

**City of West  
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Office of the  
City  
Administrator**

To: Mayor and Council  
From: Matt Muckler, City Administrator  
Date: April 22, 2011 Weekly Council Update

- **Website Launch:** The updated website [www.westbranchiowa.org](http://www.westbranchiowa.org) was launched this week. We are excited about the openness and transparency that the site will provide the citizens of West Branch. Thanks to staff and the Website Committee for the long hours spent on the website update, as well as Destiny Borland-Moon and Identity photography for their donation of photography services. Matt Arant, our web designer, did a wonderful job for the City and has continued to provide a high level of service through our launch. We will notify the public of the updated site through an article in the West Branch Times, an inclusion in next week's Friday Folder (notes that school children bring home to their parents every week), and a report item on the next City Council meeting agenda.
- **Police Department at the Spring Carnival:** On April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011 West Branch Police Officers Hanna and Stewart and Reserve Officer Ulrich participated in the annual Spring Carnival at West Branch Elementary School. (The Police Department has participated in this event for the past three years.) The officers brought in vehicle seats and demonstrated the proper use of seatbelts. School children were allowed to show the officer how to put a seatbelt on with little or no assistance. An estimated one hundred children participated in the demonstration and were rewarded with toys and snacks.
- **Easter Egg Hunt:** The City of West Branch Park and Recreation Department will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 23, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cookson Community Center. Four different age categories are invited to participate: 2 and under, 3-4 year olds, 5-6 year olds, and 7-9 year olds. Parents are encouraged to bring their cameras. For more information, please contact Park and Recreation Director Melissa Russell via e-mail at [recdirector@westbranchiowa.org](mailto:recdirector@westbranchiowa.org) or by phone at (319) 643-4212.
- **City Wide Clean-Up:** The City of West Branch, in conjunction with Johnson County Refuse, will hold its annual city wide clean-up on Saturday May 7, 2011 from 7:00 a.m.-11:00a.m. at the Cookson Community Center Parking Lot. Residents can bring items to be disposed of free of charge. Bulk trash disposal is available for a nominal fee. Please contact Ashley Borland-Kaalberg in the City Office via e-mail at [ashley@westbranchiowa.org](mailto:ashley@westbranchiowa.org) or by phone at (319) 643-5888 for more information.

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