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Pickleball Courts Open

The Village of Coal Valley's brand-new pickleball courts opened on Friday, July 17th. The new courts are located at Coal Valley Municipal Park, 1000 1st Street and are open sunrise to sunset.

To access the courts, enter through the east gate, by the playground equipment. The other gate will remain closed until a sidewalk project is completed.



Niabi Zoo Holds Evening Hours On August 20th

Spend an evening at Niabi Zoo, connecting with the natural world. Niabi Zoo will be open till 8:00 p.m. on August 20th. This is part of the zoo's extended summer hour program and this will be the last late hour for the season. Admission Hours: 10 am-8 pm, last entry at 7 p.m.



Niabi Zoo is located at 13010 Niabi Zoo Road, Coal Valley. For all events at the zoo, go to <https://www.niabizoo.com/event-calendar>

Village Board Meetings Scheduled

The Village Board meetings are open to the public and are held the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Meetings are held at the Coal Valley Village Hall, 900 1st Street.

Agendas can be found at <https://www.coal-valleyil.org/about/elected-appointed-officials/board-meeting-minutes-agendas/>.



COAL VALLEY FARMER'S MARKET

Sundays 9am -1pm
Coal Valley Municipal Park
1000 1st St Coal Valley

- Fruits & Veggies
- Artisan Foods
- Handmade Crafts
- Natural Products
- Beverages
- Food Truck
- Playground
- Pickleball Courts

The Village News

is a resident driven, community publication published monthly. Residents are encouraged to contribute.

Please submit articles for publication to

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VILLAGE OF COAL VALLEY YEARLY EVENT CALENDAR

MORE INFORMATION TO COME

SEPTEMBER

MOVIE IN
THE PARK



OCTOBER

TRUNK OR TREAT



NOVEMBER

FOOD AND
COAT DRIVE



DECEMBER

SANTA IN THE VALLEY/
UGLY SWEATER PARTY



QC Paws Hosts Plant Bingo

QC Paws will be hosting “Plant Bingo” on Sunday, August 9th from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at The Stern Center, 1713 3rd Avenue, Downtown Rock Island.

The event will feature an afternoon of fun, prizes, and plenty of plants. Whether you’re a seasoned plant lover or just starting your collection, Plant Bingo is a great way to spend the day with fellow plant enthusiasts while

having a chance to win beautiful plants and plant-related prizes. In addition, there will be raffle baskets.

QC Paws exists to support the needs of the animals of the Rock Island County Animal Care and Control Shelter. The shelter is located at 4001 78th Avenue, Moline, QC Paws web site is www.qcpaws.org.

Plant BINGO

8 rounds of bingo with
4 winners each round

PLANTS ARE THE PRIZES

\$30 per person

AUGUST 9 | 1:00 – 4:00

**THE STERN CENTER
1713 3RD AVE
ROCK ISLAND, IL**

**RAFFLE BASKETS &
VENDORS WILL BE THERE**



INCLUDES-
3 REGULAR BINGO CARDS
1 MEGA ROUND CARD AND
2 RAFFLE TICKETS
→ **EXTRA CARDS AVAILABLE**
FOR PURCHASE
→ **OUTSIDE FOOD ALLOWED**
→ **CASH BAR**



Fareway Shares Store Interior Progress Online

Fareway Stores Coal Valley continues to post their progress on their social media page at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61591155335146> on Facebook.

Fareway is asking to please give a “like”, share with a friend, and help get this page out in the community that they are so excited to join!

Fareway will update our progress with construction, post about our job opportunities, share opening date once finalized, and provide some fun giveaways and prizes!

Please check out the new page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61591155335146>



Front end, featuring personalized to your car carry out service.



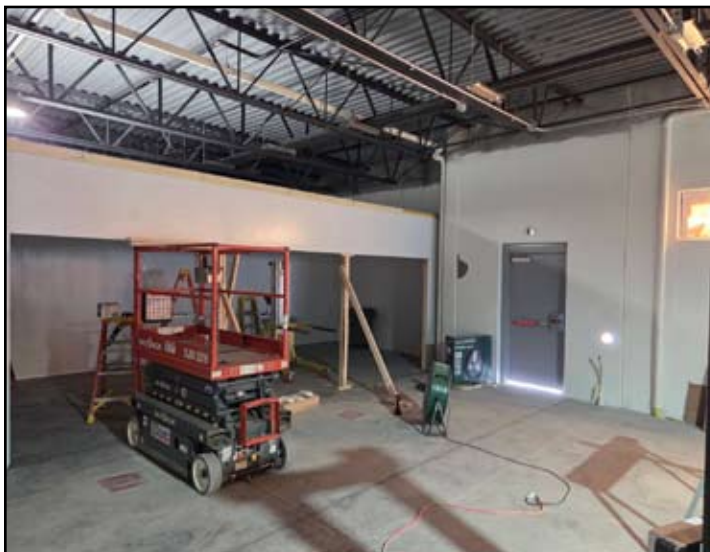
Fareway back dock for unloading all of the products you will be looking for.



Photo taken June 11, 2026 by Drue Mielke.



Aisle 1 soon to be filled with all of the canned goods.



Future home of the dairy cooler with milk and juice.

FAREWAY®
MEAT & GROCERY



calendar of events

August

- 4 Tue. **Storm Warning Siren Test** at 10 a.m.
- 4 Tue. **Coal Valley Township Meeting**, 7 p.m. at the Coal Valley Township Hall, 104 W. 1st Avenue, Coal Valley
- 10 Mon. **Moline-Coal Valley School District #40 Committee of the Whole & Board of Education Meeting** 6:00-8:00pm, at the Moline Education Center 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline.
- 10 Mon. **Colona Township Meeting**, meets 7 p.m. at 801 1st Street, Colona. <https://www.colonail.com/township> For more information, call the Colona Township office at 309-792-8770 or 309-792-8774.
- 11 Tue. **Rock Island County Forest Preserve Executive Committee Meeting**, 9:30 am at the Rock Island County Building, 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 12 Wed. **Rock Island County Board Committee of the Whole Meeting**, 5:30 pm, County Board Chambers on the 3rd floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 12 Wed. **Village Board Meeting**, 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Center Hall.
- 13 Thur. **Henry County Board Meeting**, 6:00pm, Henry County Courthouse, Room 102J, 307 West Center St., Cambridge.
- 14 Fri. **Coal Valley Fire Protection District Board Meeting**, 10:00 am at the fire station located at 103 W. 18th Avenue, Coal Valley.
- 18 Tue. **Valley Readers Book Club**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Coal Valley Municipal Center meeting room, 900 1st St. Contact the library at 799-3047 for more information or register online at <https://www.robertjoneslibrary.org/events>.
- 18 Tue. **Rock Island County Board Meeting**, 5:30 pm, County Board Chambers on the 3rd floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 19 Wed. **Orion Community Unit School District #223 Board Meeting** at the District Office, 1002 11th Ave., Orion, at 7:00 pm. (regular session meetings are also live-streamed on the school district's website. www.orionschools.us)
- 24 Mon. **Moline-Coal Valley School District #40 Board of Education Meeting** 6:00-8:00pm, at the Moline Education Center 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline.
- 26 Wed. **Village of Coal Valley Zoning Commission Meeting**, (HELD IF NEEDED, check www.coalvalleyil.org) 6 p.m. at the Municipal Center Hall, 900 1st St. Coal Valley.
- 27 Mon. **Moline-Coal Valley School District #40 Board of Education Meeting** 6:00-8:00pm, at the Moline Education Center 1900 52nd Avenue, Moline. <https://www.molineschools.org/our-district/board-of-education/board-meeting-dates>

September

- 1 Tue. **Storm Warning Siren Test** at 10 a.m.
- 1 Tue. **Coal Valley Township Meeting**, 7 p.m. at the Coal Valley Township Hall, 104 W. 1st Avenue, Coal Valley
- 7 Mon. **Labor Day**
- 9 Wed. **Rock Island County Forest Preserve Executive Committee Meeting**, 9:30 am at the Rock Island County Building, 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 9 Wed. **Village Board Meeting**, 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Center Hall.
- 10 Thur. **Rock Island County Board Committee of the Whole Meeting**, 5:30 pm, County Board Chambers on the 3rd floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 11 Fri. **Patriot Day**
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- 15 Tue. **Rock Island County Board Meeting**, 5:30 pm, County Board Chambers on the 3rd floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
- 15 Tue. **Rock Island County Forest Preserve Meeting** Immediately following the Rock Island County Board Meeting, County Board Chambers on the 3rd floor of the County Office Building located at 1504 3rd Avenue, Rock Island.
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Coal Valley Police Department

Police Calls

Year	Traffic Tickets	Written Warnings	Ordinance Tickets	Crash Reports	Mental Health	Arrest Made	DUI	Calls for Service
2026								
January	8	9	0	0	1	2	0	438
February	10	19	0	0	0	2	0	363
March	18	14	0	4	0	5	2	345
April	12	15	0	1	0	0	0	334
May	30	29	13	5	1	2	0	472
June	9	12	2	2	4	3	0	745
July	8	17	0	3	1	2	0	868
Total #	95	115	15	15	7	16	2	3565

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT

FREE ENTRY



**ON THE LAWN AT
2431 1ST ST
COAL VALLEY
IF IT RAINS WILL
BE HELD INSIDE**

FRIDAY
7 AUG 26

6:30 PM

**FREE CONCESSIONS & KONA ICE
ON SITE FOR PURCHASE**

FREE CONCESSIONS
Hot Dogs, Nachos, Pretzels, Popcorn, Water (flavor packets will be available)



SHOWING
Stuart Little
Movie starts at sunset
est: 8:30pm

LAWN GAMES
Prior to the movie start lawn games will be available for guest enjoyment!

Robert R. Jones Library Events

AUGUST



Toddler Program [0-5]	Monday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Kids Program [5-10]	Tuesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Tween Program [10-12]	Wednesday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Teen Program [12-17]	Thursday	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Adult Program [18+]	Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
All Ages - Family Program	Saturday	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

HIGHLIGHTS:

RISE + RENEW WELLNESS PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

Whether you're looking to get moving, reduce stress, or simply enjoy a healthy morning routine, we've got you covered! Join Walking Club at 9:00 AM and Chair Yoga at 10:00 AM.



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
3 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 11:00 AM: Music + Movement 	4 11:00 AM: Little Scientists StoryTime 	5 11:00 AM: Wee Littles Art Start 	6 9:00 AM: Rise + Renew: Walking Club 10:00 AM: Rise + Renew: Chair Yoga 4:00 PM Snack Club Challenge 	7 10:00 AM: Manipulation Stations 	1 10:30 AM: Sensory Saturday 8
10 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 11:00 AM: Music + Movement 5:00 PM: Building a Balanced Board 	11 11:00 AM: Little Scientists StoryTime 5:00 PM: Literary Flavors Book Club	12 11:00 AM: Wee Littles Art Start 	13 9:00 AM: Rise + Renew: Walking Club 3:15 PM: Kid's Creative Studio 	14 10:00 AM: Manipulation Stations 3:00 PM: Agents of the Library 	15
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24 10:00 AM: Knitting & Crochet Club 11:00 AM: Music + Movement 6:00 PM: Booked for the Movies 	25 11:00 AM: Little Scientists StoryTime 4:00 PM: Makerspace 6:00 PM: Write Your Legacy 	26 11:00 AM: Wee Littles Art Start 2:00 PM: Simply Handmade 	27 9:00 AM: Rise + Renew: Walking Club 10:00 AM: Rise + Renew: Chair Yoga 3:15 PM: Pokemon Club	28 10:00 AM: Manipulation Stations 	29
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