

Drake Neighborhood News



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I can not believe it is October, where has the time gone. It has been a busy and productive year in the Drake neighborhood and I have received numerous complements on the neighborhood in particular, on the beautiful gardens. I want to thank all you gardeners out there for your hours or toil in the soil.

There many projects in the works for the area. The Streetscape plan around Drake University is moving forward and we will need to raise funds for this major project in the future. If you are interested in serving on a steering committee please let me know.

The Roosevelt Cultural District is also working on traffic calming/ streetscape plan for the 42nd street area just north of the freeway and I recently received notification from the City Traffic and Transportation Department that they have recommended the construction of traffic signals on long 42nd Street.

We have several new businesses in the area for example a new pizza restaurant, coffee shop and an Oxygen bar in Dogtown. Please remember to support our local businesses.

Many homes are being renovated, new neighbors have moved in and the neighborhood has become a popular place to be seen.

For more information on any of the above projects please attend the annual meeting in December.

Marty

DNA EVENTS

November 2nd

Reggie's Sleep Out
Drake Stadium

November 17th, 9:00 a.m.

Workshop at Hoyt Sherman Place
Historic Preservation Commission
RSVP to jmvanessen@dmgov.org

December 6th, 6:30 p.m.

DNA Annual Meeting
First Christian Church

October 28th, November 11th & 25th, December 9th & 16th

Veritas, Redeemer Lutheran Church
Discussion 5:00 p.m., Dinner 6:00 p.m.
3615 University Ave.

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WELCOME SGT. PASCUZZI TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

DNA welcomes Sergeant Laura Pascuzzi who is replacing Sergeant Deb Richardson as our new neighborhood based police officer. Sgt. Pascuzzi has been a sergeant with the Des Moines Police Department for over ten years and brings a significant amount of experience to her new position. Always contact Sgt. Pascuzzi or any member of the Des Moines Police Department to report problems in our neighborhood.

Contact Information for Sgt. Pascuzzi

515-283-4965 (office) 515-205-2245 (cell) Email: lapascuzzi@dmgov.org

The DMPD has recently come out with a graffiti booklet to inform residents about the types of graffiti being done in our neighborhood, what it means, and how to report it. Check out the booklet through the following link on the DNA website:

http://www.drakeneighborhood.org/graffiti_booklet.pdf



**AN EXCLUSIVE OFFER FOR DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION MEMBERS**

The Des Moines Playhouse and the Drake Neighborhood Association have partnered to offer members the opportunity to buy discounted tickets to upcoming showings of *Tuck Everlasting*.

Offer good for shows Nov. 9-Nov. 25, 2007
7:00 PM Fri., 1:00 PM Sat., 1:00 PM & 4:00 PM Sun.

Save up to \$3.00 per adult ticket!

Online: Simply go to

http://purchase.tickets.com/buy/TicketPurchase?organ_val=3685&event_val=KTUK

Enter the coupon code JESSE (ALL CAPS) and click on "VALIDATE COUPON" to the right of the coupon code box. Be sure that the coupon code has been validated before continuing. *Note: You may need to copy and paste it into your web browser.*

By phone: Call 515-277-6261, Tuesday-Friday, Noon-6 PM. When calling, be sure to say "JESSE" before ordering to receive discount.

For more information on The Des Moines Playhouse production of *Tuck Everlasting*, with performance dates Nov. 9-Nov. 25, visit <http://www.dmplayhouse.com>.

DES MOINES REHABBERS CLUB

The Des Moines Rehabbers Club mission is to promote neighborhood revitalization and restoration of Des Moines' unique building stock by informing, educating, inspiring, and supporting each other in all phases of renovation from purchase to occupancy. We welcome members of all skill levels from novice to professional. General membership is free.

Our next meeting will be held on December 1, 2007 from 9:30 to 11:00 am location tba, please check our website soon for more details.

The Des Moines Rehabbers Club incorporates four key components:

- Monthly meetings – Each monthly meeting will have a different focus. Planned topics for future meetings include: tours of "works in progress," how-to sessions on renovation tasks like repairing wood windows, and presentations by city officials.
- Special Events – Planned evening class series will cover the renovation process from start to finish.
- E-Mail Group – A free e-mail group allows members to ask renovation related questions, get contractor referrals, and network with other rehabbers.
- Web Site – The Des Moines Rehabbers Club web site (<http://RenovateDSM.com>) will serve as an information clearinghouse for renovation related articles, project photos, and links.

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Board Meeting Minutes for the DNA Board Meeting can be found on the DNA website at : www.drakeneighborhood.org

NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE SALES

House Sales in the Drake Neighborhood Area for August and September 2007

Address	Sale Date	Sale Price	Year Built	Square Feet
1921 22nd St.	Sep 13, 2007	\$40,000	1912	960
1644 22nd St.	Sep 26, 2007	\$49,900	1915	1032
1700 23rd St.	Aug 13, 2007	\$29,900	1915	916
1503 23rd St.	Aug 8, 2007	\$143,000	1895	2528
966 27th St.	Sep 25, 2007	\$55,000	1903	624
1543 27th St.	Sep 28, 2007	\$24,000	1919	786
1515 30th St.	Aug 3, 2007	\$140,000	1900	1673
1648 30th St.	Aug 15, 2007	\$79,900	1915	709
1825 30th St.	Sep 23, 2007	\$205,000	1942	1715
1535 31st St.	Aug 2, 2007	\$107,500	1914	1076
1330 32nd St.	Sep 13, 2007	\$25,000	1917	1819
1326 32nd St.	Sep 1, 2007	\$92,000	1915	1172
1548 33rd St.	Sep 10, 2007	\$57,000	1900	882
1617 33rd St.	Sep 10, 2007	\$59,000	1920	864
1514 34th St.	Sep 6, 2007	\$55,000	1925	832
1125 36th St.	Aug 22, 2007	\$207,800	1905	1760
1915 37th St.	Sep 5, 2007	\$143,500	1928	1280
1011 38th St.	Aug 15, 2007	\$81,780	1923	959
900 38th St.	Aug 9, 2007	\$135,000	1938	1586
1011 38th St.	Aug 1, 2007	\$81,780	1923	959
1147 39th St.	Sep 11, 2007	\$94,000	1923	1400
912 40th St.	Sep 21, 2007	\$116,900	1885	1798
1230 40th St.	Aug 8, 2007	\$130,000	1922	1200
1314 40th St.	Aug 30, 2007	\$115,000	1920	1712
1305 41st St.	Aug 31, 2007	\$194,900	1922	1681
835 41st St.	Aug 21, 2007	\$86,950	1923	828
1245 42nd St.	Sep 25, 2007	\$199,000	1915	2240
1015 42nd St.	Sep 21, 2007	\$36,700	1910	1448
1647 Beaver Ave.	Aug 29, 2007	\$151,000	1939	1273
3806 Cottage Grove Ave.	Sep 16, 2007	\$295,500	1910	2428
4220 Franklin Ave.	Aug 14, 2007	\$175,000	1958	1700
3919 Maquoketa Dr.	Aug 2, 2007	\$254,900	1924	1879
1616 M L King Jr Pkwy.	Aug 10, 2007	\$34,000	1910	960
1653 Marella Trl.	Aug 1, 2007	\$189,900	1932	1221
2107 Mondamin Ave.	Aug 10, 2007	\$14,000	1912	767
2107 Mondamin Ave.	Aug 23, 2007	\$21,000	1912	767
4216 Northwest Dr.	Aug 17, 2007	\$137,900	1939	1115
1620 Northwest Dr.	Sep 14, 2007	\$174,000	1922	1456
3117 School St.	Aug 8, 2007	\$127,000	1920	1440
3117 School St.	Sep 20, 2007	\$130,000	1920	1440
4019 University Ave.	Aug 31, 2007	\$140,000	1914	1440

DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The Drake Neighborhood Association will hold our annual meeting on December 6th, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us for refreshments, discussion of current neighborhood events, and election of the board of directors. There are at least three vacant board of directors positions, if you are interested in serving, please contact board members Jen Sayers or Betsey Qualley to submit your nomination. This is your opportunity to get more involved in your neighborhood, we'll see you there!

If you would like to share information through our newsletter, please be considerate of the deadlines; articles for the next newsletter must be sent to Betsey Qualley at betseyfrench11@mac.com no later than December 15th. This is a coordination of volunteer efforts.

DABA Spotlight



The Holiday Inn Express At Drake is in its eleventh year of operation. We have just completed a renovation that included redoing the 52 rooms completely and adding a new look to the lobby to bring the Hotel up to todays styles and offering that travelers expect in there hotel and hotel rooms today.

As always we offer a FREE Express Start breakfast, high-speed wireless, and local calls. We have one meeting room that can accommodate up to 20 people that is perfect for a small get together.

We are a perfect neighborhood hotel for all smaller events or overnight visits by family.

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