

## A Message From Mayor Lagergren

April is National Volunteer Appreciation Month - a month dedicated to recognizing the importance of volunteering and honoring the significant contributions volunteers make by generously donating their time and talents to worthy causes. We are blessed as a community to have so many amazing individuals and so many opportunities for volunteerism to flourish!



**Thank you to our firefighters and their families!** At the last Council meeting, Andy Wigfield (23 years) and Robbie Baumann (20 years) were honored for their service to the Fire Department. A year ago, we honored Mark Thomas after 34 years of service with the Department. Our amazing firefighters voluntarily set aside time with family and friends to serve our community by responding to calls, attending ongoing safety and response training and educating our citizens on fire safety. Did you know: in 2021, the Fire Department responded to 341 calls - 80% of those calls for medical reasons.

**Thank you to those who support our military!** This past Saturday, I attended the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Banquet to read a Community Proclamation and listen to Ron Smith, a local veteran, share about his experience in the military. This volunteer group supports those who are actively serving in the military as well as their families. In addition, we are blessed with two veteran organizations in town - The American Legion Edward Born Post 343 and its Auxiliary and the VFW Post 1783 and its Auxiliary. These veterans and their families volunteer time and donations in projects throughout our community. Because of their ongoing support, our community continues to thrive!

**Thank you to our Civic Organizations!** We are blessed with several active civic organizations. The NYA Lions Club and the West Carver Lions Club have many groups they support with their time and donations! Did you know: there are eyeglass recycling drop-offs at many local businesses including the two banks in town set up by the Lions! In addition, we have an active Boy Scout and Girl Scout troop in town. You may see them volunteering at community events! We also have a very active Chamber of Commerce that organizes and serves at many community gatherings from the Springfest Artisan Fair to the Farmers Market.

**Thank you to our Stiftungsfest Board!** This dedicated group of volunteers meet all year to plan the amazing celebration that marks the end of our summer. Each year, they review the festival results and brainstorm new and exciting options for the following year. Finally, thank you to the many community members who volunteer time during the festival weekend to serve others. Without you, the festival would not be such an amazing weekend!

**Thank you to all those who volunteer!** We have community members who volunteer time at the Willkommen Heritage Center (open Thursdays and Saturdays from 10AM-2PM). We have community members who volunteer time at the Senior Center (open the first and third Wednesday from 10AM - 2PM). We have volunteers who shelve books at the library. We have volunteers who lead our Scout and 4H troops. We have volunteers who keep the flowers in our parks beautiful. We have volunteers to coach and manage our sports teams—from T-ball to town teams, soccer to football. We have volunteers who serve on our city commissions - the Economic Development Commission, the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Planning Commission and the Senior Advisory. Finally, thank you to all those who have volunteered their time at our monthly food distribution events!

Albert Schweitzer beautifully summarized the power of volunteering: *"Wherever you turn, you can find someone who needs you. Even if it is a little thing, do something for which there is no pay but the privilege of doing it. Remember, you don't live in the world all of your own."* Our community thrives because of our volunteers. Thank you for all you do to make Norwood Young America such a welcoming community. Remember: *Norwood Young America is more than a place, it's our home!*



**Hwy 212 Project Cologne to  
Norwood Young America  
Public Open House  
Tuesday, May 3rd  
4:30 – 6:30 p.m.  
Cologne Community Center  
1211 Village Pkwy, Cologne**



**NYA Spring Clean Up Day  
Saturday, April 30th 8am–Noon  
CHS Parking Lot off Morse Street  
Watch for signs!**

This FREE event is for **NYA CITY RESIDENTS ONLY** who reside within the city limits – businesses are not included. This drop-off event is for non-hazardous household waste/junk. Participants will be asked to show proof of residency such as a driver's license and/or water bill. Paper shredding services provided by Citizens State Bank from 9am-noon (4-box limit).



**Carver County  
Special Waste  
Drop-Off Event**

**Saturday, May 21, 2022  
8am–Noon  
Norwood Young America  
Central High School Parking Lot  
521 Morse St, NYA 55368**

**All Carver County residents are welcome to utilize these collections.**

**Acceptable Items:**

**Appliances, E-Waste, Fluorescent Lamps,  
Scrap Metal, Auto Fluids, Paint,  
Other Household Chemicals, Tires**

**Disposal fees apply to certain items.  
\* No Furniture \* No Mattresses \* No Garbage \***



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West Carver Community Pool

- Tentative Opening date-Sat, June 4th
Four (4) lesson sessions throughout the summer
"Puddle Jumper" classes for ages 2-4
New improvements in the pool building/restrooms

More information available on the City website www.cityofnya.com and Facebook page after May 10th!



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Save the dates!

(add them to the NYA Fire Department Calendar!
Extra calendars available at City Hall)
Sat, Apr 30-NYA Spring Clean Up Day @ CHS 8am-12pm
Tues, May 3-Hwy 212 Open House @ Cologne Comm Ctr
Tues, May 3-Planning Commission Mtg 6pm
Wed, May 4-NYA Senior Center @ Pavilion 10am-2pm
Fri, May 6-NYA Food Distribution @ City Hall 2-3:30pm
Sat, May 7-West Carver Lions Plant Sale @ Home Solutions 7:30am
Sun, May 8-Mother's Day
Mon, May 9-City Council Mtg 6pm
Wed, May 11-EDC Mtg 6pm
Tues, May 17-Parks & Rec Mtg 4:45pm
Wed, May 18-NYA Senior Center @ Pavilion 10am-2pm \*\*Last NYA Senior Center event until September 21, 2022\*\*
Thurs, May 19-Senior Advisory Mtg 9am
Sat, May 21-Carver Co Special Waste Collection @ CHS
Mon, May 23-City Council Mtg 6pm
Fri, May 27-CHS Graduation
Fri, Jun 3-NYA Food Distribution @ City Hall 2-3:30pm
Thurs, Jun 2-Music in the Park starts! Every Thursday night June through July!!
Sat, Jun 4-Springfest Artisan Fair @ Historic Downtown Norwood



With Deputy Voigt



Park Reminders!

Hopefully April showers (and wind) will bring May flowers! Just a few friendly reminders when visiting one of our many local parks this spring:

- Parks are open dawn to dusk.
All pets must be on a leash.
Dogs and cats are allowed in the parks of the city, but NOT on athletic fields or in the children's playground equipment areas.
Pet owners are required to pick up and dispose of all litter and/or feces left by the dog or cat.
Carver County Curfew for Juveniles:

Table with 3 columns: Age, Weekdays, Fri & Sat. Rows include Under 12, Age 12-14, and Age 15-17.

Carver County Attorney's Office 952-361-1400
Deputy Jordan Voigt 952-361-1248

Sump Pump Regulations

All sump pumps must be day-lighted into your yard or into the storm sewer- they cannot be directed into your neighbors yard or a public sidewalk. Sump pumps cannot be connected into the sanitary sewer! Doing so results in the treatment of unnecessary amounts of water, putting additional strain on the treatment system and raising prices for everyone.

Golf Cart/ATV Permit

Chapter 7 of the NYA City Code allows for a person to drive a Golf Cart or Class 2 ATV on City streets as long as a permit is obtained and the operator has a valid driver's license. There is an annual permit fee of \$10.00 for these recreational vehicles. Applications can be filled out right at City Hall or found on the City website at www.cityofnya.com.

NYA Compost Site-640 Tacoma Blvd

The NYA Compost Site is available to citizens who reside within the city limits of NYA. There is NO charge for disposal of yard, garden and tree waste. Watch for specific areas for dropping off your yard waste. And please do not dump any garbage at this site!

NYA Recycling Drop-off Site-421 W Railroad Street, NYA

The NYA Recycling Drop-off Site is open to all residents and businesses year round for general recyclables- fibers, plastics, metal, and glass. Hours from April-November are Wednesdays 3-6pm and Saturdays 8am-noon.

Lifeguards Wanted

The City of NYA is currently accepting applications for lifeguards for the 2022 summer season. Applications available at www.cityofnya.com or call 952-467-1800.

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Visit the City of NYA website and community calendar for more city happenings! www.cityofnya.com



It's Poppy Season!

The end of April and the month of May you will begin to see American Legion Auxiliary and VFW Auxiliary Women of NYA out and about giving away a Red Poppy for you to wear proudly to show your patriotism. We do NOT sell the poppies! Although donations are welcome :) All donations received will be used to support veterans in our community and surrounds areas.



Welcome Floral Defined, LLC!

The NYA Area Chamber of Commerce and NYA Economic Development Commission welcomed owner Tricia Mackenthun of Floral Defined, LLC to NYA at a ribbon cutting ceremony on April 20th. Floral Defined, LLC is located at 225 Elm St W and open M-F 10am-4pm. Tricia specializes in custom hand arranged floral designs for every occasion. Call 952-777-0900 or visit www.floraldefined.com for more info.