



Mayfair Park

Neighborhood Newsletter

Meet your Neighbor **Q & A**

Hello neighbors! If you haven't yet already, I would like you to meet Wauwatosa's newly elected alderperson, Amanda Fuerst. Voted in last year, Amanda is a Mayfair Park resident who represents District 7 on the Common Council. Her district includes our neighborhood, Mayfair Park, as well as parts of Fisher Woods (south) and Greenwood Estates (east).

Where did you grow up and what got in you interested in politics?

I grew up in Appleton, WI and when I turned 18 I accepted a scholarship to spend a year in Germany. Living abroad was the first time I started following politics, as discussing politics was normal with strangers over there. When I returned home, I furthered my interest in politics by getting a degree in International Studies (Illinois Wesleyan). I then went on to earn my masters at Northwestern University. I never imagined running for office. However, I soon realized we can't just sit around talking about the issues, but we need to be involved instead. When I saw no one was running for our district last year I knew it was time to step up. I absolutely love Mayfair Park, especially how friendly the neighbors are and how easy it is to meet one another.

What do you wish to accomplish as a council member in the next few years?

One goal is to have the city invest in the westside [of town], like it has for other parts of Wauwatosa. Following the lead of previous council members, I wanted to obtain our first park. Although the final concept is not completed, I am excited for it to have its own character and identity, reflective of the neighborhood and its amazing residents. On the financial affairs committee, we requested the westside to be included in the upcoming comprehensive plan to provide developmental guidance for North Ave, from Mayfair Rd. to 124th St. This is the first step towards developing a neighborhood plan, similar to what the city did to revitalize other businesses around town. I hope to see Mayfair Park become more walkable to restaurants, cafes, and other local business. Also to see crime decrease with buildings no longer vacant, and hopefully see the westside be more walkable and bikeable to other parts of the city.



What are your philosophies and goals? What are some challenges you see in the next few years?

I view myself as a public servant and approach my position to oversee taxpayer dollars, to ensure Wauwatosa is thriving now and in the years to come. A challenge is to decide what to fund as there are many great ideas, but we don't have unlimited funds. We've been told that despite the incredible work of the city and finance director, we are still headed for a "financial cliff" over the next 5-6 years if the state doesn't change its municipal funding. As the vice chair to the Financial Affairs Committee I take advantage of the opportunity to oversee and question the spending of our tax dollars to ensure we are keeping our city on track to provide the same great services we as residents expect.

How do you feel about the current housing market, and having enough affordable homes for start-up families?

As Wauwatosa remains a desirable place to live, with very little space to grow unless it's up, the housing market will always be a huge challenge. Since 2015, only 16 new single-family homes have been built. A recent housing study confirmed Wauwatosa's housing shortage, but the most interesting take away is that any new development will help alleviate all economic tiers of the city's housing. Surprisingly the most significant housing shortage, by income tier, is with the most affluent group. This shortage is squeezing out availability of middle tier housing, which extends the issue again to the most affordable housing. We (common council) are very supportive of new developments in Wauwatosa that integrate affordable housing into new housing projects, and I am glad the city continues to find ways to work with developers on this important issue.

If you have any further questions for Amanda, feel free to contact her at: afuerst@wauwatosa.net

Mayfair Park Neighborhood Association Membership Form and Survey

Please submit this completed form and your check in the envelope provided to:
Penny Larson, 11727 W. Hadley Street, Wauwatosa, WI 53222

Make checks payable to: **Mayfair Park Neighborhood Association**

FEES: Annual Dues: **\$15.00 per year** _____
 Optional: additional contribution _____
 Total: amount enclosed _____

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E-MAIL (Neighborhood Updates/News)	YEAR MOVED INTO NEIGHBORHOOD
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Mayfair Park Neighborhood Association (MPNA) is a nonprofit, apolitical organization consisting of approximately 1,000 households located in west Wauwatosa.

MPNA is bound on the north by Burleigh Street; on the south by North Avenue; on the east by Mayfair Road; and on the west by 124th Street. Formed in 1998, our goal is to bring neighbors together; and foster a sense of community identity. MPNA is among more than 32 neighborhood associations in the Wauwatosa area. Members pay annual dues.



The Mayfair Park newsletter is distributed each Spring throughout the neighborhood. Email blasts alert neighbors to neighborhood news. **To be included in the MPNA Eblast list please submit your Email to: pen-nylar@gmail.com**



MPNA Announcements



- ◇ **Annual Meeting** - Mayfair Park Neighborhood Association will hold its Annual Meeting for all its members on August 5th (time and location TBD). If you're interested in becoming a member please fill out and mail in the **Membership Form and Survey** up above. The meeting will cover this year's activities, the organization's financials and the election of officers (if applicable).
- ◇ **Meet Your Neighbor** - If you have (or if you know anyone in Mayfair Park who has) an interesting story to tell we would love to hear it. We're in the market to feature someone in next year's newsletter (much like the page 1 of this issue). Some interesting subject matters could be: Traveling story, serving our country, unique career(s), unusual hobbies/interests, born outside the United States and what brought you to Wauwatosa. Thank you to those who have already sent us ideas.
- ◇ **Social Clubs** - If you have any specific interests that you think others might share with you, we would love to hear about them. We will help your new club get started by sending out an email blast, as well as post it in our (up-coming) MPNA website. Please direct any social club suggestions to Tim Mills (millstw21@yahoo.com). If you're a book lover you might consider joining the **Tosa Bookies**. This club consists of Mayfair Park residents, as well as a few participants from some surrounding neighborhoods. If interested in please feel free to contact Pat Albers (pablers004@gmail.com).
- ◇ **MPNA Website** - Available later this year! www.mayfairparktosa.com
- ◇ **MPNA Visit** - Just to let everyone know, later this summer a few MPNA board members will be going around the neighborhood promoting our association while attempting to recruit new members. So expect a friendly knock on your door from one of us.
- ◇ **Yard Waste Pickup** – Yard waste will be collected by the city through October 6th (opposite weeks of recycling pickup).

MAYFAIR PARK NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS - 2023

NEIGHBORHOOD RUMMAGE SALE - JUNE 22ND, 23RD AND 24TH

Who could use some extra cash this summer!? An abundance of eager buyers will be roaming Mayfair Park anxious to uncover some great deals. This is the perfect opportunity to take advantage of the extra traffic created by St. Joe's Rummage Sale on Center Street that weekend. Feel free to fill your yard, garage and/or driveway with all your unneeded items that have been piling up in your home and garage. Selling times will be completely up to you. Feel free to use social media, as well as posting signs, to spread the word on your rummage sale.



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Help!

Looking to get involved in your community and meet new people in your neighborhood? Join the MPNA board. We're always looking for a fresh face and new ideas. Join us...we're nice. Plus there's free snacks and drinks at meetings!

Email us at MayfairPark-President@gmail.com for more information.

Mayfair Park BBQ - July 30th



Come join us for our annual neighborhood cook-out this summer. Carolyn Hudson and Mark Simpson will once again host the event at their beautiful home at **2611 N. 116th Street from 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.** for some food, drinks and socializing. Similar to last year, we'll be providing smoked pulled pork sandwiches, brats, hotdogs and soda. Please bring your favorite dish to pass

or snack to share, and come meet your fellow neighbors and MPNA board members. Help us plan ahead: **RSVP to MayfairParkPresident@gmail.com** Lastly, for those who partake, it's BYOB. Hope to see you there!

Halloween - Trick or Treat

Our neighborhood Trick-or-Treat will be held on **Halloween night** (Tuesday, Oct. 31st), between **5:00-7:00 p.m.** This should help those with younger kids whose parents prefer going out when it's light out (first hour), as well as those who venture out to see the festive decorations lit up at night (second hour). Can't wait to see all the spooky decorations and creative costumes. We won't be doing flyers this year, so please keep your porch light on if you wish to hand out candy.





Around Town



FARMERS MARKETS

Tosa Farmers Market runs from June 4th through October 15th each Saturday from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at 7720 Harwood Ave (Hart Mills Parking Lot).

Every Saturday, this open-air market will host roughly 45 farmers and food producers, selling a mix of produce, flowers, baked goods, cheese, coffee, waffles, popsicles, fish, meat and poultry, and prepared breakfast and dinner items. The first Saturday of each month, they add a Makers Market, featuring a selection of local artisans selling handmade arts and crafts.

For more info: tosafarmersmarket.com

Hartung Park Farmers Market runs each Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 p.m., June through September. The market can be found in Hartung Park with parking available on Menomonee River Parkway.

Zoo Interchange Project

The end is in sight!! Well...hopefully. This fall seems to be the estimated completion date of the Zoo Interchange (North Leg) Project that has been affecting many residents and businesses for the past couple years. The following closures plan to wrap up construction in the fall of this year:

- North Avenue entrance/exit ramps at I-41
- Underwood Parkway at I-41
- Burleigh Street southbound entrance ramp to I-41

For further info visit: Projects.511wi.gov/zoo-interchange-project/

4th of July Parade

Join in with your fellow Tosa neighbors and celebrate Independence Day for one of the largest parades in the state. The parade will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 4th, rain or shine. Due to local construction the parade's path will be (temporarily) different from previous years. **This year the route will begin at Hoyt Park (swimming pool parking lot), then will continue north on Swan Blvd to North Ave. The path will then proceed east on North Ave. and will wrap up at the Wauwatosa Civic Center (Wauwatosa Ave).**

For general 4th of July activity questions, email Bob Brunow at rbrunow@wi.rr.com.

Wauwatosa West/East Varsity Football Schedule

Tosa West Trojans

Aug. 18	Home	West Allis
Aug. 25	Away	Cedarburg
Sep. 1	Home	New Berlin Eisenhower
Sep. 8	Home	New Berlin West
Sep. 15	Away	Pius XI Catholic
Sep. 22*	Home	Pewaukee
Sep. 29	Away	Wauwatosa East
Oct. 6	Away	Milwaukee Lutheran
Oct. 13	Home	Catholic Memorial

Tosa East Red Raiders

Aug. 17	Away	Kingdom Prep Lutheran
Aug. 25	Home	Milwaukee Bradley Tech
Sep. 1	Home	Pewaukee
Sep. 8	Away	Milwaukee Lutheran
Sep. 15	Home	Catholic Memorial
Sep. 22	Away	New Berlin Eisenhower
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* Homecoming

(All games start at 7:00 p.m.)