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CORRECTION FROM LAST MONTH!

The **Delano CDC Annual Meeting** will be held **Tuesday, January 24th** at the **Masonic Home**. *The date was still in question last month at press time, but is now definitely on the 24th*.

Please **see page 2** for more information on the meeting and *why this meeting matters to you.*

Delano's Annual Calendar

We are assembling a master Delano calendar which lists events happening in Delano in 2012. The calendar **appears on page 2**. If you have any additions let us know - it's just a start.

St. Patrick's Day in Delano

The **St. Patrick's Parade** has grown into a full day of activities! This year, parade-goers can start the day with breakfast at a **Pancake Feed** at the **Senior Center** then find a good spot to watch the **6th Annual St. Patrick's Parade**.

After the parade is over, they can have lunch at **New Covenant's After Parade Party** or stop in to the **Shamrock Lounge** for **Beef & Cabbage**. Then they can enjoy some **local entertainment** or do a little bit of **local shopping**.

Attend our meeting on **Tuesday**, **February 7th** to get involved with the planning for this event.

Historic Delano Visitors Guide

We are working on the **2012 Visitors Guide**. We want to have it ready by St. Patrick's Day which means a print **deadline of February 24th**. Expect an e-mail about it soon or e-mail us at: <u>visitorsguide@historicdelano.com</u>.

Calendar

Delano CDC Annual Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 24th - 6:30 p.m.

Kansas Masonic Home Auditorium 402 S. Martinson

> 6:30 - Mixer Coffee, Tea and Cookies

7:00 - Guest Speaker Janet Miller - Midtown CDC

Planning for St. Patrick's Day

Tuesday, Feb. 7th - 6:00 p.m.

Central Plains Novelty 905 W. Douglas

The 2012 St. Patrick's Parade will be held on St. Patrick's Day this year. There are several other events planned for the day, so visitors will have a number of reasons to spend the entire day in Delano.

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Delano CDC Annual Meeting

The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Masonic Home. Enter on the west side of the building - from the parking lot on Martinson St. The auditorium is right across from the entrance.

There will be a mixer starting at 6:30 with coffee, tea and snacks provided by the Masonic Home. At 7:00 City Council member Janet Miller will speak to us about how the Midtown CDC was formed and what they have accomplished.

Afterwards will be a brief question and answer period and then Dave Schirer will give us a brief introduction to the concept of "futuring."

Why the Delano CDC Matters

The obvious answer would be that the CDC is our collective voice with the City and the key to getting parts of the **Delano Plan** implemented. More specifically, funding the **Bike/Walking Trail** along the old railroad corridor and getting the **Douglas Streetscape** extended west of Seneca.

Of course these things are of little importance to a small business owner trying to keep their doors open who is more focused on tangible benefits. Let's look at it from a long-range perspective.

The Douglas Streetscape was very instrumental in revitalizing the area from the river to Seneca. Once-vacant storefronts are now filled, run down buildings are being fixed up and the district has lots of bicycle and pedestrian traffic.

We are always being asked about holding events or extending the parades west of Seneca. Other than getting permission to close Seneca, the biggest obstacle is that the streetscape is not conducive to holding events west of Seneca.

If for no other reason, business owners west of Seneca should support the CDC so they can get the benefits that the area east of Seneca has. Getting the streetscape extended is one of the CDC's top priorities but will require support from the business community to make it happen.

This is just one example. Please attend the meeting on January 24th to learn more.

Delano Calendar 2012

Tuesday, January 24, 2012 *Delano CDC Annual Meeting*

Saturday, March 17, 2012

St. Patrick's Day in Delano St. Patrick's Parade

Wednesday, May 2, 2012 Farmers Market Opens

Sunday, May 20, 2012 Show 'Em Your Ride Car Show

> Saturday, June 9, 2012 Pedal Mania!

June 14-16, 2012 Delano Neighborhood Garage Sale

Saturday, June 23, 2012 Delano Neighborhood Cleanup

Thursday, August 30, 2012 Bicycle Block Party

Thursday, October 4, 2012 Ghost Stories of Historic Delano

Wednesday, October 31, 2012 Farmers Market Last Harvest Party

Saturday, December 1, 2012 Christmas in Delano