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MISSION

The Beaverdale Neighborhood Association is neighbors working together to promote the social welfare of the Beaverdale area by bringing about civic betterment and social improvements for the common good of the community.

MEMBERSHIP

The BNA is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, nonprofit organization. Membership is open to the public, may be tax deductible and could be eligible for a matching gift from your employer. To join or get involved, visit www.beaverdale.org or follow us on Facebook @beaverdaleneighborhood.

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Dear Neighbors,

I hope you have all been enjoying this wonderful summer. The BNA has been busy with our typical summer activities and we are looking forward to the events planned for this fall.

The board is always looking for ways to improve events and the neighborhood. Reach out if you have

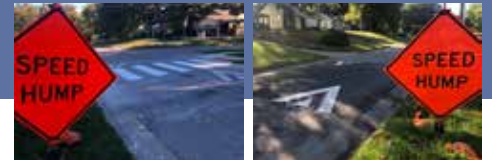
any feedback, ideas, or concerns.

Stay cool and we will see you at the Fall Festival!

Sincerely,

Marcus Coenen,
BNA President

SPEED HUMPS AND TABLES ON 38TH ST PROVE EFFECTIVE TO SLOW DOWN DRIVERS



Speed control features have been added to 38th Street in Beaverdale, adjacent to Ashby Park. Neighbors there had raised concerns about vehicles speeding down the hills between Douglas and Adams Avenues.

The city has installed a speed table near the entrance to the park. The speed table has a flat top with a surprisingly low rise, is painted with arrows and also serves as a crosswalk. City Traffic Engineer John Davis said the speed table is only about 3.5" high and is designed to allow vehicles to maintain the speed limit without slowing down. Farther north, the city installed a speed hump made of blacktop. It doesn't have the flat top but also rises 3.5" above the roadway. Davis said it's the same size as those installed elsewhere in the city, and that both the speed hump and speed table have proven effective in Des Moines and in national studies.

Both installations are only on the downhill from Adams Avenue heading north. As for the hill running from Douglas Ave. south to Amick, there are no plans to add a speed control device. Davis said, "During the planning and public input phases it was proposed moving on-street parking from the east side to west side, north of Ovid. The intent was to create friction and visual cues for those leaving Douglas (high speed and volume) and going down the hill on 38th (lower speed, local street). Responses from neighbors in this area had this element removed from the proposed design."

Davis also said a sidewalk is being added on the west side of the street from Douglas to the bottom of the hill to get people walking to and from Ashby Park out of the street. He adds that a 3-part chicane, which narrows the road and adds curves that will force traffic to slow down, will be added near the bottom of the hill.

COONEY'S TAVERN LEGACY CONTINUES — WELCOME JOE LEINEN! OWNER PASSES APRON TO FRIEND AND 9-YEAR COONEY'S VETERAN

Cooney's Tavern has been a Beaverdale staple since 1984. Brian Cooney opened the tavern after a Beaverdale summer job helping out at the Holy Trinity and operated the tavern on the east side of Beaver Avenue until the construction of Casey's necessitated a move across the street during a snowy night in 2004 in which many Beaverdale veterans still recall picking up furniture, beer in hand, and carrying it to its present home at 3708 Beaver Avenue. Brian has greeted many neighbors and new businesses to Beaverdale over the years and contributed to the success of neighborhood events such as Beaverdale Bluegrass Festival. All things change however and on October 3, 2022 Brian handed off the apron for the last time as the owner.



As has been the case, it's not without a plan. Next up in the ownership batter's box is Joe Leinen, a nine year veteran of Cooney's, with time spent at Raccoon River Brewing, Exile and most recently Beer Styles. And so the Cooney's tradition lives on, stop over to say hi to Joe and you might even find Brian serving one up from time to time.



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Service Legends one last time for being our first ever presenting sponsor and our knights in shining armor. We'll be back again next year, so mark your calendars for September 15 & 16, 2023! We'll see you at the Festival!

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Beaverdale Farmers Market ended Sept. 13 this year, every Tuesday at 4801 Franklin Avenue in the west parking lot of Franklin Junior High. We had a great season with vendors selling produce, prepared foods, food items and arts and crafts items. We had musical entertainment from 4:00 to 7:00 every week.

This year the market provided compostable silverware for our customers to use when eating food at the market and gave our customers cloth reusable market bags for their purchases.



In the 2022 season, the market was supported by local sponsors and friends of the market. The sponsors include Ace Hardware, Green State Credit Union, Calvin Community, Meylor Chiropractic, Boesen Florist, Choice Creative Solutions-Community Choice Credit Union, Franklin Junior High, Snookies, Happy DSM, Beaverdale Eye PC, Back Country Outfitters, Fareway Meat Market, Iowa Realty-Brette Dowson Puhl and MercyOne Beaverdale Clinic.

Beaverdale Farmers Market is a 501c3, managed by an all-volunteer board of directors. We'd love for you to join our volunteer team for next year. To learn more, email info@beaverdalefarmersmarket.org or call at 515-650-1652.

Our thanks to everyone for a great 2022 Beaverdale Farmers Market. We will see you next summer!

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Beautification Public Affairs Special Events

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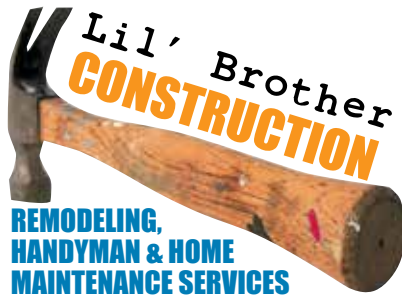


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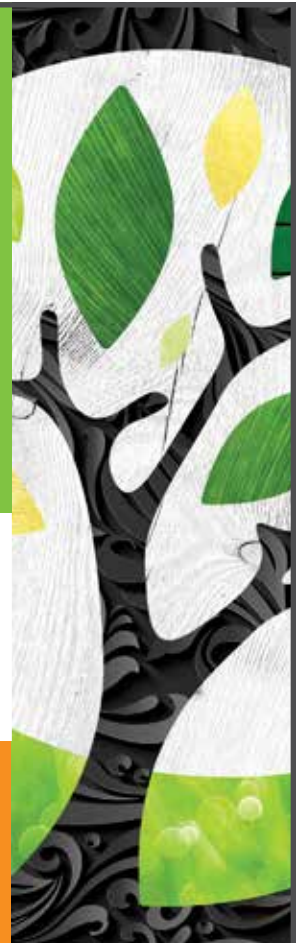
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Two common hurdles for small rural farmers are the challenges of getting products to market, and finding time to attend farmer's markets. The IFC helps overcome these issues by connecting producers directly to buyers via our online ordering system and storefront.

The IFC storefront, located just east of the Franklin Ave Library, is open to both members and non-members. Feel free to stop in and check out our seasonally rotating products and our friendly staff!

Members go online to purchase a wide range of products listed by numerous producers. These include extremely fresh seasonal vegetables, dairy, baked goods, sauces, jams and seasonings, beverages, handcrafts, prepared dishes and many kinds of frozen meat. Members picking up orders at the Franklin site can make additional purchases from our onsite shop. Note we accept EBT payments.

People purchasing from the IFC often know more about their food when compared to shopping with more mainstream food retailers. This is because each producer selling online has a profile page that tells their story and describes their practices (organic, gluten-free, free-range, grass-fed etc.). If the consumer has additional questions they can contact the producer directly or inquire with IFC staff. This also applies post-purchase, if a consumer is dissatisfied (or pleased!) they can contact the producer directly or via the IFC email sent out after each cycle precisely to facilitate such communication.

The Iowa Food Coop bottom line: we deliver high quality, locally produced food to consumers that are not only interested in good fresh local food, but are also enthused about supporting small local farms and helping diversify Iowa's agriculture. In the end we are helping Iowans produce healthy food for other Iowans, sustainably.

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THE 2023 GARDEN WALK DATE IS SET! JOIN US JUNE 10TH FROM 9AM-3PM

The BNA Beautification Committee has set the date for the 2023 Garden Walk as June 10th and we hope to feature 7 neighborhood gardens. The gardens are open to the public from 9 AM to 3 PM. We like to have a variety of different types of gardens, so if your garden is sunny or shady, large or small, vegetable or flower, has a rain garden or chickens, a cool deck or patio, contact us to visit your garden. We would love to see it. You can contact Nancy Dunbar at dunbar.nancy@gmail.com or 515-255-2671. We hope to see your garden soon!



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The new Scooter's Coffee shop located at Beaver and Douglas Avenues is scheduled to open in late December or early January, depending on construction progress. As of this writing, the frame of the new building is up.

Scooter's will be open daily from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. and will offer drive-through service and a walk-up window. It replaces an abandoned gas station building that sat at the corner for 14 years. It was knocked down to make room for the new Scooter's.

BNA QUARTERLY MEETING — **NEW DATE!** WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

The BNA will be hosting its next Quarterly Meeting on Wednesday, November 9th at the Northwest Community Center, 5110 Franklin Avenue. Social time will begin at 6:30 and the meeting will begin at 7pm. The agenda will include updates from the Beautification, Public Affairs, and Special Events committees, as well as Officer Trudy Paulson from the Des Moines Police Department. **We will have two special speakers, one from the Franklin Ave. Library, and Amber Lynch, from Invest DSM. Beaverdale residents are encouraged to attend and learn how they can obtain FREE MONEY to improve the exterior of their homes. Refreshments will be served.** We hope you can join us too!

