

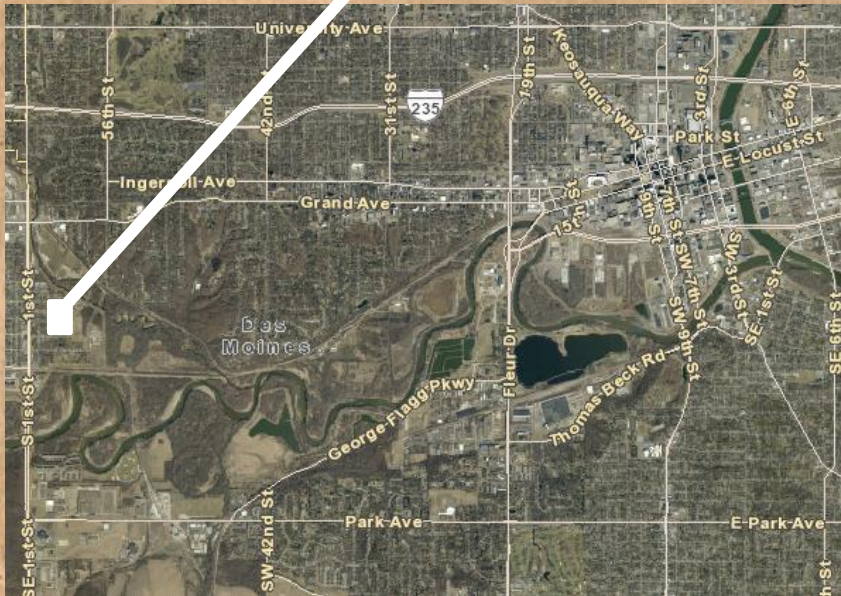
Frisbie Park

Park and Recreation Board...Did You Know?

April, 2016

Frisbie Park

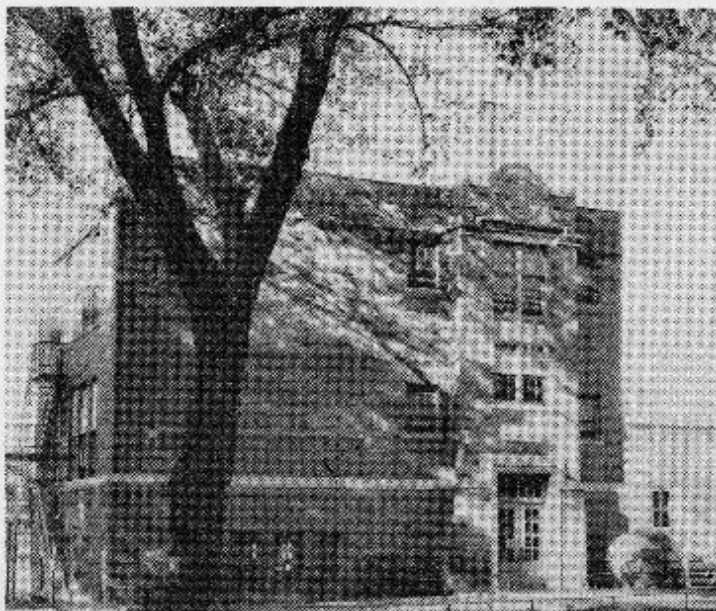
- Located at 6101 Muskogee Ave.
- Southwest Des Moines
- 4 Acres



Frisbie School

- One Address stated 63rd and Muskogee Ave.
- This photos show 60th and Muskogee

**Frisbie School,
60th and Muskogee**



Rev. Dr. Alvah L. Frisbie

THE FRISBIE SCHOOL IN
DES MOINES, IOWA

Cousin Helen Frisbey Tollefson (30294) has uncovered
the story of the Frisbie school in Des Moines.

The school was named for Dr. Alvah Lillie Frisbie (1290), the youngest son of Daniel Grand and Bernice (Lowrey) Frisbie, who was born in Tompkins, N.Y., in 1830. He attended Yale Divinity School and Andover Theological Seminary, and was ordained in 1860. He became pastor of the Congregational Church at Ansonia, Conn., and also served during 1863-64 as chaplain to the 20th Connecticut Volunteers. In 1865 he went to the church at Danbury, Conn., and in 1871 was called to Plymouth Congregational Church in Des Moines. He remained there until his retirement in 1900, and he died in 1917. The 1926 Genealogy says of him: "He not only endeared himself to his people, but made himself felt as a power both among the churches and in the life of the city. He.... [was] honored as a man of distinguished ability, respected and revered by all who knew him."

As a measure of the respect in which he was held by the people of Des Moines, when a new school was established in the southwestern section of the city in 1914 it was named in honor of Alvah Lillie. The school was completed in 1915

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and an annex was added in 1919. According to the school records, the Frisbie PTA had a custom whereby they made quilts and awarded one to each teacher who had served five years. The school's enrollment in 1966 was 117 pupils.

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Rev. Dr. Alvah L. Frisbie

- Rev. Dr. Alvah L. Frisbie, was pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church of Des Moines for twenty-seven years
- Dr. Frisbie retired from the pastorate in 1898, but continued to play an active and influential part in the affairs of the church down to the time of his death.
- Rev. Alvah died on December 16, 1917.



Frisbie Park

- Des Moines Parks and Recreation acquired the property in August of 1975 from the Des Moines Independent Community School District.

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF POLK } ss.
JOSEPH S. BRICK
On this 14 day of August, A. D. 19 75
before me, the undersigned a Notary Public in and for the State
of Iowa, personally appeared Nolden Gentry,
President of Board of Directors.
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to me known to be the identical persons named in and who executed
the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed
the same as their voluntary act and deed.
Joseph S. Brick
Notary Public in and for the State of Iowa

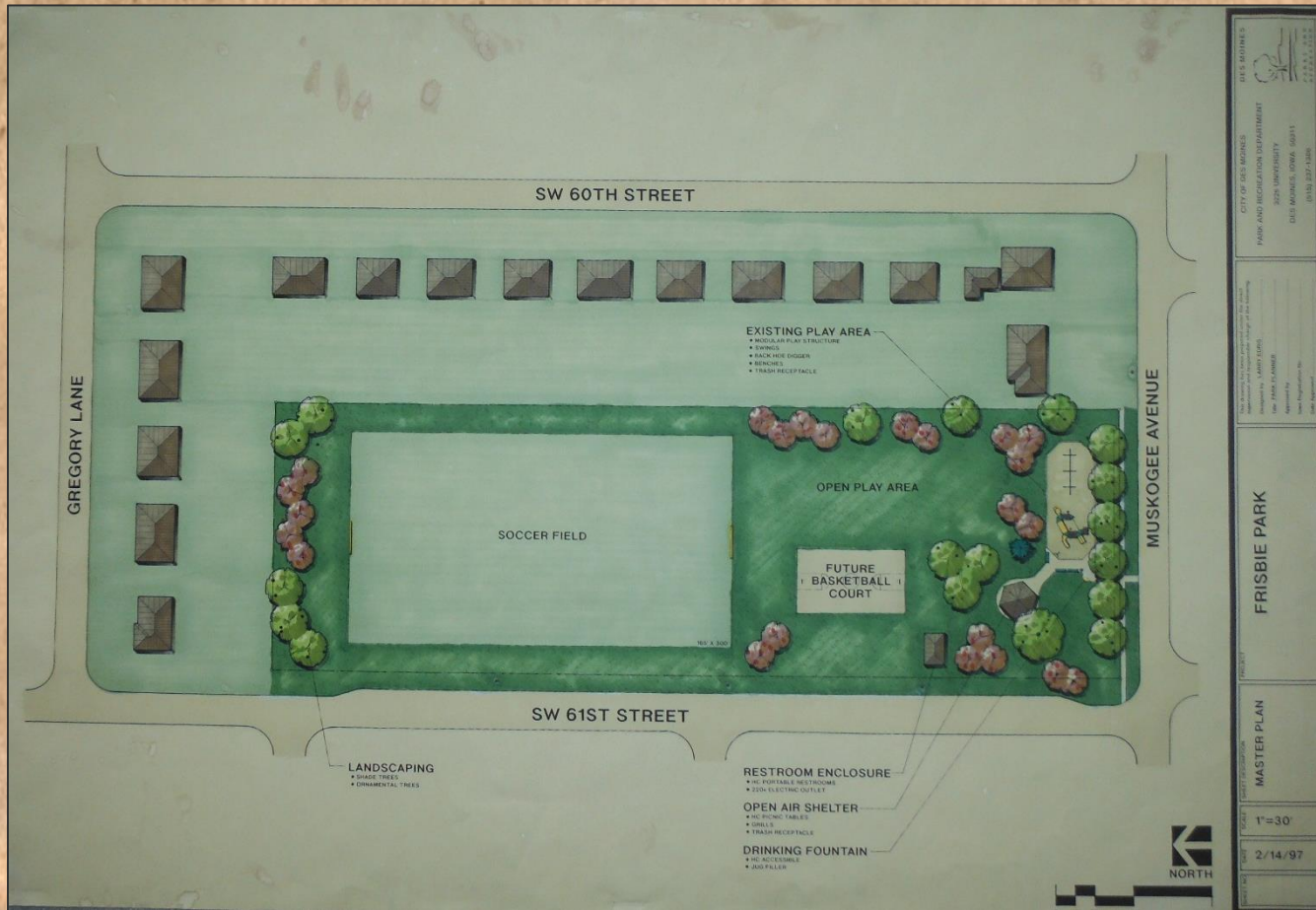
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In 1994 a new playground was installed at the south end of the park.



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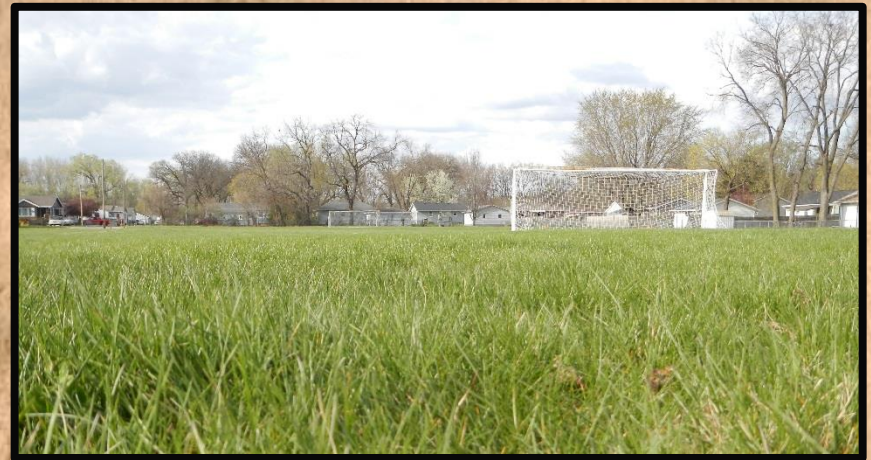
In 1997 a Community Development Block Grant was used to make improvements to Frisbie Park



Frisbie Park Now

Amenities

- Basketball Court
- Open Air Shelter
- Picnic Tables
- Playground Equipment
- Kybo Enclosure
- Soccer field



Questions

