permit & supporting documentation to permits@vanmeteria.gov. The permit becomes valid upon review & approval of the building instructor AND upon receipt of the applicable building permit fee by City Hall.

Additional questions can be directed to City Hall at 515-996-2644 opt 1.

Recycling & Garbage Tips



Metals

- Aluminum beverage cans
- Steel food and beverage cans
- Empty aerosol cans

Plastics

- #1-#7 Plastic containers & bottles with necks smaller than their bases

Glass

- Clear, brown and green glass
- Beverage containers
- No broken glass

Paper & Cardboard

- Empty food boxes
- Paper towel & toilet paper rolls
- Paperboard Packages
- Office Paper
- Newspapers, Magazines, etc.
- Envelopes & Junk Mail
- Paper bags
- Phone books & other soft cover books

Residential Recycling Items Not Allowed

- Broken Glass
- Chemical & Pesticide Containers
- Ceramics
- Yard Waste
- Electronics
- Window Glass
- Light Bulbs
- Mirrors
- Styrofoam



Residential Garbage Items Not Allowed

- Ammunition, Fireworks
- Hazardous Waste of any kind
- Ashes, hot or cold
- Yard Waste
- Barrels
- Infectious Waste
- Batteries
- Items containing Freon, Lead or Mercury
- Dehumidifiers
- Liquid waste of any kind
- Electronics
- Microwaves
- Florescent Lights
- Propane Tanks
- Tires



Public Works staff members, Shane & Spencer, will be attending an annual Snow Plow Operating Training (SPOT) in October.

SPOT is geared toward providing information on basic slow plow truck operation, de-icing practices & products and discussion on snow control best practices.

FENIX

Public Works has had very good success in replacing residential water meter with the new technology throughout town.

There are still meters in need of replacement. Be on the lookout for notices if you are impacted. Please contact Public Works as soon as possible to replace your meter.

(515) 996-2644 opt 4
dmccombs@vanmeteria.gov

> REGISTER NOW

Girls will again be consolidated with Racoon River with information and sign up available through their website at: <https://www.raccoonriverwrestling.org/>

Parents of girl wrestlers will be required to create an account and are encourage the actively manage their communication preferences within that account as this will be the primary way of communicating schedule changes and announcements.

Boys youth wrestling information and sign up can be done through the Van Meter wrestling website at: <https://www.vanmeterwrestling.com/>

Parents of boy wrestlers will be required to create an account and are encourage the actively manage their communication preferences within that account as this will be the primary way of communicating schedule changes and announcements.



OCTOBER 2024

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| Halloween Scavenger Hunt Month of October | | 1 | 2 | 3 STORIES SONGS & SNACKS 12:30PM | 4 TERRIFIC TREES 2PM | 5 |
| 6 | 7 GETTIN' CRAFTY @ THE LIBRARY CANDY CORN | 8 STORIES SONGS & SNACKS 10AM | 9 | 10 | 11 TURING TUMBLE 2PM | 12 PUMPKIN DECORATING 10:30AM |
| 13 | 14 CLOSED | 15 GETTIN' CRAFTY @ THE LIBRARY PUMPKIN PUPPETS | 16 | 17 STORIES SONGS & SNACKS 12:30PM UNIVERSITY KIDS OUTREACH 9:30AM | 18 TAILS & TALES 2PM | 19 |
| 20 | 21 GETTIN' CRAFTY @ THE LIBRARY MAKE A MONSTER POKEMON CARD SWAP 4PM | 22 STORIES SONGS & SNACKS 10AM BOOKS & BANTER 7PM | 23 | 24 BOOKS & BANTER 7PM | 25 KIDS CARE OUTREACH 8:30AM INSPIRED KIDS OUTREACH 9:15AM | 26 THE BEAN COFFEE TRAILER 9-11AM |
| 27 | 28 GETTIN' CRAFTY @ THE LIBRARY HALLOWEEN BOOKMARKS | 29 | 30 | 31 STORIES SONGS & SNACKS 12:30PM | Stuffy Sleepover Oct. 25th-26th | |



Library Hours
 Monday 10:00am - 5:00pm
 Tuesday Noon - 7:00pm
 Wednesday 10:00am - 5:00pm
 Thursday Noon - 7:00pm
 Friday 10:00am - 5:00pm
 Saturday 10:00am - 3:00pm

VMPL Amazon Wish List



Gettin' Crafty at the Library--every week, the library will debut a new craft for everyone to enjoy! Materials will be available all week and registration will not be required.

Stories, Songs & Snacks--story time for ages 0-7. We will have two sessions, Tuesdays at 10:00am and Thursdays at 10:30am.

Books & Banter--Library Grown-Ups, this book club is for you! Join us for food, drinks, and book discussion! We will meet at The Law Shop in Van Meter on October 22nd and 24th at 7PM. Registration is required and limited to 20 participants.

Turing Tumble--Join Ms. J to learn about the Turing Tumble, a new type of game where players build mechanical computers powered by marbles to solve logic puzzles. Registration is required for this event and is limited to 12 participants. Suitable for studnets in grades 2 through 8!

Tails & Tales--Every third Friday of the month, the ARL will have a volunteer come to the library with a Therape! Register for a time slot to read to a furry friend! Slots will be limited to 10 minutes. Parents must accompany children during this program.

Terrific Trees--We are partnering with the Dallas County ISU Extension Office to bring you STEAM programming! The program is limited to 12 participants, so please register early to secure your spot! This program is suitable for grades K-5.

Pumpkin Decorating--It's almost Halloween, and that means pumpkin decorating! Sign up to decorate your own pumpkin on Saturday, October 12th, from 10:30-11:30AM! 16 slots are available! Registration is required!

Halloween Scavenger Hunt--complete the new scavenger hunt for the month of October! A small prize will be given for completed scavenger hunt cards!

Stuffy Sleepover--Drop off your favorite stuffy any time on October 25th for a Stuffy Sleepover! Keep an eye on the library Facebook page to see what the stuffies get up to overnight in the library. Stuffies can be collected Saturday the 26th during regular library hours.

Pokemon Card Swap--Stop by the library to swap Pokemon cards with your friends! Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during this event. No registration required!

The Bean Coffee Trailer--The Bean will have their coffee trailer parked in front of the library on October 26th from 9-11AM! Grab a warm drink before getting on with your Saturday! Open to the public!



October 2024

Van Meter
tradition with a vision



HALLOWEEN IN VAN METER

VMUMC TRUNK OR TREAT

The Van Meter United Methodist Church (100 Hazel St.) is hosting our annual Trunk or Treat event on Sunday, October 27rd, from 6-7:30pm. **This is NOT the same evening as Beggar's Night**, giving kids another chance to dress up and makes some new friends.

Wear your favorite costume. We'll have donuts, apple cider, popcorn, games, music, crafts, bounce houses(!), and trick-or-treating from trunks. It's fun, it's free, and it's family-friendly. All are welcome.



CITY OF VAN METER TRICK OR TREAT
WHEN: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2024
FROM 6:00PM - 8:00PM



JOIN PARKS & REC FOR HALLOWEEN

WHEN: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023 FROM 6:00PM - 8:00PM

WHERE: MEMORIAL PARK (INTERSECTION OF GRANT & WEST STREETS)

THERE WILL MORE THAN JUST CANDY THIS YEAR!!



VAN METER PUBLIC LIBRARY STORY TIME & SNACKS

WHEN: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023 @ 12:30PM

WHERE: VAN METER PUBLIC LIBRARY, 505 GRANT STREET

BE SURE TO WEAR YOUR COSTUMES!!



BINGO

NACHOS

SERVING STARTS AT 5:30

FREE WILL DONATION

403 LOUNGE WILL BE OPEN

JACKPOT - \$\$TBD\$\$

BINGO STARTS @ 7:00PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

COMMUNITY MEAL

Thursday, October 17, 2024

Serving Begins at 5:30pm

Cavatelli, Garlic Bread and Salad

Free Will Donations

Take Out Available



AGREEMENT FOR PREAUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

To sign up for AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL, please complete the form below and attach a copy of a **VOIDED CHECK** from your financial institution. Please mail or bring the completed form to City Hall, 310 Mill Street, PO BOX 160, Van Meter, IA 50261.

- I (we) hereby authorize the CITY OF VAN METER to initiate debit entries to my (our) checking account indicated below and the depository name below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, to debit the same to such account.

DEPOSITORY NAME _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP CODE** _____

TRANSIT ABA # _____ **ACCOUNT #** _____

Transit ABA (Routing) Number is the first set of nine (9) numbers from the left bottom of your check.

This authority is to remain in full force and effect until the City of Van Meter and Depository have received written notification from me (us) of its termination in such time and in such a manner as to afford the City of Van Meter and Depository a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

- I (we) hereby authorize the CITY OF VAN METER to provide billing statements electronically via email.

PREFERRED EMAIL _____

SERVICE ADDRESS _____

NAME(S) (PRINT) _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

You will receive your water bill on or near the first of the month. If you choose AutoPay, the amount due will be deducted from the above assigned account on the 15th of each month.