

## DANA UPDATE

The newsletter of the

**Douglas Acres Neighborhood Association** 

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

This newsletter includes the revised 2017 DANA calendar. Please save it for future reference. This calendar is also available at <u>www.DouglasAcres.org</u>. Please note that the events listed on the calendar are subject to change.

Notable upcoming events include our annual plant exchange on May 9, neighborhood garage sales on June 16 and 17 with Staves Church, ice cream social on July 11, and celebration of National Night Out on August 1.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With spring upon us make sure and take advantage of spring cleaning opportunities. Lawn and tree debris as well as nearly all household items can be taken free of charge to the city SCRUB locations. The SCRUB schedule can be found on the DANA website.

Please make an effort to pick up any litter at the curb or on the street in front of your property and help keep our neighborhood beautiful.

Join us for our May 9 meeting. As usual we will have a plant exchange and a drawing for several hanging flower baskets.

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#### YARD OF THE WEEK

Thanks to Don and Shari Gable who have volunteered to move the Yard of the Week signs. Yard of the Week will begin as soon as the weather improves. If you have a nomination for Yard of the Week, please call Joe Youngwirth at 266-2569.

#### **RIVERVIEW PARK MUSIC**

The Parks Area Foundation (<u>www.parksareafoundation.org</u>) is leading a citizen initiative to redevelop Riverview Park into a new public space and entertainment venue. Rendezvous on Riverview is a summer concert series promoting this initiative. Free live music and food and beverages for sale are offered at the Riverview Park site two blocks west of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue on Corning Avenue every Friday evening in June and July. For more information on Rendezvous at Riverview, including a schedule of the musical performers, go to

http://www.rordsm.com.

#### FREE MOVIE IN SARGENT PARK

DANA is sponsoring a free movie to be shown at sundown on July 20 in Sargent Park, 3530 E Douglas Ave. The movie is *Guardians of the Galaxy*. This is a part of a series of free movies to be shown at various city parks throughout June, July, and August. For a complete schedule of all movies, go to

www.douglasacres.org.

#### 2017 SCRUB EVENTS

The 2017 SCRUB (Spring Cleanup to Reduce Urban Blight) is underway with events taking place on the third Saturday of each month through November at various locations throughout the city. For a complete schedule, go to

http://douglasacres.org/scrub\_day\_guidelines\_files/2017% 20SCRUB%20calendar.jpg

Please visit our website, <u>www.DouglasAcres.org</u>, where you can find out what is happening in your neighborhood. You can also find a link to the DANA Facebook page.

Do you have news that you think would be interesting to your Douglas Acres neighbors? Let us know and we'll put it in the next newsletter to be published in 2017. Call Richard Schulze at (515) 265-7771 or send an email to <u>newsletter@douglasacres.org</u>.

#### ADOPT A STREET

The City of Des Moines Department of Public Works has launched an Adopt A Street program to increase public awareness of environmental needs along city roadways by making sections of certain roadsides available for adoption. This gives the adopting individuals or groups opportunities to improve the appearance of our roadsides throughout the city. https://www.dmgov.org/Departments/PublicWorks/Pages/ AdoptAStreet.aspx



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#### SMARTPHONE APP FOR DM RESIDENTS

mobile The City of Des Moines now has a free issue-reporting app that is available for iPhone and Android. The myDSMmobile app uses smartphone technology in order to make it easier for residents to report issues they find within the community.

Available on the App Store



#### PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS FOR HOMEOWNERS

The City of Des Moines is providing a subsidy program and a rebate program that will reimburse part of the cost to homeowners who install one or more of several plumbing and drainage improvements to their property. These programs are a city effort to reduce storm water flowing into the sanitary sewer system and prevent sewer backups that occur in basements. The work must be done by a licensed plumber, and there are other requirements, including approval by the city before any work is begun. The programs run until 2023. We expect that more information will be available from the city. Please watch for updates on our website.

www.douglasacres.org.

#### USE THIS FORM TO SUPPORT OR TO RENEW YOUR SUPPORT FOR DANA

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Please make checks payable to DANA and bring to the next DANA meeting or mail to: Phyllis Kellogg, DANA Treasurer 2920 East Douglas, Des Moines, IA 50317

#### DOUGLAS ACRES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

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### 2017 DANA CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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Board of directors meeting, held at 7:00 pm at Euclid Room next to Hy-Vee, 2540 E Euclid

General members meeting, held at 7:00 pm at Staves Church, 2747 E Madison, except for the following meetings: January 10: Annual meeting, election of officers, and dinner at Euclid Room, 2540 E Euclid, at 6:00 pm July 11: Ice cream social at Euclid Room, 2540 E Euclid, at 7:00 pm

#### Other important events

PLEASE NOTE that this calendar is printed in late 2016 and is subject to change

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# Local Postal Customer

# You're Invited!

- What:DANA Neighborhood MeetingPlant Exchange
- When: Tuesday, May 9, 2016 7:00 PM
- Where:Staves Methodist Church2747 E Madison



Are you on Facebook? Search for "Douglas Acres Neighborhood Association" then click "Like" so you can keep up on what's happening in your neighborhood. You can also visit our DANA website, <u>www.DouglasAcres.org</u>