

### DRAKE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

## **Drake Neighborhood Garden Walk**

For the past several years the Drake Neighborhood Association and Drake Neighborhood Gardeners have held a plant sale in the spring. This year we're taking it one step further and showcasing members gardens on the first Annual Drake Neighborhood Garden Walk. There will be 6 gardens with a variety of styles & personalities from different corners of the neighborhood.



The tour will run from 8:30-4:00 on May 25th & 26th. Start your day at 1806 36th Street where the Annual Plant Sale will also be held. You can purchase tickets the weekend of the tour for \$10 or in advance at the Dahls on Ingersoll & Beaver for \$8.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the tour or if you are dividing perennials and would like to donate to the sale contact Kevin Venhaus at 777-8031 or kcvenhaus@mchsi.com.

### **APRIL 2013**

### CALENDAR

#### **Board Meetings**

April 10, 7:00 pm May 8, 7:00 pm Holiday Inn Express 1140 24th Street

### **MEGA SCRUB Day**

April 20 7:00 am-1:00 pm Hoover High School

**104th Drake Relays** April 24-28

Drake Neighborhood Garden Walk & Plant Sale May 25-26

Quarterly Meeting May 31 location TBD

**City of Des Moines Free Flicks Night** May 31 at sundown Witmer Park

## Looking for a Summer Job?

Des Moines Parks & Recreation is in the process of filling many seasonal & part time jobs for the summer season. Positions such as cashiers, life-guards & swim instructors at the city pools, recreation specialists & dock attendants at city parks, and tennis coaches are available. Visit the City of Des Moines website at http://agency.governmentjobs.com/desmoines to apply online.

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# **Time for Spring Cleaning**

This year the city will be holding several MEGA SCRUB days in the Des Moines metro area. The April 20th event is designated for the Drake Neighborhood. It will be held at the Hoover High School Parking lot, 4800 Aurora from 7 am -1 pm.

Items accepted include: General trash including furniture Lawn mowers with all fluids drained, Televisions Appliances (no fee) Air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, microwaves, dehumidifiers, furnaces, stoves, washers, dryers, dishwashers, water heaters, etc. This year MEGA SCRUB is also accepting many hazardous waste materials including: rechargeable batteries, cell phones, oil based paint, motor oil, pesticides & poisons & high efficiency light bulbs.

For more information on MEGA SCRUB events and the complete list of acceptable items, you may contact the City of Des Moines Department of Public Works 24- Hour Customer Service Center at 283-4950, or visit them on the web at www.dmgov.org/PublicWorks/SCRUBcalendar.

If you're out of town that weekend, the Metro Waste Authority Transfer Station at 4198 Delaware Ave. Will accept items on the 3rd Saturday of every month through November from 7 am -2 pm.

If you have yard waste including brush, tree limbs (24" diameter or less; maximum length 10'), prunings, loose leaves, grass clippings or garden waste, you can take them to the Metro Waste Authority Compost Center, at 1601 Harriett from 7 am -2 pm on the same dates.

## **Volunteers Needed!**

The Drake Neighborhood Association is looking for volunteers for the following spring events:

Drake Relays Road Race Water Station contact Erica Luna esimbro@yahoo.com

Drake Relays Parade contact Deric Gourd deric.gourd@gmail.com

Drake Neighborhood Garden Walk & Plant Sale contact Kevin Venhaus at 277-8031 or kvenhaus@augusthome.com

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