### Individual Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Operation & Maintenance Seminar

Although individual onsite wastewater systems (often referred to as septic systems) are as effective at treating human wastewater as centralized wastewater treatment systems, they are only effective when properly designed, constructed, operated, and maintained. Improper design, construction, operation, and maintenance can lead to elevated levels of fecal coliform bacteria and nitrates in wastewater discharge. Elevated levels of fecal coliform bacteria from human wastes are of special concern due to potential human and environmental health risks.

You are invited to a Home Owner Maintenance Education seminar on the evening of **November 17, 2009 at 7:00 PM** to learn more about the proper treatment of human wastewater.

Save Big \$\$\$\$'s through proper septic system operation and maintenance.

Avoid costly replacement of your system.

Mike Salati Sr., Boone County Sanitarian and Code Enforcement Officer will discuss the following topics at the seminar:

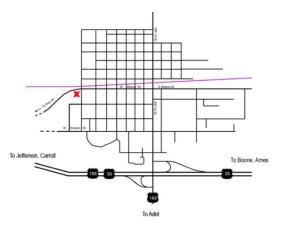
- ✓ The H.O.M.E. Scholar Program for Boone County residents.
- ✓ Rationale for treating human wastewater
- ✓ Typical septic system operation
- ✓ How to save money through proper septic system maintenance thereby extending the life of your system
- ✓ Alternative wastewater treatment methods
- ✓ Percolation tests and permitting requirements

The workshop will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Leonard Good Community Center (See Map) and will wrap up around 8:30 p.m. Coffee will be provided.

#### There is no fee for the workshop.

The seminar is co-sponsored by the Boone County Health and Sanitation Department and the Iowa State University Extension.

If you have questions feel free to call Mike Salati Sr. at 515-433-4964.



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## Mark Your Calendar!

### Tuesday, November 17, 2009

# Save Money \$\$\$

Help the Environment!!

Protect Your Family's Health!!



#### GET THESE AND MANY MORE QUESTIONS ANSWERED BY ATTENDING THIS CLASS:

How often should my septic tank be cleaned?

Which kind of detergent is safest for my septic system?

Is it better to wash several loads of clothes in one day or spread it out during the week?

Should I use additives to clean my septic tank or keep it working?

What affect does the amount of water used have on my septic system?

What is the H.O.M.E. program, and can it help me?

What is a H.O.M.E. Scholar?

There are many more topics that will be covered!!!

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Don't gamble with your septic system. Save money by learning how to properly care for your septic tank and drain field.

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