



# WESTWOOD NEWS

SPRING 2021

Save the date: August 29th

## WNA notes from the President

Westwood Neighbors,

We hope this abridged version of our newsletter finds you and yours healthy. We wanted to provide a quick recap of our activities so far this year and provide a sneak peek into the things we are planning for the rest of 2021. As more people are eligible (and getting) vaccines, we are hopeful we can hold an in person (outdoor) event later this summer, making adjustments to ensure our residents feel comfortable and stay safe. Of course, anything can happen between now and August, so ensure you sign up for our emails so you can stay in the know about that and other events.

See you (6 feet apart) around the neighborhood! - Diane



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## SUMMER event

More details coming soon!



## Almost Spring Social

OVER 60 PEOPLE LOGGED IN!

OVER 90 PIZZAS ORDERED!



Thank you to all in attendance, our special guest speakers, and Dueling Fiddles for such a great virtual night on March 11th!



Interested in helping deliver Westwood News? There are current opportunities!

### New Block Captain Needed!

S.W. 52nd Street (North of Welker)

### Block Captain Substitutes!

Contact Block Captain Chair, Vicki Heiken for more details on both!



## Walnut Creek Clean Up

Approximately 30 volunteers helped clean up Walnut Creek during the annual Cache-In Cache-Out Event on April 3rd (including a number of our WNA neighbors). Our small but mighty crew pulled out 1 ton of trash in just 2 hours of work!



Stay tuned for next year's date!



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\*Position filled by the WNA Board and not subject to a neighborhood vote.

# News Around The Neighborhood

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dsm.city & wdm.iowa.gov

## Current road closures

### Ingersoll Avenue

**Ingersoll Avenue from 42nd Street to Polk Boulevard will be closed until November 15th.** Local traffic will be maintained. This street closure is necessary for roadway reconstruction and storm sewer installation as part of the Ingersoll Avenue Reconstruction project.

### 62nd Street from Grand Avenue to Walnut Hill Drive will be closed until June 15th.

This street closure is necessary for storm sewer installation and street replacement as part of the 2021 PCC Residential Paving Program project.

### 62nd Street

### Grand Avenue

**Grand Avenue from 1st Street to just east of 5th Street will be closed and is estimated to complete around late fall 2021.** The project will remove all existing pavement and widen the roadway. There will be storm and sanitary sewer improvements along the corridor too.

## Additional news

**White Willow Events Center on Grand** - Construction will begin soon with a target completion date of late fall/winter 2021.

**Citizen Task Force on Sustainability** - Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:30pm. More information on meetings & learning space can be found here: [sustainabledsm.com](http://sustainabledsm.com)

**City Council Meetings - In Person Meetings at City Hall Resuming 6/14/2021\*** - Regular meetings start at 4:30pm. Additional information on meetings can be found here: [dsm.city/government/council\\_meetings\\_and\\_agendas/index.php](http://dsm.city/government/council_meetings_and_agendas/index.php)

**Next MEGA SCRUB Event is 6/19/2021 from 7am - 2pm in the Capital Complex Lot 3** - Additional info and other monthly SCRUB event information can be found here: [dsm.city/departments/public\\_works-division/garbage\\_collection/scrub\\_events.php](http://dsm.city/departments/public_works-division/garbage_collection/scrub_events.php)

\*Face coverings and safe social distance will continue to be required at the City's facilities. City officials will continue to monitor the state of COVID-19 over time and adjust plans as necessary to protect City staff and the public.

## WNA Membership as of May 2021

New members are recognized with \*\* after their name(s). Welcome!

Special note, 2020 WNA Holiday Decorating Contest:

#1 People's Choice Winner, #2 WNA Board's Choice Winner

Albaugh, Steve & Lynda  
Ankeny, Ellie & Blaine Vriezelaar\*\*  
Bannister, Scott & Kathy  
Barr, Jud & Heidi  
Bates, Dennis & Sally  
Beckley, Stephen & Gretchen  
Bertness, Scott & Nancy  
Boesen, Bryan & Betsy  
Bookey, Harry & Pam Bass Bookey  
Bettis, Rita\*\*  
Branstad, Adrienne  
Brown, Peter & Lisa Holderness-Brown  
Bruner, Stephanie  
Bubar, Wallace & Gabriele Albrecht  
Burgeson, Lauren & Cooper Lewis  
Cameron, Steven  
Campbell, Jan  
Chase, Hal  
Cheeseman, Jeff  
Chivers, Theresa & David  
Clemens, Dave & Maxine  
Craiger, Holly & Fritz  
Crandell, Mark & Kitty  
Cutler, Kiley\*\*  
Deege, Scott & Lora  
DiDonato, Ann & Mike Fitzgerald  
Downing, Dr. Wendell  
Duffy, Pamela & Michael Carlson  
Duncan, Robert & Amanda  
Eckhouse, Herb & Kathy  
Ekstrand, Rebecca & Thomas Rosborough\*\*  
Elliott, Emily#1  
Erkamaa, Matti & Kendra  
Faber, Vern & Nancy  
Fisher, Bob  
Fleming, Jim & Allison  
Freude, Jeff & Laurie Wolf  
Fulton, Jay & Diane Kuhn  
Fuller, Lori  
Galeazzi, Dennis & Nancy  
Galenbeck, Scott & Leann Treloar  
Gartner, Mike & Michelle  
Garvin, Michael & Lindsay  
Gill, Austin & Molly  
Grassmeyer, Abby & Jeff\*\*  
Haakinson, Bill & Lori  
Hadek, Helena & Jay Villwock\*\*  
Haines, Bob & Emily  
Hanson, Frankie & Kevin Tu  
Harper, Josh & Stacy  
Heggen, Bill & Lynn  
Heiken, Thom & Vicki  
Heston, Bruce & Stacey  
Hetherington, Dr. Peter & Sue  
Hogan, Brady & Allison  
Horstmann, Rick & Laura  
Huber, Marti  
Keller, Mike & Rick Maruca  
Kempf, Ted & Stephanie  
Kisch, Thomas & Margo Hutcheson  
Klisares, Jeff & Becky  
Kneile, Robert & Ruth

Kobes, Joe & Jo  
Krantz, Mary  
Krone, Todd & Jacqueline#2  
Landis, Valerie  
Lilley, LaRayne & Rick Rask  
Mackaman, David & Laura  
Malcomson, Rob & Ginny  
Marquardt, Steve  
McClintock, Lindsay & Ryan  
McGreedy, Jeanette  
McMillin, Timothy & Seth Robb  
Miesner, Andrew & Ariella  
Moore, Sheryl & Jeremiah  
Movic, Mark & Susan Skinner  
Murphy, Courtney\*\*  
Murphy, Katherine  
Newland, Bill & LuAnn  
Overby, Walter\*\*  
Pattison, Brent & Laura Mate  
Pearson, April  
Pederson, Denny & Cheryl  
Peterson, Mike & Margaret  
Phillips, David & Christine Branstad  
Pokorny, David & Betsy  
Pollard, Tom & Julita  
Post, Scott & Diane  
Reece, Dr. Mark & Barb  
Reeves, Berry & Charlann  
Richards, Mike & Leighton  
Ricker, Ron & Kathleen  
Ritzler, Kathy & John  
Rogers, Aaron & Kristy  
Rosenberg, Steven & Keely  
Roy, Peg  
Satterstrom, Bill & Ginny  
Schroeder, Diane  
Scott, Deb  
Shadur, Craig & Kimberly  
Shannon, Zoe  
Shepherd, Wendell & Katie  
Sidon, Ashley & Jeffrey  
Spevak, James  
Steiff, Jeff & Sarah James  
Strief, Charles & Peggy  
Swanson, Channing & Michelle  
Tatge, Bob & Sandy  
Taylor, Dawn  
TeGrotenhuis, Jeff  
Thomas, Mark & Janice  
Townsend, Rod & Jenny  
Truslow, Ed & Nancy  
Tschetter, Joe  
Udrovich, Anthony  
Vald, Roman & Christy  
Vander Linden, Eric & Susan  
Wilke, Amy & John Hicklin  
Williams, Ted  
Windsor, Stephanie  
Wittmayer, Kreg & Emily  
Wolnerman, Michael & Missy  
Zelenovich, Jeff & Nikki  
Zuck, Amy



## Membership Form

**\$40** Family membership

**\$25** Individual membership

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email / Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- Family membership       Individual membership  
 New to the neighborhood       Currently from the neighborhood

WNA collects dues on a voluntary basis which go towards community projects, meetings, newsletters, our annual party & maintaining the integrity of our neighborhood. Paid dues are good for the calendar year!

### Two easy ways to become a member or pay dues!

#### Fill out, cut & mail form to:

Sarah Gusse,  
4914 Grand Avenue,  
Des Moines, IA 50312

#### Online at:

[www.westwoodneighboardsdsm.com](http://www.westwoodneighboardsdsm.com)

Click "Pay Dues"  
(Dues processed through PayPal)

