

## Message From Mayor Lagergren

With the many overly warm days in the past week, it finally feels like summertime in Minnesota! Hopefully, you have taken the opportunity to enjoy the many fun and interesting things to do in the great outdoors at and around our community. Here are a few reminders of what we have to offer:

- **The only outdoor community pool in the county!** Take your family to enjoy some time splashing and diving from the diving board. Open swim hours are from 1pm to 7 PM on the weekends (Friday through Sunday) and from 1 to 4:30pm and 6:15 to 8:30pm during the week (Monday through Thursday). Thank you to our amazing lifeguards who are making sure you stay safe even on the hottest days!
- **Music in the Park Thursdays!** On Thursdays at 6:30 PM in Legion Park you will be able to hear some favorite groups from the last several years! Bring some lawn chairs and hear some good music, visit with some good friends and maybe even enjoy a good treat provided by local businesses and organizations! *While you are there, take a peek at the recently restored historic bandshell.*
- **Some amazing artwork!** If you haven't taken the time to take a close look at the murals on Elm Street and the Willkommen Park baseball grandstand, this summer is a great opportunity. Our newest artwork is in the underpass and was provided by several groups of Central High School art students. They did an amazing job and it's well worth the walk, jog or bike ride to see it!
- **Ball games from youth to town teams!** It is unusual to see an empty ballfield in town during the summer. We have kids of all ages playing ball and learning the value of sportsmanship while practicing the skills of throwing, hitting and fielding with accuracy and strength. This year we can also enjoy two teams playing townball. While you are out, don't forget to grab a burger!
- **Five fun playgrounds!** The city and local civic groups have worked together to create playgrounds in most of our city parks. Has your family visited the playgrounds at Friendship Park, Prairie Dawn Park, Willkommen Memorial Park, Legion Park, and the NYA Sports Complex? Coming soon — look for updates to the playground at Legion Park!
- **Frisbee golf at Baylor Park!** For those of you who are more adventurous, have you tried Frisbee Golf at Baylor Park? It's free and a great opportunity to try something new — and while you are trying something new, look for the new Pickleball Court markings at the Tennis Courts by Friendship Park!

There is clearly something for everyone in our community to enjoy some time outdoors. Being outside can generate a multitude of positive emotions, such as calmness, joy, creativity and can facilitate concentration and reduce anxiety and depression. Hopefully, you will take some time this summer to enjoy the opportunities available —

*Norwood Young America is more than a place, it's our home and we have a lot to offer!*

Mayor Carol Lagergren



### Employment Opportunity

**The City of NYA is hiring for a Fulltime Public Service Technician: Streets/Parks. For more information, call City Hall at 952-467-1800, email [cityclerk@cityofnys.com](mailto:cityclerk@cityofnys.com) or visit [www.cityofnys.com](http://www.cityofnys.com) and search "Apply for a job."**

### NYA Watering Ban

**There is a city-wide watering ban from 10am-5pm daily. Watering is permitted on an odd/even address schedule from 5pm-10am. Sprinkling ban violations may result in monetary offenses.**

## Become an Election Judge

Election judges are temporary, paid employees of local election officials trained to handle all aspects of voting at the polling place. Serving as an election judge is a chance to learn about elections, and is a great service to the community.

- You must be eligible to vote in Minnesota and able to read, write and speak English.
- Candidates cannot serve in a precinct where they are on the ballot.
- You must attend a required training that will be roughly two hours in length (in-person or virtual).
- Work days are the primary and general elections. A smaller workforce is usually needed for the primary. In some cases, you can ask to only work the general election in November.
- 16 and 17-year-old students can work as election judge trainees, receive training, and be paid for their work. It's a great way to learn about elections and voting, and earn cash at the same time!

For more information, contact Carver County Elections at 952-361-1961, email [elections@carver.co.mn.us](mailto:elections@carver.co.mn.us), or call NYA City Hall at 952-467-1800.



**Primary Election August 9, 2022  
General Election November 8, 2022**



# NYA City Happenings



## New Playground Set for July

The NYA Parks & Recreation Commission has developed a plan to replace the playground equipment at NYA Legion Park. The current equipment has become cracked and faded, however, definitely served its purpose of safe entertainment and physical play for all those children and visitors of the park! City staff will start the removal of the old equipment and site preparations the week of June 27th. Flagship Recreation will install the new playground equipment starting July 5th.



## City Project Updates

### The Meadows 2nd Addition

Owner Mark Eklo of STP Investments LLC, has been working with the city to bring housing development to the Meadows (former Budahn) property. Eklo has proposed a development of 35 single family custom built homes and 39 single slab villas to this 22 acre parcel. Pending Met Council approval, Eklo is hoping to start grading and building a model villa yet this fall.

### Willkommen Memorial Park Old Town Project

The NYA Parks & Recreation Commission and community representatives from the Young America Cardinal Baseball Team and Stiftungsfest have been meeting with architects Vic Perlbachs and Allen Perlbachs of The Design Partnership LTD to create design plans for the "new" Old Town. Due diligence has been done at the Council and Commission levels with the decision on reconstruction versus renovation. The city is looking to invest in reconstructing the building along with significant improvements needed to fix drainage issues, comply with ground-level handicap accessibility, create an open-concept concession stand, add efficient storage, and increase the size of the crow's nest—all while using the same foundation to recreate the entire outside design shell. Upon City Council approval, the goal is to take the existing Old Town down after Stiftungsfest 2022, bid the project in fall, construct in spring/summer 2023, and complete the new Old Town by Stiftungsfest 2023.



## Welcome New Businesses

The City of NYA, EDC and NYA Area Chamber held a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wed, June 15th for Whispering Willow and Sauber Laundromat. Whispering Willow is located at 217 E Main Street. They are a metaphysical gift shop that offers a variety of authentic, ethically sourced crystals, pure incense, sage, jewelry, and home décor. Additionally, they offer Reiki services. Visit their Facebook page @WhisperingWillowMN for more info.

Sauber Laundromat is located in the Heritage Strip Mall at 640 Railroad Dr. Sauber (which means "clean" in German!) offers brand new efficient large washers and dryers for your clothes, workwear, sports gear, comforters and rugs. Sauber is open daily from 6am to 10pm. Visit their website at <http://sauberlaundromat.com> for more info.



## Central Public Schools Starts Project

Representatives from Nexus Solutions and Central Public Schools submitted site plans for the school renovation project for approval at the June 13, 2022 City Council meeting. The plans include major athletic field improvements, building additions, and new parking lots. For updates on the project, visit the Central Public School website at [www.raiders.central.k12.mn.us](http://www.raiders.central.k12.mn.us).



Central Public Schools Groundbreaking Ceremony, Monday, May 23, 2022

Pictured left to right: School Board Members Kyle Strickfaden,

Rich Schug, Sara Eischens, Elroy Latzig

City Council Member Charlie Storms, Mayor Carol Lagergren,

School Board Members Shelby Erickson, Nicole Evenski, Sarah Lehrke,

Superintendent Tim Schochenmaier,

City Council Members Craig Heher, Mike McPadden





## SHIP Grant

Thanks to a Carver County Public Health Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP), the city received a grant to pay for two new water filling stations at both the West Carver Community Pool and Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion.



## Underpass Artwork

Thank you to Art Instructor Ashley Williams and the Central Public Arts Class for their amazing mural renditions of "Kindness, Community and Current Events." Visit the underpass by the Dairy Queen and Kehrer Park. Murals will be added every year!



**12th Annual Taste of NYA**  
**Tuesday, July 19th 5:30-8pm**  
**Willkommen Memorial Park & Pavilion**  
 Promoting community pride and partnership between local businesses/organizations and their customers!  
 Tickets available at the gate:  
 \$10/age 13 & older, \$5/age 6-12, Under 5 is free!  
 Sponsored by NYA Area Chamber of Commerce



**2022 National Night Out**  
**Norwood Young America**  
**Tuesday, August 2, 2021**  
**from 5:30pm-7:00pm**  
**NYA Legion Park, 320 Reform Street**

**\*\*Free Food & Fun!!\*\***

- Build a healthier and safe community
- Get to know your neighbors
- Strengthen community/police relations

Sponsored by the  
**NYA West Carver Lions**



**We Serve**

**SUMMER MEALS for KIDS**

**free pop-up food market this summer**



- Choose from a variety of food options: produce, dry goods, dairy, and more
- No registration needed
- No personal information required
- Open to all students and families
- Food options vary each week
- Come as often as you want

FIND MORE INFORMATION AT  
[WWW.FINDFOODCARVERCOUNTY.ORG](http://WWW.FINDFOODCARVERCOUNTY.ORG)

**WILLKOMMEN MEMORIAL PARK PAVILION**  
 NORWOOD YOUNG AMERICA



**MONDAYS, 3-5 PM**  
**JUNE 13 - AUGUST 15**  
 (CLOSED JULY 4)

Volunteers needed,  
 learn more at  
[www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4aafab28a6f94-carver2](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4aafab28a6f94-carver2)



**2022 NYA Music in the Park Series**  
 Events Held *Rain or Shine*  
**Thursdays at NYA Legion Park**  
**320 Reform St S—6:30pm**  
 All events are free of charge!

These activities have all been organized by District 108 Community Education with a different local business sponsoring each week. Call 952-467-7391 if you have any questions about these activities.

June 23rd—Czech Area Concertina  
 July 7th—Up South  
 July 14th—Castaways  
 July 21st—Jolly Ramblers

**NYA LIONS CORN FEED**

**Thursday, July 21 2022**  
**Time: 5:00-7:30**  
**Legion Park-NYA**  
**FREE CORN**



**Hamburgers and Porkburgers—\$2.00**

**Bottled Water & Pop—1.00**  
**Music by the Jolly Ramblers**



The NYA Planning Commission is looking to fill a commissioner seat. After review and public hearings, the Commission makes formal recommendations to the City Council on all planning related activities including plat approval, zoning ordinances, variances, conditional use permits, etc. For more information, contact City Hall at 952-467-1800.



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more than a place, it's home.

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## West Carver Community Pool

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West\_Carver\_Community\_Pool2022

Open Swim:  
\* Mon—Thurs 1:00pm-4:30pm  
6:15pm-8:30pm  
\* Fri—Sun 1:00pm-7:00pm



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN NYA

### June

Mon, June 27: Work Session/City Council @ City Hall 5pm

### July

Mon, July 4: NYA City Hall Closed

Tues, July 5: Planning Commission @ City Hall 6pm

Thurs, July 7: Music in the Park 6pm

Fri, July 8: NYA Food Distribution @ City Hall 2-3:30pm

Mon, July 11: Pick-n-Pack Summer Meals @ Pavilion 3-5pm

Mon, July 11: City Council @ City Hall 6pm

Wed, July 13: Economic Development Commission @ City Hall 5pm

Wed, July 13: Joint Meeting of the Council/Commission 6pm

Thurs, July 14: Music in the Park 6pm

Tues, July 19: Taste of NYA @ Willkommen Memorial Park 5:30-8pm

Tues, July 19: Parks & Rec Commission @ City Hall 4:45pm

Thurs, July 21: Senior Advisory Commission @ City Hall 9am

Thurs, July 21: Music in the Park 6pm

Thurs, July 21: NYA Lions Corn Feed @ NYA Legion Park

Thurs, July 25: Work Session/City Council @ City Hall 5pm



### 161st Stiftungsfest

Thursday, August 25th-Sunday, August 28th

Willkommen Memorial Park

Watch for updates or visit [www.stiftungsfest.org](http://www.stiftungsfest.org)  
for the full event schedule

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## NYA Food Distributions through 2022 NYA City Hall Parking Lot 2:00-3:30pm

- Friday, July 8th\*
- Friday, August 5th
- Friday, September 9th\*
- Friday, October 7th
- Friday, November 4th
- Friday, December 2nd  
(\*changed due to holiday)

Drive-thru event while  
supplies last.

Sponsored by  
CAP Agency, Carver Co Public  
Health, and City of NYA

## Friendly Reminders

### 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 City 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.cityofnfa.com](http://www.cityofnfa.com).



### Toilet Paper Only Please!!

Flushable wipes are NOT flushable! These wipes do not break down or disintegrate. They can actually cause sewer backup into resident's homes along with clogging pumps with city sewer equipment—which is costly to taxpayers. Please do not flush wipes—throw them away.

### Lawn Maintenance

Yard grass must be maintained at no longer than 6" high. Please ensure your grass clippings do not blow onto the street. The clippings cause the storm sewer to clog, which may cause flooding in your home or your neighbor's home.

### Sump Pump Regulations

All sump pumps must be day-lighted into your yard or into the storm sewer—NOT into your neighbor's yard or a public sidewalk. Sump pumps should also not 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.

### Love them. Leash them. License them.

According to [Spots.com](http://Spots.com) (a subsidiary of [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com)), 54% of Minnesotans own a dog. That statistic holds true in Norwood Young America. To support local pet owners, the city has set up dog waste stations along our trails and is hoping to establish a Dog Park within the next year. Dogs continue to be a welcome site on the trails and in the parks throughout our community. However, city code bans dogs from athletic fields and playgrounds (defined as the space covered by wood chips in our parks). This allows our ballfields and playgrounds a cleaner space for people to enjoy. Few more pet-owner reminders:

- ⇒ You must have your pet licensed annually with the city—\$5/year per pet. Bring in a copy of up to date vaccine papers.
- ⇒ Always have your pet on a leash or restraint when walking.
- ⇒ Please be a responsible dog owner and clean up after them!

