

more than a place, it's home.



Message From Mayor Lagergren

Did you know the first day of Fall 2021 is September 22nd? Folklore states that you can balance a raw egg on its end on the Fall Equinox (which actually occurs at 2:20 PM CDT). This same story was shared in the March city newsletter about the Spring Equinox. Did you try it?

Another fun fact about the Fall Equinox is that this is the date when days and nights are supposed to be perfectly equal. To be precise, that's not quite true. On September 22, 2021, the sun will rise at 6:52 AM and the sun will set at 7:30 PM in Norwood Young America (approximately 12 hours and 38 minutes of daylight.) What exciting things have been happening in our community with those extra hours of daylight since the Spring Equinox on March 20th?



We've recognized record attendance throughout the summer ... The West Carver Community Pool had an excellent season. There were over 4000 people who enjoyed time at our pool and 74 families bought passes that allowed them unlimited access throughout the summer. In addition, swimming lessons were back, including a new very successful level for our toddlers - Puddle Jumpers. Other events that had record attendance included: Music in the Parks, Taste of NYA, MinnERod, and Stiftungsfest (particularly the parade). As a community, we've had so many opportunities to share our wonderful home with others.

We've created amazing partnerships with Central Schools ... The new underpass and trails are being used by local students - it has made the route to school much safer! The high school artwork we were hoping to add to the underpass was posted at the pool instead. Hopefully, you had a chance to drive by and see the magnificent mini-murals that focused on kindness, community and current events. Finally, the eight new gardens, created by Central students and added to our community garden, have been filled and are ready for an abundant harvest. We are so excited to continue these partnerships in the future!

We've continued to welcome new businesses into the community ... After a pandemic lull, the following businesses will soon be opening their doors in the community. For more information, check out their website or Facebook page.

- Advanced Training Systems (Old Post Office/Senior Day Care Center)
- Balance Life Wellness and Massage (Wilson Street)
- Tin Roof Powdercoating (Elm Street)
- Modern Cabinetry Design (former Econofoods building)
- Farmers Insurance (strip mall behind Kwik Trip)
- Floral Defined, LLC (Elm Street)
- Union Street Market (an occasional store sharing space with Shear Effects)
- Greenwood Marina (Industrial Park)



There continue to be so many exciting things happening throughout our community and it is my pleasure to share some of the highlights with you each month! As we celebrate another stupendous summer and look forward to a fabulous fall, we will continue to share with others that *Norwood Young America is more than a place, it's our home!* And what a beautiful home it is!

Mayor Carol Lagergren

Our Community Continues to Grow

The 2020 Census has finally been completed and it shows consistent growth for Norwood Young America. As of April 1, 2020, the City of Norwood Young America had 1,632 housing units, 1,551 households, and 3,863 people (of whom 43 lived in group quarters facilities). Household size averaged 2.46 persons per household. Compared to all other cities, townships or unorganized territories, the 2020 value for the total population of Norwood Young America falls within the 47th percentile.



	2000 Census	2010 Census	2020 Census	
Total Population	3108	3568	3863	
Households	1171	1397	1551	
Housing Units	1201	1472	1632	
Household Size	2.66	2.55	2.46	

NYA City Happenings



City Council Update

Road Construction is moving forward:

You may have noticed the heavy machinery working on Oak Lane and the south portion of Second Avenue. These street reconstruction projects have been planned by the City Council to be completed this fall. The goal is to have both projects completed by November 1st.

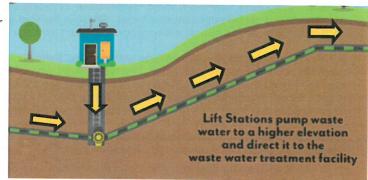
Oak Lane: In 2013, the city annexed the Oak Lane properties into the city. At that time, an agreement was reached with the township stating that the Oak Lane properties would connect to the city sewer and water systems within 10 years (January 1, 2023). This deadline requires completion of this project in the summer of 2021. Total cost of the project (including paving the road and utility work) is estimated at approximately \$900,000.

Second Avenue Lift Station and Street Reconstruction: The Second Avenue Lift Station is responsible for handling the wastewater of the majority of the northern part of our community. The Second Avenue Lift Station is at the end of its design life and needs to be replaced. This project is a high priority for the city, which involves replacing the old lift station to an upgraded one in the same location. The cost of replacement is approximately \$800,000. By doing the lift station work in conjunction with at least a portion of the Second Avenue Street project, the City would be able to minimize impacts and reconstruction costs. The Council approved moving forward with this project, to include reconstructing Second Avenue from the "five way stop" to the north entrance of Devonshire Drive, for this summer. The total cost of the project is \$1.8 million. The remainder of the Second Avenue reconstruction will be addressed in the near future.

Sewer Issues Stink!

What does a lift station do? Lift stations are used to move wastewater from lower to higher elevation, particularly where the elevation of the source is not sufficient for gravity flow and/or when the use of gravity conveyance will result in excessive excavation depths and high sewer construction costs.

What happens when a lift station fails? In the event of a lift station failure, by either a force main break, power outage, or pump failure, wastewater will collect in the lift station wet well and backup into the collection system. This could result in sewer backups into homes or cause wastewater to overflow from the lift station to the surrounding environment.



How many lift stations does the city have? The city has seven (7) lift stations throughout the community ... two (2) on the north side of town, four (4) on the south side of town, and one (1) in The Preserve.

What was all the commotion at the lift station on Second Ave during the Stiftungsfest Parade? Ironically, the lift station had a mechanical failure around 7am that morning! A special "thank you" goes out to Nelson Electric, Schneider Excavating and Hydro Engineering for helping City staff with labor and supplies to get a temporary pump up and running by 11am...prior to the parade! A secondary pump is now running until the complete replacement this fall.

Drought Conditions in the County Are Improving

The recent rain events have improved the drought conditions of Carver County based on recent data from the USDM. The US Drought Monitor (USDM) updates its map every Thursday to document drought conditions around the state. One month ago, the county was considered at risk due to severe drought conditions. Currently, that profile has been downgraded to one of moderate drought. What's the difference ... see the chart below:

Please note the insert where you will find additional information on ways you can save water in your homes. Although we are no longer in a severe drought, we can still continue to focus on strategies that protect our natural environment.

There is a city-wide watering restriction in Norwood Young America. Please do NOT water from 10am-5pm daily. Watering IS permitted on an odd/even schedule from 5pm—10am. Sprinkling ban violations may result in monetary offenses.



D1 - Moderate Drought

· Winter snow events are canceled

· River and lake levels are lower than normal

85.6% of MN

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D2 - Severe Drought

 Ground is hard; seed corn is short; feed is expensive; crop yields are low

· Fire danger is high; burn permits are required

 River flow is very low; snowpack is significantly lower; well levels decrease **59.0%** of MN

NYA Senior & Resident Resources



The NYA Senior Center is Open!

The NYA Senior Center, which had its grand opening in 2019, is re-opening - SAME TIME, NEW PLACE! Seniors in the community are invited to gather together for bingo, cards, board games and conversation the first and third Wednesday of each month, starting on September 15th. The group will meet at the Willkommen Memorial Park Pavillion from 10AM to 2PM with free snacks provided on the first Wednesday and a served lunch on the third Wednesday. Free will donations are accepted. The Senior Center is organized and run by the NYA Senior Advisory Commission. All are welcome! If you are interested in joining this fun group but are in need of a ride, please contact Carolyn Durbin at (952)467-3900.





Southwest Carver County Food Shelf

Are you in need of additional support during these challenging times? The Southwest Carver County Food Shelf is available to all those who are in need. Everyone is welcome! There are no maximum income requirements and your visit—or pick up— is confidential.

The Southwest Carver County Food Shelf is located at 102 East Main Street (in the back of the Willkommen Heritage Center Building). Friendly staff will work with you to choose food that your family will use. Delivery is an option if transportation is a challenge. The Food Shelf is open each Tuesday from 12:30 to 5:00 PM by appointment. To schedule an appointment, call 952-467-1870.

The Food Shelf is supported by local churches and businesses.

Do you have "extras" of your garden veggies? The Food Shelf would gladly welcome some! Call 952-467-1870 to arrange a drop off or pick up.

Need a ride?

The NYA City Bus is available to <u>all</u> residents of Norwood Young America for shopping trips every Tuesday morning at 9am!

1st & 3rd Tuesday—Waconia Shopping (Mackenthun's/Aldi/Target)
2nd & 4th Tuesday—NYA Shopping (Family Dollar/Kwik Trip/Marsden Pharmacy)
5th Tuesday—Glencoe Shopping (Coborn's)



Group outings coming soon!

In-town bus fare FREE—Out of town bus fare \$2.00 Seven (7) day notice is requested for seat availability.

Call SmartLink at 952-496-8341 ext 2 for reservations!



NYA-TV Guide



Programming for September 20th -October 20th

** MediaCom—Channel 8 ** MetroNet—Channel 901 **

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6:00am	All Saints Lutheran	All Saints Lutheran	All Saints Lutheran	All Saints Lutheran	All Saints Lutheran	All Saints Lutheran	All Saints Lutheran
	Church	Church	Church	Church	Church	Church	Church
7:00am	Countyline Church	Countyline Church	Countyline Church	Countyline Church	Countyline Church	Countyline Church	Countyline Church
8:00am	St. John's Lutheran	St. John's Lutheran	St. John's Lutheran	St. John's Lutheran	St. John's Lutheran	St. John's Lutheran	St. John's Lutheran
	Church	Church	Church	Church	Church	Church	Church
9:00am	Emanuel Lutheran	Emanuel Lutheran	Emanuel Lutheran	Emanuel Lutheran	Emanuel Lutheran	Emanuel Lutheran	Emanuel Lutheran
	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg
10:00am	St. Paul's E & R	St. Paul's E & R	St. Paul's E & R	St. Paul's E & R	St. Paul's E & R	St. Paul's E & R	St. Paul's E & R
	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg	Church Hamburg
11:00am	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission
	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting
12:00pm	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission	City/Commission
	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting
1:00pm	All Saints Church	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade	All Saints Church	Central Public School Board Meeting	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade
2:00pm	Countyline Church	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade	Countyline Church	Central Public School Board Meeting	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade	2021 Stiftungsfest Parade
2:30pm	Countyline Church	Eat Well Be Happy	Eat Well Be Happy	Countyline Church	Central Public School Board Meeting	Eat Well Be Happy	Eat Well Be Happy
3:00pm	St. John's Lutheran Church	Polka Dance	Polka Dance	St. John's Lutheran Church	Polka Dance	Polka Dance	Polka Dance
4:00pm	Emanuel Lutheran Church Hamburg	Public Programming	Public Programming	Emanuel Lutheran Church Hamburg	Public Programming	Public Programming	Public Programmin
5:00pm	St. Paul's E & R Church Hamburg	Public Programming	Public Programming	St. Paul's E & R Church Hamburg	Public Programming	Public Programming	Public Programming
6:00pm	All Saints Church	City/Commission Meeting	Central Public School Board Meeting	All Saints Church	City/Commission Meeting	High School Event/ Sports	City/Commission Meeting
7:00pm	Countyline Church	City/Commission Meeting	Central Public School Board Meeting	Countyline Church	City/Commission Meeting	High School Event/ Sports	City/Commission Meeting
8:00pm	St. John's Lutheran	2021 Stiftungsfest	2021 Stiftungsfest	St. John's Lutheran	High School Event/	High School Event/	2021 Stiftungsfest
	Church	Parade	Parade	Church	Sports	Sports	Parade
9:00pm	Emanuel Lutheran	2021 Stiftungsfest	2021 Stiftungsfest	Emanuel Lutheran	High School Event/	High School Event/	2021 Stiftungsfest
	Church Hamburg	Parade	Parade	Church Hamburg	Sports	Sports	Parade
9:30pm	Emanuel Lutheran	High School Event/	High School Event/	Emanuel Lutheran	High School Event/	High School Event/	High School Event/
	Church Hamburg	Sports	Sports	Church Hamburg	Sports	Sports	Sports
10:00pm	St. Paul's E & R	High School Event/	High School Event/	St. Paul's E & R	High School Event/	High School Event/	High School Event/
	Church Hamburg	Sports	Sports	Church Hamburg	Sports	Sports	Sports

NYA-TV Cable Access Channel Info

The City of Norwood Young America would like to invite you to check out the NYA-TV cable access channel on MediaCom channel #8 and MetroNet (formerly Jaguar Communications) channel #901. All downloading and scheduling of NYA-TV is completed at NYA City Hall. Franchise fees that are paid by local MediaCom and MetroNet customers financially support the equipment needed for this service.

In between "shows" is a scrolling bulletin board with City and community events and announcements. Paid Programming that is scheduled can include wellness videos, music concerts, crafts/hobby shows and more—these programs are either free downloads or purchased at a nominal one-time fee (usually about \$1). City/Commission Meetings can include City Council, Planning Commission, Economic Development Commission and Parks & Recreation Commission meetings. At this time, all high school events including sporting events are pre-recorded. Thank you to all of the local churches and Central Public School for participating with this great community service. Please note that all shows and times are subject to change.

NYA Community Events





LET'S TALK FOOD

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 6-8 PM

WILLKOMMEN MEMORIAL PARK PAVILION

Join your neighbors for a conversation about current and possible food retail options in Norwood Young America.

Free dinner will be provided.

Sign up by 9/20:

https://talkfoodnya.eventbrite.com or 952-221-2012

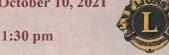
Per CDC recommendations, masks are strongly recommended regardless of vaccination status.

Presented by the City of Norwood Young America, West Carver County Food Retail Committee and Carver County Public Health

PANCAKE & OMELET BREAKFAST

WHEN: Sunday, October 10, 2021

TIME: 8:00 am-11:30 pm



LOCATION: NYA PAVILLION

Looking to have a great Breakfast? Come have one with us. We will be serving Omelets, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Applesauce, and of course great Pancakes (including our much in demand, blueberry pancakes). Best of all, all proceeds go to projects in our community.



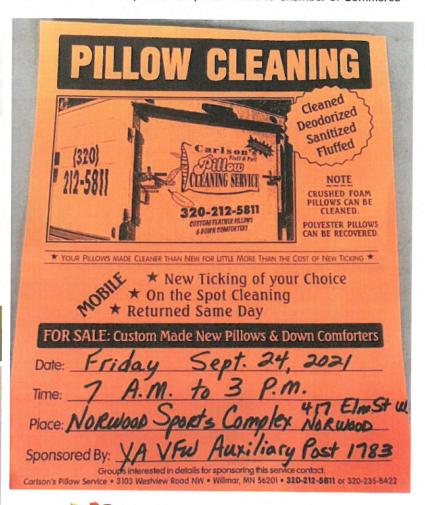
COST: FREE WILL DONATION PROCEEDS GO BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY

NYA MarketPlace

Sat, Sept 25th, Oct 9th & Oct 23rd 9:00am - Noon

Greenspace by CarQuest on Faxon Rd

New produce, canned goods, homemade wares & more! For more information on being a vendor, email info@nyachamber.org Sponsored by the NYA Area Chamber of Commerce



Harvest Soup Drive-Thru

Willkommen Memorial Park (Enter at West Playground Gate) Friday, October 29th

4:30-6:30pm

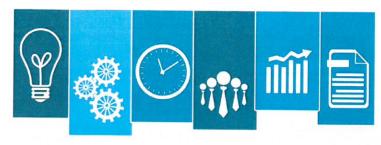
(or until the food is gone!)

\$10 Supper-to-go includes:



CindyAnn's Wild Rice Soup Breadstick, Apple, Cookie Free Facemasks

Food catered by Northside Grill
Fundraiser for the NYA West Carver Lions



NYA Manufacturing Today Friday, October 15th

National Manufacturer's Month Recognition to all Norwood Young America Manufacturers Join the NYA Economic Development Commission and NYA Area Chamber of Commerce on Friday, October 15th in recognizing and appreciating the manufacturers of Norwood Young America. Four local manufacturer's will be offering tours of their facilities to local students and the public. Learn about the reality of modern manufacturing careers and their goals of helping the community and future generations thrive. A luncheon will be provided at noon on Friday, October 15th for students and job-seekers along with a presentation by Central Public School's Superintendent Tim Schochenmaier who will be talking about partnership opportunities for local students with local manufacturers.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, October 13th if you are planning to attend the free luncheon. A boxed lunch from Subway will be served. To RSVP, please call 952-467-1810, email economicdev@cityofnya.com, or visit www.cityofnya.com.

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Sackett Waconia (680 Tacoma Blvd)	8:00am	9:30am
Storms Welding (300 Industrial Blvd)	9:30am	11:00am
Modern Cabinetry Design (710 Faxon Rd N)	11:00am	8:00am
Bongards Creameries (13200 CR 51)	1:00pm	1:00pm

in a Drought

Save the Dates

Residents and Homeowner Associations

With hot, dry weather continuing in our area, our water supplies are at risk due to shortages and drought conditions. We need everyone in our community to help conserve water for the places where we need it most—including firefighting, hospitals, and public health. You can be a leader in the community by showing your support for water conservation and doing what you can to save this precious resource. Here are a few tips to get you started.



STOP SILENT TOILET LEAKS



A leaky toilet can waste hundreds of gallons a day. Check for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank and waiting 5-7 minutes to flush. If color shows up in the bowl, you have a leak!

CLEAN UP IN THE SHOWER



Replace your showerhead with a WaterSense labeled model and you'll save enough water each year to wash more than 80 loads of laundry.



THINK OUTSIDE



Don't water in the middle of the day or you'll lose a lot of water to heat and evaporation. Make sure sprinklers only hit the lawn!

TAKE A LOAD OFF



Don't run the washer for just one shirt or dish. Save water, energy, and money by waiting to wash until you have a full load.

FOLLOW
THE RULES



If your community has restrictions on outdoor watering during water shortages, respect the rules and save water for where it's needed most.

For more information, contact



38th Annual Central Craft Sale



Saturday, Nov 20tl 9am-3pm

Central High School, Elementary Gyms, Commons & Halls

Holiday Extravaganza Saturday, Nov 27th



Willkommen Memorial Park



Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion #NYACommunityPride

Another Great Stiftungsfest

The Stiftungsfest committee would like to thank all who made this year's celebration a huge success. After taking a year off because of the pandemic, Stiftungsfest was back and did not miss a beat. In a drought year, Mother Nature gave us rain to celebrate! The weather forecast most days was not good, but timely rains did not stop Stiftungsfest. All events were well attended, and Sunday's parade brought thousands of people to town and to the park. The way the NYA community pulls together to support this celebration is great! All should be proud of the good job everyone does.

Thursday evenings "Family Night" was a big hit once again with a great performance by Jen



Bostic. Friday and Saturday crowds were lighter because of the weather forecast, however, Sunday knocked it out of the park with a huge crowd. Great music filled the tent and beer garden all weekend. The carnival brought great rides and games. The softball tournament, kickball tournament, car show, church service, craft sale, coronation and Fun Run were all well attended. The parade on Sunday was fantastic! Thanks to the many businesses that spent time and resources participating in the every-five-year parade.

All proceeds from Stiftungsfest go to the Norwood Young America Fire Department. The NYA FD has been able to invest in life-saving training and equipment – all because of your support. Thanks to the Stiftungsfest committee and the parade committee for a job well done. Thanks to the many volunteers and firefighters who put in a long week and weekend setting up and working multiple shifts. Thanks to the City of Norwood Young America for its continued support of Stiftungsfest. Thanks to all of the businesses and organizations that financially support Stiftungsfest! It's fun to see people that moved away from the area return annually for the celebration...and more fun to see new people come to our community for the first time and leave impressed. See you next year! 2022 Stiftungsfest: August 25-28, 2022

Who Are Those Rock Stars?

Minnesota's 3rd Freedom Rock is located here in NYA! Information about the Minnesota veteran's painted on the rock is now available in the patriotic mailbox located at Veteran's Park.

Serving Those in Need

The Young America VFW Post 1783 and Norwood Legion Edward Born Post 343 have crutches, walkers and wheelchairs available for anyone in need. Equipment may be used at no cost and returned when no longer needed. For more information, call Ron Kroells 952-913-3496 or Larry Panning 952-261-8632.



Looking for a special gift to honor a veteran you know? The Young America VFW Post 1783 and Norwood Legion Edward Bost Post 343 are looking for additional engraved pavers to fill the walkway at Veteran's Park. Engraved pavers are \$150. To obtain an order form, please contact Ron Smith 952-467-3142, Ron Kroells 952-913-3496 or Larry Panning 952-261-8632.









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UPCOMING EVENTS IN NYA

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Postal Customer NYA, MN 55397 and 55368

September

Sat, Sept 18: Caver Co Special Waste Collection @ Hollywood Public Works 8am-noon Wed, Sept 22: Let's Talk Food @ Willkommen Memorial Park 6-8pm (watch for info on www.cityofnya.com and Facebook @cityofnya)

Fri, Sept 24: Pillow Cleaning @ NYA Sports Complex Lion's Shelter

Sat, Sept 25: NYA Marketplace @ CarQuest lot

October

Mon, Oct 4-8: Homecoming Week at Central Public Schools

Sat, Oct 9: NYA Marketplace @ CarQuest lot

Sun, Oct 10: NYA Lions Pancake & Omelet Breakfast @ Pavilion

Fri, Oct 15: Manufacturer's Day Tours

Sat, Oct 23: NYA Marketplace @ CarQuest lot

Fri, Oct 29: West Carver Lions Harvest Soup Drive Thru @ Willkommen Memorial Park

Check out the online Community Event Calendar at www.cityofnya.com!





Back to School

Here are just a few safety reminders when seeing more kids and buses around town:

- What is the school zone speed limit? 15 miles per hour. Make sure to watch carefully for kids walking around parked buses and cars before and after school.
- What should I do when someone is using a crosswalk? Stop!
 You must yield to the pedestrian until they are ALL the way across the crosswalk—not half way.
- What is the law about school bus stop arms? As soon as you see that stop arm come out you must stop—and do NOT pass the bus. Vehicles are required to stop at least 20 feet away from the bus in both directions and wait for the stop arm to completely close before continuing to drive. If you are found guilty of a Stop Arm Violation, it could result in a misdemeanor by a fine of not less than \$500.

To contact, Deputy Jordan Voigt, please call 952-361-1248 or email jvoigt@co.carver.mn.us. For a non-emergency call 952-361-1231. When in doubt, call 911.

Friendly Reminders

Watering Restrictions

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NYA Recycling Center - 421 Railroad St W

The NYA Recycling Center is owned and operated by Carver County Environmental Services. The NYA location is open Wednesdays from 3pm—6pm (April-Nov), 3pm—5pm (Dec-Mar), and Saturdays from 8am—12pm. Fibers (cardboard/paper products), plastic containers, metal and glass are acceptable recyclables. Please help keep the NYA Recycling Center clean so that NYA residents can continue to enjoy this service at no cost.

NYA Compost Site

The NYA compost site at 640 Tacoma Blvd is open from dusk to dawn seven days a week. This service is available to NYA City Residents ONLY. Please do not dump flower pots or plastic bags. Much appreciated!