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**Central, Douglas,
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*If you live, work or own property
in Uptown, you are a member!*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 2, 7 p.m. Uptown meeting with guest speaker Chief Norman Williams from the Wichita Police Department

August 4, 8 a.m. District One Coalition Breakfast at Ryan's on North Rock Rd.

August 6, 7 p.m. District Advisory Board meeting at Atwater Center, 2755 E. 19th St. (at Volutsia)

October 4, 7 p.m. Uptown meeting with guest speaker Sedgwick County Commissioner Kelly Parks.

Call for information:
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Police Chief Norman Williams

**Thursday, August 2nd, 7:00 p.m. - Uptown Meeting
College Hill Methodist Church Basement**

Norman D. Williams is the Chief of Police for the City of Wichita, Kansas. When he was appointed as Chief on April 14, 2000, he became the Wichita Police Department's first African-American Chief in its 129-year history. Leading more than 800 sworn officers and civilian employees, Chief Williams is in command of the largest police department in the state of Kansas.

During his first two years as Chief, Williams implemented a number of programs and strategies for improving the Department's customer service and overall efficiency. Under his leadership, the Command Staff of the Department sought input from the community and Department members and was able to formulate a new Mission and Values Statement that is reflective of the Department's community policing philosophy and focuses on problem solving in partnership with citizens. He also directed the development of a five-year Strategic Agenda for the Department, designed to enhance the Department's community policing approach to solving and preventing crime.

Under Chief Williams' leadership the Department, in cooperation with Wichita State University, conducted one of the most comprehensive racial profiling studies in the nation. The findings of the study did not support that racial profiling exists in Wichita, but the Department still implemented a number of proactive initiatives that were nationally recognized by the Police Executive Research Forum.

In response to city growth in 2003, Chief Williams was granted City Council approval to add two new beats to the city's beat structure. The addition of the two beats decreased response times to 911 calls and enhanced overall customer service.

In 2004, Chief Williams was tasked with the responsibility of Wichita City Hall campus security. This assignment followed on the heels of the Wichita Police Department being assigned the responsibility of enhancing the City's overall Homeland Security efforts.

Some of his other major accomplishments as Chief include: neighborhood-basing the Traffic Section and the implementation of the Comprehensive Traffic Safety Plan; the acquisition of a new helicopter, a methamphetamine vehicle and a bomb truck; re-structuring the Professional Standards Bureau to make it more customer friendly; and implementing the Victim's Assistance Unit. Technological advancements for the Department in 2003 included a new public safety system and the addition of 95-networked computers for detectives and officers.

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In 2003 Chief Williams was honored when the Wichita Police Department won two national awards. The Department was the recipient of the Boy Scouts of America Whitney Young, Jr., Community Service Award for its Camp Awareness Program.

The Department was also selected as a winner of the 2003 Webber Seavey Excellence in Law Enforcement Award for its Planeview Project. The Wichita Police Department is the only police department in the world to have won the Webber Seavey twice (2003 and 1996) and to have been a top 10 finalist once (2000).

Chief Williams began his career with the Wichita Police Department in 1975 as a Patrol Officer. During his 29 years with the Police Department, Williams has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, Captain and Deputy Chief. Before being appointed Chief, Williams worked as a Deputy Chief in each of the Department's three Divisions: Investigations, Support Services and Field Services. Thus, he brought a wealth of information and well-rounded experience to the Office of the Chief.

Some of his most notable accomplishments as a Deputy Chief include the development and implementation of the Targeted Offender Program; key player in the implementation of community policing; managing the security operations for the high-profile visits to Wichita of former President Bill Clinton and General Colin Powell.

Chief Williams is a highly decorated officer who has been shot in the line of duty on two different occasions, and has received numerous awards and recognitions during his career. His professional awards

include: Wichita Police Department's Gold Wreath of Honor (the Department's highest award); three Department Bronze Wreath of Meritorious Service Awards; the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department Bronze Wreath of Meritorious Service Award; the Kansas Association of Chiefs of Police Gold Valor and the Miami National Law Enforcement Hall of Fame Honor Roll.

Community recognitions include: Outstanding Community Service Award; Black Achievers Award; NAACP Image Award; Service and Progress to Humanity Award; Ministerial League Police Officer of the Year; Independent Insurance Women Police Officer of the Year; the Native American and Hispanic Coalition Appreciation Certificate; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Distinguished Community Service Award; and the Gamma Upsilon Chapter Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Citizen of the Year-2001.

Chief Williams' education includes a Masters Degree in Public Administration and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration of Justice, both from Wichita State University. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy, the FBI National Executive Institute, and the Senior Executive Program for State and Local Government at Harvard University.

Chief Williams shares his knowledge of law enforcement and public administration by serving as an adjunct professor at Wichita State University. He attributes his success to his spiritual commitment, family and friends, and the support of the community and Police Department members.

Contact Chief Norman Williams at:
NWilliams@wichita.gov

Uptown meets monthly on the first Thursday at 7 p.m.

Future meetings will be:

August 2, Police Chief

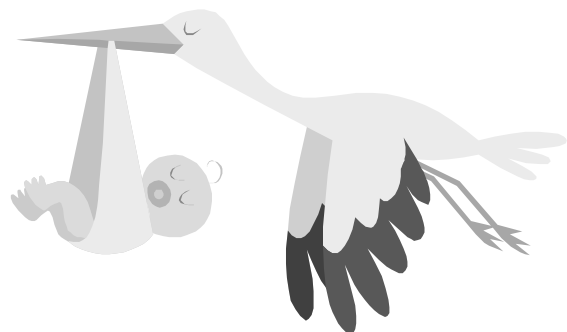
September 6, Business Meeting

October 4, County Commissioner

November 1, Business Meeting

December 6, Our annual Holiday Dinner

We always meet the first Thursday of each month. Our meetings are held downstairs in College Hill United Methodist Church. The address there is 2930 East First, between Erie and Chautauqua. If you need any accommodations, call Lori as early as you can and we will try our best. Please join us next month!



Congratulations to Uptown neighbor Margaret Hyden on the birth of her new grandson, Otto Malynn Parks born by cesarean section on July 7, 2007 at 11:06 a.m. to her daughter Anna Papillon. He was 18" long and weighed 6 lbs. 5.2 oz. Mom and baby are doing alright now. Otto had to stay in the hospital for a while after he was born since he was 7 weeks premature.

Important phone numbers and websites:

Eliminate Pre-Approved Credit

Do you get offers of "Pre-Approved Credit" cards in the mail? You can call the number sponsored by the three credit reporting agencies to get your name removed from those mailing lists. Check the website: www.pirg.org/consumer/credit/Bureaus.htm or simply call **866-567-8688**. Also don't forget to check your credit report for errors. This can be done for free once each year at: annualcreditreport.com.

Grandparents As Caregivers Program

Due to the growing number of grandparents who are finding themselves raising grandchildren with the motivation of love and are sometimes burdened with the lack of money to raise their grandchildren, I feel that the enactment of the Grandparents As Caregivers Act will help ease some of the financial concern. This Bill has been signed into law by Governor Sebelius, and 2.1 million dollars has been set aside in the state's budget for this program, effective January 1st, The Grandparents Bill will be offered within your local SRS Department, if certain eligibility requirements are met.

Eligibility elements are:

Child must live with grandparent or relative who has legal custody.

The parent must not live with the child or grandparent.

Grandparent must be 50 years or older.

Income limit: Household income must be less than 130% of FPL.

Monthly cash benefit: \$200 for one child, (maximum benefit is capped at \$600 per family up to three children).

For more info: Contact **SRS 1-888-369-4777** or if you need assistance with legal custody please give me a call at **652-9067**.

Representative Oletha Faust-Goudeau

Sign up for No-Call List

Sign-up is good for five years. To date (3 months ago), Kansas officials have assessed \$370,000 in fines against companies under the Kansas No-Call Act. The law allows the state to levy fines of up to \$10,000 for each violation. The attorney general's office has fielded about 7,000 complaints from consumers in the past five years. Charitable organizations and political groups are exempt from the No-Call List, which means their telemarketers still can call you. Consumers can put both residential and cellular phone numbers on the No-Call List. To register, go to www.donotcall.gov. Kansans can also call **888-382-1222** from the number they wish to register. It's a toll-free call.

Wesley Apartments

They are under new management (again). The manager is Sam Lett. He would like to hear from any neighbors that notice any problems with the apartments at any time. If he does not answer, please leave a message. His number is **263-4002** and it will be answered with **The Elm** so don't hang up. Sam told me he wanted to rent to employees at the hospital and does an extensive background check before he rents and includes checking on employment.

For Those Who Need Help Fixing Up Their Homes

The Housing Department of the City of Wichita offers home repair programs in which would be available to residents of our neighborhood. The programs include those which are low to no-interest loans, some are 'forgiven' over a period of time. There is also a paint program where grants are available. These programs are for homeowners who are income-qualified. Additional information can be obtained by calling **462-3712**. If you know that you need to do some work on your home and can't afford to do it, please contact the Housing Department for help.

Call 511 for Kansas Road Conditions

Getting the most up-to-date travel information in Kansas is as easy as calling 5-1-1 on any phone from anywhere in the state. You can learn about road conditions, construction detours and travel weather information for the Kansas Turnpike and any interstate, U.S. or state highway in Kansas and Nebraska. You can reach Kansas 511 from anywhere in the U.S. or Puerto Rico by calling **1-866-511-KDOT(5368)** if dialing 511 doesn't work from your phone.

News From the District One Coalition Breakfast

The train overpasses that are almost finished being built will start being used by the middle of August. Be looking for it! Thanks to our new City Councilwoman Lavonta Williams for the update!

Early Detection Works Well Woman Exam

For women between the ages of 40 and 64 years who DOES NOT have insurance and meets income guidelines. This includes Pap Test and Mammogram. To make an appointment please call **The Center for Health and Wellness, 612-6892** at 2707 E. 21st Street. Don't put this off. All women's health depends on having this testing done!

Poll: Kansans favor smoking ban

BY KAREN SHIDELER

The Wichita Eagle

Thanks for voting.

Nearly three-quarters of Kansas voters responding to a recent poll said they would favor a state law or local ordinances prohibiting smoking indoors, including in bars and restaurants.

About two-thirds of the respondents -- 64 percent -- said they also would favor increasing the state's 79-cent-a-pack cigarette tax.

The poll was commissioned by the Sunflower Foundation: Health Care for Kansans. The Topeka-based philanthropy is a statewide health foundation, and tobacco use and control is one of its areas of interest.

The poll's results come as national and international groups are calling for no-smoking laws and as a Kansas ban recently was challenged and upheld.

Seventy-one percent of the poll's respondents said they would favor a law making indoor workplaces and public facilities smoke-free. The definition for indoor workplaces included bars and restaurants.

Of the 500 people who responded to the poll, 20 percent identified themselves as cigarette smokers.

When asked about local smoke-free ordinances, 73 percent of all respondents said they would favor one in their community. And 83 percent said they believed secondhand smoke is a serious health hazard.

The foundation plans to share the poll results with state and local policymakers, Billie Hall, the foundation's president and chief executive, said Tuesday. But it does not have plans to push for state or local laws on tobacco control.

Several communities in Kansas have ordinances banning smoking indoors. Recently, a bar owner challenged Lawrence's indoor-smoking ban; the Kansas Supreme Court upheld it in June.

Wichita does not have a similar ordinance.

The Tobacco Free Wichita Coalition has shown the poll's results to members of the Wichita City Council and had planned to do its own survey in the fall but won't now, said Charlie Claycomb, co-chairman of the coalition.

He said the coalition is not yet ready to ask the City Council to act.

"We don't want to ask the question unless we

know the answer," he said of the coalition's timing. He said that 55 percent of the country now has local clean-air ordinances or state laws, and noted that Visioneering Wichita's goals include reducing tobacco use.

The coalition is making yard signs available to increase awareness of the dangers of secondhand smoke. And it is working with Clear Channel to get ads on electronic billboards this month.

In late May, both the World Health Organization and the Institute of Medicine, set up to advise Congress, called for making indoor public places and workplaces smoke-free.

Hall said different groups in Kansas have been discussing tobacco control, but none had done a public opinion poll as part of its work.

The poll was conducted in February by Public Opinion Strategies; 500 Kansas voters were surveyed. Republican primary voters were oversampled because they comprise a majority in the state House and Senate. The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.4 percent.

Reach Karen Shideler at 316-268-6674 or kshideler@wichitaeagle.com.

Miller Recycling Center

New website for Plastic Recycling of Kansas and the Miller Recycling Center. The address is www.recyclewichita.org. Check it out. There's a complete list of what is accepted and the hours they are open are posted.

RESTAURANT REVIEW

We have a new restaurant open in Uptown. It is Yamasa Japanese Grill located at 327 Hillside. Their number is 688-6008 and you can call ahead to pick up an order. I ate there a few days ago and found the food to be good. If you are a fan of Japanese food you may be impressed with them. The prices range from \$4.29 for Yakisoba Vegetable dinner to \$11.99 for Steak & Scallops Combination Plate.

Check them out for lunch or dinner.

Bet you didn't know

Estimated median personal wealth worldwide: \$2,161.

-Harper's Index, Funny Times/April 2007

Uptown Neighborhood Association Meeting of 5 July 2007

A **quorum** being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. Several new-to-meetings Uptown neighbors were in attendance, as well as new District 1 City Council representative Lavonta Williams and Center for Health and Wellness representatives Regina McCarty and Joanne Brown. Lavonta Williams introduced herself, briefly talked about her own concerns for the district, asked for our continuing input, and then excused herself in order to attend another meeting. Her e-mail address is lkwilliams@wichita.gov.

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as printed in the June newsletter (motion Paula Harvey; second Katie Murdock). There were no minutes for the June meeting, as it was a picnic.

Treasurer's report: Starting Balance: \$1,600.88; Debits \$439.77 (April park clean-up food \$15.52, picnic prizes \$384.25, Waste Connections \$40.00); Credits \$38.75 (April cookie money \$10.25, May cookie money \$28.50); Ending Balance \$1,199. Picnic Accounting: Expenses \$785.00 (stamps \$58.50, prizes \$384.25, Waste Connections \$40.00, unspecified \$10.00, bounce house \$95.00, medallion prize \$100.00, food, drink, misc. \$97.29); Income \$944.79 (MKEC donation \$100.00, AFM donation \$50.00, deposit \$794.79); Profit \$159.75. Treasurer's report approved as read (motion Lori Lawrence; second Paul Oberg).

Uptown Officer on the Beat: Our new officer is John Ryan. He does not carry a pager; his work cell phone number is 807-6183 and his e-mail address is jtryan@wichita.gov. He addressed the particular concerns of foot and automobile traffic in the alleys and thefts in the 300 block of North Estelle. There has been a rash of thefts in that block that appears to have been traced to a house north of Central. The thieves are coming into the lower part of Uptown and escaping by way of the footbridge across 3rd Street. The residents involved will give additional information to Officer Ryan.

Guest speaker: Regina Brown introduced herself and Joanne Brown and talked about some of the programs available at the Center for Health and Wellness. Having brought the requisite equipment, they provided blood pressure checks for meeting attendees.

Old Business: Picnic-- The summer picnic was a great success, with only one broken bone reported. The medallion was found by Beverly Griffin.

Leslie solicited suggestions for the 2008 picnic, now in the pre-planning phase. Central Northeast Area Council of Neighborhood Associations -- Mike Barushok is attending July meeting. Leslie and Paula LaBlue attended the June meeting, as there was no conflict with an Uptown meeting. At that meeting, Kay Johnson, director of environmental services, talked briefly about the StopBlight program. Kay Vaughn of Community Housing Services also spoke. CHS has a tool lending library; for a \$25.00 annual fee, one may borrow tools and equipment for minor home repair and lawn work free of charge. You may apply for a membership at a CHS office: KenMar office-- 4620 E 13th, Suite B, Wichita KS 67208; phone 683-7326 or 685-2656. 3rd Street signage-- Signs are in the works. Chautauqua Park play area-- We might be able to get a grant for recycled rubber mulch under the play equipment in the park.

New Business: 3001 E. 2nd Street North-- Leslie Harvey circulated photographs of the property. There was a lively discussion of what constitutes a neighborhood nuisance and how the Office of Central Inspection works in Uptown and similar neighborhoods. The issues in this case are the condition of structures (enforced by OCI) and the apparently unkempt state of the yard and porch (enforced by Department of Environmental Services). Although the greater concern to the property owner (and the greater potential danger to all Uptown property owners) is OCI enforcement, the greater concern of many neighbors appears to be the conditions in the yard and on the porch. After the discussion, a vote was held as to whether the property in question constitutes a neighborhood nuisance as defined by the city code; according to the vote, it does not. October speaker-- Discussed inviting county commissioner Kelly Parks, as trash and recycling are major concerns in Uptown. Also considered inviting people from OCI, though former neighborhood inspector Harlan Bascombe spoke at a meeting last year. WIN newsletter-- As a cost-cutting measure, the WIN newsletter will be sent out only to four officers in each neighborhood association. Neighborhood University -- We will pay for Leslie Harvey, Margaret Hyden, and Lori Lawrence to attend the Neighborhood University (motion, Paul Oberg; second, Pat Lipper).

Notice: The speaker at our next meeting on 2 August will be Chief of Police Norman Williams.

Adjournment: Upon motion and second (Paula Harvey, Katie Murdock), the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Remotely submitted by David Franks

Recycling in Sedgwick County

Kelly Parks, new County Commissioner (ed note: and our speaker at the meeting in October) who was for recycling before the election, says now, "There's been a lot of stuff on our plate with the arena and casino issue," so he hasn't had time to work on recycling, naturally. We don't know about the old members; they haven't been quoted in the newspaper.

Bill Bider, head of the Waste Management Section of the Kansas Department of Health & Environment (KDHE), says that Sedgwick County isn't recycling its trash, and its landfill space is filling up faster than it should. He says, "A lot of people come to Sedgwick County to buy things and shop and go to restaurants and hotels, so it's a little unfair to say it's 100% tied to your recycling. But overall it comes down to the fact that you generate a lot of waste per person."

Bider continued, "The county either will be forced to find new sites to dump its trash, or it will have to improve its recycling efforts." Most of Sedgwick County's trash is shipped to a landfill in Harper County.

Only about 9% of the county's trash is recycled compared with 18% statewide and 25% nationally. (Sometimes we see 35% on the latter figure.) Wichita's trash system has long made recycling costly and inefficient, with 22 independent

haulers setting the rates, and residents having to shop around for the best deal. This mean several trucks are going up and down the same streets. Wichita residents pay from \$13 to \$18.75 a month for trash. And recycling costs extra. Wichita stands in contrast to Newton which has mandatory curbside recycling and fines anybody who throws away recyclable materials.

Gwen Welscheimer, the other newly-elected County Commissioner, says; "Recycling needs some organized grassroot momentum behind it to push elected officials into action." Mike Hastings, head of the volunteer group, PRoKS/Miller Recycling Center, says that he is seeing recycling happen as more and more people show up at the recycling center.

A group of citizens started this operation nearly 3 years ago since it looked as if the city and county never would do so. And they still haven't. It has grown very rapidly. People who visit for the first time are amazed at the quality and depth and breadth of the operation.

- Recycling in Kansas Newsletter, Vol. 19, No. 3

CONTAINERS MADE FROM CORN AND SUGAR CANE

A Boulder, Colorado company is producing containers made from corn and sugar cane. The containers look and feel like plastic but are made from renewable resources. The corn containers are crystal clear, and the sugar cane clamshells are a natural replacement for Styrofoam. Both will biodegrade in 45 days. They also have biodegradable cutlery.

The cups range from 4 oz to 24 oz, with a cap that fits all. Products available are cups & lids, straws, food containers, cutlery and bags.

For more information contact Eco-Products, Inc., 3640 Walnut St., Boulder CO 80301. Phone **303-449-1876** or **www.BiodegradableStore.com**.

-from Recycling in Kansas Newsletter, Vol. 19, No. 3

Lost Grocery Carts


If you notice any carts from Homeland in the neighborhood, call them and tell them exactly where it is so they can come and pick it up. I learned that if it is not in good condition or if any pieces are missing, they will not come get it but **YOU** are welcome to bring it to the store and put it in their dumpster out back. The number to Homeland is **681-6830**. It wouldn't hurt to ask to speak to a manager. You will find this number on the Commonly Requested Numbers list from now on too.

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Registered Offenders

Each month we will run the most current list of offenders to be found in Uptown. This includes people who have committed a variety of crimes, not only sex offenders. This is no guarantee that someone has not moved in since the newsletter went to print or moved out. If you want to check for offenders, look at:

<https://www.accesskansas.org/ssrv-registered-offender/zip.do>

We will no longer print pictures of these offenders since they are the same ones. When we have another addition I will include their picture again. Also check to see if the one who was there last month is still on the list the following month.

From the KBI website: **"Any person who uses information obtained through this website to threaten, intimidate or harass another, or who otherwise misuses the information may be subject to criminal prosecution and/or civil liability." This is true of any person, ex-offender or not.**

**CORDER, KENNETH LESLIE,
SEX OFFENDER, 312 N ESTELLE,
White Male, Date of Birth: 10/23/1972.
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**PICKETT, RICHARD EUGENE,
SEX OFFENDER, 151 N POPLAR,
White Male, Date of Birth: 11/16/1953,
Registered Since: 9/4/2003.
Offense: SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A CHILD**

**POST, MITCHELL NEAL,
SEX OFFENDER, 428 N CHAUTAUQUA,
White Male, Date of Birth: 3/31/1958
Registered Since: 9/12/2001 .
Offense: AGGRAVATED INDECENT
SOLICITATION OF A CHILD**

**YOKOM, ANDREW RONALD, SEX OFFENDER,
110 N ESTELLE ST NO 105,
White Male, Date of Birth: 12/6/1970.
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Thank You for your time and patience

My lovely wife and I wish to thank our neighbors for their indulgence in discussing our property at the July meeting. I think some interesting questions were raised, and, as I am aware that a couple of questions were left unanswered (due in part to time constraints), I hope to get with the neighbors in question personally to answer them.

There is one point of confusion about the issues of inspections in general and our property in particular, and I apologize for not making the distinction clearer in my articles and in the meeting: There are two inspecting divisions of city government with whom I have dealt. One, the Department of Environmental Services, handles for the most part matters involving yards and accumulated materials, trash, and debris. We have no complaint about them; we had in fact been in compliance with them until just last month, when the complaint about the stuff on our porch was made. The other, the Office of Central Inspection, deals for the most part with matters involving the condition of structures. It is their arbitrary and potentially dangerous enforcement that concerns us, and to which we object. OCI's newfound zeal puts very nearly every property owner in Uptown at risk of being out of compliance with the city code, and puts many of them in danger of being forced to make decisions better made without duress.

Despite the confusion regarding the apparent state of our property and our actual compliance problems, and despite the fact that we have not been as diligent as we might have been in maintaining the yard and garden, the vote at the meeting was two-to-one that our property is not a nuisance. We appreciate your consideration. We also understand the concerns that were voiced about the neatness of our porch and yard, and will undertake to address them once our garage, foundation, and front porch trim are in compliance with OCI.

Thank you again.
David Franks
Katie Murdock

Bet you didn't know

Average number of Legos owned by each person worldwide: 75

Estimated percentage of U.S. household spending that is controlled or influenced by children under 14: 47%

-Harper's Index, Funny Times/April 2007

Uptown Trivia

July Results

Nobody has even tried to answer! The Uptown front yard with the most flowers is still bloomin' big-time and UT has been itching to ask the challenge for more than a year, so we're keeping the question alive for now. You've likely driven by it many times, and the front yard has absolutely no grass at all!


August's Special Challenge Uptown Neighborhood Association 10th Anniversary Trivia Question

What City of Wichita project was the major incentive in the formation of the Uptown Neighborhood Association in July of 1996?

The first to correctly answer either the July or August questions by calling the Uptown Trivia Hotline at 685-4850 wins

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Remember - one answer per person per day. See you next month!



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Central Inspection Office	268-4460
City Council/Mayor's Office	268-4331
County Information	660-9000
Driver's License	821-9920
Election Commissioner	660-7100
Employment Hotline	268-4537
Garage Sales (license)	268-4553
Graffiti on private property	268-4481
Graffiti on public property	268-4035
Potholes	268-4060
Property Taxes	660-9110
Real Estate Ownership	660-9200
Small Claims	660-5790
Street Lights Out of Order	383-8600
Street Maintenance (24 hours)	268-4071
Traffic Fines	268-4611
Voter Registration	660-7100
Zoo	660-9453

Weed Mowing:

Private property	268-8351
Public property	337-9225

Commonly Requested Websites:

City of Wichita	www.wichita.gov
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