



April 2025

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, April 15, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.

at Delano's Diner, 1220 W Douglas

Our meetings are always open to the public.

April in Delano

Certainly spring has arrived here in Historic Delano with all the flowers and trees in bloom and the robins greeting us each morning with their cheerful song. Nice warm weather, cold frosty weather, rainy and windy weather, there has been something for everybody the past few weeks!

This is the time of year when extra-curricular activities really start to kick in. Be sure to read of just some of the events taking place in the next few months in Delano - we don't want you to miss out!

Besides reading *The Delano Dispatch*, try to also attend the Neighborhood Association Meeting each month. Please consider joining us this month on the 16th 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.

Things . . . GOOD things are happening in our Historic Delano and we hope you are part of the excitement!

~Thank you!



Photo by Danny Lawson

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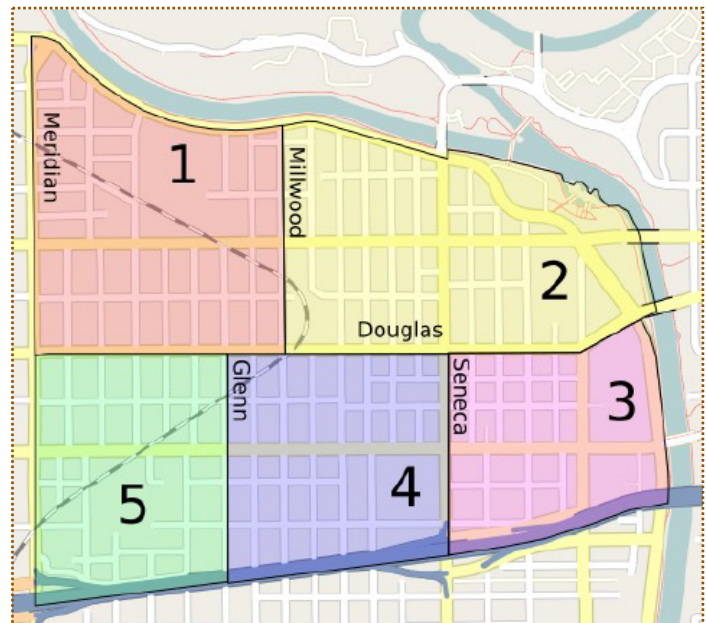
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Districts of Delano



April Calendar

- 1 - April Fool's Day
- 7 - District 4 DAB Meeting
- 14 - District 6 DAB Meeting
- 15 - Tax Day, DNA Meeting
- 18 - Good Friday
- 20 - Easter Sunday
- 25 - Arbor Day
- 27 - Shocker Rowing 50th Anniversary Event

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Wichita Wind Surge Update

The Wind Surge returns to Equity Bank Park for a series against the Springfield Cardinals on Tuesday, April 22, at 6:05 PM on Two For Tuesday.

You can listen to Wind Surge games on ESPN Wichita 92.3 FM and windsurge.com or watch online at MiLB.TV and Bally Live.

For ticket information, please visit windsurge.com/tickets.



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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 you share your creativity!

~ Thank you.



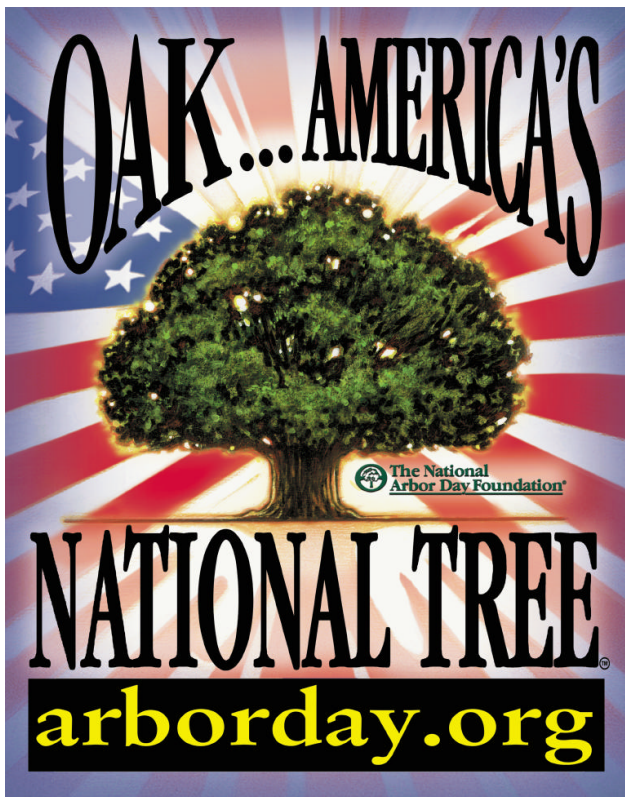
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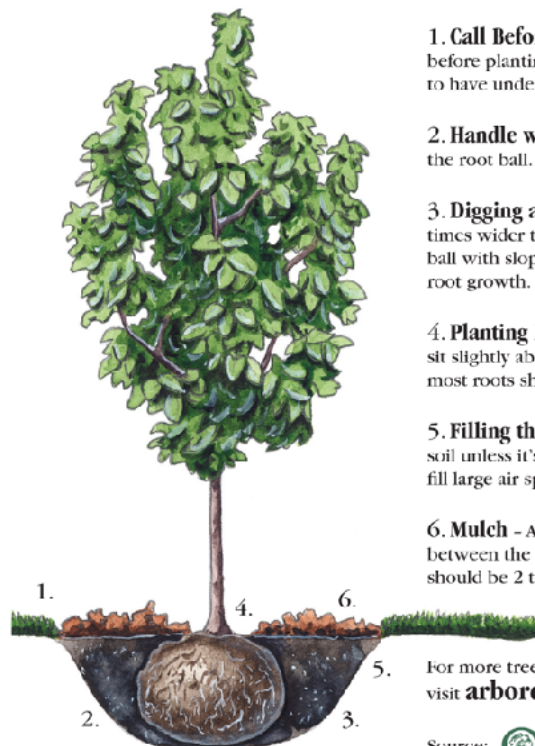
Earth Day - April 22

Education is at the core of the environmental movement. It's where Earth Day got its original start in 1970 and remains a huge part of our mission today, including our efforts in reforestation and conservation with our global campaign, The Canopy Project. Climate and environmental literacy doesn't just mean teaching school children the importance of recycling or a board room best practices in sustainable development, it also means implementing action. Each reforestation project we do at **EARTHDAY.ORG** includes community engagement and education to guarantee the trees planted will last a multiple human lifetimes and can be a pillar of good that will last generations creating a *lasting* impact for both the environment and the individuals.

To learn more about what YOU can do, please click here: EarthDay



Six things you should know when planting a tree.



1. **Call Before You Dig** - Several days before planting, call the national 811 hotline to have underground utilities located.

2. **Handle with Care** - Always lift tree by the root ball. Keep roots moist until planting.

3. **Digging a Proper Hole** - Dig 2 to 5 times wider than the diameter of the root ball with sloping sides to allow for proper root growth.

4. **Planting Depth** - The trunk flare should sit slightly above ground level and the top-most roots should be buried 1 to 2 inches.

5. **Filling the Hole** - Backfill with native soil unless it's all clay. Tamp in soil gently to fill large air spaces.

6. **Mulch** - Allow 1 to 2 inch clearance between the trunk and the mulch. Mulch should be 2 to 3 inches deep.

For more tree-planting tips and information, visit arborday.org.

Source:  **Arbor Day Foundation**
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Good Friday

Service of music and drama
April 18th @ 6:30 pm

Easter Changes Everything!

Easter Breakfast @ 10:00 am
Life Support Center

Easter Worship Celebration @ 11:15 am
April 20th



The power and hope found in the message
of Easter has been changing lives for over 2000 years.

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Reggie Davidson Named City of Wichita Park and Recreation Director



Interim Park and Recreation Director Reggie Davidson, MSRLS, CPRE has been selected as the next director of Wichita Park and Recreation. The Director of Park and Recreation oversees the management, development, and operations of the Park and Recreation Department, driving initiatives that enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors.

Davidson has served as the interim Park and Recreation director since September 2024. As the Park and Recreation director, Davidson oversaw daily operations of the department, directed programming and coordinated multiple community events, including Fan Fest at Naftzger Park during the 2025 NCAA Division 1 Men's Basketball Championships.

"When people discuss what they love about Wichita, they often talk about the green spaces, community events and opportunities to connect," Davidson said. "Park and Recreation serves as a community connector and activator, which in turn has the added benefits of reducing crime, increasing resident satisfaction and helps contribute to the culture of our great city."

Davidson first joined the City of Wichita in 2018 when he was hired as the Superintendent of Recreation for Wichita Park and Recreation, managing recreation programming and facility operation, , assisting with strategic planning for the department and more. Prior to his time in Wichita, he served as the Recreation Manager for the City of Round Rock, Texas.

"Reggie has strong leadership skills and a passion for service that extends beyond his Park and Recreation duties," City Manager Robert Layton said. "He cares deeply about ensuring that our community is well-positioned to meet the needs of residents and making Wichita a dynamic, engaging place to live."

Davidson holds an M.S. in Recreation and Leisure Services and Management from Texas State University, and a B.S. in Criminal Justice and Corrections from Jackson State University. He is a Certified Park and Recreation Executive.

The Park and Recreation Department consists of four divisions: Operations, Parks, Recreation, and Golf. The department provides award-winning leisure opportunities and enriches Wichita residents and surrounding communities by caring for outdoor spaces such as parks, trails, golf courses, and natural landscapes. Park and Recreation consists of 147 full time employees, a budget of approximately \$29 million and oversees 150 park properties, six pools, 12 splash pads, four golf courses and seven recreation centers.

Pop Quiz: Can you name all five of Delano's parks?

(West Side Athletic Field, Millwood Park, Seneca Park, Delano Park, Chisholm Trail Parkway.)

— WICHITA STATE —
SHOCKER ROWING

1974-75



2024-25

Plains Regional & 50th Anniversary Dedication

Sunday, April 27

Shocker Rowing Boathouse - 150 N McLean Blvd, B2

First Race 8:00am - Dedication 12:00pm

See the remarkable growth and achievements of the program since your time. Your contributions have laid the foundation for future success, and this event is a testament to the enduring impact of your commitment to Shocker Rowing.

Watch current team members display their rowing prowess in an exhilarating exhibition on the water. This is your chance to see the future stars of Shocker Rowing in action. During the lunch hour we will have the 50th Anniversary celebration.

Our celebration will feature WSU President Rick Muma, and a special proclamation from the Mayor, recognizing the impact and achievements of Shocker Rowing over the past 50 years. This official acknowledgment highlights the importance of our program to the community and celebrates our enduring legacy. Following the proclamation, we will announce the dedication of new racing shells, named in honor of our legacy and the countless individuals who have contributed to our success over the years.



Shop & Grub @ Exploration Place

April 27 - 11:00am - 4:00pm

Discover the vibrant energy of Shop & Grub, Wichita's premier outdoor shopping and food market. Held monthly from April through October, this one-of-a-kind event brings together over 40 incredible vendors and draws thousands of attendees to the heart of the Midwest. Explore an eclectic mix of offerings, including vintage clothing, stylish women's apparel, handcrafted jewelry, unique accessories, home goods, stunning art and a delicious variety of food.

Whether you're shopping for hidden treasures or indulging in mouthwatering eats, Shop & Grub is a community favorite that promises something for everyone. Best of all, it's completely free to attend! Join us and experience the ultimate blend of shopping, food and fun.



NO COST

WASTE TIRE COLLECTION

Sedgwick County West Yard - 4701 S. West St.

**APRIL 10-12, 2025
9 A.M. TO 3 P.M.**

LIMIT 50 TIRES PER PERSON

Sedgwick County residents, farmers, and local government **ONLY**.

NO TIRES WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM BUSINESSES.

BE PREPARED TO UNLOAD YOUR OWN TIRES
NO PUBLIC RESTROOMS • TIRES ON RIMS OKAY

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RECOLECCIÓN DE LLANTAS USADAS

Sedgwick County West Yard - 4701 S. West St.

**DEL 10 AL 12 DE ABRIL DE 2025,
DE 9 A. M. A 3 P.M.**

LÍMITE DE 50 LLANTAS POR PERSONA

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NO SE ACEPTARÁN LLANTAS DE EMPRESAS.

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NO HAY BAÑOS PÚBLICOS • PUEDE TRAER LLANTAS CON RIN

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Save The Date!

Mexican Fiesta

May 2 @ 6:00 pm
The Goddard Church
300 N. Cedar St.
Goddard, KS

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Guest Speaker
Cathy Holley
Pastor/Executive Director Life Support Center

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RIVERFEST

WICHITA KANSAS

MAY 30TH - JUNE 7TH, 2025

EMPRISE BANK **DOCUPLEX**

WICHITA WINDSURGE

2025 WIND SURGE SCHEDULE

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St. Paddy Day Parade

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Crocus in full bloom.

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