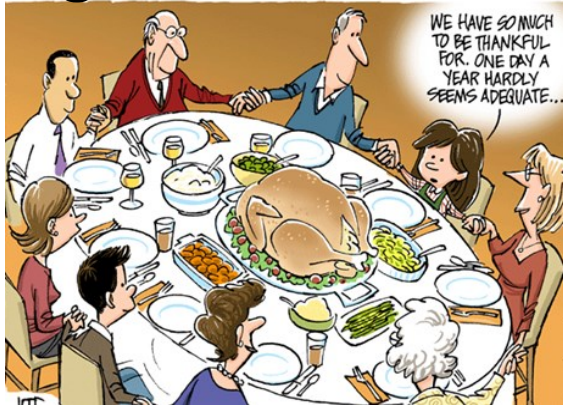


NORTH RIVERSIDE NEWS

North Riverside Neighborhood Association

Oct/Nov 2023

November 14th is our Neighborhood Dinner



Grab your appetite, pack your favorite covered dish (or dishes) and bring your own place setting – we start at 6:30pm. NRNA will provide the Turkey. Share food and conversation as we bring our 2023 association meetings to a close. No December meeting happens here, so this will mark the last gathering with neighbors until January 2024.

DOWNTOWN VIEWS

Our statues are all prepared for winter. Drive down Douglas and check them out. Are they telling us we should expect a snowy, cold experience this year? Reminder for cold weather-**CEILING FANS SHOULD TURN CLOCKWISE IN THE WINTER**

Warm air rises, keep that heated air closer to the floor where people sit. Make sure your fan is turning clockwise as seen from the floor looking up at the underside of the fan. This will push the warm air off the ceiling, down the walls and into that critical living space.



This is a TEST!

We are working toward offering our newsletter in Spanish. By scanning this QR code, you may be linked to a Spanish version found on our Facebook page. If it does not yet connect, be patient as we work to have this option operational with the December issue.

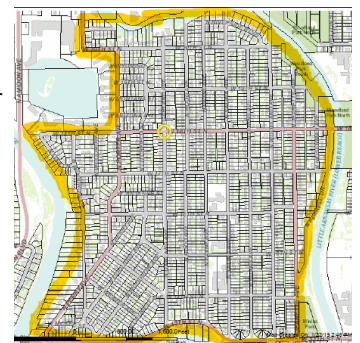


HALLOWEEN ALERT! SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, OCT 28

It's not really a contest, it's a "show up and shout" event. But you only have to go as far as your own front yard. Let's show off our creativity in Halloween house decorations. No effort is too big or too small! Show your neighborhood spirit and we will keep North Riverside's reputation as the *most-fun-neighborhood-in-Wichita* going.

Decorate your porch or yard in any way you can. There are no guidelines, no age limits, not even any prizes. On Saturday, October 28, some local dignitaries (or just plain folks) will drive within the neighborhood boundaries (see map) and take photos.

Look for a variety of these pictures on NRNA's Facebook page and in the December newsletter. If you don't live within the boundaries, please post your own photos, the more, the merrier! Shout out for North Riverside!



MARK THE DATE

North Riverside Neighborhood Association.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR- Our Neighborhood gathers **TUESDAY**, November 14th and we will feature **FOOD!** It is a **POT LUCK SUPPER** with music and lots of conversation. Join our mini- Thanksgiving and celebrate our neighbors, friends and family. We will start this dinner at 6:30pm and should be finished by 8:00pm. We meet on the 2nd floor of Woodland Methodist Church. NRNA will provide drinks and **TURKEY!** Bring your family, friends, eating utensils, and if possible, a covered dish. The most important thing is to come, see old friends and make new ones. See you November 14th! Woodland Methodist Church, 1100 W 15th. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



NRNA MEETING REVIEW– SEPT 18th Our neighborhood met with Hazel Stabler, our USD 259 School Board representative. Her program was both educational and entertaining. Board Members are volunteers; they spend on average 40 hrs/week on board work. Hazel shared why she was interested in being on the School Board, her expectations, and the positive strides forward our school district is making. Some of our takeaways:

- +Our new Superintendent, Kelly Bielefeld, began work July 1; Mrs. Stabler feels he has accomplished much in a short time.
 - +Wichita Public Schools is the largest school district in Kansas
 - Enrollment is 47,517; Students receiving special education services - 7,698 ; Receiving gifted education services - 525; Receiving ESOL services - 7,273.
 - +112 languages spoken by WPS families; 93 countries of birth.
 - +2022 graduation rate is 80.4%, up more than 6 percentage point since 2018. The rate is expected to increase for 2023; (North High is listed as 80% graduation for 2022; has 2,149 students, and teacher/student ratio of 17/1.)
 - +USD 259 is working on major issues including tardiness and absenteeism. Consider volunteering at our local schools.
 - +Hazel recently toured the newly remodeled Dillons store at North High, and was very impressed with the new aerospace engineering program where Juniors and Seniors can take classwork and also construct an airplane.
- At our request, Mrs. Stabler also spoke about her career as a nationally recognized fashion designer of Native American inspired clothing. She described the items she was wearing and included information about her cultural background. She topped off our evening with a demonstration of competitive native dancing and song.

NRNA EXECUTIVE BOARD

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stabler4schools@gmail.com	
Tom James, DAB VI Representative	393-4555

AUGUST 12TH WE SMASHED THE TRASH

Many, many thanks to the large group of volunteers who spent their Saturday morning following the packer trucks & drivers which were provided by the city. We hauled piles of trash to the trucks to be smashed and we covered the entire neighborhood! At our Woodland Church and Marshall Middle School sites, neighbors hauled and disposed of larger tree limbs and trash into giant skids. We loaded a huge truck with tires and the city also provided a service which picked up mattresses and box springs. A big thank you also to the folks who cleared out their property, moved the trash to the curb, then came out and helped load. We cleared out 105 mattresses and 71 tires plus 4 skids and 4 packer

trucks were filled. 27.49 tons of trash were removed from our neighborhood. The cost \$3,032.20 was paid for by the city for us!! Thank you to all.



WOODLAND
United Methodist Church

Help Wanted

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO WHILE THE KIDS ARE IN SCHOOL? OR DO YOU NEED A REASON TO GET OUT OF THE HOUSE A FEW HOURS A WEEK? ARE YOU GOOD WITH COMPUTERS AND ABLE TO LEARN NEW PROGRAMS QUICKLY AND INDEPENDENTLY? WELL, DO WE HAVE A JOB FOR YOU! WOODLAND UMC IS LOOKING FOR A PART TIME SECRETARY FOUR DAYS A WEEK FOR ABOUT FOUR HOURS PER DAY. WE NEED SOMEONE FRIENDLY TO ANSWER PHONE CALLS AND COMPUTER SMART TO COMPLETE BASIC OFFICE DUTIES. QUESTIONS? CONTACT PASTOR VALECIA AT PASTOR@WOODLANDUMC.COM WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!

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DON'T FORGET - LOCK YOUR CAR! COMMUNITY OFFICER SOTO REMINDS US THAT THE HOLIDAYS OFTEN BRINGS WITH THEM A RASH OF CAR "INTRUDERS."
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Officer Soto also reports that city-wide there has been an uptick of stolen car license plates. Did you know you can purchase and install screws that are more difficult to remove, thus discouraging theft? One-way, anti-theft screws can be fastened with a regular flat bladed screwdriver but require a special removal tool to take them off. This is because the shape of the head means the screw can only be turned in one direction. Check for anti-tag theft screws at Wal-Mart or on Amazon.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 10 A.M. WICHITA INDEPENDENT NEIGHBORHOODS-- WIN is hosting a quarterly meeting --open to all Neighborhood Assn. leaders/members. WIN board member Attorney Gerald Domitrovic will present on Landlord / Rental laws & issues. Evergreen Neighborhood Center 25th & Arkansas

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Woodland United Methodist Church (UMC) and Community Center

Woodland UMC, at the corner of 15th and Payne, is undertaking a new adventure as they attempt to expand the usage of the building by inviting non-profits and other groups in to share their space. Their first major partner was Children 1st, and through the Department of Children and Families, Children 1st received a grant to update the facilities to make it more feasible to share the space more widely. Currently, the following groups call the church home:

Children 1st – offer social work services to several area parochial schools, provide food to those who are food insecure, maintain community gardens, offer classes to support those trying to get out of poverty.

Piccadilly Players dance group – focus on international dance for all ages and all bodies, style has been described as steam punk belly dancing

Bread Club – Meet once per month to learn a new bread recipe; participants take one loaf home and donate the rest to Children 1st for distribution in Wichita.

North Riverside Neighborhood Association – host bimonthly programs and meetings to keep the neighborhood up-to-date on what is happening, connect neighbors with each other, and celebrate local events and local history.

Girl Scouts – Meet weekly to empower and equip girls to be leaders in their community.

Woodland Quilters – Meet monthly for Fellowship and to work on quilts, often donating quilts to local causes.

Cultura Connections – Offers English classes to Spanish speakers.

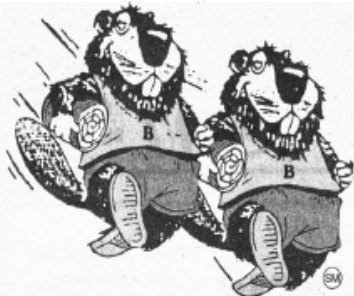
Sunflower Clock Watchers – Meet monthly to “talk clocks;” collecting, making, and repairing them. They also maintain some of the city’s clocks. *for more information on any of these programs, or for more information on space sharing with us, please contact Pastor Valecia at pastor@woodlandumc.com or 316.323.3821.*

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NORTH RIVERSIDE IS BLESSED

We have amazing neighbors living here— welcoming and willing to help others.

We have so many dedicated volunteers:

-Triangle Garden tending and watering squads

-Entryway garden workers

-Newsletter deliverers

-Participants in neighborhood cleanup and other events - they sponsor block parties, Easter Bunny visits, Little Free Libraries, Plant Exchanges, help those in need, make Artistic walking sticks and Tree Art, volunteer as our DAB repr, and much more

-Hardworking volunteer Association Officers

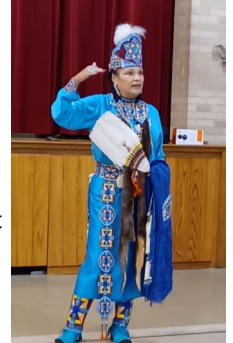
-Our amazing enthusiastic and engaged Community Police Officer Soto (did you know he recently had his coverage area more than doubled yet he still bike rides our neighborhood at night, attends our board and community meetings and responds quickly to our email requests— even if he is off duty!)

-Program speakers who take time to share their talents and knowledge with us

-We are especially grateful for our partnership with Woodland United Methodist Church where doors are always open for our meetings and special events. They reach out a helping hand to our community. Their pastor even delivers a newsletter route!

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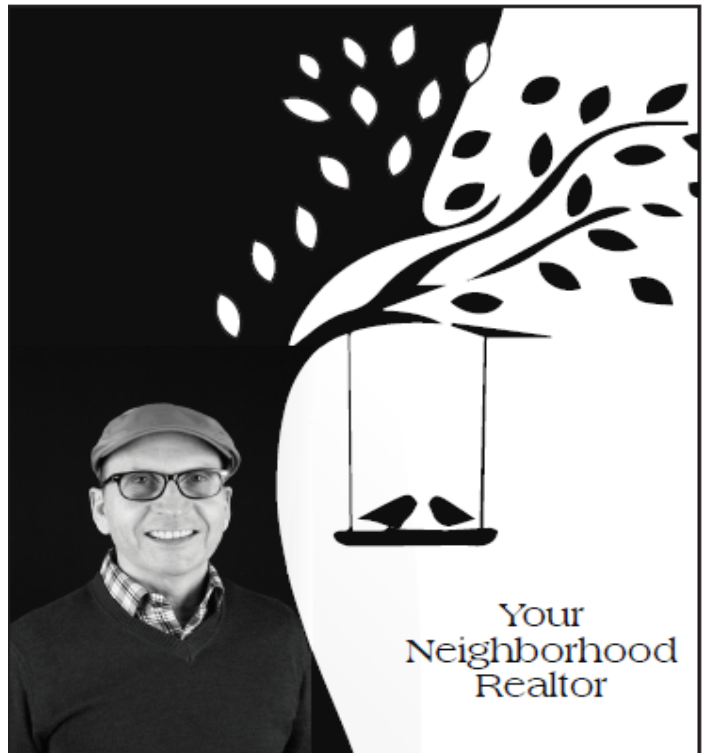
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NORTH RIVERSIDE CALENDAR

OCT 9- DAB MEETING 6:30pm in person at Evergreen Community Center, 2601 N Arkansas. Watch live via Zoom and on the [District 6 Facebook page](#). Visit the [District 6 web page](#) for the most up-to-date info.

OCT 27- NEIGHBORHOOD HALLOWEEN REVIEW

OCT 28- DISTRICT 6 COFFEE • 9:00 am. Evergreen Community Center & Library • 2601 N. Arkansas Discuss City projects and issues, provide input, and ask questions.

NOV 2-4- CHRISTMAS IN RIVERSIDE

NOV 5- FROSTBITE REGATTA Little Ark River

NOV 5- DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS- FALL BACK!

NOV 11- VETERANS DAY PARADE

NOV 13- DAB MEETING 6:30pm in person at Evergreen Community Center, 2601 N Arkansas. watch live via Zoom and on the [District 6 Facebook page](#).

NOV 14- TUESDAY- NEIGHBORHOOD POT LUCK DINNER! Kick off the Thanksgiving season -6:30 pm Woodland Methodist Church, 15th & Payne. Please join this gathering of neighbors to share good food and fellowship.

**Next North Riverside News Deadline
November 15, 2023**

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Join Us For H.A.S. Class (Hobbies and Skills)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (1101 N. River Blvd.) invites you for a free dinner and a hobbies and skills class every Wednesday evening.

Oct. 4 – How to Change a Tire



Oct. 11 – Bicycle Repair

Oct. 18 – Gardening – Fall Bulbs and Putting Your Beds to Bed

Oct. 25 – Basics of Drawing

Nov. 1 – Healthy Holiday Eating

Nov. 8 – Santa Craft

Nov. 15 – Poetry Writing

Nov. 29 – CPR and First Aid



Gloria Dei has something for everyone! Bring your family and enjoy Wednesday evenings with us.

5:30 – 6:30 pm Dinner (free) Come anytime between 5:30 and 6:30 for a great meal with your neighbors.

6:30 – 7:15 pm

- **Adult - H.A.S. Class (Hobbies and Skills)** – see above for each week's topic.
- **Grades 6-12 – L.I.F.T. (Love In Fellowship and Truth) Youth Group time** – meet in basement Room 2.
- **Grades K-5 – G.L.O.R.Y. Kids (God's Loving, Obedient, Respectful, Young Kids)** – STEAM activities centering on Bible Stories – meet in basement Room 7.
- * **Ages 0-5 – Staffed Nursery** – Our CPR Certified nursery attendants will engage with your little ones through play and song. – meet in the nursery on the south end of the building.

Contact – Rachel Schober, Director of Youth Ministry and Christian Education 250-7993 rschber@gloriadeilwichita.com

Evergreen Fall Festival Friday, Oct. 27

6-8pm | Evergreen Rec Center 2700 N Woodland

Mark your calendars for Evergreen Recreation Center's Fall Festival on Friday, Oct. 27! There will be fall activities for the whole family and costumes are encouraged. Show us your favorite super hero, monster or princess! The event is FREE and geared towards kids ages 4-12.

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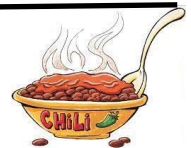
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**You are invited:
Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.
Benjamin Hills/Pleasant Valley
Neighborhood Assn monthly meeting
will host WPD Chief Joe Sullivan.
2555 N Hyacinth, St. Andrew's Lutheran
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ANNUAL RIVERSIDE

Chili Feed Tuesday November 14th from 5pm to 7pm at Gloria Dei 1101 N.



River Blvd. You can carryout, or dine-in and enjoy live music. Bring you appetite!