Des Moines

CITY CURRENTS



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City's new recreation program is up and running

Formation of the City's new Recreation Department is well under way with the hiring of Recreation Supervisor Dave Fair.

Fair, 33, comes to Des Moines from the City of Mountlake Terrace, where he was recreation supervisor.

A number of recreation programs

are already planned for late summer, all taking place at the Des Moines Fieldhouse. Expected to lart in mid-July, the classes for youths will include tumbling, arts and crafts, tennis and sport camps.

Call 870-6527 for



Dave Fair

information on the camps and registration.

The summer program will lead the way to a full-fledged recreation program in the fall. The program will have classes for youths and adults, including gymnastics, dance, karate, aerobics, and a volleyball league.

Fair calls these the "core" classes and said the overall program will be built upon and expanded from such classes

Some work is being done on the Des Moines Fieldhouse to prepare it for the recreation program. Main offices for the department are being housed there requiring installation of telephone and computer cable networks. Crews are busy cleaning and exploring ways to make the facility more accessible to the handicapped.

An office assistant has been hired and a recreation coordinator will be hired in the fall.



The Waterland carnival and entertainment takes place at the north end of the marina.

Waterland '93: A new street, new time for parade

What's new at Waterland this year?

Mainly, a brand new Marine View Drive, complete with new sidewalks, gutters, lights and landscaping, on which to hold the annual Grand Parade. Also new are 7th Avenue South and various side streets between downtown Des Moines and the marina. The new streets are a result of the downtown street improvement project, just completed this spring.

City officials hope residents will come and enjoy the new downtown as they attend the Grand Parade.

Of special note this year, Waterland's 34th year, is a new starting time of 3 p.m. instead of 6 p.m. for the Grand Parade, Saturday, July 24. The time has been changed to allow people more time to attend the Marina Fair after the parade. The Junior Parade starts at 2:30 p.m. and the Parade Against Hunger, 2:15 p.m.

Another change is the parade route. Because of construction work on Marine View Drive south of Johnny's Food Center, the parade will start on Kent-Des Moines Road, east of Taco Time, instead of at the Masonic Home on Marine View Drive.

Arts and crafts booths are being relocated this year from the south end of the marina to 7th Avenue South, between 222nd and 223rd streets.

Also new is a hole-in-one contest, sponsored by Des Moines Rotary, at Des Moines Beach Park.

The 1993 Waterland Festival gets under way Wednesday, July 21 and runs through Sunday, July 25.

Live entertainment will be presented at the marina stage each day with performances geared toward all age groups. Waterland hours are noon to 10 p.m. each day. Carnival hours vary. Waterland highlights include:

- ☐ Fireworks Display, Wednesday, 10 p.m., at the marina.
- Valkyrie cruise, Wednesday, during fireworks display.
- Kids Day at the Marina, Thursday, 1 p.m. until closing.
- ☐ Generations Day, Friday, noon until 6 p.m., marina.
- ☐ Grand Parade, Saturday, 3 p.m., Marine View Drive. Junior Parade 2:30

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Emission tests required after Aug. 1

Car and trucks in Des Moines and other areas of South King County not previously required to take the test will be required to meet emission standards under the Washington State Department of Ecology's Motor Vehicle Emission Check Program.

Beginning Aug. 1, 1993, gasolinepowered vehicles 1968 or newer in South King County will be required to pass an emission test every two years before license tabs can be renewed.

A new inspection station has been constructed in Des Moines at 22406 Pacific Highway South. Hours are Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 9-6; Wed., 9-8; Sat., 9-2.

For more information on the Emission Check Program, call the toll-free information line, 1-800-453-4951.

Here are some tips to help your vehicle cruise through its emission check:

- Don't make emission repairs just prior to the inspection. Any money you spend before the inspection cannot apply toward a possible waiver.
- Bring your vehicle registration and \$12 cash for the test fee. Checks and credit cards will not be accepted.
- Bring your vehicle to proper operating temperature. Shortly before the test, drive your vehicle for 10 minutes on the freeway.

Senior Center offers summer full of activities

People who live in the Des Moines area who are at least 55 years old are invited to participate in activities and services at Des Moines Senior Center, located at Des Moines Beach Park, 22030 Cliff Ave., phone 878-1642.

A monthly schedule of activities can be picked up at City Hall, the Senior Center, or Des Moines Library

There are no membership dues. You just need to come to participate. Upcoming events include:

JULY

July 9: Senior Center Annual Picnic; Center provides chicken or hamburgers, cherry cobbler, drinks and beans; you provide appetizers, salads and other desserts. Seattle Banjo Band will perform. Cost \$2.50.

July 23: Generations Day at Waterland. Bring your children and grand-children, and enjoy scheduled events from noon to 5 p.m. booths and concessions open at noon; rides at 3 p.m.

AUGUST

Aug. 17: Free outdoor concert featuring the Navy Band Brass Quintet at 12:30 p.m.

Aug. 21: Saturday, Family Day Picnic. This is an old-fashioned picnic, bring your children and grandchildren. Activities planned from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be age-appropriate activities for "kids" of all ages, with a picnic at noon. Hotdogs, hamburgers and drinks provided. Families should bring one potluck item, (rolls, salad, main dish or dessert). Cost is \$1.50 per person.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 7 and 30: 9:30 a.m. to noon, assistance completing ADA (American With Disabilities Act) paratransit application. If you have a disability which prevents you from using Metro's regular bus, you may be eligible for ADA services. You must apply for this door-to-door service. Call 878-1642 for appointment.

Welcome, North Hill residents

Welcome to North Hill residents who officially joined the City on July 1, 1993 after voting to annex last February. The newly annexed area is bounded by S. 208th on the south; S. 199th/200th on the north; Des Moines Memorial Dr. on the east; and 1st Ave. S. on the west.

The mailing address for this area

is Des Moines 98198, while for a handful of residences on S. 199 the zip code is 98148. The City is trying to get all of Des Moines in under one zip code.

City employees from the Community Development Dept. are going door-to-door in the annexation area this summer collecting census information.

Beach Park, Fieldhouse facilities can be rented

Many of the City's parks facilities and buildings are being made available for rent by the general public for private activities such as parties, receptions and meetings.

Des Moines Beach Park has three areas for rent: the picnic shelter, dining room and Founder's Lodge. Only one of these areas will be rented at a time. Call 878-4595 for an appointment to tour the facilities.

Des Moines Fieldhouse Park's picnic shelter and gymnasium/meeting room facilities also are available for private use by the general public.

Rental rates vary, depending on the organizations using the facility, and length of use.

City of Des Moines residents or organizations based in the city receive a 15 percent discount on rental rates.

For information or to rent a facility, contact Stormy Lynch at 870-6527.

EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Shelli Ford, a dispatcher with the

Des Moines Police Department for three years, has been selected by her peers as the City Employee of the Quarter.



Shelli Ford

very good work attitude, and was able to maintain a positive outlook during a recent period of extra hours and longer shifts when new dispatchers were being trained.

Shelli says she loves her job because she enjoys working with people, and her job is to talk with people on the phone when they may need help.

Shelli was chosen for the honor for best demonstrating the City's "Sails With Pride" employee values of "Positive, Resourceful, Integrity, Dedication and Excellence."

Shelli, 31, lives in Renton and has two daughters, ages 10 and 7.



Round up hazardous wastes: Wastemobile is coming!

The King County Wastemobile will be in the Des Moines area in July to collect household hazardous wastes free of charge. The schedule is:

July 15, 16, 17, July 22, 223, 24 Valley Ridge Park (next to Tyee High School) 4644 S. 188th St.

Hours are:

Thursdays, Fridays, noon - 7 p.m. Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Accepted wastes include:

- ✓ Oil based paints, solvents thinners
- ✓ Latex paints
- ✓ Used motor oil
- ✓ Lead acid batteries
- ✓ Pesticides and poisons
- ✓ Used antifreeze

Business Waste Line: 296-3976

Small business owners now can get answers to their questions about wastes.

A free Business Waste Line now addresses small business concerns; the number is 296-3976. The line is staffed from from Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Business owners can call the Waste Line to find out what materials are hazardous, how to dispose of unknown materials, what can go in the dumpster and down the drain, and where to find recycling centers. Hazardous waste experts will address concerns about waste or explain how to handle specific materials.

REMINDER: The mailing address for nearly all city residents is "Des Moines, WA 98198." Homes that front on South 199th Street are "Des Moines, WA 98148."

DM Creek-crossing road project to begin in fall

Scheduled to begin in September is the widening of Marine View Drive over Des Moines Creek at the north end of town.

The widening/fill project is being done by the state Dept. of Transportation. The road will be widened to two southbound lanes and two northbound lanes, with a southbound lane tying into 7th Avenue South. The Gateway Center shopping plaza will be removed.

The project will require a substantial amount of fill material for the creek crossing, so there will be increased truck traffic bringing in the material. The state plans to keep one lane in each direction open during construction, which will continue through the winter with expected completion next summer.

At the other end of town, the City this month is starting a \$2 million project to improve Marine View Drive from Kent-Des Moines Road up the hill to South 252nd Street. The road will be rebuilt, with bike lanes, curbs, sidewalks and gutters added. Also, drainage culverts will be replaced and major storm drainage lines installed. Highline Water District is participating in the project, installing new water lines.

Motorists can expect delays on Marine View Drive during the project, which is scheduled to be completed in October.

Community Health Center opens interim office

Low and moderate income Des Moines residents can receive medical care at the Federal Way Community Health Center, now located in interim facilities at 30620 Pacific Highway South, Suite 101.

Rates are on a sliding scale, based on a patient's income. For information or to make an appointment, call 941-4480. Hours are Monday, noon to 8 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A new permanent facility for the health center currently is being built in Federal Way at 33431 13th Pl. S.

CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS



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Audrey Bowers
Council member



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Scott Thomasson Council member



Don Wasson Council member



Bob Wray Council member

MARCH 1993

- Continued review of the Comprehensive Plan: Downtown Element.
- Passed Resolution No. 719 authorizing the Des Moines-Midway Rotary Club to conduct the 1993 Haunted House.
- Passed Resolution
 No. 720 opposing a
 Federal Metropolitan
 Detention Center at a
 site in the City of SeaTac.
- Passed Ordinance No. 1016 repealing Des Moines Beach Park integration into the Marina system.
- City Manager authorized to sign contract with Chamber of Commerce and artist Richard S. Beyer to construct the work called "Big Catch".

■ Passed Resolution No. 721 designating uses of the 5 percent utility tax.

APRIL 1993

- Continued review of Comprehensive Plan Downtown Element.
- Approved including the Massey Creek culvert replacement as part of the Marine View Drive South project in 1993.
- Approved the following ordinances:

No. 1025 assigning Surface Water Management delinquent accounts for collection and providing for a surcharge.

No. 1026 providing for

North Hill II annexation. No. 1028 providing funding for Comprehensive Transportation Plan (.025% Real Estate Excise Tax).

No. 1030 granting City Manager authority to set Park Facility Rental Policies and Fees.

- Approved Resolution No. 728 adopting a bicycle route map.
- Held a public hearing to determine the 1994 Community Block Grant policies.

MAY 1993

■ Approved the following ordinances:
No. 1032 requiring the wearing of bicycle helmets.

No. 1035 adopting comprehensive regulations on public use of panoram devices.

Approved Interlocal

Agreement with Highline School District for use of Zenith Park property.

- Held a public hearing to consider the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan.
- Continued Review of the Downtown Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

FREE OUTDOOR CONCERTS

Tanoa Polynesian Group, a music and dance tour of South Seas Sunday, July 11, 2-3:30 p.m.

Cowboy Buck and Friends Along the Trail Rootin, tootin time Sunday, Aug. 8, 2-3:30 p.m.

> Jr. Cadillac All-time favorite classic rock&roll band Sunday, Aug. 22, 2-3:30 p.m.

Simply Smooth & Special Guests Back to school concert Sunday, Aug. 29, 2-3:30 p.m.

Freezer Burn Outstanding jazz from classic to fusion Sunday, Sept. 12, 2-3:30 p.m.

Concerts at: Des Moines Fieldhouse Park, 1000 S. 220th (Sponsored by Des Moines Parks and Recreation)

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