



# A Message From the City Council

As a City Council, we are currently focused on setting a preliminary budget for 2023. The process requires us to review the decisions of the past year and set the priorities for next year. John Maxwell, a well-known author wrote: "Change is inevitable. Growth is optional." By being purposeful in our planning, we can make the best decisions for our community.

#### Planning for ongoing street maintenance:

As a community we can celebrate the completion of the Second Avenue Reconstruction Project. At a total cost of over \$5 million dollars, this much needed improvement, which included a Lift Station upgrade, was an important and much needed project for us. A smaller street project will be included in the 2023 budget with the exact location yet to be determined.

A frequently asked question is why the Council is not following the model of Central Public Schools and bonding for all the roads at one time. The simple answer - we cannot take on that much additional debt and maintain our current credit rating. As the debt load decreases we will have more financial flexibility for future projects.

#### Planning for a second Industrial Park:

We are so blessed to have Sackett Waconia, Yeager Machines, Vickerman Co. and now Greenwood Marina in our community within the Tacoma West Industrial Park! With the completion of our first industrial park, plans for a new park will be included in the 2023 budget. Thank you to the Carver County CDA for a \$100,000 grant as seed money for the purchase of land for a second park in our community.

#### Planning for updates to Old Town:

Old Town was constructed in 1991 and has been an important part of Willkommen Memorial Park since that time. Did you know that Old Town was designed to commemorate the original buildings of Main Street? For the past several years, the Council has been setting aside funds to update Old Town. The current building will be taken down with a new building, honoring the current style, completed by the end of next summer.

For the past two years, the Council purposefully set a low levy to honor the financial burdens of households and businesses caused by the pandemic. Due to the rising costs of everything, the levy for 2023 will be higher than the past two years. As a Council, we are purposefully planning for the future. **Norwood Young America is more than a place, it is our home** and we will continue to plan for the best home possible!

# "Old Town In The Park" Established 1991

...Once upon a time in the year 1990 a deep desire grew in the community to help beautify Willkommen Memorial Park. Six organizations formed a park board approved by the City Council. They began work on a project for the park.

"Old Town in the Park" is the theme name given to the first phase of the park project. We hope you enjoy the complex as much as we have enjoyed putting it together.

The first section on the left is the dugout for the Young America Cardinals baseball team. The top of the dugout consists of a press box and on top of the press box is where the old original city bell is housed. The bell-tower is fashioned after the tower on the old city hall built in 1909.

The next building is the concession stand. It is designed to resemble the old "Mankenberg Hotel." Karl Mankenberg owned this hotel in about 1879. The hotel was later occupied by the Post Office until 1980. It still stands at its original location on Main Street.

The third building is the Young America VFW Auxiliary's Popcorn Stand. It is designed to resemble the old Young America Bank originally built in the year 1900. This original building also remains on Main Street.

The fourth building is a combination concession/storage area. It was fashioned after part of the old livery barn (a place where horses are kept). A portion of the livery barn remains in town. It is presently part of the feedmill.

The fifth section is an open shelter which is utilized by our local Fire Department during Stiftungsfest. It is an ideal place to host picnics the rest of the time.

The roof line is designed to tie in with the pavilion roof line. Some European flair was added to give it a uniqueness all its own. We hope you enjoy the new area!

The "new" Old Town is slated for the same look and feel as the current buildings, and will serve the same purpose, however, have much needed ADA code upgrades and improvements that will serve the community more safely and efficiently.



"Old Town In The Park"

Established 1991

# NYA City Happenings



# **NYA Senior Center is Open**

The NYA Senior Center has started their gatherings again the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at the Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion. All local seniors in the Norwood Young America area community are invited to gather together for bingo, cards, cribbage, board games, and conversation, starting on September 21st. The pavilion is open from 10am to 2pm. A complimentary lunch and snacks are offered at every gathering which is financially supported by local organizations, however, free will donations are accepted. Need a ride? The NYA City Bus picks up and delivers guests from Oak Grove Center, Peace Villa, and the Harbor/Haven to the Pavilion throughout the Senior Center hours of 10am-12pm. If you need to be picked up from your residential home, please call SmartLink at 952-496-8431 ext 2. All are welcome!





The NYA Senior Center is organized through the NYA Senior Advisory Commission. The NYA Senior Advisory Commission was established for the purpose of providing senior citizens an opportunity to effectively communicate the social, economic, recreational, cultural, and personal needs of seniors in the City of Norwood Young America. The Commission is advisory only and makes recommendations to the City Council for the establishment and/or funding of various programs and services needed by the senior population. Additionally, the Commission will also promote a public understanding of both the needs and the many contributions made by older citizens. If you are interested in attending a meeting, the NYA Senior Advisory Commission meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at NYA City Hall at 9am.

#### Locals Earn Girl Scout Silver Award

Norwood Young America residents Keira Hemmann and Chloe Knopik of Girl Scout Troop 16580 officially earned their Girl Scout Silver Award for their three (3) community projects:

- Inspirational messages painted on bathroom stalls at Central Elementary, Middle School, and High Schools for helping to improve the well being of students.
- Welcome to Kindergarten Bags filled with goodies from local businesses...This was Keira and Chloe's version of "Shop Local!" This helps all of us succeed in our small community: families saving some money with generous coupons and special free items, plus helping the businesses gain more customers.
- Construction and installation of a Little Free Library located at NYA Legion Park

Congratulations, Keira and Chloe! Thank you for making a big difference in our small community!





# **Honoring Our Veterans**

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.



### **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.

# "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape."

The National Fire Protection Association is celebrating the 100th anniversary of Fire Prevention Week. This year's campaign, "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape" works to educate everyone about simple but important actions people can take to keep themselves and those around them safe from home fires. In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and a tragedy. Fire safety education isn't just for school children. Teenagers, adults, and the elderly are also at risk in fires, making it important for every member of the community to take some time every October during Fire Prevention Week to make sure they understand how to stay safe in case of a fire. Since 1922, the NFPA has sponsored the public observance of Fire Prevention Week. In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed Fire Prevention Week a national observance, making it the longest-running public health observance in the country. It is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and

caused devastating damage destroying more than 17,400 structures, 250 fatalities, left 100,000 homeless and burned more than 2,000 acres of land. For more information on Fire Prevention Week, visit www.nfpa.org.





Let the NYA Lions cook you breakfast!

#### Pancake & Omelet Breakfast

Sunday, October 9, 2022 8:00am—11:30am Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion Cost: Free-Will Donation Proceeds go back in the NYA Community!

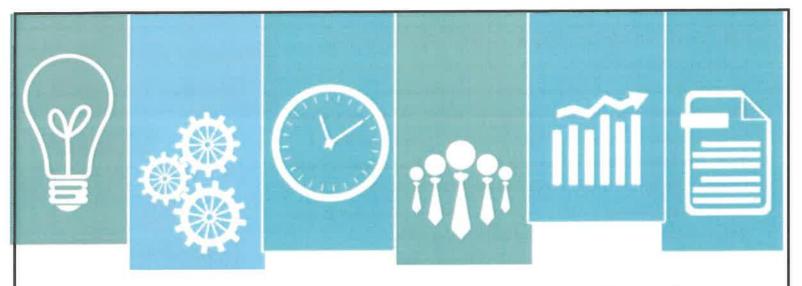


#### Harvest Soup Drive-Thru Willkommen Memorial Park (Enter at West Playground Gate)

Friday, October 21st 4:30-6:30pm

(or until the food is gone!) \$10 Supper-to-go includes: CindyAnn's Wild Rice Soup, Breadstick, Apple, Cookie

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



# NYA Manufacturing Today

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

National Manufacturer's Month Recognition to all Norwood Young America Manufacturers

	Tour Times
Sackett Waconia (680 Tacoma Blvd)	9:00am
Yeager Machine (415 Tacoma Cir)	9:30am
ASI - Acoustical Surface, Inc. (717 Faxon Rd N)	10:00am
Modern Design Cabinetry (710 Faxon Rd N)	10:30am
Storms Welding (300 Industrial Blvd)	11:00am
**Luncheon/Speaker at Willkommen Pavilion	11:30am**
Bongards Creameries (13200 CR 51)	12:15pm

Join the NYA Economic Development Commission and the Central Trades & Advisory Group on Wednesday, October 19th in recognizing and appreciating the manufacturers of Norwood Young America. Six (6) local manufacturers 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.

At the pavilion, Central Public School's Superintendent Tim Schochenmaier will be presenting information about partnership opportunities for students with local NYA manufacturers. In addition, students who have who have participated with these opportunities will share their experiences.

Please RSVP by Friday, October 14th if you are planning to attend the luncheon. To RSVP, please call 952-467-1810 or email economicdev@cityofnya.com.

# Thank You To Norwood Young America Manufacturers!

- 1. Acoustical Surface Inc (ASI) 717 Faxon Rd, (952)448-5300, www.acousticalsurfaces.com
- Manufacturer and distributor of acoustical and soundproofing products
- ATS (Automated Target Systems) 304 E Main St E, (651)429-8091, www.atstargets.com
- Leader in building tactical target systems and marksmanship training equipment
- Bean's Greenwood Marina—410 Tacoma Cir, (952)474-7942, www.greenwoodmarina.com
- Mechanical, specialty services and storage of watercrafts and equipment
- 4. CityWide Wood Flooring-321 Elm Street W, (952)442-9001, www.citywidewoodfloors.com
- Manufacturer and installer of new hardwood flooring and refinishing
- 5. Hydro Engineering—301 Industrial Blvd, (952)467-3100, www.hydro-eng.com
- Manufactures custom manure injection equipment & municipal, irrigation and mining equipment.
- 6. JIT Companies—700 Railroad St, (507)326-5240, www.jitcompanies.com
- Manufacturer of custom laminated glass, waterjet cutting, and straightline metal finishing
- Lionshead Tire & Wheel

  717 Faxon Rd, (574)533-6169, www.lionsheadtireandwheel.com
- Contract manufacturer of trail components; tires, wheels and specialty running gear accessories
- 8. MI-BOX Storage 508 Merger St STE500, (952)446-5064, www.getmibox.com
- Assembly, moving, and mobile storage containers
- 9. Modern Design Cabinetry-710 N Faxon Rd (952)466-4766, www.moderndesigncabinetry.com
- Custom cabinetry shop—design, cabinetmaker, finisher, and installation
- 10. Principle Manufacturing, Inc. 118 W Railroad St, (952)467-4929, www.principlemanufacturing.com
- Precision machining and manufacturing specializing in milling, lathe, drilling, and tapping
- 11. Sackett Waconia 680 Tacoma Blvd, (952)442-4450, www.sackettwaconia.com
- Diversified manufacturer of technology and equipment for the world fertilizer industry
- 12. Serv-A-Dock—170 Industrial Blvd, (952)443-2811, www.servadock.com
- Custom design, installation and service of boat docks, lifts and swim rafts
- 13. Storms Welding & Mfg.—300 Industrial Blvd, (952)466-3343, www.stormsweldingmfg.com
- · Leading manufacturer of dairy barn equipment
- 14. Tin Roof Powder Coating—221 W Elm St (coming soon)
- 15. Vickerman Co.-675 Tacoma Blvd, (800)847-8606, www.vickerman.com
- Manufacturer/distributor of everyday silk trees and florals, wholesaler of seasonal décor including artificial Christmas trees and lights
- 16. Visiontech, LLC-124 Railroad St W, (952)278-0714, www.visiontech-llc.business.site
- Manufacturer of computer ware
- 17. Yeager Machine—415 Tacoma Cir, (952)467-2800, www.yeagermachine.com
- Precision manufacturing of CNC milling and turning





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# National Manufacturer's Week October 7-14, 2022



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National Manufacturer's Day is an occasion during which manufacturers open their doors, showcase the potential of modern manufacturing and foster interest in manufacturing careers.











"Today's manufacturing jobs offer high-paying opportunities to work with cutting-edge technologies in a wide range of fast-growing fields. Driven by a renewed investment in U.S. manufacturing innovation, the growth potential for these jobs is high-more than 1.3 million manufacturing jobs have been added to the U.S. economy over the past decade. These jobs require skills that many Americans already have and don't necessarily need a college or advanced degree to do, making it easier to upgrade to a manufacturing career than you might think."

- Manufacturing USA, www.manufacturingusa.com

# **#NYACommunity**

## 2022—Another Great Stiftungsfest

The Stiftungsfest Committee would like to thank all who made this year's celebration a huge success. This was one of our best years ever for attendance and sales - We sold out of just about everything! Crowds were huge every day. Rain on Saturday night delayed the kickball championship, a few ball games, and music in the beer garden, but overall, we could not have asked for a better weekend.

Thursday's "Family Night" had a huge crowd and is becoming a big event for Stiftungsfest. We thank all the local Churches for stepping up and putting this event on. It's a great night for the youth in our community. Amazing music filled the tent and beer garden all weekend, plus the blow-up rides and paint ball went over very well. Great softball and kickball games, firefighter challenge, bingo, church service, craft sale, ambassador

coronation, and fun run were all well attended. Lots of food and fun for everyone - including the Diedesfeld Band! The way the NYA community pulls together to support all aspects of Stiftungsfest is terrific. All should be proud of the good job everyone does.

Thanks to the VFW, American Legion, NYA Lions Club and countless local businesses that financially support Stiftungsfest. Without their support, we would not be able to have all the great entertainment we have. All the profits have always gone to the NYA Fire Department, and they, too, thank you for your support.

Thanks to the Stiftungsfest Committee for a job well done! Thanks to the over 300 volunteers and firefighters who put in a long week and weekend setting up and working the shifts. Thanks to the City of Norwood Young America and its staff for your continued support of Stiftungsfest. It's great to see new people come to our community for the first time and leave truly impressed. It is also so fun to see people that moved away from the area return annually for the celebration. Mark your calendars - Next year's 162<sup>nd</sup> Stiftungsfest is August 24-27, 2023. With many thanks, Stiftungsfest Pres. Paul Lano



# **NYA Fire Department Receives Donation**

Stiftungsfest Board Members President Paul Lano and Treasurer Elroy Latzig presented a check in the amount of \$54,496.22 to the NYA Fire Department for proceeds from 2021 Stiftungsfest celebration. Each year, previous year proceeds are used as seed money to fund the current year's celebration. The 2022 Stiftungsfest proceeds will be paid to the NYA Fire Department in September 2023. If anyone is interested in becoming a Stiftungsfest committee member, please call or text 952-200-8431. Stiftungsfest meetings are the 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm at the North Fire Station.



15th Harvest Moon Food & Wine Extravaganza

"Back in Time..."

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

Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion

Síps, Samples and Savory Sweets! Silent Auction and Raffle Fun!

Tickets on sale at Good Time Liquors. Must be 21 yrs old to attend.



A community project fundraiser presented by the NYA West Carver Lions

We Serve

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 22ND ANNUAL

# **HARVEST PARTY**

St. John's Lutheran School 27 1st Street NW, NYA

Saturday, October 29 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.



Wear your costumes for some fun photo opportunities!

FREE ADMISSION! Donations (cash, non-perishable food or hygiene items) to the SW Carver County Food Shelf are highly encouraged. Prize drawings for those who are present. Activities are family focused and are for kids of all ages!

Ouestions? Email harvestpartvnva@gmail.com or call Christina Degler at (605)261-8713.



program extended through October

# free pop-up food market



- produce, dry goods, dairy, and more No registration needed
- No personal information required
- Open to all students and families
- Come as often as you want

#### **FIND MORE INFORMATION AT** WWW.FINDFOODCARVERCOUNTY.ORG

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS IN NYA**

PRSRT STD ECRWSS U.S.POSTAGE PAID EDDM Retail

Postal Customer

**NYA Food Distributions** 

through 2022

**NYA City Hall Parking Lot** 

2:00-3:00pm

Drive-thru event while supplies last

Sponsored by

CAP Agency, Carver Co Public Health,

and City of NYA

Friday, October 7th

Friday, November 4th

Friday, December 2nd

NYA, MN 55397 and 55368

# **September**Fri, Sept 23: Pillow Cleaning @ NYA Sports Complex Lion's

Shelter
Mon, Sept 26: Fall Meals for Kids @ Pavilion 3-5pm

Mon, Sept 26: Work Session/City Council @ City Hall 5pm

Mon, Sept 26-30: Homecoming Week at Central Public Schools

#### October

Sat, Oct 1: NYA Marketplace @ CarQuest lot Tues, Oct 4: Planning Commission @ City Hall 6pm

Wed, Oct 5: NYA Senior Center @ Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion

Sun, Oct 9: NYA Lions Pancake & Omelet Breakfast @ Pavilion

Mon, Oct 10: City Council Mtg @ City Hall 6pm

Wed, Oct 12: EDC Mtg @ City Hall 6pm

Tues, Oct 18: Parks & Rec Commission @ City Hall 4:45pm

Wed, Oct 19: Manufacturer's Day Tours

Wed, Oct 19: NYA Senior Center @ Willkommen Memorial Park Pavilion

Thurs, Oct 20: Senior Advisory Commission @ City Hall 9am

Fri, Oct 21: West Carver Lions Harvest Soup Drive Thru @ Willkommen Memorial Park

Mon, Oct 24: Work Session/City Council Mtg 5pm

Fri: Oct 28: West Carver Lions 12th Harvest Moon Food & Wine Extravaganza @ Pavilion

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

#### 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!

#### **Cleaning Up Pet Litter**

The owner of an animal shall be responsible for cleaning up any feces of the animal and disposing in a sanitary manner. This is on private and public property—this includes City parks, sidewalks and trails.

# PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG Thank You

#### 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 city residents for disposing of leaves and brush! Do not rake or blow leaves onto the streets - they will plug our 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!

#### **Custodial Position Available**

The City of NYA is currently accepting applications for a part-time custodian (potential nights and weekends). Rate of pay \$15.05—\$18.83 per hour. Please contact Angela at City Hall at 952-467-1807 or www.cityofnya.com for more information.

#### **Commission Seats Available**

The NYA Planning Commission (meetings 1st Tuesday each month at 6pm) and the NYA Economic Development Commission (meetings 2nd Wednesday each month at 6pm) each have a commission seat available. Applicants must live or own a business within the city limits of Norwood Young America. Contact economicdev@cityofnya.com if you are interested.