



COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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CITY NEWS

Summer Job Openings: Long Branch Lagoon is now accepting applications for Aquatics Manager, Admissions and Concessions Supervisor, and Summer Lifeguard positions! Lifeguards must be 15 years of age and complete a lifeguard training course before their first day of work. Any interested applicants can apply at www.dodgecity.org/careers.



14th Ave. & Soule St. Traffic Signal: The Street Department has completed the repairs to the traffic signal at 14th and Soule. The northwest signal pole at this intersection was damaged during the December 15 windstorm when the wind blew the signal down, causing extensive damage to the base foundation of the signal pole. Repairs to the sidewalk next to the signal pole will occur next week once the weather warms up. The Street Department is also testing a new type of camera detection at the intersection that will hopefully improve the timing and efficiency of the signal.

Sanitation Routes: The Sanitation Department would like to remind residents to please have trash, and grass karts placed at the curb by 7:00 am on the collection day, 3 to 5 feet away from any obstacle. Trash must be bagged and tied to prevent the trash from blowing if the wind blows over the kart. Karts must be rolled back to the house on the same day of service to help prevent them from being lost.

Residents are responsible for keeping track of their trash and grass karts and keeping them clean. If city staff must search for a lost kart, a \$25.00 fee will apply. A \$50.00 replacement fee will apply if the kart is not found.

Sometimes, unforeseen circumstances may change the actual time of day that your trash and grass will be picked up, so please have them to the curb by 7:00 am on your collection day.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB):

- ★ Dodge City was honored by True West Magazine as a Top True Western Town. Dodge City has been recognized as a Top 10 True Western Town by True West 13 times in the last 15 years.
- ★ The CVB held its monthly meetings with both the Tourism Coalition and Advisory Board, in addition to the regular monthly meeting planning for National Travel & Tourism Week began. This year's efforts will focus on community engagement and engaging our industry partners. As part of this year's events, we plan to recognize frontline service personnel across our city. Through Friday, April 8, submissions will be accepted at <https://forms.gle/oXZamdGmocpu5xXVA> for the first annual Outstanding Frontline Employee Award.
- ★ CVB staff wrapped up both Rooster Roundup and Bounty Bird contests. The CVB had more than 30 bands turned in for the contests. All participants received a prize, with one lucky winner receiving \$500 in Chamber Bucks. Dodge City, along with the seven other counties that form the Wild West Country tourism coalition representing 22 city/county tourism entities, has submitted a grant application to the Mariah Fund for funding of the Rooster Roundup in 2023.

Parks & Facilities:

★ Athletic Field Maintenance staff has been working at legends ballfield changing out netting on the batting cages and over the playset. The netting had become old and brittle from exposure to the elements. The staff also cleaned and re-adhered the turf back to the concrete surface in the batting cage.



★ Zoo staff participated in training during quarterly beak and talon trimming on the birds of prey with Dr. Wipf. This procedure keeps the animals healthy and allows them to feed properly.



★ Forestry and Landscaping worked with Parks and Facilities to remove abandoned enclosures at Wright Park zoo. The demolition is being done to move forward with the Zoo Master Plan.

★ Cemetery staff started the dirt work for adding a road to open up future burial sites.



UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Community Facilities Advisory Board (CFAB): The Dodge City/Ford County CFAB Advisory Board will have a special meeting on March 2, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the City Commission Chambers (City Court). View the agenda at <https://www.dodgecity.org/Archive.aspx?AMID=35>. The meeting is open to the public with limited seating and available to stream live at www.facebook.com/cityofdodgecity or www.vimeo.com/cityofdodgecity.

WHY NOT DODGE EVENTS, FACILITIES & NEWS

Legends Park: Tournament season is quickly approaching! Looking for a softball or baseball tournament played at one of the best ballparks in Western Kansas? Play at Legends Park in Dodge City against some of the best in-state and traveling baseball and softball teams. You won't regret it! <https://www.dodgecity.org/839/Tournament-Schedule>.

COMMISSION MEETING CALENDAR

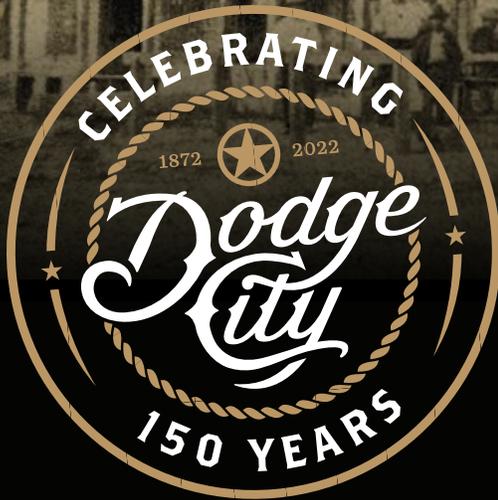
Mon., March 7 - 7 pm City Commission Meeting, Commission Chambers at 806 N 2nd Ave.

OR Watch live online at www.facebook.com/cityofdodgecity or www.vimeo.com/cityofdodgecity

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View the meeting agendas the Friday prior at <https://www.dodgecity.org/78/Agendas>



THE WEST *is Just the Beginning*

Our city's history draws adventurers, young and old, looking to get a glimpse of the old west. The resurgence in popularity of television westerns like *Gunsmoke* has continued to attract visitors to our community. In 2019 Dodge City had more than 718,000 unique visitors, both in-state and out-of-state, and visitor spending surpassed more than 135 million dollars. Be a part of the next chapter of Dodge City's history.



VOLUNTEER OR JOIN A BOOSTER CLUB

There are several booster clubs and volunteer opportunities you can be a part of to support the 150th anniversary. The Brothers of the Brush, Sisters of the Swish, or the Smoothies are all actively accepting members now.



SHARE YOUR STORY

All of us have a story to tell about Dodge City. We want to hear yours! Whether sharing forgotten details of our past or celebrating our future, join the 150th Stories initiative.



CREATE OR PROMOTE 150TH EVENTS

Create your own 150th themed event or talk to friends and family about upcoming 150th celebration events, share event posts on your social media and with friends and colleagues, or display posters/flyers in your business.

Visit www.dodgecity150.com to find more resources and ways to get involved.

You are cordially invited...



Sponsored By : Dodge City Brewing

Friday, April 1, 2022

Mariah Gallery at Boot Hill Museum

500 W. Wyatt Earp Blvd. Dodge City, Kansas

Enjoy an evening of thrilling live and silent auctions,
delicious food, drinks and April Fool's day fun.

Doors Open at

6:30 PM

Event Starts at

7:00 PM

\$75

PER PERSON

Order tickets at
620-227-8188,
online at

www.BootHill.org

\$400

PER TABLE OF 6

Tickets Include Admission, Food & Beer Samples, and 2 Additional Beverage Vouchers
Tables of 8 or 10 are available.

All proceeds from this event will go towards
funding the museum's future projects.

The background of the poster is a misty jungle scene. In the foreground, a tiger is walking towards the left on a dirt path. In the background, a man is seen from behind, looking towards the tiger. The scene is filled with lush greenery and trees, with a soft, hazy atmosphere.

Depot Theater
DODGE CITY, KANSAS

RUDYARD KIPLING'S
THE JUNGLE BOOK
ADAPTED BY GREGORY BANKS

March 25th - 27th, 2022

April 1st - 3rd, 2022

April 8th - 10th, 2022

TICKETS:
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Additional locations will be added
based on regional enrollment.

**For questions, contact
Kyla Keller
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620.227.9501**



FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY

- 8 week courses
- 10 courses over 2 years
- Blended mix of in-person and online coursework
- Students across the Southwest region welcome
- Must have a U.S. RN license and cumulative 2.5 or above GPA
- Clinical clearance and precepted clinical hours required

Classes Begin August 2020!



For more information, contact the FHSU Department of Nursing at 785.628.4256

EARN YOUR
BACHELOR'S OF

SOCIAL WORK



IN *Dodge City*

DODGE CITY COHORT

- Three year program
- One night class per week
each semester
- Online courses
- \$500 scholarship for each
cohort student, each semester
- Tuition and fees are under \$11,000

The cohort program provides an opportunity for students to complete a Bachelor of Social Work degree right here in Dodge City. Classes are completed over a three-year period, after student have completed any required general education courses or earning their associates degree. Students take courses from both core faculty members at FHSU and local professional social workers serving as adjuncts. A full-time cohort coordinator is hired to provide for student recruitment, advisement, and to coordinate the ongoing needs of an offsite location.

FHSU's Department of Social Work offers the development of skills and knowledge that enables individuals to help others.

The department offers significant resources for students including various student organizations and research support.

Hands-on experiences through service and internship opportunities are also available.



SOCIAL WORK JOBS

- Child/Family Services
- Mental Health Centers
- Hospitals/Health Care Agencies
- Private Practice
- Schools
- Nursing Homes
- Welfare Agencies
- Business and Industry
- Treatment Centers
- Community Organizations
- Corrections
- Non-Profit Organizations

For more information, contact
FHSU Department of Social Work
785-628-4755
socialwork@fhsu.edu





**FORT HAYS STATE
UNIVERSITY**

Southwest Kansas Pathway for Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) Professionals

**Earn your B.S. In Communication
Sciences and Disorders (CSD) and your SLPA certificate**

- Students across the Southwest region welcome
- Easy transfer pathway for students with community college course credit and/or associate's degrees
- Blended mix of in-person and online coursework, with 1-2 in person options every semester
- Experience hands on learning with local clinical placements
- Flexible program depending on your goals
- Expert and personalized guidance to achieve your professional goals

1st COHORT will start August 2022

For more information, contact the FHSU
Department of Communication Sciences and
Disorders at 785-628-5366.

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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FHSUCommDisorders>

Website: <https://www.fhsu.edu/commsciencesanddisorders/>





BUSINESS EDITION

Learn the resources available to start a new business or grow an existing business.

CUSTOMER SERVICE/ HOSPITALITY



FREE CLASS

Megan Welsh, Convention and Visitors Bureau Manager will share her knowledge on customer service and hospitality. Lunch will be served.

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

11:00 AM- 1:00 PM

University/Training Center

236 San Jose

Dodge City KS, 67801

Enter in the Northeast Entrance

Topics Include:

- Hospitality overview and the impact in Dodge City
- Improving hospitality service
- When problems arise
- Small actions equal big results



For more information contact Kyla Keller, 620-227-9501 or kkeller@dodgeqdev.org

Register online in advance at www.raisingthewest.org

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Small Business Development Center Trainings January - March 2022

Use the QR Codes to find out more details and to register

JANUARY

Tax Incentives for Small Businesses with the
Kansas Department of Commerce--
January 27, 2022



FEBRUARY

How to Hire Your First Employee--
February 10, 2022



Business Plan Bootcamp--
February 19, 2022



Fundamentals of Search Engine Optimization--
February 24, 2022



MARCH

Financial Statements 101--
March 10, 2022



Human Resource Compliance and Tax Credits
for Small Businesses --
March 24, 2022



CONTACT US NOW:

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training events registration site:

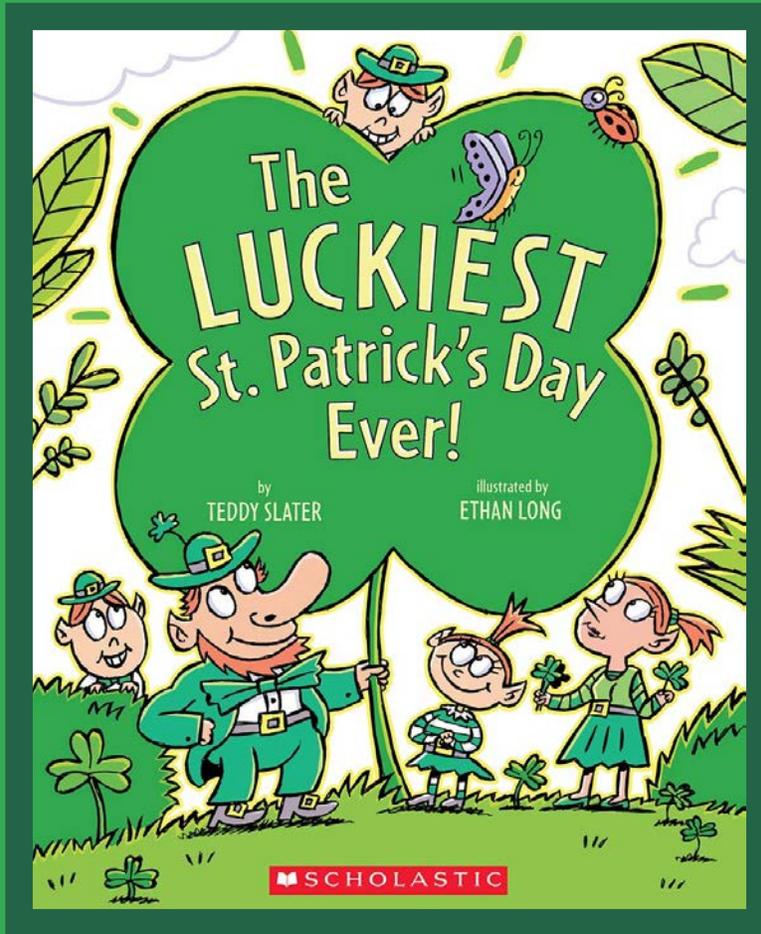
<https://ksbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events?CenterID=100028>

Dodge City Community College Learning Resource Center/Library Invites you to

March Storytime

Saturday, March 5 @ 2PM

Join us for Storytime, a fun activity, and a snack



Saturday Storytimes - Spring 2022 - All at 2PM

March 5 - *The Luckiest St. Patrick's Day Ever* by Teddy Slater

April 2 - *Worm Weather* by Jean Taft

May 7 - *Waiting for Wings* by Lois Ehlert

*Made possible through the DC3 Foundation
Communities Supporting Early Literacy: Dodge City -- Starting Early Grant
The Kansas Health Foundation is a philanthropy dedicated to improving the health
of all Kansans. For more information about the Kansas Health Foundation, visit
www.kansashealth.org*

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Dodge City, KS 67801

DR. JOHN EDGAR TIDWELL



GOOD TROUBLE

"The late political activist and US congressman John Lewis coined the phrase 'good trouble' to describe his civil disobedience in the 1960s. Others, who did not share his vision, considered his actions as merely 'disturbing the peace.' Notwithstanding these conflicting perspectives, Lewis raises an interesting question: 'What role have the humanities played in times of crisis, contentiousness, and incredible disagreement?' This talk will seek to answer this question by looking at selected works, such as Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, Booker T. Washington's Atlanta Exposition speech, Martin Luther King Jr.'s 'Letter from Birmingham Jail,' Barack Obama's consolation speeches to victims of gun violence at Sandy Hook and Charleston, and how they frame today's perspectives and debates about racism.

Presented by John Edgar Tidwell." - Humanities Kansas

Tuesday, March 1 @ 6PM

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2501 N. 14th Ave

Dodge City, KS 67801

Upcoming Humanities Kansas Presentations - All at 6PM

March 22: Dr. Sarah Bell - "Fighting for Equality: Women's Suffrage in Kansas"

April 12: José Faus - "Cambiaron Mi Nombre/They Changed My Name"

May 10: Stephen Wolgast - "The Promise and Pitfalls of Social Media"