

Message From The City Council

Autumn is in the air - the season when the leaves change color with amazing results! This year has been full of many changes in our community - changes that focused on making our community better and more beautiful for our citizens and for those who visit!

The completion of the Second Avenue Project: Second Avenue is now complete and what a difference it makes! You may have noticed the change at the corner of Second Avenue and Shady Lane. Based on a recommendation from the Sheriff's Department, the stop sign on Second Avenue will not be coming back at this time.

The ongoing work on Central School's Athletic Fields: Each day brings new developments on the north side of Central Schools. You may have had a chance to enjoy the new turf field at this fall's Homecoming game! It is so exciting to see the changes and anticipate even more for the spring and summer of 2023.

The many new businesses popping up around town: We have been blessed with new businesses continuing to choose Norwood Young America as their home. Welcome to these entrepreneurs:

- ⇒ **Harvey Law** (Main Street)
- ⇒ **Floral Defined, LLC** (Elm Street)
- ⇒ **Laundromat Sauber** (Heritage Strip Mall)
- ⇒ **Seams Like A Good Idea** (Mill Property)
- ⇒ **Alli B's Coffee & Boutique** (Heritage Strip Mall)
- ⇒ **Modern Design Cabinetry** (Faxon Road)
- ⇒ **PUBs** (Highway 212)
- ⇒ **Whispering Willow** (Main Street)
- ⇒ **Greenwood Marina** (Industrial Park)
- ⇒ **Bevens Creek Inn** (Coming soon to Heritage Strip Mall)



Continue to enjoy shopping at the many amazing businesses we have in our community and look for even more exciting businesses opening in the months ahead! Your support of these businesses is so important!

The other beautification projects around town: NYA Legion Park now has an updated playground, plus the return of the historic bandshell. The Hwy 212 Underpass at Kehrer Park has new artwork from Central High School students. Take the time to appreciate all the enhancements that members of our community have supported!

Together we have done amazing work! We support and stretch each other to greater heights! Our community continues to expand and grow - people are hearing about the welcoming atmosphere and the amazing amenities NYA has to offer and they want to be a part of our family. The message is out --- **Norwood Young America, it's more than a place, it's home!**

Welcome, Seams Like A Good Idea!

Wondering what is going on in the Mill buildings? The NYA Area Chamber of Commerce, NYA Economic Development Commission and City of NYA welcomed "Seams Like A Good Idea" owner Erin Allard and her crew to the NYA business community with a ribbon cutting on Wednesday, October 19th. Allard specializes in custom draperies, blinds, shades, shutters, cushions, pillows, and bedding. Seams Like A Good Idea is located in the red building at the Mill properties at 18 3rd Ave SE. She is in the process of renovating the other two buildings as residential and additional business space. For more info visit www.seamslikeagoodidea.com or call 952-746-0037. Allard is available by appointment or by chance :)



NYA City Happenings



NYA Manufacturing Today

The City of Norwood Young America and Norwood Young America Economic Development Commission, along with the Central Trades & Advisory Group, held the 2nd Annual NYA Manufacturing Today on Wednesday, October 19th. The event featured 20–25-minute tours at six (6) local manufacturers plus a presentation by Central Public School Superintendent Tim Schochenmaier who spoke about student/manufacturer partnership programs. This year's event was a huge success with about 70 students and a dozen community members in attendance. The intention of this event is to recognize the NYA manufacturers for National Manufacturing Week/Month of October and expose future workforce to well-paying jobs opportunities and careers in the NYA area.

The Central Trades & Advisory Group includes representatives from Central Public Schools, City of NYA, NYA Area Chamber of Commerce, and local NYA manufacturers. The efforts of this group are to encourage students to discover the opportunities and successes of the trades and manufacturing businesses in the area. In his presentation at the NYA Manufacturing Today event, Mr. Schochenmaier shared information on Central Public School's "On the Job Training" and "My First Job" programs. Both programs are amazing opportunities for all parties involved – gaining school credits, earning a wage, exposing students to the latest – greatest manufacturing technology and equipment, growing relationships with a potential employer, and bringing much needed workforce to our local manufacturers. Also emphasized with these programs is the fact that students do not need a four-year degree for these positions, rather attendance at a trade school or 2-year school that could be paid for by their employer.

The six (6) locations of the manufacturing tours were as follows: Sackett-Waconia, Yeager Machine, ASI (Acoustical Surfaces, Inc.), Modern Design Cabinetry, Storms Welding, and Bongards Creameries. Students took a survey about manufacturing in NYA, and the following were recurring themes in the feedback:

- High starting wages (at least \$20/hour)
- Job opportunities available (the labor shortage)
- Surprised by the job opportunities specifically in NYA
- Ability to get a job without a college degree and before you turn 18 (summer jobs and internships)
- 56 of 69 students would consider a job or career in manufacturing in the future.



City of NYA Bus Update

Weekly "Shopping" Trips are available to all NYA senior residents. All trips are \$2/person. Please call SmartLink at 952-496-8341 ext 2 to reserve your seat. A seven (7) day notice is required.

- * 1st Tues – Waconia (Mackenthun's, Dollar Store)
- * 2nd Tues – Glencoe Coborn's
- * 2nd Wed—NYA Shopping (Kwik Trip, Family Dollar, Marsden Pharmacy)
- * 3rd Tues – Waconia (Aldi, Target)
- * 4th Tues – Glencoe Coborn's
- * 4th Wed—NYA Shopping (Kwik Trip, Family Dollar, Marsden Pharmacy)
- * 5th Tues – Wild Card Tuesday! Location TBD (i.e. Fleet Farm, Super Target, Jerry's Foods Watertown, etc.)

2021 "Out & About" Trips

The City of NYA has started up the bi-monthly "Out & About" Trips! Each special trip is \$5/person. Pick up and drop off is at either Oak Grove, Peace Villa, or The Harbor/Haven. Limited seating available and first come, first served. To make a reservation for an "Out & About" Trip, please call Karen at 952-467-1810. There must be a minimum of 8 people to accommodate the trip.

Thurs, Nov 11	Veterans Program- Central HS 9:30AM **FREE RIDE**
Sat, Nov 19	Central Craft Sale—Central HS 10:00AM—2:00PM **FREE RIDE**
Thurs, Dec 8	Kohls/Super Target/Goodwill Chaska 9:30am-2:00pm \$5/person
Thurs, Dec 8	Waconia Light Tour 5:30pm-7:30pm \$5/person
Thurs, Dec 15	Eden Prairie Mall Shopping 9:30am-2:00pm \$5/person
Thurs, Dec 15	Cologne/NYA Light Tour 5:30pm-7:30pm \$5/person
Thurs, Dec 22	Glencoe Light Tour 5:30pm-7:30pm \$5/person



**With
Deputy Voigt**



Trick or Treat!!

Trick or Treating is all about having fun with friends and family. Here are a few tips for parents and kiddos:

- Parents are encouraged to accompany their children (at any age).
- Kids and/or parents are encouraged to carry some sort of light or flashlight for safety.
- Drivers need to be extra cautious to watch for kids walking in busy neighborhoods.
- Parents should check all candy to make sure everything is pre-wrapped and not damaged.
- Most importantly....Have Fun! Stop at either the North or South NYA Fire Stations on Oct 31st from 5-8pm.

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.



Fall Breeze & Autumn Leaves

Fall is leaf season and the trees are shedding their beautiful fall colors. Please be aware - ***we have a city compost site that is free to all residents for disposing of leaves and brush!*** Do not rake or blow leaves onto the streets - they will plug the stormwater drains which are crucial for handling the water runoff during rain events. The NYA Compost Site is located at 640 Tacoma Blvd and it is open from dawn to dusk seven days a week. This service is available to NYA City Residents ONLY. Thank you for keeping our city beautiful and for keeping our stormwater drains clear!



City of Norwood Young America, Minnesota Notice of General Municipal Election

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN, that a Municipal Election will be held in the City of Norwood Young America, County of Carver, State of Minnesota, on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at City Hall, 310 Elm Street West, Norwood Young America, MN 55368.

The Offices to be voted upon are:

One Mayor – Two (2) Year Term:

Carol Lagergren
Write-in, if any

Two Councilmember positions – Four (4) Year Terms:

Craig Heher
Brooke Allen
Charlie Storms
Write-in, if any

By Order of the City
Angela Brumbaugh



Absentee Voting

- If Mailing Absentee Ballot...All absentee ballots must be received by Election Day or it will not be counted. Mail to: Carver County Elections, Government Center, 600 E 4th St, Chaska, MN 55318.
- If Dropping Off Absentee Ballot...Absentee ballots can ONLY be dropped off at Carver County Government Center in Chaska NO LATER than Tuesday, November 8, 2022 by 3:00pm. NYA City Hall cannot take absentee ballots at any time.
- If Voting In Person BEFORE Tuesday, November 8, 2020...You can absentee vote in person ONLY at Carver County Government Center in Chaska.

Any questions?

Office of Minnesota Secretary of State at 1-877-600-VOTE or visit the website mnvotes.org

Carver County Elections (952)361-1941 or elections@co.carver.mn.us

Election Day Registration

To register at your polling place on Election Day, bring one proof of residence listed below:

1. ID with current name and address
2. Photo ID plus a document with your current name and address
3. Registered voter who can confirm your address
4. College student ID with housing list
5. Valid registration in the precinct
6. Note of late registration
7. Staff person of a residential facility

Approved photo ID's (Choose one—can be expired):

- Driver's license, State ID or learner's permit issued by any state
- US Passport
- US Military or Veteran ID
- Tribal ID with name, signature and photo
- MN university, college or technical college ID
- MN high school ID

Approved documents (Choose one—can be shown on electronic device):

- Bill, account or state-of-service statement due or dated within 30 days of the election for: phone, TV, internet, solid waste, sewer, electric, gas, water, banking or credit card, rent or mortgage
- Residential lease or rent agreement valid through Election Day
- Current student fee statement

Rural Minnesota Freight Highway to Get \$10 Million Face-Lift

October 12, 2022 4:19pm, EDT—Editor: Noel Fletcher, Staff Reporter of Transport Topics www.ttnews.com/articles/rural-minnesota-freight-highway-get-10-million-face-lift

A 90-year-old undivided two-lane freight corridor is getting a \$10 million face-lift in a Minnesota agricultural belt where truckers, commuters and farmers cope with high crash rates and congestion.

Carver County is receiving a U.S. Department of Transportation grant to improve freight mobility and safety along U.S. Route 212 that will reconfigure intersections in areas with high crash rates and enable truckers to carry goods more efficiently.

A vital route between rural southwest Minnesota and the Twin Cities, U.S. 212 spans 161 miles in Minnesota and has been designated a critical rural freight corridor by the state department of transportation. It provides a major freight connection for 22,000 square miles of rural Minnesota and South Dakota.

Gayle Degler, commissioner of Carver County, told Transport Topics the grant will help the county (35 miles southwest of Minneapolis) complete the last five-mile section of U.S. 212 within about two years.

Funding will go toward right-of-way acquisitions, soil corrections and preserving some historic landmarks. The roadway was part of the transcontinental Yellowstone Trail established in the heyday of the Model T.

The \$10 million grant will help complete the U.S. 212 project that will total nearly \$77 million, said Sara Renney, communications manager at Carver County Public Works.

According to a 2019 freight mobility and safety project report by Carver County, freight bottlenecks along U.S. 212 negatively impacted 65 freight generators and resulted in a 17% increase in operational costs. At the same time, 72% of county residents who commute are stuck in traffic congestion.

Carver County officials determined that the average trip length is 61 miles for personal users and 91 miles for freight traffic.

Not only supporting interstate freight traffic, U.S. 212 is important for intrastate truck shipments with Carver County and seven other counties each accounting for 5% of freight traffic on the corridor.

The federal Infrastructure for Rebuilding America grant awarded Sept. 15 will remediate current safety issues arising from narrow lanes and shoulders, limited turn lanes, conflicts with rural farm equipment, problem intersections and traffic issues involving drivers having to merge from a four-lane divided highway into a two-lane undivided one.

The DOT noted that in the past five years, three fatalities occurred at one intersection along U.S. 212 in the county, and the project area has a higher-than-average crash rate.

"Many crashes were freight-related or roadway departure crashes that could be avoided by the roadway expansion, addition of rumble strips and reduced conflict intersections," DOT stated, adding that a traffic study revealed that "a great majority of the corridor congestion is caused by crashes, which impacts efficiency of freight movement" for major local freight generators.

New safety features will include reduced conflict intersections and a grade-separated interchange. A bridge will be built near the location of Bongards Dairy, a farmer-owned co-op established in 1908 in Chanhassen that is known for its cheeses.

"Bongards is a large dairy. They have lots of trucks going in and out," Degler said, explaining how the bridge is needed to avoid creating a dangerous intersection for the dairy and local farmers driving with combines and wagons.

"You don't want to cross a four-lane highway with a combine," he said. "So we're making a bridge to make it a lot safer for agricultural vehicles and agricultural equipment," he added, saying the project is "going to make it safer for everybody."



U.S Route 212 by Carver County Public Works via YouTube

NYA City Events



MEALS for KIDS

****Free Pop-Up Food Market****
Program Extended through Dec 19th
Every Monday 3-5pm:
Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion

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

Sponsored by a Better Society, City of NYA, Bountiful Basket Food Shelf, Gather and Grow Food Shelf, and Carver County Public Health

15th Harvest Moon Food & Wine Extravaganza

Friday, October 28, 2022
5:30-8:00pm



Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion

Sips, Samples & Savory Sweets! Silent Auction and Raffle Fun!
 Tickets on sale at Good Time Liquors only.
 (Must be 21 yrs old to attend.)



A community project fundraiser presented by the
 NYA West Carver Lions

22nd Annual St. John's Harvest Party

Saturday, Oct 29th from 4-6pm
****Free Admission****



Wagon/Hayrides, Mini Golf,
 Carnival Games, Door Prizes,
 Food trucks & More!
 Food Shelf Donations Encouraged
 St. John's School, 27 1st St NW

****Photo opps - Costumes Encouraged—Not Necessary****

The NYA Fire Department
 will have both the
 North & South Fire Stations
 open for Trick or Treater's on
 Monday, October 31st from
 5:00-8:00pm!

North Station: 23 3rd Ave SE
 South Station: 327 Elm Street W
****Be Safe & Have Fun****



Veteran's Day Program

Friday, November 11th
9:30am @ Central High School Gym



39th Annual Norwood Young America District 108 Central Craft Fair



Saturday, Nov 19th
9:00am—3:00pm
 Central High School, Elementary
 Gyms, Commons & Halls
****Buses available b/t schools****
****Concessions fundraiser for
 Central Post Prom****

Holiday Extravaganza

Saturday, November 26th @ 5pm
 Willkommen Memorial Park

- *Santa & Mrs. Claus * Hayrides & Firepits & Smores ***
- *Kids Activities & Crafts * Chili * Soup * Hot Cocos ***
- **FREE Festive Family Fun****

Sponsored by NYA Area Chamber of Commerce & Local Businesses

Small Business Saturday

Shop Your Local Neighborhood Stores



Saturday, November 26, 2021

**NYA West Carver Lions
 presents**
Breakfast with Santa
Saturday, Dec 3rd
9:00am
**Willkommen Memorial
 Park Pavilion**
****Free Event****



The West Carver Girl Scouts Presents the 29th Annual Kids Only Craft Fair & Bake Sale

Sat, Dec 3rd from 10am-1pm



Central Elementary Commons & Gym
****All items \$5 or less****
**Sale for KIDS ONLY (14 & under) 10am
 -12:30pm**
Sale Open to Public 12:30pm-1pm
****Concessions available****
 Kids! Bring your shopping list and a "Girl
 Scout Elf" will help you shop!



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October

Fri: Oct 28: West Carver Lions 12th Harvest Moon Food & Wine Extravaganza @ Pavilion
Sat: Oct 29: St. John's Harvest Party
Mon: Oct 31: NYA FD Trick or Treating @ Fire Stations

November

Tues, Nov 1: Planning Commission 6pm
Wed, Nov 2: NYA Senior Center 10-2pm @ Pavilion
Tues, Nov 8: General Elections at City Hall
Wed, Nov 9: EDC Commission 6pm
Fri, Nov 11: Veteran's Day Program @ CHS 9:30am
Fri, Nov 11: City Hall Closed
Mon, Nov 14: City Council 6pm
Tues, Nov 15: Parks & Recreation Commission 4:45pm
Wed, Nov 16: NYA Senior Center 10-2pm @ Pavilion
Thurs, Nov 17: Senior Advisory Commission 9am
Sat, Nov 19: Central Craft Fair 9-3pm
Thurs, Nov 24: Thanksgiving
Thurs, Nov 24 & 25: City Hall Closed
Sat, Nov 26: Small Business Saturday—Shop Local!!
Sat, Nov 26: Holiday Extravaganza @ Willkommen Memorial Park
Mon, Nov 28: City Council Workshop 5pm/6pm

NYA Food Distributions through 2022

NYA City Hall Parking Lot

2:00-3:00pm

- Friday, November 4th
- Friday, December 2nd

Drive-thru event while supplies last.
Sponsored by
CAP Agency, Carver Co Public Health,
and City of NYA

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

Friendly Reminders

NYA Recycling Center - 421 Railroad St W

The NYA Recycling Center is owned by Carver County Environmental Services and operated by the City of NYA. 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.

Weather Rules for Operation of Golf Carts/ATVs

City Code 750.08 Conditions of Operations: Operation of golf cars or Class 2 ATV on permitted streets within the City shall operate from sunrise to sunset between April 1 to November 1, except during periods of inclement weather or when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog, or other conditions, or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons or vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 feet.

Parking During a Snowfall

Subd.1 Snowfall. "Snowfall" shall mean any accumulation of two or more inches of snow on a street when snow is falling or has fallen within the previous twenty-four hours.

Section 720.04 Restricted Parking During Snowfall and Blowing Snow. No person shall park or leave a motorized vehicle on any street within the City during or after a snowfall or a period of blowing snow until the snow has been removed from the street. Parking may be prohibited or restricted following snow removal as provided by City Code or State Law.

Designated Parking Areas

Effective November 1 to April 1, no parking is permitted on main streets in the downtown and business areas of town from 2:00am-7:00am. Please watch for signs.

The City offers designated parking areas for those residents who do not have off-street parking during a snow emergency—VEHICLES ONLY! NO TRAILERS! Parking in the designated parking areas will be enforced from 2am-6am. The two designated parking spots within city limits are the north side of the Elm Street Municipal Parking Lot and the north side of Old City Hall/Food Shelf building. Watch for signs. All violators will be towed at owners expense.

Employment Opportunity

The City of NYA is currently accepting applications for a Public Services Technician—Streets & Parks. This is a fulltime position. For more information including job description and application, please visit the city website at www.cityofnyc.com, click How Do I, Apply for a Job...or stop at City Hall, 310 W Elm Street. Questions? Call Angela at 952-467-1800 or email cityclerk@cityofnyc.com.