

# NORTH RIVERSIDE

## NEWS

North Riverside Neighborhood Association

April/May 2018

## JOIN US IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION PARADE



April 7<sup>th</sup> – 10:30am

We will be making plans, signage and posters; **if you can help or want to participate, contact any board member** (Contact info p. 2)

The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 7, at the Law Enforcement Memorial, 500 N. Main Street.

A community block party starts after the parade at 11:30a.m. and continues until 2 p.m. with Children's Activities, Food Trucks, Live Music, Donut Eating Contest, Law Enforcement Displays, and more. Let us know if you will join us April 8th as we say Thank You to the men and women who serve and protect our community.

**WEAR BLUE, WALK WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS OR BRING A WAGON FULL OF CHILDREN, RIDE YOUR BIKE, OR COME ON SKATES. A LIMITED NUMBER CAN RIDE IN THE BACK OF OUR BLUE PICKUP**

## GRAND RE-OPENING of KANSAS WILDLIFE EXHIBIT

April 8 at 2:00pm

The Friends of the Kansas Wildlife Exhibit, a volunteer group through the Wichita Parks Foundation, invites you to a Grand Re-Opening of the exhibit Sunday, April 8 to celebrate the renovations made to the facility. Festivities will begin at 2:05 pm with opening remarks from District 6 representative, Cindy Claycomb followed by Janet Miller, previous council rep. There will be a behind the scenes tour of the exhibit and an educational program of the animals conducted by Great Plains Nature.

The Friends of the Kansas Wildlife Exhibit formed to improve this exhibit and to ensure that it remains viable and a learning experience about native Kansas animals. These animals are also used in educational outreach through the Great Plains Nature Center.

Because of generous donations, in just under 3 years significant improvements have been made on the Ks Wildlife Exhibit (AKA "The Little Zoo in Riverside Park"). Join us April 8<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate this wonderful Wichita amenity.

**GARDEN STROLL** The 2018 North Riverside Garden Stroll will be Saturday, June 9th, 10am-4pm. This is our 7th Garden Stroll & Neighborhood Fund Raiser. Committees have been busy organizing for this year's tour and we have our gardens picked and are looking forward to another great Stroll. It is an opportunity to share our majestic shade trees, vintage plantings, and unique gardens with tour visitors. We have gardens with perennials from grandmothers' seed to the newest hybrids started just for Kansas.

The Stroll will include 5 of your neighbors' gardens plus the 3 beautification projects you have helped to fund. This year we will tour 1145 W 13th St., 1530 W. 13th St., 1410 Lieunett, 1440 N. Woodland, and 1828 W 18th St. #1016. Plus we have a bonus site, an educational vegetable garden sponsored by St. Patrick Catholic School and Children First. Tickets are \$5 for all gardens.

Johnson's Garden Centers have long been a special friend to North Riverside, and again this year they will help with tour promotion. Tickets will be for sale beginning May 13th at Johnson's & at Seasonal Decorating, and on the day of the Stroll at each featured home. We are excited to introduce Shelley McKinney as our chair this year. She & husband Steve have been on the Stroll & are triangle garden volunteers. We can use more help to make this the best garden stroll yet! Contact Shelley at imshelley14@gmail.com or at 734-2264 Mark your calendars & raise a rake or shovel & help us spruce up our neighborhood for a day of visitors and fun!

## NORTH RIVERSIDE ROCKS Show up Monday, May 21, for our first-ever Rock Painting Party!

Here's your chance to do a **Good Turn** and **Something for You** at the same time! Come paint some rocks.....we will have ROCKS, tables covered in paint proof paper, and some basic supplies. Folks with rock painting experience will be there to answer questions. Please join us and bring your own fav rock-painting brushes, paint, and finish! Share your techniques, art tricks, and get to know more neighbors!

**Who Benefits?** [The Confetti Foundation](#), whose mission is to supply Birthday Parties to Children spending their birthdays in the hospital! And, they have a Birthday Fairy who loves to pack along a few Happy Birthday Rocks for those children. Designs such as flowers, music notes, sports, or Disney Characters are a few of the other rock designs that provide joy to these children. You can also add words of encouragement such as "Stay Strong!", "You Did It!", and other such greetings!

**Who Else Benefits?** You! Have fun, pick up some new rock decorating ideas, meet a new neighbor or two, take home a rock just for YOU! Please set aside the time to help us help Confetti Foundation!

Meeting Monday Night 7-8pm



1100 West 15th  
Woodland United Methodist Church



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**Water aerobics BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND** at Minisa  
Instructor Barbara Piotrowski will return this summer to lead us in this fun and rewarding exercise. Open to all, the class is free with paid pool entry. More info coming soon.



## North Riverside Events

Blue was the star of our March 19th meeting. We had a great turnout and we learned about bloodhounds and how they can assist police. Special thanks to WPD and to Hyper Pet LLC, for the donation of treats and toys, and to Barbara Hammond for creating dog bone cookies for pets and people!

Don't miss our **next meeting** on May 21st- we will be painting but have no fear, you don't have to be creative or artistic. Just come, have fun and paint rocks for you to hide and others for hospitalized children.



## GARDEN STROLL SATURDAY JUNE 9

Follow us on Facebook-  
Wichita's North Riverside  
Neighborhood

## Open House Education Garden

**St. Patrick Catholic Church & School**

with **Children First**

invite you to tour our

## **New Education Garden**

**Date:** Saturday, June 9th

**Time:** 10 am to 4 pm

**Location:** 2023 N. Arkansas,

north of School, at Arkansas, turn west on 20th

The education garden provides hands-on learning about fresh food to students and the neighborhood.

**Bonus garden to the North Riverside Garden Stroll.**

*Thank you to Cargill Cares Wichita, Simpson Construction,  
and Star Lumber & Supply Co.*



## TAKE ACTION TODAY Submitted by Sue Erwin

1. Spend one hour today picking up litter. Or decide that every time you see a piece of litter, you'll pick it up and throw it away.
2. If you see someone littering, politely ask them to pick it up. Or pick it up yourself and maybe the person who dropped it will see you and get the hint.
3. Organize a team of neighbors, friends, co-workers, or fellow church members to pick up litter in a specific neighborhood for an hour. Bring rubber gloves & garbage bags. Make it more fun by turning the clean-up into a game/contest.
4. Enjoy making a difference, getting exercise, getting to know people better, and having cleaner surroundings.

### FACTS 250 million tons of trash is generated each year in the U.S.

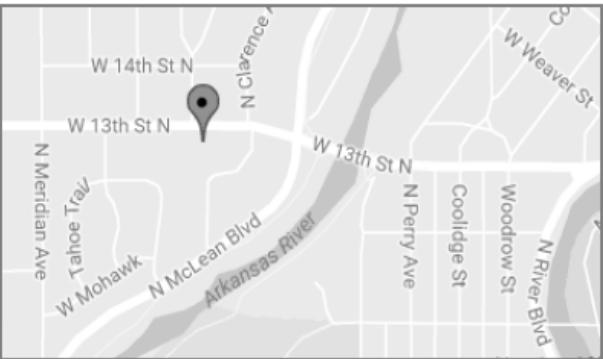
- 4.6 pounds of waste is created every day by the average person.
- Common litter includes cigarette butts, plastic bags, paper, candy wrappers, fast-food packaging, bottle caps, 6-pack can holders, glass bottles, and plastic straws.
- Men and women are equally likely to litter.
- People under age 15 are least likely to litter; people under the age of 25 are most likely to litter when in a group; and, people over the age of 25 are most likely to litter when alone.
- In one single day, nearly 7 million pounds of litter were removed from beaches, lakes, and streams.
- Animals from nearly 443 species are entangled in or ingest marine debris annually. The majority of these die from starvation, exhaustion, or infection.
- People litter because: there is a presence of other litter; it's the easiest way to get rid of unwanted things; they think littering is acceptable because they pay taxes to have someone else pick it up; dumping is a social activity we learned from our parents and passed on unconsciously to our children.



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### Join us for "One Spirit Alive" Worship each Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Fellowship at 10:30 a.m.  
Easter Sunday Festival Worship April 1 at 9:30 a.m.

Vacation Bible School will be Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m. from May 30th to June 27th. For ages 3-adult.

The theme will be "Shipwrecked – Rescued by Jesus."



English Classes for Adults Monday – Thursday from 9:30 a.m. – 12. \$35 a month.

Call 263-0810 or email [esol.stpauls.wichita@gmail.com](mailto:esol.stpauls.wichita@gmail.com)  
You can enroll at any time.

## TRI-NEIGHBORHOOD PICNIC

This family event occurs in June and includes friends and neighbors from the Historic Mid-town, North Riverside and Riverside neighborhoods. Watch for details in our June newsletter and on Facebook.

## NORTH RIVERSIDE CLEANUP

We are again teaming up with the City to have a neighborhood wide trash pickup. Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 8th and remember, we are counting on your help!



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**Tour** will be held on Saturday, April 21 at 12 PM - 4 PM. FREE! See where Red Beard, Jack Ledford, Henry Vigus, and Buffalo Bill were buried during this free tour of the Cemetery at 9th & Hillside. For more info, see their Facebook event page.

## Who says life in DooDah is not a Walk in the Park?

Join the Wichita Parks and Recreation department on monthly walks in Wichita's parks!



Meet at 11 AM on these Saturdays:  
April 21 at Riverside Central Park -Meet at Kansas Wildlife Exhibit  
May 19<sup>th</sup> at Chisholm Creek Park -Meet at Oliver entrance to Chisholm Park  
(And dogs on leashes are welcome too!)

## SPRING CLEANING submitted by Shelley McKinney

With spring's imminent arrival comes that oft dreaded phrase, "Spring Cleaning". It seems like there is always so much more cleaning to do than at any other time of year. Yard, closets, basement, cabinets, and so on. All well and good, but don't overlook your vehicle. It's time to wash off all that winter muck, or more likely dust in this dry year. It might be a little chilly to do it in your driveway yet, but there are a couple of nice car wash services within our reach, probably more than a couple. Indian Hills Car Wash, just west of 13th and St. Paul, has been remodeled and sports several clean bays with power hoses and options for various spray cleaners and waxes etc. There is also an automatic drive-in wash, called Laserwash, with several options as well. The nice voice inside the automated payment machine asks you to insert payment in such a lovely way. She would be hard to refuse. The sign out front tells you to go to Sudsy Bucket Carwash on Facebook for deals. Joe's Seat Cover and Car Wash, one at 206 N Seneca and the other at 308 N West Street, offer packages for you to choose from, ranging from \$19.95 to \$27.95. But go on Tuesday or Wednesday because they are half price days. You can watch your car go through the automated wash as it progresses through the process or go on into the waiting room and grab a drink and popcorn while you wait. Your car will be hand dried with the insides being wiped down as well. and while you wait, pick up a punch card. Get nine punches and your tenth wash is free.

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## NEW EDUCATIONAL GARDEN NEAR US

In partnership, St. Patrick Catholic School and Children First are building an education garden at 20th and Arkansas. For many years, the space was a successful community garden. This year the garden is under transformation to a new concept. Phase I will be built and ready for students to plant by the end of March. In April, Phase II will provide raised bed space for other neighborhood non-profit organizations. Next year, Phase III will be completed for families.

Cargill Care of Wichita has provided funds to build a composting area and stadium seating. Simpson Construction completed the walkway and patio. Food will be given to families with food insecurity and distributed at the church's free Tuesday pantry.

**Mark your calendars for the June 9th Open House, as a bonus garden for the North Riverside Garden Stroll from 10 am to 4 pm.**

*Submitted by Kathleen Webb*



## TRAILS, RAILROADS, UNMARKED GRAVES

Interested in your City of Wichita History?

### Midwest Historical & Genealogical Society Library,

1203 N. Main, is offering a *"Clues to History by Dowsing"* workshop, **Sat, Apr 7, 9am and 1:30pm**. A donation of \$15.00 to the library, with your reservation, will insure you a place in one of the two workshops offered, handouts, and a dowsing rod to use/take home.

The workshop begins at the library with film history, proceeds to Highland Cemetery, 9th and Hillside (Wichita's oldest cemetery), and to North Sim Park, 12th and Amidon.

Participants will gain knowledge of the dowsing process, basic skills for locating evidence including building sites, underground utilities, well heads, corner markers, including trails, railroad right-of-ways, unmarked graves..

### DNA, Ancestry, Internet, WW I-era, Generations of cultures --

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Apr 10/May 8: Power-Up Genealogy: getting answers to your search questions, 1:30pm

Apr 14/May 12: DNA-find out what the "secrets", 1pm

Apr 17/May15: Mysterious Photos? Get the answers, 1:30pm

Apr 21/May 19: Internet + Genealogy, 10am

Apr 21/May 19: WW I = living in this era, 1:30pm

Apr 28/no May: Afro-American Special Interest, 1pm\*

Memberships run from \$25 per year, up. Classes are free; scanner, computer, printer available. *Submitted by Francene Sharp*



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**Swimming**

**MINISA SWIM POOL OPENS MONDAY, MAY 28**

**Hours: Tues-Fri 1-6pm Sunday 1-6pm**

Swimming is an important activity for all ages; knowing how to swim is necessary for personal safety. Plus swimming is an almost perfect exercise and it is an activity you can enjoy throughout your life. There is even a Masters age group for swimmers over 100 years of age! See you at the pool this summer.

## Woodland Health & Wellness Magnet School 2018 Fun Run Fundraiser

Saturday, April 21 12pm-3pm at North High School

Spring is in the air as Woodland School gears up for its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Fun Run Fundraiser/Health Fair! This is an opportunity for students, parents, and the Wichita community to come walk/run for a cause! The event is on the track field at North High School, right here in the North Riverside area! The event is from 12pm-3pm on Saturday, April 21.

Admission is \$3 a person which buys your punch card prize paper! It works like this, every 4 laps is a mile, and every mile completed receives a prize. We have added a fun and exciting new twist to this year's event that each participant gets to experience every 2 laps. This fundraiser is an opportunity for everyone to eat, play, and learn! We are after all, the only Health & Wellness Magnet, in the entire country! We hope that you can join us for this FUN event!

# WALK AT WORK

**TIMES TO REALLY  
GET A MOVE ON**  
You can walk any time,  
but consider taking  
part in these special  
events this spring.

March 18-May 12: Walk Kansas - [www.walkkansas.org](http://www.walkkansas.org)  
April 4: National Walking Day - American Heart Association  
April 25: National Walk @ Lunch Day - Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas  
May 2: Get Fit Don't Sit Day - American Diabetes Association  
May 16: Walk at Work Day - Health & Wellness Coalition of Wichita

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**The Ides of March or Happy New Year!** Yes in 44BC Ides of March was the beginning of the New Year!

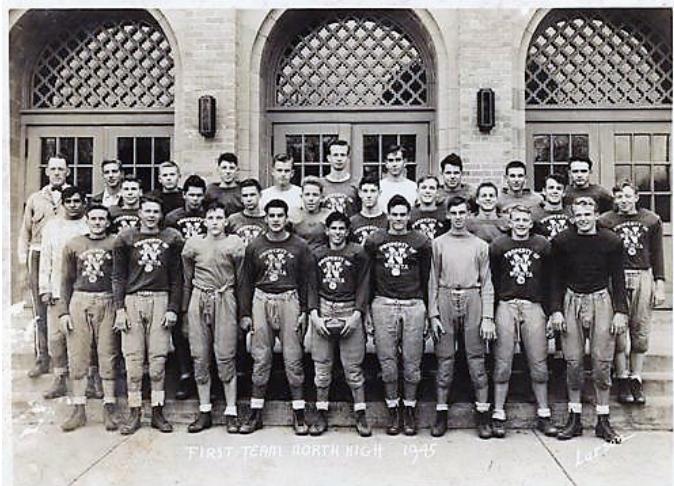
Have you ever wondered what that phrase meant? Nones & Ides were ancient markers used to reference dates in relation to lunar phases. Ides simply referred to the first Full moon of a given month, which usually fell between the 13th and the 15th. By the time you read this March will have gone but our gardening season will have just begun. Volunteers will be needed for our beautification projects—

### The Triangle Garden at McKee & Coolidge and The Entry Sign Garden at Cornelison & Woodrow

PLEASE let Debbie McCurdy 263-5630 know if you would like to help water, weed or pick up trash at these two gardens. It's a great way to get to know your neighbors, to clear your head, get some fresh air, blow off steam, give back to Mother Earth, teach a child about gardening, earn a merit badge, a community service badge, or just be grateful. *Submitted by Debb McCurdy*



**Our Minisa Swim Pool is scheduled to remain open through the 2022 summer season, then be demolished.** If you would like to see it remain open, contact a North Riverside Board member. We need your support and your ideas. How can we improve pool usage? What hours or days would you or your family use the swimming pool? Would you like to learn to swim? Did you know that 37 percent of American adults can't swim the length of a pool? They have increased risk of being one of the 3,400 people in the US who will drown this year. Will you join our effort to keep our pool?



**This is a picture of a North High Football Team.**  
Can you find Vern Miller? Are you old enough to recognize that name? If not, you might Google "Vern Miller, Wichita".

## **NORTH RIVERSIDE CALENDAR**

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

**APRIL 7—LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION PARADE** 10:30am **Community Block Party** 11:30am Join North Riverside's entry in the parade!

**APRIL 8—GRAND RE-OPENING of KANSAS WILDLIFE EXHIBIT** 2:00pm "Little Zoo" at Central RS Park

**APRIL 16 - NO NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**

**APRIL 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.

**MAY 7 - DAB MEETING-** 6:30pm Evergreen Park clubroom, 2700 N. Woodland. Discuss issues coming before City Council that impact our area.



**MAY 21—Rock Painting Party! 7:00pm**

Neighborhood meeting at Woodland Methodist Church, 15th & Payne. Paint some for you and some rock messages for children spending their birthdays in the hospital.

**MAY 26 - 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.

**MAY 28- MINISA SWIMMING POOL OPENS!**

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

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

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## **FRESH AIR BABY CAMP-GIRL SCOUT LITTLE HOUSE**

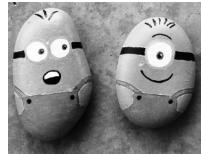
Work on the interior of this historic building is progressing! We now have beautifully polished concrete floors, thanks to First Con, Inc./Heck's Lawn Care, who donated almost three weeks of labor. Frederick Restoration has donated application of the floor caulking. Our new wiring and lighting is almost complete, thanks to a partnership between IBEW 271, our local electrical union, and Total Electric. Members of Sheet Metal Union, Local 29, have also joined our project, securing donated materials and fabricating needed adaptors for lighting fixtures and copper end caps for our dragon tongue rafter tails.

Our volunteers continue spending long hours finishing the original triple hung windows and staining the oak trim for windows and doors. Workers at the Baby Camp now enjoy good lighting, a working heat and cooling system, and electric outlets that limit the need for running extension cords. We have a finished ceiling and painted walls and soon window frames secured and insulated. We will then be moving outside-weather permitting. Watch for exterior stucco cleaning and progress on the windows! We are working on obtaining more funding and recruiting more volunteers. We offer on-the-job training! Contact Claire Willenberg if you can join us at 990-4407. Follow our progress:

<http://Twitter.com/FABC1920>,

<http://Instagram.com/freshairbabycamp>,

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**Should you run hot or cold water through your garbage disposal?** Cold water.

## **Woodland is selling personalized bricks!**

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## **WHY LEARN TO SWIM**

**EVERY DAY ten people die from drowning.** Two of those deaths are children under the age of 14. The CDC reports that one of the main factors for children at risk is that they simply do not know how to swim.

**Wichita Parks and Recreation has partnered with the Wichita Swim Club to provide more swim lesson opportunities. Scholarships are available.**

Lessons will be offered at Minisa Tuesday-Friday 9am-12pm and 5:45pm-8:00pm.

Enroll by contacting the Wichita Swim Club @ 316-683-1491.

**WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!** The church building at 18th & Garland has recently been purchased by The Seed Church. Members have been there working, so stop in and say hello.