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The Tuesday, **October 17th** meeting is a **Pot Luck Supper**. Please bring a "carry-in dish" and your table service and we will meet at **6:30pm** at the West Side Christian Church, 1819 W Douglas. The General Meeting will start at 7:15 pm.

President's Comments October 2006

Wayne Wells

Our three major activities for 2006 are now history. From my perspective I feel we have had a very beneficial year. In past Dispatch we have informed you concerning the Clean-Up and Garage Sale. I have requested each Chairperson of the Committees for the 10th Year Anniversary Celebration to make their report to be included in this Dispatch. Because Lee Webster has all the information on the Pancake Flip, I have asked her to make that report. Look for these reports elsewhere in the Dispatch.

It was two years ago this month that I was elected President and as I look back I have mixed feelings. I have been told I am too negative; so will try not to dwell on the negative. However, I have not been able to accomplish many of the goals I set for myself; so there is that degree of disappointment, but there have been some encouraging accomplishments. To name a few we have up-dated our By-Laws, more people have become involved in delivering the Dispatch, held monthly Board and General Meetings, the activities already mentioned and others.

In the September Dispatch the Nominating Committee included a form to be filled out for Officer nominations. I hope many of you are considering submitting your name for an office. Our Election will be the November meeting, with the newly elected officers taking charge in January.

I was planning on keeping my comments short, but sometimes when I get started I have a difficult time stopping, but will stop with this so there will be room for the Committee reports.

A big **THANK YOU** to all of our entertainers for donating their time and talents with us! Many who came to our celebration ate their pancake breakfasts and stayed for all the performers. I hope that everyone who attended enjoyed the variety of entertainment and had a great time!!

Submitted by Leandra Baker

Entertainment At The Pancake Feed!!

What a line up of entertainment we had at the pancake feed!! Starting at 8:30am we had continuous on stage performers! The performers in order of their appearance were: Dottie the Clown and Helpers, The Reeves Brothers Blue Grass Band, The Great Plains Dulcimer Alliance which included ten musicians, Sound Alliance Barbershop Quartet, Glenn Ledbetter singing Gospel music, Accordion music by Jason Gegner! Roger Baker did a wonderful job as our MC and announcer. We also had clowns from the Ringleaders Clown Club, Me-Ma the Clown did fantastic face paintings and Do-Si-Do the Clown made balloon critters and creations to the delight of young and old!! Dottie the Clown was the "Roving Ambassador of Fun" in her red polka dot dress and outrageous hat!

(Editors note: Some of us know who Dottie is in her other life)

Trolley Tour at Delano, August 19th, 2006

At 9:00 am, the trolley loaded as scheduled. Tickets were assigned for twenty people per trip and we booked up for three trips right away. The trips were tightly packed with Delano history showing pictures of buildings historical but no longer with us and we drove past many existing houses built prior to 1890 including Davis Hall of the Friends University campus. The history of Travel Air and Cessna Aircraft were included, but we moved quickly as we were budgeted only three hours, and finally fit in a fourth trip. A good event for a neighborhood. We are sorry if there were not enough seats to carry everyone. We will be working with Nancy Lawrence and Channel 49 to repeat the trip with video for all to enjoy. Our THANKS to Audre Eckerson for her dramatic quick change and historical recital.

Submitted by Larry Brown

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, October 17th 6:30 pm

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- Wayne Wells - President
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945-4227
- Leandra Baker - Secretary
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Rod and Angie Davis - 265-2574

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- DNA - Delano Neighborhood Association
- DCA - Delano Clergy Association
- DAB - District Advisory Board
- WIN - Wichita Independent Neighborhoods
- DBA - Delano Business Association

Wow! We had a great turnout for our Delano Celebration! Our Celebration volunteers served over 250 Delano residents and visitors. There were pancakes, wonderful entertainers and time to meet and visit with your neighbors. I grew up in this neighborhood, so it was fun to visit with people who had moved away and then came back for the event. They shared fond memories of growing up in Delano and how they loved seeing it now.

The Celebration also brought in quite a few of our community leaders from the county and the city. They were able to experience our neighborhood family and talk with local residents about concerns or issues. We hope to do events like this in the future, so we encourage ALL of our Delano residents to come and volunteer with us next time. It will make you appreciate even more the historic aspect of Delano and the wonderful people we can call our neighbors.

Submitted by Mim Wilkey

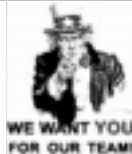
The preceding articles give you a good idea that it was a good day! The 255 servings (28 which were younger people) were done by Chris Cakes of Wichita. Very nice people to work with.

265-2574

Submitted by Lee Webster

Personal note from Lee Webster:

Due to my age, my mental health, and my physical health, I must resign as a volunteer with the Delano Neighborhood Association. I have been the Editor of the Dispatch (that includes keying all the data and email it to Der Printing Haus and going to Valley Center to pick up the Dispatch). I have been District Director of District 2. I deliver some of the Dispatch. I have been Treasurer since January. Plus a few more odds and ends. I have enjoyed all of it, but I just cannot do it any more. November will be my last issue. We do not have a General Meeting in December, so there will not be a newsletter.



Could you volunteer 30 to 45 minutes once a month? We are in desperate need of several people to deliver the Dispatch. Even if you could only do one block, that would be a help.

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THE MASTER GARDENER'S CORNER

By EMG Chuck Guenther

It's that time of year again. Leaves are rapidly falling from deciduous trees so it's a good time to stop and think about options for handling the litter. Although a scattering of leaves won't harm the lawn, excessive cover will prevent sunlight from reaching the turfgrass plants. Turf left in this state for an extended period will be unable to make the carbohydrates needed to carry it through the winter. There are options for dealing with the fallen leaves other than bagging them up and putting them out for the trash collector. Composting is a great way to handle the refuse; the compost can then be used in the vegetable garden and flowerbeds. If you do not compost, you can mow leaves with a mulching mower and let shredded leaves filter into the turf canopy. (A side-discharge mower also will work, but it won't shred the leaves as thoroughly.) This method will be most effective if you do it often enough so leaf litter isn't too thick. Mow while you can still see grass peeking through the leaves. You may wonder whether this practice will be detrimental to the lawn in the long run. Research at Michigan State University in which they used a mulching mower to shred up to about one pound of leaves per square yard of lawn (one pound is equal to approximately 6 inches of leaves piled on the grass) for five consecutive years, found no long-term effects of the shredded leaves on turf quality, thatch thickness, organic content of the thatch, or soil test results (pH, nutrients, etc.). If you

mow leaves and have a cool-season lawn, it makes sense to be on a fall nitrogen fertilization program and core-aerate in the fall (things you should be doing anyway). If you have a warm-season lawn, you can still use this technique but wait to fertilize and core-aerate until next late May or early June.

Control Broadleaf Weeds in Lawns Now. Early November is the most effective time to control broadleaf weeds in lawns. Dandelion usually produces a flush of new plants in late September, and the winter annual weeds henbit and chickweed should have germinated in October. These young plants are small and easily controlled with herbicides such as 2,4-D or combination products (Trimec, Weed-B-Gon, Weed-Out) that contain 2,4-D, MCPP and Dicamba. Even established dandelions are more easily controlled now than in the spring because they are actively moving materials from the top portion of the plant to the roots. Herbicides will translocate to the roots as well and will kill the plant from the roots up. Be sure to choose a day that is 50 degrees or higher. The better the weed is growing, the more weed killer will be moved from the leaves to the roots. Cold temperatures will slow or stop this process. Weed Free Zone is a relatively new herbicide and contains the three active ingredients



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- Children should trick-or-treat with an adult or in a group — never alone. Children under eight should always be accompanied by an adult.
- Children should always walk on sidewalks, and cross the street at crosswalks or street corners.
- Walk, don't run.
- Trick-or-treat at the homes of people you know.
- Dress children in light colored clothing or costumes, don't dress them in masks, put makeup on their faces instead.
- Children should stay in well-lit areas, If you go out in the evening or in darkness, give each child a **glow stick** and a flashlight so drivers have better visibility of the children on the street
- Only visit well lit houses, preferably those that are decorated in a Halloween theme themselves, as they are more likely to welcome trick or treaters
- Don't let children actually enter any houses, the doorstep is far enough.



Halloween October 31

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Additional President's Comments

Wayne Wells

September General Meeting went very well with five new attendees. After the Pot luck meal, Secretary, and Treasurer report, we heard from Officer Perkins and Officer Fraiser and the Committee Chairpersons on the results of the 10th Year Anniversary Celebration.

There was a difference of opinion as to whether to have a Pot-Luck in October, so we took a vote and the "yea" had the most votes. I suggest those who want to join in the meal, bring your choice of food and be at the Church by 6:30pm and those who do not wish to participate, come by 7:15. Based on the results of the two times we have had Pot Luck, it is about 7:15 by the time most are completed eating.

After the meeting, I learned most of District 1 did not get a September Dispatch. We have had some delivery people in that District who can no longer deliver. If anyone can help, whether you live in District 1 or not, please let Harlan Derifield know (943-0775) or give me a call at 265-4896.

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- Parks & Recreation will mow and maintain 25 acres a day, plant 5 trees and host 25 events in their facilities. The Airport will have 40 departures and 3,400 passengers flying in or out of Wichita and process over 85 tons of cargo.
- Every day Housing Services provides housing to over 2,400 low-income families in Wichita, processes 5 loan requests and responds to 150 rental assistance calls. Law will handle 24 legal matters involving civil litigation, claims for damages, legal service assignments and Municipal Court appeals.
- Municipal Court will process 1,329 people and close 11 probation cases.
- Police will patrol 100 sq. miles, investigate 68 cases, interview 30 suspects work 14 accidents and give 3 presentations on crime prevention.
- Fire will respond to 8 structure fires, 78 medical-related emergencies, investigate the cause of 3 fires and give 2 fire prevention programs for 40 children.
- Water & Sewer will operate and maintain 61.7 million gallons of water, operate and maintain 1,850 miles of water line, operate and maintain 53 sanitary sewer lift stations and treat 37.9 million gallons of wastewater.
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