

# DANA Update

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The Douglas Acres Neighborhood Association (D.A.N.A.) exists to preserve the quality of the Douglas Acres Neighborhood, promote the area as desirable for family living, foster neighborhood fellowship and serve as a vehicle by which problems are resolved and neighborhood goals are achieved.

## GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday  
January 10th  
7:00 pm  
Staves Methodist Church  
Corner of East 28<sup>th</sup> and Madison

Topics:

- ❖ Election of officers and steering committee
  - ❖ Northeast Neighbors report
  - ❖ Backyard gardening – Parks and Recreation representative
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## Holiday Lights

Recipients of 2005 Holiday Lights certificates:

3828 Lay  
2615 East Douglas  
2521 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street  
4133 Lay  
4126 Lay  
3915 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street  
4019 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street  
2805 East Madison  
2816 East Madison  
4116 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- ❖ January 9<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm, Northeast Neighbors meeting, Dahls Conference Room
  - ❖ January 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, DANA Steering Committee meeting, HyVee Conference Room
  - ❖ January 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, DANA General Meeting, Staves Methodist Church
  - ❖ February 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, DANA Steering Committee meeting, HyVee Conference Room
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Have you checked out our web site?



[www.douglasacres.org](http://www.douglasacres.org)

To see the latest news, upcoming events, and other information about our neighborhood.

Included are many links to additional information about our neighborhood, schools, important information and advice.

Check out the pictures of all this year's Yard of the Week recipients.

Also all the Good Neighbor Award recipients.

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**DOUGLAS ACRES NEIGHBORHOOD**

Des Moines Community Gardening Coalition is a program of the Des Moines Park and Recreation Department, that supports grass-roots community greening projects by working with neighborhood associations giving them the training and resources necessary to build sustainable community greening projects that educate people, beautify communities, increase food security, improve nutritional health, and build relationships among people.

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**DSL availability**

A representative from Qwest will be at the HyVee on E. Euclid Saturday January 7 from 1-3 pm to discuss DSL service that is available in part of our neighborhood and hopefully will be available in the rest of our neighborhood in the near future. We need neighbors who do not have DSL service to go to HyVee and sign a petition asking Qwest to make this service available to us.

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**Northeast Neighbors, Inc.**

Northeast Neighbors, Inc. is now meeting the second Monday of the month at the Dahl's grocery store located at E. 33<sup>rd</sup> and Hubbell. Meeting time is 5:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. This is a coalition of northeast neighbors working for the betterment of the neighborhoods on the northeast side.

**Adam's School**

Have you been saving your Campbell's Soup labels and your BoxTops for Education?  
Bring them to the meeting and we will forward them to Adam's School.

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Let's give Adams Elementary PTA our support. Bring your redeemable cans and plastic pop bottles to the next general meeting and we will donate them to Adams PTA. Please bring clean cans/bottles in plastic sacks.

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**Good Neighbor Award**

Do you know someone in our neighborhood who goes out of their way to be a good neighbor, mowing a neighbor's yard, removing snow, trimming trees, providing transportation, etc? If so, call Betty Short to nominate them for a Good Neighbor Award.

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**Help replenish the Food Pantry**

Bring canned goods or nonperishable food products to the meeting and we will forward them to the Food Pantry.

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**Reminder!!**

Membership dues are payable in January and are valid for one calendar year.

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**DOUGLAS ACRES NEIGHBORHOOD**

Chair	Linda Westergaard	453-7339
Vice-Chair	Joe Youngwirth	266-2569
Secretary	Linda Northouse	265-3478
Treasurer	Mary Whisenand	264-8760
Steering	Tony & Betty Short	266-8995
Committee	Skip Moore	263-0934
Members	Margaret Heger	266-4181
	Phyllis Kellogg	262-5132
Webmaster	Dennis Dyer	

**Webmaster @Douglas Acres.org**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD NUMBERS**

Police Department info (Non-Emergency Number)	283-4811
Neighborhood Resource Officer – Larry Rogers	237-1517
Action Center (junk cars, weeds, etc.)	2834500
Des Moines Public Works 24-hour hotline	283-4950

**CONTINUING REMINDERS**

**METRO WASTE AUTHORITY INFO**

The metro Recycling Center is located at 1817 Euclid Avenue. They accept all items normally picked up with the green recycling bins (cardboard, plastic, glass, etc) as well as scrap tire, wood and metal.

Hours: Sunday & Monday: CLOSED  
Tuesday – Friday: 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.  
Phone: 262-4040

The Hazardous Materials Disposal Center is located at 225 Prairie Drive in Bondurant. They are open Tuesday – Friday from 1-5 p.m. and on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Call 967-5512 for more information, including their mobile pickup service.

**Yes, I/We value the neighborhood and want to join DANA (or renew my/our membership)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

- \$5 Individual       New Member
- \$10 Business       Renewal

Send Information on Business Advertisements

I am interested in helping:

- Officer       Steering Committee

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to DANA and bring them to the next DANA meeting or mail to Mary Whisenand, Treasurer, 4134 East 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Des Moines, IA 50317. Phone number: 264-8760.

**Dues are for one year and are renewed each January**

**ADVERTISEMENTS**

Business Members receive one free advertisement for their paid membership each year. Other ads can be placed in each newsletter for a \$5.00 charge per newsletter. Please contact the Treasurer, Mary Whisenand, for more information.

DOUGLAS ACRES NEIGHBORHOOD



**Douglas  
Acres  
Neighborhood  
Association**



**General election!**  
November 8<sup>th</sup>

**General Meeting**  
November 8<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 pm

**Stave's Methodist Church**  
2747 E. Madison Avenue

**Speakers for this meeting include Tom Hockensmith, County Supervisor and Daiynna Brown from the Norwoodville Community Center**