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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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Hi Neighbors,

By the time you read this, the 2018 Beaverdale Bluegrass Festival will be in the history books and, I predict, the record book as well. Attendance at this event has grown tremendously over the past few years and we're expecting -- and planning for -even greater numbers this year. To that end, we've secured more food trucks, more volunteers, more of everything.

As with virtually everything we do in this neighborhood, the Bluegrass Festival would not be possible without the support of the Polk County Board of Supervisors and, especially, our own Angela Connolly. Both the BNA and the Beaverdale Business Coalition apply for grants every year. In addition to helping fund the Bluegrass Festival, this year's BNA Polk County grant will make possible our membership drive and a family fitness event we're working on for this fall.

Also critical to the success of neighborhood events are the many volunteers who step up and give of their time. I want to personally thank BBC Board Chair Jay Kozel for his hard work co-chairing the Bluegrass Festival Committee, as well as Joe Raymond and Wendell Eck who handled all of the logistics and mechanicals this year, as they have in years past.

This year's Tour of Homes was a rousing success. Many thanks to the committee members and to the neighbors who opened their homes. Beaverdale is a pretty special place and the variety of homes and generosity of their owners and caretakers are proof positive of that.

National Night Out is August 7, 2018 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Beaver Bend (the intersections of Beaver, 41st Street and Franklin Avenue). Let's show our support for those who

keep us safe and join together with our families at this fun, annual event.

In my last letter, I told you about the projects planned for Ashby Park and Witmer Park. The Ashby Park project is well underway and the transformation is remarkable. At our last Board meeting, the BNA Board voted to work with the Drake Neighborhood Association on raising funds for new playground equipment and restroom facilities at Witmer Park (those features are not covered by the grant and other funds allocated to that project).

While the historical nature and beauty of Beaverdale set us apart from other neighborhoods, we continue in our efforts to attract new businesses while maintaining the unique character of the neighborhood. We met recently with the Douglas Avenue Coalition and Jeff Young, owner of the former Franklin Jr. High/First Federated Church property, to talk about proposed developments in those areas. I'll continue to update our Facebook page as those projects develop.

Remember the Beaverdale Farmers' Market is every Tuesday through September on Urbandale Avenue west of Beaver. There's another event that's exploded over the past few years, thank to the committee, participants and attendees.

As always, if I can do anything for you or the neighborhood, let me know at ibsonlaw@yahoo.com.

CeCe Ibson, BNA President

FLOODING, NEIGHBORHOOD SEWER REPAIR, AND WHAT TO DO BE AWARE, BE NEIGHBORLY, BE PERSISTENT!

An unexpected torrent of rain gauged the ability of the infrastructure to accommodate the rain event. Some of our neighbors have experienced the resulting devastation many times in the past twenty years. Des Moines and Polk County officials are discussing options for financial assistance to ease the financial burdens to make repairs. To date, the total number of residents affected is over 5,500 with over 60 businesses. City Councilman Bill Gray stated that the council will be pushing for additional monies from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The application process will be released soon.

At its monthly meeting on July 12, 2018, the BNA Board adopted a resolution stating, in part, "The Beaverdale Neighborhood Association supports that Des Moines City Council's inquiry and review of the City's response to this rain event [and] support the City of Des Moines and Polk County in its seeking of a Presidential Disaster Relief Proclamation." This Resolution has been delivered to the City of Des Moines, Polk County and the offices of Joni Ernst, Chuck Grassley and David Young.

Be wary of construction scams. Some have used past disasters to prey on people. Ask contractors and construction companies for their Iowa license. Iowa law requires that they all have a valid license to do business. Also, check plumbers at licensediniowa.gov and electricians at iowaelectrical.gov.

Now is especially the time to be our best as neighbors. Check on those in need of mowing, moving or removing damaged property, transportation, and shopping. When we all pull the load together, it is lighter for all of us. Let's be Beaverdale!

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BEAVERDALE FALL FESTIVAL - NEW WEBSITE SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2018! FALLFESTIVAL.ORG

This year, the Beaverdale Fall Festival will be celebrating the diversity and inclusiveness of Beaverdale with the theme of "One Neighborhood - Many Faces". Our neighbors come in many shapes, sizes, ages, races, and genders - and we want to celebrate ALL of our neighbors! Visit www.fallfestival.org for more information. On our new website, you can do all of the following:

- 1. Volunteer to work at the festival
- 2. Sign up to be a Food or Non-Food Vendor
- 3. Sign up to be in the New Talent Show
- 4. Sign up to be in the Dog Parade
- 5. Sign up to be an Arts and Crafts Vendor
- 6. Sign up to be in the parade...
 - and don't forget about the Parade FLOAT CONTEST!!

BEAVERDALE'S NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK CAPTAIN PROGRAM

With the able assistance of Lt. Larry Davey and Officer Stephanie Swartz from the Des Moines Police Department, we are adding more Block Captains in our neighborhood. The more eyes and ears practicing "See Something, Say Something" the safer we all will be. "Light, Look and Lock" are the three major keys for the Watch Program. Motion detection outdoor lights and cameras are great prevention tools. They are easy to install and some are priced very reasonably. If you have any questions about that equipment or its installation, just call Brent or me. And last but not least, lock everything. Most burglaries are crimes of convenience.

If you are interested in joining the Watch Program, I'll send you all the material you will need electronically. Just transmit your request to me at mikeandjeanmcc@msn.com. Stay safe: Watch Program Co-coordinators: Mike McCarthy and Brent Millis



BEAVERDALE'S TOUR OF HOMES



BEAVERDALE'S SECOND BIENNIAL TOUR OF HOMES EVENT A LOOK INSIDE THE HOMES THAT GIVE BEAVERDALE ITS UNIQUE CHARM

On Saturday, June 9th, the BNA hosted its second biennial Tour of Homes event. 535 guests toured seven different homes to garner renovation and decorating ideas. Guests were treated to glimpses of big-wheel bicycles, pedestal sinks, vaulted ceilings, crystal and chrome chandeliers, Mid-century Mod light fixtures and beautiful oak paneling that was lovingly stripped by hand over a period of years and reinstated to its original form. Two of the homes even had guest houses; many commented that the guest houses were nicer than parts of their own homes!

Attendance was up nearly 10% from our first Tour of Homes event, and we raised a significant sum of money that will be applied to neighborhood improvements. This event wouldn't have been possible without the very generous sponsorships from local businesses to offset the costs of publicity, as well as the hard work of a number of volunteers. A very special thank you to all of our wonderful homeowners who graciously opened their homes for viewing—you all have lovely homes and can be proud of the work you've done to make them attractive! Finally, thanks also to Beaverdale's Grounds for Celebration store and their staff who sold tickets for the event.

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BEAVERDALE BUSINESS COALITION HELPING PROMOTE BEAVERDALE AS A DESTINATION BUSINESS DISTRICT



The Beaverdale Business Coalition held its Annual Meeting in June, during which it bid a fond farewell to CeCe Ibson, who served on the board for six years and acted as Vice President for the last three. CeCe's tenure was indispensable to establishing and growing events like the Beaverdale Bluegrass Festival and Shop Hop. She helped reorient the BBC toward business district advocacy after the completion of the Streetscape and was a catalyst for increased

collaboration between the BBC and BNA. The BBC would like to thank CeCe for her service, and is buoyed to know that CeCe will continue her neighborhood volunteerism as President of the BNA.

In the wake of the Annual Meeting, the BBC is seeking new members. If you are the owner or operator of a business based in Beaverdale and are interested in helping promote Beaverdale as a destination business district, please email beaverdalebusinesscoalition@gmail.com.

Looking forward to the second half of 2018, the BBC will continue to host its small business showcase, Better in Beaverdale, on the last Thursday of every month (through October). Preparations will also begin shortly for the annual Shop Hop, scheduled this year for Saturday, December 1st. Keep up with BBC goings-on by visiting beaverdalebusinesscoalition.org, or following the BBC on Facebook (@BeaverdaleBusinessCoalition and @BetterBeaverdale), Twitter (@bvrdalebusiness), and Instagram (@BeaverdaleBusinessCoalition). Share your love for Beaverdale business by using #betterinbeaverdale.

Thanks to everyone who supports local Beaverdale business!





BEAVERDALE FARMERS MARKET TUESDAYS FROM 4:00-7:30 P.M. THROUGH SEPTEMBER 11TH!

It's been a great season at the Beaverdale Farmers Market! Iowa-grown produce, eggs, honey, plus baked goods, flowers and crafts brought to you by 40+ local vendors. Enjoy foods and beverages prepared on site and lots of seating by the music tent. Remember to bring some cash for the tip jars! Come and hear:

July 31 - Jon Reinders August 7 - Genevieve Salamone August 14 - Ace Jones August 21 - Tricia Holly August 28 - Aaron Earl Short September 4 - Jeffrey Scott Band September 11 - Royce Johns

We're open every Tuesday from 4:00-7:30 p.m., through September 11. Market visitors can park in the Acanthus Lodge or Holy Trinity lots (enter from Beaver Avenue). Visit www.beaverdalefarmersmarket.org and like us on Facebook @beaverdalefarmfest for the latest on vendors and music.

BNA QUARTERLY MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 14TH, 7:00 PM

The next quarterly meeting of the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association will be held on August 14, 2018 at the Northwest Community Center. Social time begins at 6:30 and the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Any person wishing to be on the agenda for this meeting must contact Board president CeCe Ibson at ibsonlaw@yahoo.com by no later than August 8, 2018.

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WHY YOU SHOULD BECOME A DUES-PAYING MEMBER OF THE BNA YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES SUPPORT AND WHAT

Established in 1917, Beaverdale has been consistently named one of the top I neighborhoods in Greater Des Moines. It was even named as one of the prettiest neighborhoods in America by Forbes Magazine. The Beaverdale Neighborhood Association (BNA) represents thousands of households as the official voice of the neighborhood on issues of community concern. In addition to organizing many of the city's biggest events throughout the year, the BNA sponsors activities with local schools and non-profits. We also help host community forums and are active in promoting Neighborhood Watch efforts throughout Beaverdale. Many residents appreciate the public gardens, cleanliness of the area parks for events, and new trees springing up within Beaverdale. All are services that the BNA is proud to coordinate. The Beaver Avenue Streetscape is one of the biggest achievements between the BNA and our area partners. We look forward to continuing that progress throughout the neighborhood in the coming years.

For many of our residents, paid membership in the BNA is a no-brainer. We've been fortunate to have many new individuals and families moving to the neighborhood, though, and a frequent question is, "so what does my membership fee pay for?" For starters, none of the BNA board members or volunteers are paid. Membership fees are used exclusively for neighborhood activities. This includes events like the Easter Egg Hunt, Grass Seats Cinema, the annual Bluegrass Festival, National Night Out, the Shop Hop, and the Holiday Lights Contest. In addition to the assistance received from our dedicated business advertisers, membership fees are also used to pay for the quarterly printing of the Sidewalk, the Official Publication of the BNA.

As always, your membership is voluntary and very much appreciated. Please consider becoming a dues-paying member of the Beaverdale Neighborhood Association and show your support for our neighborhood today!



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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS:

□ \$20.00 Individual □ \$40.00 Family \$60.00 Business

□\$_ Premier: Donate contribution in other amount.

*The BNA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3). Your membership may be tax deductible and could be eligible for a matching gift from your employer.

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST:

BEAVERDALE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES: Beautification

Special Events

BEAVERDALE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION GENERAL INTEREST:

Public Affairs

Interested in serving on the BNA Board

Other Skills/Interests:

BEAVERDALE BUSINESS COALITION (BBC):

Business District Advocacy

BEAVERDALE FALL FESTIVAL (FALLFESTIVAL.ORG):

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ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AUGUST 7TH, 2018 AT 6PM!

Please join the BNA, the Des Moines Police and Fire Departments, Westminster Presbyterian Church, and local businesses as they sponsor National Night Out. This is a free, kid-friendly event, held at Beaver Bend (the intersection of Beaver and Franklin Avenues and 41st St.). Last year's event featured fire trucks, police patrols, a dump truck, a Drake athletics tent (complete with Spike), superheroes, the Isiserette's at Chef's Kitchen, free popcorn at Westminster, free hot dogs at Price Chopper, and free cotton candy at Player's, in addition to free pony rides and 50-cent ice cream cones at Snookie's. While details for this year's event are yet to be determined, you can expect similar fun activities that the whole family can enjoy together. This year's National Night Out will be Tuesday, August 7th, beginning at 6pm. Please come out to meet your neighbors and promote safety in the City of Des Moines on August 7th!





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BNA BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE ADOPTS URBANDALE AVENUE PART OF DSM ADOPT-A-STREET PROGRAM

The Beaverdale Beautification Committee decided to officially adopt Urbandale Ave. as part of Des Moines' Adopt-a-Street program. The committee had participated in the Adopt-a-Highway program for many years and picked up trash along I-235 each spring and fall on a designated day with the DOT. When changes were made during the reconstruction of the highway, with new walls, landscaping, and mulch; it was noted there was much less trash to pick up each year. So it was decided to focus attention closer to our own neighborhood. The first cleanup occurred on April 21st at 1 PM. Thanks to Eugene Buckmiller, his daughter Barb, Nancy Dunbar, John Holtorf, Norm Iverson, Rob Schaffner, Terry Thielen, John Troester and his son for helping. And Jean Swanson, Marion and Carolyn Wissler for support. The cleanup started at 49th Street and proceeded east all the way to 34th Street through the median. Trash and twigs, (mostly twigs) that had accumulated over the winter were collected on Eugene's trailer. Eugene intends to monitor the median on a regular basis, but encourages everyone who lives, runs, or walks along the street to pick up trash when they see it. Especially on Mondays after the weekly trash collection. Items are often found that escape during pickup. We plan to have our next official cleanup around Fall Festival time. In the meantime, let's all help keep our neighborhood beautiful by picking up trash when we see it.

BEAVERDALE BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL 2018 RECORD TURNOUT...AGAIN!

On Saturday, July 14th, the BNA and BBC jointly hosted the annual Beaverdale Bluegrass Festival in Tower Park. Over a thousand people attended the free concert of Bluegrass and Americana music, featuring a headlining set from Wood and Wire of Austin, TX and a slate of local acts. The BNA and BBC would like to thank festival sponsors Polk County and Supervisor Angela Connolly, Davis Insurance and Progressive Insurance, Edencrest, Mercy Beaverdale, Meylor Chiropractic, Cooney's, Project7, Ibson Law, Snookies, Players Sports Bar & Grill, AIM Kitchen & Bath, and Calvin Community. We'd also like to thank the many volunteers who helped set up, tend bar, and tear down, as well as Jeff Young of Franklin Jr. High for use of his parking lot, Des Moines Water Works for their assistance in lighting the water tower, and the Host Country for generously donating a portion of their merchandise sales to the festival. The Beaverdale Bluegrass Festival will return to Tower Park next July. We hope to see you all there for another great edition!

