

NORTH RIVERSIDE NEWS

North Riverside Neighborhood Association

June/July 2018



2018 GARDEN STROLL

"Gardens and flowers have a way of bringing people together, drawing them from their homes." – Clare Ansberry

North Riverside is hosting our 7th biennial Garden Stroll Saturday, June 9th, from 10:00 am –4:00pm.

The Garden Stroll was initiated to promote pride, beautification and preservation of our established Neighborhood. We invite others to stroll through North Riverside, to enjoy the beauty and charm of our older homes and gardens, and to see why we love living near the rivers and parks and walking along our bike paths shaded by stately elms, sycamores and cottonwoods. Our chair for this stroll is Shelley McKinney.

The Stroll highlights 5 diverse and delightful residential gardens, as well as our project triangle garden and a new Educational Vegetable garden. Admission is \$5.00 for all gardens and tickets are available now at Johnson's Garden Centers and at Seasonal Decorating- 2828 W 13th. On the day of the Stroll tickets can be purchased at each host garden. Guests can meet the gardeners at each home.

At 1440 N. Woodland, see how Margaret and Michael Cranston have successfully reclaimed a neglected yard, and learn about attracting bees from a local expert.

Enjoy the sweeping river vista at 1145 W 13th where Paula and Gary Weber have food trucks available. You can grab a bite to eat while you stroll, or please linger here and enjoy the views from one of many patios.

Beth and Mike Fahey, 1530 W. 13th St. welcome you to their Asian themed garden, plus get advice on rose growing roses from members of the Rose Society. At 1410 Lieunett, Joan and Brian Ernstmann show that great things can come in small packages. Their cozy backyard is a delightful experience combining color and art work.

Carolyn and Bill Rutherford, 1828 W 18th St. #1016, will introduce you to life at Twin Lakes Apartments and gardening on a patio with a backdrop of a charming lake and its wildlife. Music will be provided from 10:00 am until noon by Wichita Ukulele Society.

As a bonus, St. Patrick School and School, with Children First, invite you to visit their new educational vegetable garden at 2023 N Arkansas. It will function as an educational venue for children and provide fresh food for the community.

Thanks to our business partners, administrative costs have been donated so all proceeds will benefit our neighborhood projects. Please see the newsletter insert and patronize the businesses and friends who helped fund our Garden Stroll. For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Shelley McKinney 316-734-2264. Proceeds support neighborhood landscape and improvement projects including our Triangle Garden at McKee and Coolidge, Entry Signage and landscaping on Woodrow just south of Southwest National Bank, and our new median improvement at 13th and Bitting.

SALUTE THE BADGE AWARD

Community Police Officer

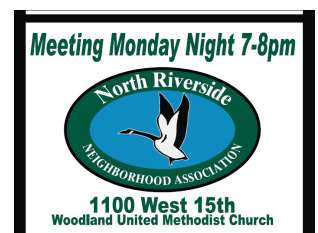
Steve Jerrell was presented with the KWCH Salute the Badge Award at the Evergreen Recreation Center on May 11th. This monthly award is given to an outstanding Wichita police officer or Sedgwick County Sheriff's deputy. Officer Jerrell regularly goes above and beyond to help the community members of District 6 .
Congratulations Officer Jerrell! Well deserved!!



NORTH RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS

No June Meeting. Attend the North Riverside Garden Stroll or get involved as a volunteer.

July 16- Cindy Claycomb, our new District VI City Commissioner will be our guest. She is looking forward to meeting more of our neighbors, listening to your questions, and sharing her perspective and any actions that might be possible! What about residential speed limits? Can cars park legally in the yard? Who do I call about the dogs running loose? Boy, do I have something to say about the fireworks! What 's going to happen to our neighborhood pool? Plan to attend and bring your questions!





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THE SAYYES! PROGRAM is designed to enhance the lives of children ages 5 to 18, through a variety of special offers. Participation is **FREE** from June 1-Aug 31, with access to educational opportunities, activities at recreation centers and transportation on City buses, and more.

It is offered by Wichita Transit, Wichita Park & Recreation, Wichita Housing & Community Services, Wichita Public Libraries and the Wichita Parks Foundation.

Library- sayYES! pass holders who owe money will have fees waived and will regain book borrowing privileges. They can participate in the "Check-In Challenge" and make visits to any Wichita Public Library location during six different weeks throughout the summer to be entered into an end-of-summer prize drawing.

Recreation- pass holders will be able to enter any Wichita Public Pool for free during regular pool hours.

Play Footgolf or a round of golf at L.W. Clapp Golf Course and play tennis at Riverside Tennis Center all summer.

Housing- Program participants will have access to all summer meal sites. More info at <http://www.wichita.gov/ParkandRec/Pages/sayYES.aspx>

sayYES Day Monday, June 4 12 - 3pm

Wichita Federal Credit Union is hosting a sayYES day at the Downtown Wichita Transit Center, 214 S Topeka. This will also be an appreciation party for all Wichita Transit riders.

sayYES! Day includes:

- *Free lanyards for the first 100 youth to register for a sayYES! pass
 - *Sponsor booths with information on summer activities
 - *Music, popcorn, lemonade and water
 - *Games for all ages and activities with the Park & Rec station
 - *The opportunity to receive free individual training on how to read route schedules and maps, use the bus locator app, where to find bus stops, how to know what bus they need to board, how to request a stop and any other questions
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FOR SAFETY- Knowing how to swim is essential for safety and improves chances of rescuing others in a water emergency.

EXERCISE FOR HEALTH- Swimming is an incredible workout.

IT IS FUN- Swimming may improve mood and decrease anxiety. Swimming is a SOCIAL activity that allows children to interact with other children.

PLUS- Many colleges offer swimming and diving Scholarships.

THIS IS A SKILL FOREVER WITH YOU - YOU CAN SWIM FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.

PRIVATE/SEMI-PRIVATE SWIMMING LESSONS -arrange directly with an instructor for (8) 45-minute lessons. Contact the pool at 838-9694 to check on cost and instructor availability.

For GROUP LESSONS, Wichita Parks and Recreation has partnered with the Wichita Swim Club to provide lessons at Minisa, Tues-Friday 9am-12pm and 5:45pm-8:00pm. Scholarships available! Enroll by calling Emily McVay at 316-683-1491, OR emily@wichitaswimclub.org

It's essential that every child learn to swim, especially to be water-safe. But there are so many levels of swimming and benefits that come along the way. Introduce your child to swimming early on so that they have the skill for their whole life. This can help improve their overall physical and mental health. Hopefully, they will fall in love with the sport and lap it up for years.



STAY COOL IN THE POOL

MINISA OPENS MAY 29TH

Swim time is here, help us Fill the Pool!

Minisa hours: Tues-Fri, and Sunday 1:00-6:00pm.

Entry Fee: Children ages 17 and under \$2.00;

Ages 18 and older \$3.00 Family Rate (up to six family members, with an adult) \$8.00 Season Passes are available.

But check out the sayYes! Program. For youth ages 5-18, FREE SEASON SWIM PASSES ARE AVAILABLE!

See Information on page 2.





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The theme is "Shipwrecked – Rescued by Jesus." To register a youth or adult send an e-mail to stpauls.wichita@gmail.com for a form.
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2018 GARDEN STROLL



Come stroll with us and tour 5 North Riverside gardens. Help us shine and welcome visitors to our neighborhood. North Riverside is blessed with majestic shade trees and fertile soil. We have gardens with perennials started with grandmothers' seeds to those with the newest hybrids. It is a pleasure to share these treasures. Join us June 9th, 10am –4pm; tickets are \$5.00.



For our Triangle Garden:
THANK YOU HECK'S for sending workers!



THANK YOU SUTHERLANDS for again providing mulch



NRNA is so excited about our newest beautification project *By Debb McCurdy*

Your Garden Stroll proceeds at work! The Chinese Fringe tree was donated by the city; we hope you are enjoying it. The tree is a deciduous variety that is very slow growing. It can grow anywhere from 15 to 20 ft. wide. During the trees younger years it's bark is pale in color & peels off in papery like strips. As it matures the bark becomes tight with distinct ridges & furrows. The leaves are oval shaped and can be 3-8 inches long and 1-4 inches wide. When in bloom, from May-June, the Chinese Fringe Tree produces white flowers, that can give off a slight fragrance. Please give her some love. A wave as you pass by or a hug is always welcome!

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What the Tourist enjoys when in Wichita



Tourist Camp

May 1925 Eagle Article about the tourist camp at 13th street and Little River. There are 70 camping places in the camp, staked off in 10 x 35 foot plots. Users are charged 50 cents per car per night. Some 400-500 visitors have camped there since it opened March 2nd this year. This is site of today's Minisa Park!

TRI-NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC

Our picnic will be Saturday, July 28th from 5:00– 7:00 pm at the Minisa Park Shelter. This event will include friends and neighbors from the Historic Mid-town, North Riverside and Riverside neighborhoods.

If you live, own property, have friends, family, or work in one of our neighborhoods, please come! If possible, bring a covered dish to share and your own table service.

There is always lots of good food and fellowship as we join together with our neighbors. Each year one of the three neighborhoods is in charge; this year our picnic host is Historic Midtown Neighborhood Association.

**Plans are underway for a FREE swim 3-5pm
Minisa Park Shelter Building July 28th
We look forward to seeing you!**



WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THAT BIG CHAIR OUTSIDE NORTH HIGH?

From Suzanne Perez Tobias, April 23, 2018 The Wichita Eagle
North High senior Victor Lerma stands on a large chair he created for the school for his senior project. Lerma loves woodworking and wants to be a carpenter after he graduates. Lerma envisions North High students, alumni and families having fun with the chair, taking photos atop it and posting them on social media. He created a Twitter account & hash tag #Redskin Chair picture by Jaime Green

HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY WICHITA

Wichita was officially born July 21, 1870. Twenty years later, a grand ceremony was held on July 4, 1890 to celebrate the laying of the City Hall cornerstone. Beneath the cornerstone was a time capsule, opened 100 years later in celebration of the building's Centennial.

See more of Wichita's remarkable history wandering the four floors of Wichita Sedgwick County Historical Museum's exhibits; **check their schedule for a special Birthday Celebration in July.**

Free Water Aerobics ^{It's BACK!} at Minisa Pool

BROUGHT TO YOU BY NORTH RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Free Water Aerobics Classes 4:30pm each Wednesday and 2pm on Sundays. Fun for All! We will be led again by Water Aerobics instructor, Barbara Piotrowski. Adults need to pay the \$3 entry fee, youth entry is \$2, but the Aerobics are free. Men, women and young folk have joined our crazy band. Class times may be adjusted so follow us on Facebook: Wichita's North Riverside Neighborhood

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Bequi received her Master of Divinity from Asbury Seminary. Was a public school teacher for 8 years and has a special love for children and educators.

Has lived in Texas, Mexico City, Kentucky, and Africa! Has a passion to help people discover what it means to be empowered by the Holy Spirit and a follower of Christ.

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Mulching Madness

Allen from Heck's Lawn Care, Jack & Gabe Brown, Shelley & Steve McKinney, Carl Venz, and Debb McCurdy worked on our Triangle Garden spreading



mulch on May 19th.
THANK YOU SUTHERLANDS for supplying all of the mulch, and HECK'S LAWN CARE for sending Allen to work with us.
Great Job all!

JULY 4th

CENTRAL RIVERSIDE PARK



The Riverside Citizens Association's annual 4th of July Pancake Breakfast and Children's Parade will again be at the Pagoda Building. **Residents from North Riverside are invited!**

Come join the fun on Wednesday, July 4th. Breakfast by Chris Cakes is served from 7 a.m. -11 a.m. Adults \$8.00, Children 10 and under \$5.00. The Children's Parade is FREE; registration from 8:30 to 9:30. The children's parade starts at 10:00 a.m. All the children will receive a packet of goodies and be eligible for the prize drawings to be held at 10:45 a.m. Round up the family for an "old fashioned" good time in the Park on this Fourth of July to celebrate our country with friends and neighbors!

NORTH RIVERSIDE CALENDAR

MAY 29- MINISA SWIMMING POOL OPENS!

JUNE 4 - DAB MEETING- 6:30pm Evergreen Park clubroom, 2700 N. Woodland. Hear about issues coming before City Council that impact our area.

JUNE 9—NORTH RS GARDEN STROLL 10am-4pm.
Tour 5 gardens + 1, for \$5.00.

JUNE 18 - NO NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

JUNE 23 -District 6 Coffee, These gatherings are a chance to discuss local city projects/issues, provide your input and ask questions. We meet from 9am to 10:30am at Downtown YMCA (402 N Market St). Coffee and pastries are available for purchase.

JULY 2- DAB MEETING- 6:30pm Evergreen Park clubroom, 2700 N. Woodland. Discuss issues coming before City Council that impact our area.

JULY 4- Celebrate at Central Riverside Park. Breakfast and Children's Parade by Riverside Citizens Association

JULY 15—FREE SWIM for all Sunday from 1pm-6pm at Minisa Pool.

JULY 21- HAPPY 148th BIRTHDAY WICHITA!

JULY 28— TRI-NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC- join with neighbors for a pot luck picnic at Minisa Shelter House 5-7pm. Plans are underway for a FREE SWIM 3-5pm.

JULY 28` - District 6 Coffee, Meet with our City Council rep., Cindy Claycomb, 9-10:30am. Downtown YMCA, 402 N Market. Discuss local city projects/issues, provide your input and ask questions.

**Next North Riverside News Deadline
JULY 15, 2018**

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The Primary Election is August 7th. Governor & Lt. Governor, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Secretary of State, Insurance Commissioner, and every House of Representatives position will be on the ballot. A number of local County positions, judgeships, and precinct people, as well as a Congressional seat will also be listed.

Only those registered as a Democrat or Republican are able to vote in the primary election. If you want to switch parties, or are now an unaffiliated voter and wish to declare a party in order to vote in August, you must reregister by JUNE 1ST. Recently, there have been many elections that were won by only a few votes. Your choices in the voting booth always make a difference. *From Senator Lynn Rogers*



SHARE THE SPACE

Let's be friends! When bicyclists and walkers share the same path, whether the wide Redbud Trail or narrow neighborhood sidewalks, the etiquette may be similar to big ships and small boats sharing the same waterway:

Share the space.

The smallest has the right of way.

When in doubt, be alert, kind and generous.



Some cautions include a pedestrian whose dog is on a long leash that could trip a speedy bicyclist; a bicyclist who doesn't call out a "on your left" to unwary walkers in front of him/her; or children who dash into bicyclists' paths. Let's be friends, polite and SAFE for everyone!

HELP NEEDED! Can you paint, clean, tile, install window trim? Volunteer to help with the restoration of the Historic Fresh Air Baby Camp/Girl Scout Little House!
Email: c.willenberg@sbcglobal.net

The Wichita Ballet will perform The Little Mermaid Friday, June 8 at 7 p.m. at The Shelter in Sedgwick County Park in Wichita. This is a wonderful experience and very family-friendly! The performances only last about 45 minutes and are usually followed by a meet and greet with company dancers. You'll want to bring your blankets and lawn chairs (and costumes and tutus!), and arrive early to get a good spot. Food trucks may be on site.

What part of the faucet usually needs to be replaced when you have a water leak? *The washer often causes a water leak.*
What faucet part needs to be cleaned every three to four months? *The Aerator-the screen inside the end of the faucet,*

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 37 percent of American adults *can't swim the length of a pool*, which puts them at risk of being one of the 10 people who drown every day in the United States. Learn to swim!

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Stroll through the galleries, and visit the Art Studio to join in a cool community art project. Free ice cream and admission.