



# Historic Delano News

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Howdy,

January was a busy month in Delano.

On Tuesday, January 19 the **Neighborhood Association** hosted a guest speaker from H & R Block. Their **February 16th** meeting will feature a presentation by a **Master Gardener** followed by a discussion about the **Community Garden** and the upcoming **Farmer's Market**.

On Wednesday, January 20th several Delano representatives met with **RiverFest** officials on ways to better include Delano. Several good ideas came from this meeting.

Wednesday evening (January 20th) the new **Delano Business Association** held it's first meeting. Proposed Bylaws were distributed and will be voted on at their February meeting. (See meeting notice to the right -->) [The Business Association minutes and proposed Bylaws are included with this month's News, [or online here.](#)]

Saturday, January 23rd the Steering Committee for the **Delano CDC** met and began the process of forming the CDC. Part of that process is fundraising (approximately \$1,200 is still needed). It was decided that a **Pancake Breakfast** would be held on **Saturday, March 27th**.

On Sunday, January 24th representatives from various organizations in Delano met to assemble a **Delano Calendar for 2010**. This will allow all of us to plan around each other's events.

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### Upcoming Meetings

**Delano Business Association**  
**Thursday, February 11th - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Bungalow 26 - 611 W. Douglas**

At this meeting, Bylaws will be adopted & goals for the first year will be discussed.

**Delano Neighborhood Association**  
**Tuesday, February 16th - 6:00 p.m.**  
**West Side Christian Church**  
**1819 W. Douglas**

The Guest Speaker will be a Master Gardener who will give a presentation on home gardening. Afterwards, we will discuss the Delano Community Garden and the Delano Farmer's Market.

**Historic Delano, Inc.**  
**Tuesday, March 2nd - 6:00 p.m.**  
**Central Plains Novelty- 905 W. Douglas**

We will finalize plans for the **St. Pat's Parade** and review a draft of the **2010 Visitor's Guide**.

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**Historic Delano** met on Tuesday, February 2nd to hear an update on the **St. Patrick's Parade** and discuss plans for the **2010 Visitor's Guide**.

Nancy has already received 21 parade entries. She has the permit in hand and the toilets and barricades are arranged. Posters should be ready later this week. ***[Posters are ready now, if you want some call Nancy at 267-1260 - ed.]***

We plan to have the **2010 Visitors Guide** ready to distribute by the first of May. We will only be printing 5,000, since 10,000 of the 2008 Guide lasted us nearly 2 years. We would prefer to print an updated guide annually.

We reviewed promotional pamphlets of several other groups including the Convention & Visitors Bureau, Old Town and Downtown. We decided what we liked and what we didn't like about each of them in designing our new Visitor's Guide.

### **From DelanoWichita.com:**

According to the [Sg. County homepage](#):

The Eagle Valley Raptor Center and Exploration Place would like to invite the public to see the release of "Freedom," a juvenile Bald Eagle that has been recovering from injuries it received after being shot in December 2009. The release will be at 3:30 pm, Saturday, February 13 on the banks of the Arkansas River outside of Exploration Place.

A video called "American Eagle" will be shown inside Exploration Place at 11 am and 2 pm. The video is about two families of Bald Eagles on the Mississippi River that tells about their struggles and triumphs. The release of "Freedom" is being done in remembrance of Sedgwick County Sheriff's Deputy Brian Etheridge who tragically lost his life in 2009 protecting Sedgwick County residents.

### **Annual Job Fair for Seniors age 55 & over Senior Services, Inc. - 200 S. Walnut**

Our annual Job Fair for Seniors is March 16, Tuesday, 9-11a.m. Forty employers have been invited to participate.

We ask that job seekers age 55 and over be preregistered with us by March 1st by coming by our office @ 200 S. Walnut.

Questions? Call 267-1771 for information

The 2010 Guide will be over 30% larger than the previous version, will contain much less history and devote much more space to a re-organized business directory and a larger, expanded map.

The business directory has 5 main categories: The Arts, Dining & Entertainment, Health Care, Retail (Shopping) and Services. Each of these has a number of sub-categories to help visitors find what they are looking for quickly.

Business listings will be expanded to include a short description of each business and web site links. The map has been expanded east to include Century II, the Hyatt and the Broadview; and north to include the Museums on the River.

*(You may view the new business directory categories and the expanded map on our web site at <http://www.historicdelano.com/directory>)*

Every business in Delano is eligible for a **FREE** listing in the directory. Fill out a business profile at [www.historicdelano.com/business/profile.html](http://www.historicdelano.com/business/profile.html) or call Jim or Nancy to fill out a paper version. **Deadline for inclusion is March 31st.**

Bold directory listings will be available, as well as advertising space around the map. Rates will be set as soon as we have determined the printing costs. E-mail [visitorsguide@historicdelano.com](mailto:visitorsguide@historicdelano.com) for more information.

Until next month!