

*****Tentative Events*****

May 31st – June 2nd, 2019

This year's theme is: **“Small Town Big Dreams”**

Grand Marshal – Rosemary Herman

Friday

Little Mr. & Miss Van Meter Contest Sponsored by University Kids- 6 pm
(FREE registration 5:30-6 pm)

Location: Veterans Reception Center – Ages 4-6

Smoked Pork Loin Meal – 5 – 7:30 pm Veterans Reception Center prepared by Warren Brott- Sponsored by Iowa Pork Producers.

Bingo – 7:30 pm Veterans Reception Center -\$700 Blackout

Tethered Hot Air Balloon Rides – 7 pm weather permitting Football Practice Field - \$10 per person reservations for best chance riding. For reservations please go to the city website – vanmeteria.gov or call Becca 515-210-2848.

Mongo Tom and DJ Heavy C – following Bingo Karaoke at Veterans Reception Center-403 Lounge

Saturday

BBQ Contest – 6 am 505 Grant Fire Station. Meat will be provided and then used for evening dinner. Sponsored by EBANK and BBQ Contestants

Raccoon River Days 5K Run– registration 7 am @ American Legion Post 403 Shelter

Race starts at 8 am – proceeds go to Raccoon River Days Events.

Farmers Market – 8:30 am – 11 am by Fire Station/ Library Area

Library – open 9 am-1 pm Summer Reading Kickoff – A Universe of Stories!

Ribbon Cutting/Open House – 9 am -10 am Poppy Photography by Chelsy

Float Contest – Judging @ 9:45am (Cash prizes – 1st - \$75, 2nd - \$25)

Parade – 10 am (registration 9-9:45am) Parade begins at High School

Commentary on parade will be broadcast downtown across from Post Office.

MONEY DROP – Immediately following the parade downtown. Ages 2-10
(Sponsored by the Fire Fighters Association)

Ribbon Cutting/Open House – 11 am -12 pm Van Meter Veterinary Clinic

Exhibits –DOWNTOWN by Fire Station Area

- **Community Visioning Design Workshop**
- **LifeFlight Helicopter landing at 11 am pending weather.**

Lunch– 10:45 am – 12:30 pm available at Fire Station

Ice Cream Social – 12:30 pm Van Meter Performing Arts Courtyard – free will donation

Bill Riley Talent Search – 1 pm Van Meter Performing Arts Center – contact Tom Walton 515-283-8003 or 515-729-1982, twalton@nyemaster.com

Bags Tournament – 1 pm –505 Grant Fire Station - \$20 per team email Jay Olson jolson@vanmeteria.gov Cash prizes!

Beer Garden -1 pm-10 pm –near Fire Station

Ribbon Cutting/Open House – 1 pm- 3 pm for both Salon Tec VM by Ro & Align Chiropractic

All School Reunion – 5 pm Informal gathering – 505 Grant St near Fire Station

PIE Baking Contest – 6 pm (registration 5-5:45pm) 505 Grant St

Dinner served by EBANK– 5-7 pm free will donation

Games, Activities – at Fire Station/Library area starting at 6 pm-9 pm Wristbands \$5 gets you inflatables and games.

Inflatables -Animal Kingdom, Bounce House, Cars Slide and Obstacle Course. Rides – Gyroscope, Tubs of Fun and Pirate’s Revenge. Laser Tag, Rock Climbing Wall, Zoo Crew – Animal Riders check them out on Facebook, Face Painting & other games. face painting cash not included with wristband.

Photo Booth – 5:30-9:30pm

The Sons of Gladys Kravitz Band- Live Music – 7-10pm

Pie Auction – 7:30 pm

Fireworks @ Night

Sunday

Legion Breakfast – 7:30 am – 11 am omelets, pancakes, biscuits & gravy. Free will donation!

Donuts, Coffee and Juice – 9:45 am Memorial Garden Shelter American Legion Post 403 – free will donation!

Fishing Derby 8 -10 am– 15 and under 8-10 Bus Rides from Van Meter Schools from location – Coppinger

Homestead 33280 V Court Waukee, IA 50263. Under 10 accompanied by adult.

All Community Church Service – 10:30 am American Legion Post 403 **Memorial Garden Shelter** limited seating please bring lawn chairs! 910 Main Street Van Meter, IA

Please visit the city website for entry forms and more information www.vanmeteria.gov

Questions contact – RaccoonRiverDays@gmail.com



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All evening events will be held **Downtown
Van Meter 505 Grant St.**
Bring a lawn chair.

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BILL & SUSAN KNAPP
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