

The Delano Dispatch

The Official Publication of the Delano Neighborhood Association

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The next meeting of the Delano Neighborhood Association will be on:

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

at Delano's Diner, 1220 W Douglas

Our meetings are <u>always</u> open to the public.

May in Delano

Exciting times in Delano! Have you noticed that construction has finally begun on the continued extension of the Chisholm Trail Parkway? It should be ready for our enjoyment by October of this year. Read more about it on page 5.

May is a busy month with Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Graduations, Weddings, the start of summer for many of us.

Besides reading *The Delano Dispatch*, try to also attend the Neighborhood Association Meeting each month. Please consider joining us this month on the 21st when we meet at Delano's Diner. Come and enjoy a meal with others while attending the meeting, however, do not feel obligated to purchase a meal, you can just come and be a part without eating.

Lastly, please see page 8 about an event with our neighbor to our north across the river, the Mid-American All-Indian Museum and their Powwow.

So many things . . . GOOD things are happening in our Historic Delano and we hope you chose to be part of the excitement!

~Thank you!



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District 1: position open

District 2: William Glander d2@DelanoWichita.com

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District 4: Travis Roberts d4@DelanoWichita.com

District 5: position open

If you are interested in becoming a Director for your District, please contact any of the Board Officers.

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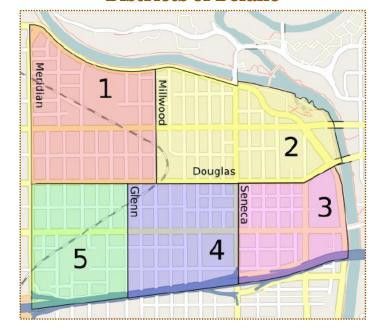
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Districts of Delano



May Calendar

- 1 May Day
- 5 Orthodox Easter
- 12 Mother's Day
- 18 Armed Forces Day
- 27 Memorial Day

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May 27th

Is the day that's set aside to remember with gratitude and pride all those who served and died for our country and our many freedoms. May your day be filled with memories and peace. God Bless America!



Out and About in Delano

The January issue of our *Dispatch* debuted a new feature called "Out and About in Delano" which will be a page where each month photos of anything in Delano will be shared.

To have your photo considered, just email your photo, photographer's name, and the subject matter to: dispatch@DelanoWichita.com and we'll feature your photo for others to enjoy as your share your creativity!

~ Thank you.





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Would YOU Like To Be A Delano District Director?

We are still in need of District Directors for Districts 1 and 5. See map on page 2 showing the boundaries for each District. What's involved? Please read the job description below to determine if you are a good fit.

"District Directors, Directors live within the district they reside. The Directors are encouraged to get to know the specific needs of their districts and make contact with neighborhood members to learn as much as possible of those needs and specifics. The Director will bring a report of those needs and specifics to the attention of the Executive Board at their next Board Meeting. To enhance the communication process the Director can appoint Block Captains within his/her district. The Block Captains should be relied upon to be the ears and eyes of the Director and should assist in facilitating overall communication within their area. Directors and Block Captains can call for meetings within their area of responsibility to enhance proper communication and the solving of specific issues that can only be remedied at the local level."

If interested, please contact our President, Vincent Hancock, his contact info is also shown on page 2 of this newsletter. Thank you!





On April 27th, Oxford Vista Wichita (formerly known as Kansas Masonic Home) held their open house at 402 S Martinson.

They offer Independent Living, Assisted Living, and soon will offer Memory Care. Their first guest has already moved in and we look forward to many new neighbors.

Welcome to Historic Delano!





CHISHOLM TRAIL PARKWAY GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

On April 24th, representatives from the Delano Neighborhood Association, Historic Delano, Delano United, Greenway Alliance, Wichita Parks & Recreation, and Wichita Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board joined in a celebratory groundbreaking for the Chisholm Trail Parkway. This multi-use path and linear park will fulfill the vision of our neighborhood leaders that first began in 1999. The path will reclaim the former railroad corridor that was one half block North of Douglas Avenue that was built on our original Pearl Street from Exposition to Osage. In addition to residential green space, 110 trees will be planted, the dog park will feature a dish fountain, and the inclusive playground will have a wheelchair accessible swing. Bike racks, light poles, light posts, sandstone benches, and historically-themed sculptures are expected to transform former campgrounds into community gathering spaces. When completed, this trail will be a key part of connecting the Arkansas River path to the Prairie Sunset Trail.

More information is available at <u>GoDelano.com/parkway.php</u>. We will share the ribbon-cutting date as soon as it is available this fall.

This week, work will begin on Delano/Chisholm Trail
Pathway Improvements from Exposition to Osage. Work on
the path is slated to be complete this fall and will include a
bikeway, sidewalks, landscaping, parking, and other
amenities between Douglas and 1st Street. The pathway
will be closed during construction and intermittent streets
will be closed as needed.



April 15, 2024

Re: Delano/Chisholm Trail Pathway Improvements from Exposition to Osage

Dear Resident/Business Owner:

The City of Wichita has contracted with Prado Construction LLC to construct the above referenced pathway. The project is slated to begin the week of April 22nd with a projected completion of the pathway in October 2024 and the crosswalk signal at Seneca in 1st quarter 2025. However, as with many construction projects, these dates are dependent on weather conditions and the potential for delays if unforeseen utility conflicts are encountered.

The project will construct a 10' bikeway with additional pedestrian sidewalks, landscaping, parking, and site amenities between Douglas and 1st Street. A crosswalk signal will also be constructed at Seneca Street. The bikeway and path area will be CLOSED to access during construction. Local streets will be closed during installation of the new pathway. No two consecutive side streets will be closed simultaneously. Modified access will be provided to businesses and residences during pavement replacement as possible. Electronic message signs will be placed in advance to notify motorists of any closure.

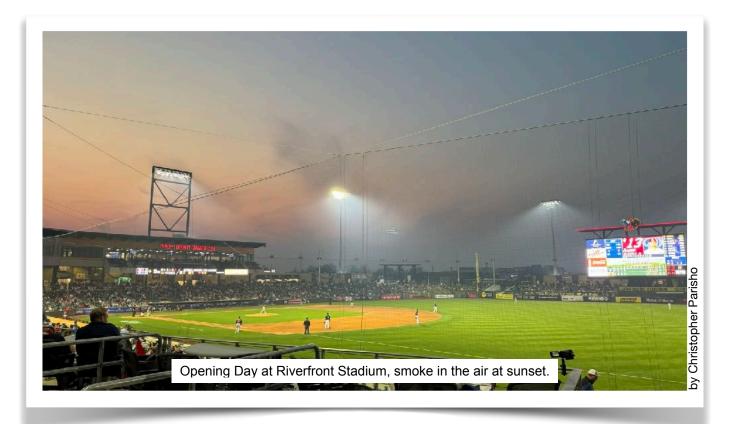
Ultimately, these improvements will be of lasting benefit, not just to those in the immediate area, but also to the City as a whole. However, as with any public improvement project, those impacted by construction will realize temporary inconvenience. Please know that we will make every effort to minimize the inconvenience to you and the traveling public, and that your support and cooperation is critical to ensuring the success of the project.

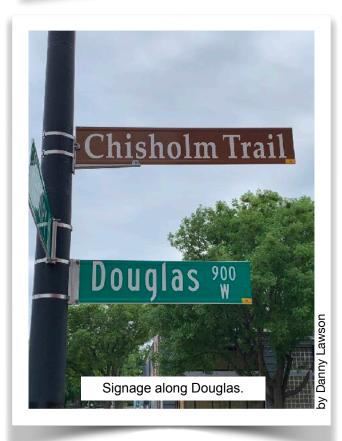
If you have any questions regarding this project, please feel free to contact Narin Prado, Project Superintendent with Prado Construction LLC at 316-670-7333, or our Project Engineer, Steven Lowe, at 268-4022.

Sincerely,

Steve Degenhardt, P.E. Construction Division Manager

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