

NORTH RIVERSIDE NEWS

North Riverside Neighborhood Association

August/September 2024

North Riverside Neighborhood Cleanup Day SATURDAY AUGUST 10th 7:30AM TO NOON

North Riverside is again participating in a city sponsored cleanup day. We will be covering our entire neighborhood and we need your help. The city is providing four large “packer” trucks and drivers, large trash containers or “skids” and a tire truck. Our neighborhood volunteer workers follow each packer truck and load discarded curbside items into the trucks.

The purpose of the cleanup is to pick up large items that are costly to haul to the dump. We can dispose of furniture, some appliances, larger household items and tree debris.

Have your items to the curb before 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 9th, so we can survey the neighborhood and better plan truck routes. If you are not able to join the group of volunteers, be at home Saturday morning to help us load up your trash. Put smaller items in boxes or sacks- no scattered items. Gas powered equipment must be drained of gas & oil. Tree limbs must be bundled in 4' lengths or smaller. If you are late getting your trash out, we will not go back to collect but you can haul it the skids.

We will also have two locations available for you to haul your own trash on Saturday morning until noon. A commercial dumpster, or “skid”, will be at Woodland Methodist Church north parking lot, and a 2nd skid will be in Marshall Middle School south parking lot. When you haul your items, you must load them into the skid. Tree debris and limbs hauled here do not have to be bundled.

Tires will not be picked up; you must take them to the tire truck located at the East Marshall parking lot on Salina.

Don't miss this opportunity to clean out clutter and make North Riverside shine! See guidelines on page 5.

Check out p.18 for a Neighborhood Field Trip, Sept. 23rd to tour the FutureReady Center at North High

Wichita's Neighborhood NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 13, 6:30—8:30

North Riverside is hosting a

PARTY IN OUR PARK

BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO SOUTH WOODLAND PARK to join in the fun. You are invited as this is a whole neighborhood party!

Meet new friends, city officials, members of the Police Department (WPD) and Fire Department (WFD) who serve our area and other special guests. Interact with a few critters from the Kansas Wildlife Exhibit, and possibly a therapy dog and a horse or two!

NRNA will provide lawn games, treats and drinks. Knowing more neighbors helps keep North Riverside a great place to call home and can promote safety and help prevent crime.

WE ARE OFFERING OUR NEWSLETTER IN SPANISH AND IN ENGLISH.

By scanning this QR code, you will be linked to a page for North Riverside on Wichita Independent Neighborhoods (WIN) web site. Our most

recent newsletters can be found here.

<https://winwichita.org/north-riverside/>

Estamos ofreciendo nuestro boletín en español y en inglés. Al escanear este código QR, se le vinculará a una página de North Riverside en el sitio web de Wichita Independent Neighborhoods (WIN). Nuestros boletines más recientes se pueden encontrar aquí.



Meeting Monday Night 7-8pm



1100 West 15th
Woodland United Methodist Church

MARK THE DATE

North Riverside Neighborhood Association

Our Neighborhood will get together on **Monday, Sept 16th**, 7pm at Woodland Church, 1100 W 15th. Guest speaker is the superintendent of USD 259, Kelly Bielefeld. Bring your questions and discuss plans for the future of our public schools. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



The North Riverside News is an advertiser-supported publication by the NRNA. It is published bi-monthly and is distributed free to homes and apartment buildings in our area. The News is delivered by neighborhood volunteers. Join us!

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On Monday, July 15th, North Riverside met with Vice-Mayor and City Council representative Maggie Ballard as our guest. Our neighbors were treated to a lively and educational discussion about many city issues. Officer Soto updated us on a few issues and was also available for questions. A surprise visitor was our former Community Police officer, Sgt Steve Jerrell.

Our next meeting Monday, Sept 16th, is with the superintendent of our public schools, Kelly Bielefeld. Bring your questions as we may learn more about plans or a new school bond issue, and the proposed destruction of our Woodland Elementary School.

CLEANUP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Meet at Woodland United Methodist Church at 7:00a.m. and bring work gloves. NRNA will provide breakfast snacks then we will work until about noon.

You will have a blast and will help revitalize our neighborhood. If you can volunteer to help or have any questions regarding this clean-up, please call, text or email Claire Willenberg at 990-4407 or Tom James at 393-4555



Join Us!
Sunday Mornings @ 11 a.m.



1100 W 15th St. N

STAY CONNECTED, WATCH OUR FACEBOOK PAGE for neighborhood events, questions and updates:
Wichita's North Riverside Neighborhood



Our new lawn games kiosks are now open in Central Riverside Park and Watson Park! Park & Rec is the first in the country to install lawn games kiosks. Enjoy cornhole and table tennis anytime with ease. Just download the Rent.Fun app to rent the equipment and play away!

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AUGUST 6


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Woodland United Methodist Church,
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Northeast corner of Payne & 15th

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Polling Hours— 6am to 7pm

PRIMARY ELECTION - AUGUST 6
GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 5



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Back to School Event 6-8:30 p.m. August 10
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THIS NEWSLETTER Is delivered by your neighbors to over 1725 households, **AND WE NEED YOUR HELP.** We walk six times a year and we have delivery routes of various lengths available. Call Claire to volunteer at 990-4407.



JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS at

North Riversides' Party in our Park

Tuesday, August 12th 6:30—8:30pm. If you were planning a Block Party for Neighborhood Night Out, why not join the rest of North Riverside at South Woodland Park, 1900 N Heiserman. Schedule your block party in the fall when it is cool.

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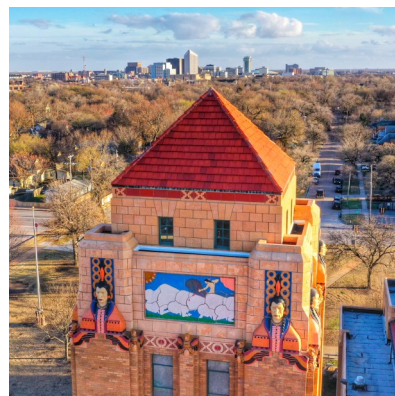
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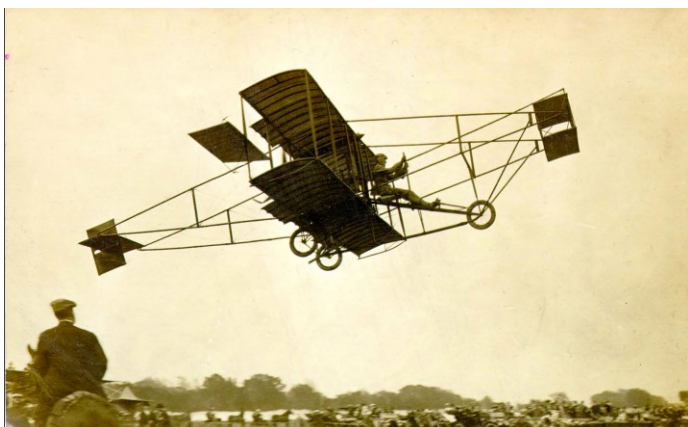
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USD 259 FACILITY MASTER PLAN

The Wichita school board has heard a plan for a \$450 million bond issue proposal that would support the complete rebuilding of eight schools over the next five to six years. The district would reduce its overall footprint by 11 buildings, consolidating programs into new and existing facilities and closing four elementary schools, five special schools and two administrative buildings. **Four elementaries in north central Wichita — L'Ouverture Magnet, OK, Pleasant Valley and WOODLAND — would be closed under the plan.** The draft proposal, presented by Ohio-based consultant Woolpert, comes three months after the school board voted to close six schools as a cost-saving measure. The last Wichita school bond issue was approved in 2008, when a narrow 2% margin of voters favored the \$370 million renovation and expansion package. This proposal calls for a \$450 million "zero tax increase bond." Because the 2008 bonds are almost paid off, the \$450 million could be borrowed off of those same bonds without additionally raising property taxes for residents Wichita Public Schools' boundaries. However, if a bond issue was denied, property taxes would go down once the original 2008 bonds are paid off.

Let us know if you would like more information on this issue as we will be following the developments.

NORTH RIVERSIDE CLEAN-UP

WHEN-AND-WHERE

Friday night, August 9, put your items by the curb by 8:00pm.

Saturday morning, Aug 10, Packer trucks and Volunteers will pass through the Neighborhood to pick up trash. Packer trucks will leave North Riverside at noon. Clean up is over!

DETAILS!

- *Tires will NOT be picked up; you must take them to the tire truck at Marshall Middle School, east parking lot on Salina.
- *Option to Haul your own Trash— Take your trash and tree limbs to the dumpsters at Marshall South Parking Lot or the North Parking Lot at Woodland Methodist Church.
- *Metal objects may be put on your curb— separate from the trash, or hauled and placed by the curb at dumpster sites.
- *Tree branch may be placed at your curb BUT THEY MUST BE CUT in 4 ft lengths and tied in bundles. No logs or stumps. Branches that you haul to the dumpsters do not have to be bundled.
- *No hazardous materials— no paint, antifreeze, pesticides, batteries, CFL lightbulbs, or appliances with Freon. Lawn mowers must be drained of gasoline.
- *No concrete, bricks or construction items.
- *No scattered items, they must be boxed, bagged, or bundled. We can pick up furniture, tv's mattresses, and other large items.
- *We work with a metal recycler/scrapper who will pick up metal items and appliances. PLACE THESE ITEMS IN A SEPARATE PILE.
- *If you are not working as a volunteer on this project, PLEASE WATCH FOR US, AND HELP LOAD YOUR TRASH!

CITY OF WICHITA PROVIDES THE PACKER TRUCKS AND DRIVERS -WE PROVIDE THE WORKERS Suggested items to bring:

Water, Gloves, Bug Spray

Meet at Woodland Methodist Church parking lot, 15th and Payne, at 7:30am.



North Riverside Night Out

August 13th, 6:30-8:30 at South Woodland Park. Todd Volkmann may show up with critters; will you show up?

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Submitted by Susie Cunningham

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The Little Arkansas Community Coalition, a nonprofit dedicated to advocating for the Little Arkansas River, invites you to explore our curated collection of educational resources designed to inspire and empower the next generation of river stewards. All materials are offered without charge.

Engaging lesson plans: Spark STEAM learning with hands-on activities and interactive projects that explore the diverse ecology and wildlife along the Little Arkansas River. Discover valuable lessons that can be applied to protect and preserve the rivers right here in our community, or applied to any urban river.

Captivating videos: Take a virtual field trip with our video presentations showcasing the biodiversity and cultural significance of rivers, watersheds and streams.

Nationally renowned resources: Access lesson plans developed by leading environmental organizations, providing you with the tools to teach about rivers, preservation and restoration.

Local history and culture: Uncover the fascinating story of the “Homes of the Little Arkansas” featuring habitats created by the indigenous Wichita peoples, whose ancestral homelands along the banks of the Little Arkansas River became the foundation of modern-day Wichita.

We support educators as they foster a love for the Little Arkansas River and all urban rivers and their vital roles in our world.

Visit our website to start an educational adventure. <https://littlearkansascommunitycoalition.org/learning-resources/>

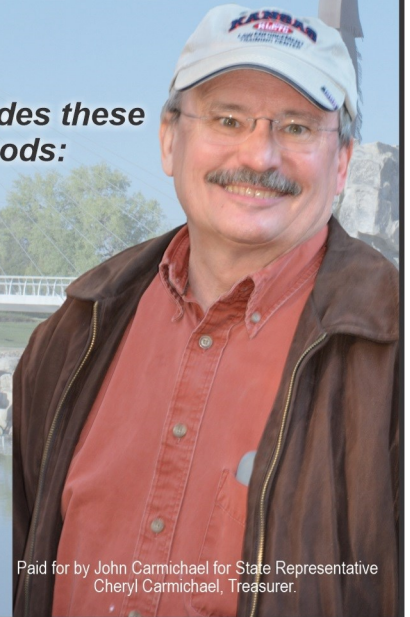
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Wichita CROP Hunger Walk
October 6 - beginning at 2:00 p.m. at Sedgwick County Park – Horseshoe Shelter

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Register individuals and teams and donate at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/event/wichitaks> No fee to walk. People who raise \$50 get a CROP Walk t-shirt.

Walk day registration begins at 1:00 p.m. Advance t-shirt pick up Saturday October 5 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 925 N. Waco.

Funds raised help four Wichita hunger fighting ministries and Church World Service feed the hungry and help people produce their own food. Walkers are also invited to bring jars of peanut butter for the local recipient agencies.

For more information go to cropwalkwichita.org or contact Alice Price at amariet7819@att.net or 316-841-7942

NORTH RIVERSIDE CALENDAR

AUGUST 6– PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

AUGUST 10- NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP. Volunteers meet at Woodland Methodist Church at 7:30am.

AUGUST 12– DAB 6 ADVISORY BOARD 6:30pm in person at Evergreen Community Center, 2601 N Arkansas. Watch live via Zoom and on the District 6 Facebook page.

AUGUST 13 – NORTH RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT OUT 6:30 –8:30pm. BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS AND JOIN THE FUN at South Woodland Park

SEPTEMBER 9- DAB 6 ADVISORY BOARD 6:30pm in person at Evergreen Community Center, 2601 N Arkansas. Watch live via Zoom and on the District 6 Facebook page.

SEPTEMBER 16– NEIGHBORHOOD GATHERING 7pm–8pm, Woodland Methodist Church 1100 W 15th. Meet neighbors and make new friends. Talk with our community police officer Soto and with USD 259 superintendent Kelly Bielefeld.

SEPTEMBER 23– 5:30pm TOUR THE FutureReady BUILDING –Learn about their program & aerospace classes

**Next North Riverside News Deadline
September 15, 2024**

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The FutureReady Centers are a Wichita Public Schools and WSU Tech partnership that provide students with hands-on training, learning opportunities, and mentoring from industry experts while still attending classes at their base high school. Students enroll in two courses and attend every other day on an A/B schedule.

The program is 100% free with no additional costs. It is open to all WPS juniors and seniors. Transportation is provided, college credit offered for all classes, and there are guaranteed work-based learning internships available.

Three options are available at the 13th and Waco manufacturing location: Aviation, Production and Assembly, or Maintenance and Automation pathways. Pathways at the FRC help students apply for entry level jobs after high school graduation or prepare students for postsecondary training in a variety of fields.