

# CITY OF WAMEGO NEWSLETTER

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## IT'S BEEN A TOTO-LLY AWESOME SUMMER!



We have had such an amazing summer! The aquatic center has been bustling, even with the weather challenging us we pulled off a successful Boomtown event, and we are eagerly looking forward to what this upcoming fall season brings. What is there to do in Wamego while we're swinging in between the end of summer and the beginning of school, football, and the highly anticipated Oztoberfest? Have you taken a stroll around Wamego to find the Totos? Go to [visitwamego.com](http://visitwamego.com) or stop by the Chamber of Commerce office to get an updated map of the community's 18 Totos and go and find them all!

## POTTAWATOMIE COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL

The county is collecting names of honorably discharged veterans that reside or have resided in Pottawatomie County and served in any branch of the U.S. Military after December 31, 1946 to add to the monument.

Contact Chad Kinsley at 785-457-3455 or email at [pio@pottcounty.org](mailto:pio@pottcounty.org) to request a form to add a service member's name to the monument. We will need to review the member's DD 214.

You may purchase a 4-inch brass medallion for \$25 or a 2-inch double sided challenge coin for \$20 to help pay for the upkeep of the memorial. They are available from the Pottawatomie County Treasurer's Office.

## 2023 FALL PROGRAMS

### YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

- 1st - 4th Grade
- 6 Week Season
- Sunday Afternoons
- Starting September 10th



REGISTRATION  
OPENS: June 26th  
CLOSES: August 1st

### ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

- 6 Week Season
- Sunday Evenings
- Starting Oct. 29th



REGISTRATION  
OPENS: June 26th  
CLOSES: October 11th

### YOUTH VOLLEYBALL

- 3-6th Grade
- Saturday Tournaments
- Starting September 9th



REGISTRATION  
OPENS: June 26th  
CLOSES: Aug 1st

### ADULT CO-ED SOFTBALL

- 6 Week Season
- Sunday Evenings
- Starting Sept. 10th



REGISTRATION  
OPENS: June 26th  
CLOSES: August 23rd

### YOUTH SOCCER

- Pre-K - 5th Grade
- 6 Week Season
- Saturday Mornings
- Starting September 9th



REGISTRATION  
OPENS: June 26th  
CLOSES: August 1st

### MEN'S SOFTBALL

- 6 Week Season
- Monday Evenings
- Starting Sept. 11th

REGISTRATION  
OPENS: June 26th  
CLOSES: August 23rd



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Register Online at [Wamego.org](http://Wamego.org)

## BRUSH/GRASS AND LEAF DUMP SITE

In anticipation of the falling leaves this fall remember the rules for the dump site. The site is for leaves (no plastic bags), lawn clippings, limbs, and wood chips. What's not allowed? No plastic bags, construction materials, or trash.

[WWW.WAMEGO.ORG](http://WWW.WAMEGO.ORG)



## LATE SUMMER AT THE AQUATIC CENTER

AS THE SUMMER COMES TO A CLOSE THERE ARE A FEW IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE AQUATIC CENTER:

**AUG 11TH-SEPT 3RD**

WEEKEND HOURS ONLY

**SEPTEMBER 4TH**

CLOSED FOR THE WINTER



**HOWEVER, THE INDOOR POOL IS OPEN ALL YEAR AND HAS MONTHLY MEMBERSHIPS FOR JUST \$30/MONTH. THESE MEMBERSHIPS INCLUDE WATER AEROBICS!**

## THE CITY OF WAMEGO HAS SEVERAL OPEN POSITIONS, INCLUDING:

- FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICERS
- PART-TIME POLICE OFFICERS
- STREET DEPARTMENT
- RECREATION OFFICIALS
- RECREATION SUPERVISORS

**QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? CONCERNS? SUGGESTIONS? GET INVOLVED!**



There are always positions open on boards and the best way to fix a problem is to become part of the solution. We would love for the community of Wamego to take an active role in the process of planning and executing things that will only make our city better! Contact us today to see where you could join in on the conversation!

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**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR UPDATES AND NEWS!**

## GET TO KNOW "FOG" – THE ENEMY OF YOUR SEWER!



With fall approaching, and the weather getting cooler, it is important to be knowledgeable about FOG. FOG stands for Fats, Oils, and Grease. To be more specific, FOG can be butter, cooking oil, grease, lard, margarine, meat scraps, or shortening. When dumped down the drain FOG coats your sewer lateral pipe and the City's sewer main. Eventually, the buildup can seriously reduce the capacity of the sewers and may even cause a backup into homes and businesses. What to do? First, understand that the place for FOG is in the trash, not down the drain or garbage disposal. Keep a can for grease, allowing it to cool before throwing it in the trash. Wipe out pans with a paper towel before washing. Oil should be mixed with an absorbent material such as kitty litter or coffee grounds in a sealable container (no larger than ½ gallon) before throwing it in the trash. Also, you can keep drains clean by pouring ½ cup of baking soda down the drain followed by ½ cup of white vinegar. Wait 10 to 15 minutes and then rinse with hot water. Although the following guidelines are important all year, cooling weather causes everything to build up even quicker than during the hotter months. So, get into good practice now and help fight the FOG.



# WE'RE HIRING!

## STREET PROJECT

This street project is kicking off in the month of August, starting with Vine and Chestnut. Overall the project will include Walnut, Spruce, Chestnut, and Vine Street from 4th to 8th Street and all the side streets in between!

This project will include replacing all streets, curbs, storm drains, sidewalks, waterlines, and sewer lines.

For updates and meeting schedules, please follow our Facebook page or check out our newly updated website at [wamego.org](http://wamego.org). There is a button on the homepage where you can find the most current updates.

