



# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

A publication of the City of Dodge City Public Information Office

## CITY NEWS

- ★ The Dodge City Community Riverbed Cleanup will take place on Saturday, May 8 & Sunday, May 9, 2021, from 9 am - 3 pm. Bring your rakes & let's clean the river! Trash bags and gloves will be provided. Meet at Wright Park near 2nd Ave. Lunch will be provided for volunteers. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

- ★ Parks and Facilities staff planted multiple trees on Friday, April 30, 2021, for Arbor Day. This year's dedication tree planting took place at Centennial Park (Central Ave. & La Mesa Drive) in honor of Alan Cunningham and his family to celebrate his career and many contributions to our community over the years. The tree, a Chinkapin Oak, was planted west of the water tower. Additional tree plantings occurred at Beeson Arboretum Park at the North Arrowhead West facility. Full details regarding the City's Arbor Day plantings can be found at <https://bit.ly/3vwwEbM>.



- ★ The City of Dodge City is excited to host the newly re-structured Engage Dodge program open to the entire community. Engage Dodge is an interactive educational opportunity designed to introduce citizens to city services, programs, and the employees who serve the Dodge City community. The 2021 Engage Dodge program will begin on May 18 and consist of ten evening sessions. The sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. For the last session, participants will attend a City of Dodge City Commission meeting in which they will get to see how the meetings are run and ask any questions they may have. To apply, please visit the City's website at: <https://www.dodgecity.org/1016/Engage-Dodge>



- ★ The airport launched a 5-week advertising campaign to show Dodge City the surrounding communities what is being done to make it safe to travel, show competitive fares, and prove reliability. We encourage anyone who sees the advertisements on any social media platform to like and share to help promote our local airport.

- ★ The Dodge City Area Chamber of Commerce assisted staff with hosting the ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony for the new Jane Longmeyer Recycling Center on April 24 in conjunction with the annual Great American Cleanup recycling event. Jane has played an instrumental role in the recycling efforts in Dodge City and the state. Even in retirement, she has returned to the recycling center as a part-time employee to assist as the center's needs have grown and to advocate with customers on proper recycling. Congratulations, Jane, for this more than deserving representation of all you have done for recycling in our community.



- ★ The Dodge City Convention and Visitors Bureau has been preparing for National Travel and Tourism Week May 2 – 8th. The CVB, in collaboration with the Boot Hill Museum, will be hosting Chamber Coffee at the Boot Hill Museum Tuesday, May 4, from 9, am to 10:30 am. Free Historical Trolley rides will also be given at 10:30 am and 1 pm. The Boot Hill Museum will end National Travel and Tourism Week with the Grand Opening Celebration all day on May 8. They will be hosting various events and an ice-cream social from 1 pm – 3 pm. National Travel and Tourism Week is celebrated to make individuals aware of the importance of tourism to their community.

## DEPARTMENT UPDATES

- ★ The Parks and Facilities Department has continued making preparations for the year’s busiest season and has completed several timely projects. Almost all departments within Parks and Facilities have been busy getting the Dodge City Raceway Park (DCRP) ready for opening day last weekend. We have a few minor tasks to finish up but are nearing completion.
- ★ Athletic Field Maintenance (AFM) has been turning on irrigation to all facilities and made repairs as needed. They also assisted Musco Lighting with a very stringent light repair and helped with making our Spring Kickoff Tournament very successful on April 17. Sports and Events Coordinator Jordon German coordinated the tournament which was packed with 22 baseball teams. Also, the AFM team has been continuously prepping and maintaining the soccer fields for youth and adult leagues at St. Mary’s Soccer Complex.
- ★ Parks and Forestry/Landscape staff have been preparing for Arbor Day by opening holes in Beeson Park for planting trees. Parks also installed windscreens around the tennis courts at Long Branch Park. The Parks and AFM teams installed chain link fencing at the very top of the grandstands and trimmed the fence line along the highway at DCRP.



## PROJECT UPDATES

- ★ Phase 1 of the US 50 and Gary Ave. project is all but complete. On Monday, May 3, the Contractor will switch traffic and begin construction on the south side of US 50. Gary Ave. south of US 50 will be closed to traffic and will be reconstructed at the same time. This work should take three weeks, depending upon the weather.
- ★ LK Architecture and Transystems, along with City staff, presented an update on the design and project status for the Streetscape Project to the Commission during a work session on Monday, April 19. The presentation gave an updated overview of the project scope, timeline, design, the response from the Kansas Historical Society on design submissions, community engagement and communications plans through the remainder of the project, and project costs and funding resources. The Commission did not take action on any part of the project; however, they agreed that staff should continue moving forward on the project and applying for grants and additional funding sources. For more information, please visit the City’s Facebook page or call (620)225-8100.



## WHY NOT DODGE FACILITIES & EVENTS

- ★ Races have returned to Dodge City Raceway Park. The season kicked off last Saturday and Sunday and will resume this Saturday, May 1. For a full schedule and details on the races, visit [www.dodgecityraceway.com](http://www.dodgecityraceway.com).
- ★ The ever-popular Buy Three, Get One Free Sale is back at Long Branch Lagoon Water Park. Also, this weekend there will be a season pass pick-up and sales at the water park on Saturday from 10 am-noon and Sunday from 4-6 pm. For more information, visit [www.lblagoon.com](http://www.lblagoon.com) or call 620-225-8156.



## CITY OF DODGE CITY & THE COMMUNITY

- ★ City staff from Administration, Dodge City Fire Department, Dodge City Police Department, and Commissioner Blanca Soto participated in the Child’s Day Fair at Beeson Elementary this week. There were several booths and fun activities for the children and their parents.
- ★ Members of the Wright Wonder 4-H Club volunteered at the recycling center on Sunday, April 11. They processed and sorted bags of recyclable material, brought in the mountain of bags left in the parking lot by the after-hour bins and emptied several bins. Their work saved staff a great deal of time the following Monday morning and allowed them to get started first thing on the two-cardboard roll-offs. They also mentioned they learned a lot about what is recyclable with the CREW program. Many thanks to the children and adults of Wright Wonder 4-H Club!
- ★ Girlscout Troop 60571 participated in the Great American Cleanup and earned their Community Clean-up badges on April 24 by picking up 20 bags of litter in the riverbed around the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave bridge. With girls aging from 5-12, the multi-grade troop chose their project after one member commented about the trash near her house and wanted to do something about it. Thank you, Girlscout Troop 60571, for your work on the chilly and wet day!



## NONPROFIT UPDATES

- ★ Catholic Charities: May is National Behavioral Health Awareness Month. This year, especially, we want to recognize and support those who are struggling. We have licensed, professional, compassionate therapists who are here to help. Contact Amy at 620-227-1590 or [afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org](mailto:afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org) to schedule an appointment.  
  
May is also National Teen Pregnancy Awareness Month. Catholic Charities offers FREE pregnancy support. Our trained, compassionate professionals provide FREE and confidential pregnancy support regardless of age, income, marital status, or religious affiliation. Contact Amy at 620-227-1590 or [afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org](mailto:afalcon@CatholicCharitiesSWKS.org) to schedule an appointment.
- ★ CASA Children Worth Saving, Inc. is collecting new or gently used books through May. No spare books lying around? Check out our Charity Wishlist on Amazon, [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/1s/1CPAENLVOF3PZ/ref=smi\\_ext\\_lnk\\_lcl](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/1s/1CPAENLVOF3PZ/ref=smi_ext_lnk_lcl) . Call the CASA office at 620-225-1278 with any questions.

**COMMISSION MEETING CALENDAR**

Mon., May 3 - 7 pm City Commission Meeting, Commission Chambers at 806 N 2nd Ave.

OR Watch live online at [www.facebook.com/cityofdodgecity](http://www.facebook.com/cityofdodgecity) or [www.vimeo.com/cityofdodgecity](http://www.vimeo.com/cityofdodgecity)

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**UNIVERSITY/TRAINING CENTER  
236 SAN JOSE  
(NORTHEAST ENTRANCE)  
MAY 7TH, 2021  
3:00 - 5:00 PM**

**"A DEVOTED AND PASSIONATE LEADER FOR  
HEALTHCARE AND EDUCATION IN  
SOUTHWEST KANSAS"**

MAY 8 & 9, 2021 | 9 AM - 3 PM  
MEET AT WRIGHT PARK NEAR 2ND AVE

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# DODGE CITY COMMUNITY RIVERBED CLEANUP



Bring your rakes! Trash bags and gloves will be provided .  
Let's clean the river!

***For more information contact:***

Sergio Garcia 620-338-4284 | Javier Cienfuegos 620-255-4560  
City of Dodge City, 620-225-8100

## THANK YOU SPONSORS!

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8 Y 9 DE MAYO DE 2021 | 9 AM - 3 PM  
REUNIRSE EN PARQUE WRIGHT CERCA DE 2 AVENIDA

# COMUNIDAD DE DODGE CITY LIMPIEZA DEL RÍO



¡Trae tus rastrillos! Se proporcionarán bolsas de basura y guantes.  
¡Limpiemos el río!

*Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto con:*  
Sergio Garcia 620-338-4284 | Javier Cienfuegos 620-255-4560  
Ciudad de Dodge City, 620-225-8100

## ¡GRACIAS PATROCINADORES!

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# 10TH ANNUAL MAIN STREET FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 5, 2021  
Downtown Dodge City  
9am - 2pm

Arts & Crafts | Z-98 Great Quack Attack | Local Entertainment | Food Vendors  
Shopping | Children Activities | Car Show | & Much More

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9 a.m.–2 p.m. Vendors, Activities, Food & More  
1:30 p.m. Z98 Great Quack Attack

## ENTERTAINMENT

Danza Santa Cruz | White Tiger Martial Arts  
Hector Almend | Vegan Shark | Rancho Nopalito

## Auto's for Alzheimer's Cruise & Shine

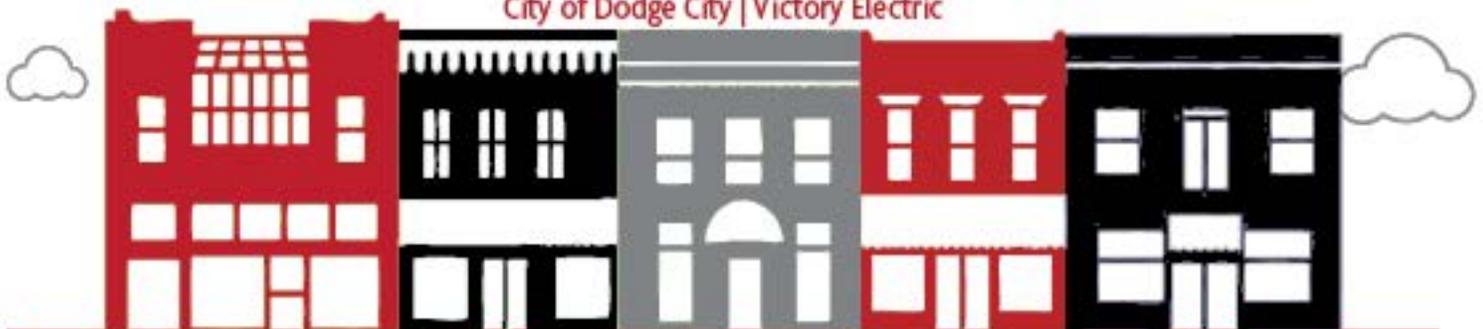
9 a.m.–2 p.m.

\*For information contact Debbie Morgan at:  
debbie.morgan82959@gmail.com

## Event Sponsors



Central Station Bar & Grill | Boot Hill Distillery | Fidelity State Bank & Trust | Landmark National Bank  
City of Dodge City | Victory Electric



Main Street Office: 620-227-9501 or [corall@dodgecity.org](mailto:corall@dodgecity.org)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

UNIVERSITY/TRAINING CENTER

**MAY 13**

## **START UP FINANCING**

Learn about the financing options available for newer businesses and how to qualify.

**MAY 13**

## **HOSPITALITY TRAINING**

Megan Welsh, Convention and Visitors Bureau Manager will share her knowledge on hospitality.

**MAY 18**

## **YARD MAINTENANCE**

Learn about lawn care, planting grass, planting and pruning trees, weeds, and more.

**MAY 20**

## **HOME BUYER EDUCATION**

Local experts will share their knowledge on the home-buying process. This class is designed to educate individuals looking to purchase a home.

**MAY 27**

## **CAREER SUCCESS**

Kansas WorkforceOne Business Services Director/Rapid Response Coordinator Tucky Allen will share his knowledge on how to be successful in your career.



Visit us at [www.raisingthewest.org](http://www.raisingthewest.org) for more trainings or to request a specific training!



# Start Up Financing

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Are you looking for start-up capital? Learn about the financing options available for newer businesses and how to qualify. Understand the essential steps you need to take to help position your business for financing success. This will help you understand the options available to your new or young business as well as how to position your business for success in the future.

May 13, 2021  
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

University Training Center  
236 San Jose  
Dodge City, Kansas

Scan Here to Register:



Or Register Here: <https://ksbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events/26322>



# Small Business Week

MAY 3RD-8TH

MONDAY  
MAY 3RD

## Meaningful Monday

- Volunteer or Donate to your favorite non-profit.

TUESDAY  
MAY 4TH

## Take-Out Tuesday

- Let someone else do the cooking!

WEDNESDAY  
MAY 5TH

## Wear It Wednesday

- Treat Yo Self! Buy a new outfit or piece of jewelry just for you.

THURSDAY  
MAY 6TH

## Taking Care of Business Thursday

- Schedule those checkups, get your eyes checked and teeth cleaned, review your insurance policy, open that savings account.

FRIDAY  
MAY 7TH

## Fix-It Up Friday

- Plant those flowers, repair that fence, replace those lightbulbs. Don't forget to fix yourself up and get that haircut or your nails done!

SATURDAY  
MAY 8TH

## Shop Small Saturday

- Shop all things LOCAL today!  
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# Semana de Pequeños Negocios

DEL 3 AL 8 DE MAYO

LUNES  
3 DE MAYO

## Lunes Significativo

- Ofrece tu ayuda como voluntario o dona algo.

MARTES  
4 DE MAYO

## Martes de Comida para Llevar

- Deja que alguien mas cocine.

MIERCOLES  
5 DE MAYO

## Miercoles de Prendas Nuevas

- Concientete y comprate un atuendo nuevo o alguna joya solo para ti.

JUEVES  
6 DE MAYO

## Jueves de Cosas Personales

- Programa esos chequeos medicos, revisa tus ojos, hazte una limpieza dental, revisa tu poliza de aseguranza, o abre una nueva cuenta de ahorros.

VIERNES  
7 DE MAYO

## Viernes de Arreglos

- Planta esas flores, repara esa cerca, reemplaza esos focos. No te olvides de ti y arregla tu pelo o tus uñas.

SABADO  
8 DE MAYO

## Sabado de Compras Locales

- Has todas tus compras localmente.  
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May 1 to May 31



**CASA**

Court Appointed Special Advocates  
**FOR CHILDREN**

**CHILDREN WORTH SAVING**



We are collecting books for children ages 0 to 18!

Bring new or gently used books to the CASA office.

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