

WINTER 2025

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E-Newsletter

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# Summit View and Grand View Guardian

SALES: (319) 377-4863

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## Water Line Freeze-Ups

### *Call Your Community First!*

Summit View 319-573-4647 Grand View 319-573-4459

Iowa's bitter cold temperatures can be hard on water lines. Remember these helpful tips:

**Do:**

- ◆ Make sure your heat tape is plugged in and working. Always hire a capable plumber or home repair company. It's your best defense against having broken water lines.
- ◆ Notify your on-call Manager right away if you have no water. If it's a freezing issue, we can protect the meter and underground pipes and save you money.
- ◆ If your community office notifies you of a spike in water usage—don't ignore it! Look around and under the home. If you can't explain the water loss, let your office know right away. We can have the Manager check the water lines and secure the meter. You will still need to hire a capable plumber or home repair company to find the leak and repair it.

**Don't:**

- ◆ Ignore a possible freeze-up, it can lead expensive broken lines and/or costly meter replacements.



Low Income Rent Reimbursement & Tax Reduction forms should be available in the community offices by Feb 1, 2025.

More info:  
<https://www.iowa.gov/how-do-i-apply-rent-reimbursement>

# Mental Health Access Center



Adults 18 years of age or older who are experiencing a mental health or substance use crisis can receive services from the Linn County Mental Health Access Center 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, without an appointment.

Patients do not have to be residents of Linn County to receive services at the Access Center. The Access Center is located at **501 13<sup>th</sup> St. NW in Cedar Rapids.**

## Services Available

- Crisis triage and screening (Foundation 2)
- Crisis counseling (Foundation 2)
- Crisis stabilization (Abbe Health)
- Mental health evaluations (Abbe Health)
- Mental health prescription assistance (Abbe Health)

- Peer support (Abbe Health)
- Substance use evaluations and support (Unity Point Chemical Dependency)
- Sobering unit (Area Ambulance Service)

The Mental Health Access Center cannot serve individuals in need of immediate medical care or minors 17 years old or younger.

**Phone: (319) 892-5612**

# New Residents

## Summit View Welcomes

**On Mitchell:** Desire Shabani, Diane Clark

**On Curtis:** Dawna Reece

**On Morgan:** Guerlande Altidor & Joel Souffrant, Cassie Locke

**On Elizabeth:** Alex Altidor

**On Austin:** Pedro Hernandez Vasquez

**On Michael:** Adrien Pierre

**On Barbara:** Carrie Enos

**On Norma:** Amy Buhr, Wendy Hooker, Michelle Merfeld

**On Ann:** Jimmy Mulinda, Juan Espinoza Bonilla, Guillaume Maculus, David Ntakiyiruta

## Grand View Welcomes

**On Arlington:** Jeremie Matedi

**On Canyon:** Krestin Roney

**On Carlsbad:** Lynn Roggen-

tien, Trudi Starbeck-Miller

**On Catskill:** Samuel Vasquez Cervantes

**Decatur:** Enock Jeanitor, Arnold Aluba

**On Hoosier:** Anabel Tujal

**On Lafayette:** Diane Oakley, Eugenie Mupando

**On Roemig:** Michael Kimball

**On Scottsdale:** Anzuruni Mumen, Junette Chevelon

## We Will Miss You

The Hames family and staff extend sympathy to the families and friends of our residents who have passed.

Summit View said goodbye to Jeffrey Fagle, Kyleigh Holmes, and Warren Holst.

In Grand View, we mourn the loss of Carol Vandee, James Tierney, Robert Kruse, Donna Dalecky, and Michael Cole.



## Special Community Services

### In Cedar Rapids

Aging Services 319-398-3644 Monday–Friday, 8am-5pm or [www.agingservicesia.org](http://www.agingservicesia.org). For home and property maintenance services. Must be 60 or older.

Waypoint Services 319-365-1458 and [www.waypointservices.org](http://www.waypointservices.org) for domestic violence victim and child care.

Salvation Army 319-364-9131 Mission is to feed, comfort, care, rebuild broken homes, and lives.

Willis Dady Emergency Shelter 319-362-7555 Helps struggling people with shelter and finding permanent housing.

Last Hope Animal Shelter 319-200-4880 Animal rescue for homeless, neglected, abandoned and hard to place animals

United Way connecting people in need to available services

**Dial 211**

**Do not dispose of** these items in the regular dumpsters:

- All appliances including anything with electrical motors, humidifiers small appliances.
- Waste motor oil, paint (empty dry paint cans are ok).
- Dead animals.
- Batteries do not go in garbage and the landfill will take them without an additional charge. You need to take them there and tape over terminals so there is less fire hazard.
- Tires
- Corrugated cardboard boxes must be broken down and placed in recycle containers.

**Call the office for information on services that pick up and dispose of appliances, oil, and paint.**

**Grand View (319) 390-5242**

**Summit View (319) 396-1164**

## ICE & SNOW: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

### It's Winter.

Love it or hate it, it's reality in Iowa. To more easily cope with ice and snow, check out this Q&A

**Q:** If it snows overnight, will my street be plowed by morning?

**A:** Hames plow drivers are called in during the night based on snowfall. We will plow if we feel that we can make improvements to the streets condition.

**Q:** Hames plow drivers cleared the snow but didn't put down sand or salt, why?

**A:** Salt and sand are spread as needed. If the snowfall is so heavy that the area would be re-plowed soon, the salt and sand would be quickly plowed and wasted.

**Q:** Must I plow my own driveway?

**A:** Yes, each resident is responsible for making sure their driveway is cleared. Please plow around your mailbox also.

**Q:** Why does the plow leave snow at the bottom of my driveway?

**A:** It's unavoidable. As the plow moves down the street, it pushes snow to the right where your driveway happens to be. If we removed snow from the bottom of each drive, there wouldn't be time to plow all of the streets.

**Q:** How are sand and salt different?

**A:** Sand doesn't dissolve ice: it's used when traction is needed. Hames maintenance staff use salt and de-icing material as needed, without oversalting which is bad for stormwater runoff.

**Q:** Where can my guests park vehicles?

**A:** NO vehicles are allowed in the streets during plowing. Make arrangements for your visitors' vehicles to be off the street. Call your community office if you need assistance.

**Q:** What about fire hydrants outside my home?

**A:** Clear the area of snow for emergency use. If you will be gone in the winter, please let the office know.

**Remember:** Hames maintenance crews work 24 hours a day until snow is cleared so for your safety. Community streets are usually cleared sooner than city streets!

So, next time you see Brett, Jonny, Tony, Daniel, Sean or Andrew, tell them

**“thank you”.**

## Community Volunteers Say “Thanks for Serving our Country”



This year, volunteers made 600 Christmas cards for Veterans in Hames Communities as well as the Marshalltown Veteran's Home. The staff and veterans at the Marshalltown Veteran's Home are always grateful for us remembering them.

Thank you to our awesome Grand View and Summit View volunteers!

Group photo L to R: b\Back row Donna Hubbard, Lu Serbousek. Front row Julie Wachal, Katherine Strand, Stephanie French, Eva Myers,

Sandra Madison, Becky Chris-singer. *Not pictured:* Bridgett Hunt, Theresa Geyer, Melanie Franks and Carol Vandee.

If you would like to be notified of our next fall card-making get together, contact Theresa at the Grand View office 319-390-5242. All you need to do is glue pieces together (we pick and prep the card pieces).

***If you're a Veteran and didn't receive a card, please notify your community office so we may include you going forward.***



## Pet Vaccinations

### PLEASE READ!

There are 434 dogs and 288 cats registered in Grand View and Summit View. Per City code, they must ALL show proof of rabies shots to live in Hames communities. With so many fur-babies, that's a LOT of vaccinations for our Office Administrators to track down. (continued below)

Unvaccinated pets are a risk to everyone. PLEASE, get your pets vaccinated regularly and REMEMBER to give the office a copy of the veterinarian's immunization record. Even "indoor" cats must have rabies shots.

If your veterinarian says that your pet may NOT get rabies shots for medical reasons, we need a WRITTEN STATEMENT from the doctor annually.

Thank you!



# JAMES

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(319) 377-4863    sales@hameshomes.com



**Curtis Hames**



**Clint Aldeman**



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**Congratulations to the 10 Christmas Lighting Winners!**

**Christmas Lighting Contest**

306 Mitchell Street

214 Mitchell Street

103 Norma

203 Cynthia

206 Troy Street

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**Christmas Lighting Contest**

6405 Decatur St.

2414 Kelly St.

2324 Catskill St.

5515 Wabash St.

5915 Decatur St.

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# It Was a Howling Good Time!

## Hames Halloween Party 2024

The costumes were creative as always, and the kids were a joy to watch. Our judges again said it was tough to pick just 3 winners in each age group.

After a dinner of Brats, Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, Chips and Cookies, attendees enjoyed a spooky hayrack ride to the Haunted House in Grand View.

Thanks again to **Kelly Simmons** and his wonderful volunteers who transformed a home into an unforgettable Haunted House!

**Do you dare walk into the HAUNTED HOUSE?  
It looks fun from the outside, but it's scary inside.**



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Want up to the minute news about community events, pictures, and tips for home maintenance?

Scan the code to like us on Facebook!



# HALLOWEEN 2024



## MORE WAYS TO REACH US

New office Email address:

[HamesCommunities@HamesHomes.com](mailto:HamesCommunities@HamesHomes.com)

New office TEXT number:

**(319) 316-6190**

Please use these email and text numbers which allow Office Administrators to prioritize your communication ahead of other business messages.



# Community Activities



## Breakfast Club

Seniors and adults are welcome for good food and friendship Fridays at 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the Grand View Community Room.



## Senior Bingo

Third Tuesday of the month, 2:00 pm Grand View Community Room, followed by dinner at restaurant chosen by attendees.



## FOOD PANTRY

TUES & WED 10AM-2PM

Can't make it to Summit View during food pantry hours? Call/text (319) 361-1977 to reserve a food box for pick up the same day before 5:30pm at Summit View office.

**Winter Warm-Up**

**Tailgate Bingo Party**

**February 1, 2025**

**Show your team spirit!**

**Wear your team colors!**



**Are you thinking 3-Peat?**

Arrive at 5:00 pm, dinner at 5:30 pm in the Grand View Community Room.

Followed by Adult **BINGO** with cash prizes and Kids **BINGO** with gift certificates.

**\*This Ticket reserves your seat at the Tailgate Bingo Party\***

Return to Community office on or before **January 27, 2025** so we may accurately order our concessions and have enough seats for all fans. Thank you.

Family name \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_ Children \_\_\_ attending.

Call: SV (319) 396-1164      GV (319) 390-5242

Email: HamesCommunities@HamesHomes.com      Text: (319) 316-6190  
or use your office drop box.



5410 Wabash Street SW  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

Join the Fun!  
**Winter Warm-up**  
Tailgate Party  
Saturday, Feb. 1, 2025  
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**Grand View Community**

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**Grand View Staff**

**Community Manager:** Daniel Hitchman  
**Office Administrator:** Bridgett Hunt  
**Sr. Office Administrator:** Theresa Geyer  
**Assistant Manager:** Sean Bryant  
**Maintenance:** Andrew Miller  
**Community Coordinator:** Kelly Hitchman

**Summit View Community**

100 Hames Street SW  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404  
Office: 319-396-1164  
Email: hamescommunities@hameshomes.com

**Summit View Staff**

**Community Manager:** Brett Petersen  
**Office Administrator:** Becky Erlacher  
**Sr. Office Administrator:** Theresa Geyer  
**Assistant Manager:** Jonny Bishop  
**Community Coordinator:** Kelly Hitchman

**Phone Numbers**

Grand View Office      319-390-5242  
**Emergency**              **319-573-4459**  
Summit View Office    319-396-1164  
**Emergency**              **319-573-4647**

Office Hours for Grand View and Summit View:  
*Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.*

We will be open 9:00 am to noon on the Saturdays  
closest to the first of the month. Both offices will be  
open:  
February 1  
March 1  
April 5  
May 3 and 31

**Manager On-Call Numbers**

*FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY, PLEASE!*  
An emergency is anything that cannot wait until the  
next business day.

Messages left on office voice mail will be  
received at 9:00 am the next business day.