

DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

Know Where to Go Before the Snow Odd/Even Side Snow Parking is in Effect

New for the 2012/2013 snow season all residential streets will be plowed after 2 inch snowfall. Most streets will be cleared with larger snow plows known as "wing-plows". Wing-plows can clear a path 14 feet wide. This larger path requires vehicles to be off the street to make the equipment as efficient as possible. Therefore parking will be restricted until residential streets are plowed curb to curb.

Our neighborhood has a unique exception to the parking restrictions. Due to the high density of multi-family structures with limited off-street parking we have been included in the "Odd/Even Side Street Parking" program. During snow removal operations, vehicles must be parked on the odd side of the street on odd dates. The "odd side" of the street is the side with the odd numbered house.

For example, the side of the street with house numbers 719, 723, 729 would be on the odd side. If snow removal is happening on the 21st of the month, if your vehicle is parked on the street it must be parked along the curb nearest the odd numbered houses.

On Even dates, you must move your car to the even side of the street. If no buildings exist on the block, remember the odd side of the street is the north and east. The even side is the south and west.

In October, supplemental signs were added to the "No Parking" signs on various streets within our neighborhood. These signs will say "Except During Snow Removal on Even (Odd) Dates". These signs will serve as a reminder of the need to be on the correct side of the street as well as allow for parking on the "No Parking" side of the street only during snow removal operations.

The parking restrictions are enforced from 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. By 7 a.m. your vehicle must be on the correct side of the street.

32nd & Forest Development

At this time, there is a proposed zoning change for the empty buildings across from the Taco Bell/KFC. This zoning change approval would limit what the developer can put into that location and it requires that the site plan be approved by the Drake Neighborhood Association Board and the City Council. The Drake Neighborhood Association Board approves the zoning change, but has no position on the proprosed apartment building. We will keep you posted on any updates.

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Learn When the Plows are Coming

Snow removal on residential streets citywide will begin when the snow ends. You can access up-to-date information on snow removal by the following methods:

EMAIL: Subscribe to email alerts at www.dmgov.org in the link "sign up for email subscriptions"

TEXTING: Subscribe to text message alerts by texting DMODDSNOW to 96362.

FACEBOOK: like us 'Des Moines Public Works'

TWITTER: Follow us @dmdpw.

CALL: the Department of Public Works 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 283-4950.

The cost of a ticket for parking during restrictions is \$35. If your vehicle is illegally parked and prevents emergency vehicles from blocking the street, it may be towed.

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Quarterly Meeting & Potluck December 12

Wednesday, December 12 • 6:30-8:30pm Grace United Methodist Church • 3700 Cottage Grove Ave. Bring a dish to share. Beverages and table service will be provided.

In this quarterly meeting we will vote on current & new board members. This is important for the entire neighborhood. Please make sure to show up and vote. Here is a list of our potential new board members:

Bethany Wilcoxon

City planner & project manager of The Tomorrow Plan. Bethany is interested in the community garden and parks committee.

Elizabeth Albright

Attorney at the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Elizabeth is interested in various committees.

Nancy Gooding

Principal Financial Group contract negotiator Nancy is interested in being on the board so she can give back to the community.

Sean Haire

Executive Director of Weatherization, Inc. Currently Mr. Haire is overseeing three different funding sources DOE, LIHEAP and ARRA otherwise known the stimulus funds from the Obama administration. Sean is interested in the rental committee.

Neighborhood Enforcement Team members for the Drake Neighborhood:

Please welcome our new NBSD enforcement officer: Sgt. Richard Wallace DM Police Department (515) 313-1006 rbwallace@dmgov.org

(East of 35th Street) Eric Moore Housing/Health & Zoning (515) 208-0303 elmoore@dmgov.org

(West of 35th Street) Ed Leedom Housing/Health & Zoning (515) 208-0299 elleedom@dmgov.org

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