

Waveland Park News



Spring 2021

THESE EARLY BLOOMS ARE SURE SIGNS OF SPRING

If you're lucky, you may soon get a sneak peek of spring as the earliest flowers make way toward the sun. We asked Aaron Harpold, assistant director of horticulture at Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, for a few of his favorite spring plants. Hellebore and Epimedium can still be planted now, Aaron says, but the others on his list should have been planted in the fall. (Or, plan ahead for this coming fall.)

According to Aaron, who lives on 43rd Street in Waveland Park, all of these selections should be planted under the cover of deciduous trees /shrubs. "The plants will do all of their photosynthesizing in that flurry of spring before the trees leaf out and other plants begin to take the stage," he says.

Here's what Aaron has to say about spring flower picks you should try—or look for in the neighborhood.

Hellebore (lenten rose, Christmas rose): I am in love with this genus of plants. They are early spring jewels. I have been slowly bulking up a stand of these under our Amelanchier (Serviceberry) tree in the front yard. I have planted H. 'Anna's Red,' H. 'Apricot Blush' and others by the dozens. They are tolerant of some dryness and neglect but don't fancy heavy, wet soil. They are one of the first flowers to show in spring, typically beginning in early April with the early daffodils and crocus.



Narcissus "Molten Lava" is in Aaron Harpold's garden on 43rd Street.

Epimedium (barrenwort, bishop's hat): This is another plant that grows well in the filtered light under our Serviceberry. I have intermingled *Epimedium warleyense*, which has delicate orange flower, among my Hellebores. There are numerous hybrid varieties with dainty spider-like flowers and/or glorious foliage. They don't like to have wet feet and bloom mid-April into early May.

Corydallis (fumewort): This fantastic little woodland perennial may take time to bulk up in your garden but is well worth the wait. The species *Corydalis solida* is my favorite. It explodes in a froth of pink flowers in early April. Venture out of our neighborhood to Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden in early/mid-April and you'll find the hillside garden awash in pink.

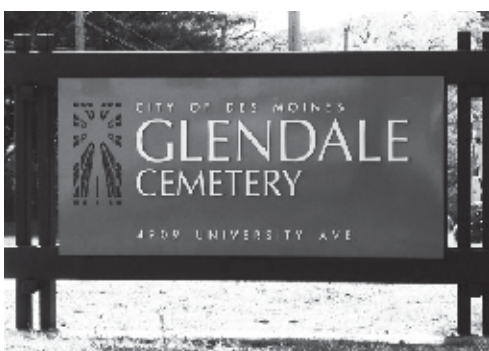
Galanthus (snowdrop): There is a small hidden patch of these at Drake near the Cline Hall entrance. They usually bloom in February and are the welcome harbingers that spring will again return someday. There are a number of hybrid selections (some exorbitantly pricey) but these are the first to show flowers in the late winter/early spring. I recommend starting with a couple of species selections, *Galanthus nivalis* or the slightly taller *G. elwesii*, to get more bang for your buck. The dainty little clumps of grass-like foliage, topped with bells of white, will take a while to bulk up in your garden, but the amount of joy you get when they push up through the snow is priceless. I started my small collection just this past fall.

I would be remiss if I didn't give a shout out to good old **crocus and narcissus**. These tried and true plants have ushered in spring for generations.

They thrive in a range of conditions from full sun to filtered light. Some are great for establishing in a stand of turf. In the three years we have lived on 43rd Street, I have planted about 5,000 of them and will continue to stuff them in wherever I can. Yes, the bunnies and squirrels get some of them—especially the crocus—but planting them is still worth it for the magical spring show.

Some of my favorite daffodils are N. 'Ringtone,' N. 'Thalia,' N. 'Sunlight Sensation,' N. 'Sabatini' and N. 'Elvins Voice,' a daffodil named after Des Moines resident and garden writer Elvin McDonald. Some of my fave crocus include: C. 'Jeanne d'Arc,' C. 'Pickwick,' C. 'Flower Record,' and C. 'Orange Monarch.'

EXPLORE THE HISTORY OF GLENDALE CEMETERY



Not only is Glendale Cemetery a favorite area in Waveland Park to wander, it is filled with interesting stories of days gone by. Have you ever walked through the cemetery and wondered about the fascinating monuments and headstones? Or thought about how it came to be? Or wondered where is Vice President Henry A. Wallace is buried?

You'll be able to hear some of the history and stories of the Glendale Cemetery in an upcoming tour led by Ganesh Ganpat, Des Moines Parks and Recreation supervisor and cemetery manager.

The tour takes place Friday, April 9 at 4:30 p.m., at Glendale Cemetery, 4909 University Ave., Des Moines.

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Cemetery From page 1

When the City of Des Moines purchased the land for the Glendale Cemetery in 1896, the residents felt it was too far west of the city center and thought the cemetery would not be used.

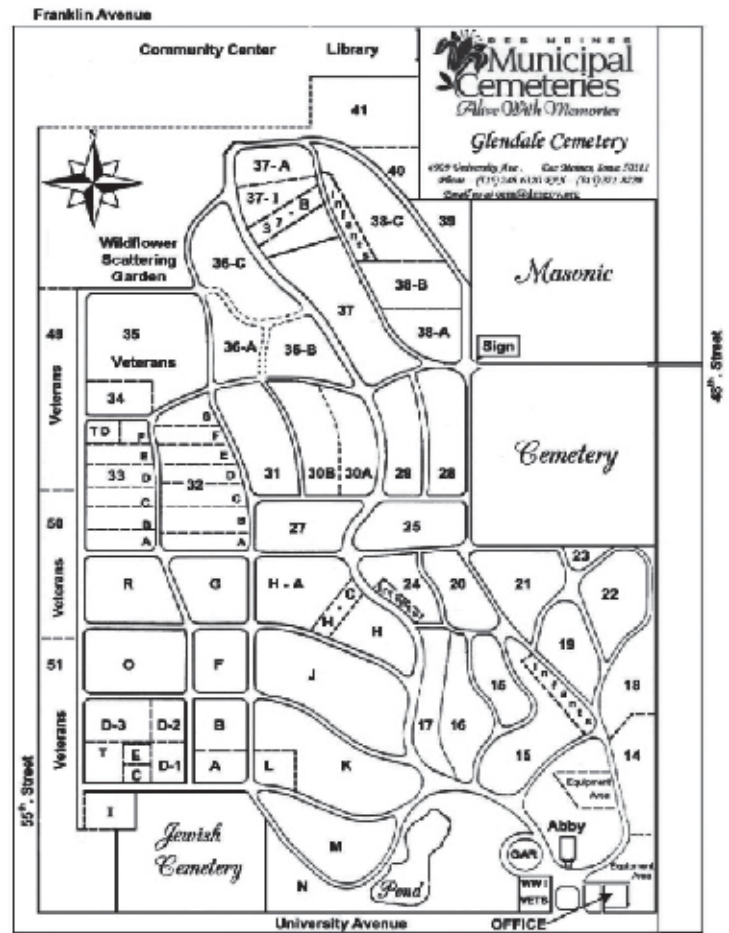
Many believed that \$200 an acre for 190 acres of space was a waste of resources because of the location. Over time, the purchase was viewed as one of the city's most strategic investments. With more than 100,000 burials, it has proven to be a treasured community asset.

In addition to Henry A. Wallace, Glendale Cemetery is the final resting place for other prominent Iowans at Glendale including former Iowa Governor Warrant Garst, and former Governor and U.S. Senator Clyde Herring who is interred in the Glendale Abbey Mausoleum.

Join the guided tour to learn more about Glendale Cemetery, including its history, operations, notable burials and features of the Glendale Abbey Mausoleum. The walking tour is approximately 1.5 to 2 miles (weather permitting) or will be held inside the Glendale Abbey. Tour participants should plan for a 90-minute presentation. Space is limited for 25 participants. Reservations are required. The tour is free, however donations are requested to support a fund or cemetery improvements and monument restoration.

Those attending should arrive by 4:30 p.m. Parking is available at the cemetery entrance lot and near the Glendale Abbey. Face masks are required and walking shoes recommended.

Guests will be asked to respect physical distancing of 6-feet during the tour.



The Glendale Cemetery includes a wildflower garden, a pond, as well as fascinating monuments. Visitors find miles of surface areas to walk. The distance around the perimeter is 2 miles.

For more information or to register, contact Todd Snell: 515-306-6536 or tsnell6536@gmail.com

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

Waveland Park Neighborhood Association wants to pitch in to help a neighbor or two via ReBuilding Together. Do you know a neighbor—elderly, veteran or someone with a disability—who might need help with projects at home? If so, contact ReBuilding Together or WPNA board member Joe Wallace.

Rebuilding Together is the leading volunteer organization that, in partnership with the community, rehabilitates the homes of veterans, older adults, people with disabilities, and families with dependent children. There is no cost to qualified families for the services provided.

If you have questions about Rebuilding Together or the application process, call 515-284-7403 or contact the office at 1111 9th Street #265, Des Moines, IA 50314. Or contact WPNA board member Joe Wallace at joe@jdwallace.net. Applications are due soon!

Because of COVID-19, volunteer team sizes will be kept to a minimum and projects will be focused on exterior work. If you are interested in volunteering for the one-day ReBuilding Together project and assisting someone in our neighborhood, contact ReBuilding Together or send Joe an email. You can also send Waveland Park Neighborhood Association a message on Facebook at WPNAfb.

Please consider lending a hand to a neighbor in need.



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MEET ANNA MASON

Waveland Park Neighborhood Association's new president, Anna Mason, introduces herself.

I moved to Waveland Park with my husband more than 10 years ago because we wanted to live in an old house that had character and charm. Our house has truly been a labor of love—we enjoy making updates that modernize the home but still respect it's historical roots. We want to live here until we can't climb stairs!

Besides our house, another favorite thing about Waveland is that it has everything! Groceries, coffee, CHEESE, bars, restaurants, cute clothing boutiques, yoga, a tailor, a chiropractor, a used record store and more. And all are within walking distance. I would never have to leave Waveland Park if I didn't want to!

I own my own management and training consulting business called Anna Mason Consulting (original name, right?!). I work with businesses to help them with hiring and leadership development. I'm really energized by all the activity of the WPNA these last few months. My goals as president of the WPNA for the next 2 years are to engage and boost membership and to improve our systems and processes, so that WPNA can keep running smoothly for many, many years to come.



I'm most excited this year to meet more of my Waveland Park neighbors, virtually and eventually in person. If you ever see me out walking my golden retriever, please stop and say hello. (We'll keep everything at a safe distance for now!)

TROLLEY PARK FUNDRAISER

It's not too late to help with the Waveland Trolley Park Project. Fundraising efforts are still underway for the project commemorating and preserving the former Waveland Streetcar turnaround on University Avenue near the entrance to Waveland Golf Course. You can see project plans and photos at wavelandpark.org/donate.

PLEASE DONATE

(Your donation is tax deductible through WPNA's 501.c.3 designation)

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Des Moines, IA 50310

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WPNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2021 Board Members are:
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ABOUT THE WPNA

The WPNA is a non-partisan nonprofit organization in which all meetings, programs, and events are free and open to the public. It is the purpose of the WPNA to enhance and maintain the quality of life in Waveland Park.

WPNA NEWSLETTER

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MEETINGS

Second Monday of every month, 6:30 p.m. To get the link to the Zoom meeting, check wavelandpark.org, WPNAfb on Facebook, or scan this code with your smartphone camera:



EASTER BINGO!

JOIN WPNA NOW!



PINK
EGG



"WAVELAND
PARK"
SIGN WITH
FLOWER CROWN



PURPLE
FLOWER



PIG-BUNNY

DINO-
BUNNY

BLUE
EGG

PINK
FLOWER

YELLOW
CHICKEN

ORANGE
CARROT

GIRAFFE-
BUNNY

YELLOW
EGG

BLUE
FLOWER

YELLOW
FLOWER

WHITE
LAMB

SKELETON
IN A
FLOWER
CROWN

GREEN
EGG

The annual Waveland Park Neighborhood Association (WPNA) Easter Egg Hunt takes on a Bingo format this year. Hit the streets and look for the items on the Bingo card above. They're hidden around the neighborhood—in yards and on artwork posted in windows. When you spot the items and mark off four boxes across, up and down, or diagonally, you're a winner!

- Bring your winning Bingo card to 1050 45th Street and exchange it for an Easter treat.
- The hunt begins Saturday, March 27, and ends Sunday, April 4.
- Take pictures of your finds and tag us on Facebook @WPNAfb or on Instagram @WavelandParkDSM

INSIDER'S TOUR

Christina Drown, assistant manager of O'Donnell Ace Hardware on University Avenue shows us around her must-hit spots in the neighborhood.

Q: How many taste-tests are too many at The Cheese Shop?

I limit myself to four.

Q: What have you learned from visiting Maccabee's Deli?

That I love sour pickles

Q: Tennis or pickleball at the McCollum Waveland courts?

Pickleball

Q: Friedrichs Coffee order?

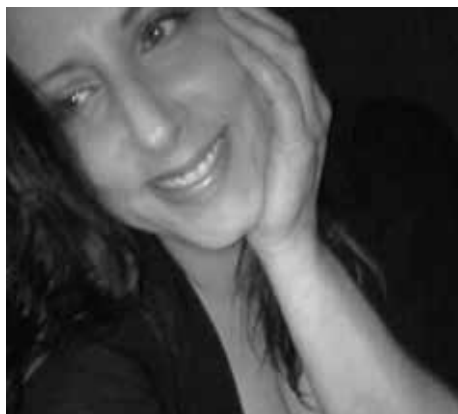
Large mocha with 2 extra shots

Q: What's your favorite aisle at Ace?

Aisle 9—Lawn & Garden

Q: What's your hangover cure from Waveland Café?

The Lumberman



Q: The best last-minute gift in the neighborhood?

Anything from Zami!

Q: What's the better run, down Kingman or Polk?

Polk

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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Note: Waveland Park Neighborhood Association is a nonprofit organization. Your membership may be tax deductible and could be eligible for a matching gift from your employer.

- Renewal
- New Membership

- \$15.00 Individual/Family Membership
- \$50.00 Business Membership

You may also purchase the Special Waveland Park Neighborhood sign for only \$35. The eight-inch round sign is weather-resistant and perfect to hang outdoors—or indoors, too.

Window Clings: \$6 each or 3 for \$15

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Please make checks payable to WPNA and mail to:

WPNA P.O. Box 30112
 Des Moines, IA 50310

Payment via PayPal also is available online at www.wavelandpark.org under the MEMBERSHIP tab. Please include your name, address, and email as a NOTE attached to your PayPal payment.

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 katykiick@gmail.com
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