

# Nominate Spiffy Yards!

The Most Beautiful Yard contest, sponsored by the Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful Committee, recognizes well-kept properties. All residential yards within the city limits are eligible. Nominations are being accepted now. Go to [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org) to nominate yourself or a neighbor, or mail or deliver the nomination to Windsor Heights City Hall, 1133 66th St., Windsor Heights, IA 50324. The nomination must include your name, address and phone number plus that of the property owner. Include a short summary describing why the property deserves recognition.

The first-prize winner will receive a stepping stone valued at \$150. Two runners-up will each receive a \$50 gift certificate from Wild Birds Unlimited. The deadline for entries is 5 PM, Friday, June 18.

## At Your Service ... Sewer Problems

Residents experiencing slow drains and/or sewer back ups are encouraged to call the Public Works department at 279-3662 or after hours at 286-3333. Public Works will check the main and clean any blockages. Blockages located in the home sewer system are the responsibility of the home owner. Windsor Heights has a scheduled inspection and maintenance program. Be advised, according to case law, municipalities cannot be held responsible for any damage resulting from sewer back-ups if they maintain an inspection and maintenance program.

## Iowa One Call

Residents undertaking projects involving digging and excavating are reminded to call Iowa One Call. Under Iowa statute if you plan to dig deeper than 12 inches, you are required to make the toll-free call at least 48 hours before digging. The service is FREE to anyone who requests it. Use of Iowa One Call eliminates the risk of service disruption in homeowners' and neighbors' yards. It also greatly reduces risk of severe personal injury, and even death. Before any digging or excavation starts, Iowans need to know they should first call Iowa One Call at 1-800-292-8989 to have their utilities marked. It's not only in their best interest, it's the law.



# Citizen of the Year!

The City is currently accepting nominations for "Citizen of the Year." Nomination forms can be picked up at City Hall or you may get this form from our Web site at [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org). Applications are due Friday, June 18. Please consider the following criteria when making your selection:

- 1) The number of years of volunteer/community service to Windsor Heights.
- 2) Extent of Involvement (Please list individual activities).
- 3) Must be living (no posthumous nominations).

# Drive Time Des Moines

Drive Time Des Moines, greater Des Moines' Transportation Management Association, is here to assist you with all of your commuting and parking needs.

One of the ways Drive Time Des Moines can help is through our Avoid the Rush campaign. Avoid the Rush is a weekly e-newsletter that provides information pertaining to road and lane closures occurring on the most traveled roadways in the Des Moines Metro Area. Motorists can then plan for delays or, even better, avoid these routes altogether on their way to and from work. Avoiding areas where road construction is taking place reduces congestion and car idling which in turn reduces exhaust emissions.

Drive Time Des Moines also manages the Rest Your Car program. Rest Your Car is a FREE incentive-based program that promotes the use of green commute options. Green commute options include carpooling, riding the bus, walking, biking or telecommuting to work. All you have to do is use a green commute option once a week in order to be eligible for program benefits. Benefits include discounts on car maintenance, a guaranteed ride home should an emergency arise during the work day, and monthly prize drawings.

To learn more about how Drive Time Des Moines can help you, call us directly at (515) 286-4969 or visit [www.DriveTimeDesMoines.org](http://www.DriveTimeDesMoines.org).

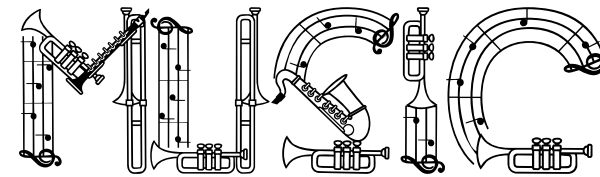
See us on the Web at [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org)!

# City of Windsor Heights

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AMERICA'S CROWN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



# in the PARK

The annual summer Music in the Park series at Colby Park in Windsor Heights begins Tuesday, June 8, at 7:00 p.m. The popular summer music series brings the area community together to enjoy talented musicians in the scenic park at the south end of 69th Street. Lawn chairs and picnics are welcome.

Sponsored by the Windsor Heights Foundation, the concert series is FREE and everyone is welcome. This year, the Foundation's 25th anniversary year, a highlight will be the performance Tuesday, July 13, 7 to 9 p.m., of the Celebration Iowa Singers and Jazz Band. Celebration Iowa is a group of 35 talented high school youth from around the state of Iowa. They will provide a lively and varied program of choreographed singing and instrumental music.

As in the past, except for the July 13 special event, free beverages will be provided by Bankers Trust, snow cones by the Windsor Heights Lions Club, and popcorn by the Windsor Heights Foundation. There will also be a drawing for door prizes at each concert.

The Celebration Iowa event is being underwritten by grants from Polk County Community Betterment, Sam's Club, Iowa Foundation for Education, Environment and the Arts, Windsor Heights Chamber of Commerce and others pending. Ballyhoo Foxtrot Orchestra is being underwritten by a matching grant from the Iowa Arts Council.

## 2010 SCHEDULE

June 8	Hot Club of Des Moines
June 15	Party Gras Classic Jazz Band
June 22	Ballyhoo Foxtrot Orchestra
June 29	Java Jews
July 6	Sacred Heart Sax and Brass
July 13	Celebration Iowa Singers & Jazz Band
July 20	Urbandale Adult Community Band
July 27	Hold On
August 3	Greater Des Moines Community Band
August 10	Tijuana Brass

## Sam's Club and Walmart Share Generously

The City of Windsor Heights is pleased to announce sponsorship funding from Walmart and Sam's Club for this summer's "Movies in the Park." Beginning on June 11, and running every Friday through August 6, there will be eight weeks of fabulous entertainment in Colby Park, 69th and School Streets. Thanks to the generosity of these two Windsor Heights businesses, all movies are free and begin at dusk. A complete list of films will be ready by mid-May. Mark your calendars. There won't be a better place to be this summer than Colby Park.

"Over the past several years, "Movies in the Park" has become a summer tradition for hundreds of central Iowans," said Mayor Jerry Sullivan of Windsor Heights. The series is at the core of our programming and our desire to be a real community event that brings people from all over the area to Colby Park. We are extremely grateful to Walmart for stepping up to the plate and sharing so generously. They understand how important leisure time offerings can be to the quality of life for a community."



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# Countdown to 50324! Ready to Cash In?

The City's new zip code, 50324, which took effect last year on July 1, will soon be the only zip code you can use. Residents and businesses have until June 30, 2010 to notify correspondents of the new zip code. After June 30th, mail will no longer be forwarded if it does not have the 50324 zip code. If you have any questions, please call City Hall at 279- 3662. Don't forget to write "Windsor Heights" as the city.

Check out **My Own New Biz**, a new program for ages 8-15 that teaches financial literacy and offers earning potential to both kids and adults in a fun camp format! The camps, supported by the Windsor Heights HyVee with classes held at the Community Center, help kids make a product and earn a profit in less than a week! Sessions start this summer and will be offered in both morning and afternoon. Get the details at [www.myownnewbiz.com](http://www.myownnewbiz.com).



## Contact Us! City of Windsor Heights

**Emergency Phone Numbers**  
**Fire Department** .....911  
**Police Department** .....911

**Non-Emergency Phone Numbers**  
**Police/Fire** .....286-3632  
**City Hall** .....279-3662

**Mayor** .....Jerry Sullivan

**Council Members:**

- Charlene Butz
- Betty Glover
- Dave Jenison
- Steve Peterson
- Diana Willits

**City Admin.** . . . .Marketa George Oliver  
**Chief Financial Off.** . . . .Carrie Brannen  
**Fire Chief** . . . . .Christopher Cross  
**Police Chief** . . . . .Gary Walters  
**Public Works Director** Jason Van Ausdall  
**Director of Comm. Svcs.** Josh Heggen

**Police Department:**

Police Dispatch .....286-3632  
 Police Admin/Records .....277-4453  
 Police Investigations .....277-4455

**Fire Department** .....279-3662

**Public Works Dept.** .....279-3662

**Colby Park Reservations** . . .279-3662

**Building Inspector** .....279-3662

**Animal Control** .....279-3662

**2** City Council Meetings - 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month.

MAY & JUNE						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Appliance Pickup (Public Works) City Wide Garage Sale
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> KWHB Meeting	<b>11</b> Mayor's Hour 9-10 AM (City Hall)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> City Spring Clean-Up!	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> WHAMM Firefighters Pancake Breakfast
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Community Coffee Club 9 AM (Grounds for Celebration)
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Memorial Day **City Offices Closed**	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Movie in the Park (Colby Park)	<b>5</b>
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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Other Events in Colby Park

Two other special events are planned for Colby Park: The Iowa Army National Guard 34th Army Band will present a concert Monday, June 28, 7:00 p.m. Shakespeare Shorts, an exciting sampling of Shakespeare, will be Sunday, July 11. Parking is available in Colby Park, surrounding streets and at Walmart – an easy walk over on the bike path. For more information, contact Flo Hunter, 277-0137 or George Hanusa, 255-6367.

### City Spring Clean-up

This year's Spring Clean-up will be on your regular trash day again, Thursday or Friday, whichever it may be. Your normal trash day will be the day Artistic will pick up your "Solid Waste." This means if your normal pick up day is Thursday, you will put out your "Solid Waste" on Thursday May 13, 2010. If your normal pick up day is Friday, you will put out your "Solid Waste" on Friday, May 14, 2010. "Solid Waste" means garbage, refuse, commercial, agricultural, and domestic activities. For more information, please visit [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org)

### Pancake Day

The Windsor Heights Firefighters Association will soon be going door-to-door selling tickets for this year's 57th Annual Pancake Day. Tickets may also be purchased at City Hall. This is the Firefighter's annual fundraiser. Residents are encouraged to purchase tickets even if they cannot attend to help support the Association. Please plan to attend on Saturday, May 15, 2009 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 (Adult) \$10.00 (Family).

### WHAMM

Runners and walkers alike are invited to participate in this year's Windsor Heights Annual Mini-Marathon (WHAMM) on Saturday, May 15 at 8 am (warm-up exercises begin at 7:45 am). Meet at 66th and University. All proceeds benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. You may sign up at [getmeregistered.com](http://getmeregistered.com) or pick up a form at Fitness Sports. In conjunction with WHAMM, a Mascot race follows along with a pancake breakfast at the Windsor Heights Fire Department. Cost is \$5.00.

### At the Service of those In Service

Windsor Heights residents: Please let us know if you have a family member who is currently serving in the military. We want to acknowledge these people at a special concert performed by the US Army Band on June 28, 7:00 pm at Colby Park.

### Garden Tour

The Keep Windsor Heights Annual garden tour will be held on Sunday, June 27th. If you have any questions or interest in the Garden Tour, please contact Betty Glover at 515-277-1817 or Sandie Sydnes at 515-276-1497.

### Yoga in the Park?

Does outdoor yoga appeal to you? If so, are you interested in joining a class by level of experience (beginner, medium, advance) or by age group (children, senior)? There is also the availability of pre-natal yoga. How much would you be willing to spend to take yoga classes? Your comments are sought. Feel free to contact Tracy Levine, 645-6821 or [tlevine@windsorheights.org](mailto:tlevine@windsorheights.org)



### Building Permits

Remember, if you plan on doing any remodeling or additions to your home, most likely you need a building permit from the City of Windsor Heights. Building permits are important so that the city can insure any work done in a home in the city is done up to the most current building code. Examples of work that needs a building permit include any electrical and plumbing work and anything that will add square footage to a structure. Decks and fences also require a building permit. It is always better to ask if you need a permit than to do the work without a permit and find out later you needed one, this may result in a fine from the city. Please call 279-3662 with any questions.

### July 4th Parade and Vendors

If you have a business or organization and are interested in having a float in Windsor Heights 4th of July Parade or you want to be a vendor at Colby Park on July 4th, please visit [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org) for an application or stop by City Hall. If you have any question please call Tracy Levine at 279-3662 or email at [tlevine@windsorheights.org](mailto:tlevine@windsorheights.org).