

YAPPY HOUR

Every Friday in September, join us at the Windsor Heights Dog Park for Yappy Hour. Starting at 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM, come unwind after a long work week and let your dog have some fun! There will be drinks and food for purchase. Bone-A-Patreat will have goodies on hand to buy. Follow us on Instagram and Facebook for Yappy Hour updates. September 4th live music with Brad Seidenfeld.



The Scoop On Poop

It's not the most glamorous subject to think about, however, when it comes to protecting the water quality of our streams and lakes it's worthy of discussion. So what's the harm in a little poop left behind every once in a while? Turns out to be a bigger problem than most people think.

Dog Waste FAQ's:

1. Why should I be concerned about dog poop? Everyone wants the water they drink, swim in, or fish in to be clean. Studies have found high concentrations of indicator bacteria called fecal coliform in urban streams. Just one ounce of dog feces contains 23 million microorganisms of bacteria - nearly twice that of human waste.
2. How big is the problem? The average-size dog produces about a half-pound of poop per day. According to rabies license records, there are about 300+ dogs in the City of Windsor Heights. Altogether, they generate about 150 pounds of poop each day. BOW WOW! That is pile of problems!
3. How does dog poop affect human health? Ingesting or coming into contact with water contaminated with certain bacteria from animal wastes can make people ill, causing some diseases. The feces also can contain hookworms, roundworms and other parasites that can be spread to adults and children walking barefoot or playing in the grass near dog waste.
4. Why is dog waste more of a pollution problem than other animal waste? An average-size dog dropping contains 3 billion fecal coliform bacteria, much higher than most other animals.
5. Can't I just put it down the storm drain? No! It's not as simple as out of sight, out of mind. Storm drains in our community are directly connected to local lakes and streams with no treatment in between. Plan ahead for pet accidents during walks by bringing a plastic bag with you.

Bicycle Safety

Bicycle riding is a fun, healthy, and enjoyable activity for this time of year. Please follow some of these tips to stay safe while cycling.

- Wear a proper fitting helmet
- Check equipment before riding
- See and be SEEN!
- Wear reflective clothing
- Watch for road hazards
- Whenever possible avoid riding at night
- Look before turning
- Obey all traffic laws
- Go with the flow of traffic, not against it
- Be predictable, and yield to traffic when appropriate



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AMERICA'S CROWN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Election Info 2015

There will be two (2) Council Member At-Large positions on the ballot this year on November 3, 2015, for Windsor Heights registered voter residents to elect into office. The terms of Council Members Charlene Butz and Dave Burgess will expire on December 31, 2015.

The first day to file completed nomination papers for the non-partisan Council Member At Large seats is August 24, 2015. The last day to file nomination papers is September 17, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. Due to recent legislative changes (HF2366) nomination papers are no longer accepted by the City Clerk. Nomination papers must be filed with the Polk County Election Office, 120 Second Avenue, Des Moines, IA, by the deadline. The City will continue to provide notary services, along with nomination petition papers, affidavit paperwork and candidate guides, which can also be downloaded from the Secretary of State website: sos.iowa.gov/elections/candidates/index.html - City Elections. Information regarding candidates ethics and campaign filing responsibilities and deadlines can be found at www.iowa.gov/ethics or by calling (515)281-4028. The Iowa Secretary of State Elections Division is available to provide general election information online at: sos.iowa.gov/elections/candidates/index.html or by phone at 1-888-SOS-VOTE or 1-515-281-0145.

New Hires



Ryan Van Arkel

I am excited to be joining the Windsor Heights Fire Department. I am 29 years old and have grown up and lived in central Iowa for the majority of my life. Previous to Windsor Heights, I have experience with the Ottumwa (Iowa) and Marshalltown (Iowa) Fire Departments that have prepared me for this role. In addition to work experience at two different departments, I come to the job with Firefighter 1 & 2, EMT, Fire Inspector 1 certifications, and have recently attained Driver Operator certification. I look forward to getting married this November to my fiancé Liz and enjoying married life. I have a great deal of family and friends in the greater Des Moines and Newton area. Outside of work I enjoy spending time cycling and being active. I look forward to learning my new role here and serving the community of Windsor Heights.

Jim Mease

I am married and have two kids. My wife's name is Abbey and my children are Brittan and Augustus. We enjoy spending time outdoors and operate a family cattle farm in our free time. I have been on the Truro Volunteer Fire Department since 2001 and am the Assistant Chief. I also work part time for the Clive Fire Department and serve as a Lieutenant there. The fire and EMS service has been a big part of my life since joining in 2001. I take great pride in serving and look forward to making an impact with the City of Windsor Heights. I am an EMT and am certified as Firefighter 1 & 2, Haz Mat Operations, Driver Operator Pumper, Fire Instructor, Fire Officer 1, and Fire Investigator. I would like to thank the City of Windsor Heights for giving me the opportunity to be involved with such a professional organization.



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Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful Fall Clean-up

Please join the Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful Committee on Saturday, September 19, 8:30 to 10:30 am for our Annual Fall Cleanup Day. We live in a beautiful community and a couple of hours of work can let us put the best of our city on display heading into fall and winter. The more hands we have, the lighter the work for each one of us and the more litter we can remove.



Bring along neighbors, friends, groups or anyone who cares about our city and making a difference in our community. Children are welcome if they are accompanied by an adult who will guide them as we pick up litter.

On September 19 at 8:30 come to the white tent just north of Burger King on 73rd Street. We'll provide gloves and a refuse bag and will give you an area to cover. Rain date is September 26. Please join us!

The mission of the Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful Committee is to engage citizens, businesses and governments in Windsor Heights to take responsibility for beautifying and improving the community we all love.

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 Diana Willits
Council Members Steve Peterson
Charlene Butz
Betty Glover
Dave Burgess
Tony Timm

City Administrator Brett Klein
Treasurer Marcia Woodke
Police Chief Dennis McDaniel
Planning Director Sheena Nuetzman
Director of Public Services Doug Stone

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

Building Inspections 645-6826
Fire Department 279-9450
Public Works Department 645-6825
Community Center Reservations 645-6821
Animal Control 286-3632

City Council Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month at 6:00 p.m., unless posted otherwise.

September and October 2015						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6	7 Labor Day City Hall Closed	8 75th Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	9	10	11	12
13	14 10/60 Meeting 5:15 p.m. (Community & Events Center)	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 City Council Meeting 6 p.m. (Council Chambers)	22 75th Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	23 Planning and zoning 5:00 PM	24	25	26
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NEWS BRIEFS

75th Anniversary Committee

The Windsor Heights 75th anniversary committee invites you to join in and help with the planning of activities to be held in 2016. In addition to taking part in this committee, sub-committees will be created to plan, organize and carry out events that will speak to the history of Windsor Heights and help renew enthusiasm in its future. Please consider sharing any historical photos you may have of your neighborhood, homes, businesses, or events to help chronicle the city's history. Indicate historical date and any information pertinent to the photo. Photos can be submitted electronically or by mail. Please note return name and address on each item to be returned to you. Please send memories / photos to: Contact the anniversary committee at windsorheights75@gmail.com with any questions. Or mail them to:

City of Windsor Heights
Anniversary Committee
1133 66th street
Windsor Heights, IA 50324

Hazardous Waste Drop-Off and Tire Drop-Off

On September 26, 2015 in Colby Park, Windsor Heights and Metro Waste Authority will be having a hazardous waste drop-off starting at 8 AM– Noon. Our website has what is accepted and what will not be accepted at the hazardous waste drop-off. Also, there will be a tire drop-off starting at 7 AM– Noon at Colby Park. Check our website to see what can be dropped off!

Remember when..

One of the first actions of the first city council was to erect signs at the eastern and western corporate limits on University Ave. that said: "Welcome to Windsor Heights – Speed Limit 25 Miles Per Hour – Road Patrolled." The patrolling duties undoubtedly fell to Verne Ackey, appointed Town Marshall by the city council at one of its first meetings. His pay for the part-time position was meager. Monthly pay, according to Herb Schulte, ranged from \$3.40 to \$12.55. "However," said Schulte, "the city council threw all caution to the wind when, in October, 1941, they spent \$4.49 for a police badge for Ackey and then in December bought a second badge for his cap at a cost of \$4.70, plus another \$3.00 for a siren and lights to go on his car." He

evidently made good use of the investments, because in the first six months \$490.50 in fines were collected. Before there was a radar, "Radar Heights" was born!

National Night Out Against Crime– Coin Drive Success

Windsor Heights, Iowa – August 17, 2015 - The Windsor Heights Police Association along with several sponsors hosted this years' National Night Out on August 4th. The beautiful evening brought out an estimated crowd of over 600. Residents took part in games, activities and demonstrations. This year the Windsor Heights Police Association hosted a coin drive, benefiting GiGi's PlayHouse. The Police Department collected coins and monetary donations. In addition to items sold at silent auction. The Windsor Heights Police Association along with help from the community raised \$1,030 for GiGi's PlayHouse. Thank you to the following sponsors we could not have done it without you. Windsor Heights Hy-Vee, 3E, Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Atlantic Bottling company, Casey's, QT, Target, Blank Park Zoon, Science Center of Iowa, City of Windsor Heights, Clive Starbucks, Mustards, Premier Automotive, Fitness Sports, Premium Solutions and the Iowa Wild.

INSTAGRAM

Follow us on Instagram! City_of_Windsor_Heights. We will post photos and fun things happening in the city!

Oktoberfest

Come celebrate fall in Windsor Heights! Bring the whole family and enjoy a day of fun! Oktoberfest will be on October 3, 2015 from 11 AM to 6 PM in Colby Park. There will be kid's costume contest, pet costume contest, pumpkin carving contest, Battle of the Bands, inflatables, mini golf, food vendors, a band and beer tent. We look forward to seeing everyone there for Oktoberfest. Stay tuned for a final schedule!! Visit our website at www.windsorheights.org for more updates. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram as well!!

If you would like to volunteer, give us a call at 515 279-3662

