



Windsor Wave

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SEPTEMBER 2012

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When mowing your lawn and raking your leaves, please do not blow your yard waste onto your street, sidewalk or driveway.



WINDSOR HEIGHTS OKTOBERFEST BLENDS TRADITIONAL OKTOBERFEST WITH HALLOWEEN... FOR NOT-TO-BE-MISSED FUN

The Windsor Heights family friendly Oktoberfest is the area's premier Fall celebration with fun for children and adults. The festival begins at 2pm at Colby Park, located at the end of 69th Street, south of University on Saturday, October 6.

In true Windsor Heights style, the Windsor Heights Oktoberfest has something for everyone. From interactive inflatables and activities for children to the free performance of an award-winning polka band and a strolling accordion player, it is a not to be missed celebration geared to all ages and members of a family.

Combined with Halloween, this Oktoberfest invites you and your pet to dress up for fantastic costume contests. Additionally, the perennial favorite pumpkin carving contest, where pumpkins will be available to carve, is going to show off participant's artistry.

And, don't forget to bring your appetites. The traditional German food of brats and sausages will be for sale, sponsored by the Windsor Heights Police Association. Other refreshments including beer and soft drinks will also be available to purchase.

The hours of Oktoberfest are 2-6pm. For more information, go to www.windsorheights.org. Parking is available in the park and around the side streets. There is no admission to attend Oktoberfest nor parking fees. Tickets for the inflatables will be sold for \$1/each. Tickets for the pony rides will be \$3/each. Artwork and fresh produce from local resources will also be for sale

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Colby Park, 69th Street, south of University, Windsor Heights
- Saturday, October 6
- Interactive Inflatables – 2-6pm
- Pony Rides – 2-6pm
- Strolling Accordion Player – 2-3pm
- Pumpkin Carving Contest – 2-4pm
- Hands on Workshops – 2-6pm
- Kids Costume Contest – 2:30pm
- Drake's Heartland Mini Railroad – 2:30-5:30pm
- Pet Costume Contest – 3pm
- Brats, Sausages, and other Refreshments – 6pm
- Artwork and Local Produce for Sale – 2-6pm
- Polka Band – 3-6pm
- Balloon Animals – 3:30-5:30pm
- Contest Winners Announced – 4pm
- Hula Hoops – 4-6pm

FALL IN LOVE WITH AUTUMN COOKING CLASSES WITH CHEF GLENDA REILING

Glenda brings her culinary artistry to Windsor Heights! Register now for the seasonal cooking classes being offered at the Windsor Heights Community & Events Center. Chef Glenda Reiling will lead one class a month, now through November.

October 23 – 6-9pm
Holiday Cookie and Candy and Chocolate Baking
Easy Fudge • Cut Out Cookies • Carmel Yum Yum Balls
Chocolate Covered Peanut Butter Balls • Spiced Nuts • Peanut Brittle
Each baked item will be demonstrated and attendees will go home with 6 dozen assorted cookies, candies and chocolates – including recipes.

Please bring an apron, knife, stainless steel bowl, candy thermometer, disposable containers and 1-gallon freezer bags.
Class Cost is \$85.00 per student. Please pre-register at cookwithglenda.com. \$5/off for Windsor Heights residents

November 20 – 6-9pm
Thanksgiving Day Prep
Prep a Turkey for Thanksgiving
Bread Dressing • Mashed Potatoes • Green Bean Casserole
Fresh Cranberry Relish • Gravy • Pumpkin Pie
Prepare a full meal to serve 10 to 15 guests, take home and serve for Thanksgiving.

Please bring an apron, knife, 3 stainless steel bowls (1-qt capacity), a cooler to transport food, disposable containers and casserole dishes for reheating, 1-gallon zip lock bags.
Class cost is \$120.00 per student.
Recipe booklet included! Please pre-register at CookwithGlenda.com. \$5/off for Windsor Heights residents



SELF-DEFENSE COURSE OFFERED FOR WOMEN

The Windsor Heights Police Department is currently taking registrations for area residents that want to participate in a women's education and self defense course called Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.). Dates of the course have been set for Monday and Thursday evenings in October (15, 18, 22, 25 from 6:00-9:30pm) at the Windsor Heights Community and Event Center. Class size will be limited to twenty students and attendance at all classes is recommended to complete the program successfully. There will be a one-time registration fee of \$25 due prior to the first class along with pre-event paperwork and waivers. Returning students are welcome at no charge. Interested women (high school age and above) may contact Officer Woods at the Windsor Heights Police Department during normal business hours at (515) 645-6829 or e-mail her at awoods@windsorheights.org with questions. Registration for the course will begin Tuesday, September 4 at City Hall, 1133 66th Street.

SWING DES MOINES OFFERS DANCE CLASSES

Windsor Heights Community and Events Center through November. Four-week classes are \$30 per person. Members of *Swing Des Moines* pay half price. No partner necessary. No experience necessary for any level I class. Schedule and prices subject to change.

To register, please email or call *Swing Des Moines*, register online at www.swingdesmoines.com or mail this form with payment to *Swing Des Moines*, 4200 Kingman Blvd., Des Moines IA 50311.

OCTOBER 2012
Lindy I.
Learn the "grandfather" of swing dances, which originated in the 1930s. Tuesdays, Oct. 2-23, 7:00pm (Dennis). \$30 non-members / \$15 members.

Continuing Jitterbug
Expand your basic swing with these fun moves. Tuesdays, Oct. 2-23, 8:00pm (Dennis). \$30 non-members / \$15 members.

NOVEMBER 2012
THE CORE: A Swing Sampler
The original swing dance survey class gives you a taste of the major swing dances. This class covers the basic moves of dances such as Jitterbug, Lindy, Charleston, Balboa and more. Nothing too crazy, just the basics. It's ideal for both beginners as well as more experienced dancers. Tuesdays, Nov. 13-27 (3 nights), 7:00-9:00pm. \$40 non-members / \$20 members

FIREFIGHTERS WANTED!

The Windsor Heights Fire Department is recruiting paid-per-call firefighters. Making the decision to become a paid-per-call firefighter should not be taken lightly. It requires hundreds of hours of training and a strong commitment to service. The Windsor Heights Fire Department employs full-time and paid-per-call fire fighters. The paid-per-call positions are normally filled late summer to early fall of each year before the annual fire academy begins for new recruits. We are always interested in additional paid-per-call applicants that are physically fit and have time to devote to training and emergency responses. Applicants should visit the City's website at www.windsorheights.org/employment for the application and more information.

MUSIC IN THE PARK 2012 – ANOTHER GREAT SEASON

Perfect weather greeted both the opening and closing *Music in the Park* concerts, with a variety of hot weather for concerts in between.

More than 800 people enjoyed the June 12 opening concert and heard a reprise of the *Ralph Zarnow Orchestra*, directed by Dan Hartzler. The next highest attendance came on July 31 when 600 people welcomed the brass band from Altenmedingen, Germany. 200 people enjoyed the German supper preceding the concert and had opportunity to converse with the German guests. The sold-out supper was catered by *Taste to Go Catering and Events* whose owners provided the food at their cost.

Attendance at the other concerts ranged from 60 at the special July 1 Sunday afternoon concert held in the Community and Events Center to 400, depending on how high the temperature was. Walnut Creek Community Church opened it's facilities on the hot July 24 evening for the concert by *Hold On*.

The Windsor Heights Foundation Board of Directors is grateful to the individuals and other entities whose financial support made these concerts possible. *Music in the Park* concerts were underwritten by donors to the Windsor Heights Foundation annual fund, donations by concert attendees and grants from the Iowa Foundation for Education, Environment and the Arts, Polk County Community Betterment, Prairie Meadows Community Betterment and BRAVO Greater Des Moines. The Polk County grant also included funds to provide complimentary tickets to the German supper for the guests from Germany.

The August 7 concert by the *Greater Des Moines Community Band* was underwritten by the Windsor Heights Lions Club.

The Lions Club again furnished free snow cones; Bankers Trust, free beverages; and the Windsor Heights Foundation, free popcorn. In-kind support came from the City of Windsor Heights, with logistical help from the City Public Works department. Door prizes were provided by Klassic Kids Child Development, Windsor Heights Dairy Queen, Grounds for Celebration, Matt Cale State Farm Insurance Agency, Premium Solutions, Nail Trust and Mustard's Restaurant.

Concert attendees responded generously to an appeal by Eagle Scout candidate Mark Fowler for funds to construct a flower garden in front of the new VA Hospital building as his project for that award. Fowler, a Windsor Heights resident, is a regular *Music in the Park* volunteer.

The 2013 Music in the Park concert series will begin June 11 and will include another great line-up of performing groups.