

Drake Neighborhood News



ANNUAL HISTORIC HOME TOUR

This year the Drake Neighborhood sponsors its 22nd annual Historic Home Tour. Several neighbors have agreed to open their homes for the tour. A special thanks to those folks hosting for the first time!!!

This year you will be touring the section of the neighborhood that lies just east and north of the Roosevelt Cultural District. To date, the tour includes homes on 35th street, 39th and 40th Street and on Kingman Blvd. Most of the homes on tour were built very early in the 20th century- 1912-1919, with a couple others constructed in the '20s and '30s.

It has been 10 years since the Des Moines Community Playhouse has been included as a tour stop. This year you can wander backstage and see the costume room, the green room and dressing rooms. Historic photos from the Playhouse archives will be on display. Please note, however, this tour is available Saturday ONLY, as a matinee is scheduled Sunday afternoon.

There are still homes that will need volunteers to serve as ticket takers. Contact us early to ensure you get the shift that works best in your schedule. Then use the rest of the day to take the tour FREE as a thank you for your assistance.

Drake Neighborhood Association 2008 Historic Home Tour

Dates: Saturday June 7th and Sunday June 8th

Times: 11:00 am to 5:00 p.m. each day (ticket sales end at 4:00 p.m. each day)

Tour starts: 2700 University

Advance tickets: \$10, available (starting in May) at:

Drake Diner - 1111 25 th Street	Dahl's Foods - 1819 Beaver Ave
Mars Café -2318 University	Hy-vee Drugstore-4100 University Ave
Dahl's Foods - 3425 Ingersoll	Playhouse Box Office- 831 42 nd Street

Tickets on Tour day: \$15 at 2700 University

DNA EVENTS

May 8th

DNA Quarterly Meeting

June- September

Beginning June 4th
Drake Area Farmer's Market
First Christian Church Parking Lot
25th & University

June 7-8th

Drake Neighborhood Tour of
Historic Homes
Greek Food Fair

June 11-14th

NCAA Div. I National
Championship- Drake Stadium

July

Jazz in July

July 12th-18th

Roosevelt Cultural District
Festival Week

July 31st

DNA Quarterly Meeting

August 5th

National Night Out

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DNA Quarterly Meeting May 8th, 2008

Please join us for the second quarterly meeting of 2008 at the First Christian Church at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We'll have guest speaker, Marcia Leaper from Garden Gate magazine talking about tips for creating fabulous containers. We'll also be discussing the upcoming house tour and the farmer's market. This is a great opportunity to meet some of your neighbors and get ready for spring!



**SMART
TIPS
FOR FABULOUS
CONTAINERS**

Join Marcia Leaper from Garden Gate magazine as she gives great tips on how to create your own fabulous containers at the Drake Neighborhood Associations quarterly meeting.

Thursday, May 8th, 2008, 7 p.m., First Christian Church, 25th & University

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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 June 15th. This is a coordination of volunteer efforts.

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

Drake University Furniture Give Away

The Drake University Dorm furniture give away is as follows: We will have about 400 units to give out. A unit is a steel bed frame (single 36"X 76"), A mattress, A desk, A two position desk chair, There will be about 275 small 3 drawer dressers that match the desk.

There will be some odds and ends furniture as well (limited). A group may take all or part of a unit.

The pickup will begin at 8:00 a.m. sharp on Wednesday May 21. First come first serve. It will go until 5:00 p.m. that day and will resume the next day until everything is gone. The pickup is on 28th street on Drake campus. Enter off Forest avenue. The Exit will be on to University avenue.

Please share this with any non-profit group in Iowa.

Gigantic Rummage Sale!

Saturday, May 3rd

8 – 3 p.m. (1/2 price Sale @ 1 p.m.)

First Christian Church

2500 University Avenue

Fundraiser for youth mission trip



Furniture, clothes, toys, books, bake sale goodies and more!!!

DNA Business Spotlight

Frank's Pizza

Location: 2314 University Ave, Des Moines

Phone: 515-369-2430

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 4pm- 10pm, Fri-Sat 11am-11pm, & Sunday 4pm-9pm

www.frankspizzadm.com

Frank's is locally owned by two Des Moines natives, Justin Gross and Anthony Lemmo. Frank's features four specialty pizzas and one featured pizza as well as a build your own option. Starting April 1st they added three new items to the menu, a meatball sandwich with homemade sauce warmed in the pizza oven to perfection, an eggplant sandwich which is breaded eggplant, pesto spread and smoke provolone on focaccia bread. Last but not least is the lasagna, vegetarian w/ Graziano sausage as an option on top.

Open for dine in or take out.

During April and May neighbors from the Drake Neighborhood can bring in this newsletter and receive \$3.00 off a large specialty pizza or the take out special of buy one get the second for 1/2 price!

Stop by and check out Frank's Pizza voted runner up for the best pizza in Des Moines from Cityview's best of survey!



The Des Moines Playhouse and the Drake Neighborhood Association have partnered to offer members the opportunity to buy discounted tickets to this upcoming show.

"Holes" is the hugely popular book and film -- now stage production-- about a group of boys at Camp Green Lake who dig holes under the watchful eye of The Warden. It's great adventure, and the plot's many turns include a Gypsy curse and the legend of Kissin' Kate Barlow.



Here's some fun insider info: The set is made of recycled lumber and found objects, and contains 15.6 tons of sand!

**Offer good for Shows May 2-18, 2008
Save up to \$3.00 per adult ticket!**

Online: Simply go to:

[http://purchase.tickets.com/buy/
TicketPurchase?](http://purchase.tickets.com/buy/TicketPurchase?)

[organ_val=3685&event_val=KHOL](http://purchase.tickets.com/buy/TicketPurchase?organ_val=3685&event_val=KHOL)

Enter the coupon code ZIGZAG (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.

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

DNA Environmental Responsibility

In an attempt to educate and keep our neighborhood green, we have started a new column packed with green tips for you. These tips have been found in a variety of sources all of which will be cited. If you have some tips to share or questions that you would like to pose, please send them to schabel.claudia@principal.com.

Can you chuck your yogurt carton into the recycling bin?

The Bite

It depends on your recycling program. Figuring out exactly what's recyclable can be harder than navigating the shoe section during clearance season, but our cheat-sheet makes at least one of these tasks a whole lot easier.

The Benefits

- **Less confusion.** Proper disposal ensures that your recyclables end up in the right place.
- **Save energy.** Recycling an aluminum can takes 96% less energy than creating a new one.
- **Less landfill.** According to the EPA, 75% of Americans' trash can be recycled, but only 25% actually is.
- **Cleaner groundwater.** Most landfill liners are just 1/10th of an inch thick, so toxins from garbage often leak into the groundwater.

Recycling 1:1

General

- **Earth911** (<http://earth911.org/>)- Local listings of where you can recycle anything under the sun.
- You don't need to remove labels from cans and bottles, but you do need to remove plastic caps (and throw them away).
- Your recyclables don't need to be spotless - just not moldy or full of food. Save water - don't rinse 'til clean.

Glass- Unbroken bottles are easier to sort than broken ones.

Metal- Most containers, such as tins and cans, and aluminum foil.

Paper- Newspapers, magazines, photocopies, shoe boxes, envelopes (including ones with glassine windows).

Plastic

- **Plastics #1-#2** – recyclable in most areas. Usually found in 2-liter and detergent bottles, milk jugs and food containers.
- **Plastics #3-#7** – more difficult to recycle (check first), they are found in Styrofoam, shrink wrap, padded envelopes, trash liners & more.
- **Yogurt Cups** - recyclable in most areas, especially the #2 plastic kind.
- **Grocery Bags** - reuse them first! You usually can't recycle them curbside, but some supermarkets have recycling bins in-store. Try to avoid them altogether by bringing your own canvas grocery bag to the store.

Source: Ideal Bite <http://www.idealbite.com/tiplibrary/today>

LET US EMAIL YOU!

Please send your email address and any other updated information to info@drakeneighborhood.org. All information provided to the DNA will be used only to provide you with pertinent neighborhood information and will not be sold to anyone. By providing the DNA with your email address will ensure that you receive up to date information regarding the neighborhood and volunteer opportunities. Help us save some trees by allowing us to email you!

NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE SALES

House Sales in the Drake Neighborhood Area for February 6, 2008 and April 10, 2008

Address	Sale Date	Sale Price	Year Built	Square Feet
1522 23rd St.	02/06/08	74,900	1912	1198
1821 24th Dr.	03/28/08	63,000	1915	768
1014 26th St.	03/13/08	136,500	1889	2424
955 27th St.	02/11/08	10,000	1890	902
981 27th St.	03/13/08	40,000	1903	1019
1804 27th St.	03/05/08	184,900	1922	2379
1631 32nd St.	03/29/08	163,900	1960	960
1525 34th St.	02/25/08	73,400	1912	1063
1074 35th St.	02/13/08	143,900	1909	2000
1114 37th St.	02/14/08	70,000	1910	1528
1135 39th St.	03/11/08	149,900	1923	1177
2011 40th Pl.	02/27/08	109,900	1940	741
3821 Cottage Grove Ave.	03/23/08	420,000	1904	2166
3217 Iola Ave.	03/31/08	93,500	1912	920
3121 Iola Ave.	03/14/08	100,000	1911	989
3802 Kingman Blvd.	03/20/08	157,500	1940	1344
1741 Marella Trl.	02/13/08	76,000	1941	995
1715 Marella Trl.	03/27/08	175,000	1933	1610
2732 Mondamin Ave.	02/20/08	37,000	1918	779
2806 Rutland Ave.	03/24/08	205,800	1904	2012
2808 School St.	03/25/08	94,500	1924	1320
2215 Washington Ave.	03/10/08	69,000	1925	1248

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Contact any member of the Neighborhood Based Service Delivery (NBSD) team with questions or concerns regarding neighborhood issues.

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