

# Salute to Our Active Duty, Reserves & Military Veterans

The City, community and businesses of Windsor Heights will be hosting a salute to active duty, reserves and military veterans on Thursday, May 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Windsor Heights Community & Events. The program is a tribute and thank you to military service members and their family's' for their sacrifices.

The keynote speaker will be Capt. John Hintz, U.S. Army Bronze Star recipient in both Afghanistan and Iraq. In September, 2010, Cpt. Hintz, a Newton, IA native, was company commander of a 101st Airborne Unit near the Pakistan border in Lara Logan's segment "Relentless Enemy" on CBS 60 Minutes.

This event is a special tribute to those with recent service in Iraq and Afghanistan but will also be recognizing military service back through World War II. The public is invited to this event to join us in thanking active duty, reserves, veterans and family members. Each member or veteran of the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard will be asked to stand and be recognized. Active duty and veterans of duty during the Afghanistan, Iraq, Gulf War, and Viet Nam, Cold War, Korean and World War II eras will be asked to stand for a public tribute. There will be a color guard provided by the Windsor Heights Fire and Police Departments.

The audience is also invited to participate in the public recognition part of the program. Active duty, reserves and veterans as well as those who have a spouse, close friend, or family members who are presently serving or died in a conflict will be recognized.

The program will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. followed by a chance to visit with active duty, reserves and veterans as well as stop at information tables for service in Iraq, Afghanistan, Desert Storm, Viet Nam, Korean War and World War II. There will be a free-will offering for donations to support the Iowa Army and Air National Guard's Warrior and Family Services Fund.

For additional information contact: David Furneaux at 279-1365 or dfurneaux@aol.com

## Plant Exchange Citizen of the Year

As spring fever hits, you're probably getting anxious to get outside and get planting! If your current plans involve the same old flowers and plants or some parts of your garden need thinning out, Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful has a great solution. Diversify your plant varieties and share your favorites during the first annual Windsor Heights Plant Exchange on Saturday, May 12, 9:00 a.m. to noon at Lions Park (1133 66<sup>th</sup> Street, behind City Hall).

This free event gives you the opportunity to brighten up your garden, flower beds or flower pots in exchange for items you bring to share. Besides plants, you're also invited to bring gently used garden accessories and art to trade for something new (to you)! Facing a vexing gardening challenge? Have questions about what to plant in that shady corner? Polk County Master Gardeners will be on hand to share advice and answer your questions! And be sure to visit the local arts vendors while you're there.

The success of this event depends on you! The more people who attend, the more there will be to share.

No pre-registration is required; however to make the exchange process go smoothly, fill out Plant Information Forms ahead of time. Forms are available at [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org) or will be available on site at Lions Park. So, start planning what plants you'll bring (you can always stop by a garden center and bring new things to share, too) - and bring a friend! Questions, call 276-0243.

The Plant Exchange is sponsored by the Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful, a local nonprofit partner of Keep Iowa Beautiful. The mission of Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful is to engage the citizens, businesses and government of Windsor Heights to take greater responsibility for beautifying and improving our community.

More information at [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org)

# City of Windsor Heights

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AMERICA'S CROWN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

## MUSIC in the PARK

The 2012 Windsor Heights Music in the Park schedule has been set. Sponsored by the Windsor Heights Foundation, the 10 concert series in Colby Park begins Tuesday, June 12. The Ralph Zarnow Orchestra, directed by Dan Hartzler, will open the series, which will also feature a 20 piece German brass band on July 31.

Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays at Colby Park. The concerts are free and include beverages provided by Bankers Trust; snow cones by the Windsor Heights Lions Club; free popcorn, Windsor Heights Foundation. There will be door prizes as well!

The 20 piece brass band from Germany is on a tour which includes some Iowa stops, and will be a highlight of our concert series. A German supper, starting at 5:00 p.m., will precede the concert. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$6 at Music in the Park concerts; \$8 at the door.

Music in the Park is being underwritten by donors to the Windsor Heights Foundation annual fund, the Windsor Heights Lions Club, and grants from Prairie Meadows Community Betterment, Polk County Community Betterment, and BRAVO Greater Des Moines, with in-kind support from the City of Windsor Heights.

If bad weather is forecasted, call 991-8682 for questions of cancellation. Donations to the Windsor Heights Foundation will be gratefully received at any time.

Please note that because of July 4<sup>th</sup> activities, a Sunday afternoon concert is scheduled for July 1, at 3:00 p.m. The August 7 concert also includes includes Night Out Against Crime activities.

### 2012 SCHEDULE

June 12	Ralph Zarnow Orchestra
June 19	Java Jews
June 26	Sacred Heart Sax and Brass
July 1	Hot Club of Des Moines
July 10	Party Gras Classic Jazz Band
July 17	Urbandale Community Adult Band
July 24	Hold On
July 31	Brass Band from Germany
August 7	Greater Des Moines Community Band
August 14	Free Style

## Most Beautiful Yard

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 66<sup>th</sup> 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 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 15.



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# MOVIES in the PARK

**M**ovies in the Park is back again this year in Colby Park and free thanks to the generous support of Sam's Club. With a fabulous line-up, it will truly be outdoor cinema at its best, thanks not only to the setting but also to the selections made by an all-volunteer committee.

The six week schedule begins Friday, June 15 and runs consecutively for 6 weeks (skipping July 6) through July 27. All movies are free and begin at dusk. Lawn chairs, blankets and picnics are all welcome. For more information go to [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org) or call 279-3662.

## 2012 SCHEDULE

June 15	Secretariat
June 22	Kung Fu Panda 2
June 29	Captain America
July 13	Puss and Boots
July 20	Music Man
July 27	Hugo
August 3	Rain date

### 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

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- Diana Willits
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Building Inspector .....279-3662

Animal Control .....279-3662

MAY & JUNE						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6	7 City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)	8	9	10	11	12 City-wide Garage Sale Plant Exchange 9 AM (Lions Park)
13	14	15	16	17	18 City-wide solid waste pickup day	19 WHAMM 8 AM Pancake Day 8 AM (City Hall)
20	21 City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)	22	23	24	25	26
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3	4 City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Music in the Park: Ralph Zarnow Orchestra	13	14	15 Movie in the Park: Secretariat	16 Community Coffee Club 9 AM (Grounds for Celebration)
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2 City Council Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month at 6:00 p.m., unless posted otherwise.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Parking Changes South of University

Residents and visitors on 69<sup>th</sup>, 68<sup>th</sup>, 67<sup>th</sup> and 66<sup>th</sup> Streets south of University Avenue will soon notice a change. Starting in June, the parking on these streets will move from the west side of the street to the east side of the street. The primary reason for the change is to allow for traffic to exit events at Colby Park as they come to an end. Currently, as cars park on the street and leave the park, all the traffic goes towards School Street, which can create a traffic bottleneck. These changes should allow all traffic to be pointed north, directly towards University Avenue.

### City Administrator Honored

Congratulations to Marketa Oliver, City Administrator, who was recently honored with the Joe Lukehart Professional Service Award by the Iowa City/County Management Association. The award is presented to individuals who have promoted or enhanced the city/county management profession in Iowa, and who have made outstanding contributions to the Iowa City/County Management Association. The award is not given on an annual basis, rather it is presented only to recognize exceptional contributions to the city/county management profession and the state association. Oliver is the first female administrator to receive this award. The award was presented at the Iowa Municipal Management Institute held in March in Iowa City.

### City-wide Garage Sale

This year's annual Windsor Heights city wide garage sale will be held on Saturday, May 12. If you wish to be listed on the garage sale map, please e-mail your name, address, phone number and a few main items to: [jheggen@windsorheights.org](mailto:jheggen@windsorheights.org) or stop by City Hall and fill out a City Wide Garage Sale form. The cost for inclusion in the City Wide Garage Sale list is \$5.00. A map of sale locations will be posted on the City's Web site and available at City Hall for potential customers. This list will not be published in the Des Moines Register. Maps will be available at City Hall and published on the City's website.

### City Clean-up Day

This year's Spring Clean-up will start on Friday, May 18. Your "Solid Waste" should be placed on the curb by 6:00 a.m. on Friday, May 18. "Solid Waste" means garbage, refuse, commercial, agricultural, and domestic activities. It excludes yard waste, household hazardous waste, and other similarly discarded solid or semisolid materials. Please visit [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org) for a complete list of items that are excluded from the pickup.

### Ready, set WHAMM!

On Saturday, May 19, runners and walkers of all ages are invited to participate in the 2012 Windsor Heights Annual Mini Marathon, better known as WHAMM, and an annual favorite in central Iowa. The 8:00 a.m. walk/race benefits the individuals and families coping with muscular dystrophy and related progressive muscle diseases. Registration takes place at [www.getmeregistered.com](http://www.getmeregistered.com). Both the 5K Run/Walk (single loop) and the 10K (double loop) start and end at 66<sup>th</sup> and University and travel through the beautiful neighborhoods of Windsor Heights. Continuing for the second year will be a community health fair sponsored by the Windsor Heights Chamber of Commerce following the race where local businesses will share information and screenings, safety demonstrations and children's activities.

### WHAMM Seeks Volunteers

The Windsor Heights Annual Mini Marathon (WHAMM), sponsored in part by the City of Windsor Heights, is seeking thirty volunteers to help along the route and at the finish line. It is both a 5k walk/run and a 10k run. You may sign up by contacting Tracy at 645-6821 or [tlevine@windsorheights.org](mailto:tlevine@windsorheights.org). Feel free to bring your friends, family members, co-workers, workout partners, and roommates. We would love volunteers to be part of a fun, energy packed event. High school kids are encouraged to volunteer. Volunteers help direct runners at road intersections and cheer them on as they run by. Volunteers also help set up water stands and direct runners as they pass the finish line. Please consider giving a little of your time to help make this event a success.

### Pancake Day

The Windsor Heights Firefighters Association will soon be going door-to-door selling tickets for this year's 60<sup>th</sup> 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 19, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 (adult), \$10.00 (family).

### July 4<sup>th</sup> 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, please visit [www.windsorheights.org](http://www.windsorheights.org) for an application or stop by City Hall. If you have any question please contact Tracy Levine at 279-3662 or [tlevine@windsorheights.org](mailto:tlevine@windsorheights.org).