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"These 10 offices have moved to downtown Wichita in recent years. Who could be next?" Wichita Eagle 12/6/22

Wichita has seen a lot of office movement around the metro area, and downtown remains a high-interest area given the recent momentum and its proximity to dining, shops and entertainment. read more >>

"Wichita will sell riverbank land parcel to Hyatt unless someone makes better offer" Wichita Eagle 12/6/22

The Hyatt plans to use the space to expand meeting rooms and banquet facilities. The $217,440 purchasing agreement for the 14,496-square-foot parcel will go into effect unless another developer makes a better offer on the land in the next 30 days. read m >>

"Classes will begin in January at WSU Tech's downtown culinary school" Wichita Business Journal 12/1/22

Located inside the old Henry's department store building at Broadway and William, the National Institute of Culinary and Hospitality Education will have five culinary lab kitchens, including one pastry kitchen, a banquet kitchen, a chocolate room, two classrooms, a student lounge and a conference room. read more >>

"Wichita is one of the best cities for digital nomads, a new repo says. Here's why" Wichita Eagle 12/1/22

If you're a remote worker who moves around, you may want to consider Wichita as one of your stops. A new report lists Wichita as of the best cities for digital nomads. read more >>

"Orangetheory Fitness set to expand into downtown Wichita"



Wichita Business Journal 11/28/22

A splash of orange is on the verge of coming to the city's core.The owners of two Orangetheory Fitness franchise locations in Wichit have selected downtown for their third studio. read more >>

"East-side firm to move to Commerce Street Art District to support downtown Wichita" Wichita Eagle 11/14/22

“There’s just so much cool stuff happening downtown,” Idbeis said. “I really just wanted to support Wichita by putting another local business downtown and making sure we keep Wichita’s economy strong by keeping our money local.” read more >>

"Downtown Wichita firm to hire 200 to 300 more workers in th next six months" Wichita Eagle 11/14/22

King of Freight is looking to hire another 200 to 300 workers in the next six months. Sooner rather than later, owner Mike Ricklefs s the company will be out of room in the former Gander Mountain building at WaterWalk. read more >>

"BizTalk with Bill Roy Podcast Episode 284: Jason Gregory, Downtown Wichita" Wichita Business Journal 11/11/22

This fall, the downtown core welcomed the opening of the Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine, which brings a medical school t Wichita while renovating five downtown buildings. read more >>

"Jason Gregory Q&A: New medical campus 'a big deal' for downtown ICT" Wichita Business Journal 10/28/22

Jason Gregory joined a Q&A with the Wichita Business Journal to talk about the project and whether downtown has the infrastructu support it. read more >>

"These 7 vacant buildings in downtown ICT hold potential for new development" Wichita Business Journal 10/26/22



An increasing number of once-vacant buildings downtown are now slated for new uses. Yet, several pieces of notable real estate still sit unused, or at least mostly unused, within Wichita's downtown core. We share seven prominent vacant structures that are ripe for potential redevelopment. read more >>

"WSU Tech looking to fill 'a dream job for a lot of chefs' in advance of downtown debut" Wichita Eagle 10/28/22

WSU Tech's The Niche, which will include a culinary program as well as a ramen restaurant and public food hall, is getting closer to complete in downtown Wichita. read more >>

"List analysis: Wichita's office market, not without challenges, is showing momentum" Wichita Business Journal 10/21/22

As businesses wrap their arms around what the new world of work looks like, Wichita's office market is seeing added signs of life, according to multiple people in local property management and real estate. read more >>

"'Delano neighborhood saves the parade,' though this one will be known as Paddy Day" Wichita Eagle 10/18/22

A group of Delano business people are starting the Delano Paddy Day Parade in March. read more >>

"These 5 projects are reshaping downtown Wichita — even south of Douglas" Wichita Business Journal 10/12/22

From new offices, luxury apartments and educational uses — several recently announced development projects will soon help reshape the downtown Wichita skyline. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Bloktoberfest, Ren Fest, Holiday Galleria and more" Wichita Eagle 10/10/22

Some of Wichita's most anticipated annual events are on the calendar this weekend, including ICT Bloktoberfest, Holiday



Galleria and the Great Plains Renaissance Festival. read more>>

"Wichita Community Foundation moving to Broadway Autopark" Wichita Business Journal 10/7/22

One of Wichita's most prominent nonprofit organizations will trade one downtown home for another. The Wichita Community Foundation announced Thursday plans to move from the Epic Center to Broadway Autopark by early next year. read more >>

"Downtown Wichita's Gallery Alley wins national placemaking award" Wichita Business Journal 10/7/22

Efforts to transform a downtown Wichita alleyway into a destination for interactive, sensory art experiences has been recognized with a national award for urban placemaking. read more >>

"Wichita artist creates temporary art gallery for October show of large-scale works" Wichita Eagle 9/30/22

Wichita artist Kirsten Shannon has been preparing her signature large-scale works for a pop-up art show at the Ice House just east of Union Station in downtown Wichita. read more >>

"Downtown ICT building plans include new name, look — and mission" Wichita Business Journal 9/30/22

Kingdom Investment I, LLC, the new owner of the former Sterling building in downtown Wichita, plans to rename the property the Kingdom Building. As part of a multi-million dollar renovation, the ownership aims to turn the space into a multi-use building with apartments, retail and shared workspace. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Sample chili, party with your pooch, catch a show" Wichita Eagle 9/30/22

Here's a look at some entertainment options available as September transitions into October: read more>>



"A Wichita dinner-only restaurant adds lunch, and a daytime-only restaurant adds dinner" Wichita Eagle 9/29/22

Starting next week: Doo-Dah Diner — the downtown restaurant that's been a popular breakfast and lunch restaurant for a decade — will be adding weeknight dinner hours. And The Belmont, the trendy College Hill restaurant open since 2020 at 3555 E. Douglas, will be adding lunch. read more >>

"Mid-States Fitness staying in downtown Wichita with new location" Wichita Business Journal 9/26/22

Mid-States Fitness Equipment is on the move — but it's not going far. The residential and commercial health and fitness equipment business will relocate to 507 S. St. Francis later this year, said Craig Bally, Mid-States Fitness owner. read more >>

"Chef closes one of his existing restaurants to focus on new restaurant, bar in Old Town" Wichita Eagle 8/25/22

Rodriguez, who said he's long wanted to get into the bar business, has just taken over the recently vacated Headz & Tailz space at 301 N. Washington and is in the process of converting it into a new Mexican restaurant and tequila bar that will offer live entertainment geared toward the Hispanic community on the weekends. read more >>

"Kansas African American Museum launches $6M campaign for long-awaited move" Wichita Business Journal 8/5/22

The Kansas African American Museum will soon have a new home. read more >>

"City OKs more funding for Chester I. Lewis park renovation" Wichita Business Journal 8/3/22

The city's renovation of the downtown Chester I. Lewis Reflection Park is reaching its final stages — but not without some



final finishing touches. read more >>

"Classes begin Monday at Wichita's new downtown medical school" Wichita Business Journal 7/29/22

A years-long effort to open a downtown osteopathic medical school will culminate Monday when 91 students begin classes. read more >>

"Check out the menu for Old Town Square's about-to-open new Italian restaurant" Wichita Eagle 7/26/22

He put on a "soft opening" for friends and family over the weekend, and sometime in the next couple of days, Arnulfo Garcia will open his new Old Town Square restaurant — Bocatto: Eatery and Pasta — to the public. read more >>

"10-story downtown building set for transformation after acquisition; New owner seeking IRBs" Wichita Business Journal 7/15/22

Main Street Living, LLC announced Thursday its purchase of the 150 N. Main property and plans to turn the vacant 10-story building into a mixed-use facility with luxury apartments and a "fashionable co-working space. read more >>

"Wichita cracks top 10 in national luxury apartment report" Wichita Business Journal 7/6/22

While Wichita's housing market remains especially tight, the city has seen a boom in luxury apartments over the last decade, according to a recent study. read more >>

"Special report: What the latest Census data tells us about Wichita's growth" Wichita Business Journal 7/1/22

The 2020 Census data released last year lends a picture to how and where Wichita's population is growing. read more



"Artists, Wichita businesses have created 'front porches.' Here's where you can see them" Wichita Eagle 7/1/22

Six local businesses worked with Wichita artists, architects and more for about five months to build outdoor expansions of their businesses. This Friday, the public gets to enjoy them at the Front Porch Project launch party. read more >>

"List analysis: Transformative education highlights local architecture activity" Wichita Business Journal 6/24/22

One of the most visible projects has been the Kansas Health Science Center in downtown Wichita. read more >>

"City aims to address downtown's Wichita's parking woes with new strategic plan" Wichita Business Journal 6/22/22

The city has renewed efforts to develop a new downtown parking and multimodal plan with the rehiring of Walker Consultants, an Indianapolis consulting firm. read more >>

"Prime Capital's new downtown office a part of Wichita growth plan" Wichita Business Journal 6/21/22

Andrew Merchant, Prime Capital's Wichita market managing director, said after two years of looking for the right office space while working primarily remotely, the 2,000 square-foot location near Union Station checked the right boxes. read more >>

"Dream Hotel Group will open a 155-room hotel on Wichita's downtown riverfront" Wichita Business Journal 6/21/22

The mixed-use commercial development planned to the east of Riverfront Stadium has lured an eight-story, 155-room hotel from the New York City-based Dream Hotel Group — its first in Wichita. read more>>

"Here's how to join an evening kayak float down the



Arkansas River to the Keeper" Wichita Eagle 6/18/22

If an evening kayak trip down the Arkansas River sounds like fun, the city of Wichita has a tour for you. read more >>

"First Mile Kitchen's bright, modern sister restaurant ready to open in downtown Wichita" Wichita Eagle 6/17/22

Just five months after opening their Bradley Fair restaurant — First Mile Kitchen at 2141 N. Bradley Fair Parkway — Nick Korbee and wife Amanda Luginbill are ready to open their second restaurant. read more >>

"Grow, a unique new business offering a bar, plants for sale, a DIY space, is opening soon" 6/17/22

A unique new business that's part trendy plant shop, part bar will open next week in Wichita, and its owner is preparing for big crowds. read more >>

"Another farmers market will open in downtown Wichita next week" Wichita Eagle 6/14/22

Like many other events in Wichita that were put on pause once the pandemic hit, Fidelity Bank has not put on its weekday downtown farmers market in three years. read more >>

"Country legend Willie Nelson, 89, draws crowd of more than 50,000 to downtown Wichita" Wichita Eagle 6/6/22

The Wichita Riverfest on Saturday night drew one of the biggest crowds it's had in years when country legend Willie Nelson took the stage at Kennedy Plaza. read more >>

"Miss the big drone light show at Exploration Place? Here's a video recap" Wichita Eagle 6/6/22



If you missed the drone light show that drew big crowds to Exploration Place on Saturday and Sunday nights, don't worry: We have a video recap for you. read more >>

"Gospelfest, boat tours on the river and more today at Riverfest" Wichita Eagle 6/6/22

Some of the festival's recurring events will begin later on Monday. Wagonmasters river tours and Kids Corner start at 5 p.m. and the Carnival starts at 6 p.m. read more >>

"Want to know who's performing at Riverfest? Here's a list." Wichita Eagle 6/3/22

It's that time of the year again, when the Downtown Wichita streets are filled with fair food, booths, live performances and more. RiverFest Wichita has been a Wichita favorite for the last 50 years. read more >>

"What's up with the wooden deck being built in front of Old Mill Tasty Shop?" Wichita Eagle 6/2/22

If you've recently driven past the Old Mill Tasty Shop — the classic Wichita restaurant at 604 E. Douglas that's turning 90 this year — you would have noticed crews out front busy at work on a structure that looks like a new patio. read more >>

"Why downtown Wichita doesn't have a grocery store and what it would take it get one" Wichita Business Journal 5/27/22

"When I give a presentation, the No. 1 question is, 'When is Wichita going to get a grocery store?'" said Jason Gregory, who is executive director of Downtown Wichita, an affiliate of the Greater Wichita Partnership. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Country music, guitar music and a WAM last chance" Wichita Eagle 5/27/22

It's Memorial Day weekend, and those not headed out of town or to the lake will be looking for things to do in town. They'll



find museum exhibits, concerts and fun outdoor activities. read more >>

"Wichita's new Asian Night Market will be filled with food, drink, fun" Wichita Eagle 5/25/22

Saturday's Asian Night Market, scheduled for 6 to 9 p.m. at Naftzger Park, 601 E. Douglas, will feature 24 vendors, and most of them will be selling Asian food. read more >>

"Exploration Place to transform its 20-acre campus with amphitheater and adventureland" Wichita Eagle 5/23/22

Smith worked with the nonprofit's board to create a five-year strategic plan to transform Exploration Place's 20-acre campus, which extends on a long, thin site from the Keeper of the Plains bridge to the First Street bridge. read more >>

"Projects of the Year: Fidelity Bank reaffirms commitment to downtown with opening of Rise Car Park" Wichita Business Journal 5/20/22

The Fidelity Bank Rise Car Park is a tangible reminder that the organization is committed to being a pillar of downtown Wichita and the city in general for decades to come. read more >>

"Real Estate Awards: At 149, the Baltimore keeps being a Wichita icon" Wichita Business Journal 5/20/22

Formerly called Occidental Plaza, the three-story building at the northeast corner of Main and 2nd is a landmark in Wichita's history, built in 1873 and recognized for its black-and-white exterior and window shutters. read more >>

"Spaghetti Works District builds momentum with iHeartMedia as newest tenant" Wichita Business Journal 5/20/22



iHeartMedia Inc. took over 2,650 square feet of the district's second floor office space earlier this year. It's a sign of momentum for the area that points to larger office market trends. read more >>

"Wichitan's pride, curiosity come through in '100 Things to Do in Wichita Before You Die'" Wichita Eagle 5/15/22

Although she's a Wichita native, Vanessa Whiteside likes to treat outings in her hometown as if she were on a trip to an out-of-town destination: looking for new things, asking her server what they like to eat from the menu, talking to business owners and more. read more >>

"Teen actor enjoying first role at Roxy's in 'Priscilla, Queen of the Desert'" Wichita Eagle 5/2/22

Dancing since he was 3 years old and performing since fourth grade, Keaton Mohr was bitten by the theater bug in his first performance, which was in Wichita Children's Theatre's "Best Christmas Pageant Ever." read more >>

"Riverview Building lands several new tenants" Wichita Business Journal 4/29/22

The Riverview Building has three new tenants — demonstrating what one real estate veteran sees as growing momentum for Wichita's office leasing market. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Lions, horses and a couple of outdoor parties" Wichita Eagle 4/29/22

Whether you like theater or you prefer block parties, Wichita has you covered this weekend. Here's a list of fun things to do around town: read more >>

"Hunter Health becomes Meritrust Center's newest tenant" Wichita Business Journal 4/27/22

The Meritrust Center continues to fill up. On Wednesday, Meritrust Credit Union announced that Hunter Health will move



administration offices to the fifth floor of the center in downtown Wichita. read more >>

"Wichita's Ambassador named a AAA Four Diamond Hotel for ninth year" Wichita Business Journal 4/21/22

Wichita's Ambassador Hotel has been named a AAA Four Diamond hotel for the ninth straight year. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: See bull riders, shop and grub, catch some comedy" Wichita Eagle 4/22/22

The lineup of fun events in Wichita this weekend and next week is rather diverse and includes bull riding, concerts, a dance party and a Civil War reenactment. Here are some of the events Wichitans in need of fun can choose from: read more >>

"Wichita City Council OKs millions more in public money for Riverfront Stadium district" Wichita Eagle 4/19/22

The Wichita City Council on Tuesday approved pumping nearly $10 million in additional public incentives into its minor league baseball stadium district, including a tax-funded parking garage and tax breaks on two office buildings for developers.

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"A sign that's gone up in downtown Wichita has sandwich fans pretty excited" Wichita Eagle 4/18/22

Wichitans who remember the Metro Grill sandwich cart from Town East Square — and all the amazing sandwiches it used to serve — have reason to celebrate today. The restaurant is making a comeback. read more >>

"Wichita poised to pump an extra $14.6 million into Riverfront Stadium district" Wichita Eagle 4/17/22

Wichita is poised to pump an additional $14.6 million into its Riverfront Stadium district, including a new parking garage, tax breaks for the Wind Surge owners' private development company, Arkansas River improvements and a federal-funded



skybridge over McLean Boulevard. read more >>

"Wichita receives $5M grant for riverfront improvements around ballpark" Wichita Eagle 4/13/22

The city of Wichita has secured a $5 million grant that will fund riverfront improvements and a skybridge to support private development surrounding the downtown baseball stadium. read more >>

"Under new partnership, undergrads at Friends can start med school early at new Wichita DO school" Wichita Business Journal 4/12/22

A select number of undergraduate health sciences students at Friends University will have the opportunity to get an accelerated path to medical school under a new partnership with the Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine, the organizations announced Tuesday. read more >>

"Dates for 'Hamilton' and 'Dear Evan Hansen' performances in Wichita have been set" Wichita Eagle 4/11/22

"Hamilton" is coming to Wichita. Lin-Manuel Miranda's iconic musical about founding father Alexander Hamilton, told through hip-hop, jazz, R&B and showtunes, will land at the Century II concert hall for 16 performances June 6-18, 2023. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Greet the tulips, appreciate art, see a famous car" Wichita Eagle 4/1/22

It's First Friday in Wichita, meaning there's lots of art to see. It's also spring, so it's time to start gazing at tulips. And that's not even all there is to do in Wichita this weekend. Here's a look at some of the fun things going on during the first weekend in April: read more >>

"Wichita theater stages bluegrass musical written by Steve Martin and Edie Brickell" Wichita Eagle 4/1/22



Just because Steve Martin co-wrote the music for “Bright Star,” which opens at Roxy’s Downtown next week, it doesn’t mean the show is full of wild-and-crazy-guy tunes. read more >>

"Farmers Market season starts Saturday in Wichita, and the two biggies will both be bigger" Wichita Eagle 3/31/22

Wichita’s two main farmers markets are opening for the season this weekend, and the directors of both say that their opening-day vendor counts will be at all-time highs. read more >>

"Wichita’s Doo-Dah Diner had a visit from a very hungry celebrity on Friday afternoon" Wichita Eagle 3/30/22

Henry Winkler — the 76-year-old actor who the older generation knows as The Fonz from “Happy Days” and who younger people recognize from his role in Adam Sandler’s film “The Waterboy” — was in Wichita on Friday to speak to a convention, he told his admirers at Doo-Dah Diner. read more >>

"GROW Giesen Plant Shop location coming to high-profile downtown spot" Wichita Business Journal 3/25/22

GROW Giesen Plant Shop will open a new retail location at Fidelity Bank’s RISE Car Park in downtown Wichita — a spot that just this week grabbed international press attention. read more >>

"Unique business — a trendy plant shop with a martini bar — is opening in downtown Wichita" Wichita Eagle 3/25/22

Fidelity Bank’s new RISE Car Park at 320 S. Market is about to add a new tenant — a unique business with an “Instagram-able” vibe that is part trendy plant shop, part entertainment venue and part educational facility. read more >>

"Metropolitan Baptist Church sells in first major step of Riverfront Village development" Wichita Business Journal 3/23/22



Plans to develop the mixed-use Riverfront Village in Wichita's Delano District took a major step forward earlier this month with the purchase of the Metropolitan Baptist Church property at the southwest corner of Douglas Avenue and McLean Boulevard. read more >>

"Sale of church paves way for major riverfront development near Wichita ballpark" Wichita Eagle 3/23/22

Laham Development and Birds Eye Holdings have purchased the Metropolitan Baptist Church on west Douglas and plan to transform the property into a mixed-use development just north of Riverfront Stadium. read more >>

"NCAA women's basketball expected to bring $1M in economic impact to Wichita" Wichita Business Journal 3/22/22

Starting Saturday, thousands of basketball fans are expected to pour into downtown Wichita as Intrust Bank Arena plays host to four NCAA women's teams vying for a shot in the Final Four. read more >>

"How Wichita plans to 'roll out the red carpet' for NCAA women's basketball players" Wichita Eagle 3/20/22

Wichita is uniquely situated to help the NCAA redeem itself this March Madness, as the city is set to host the Sweet 16 and Elite Eight rounds of the Division I NCAA women's basketball tournament for the first time on March 26 and 28 at Intrust Bank Arena. read more >>

"March Madness is back in Wichita. How to buy tickets to NCAA women's basketball games" Wichita Eagle 3/20/22

March Madness is returning to Wichita this week with the highest level of action the city has hosted, as the NCAA women's basketball tournament Sweet 16 and Elite Eight rounds will be played at Intrust Bank Arena. read more >>

"Gridiron takes on COVID in this year's show" Wichita Eagle 3/12/22



After having to cancel the 2020 Gridiron because of the pandemic, the original musical comedy show to benefit journalism scholarships returned last year with a hybrid live-online offering. That combination will be back this year, and the show is expanded to three nights — March 17-19 — from the previous two, at Roxy's Downtown. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Disney on Ice, concerts and comedy shows" Wichita Eagle 3/11/22

Intrust Bank Arena will have Disney characters on ice. Many of the local music venues will have comedy shows and concerts. And this weekend in Wichita will also hold all sorts of shopping opportunities. read more >>

"Meet the Black chefs, owners and influencers helping shape Wichita's dining scene" Wichita Eagle 2/28/22

Wichita has a rich history of Black entrepreneurs who helped build the city's dining scene through its early years. read more >>

"Fat Tuesday is next week, and Wichita will be full of Cajun-ified meals and parties" Wichita Eagle 2/24/22

Fat Tuesday is less than a week away, and the school-night parties will be underway all over Wichita with lots of crawfish, oysters, hurricanes and beads. read more >>

"A downtown Wichita eatery known for its dessert is about to add pizza to the menu" Wichita Eagle 2/22/22

Wichita Cheesecake Company is not — repeat — NOT The Cheesecake Factory. And although most Wichitans know that by now, Wichita Cheesecake Company owner Mark Daniels says that some still assume that it's at least like The Cheesecake Factory and that it serves food as well as dessert. read more >>

"Downtown Wichita is building toward tomorrow | Commentary" Wichita Eagle 2/22/22

We recently celebrated the 100th project in downtown Wichita since that adoption with 101 projects now completed. Those



projects now are close to $1.5 billion dollars in investment in our downtown. read more >>

"Covid nearly wiped Wichita's hospitality workforce. Two new culinary schools could inspire a changing tide" Wichita Business Journal 2/15/22

With both programs constructing two new state-of-the-art culinary schools — one in Andover and one in downtown Wichita — the area could see an influx of up to 800 new workers trained in the culinary arts and restaurant and hospitality management within the next few years. read more >>

"Wichita's indoor football team begins new chapter with new league, new venue" Wichita Business Journal 2/10/22

The team also announced Tuesday that it would relocate its home games from the Kansas Star Casino to the Wichita Ice Center, according to a report from Wichita Story. read more >>

"If Wichita is up for a mystery company's 3M square-foot megaproject, where could it go?" Wichita Business Journal 2/6/22

The chase is on as a mystery company considers building a new $4 billion, 3 million square-foot advanced manufacturing warehouse in either Kansas or Tulsa. read more>>

"A long list of Valentine's Day 2022 specials being offered at Wichita restaurants" Wichita Eagle 2/8/22

Here's a list of some of the Valentine's Day specials scheduled in restaurants around Wichita, and please note that while many are being offered on Monday — the actual Feb. 14 — some restaurants are starting their specials this weekend. read more>>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Go sledding, hear the



symphony play movie scores" Wichita Eagle 2/4/22

Here are some of the activities happening in Wichita over the first weekend of February 2022. read more>>

"'The Color Purple' finally makes it to Roxy's stage" Wichita Eagle 2/4/22

Getting "The Color Purple" on stage at Roxy's Downtown has been a long time coming. The stage musical version of Alice Walker's 1982 book and the accompanying 1985 movie was supposed to be staged a year ago but was delayed by COVID. It opens this weekend and continues through Feb. 27. read more>>

"Organization that puts on Riverfest names a new CEO" Wichita Business Journal 1/28/22

Wichita Festivals Inc., which puts on the annual Riverfest celebration downtown, has named Nancy Duling as its new president and CEO. read more >>

"Wichita State Shockers baseball to host Oklahoma State game at Riverfront Stadium" Wichita Eagle 1/19/22

Wichita State baseball fans will be able to enjoy Riverfront Stadium, the city's downtown ballpark, for the second year in a row. read more >>

"Who is Sudha Tokala?" Wichita Eagle 1/17/22

When pharmacist-turned-developer Sudha Tokala went on a buying spree of downtown buildings a few years ago, almost everyone who heard about her had one question: "Who?" read more >>

"See inside the new downtown Wichita medical school" Wichita Eagle 1/16/22

Real estate developer Sudha Tokala developed the Innes Building at William and Broadway. The proposed Kansas College of



Osteopathic Medicine will take ownership of the building in January. read more >>

"First two restaurants for a new downtown Wichita food hall have been selected" Wichita Eagle 1/16/22

As WSU Tech prepares to open its culinary school in the former Henry's building in August, developer Sudha Tokala is proceeding with plans for a food hall and event center there as well. read more >>

"Wichita developer giving new life to several downtown buildings" Wichita Eagle 1/16/22

Pharmacist-turned-developer Sudha Tokala is transforming several buildings in downtown Wichita, some which have been empty for decades. read more >>

"New downtown Wichita gallery to highlight works of artists with visual impairments" Wichita Eagle 1/14/22

A new art gallery that champions art accessibility and inclusion is opening on Douglas Avenue this weekend, with a grand opening celebration planned for Saturday. read more >>

"List analysis: 3 new hotels planned for Wichita as travel industry claws back" Wichita Business Journal 1/7/22

Signs must be positive, because despite Covid-19's impact on the industry plans for at lease three new hotel projects are expected to take shape in Wichita in the new year. read more >>

"Wings, burgers, lots of 'cue: A list of restaurants Wichita can look forward to in 2022" Wichita Eagle 1/6/22

Many hearty restaurateurs are planning to launch their ventures in 2022, and the list of expected openings for this year is already pretty long. read more >>

"Actors tackle multiple roles in 'Five Course Love' at Roxy's



Downtown" Wichita Eagle 1/6/22

Jenni Warren and Ethan Crank are relatively young in their acting careers, but thanks to the new musical at Roxy's Downtown, they are adding five new roles to their theatrical resumes. read more >>

"Envision gallery celebrating blind and disabled artists planned for Old Town space" Wichita Business Journal 1/4/21

Envision plans to expand on its mission of showcasing the creative talents of individuals who are blind and visually impaired with a new, open-to-the-public art gallery in Old Town. read more >>

"New year, new promise: A list of some of the fun, new things Wichita can expect in 2022" Wichita Eagle 1/2/22

Enter The Wichita Eagle's annual list of things to look forward to in Wichita in the coming year. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: New Year's Day exercise, last chance for lights" Wichita Eagle 12/31/21

Now that 2021 is nearly behind us, it's time to start having some 2022-style fun. read more >>

"What's next for the fast-growing Delano?" Wichita Eagle 12/26/21

Even with as much growth and development as there already has been in Delano, there's much more to come. The biggest blank canvas to be developed is along the river. read more >>

"There's a fast-growing area of Wichita that is proving 'the sexy place to be" Wichita Eagle 12/26/21



Business and development have exploded in Delano in recent years with several more large projects planned in the future. read more >>

"Mother and daughter open new downtown Wichita store selling global fair trade goods" Wichita Business Journal 12/23/21

Ilean Krum and her mother, Ileana Krum, have opened a new retail store in downtown Wichita called Filigrana Artisans, a fair trade brand that sells clothing, accessories and decor made by artisans and makers around the globe. read more >>

"Flying Stove, pioneer of Wichita food truck scene, turns 10 with brick-and-mortar dreams" Wichita Eagle 12/22/21

Jeff Schauf and his chef/brother Rob Schauf were living in California when they decided they wanted to start a food truck. Eventually, they decided to do it in their home town. read more >>

"Front Porch pairings are diverse mix that will create new outdoor spaces downtown" Wichita Eagle 12/20/21

Starting in January, a group of area creatives — ranging from a horticulturist to a college professor to a graphic artist — will help six downtown businesses develop outdoor expansions that will go beyond a typical patio as part of a new placemaking project called the Front Porch. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Concerts, pancakes with Santa, Christmas flicks" Wichita Eagle 12/17/21

Looking for a little fun before the rush to Christmas officially starts? Here are some entertaining activities happening in and around Wichita over the third weekend in December: read more>>

"THINGS TO WATCH IN 2022 - People, projects and plans



expected to make waves in the new year" Wichita Business Journal 12/17/21

Here are seven things to keep an eye on heading into the new year. read more >>

"Ten wallet-friendly things for families to do in Wichita during the holiday break" Wichita Eagle 12/13/21

PAINTING PARTY Enroll the kids in a one-hour, in-person paint session at Paint the Towne to create Christmas- or winter-themed painting or opt to purchase discounted at-home kits featuring the same themes. read more >>

"Wichita's downtown medical school given go-ahead to recruit students for August 2022" Wichita Eagle 12/13/21

The Kansas Health Science Center - Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine has been granted permission to start recruiting students for its first classes. School officials announced Monday that their pre-accreditation status was approved by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: tree lighting, ice skating and 'The Nutcracker'" Wichita Eagle 12/10/21

Here's a look at some of the events happening around Wichita during the second week of December. read more >>

"Owners of about-to-open Bradley Fair restaurant are planning a second eatery downtown" Wichita Eagle 12/8/21

Married couple Korbee and Luginbill say they are also planning a restaurant for the ground floor of Fidelity Bank's new RISE Car Park at 320 N. Market. They'll call it First Mile Cantine. read more >>

"Tech startup KaaS lands in Garvey Center as property



owner invests" Wihita Business Journal 12/3/21

Startup technology company Knowledge as a Service Inc. (KaaS) has found its Wichita location in the Garvey Center downtown. read more >>

"Old Town space will get a modern update as a music recording and photo studio" Wichita Business Journal 12/3/21

Jacob Clark is a classic case of a Wichita boomerang. Clark is a partner in Parallel Studios, which will double as a music recording studio and a photography studio. read more >>

"Visit Wichita study calls for new convention center to replace Century II" Wichita Eagle 11/30/21

A consulting firm hired by Visit Wichita says it's time for the city to replace the Century II Performing Arts & Convention Center with a new facility, even as the national convention industry remains mired in a COVID-19 funk. read more >>

"Here's where you can get photos with Santa — and Mrs. Claus and reindeer — in Wichita this year" Wichita Eagle 11/26/21

While sitting on Santa's lap is still a memory of Christmases pasts thanks to the pandemic, families have several opportunities to get photos with Santa — and even Mrs. Claus and reindeer —this year. Besides traditional photo opportunities, families can play games or enjoy a meal with Santa. Here's a list of some of Santa's engagements in the Wichita area: read more >>

"2021 Executives of the Year: Jeff Fluhr, President, Greater Wichita Partnership" Wichita Business Journal 11/19/21

What are the key qualities a company leader must have to be successful? I believe a successful leader must have integrity,



character, the discipline to listen and the ability to cast and inspire a team around a vision. read more >>

"How a football field was made at Wichita's Riverfront baseball stadium for title game" Wichita Eagle 11/19/21

The final touches are being put on a month-long transformation from turning the baseball field at Riverfront Stadium into a football field, ready to host the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference championship game. read more >>

"How did downtown Wichita fare post-Covid? New reports examine office, residential, hotel market" Wichita Business Journal 11/17/21

The momentum for downtown Wichita took a pause when the global coronavirus pandemic all but shut the city down in March 2020. A year and a half later, the pressing question is whether Covid-19 has changed the outlook for downtown Wichita's continued progress. read more >>

"Roxy's stages 'Church Basement Ladies' as Christmas show" 11/17/21

Rick Bumgardner admits that a "Church Basement Ladies" musical isn't something Roxy's Downtown patrons might expect. The Christmas-themed installment, "Away in the Basement," opens this week and continues through Dec. 19. It is the third of seven "Church Basement Ladies" musicals and serves as a prequel to the original. read more >>

"Looking for holiday-related things to do in Wichita? Check out this list" Wichita Eagle 11/15/21

Whether you need a little holiday spirit or a lot, several events are happening in the coming weeks in the Wichita area to help you become merry. The events range from extravagant light displays to live theater productions — including ones locally written — and from holiday concerts to long-running traditions. There are also opportunities to get creative with art and sweet treats. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Comic Con, start of



holiday fun, new film festival" Wichita Eagle 11/15/21

Thanksgiving is drawing closer, and several annual events are returning to Wichita, some after a year off because of COVID-19. As usual, there will be plenty of art, music and fun to soak up in Wichita. Here are some of the options this weekend: read more >>

"Tour the proposed Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine in downtown" Wichita Eagle 11/8/21

The proposed Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine is almost completed in the former Macy's building downtown. The college will occupy 116,000 feet on floors 1-4 and part of 5. read more >>

"Creatives wanted: Still time to enter Front Porch project for downtown businesses" Wichita Eagle 10/25/21

Thanks to a $75,000 National Endowment of the Arts Our Town grant, a new placemaking project called the Front Porch will bring together area creatives and six downtown Wichita businesses who will develop outdoor expansions of those businesses. read more >>

"Old Town space vacated by aquarium gets a refresh as office for all-female real estate team" Wichita Business Journal 10/22/21

The high-profile storefront at the southeast corner of Douglas and Washington has been empty since The Aquarium, a local aquatic pet store, left the spot over the summer. But a new office tenant has moved in and brought an entirely new vibe to the space. read more >>

"Historic 1920s downtown office building on the market for $1.6M" Wichita Business Journal 10/22/21

Originally constructed in 1925 for the Elks Club, the 75,000 square-foot building is near the northeast corner of 1st and Market, across the street from The Lux. read more >>



"Wichita Asian Festival returns after one-year off, will feature scary 'Squid Game' treat" Wichita Eagle 10/20/21

The free festival, which will happen from 5 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, always takes place inside Century II's Convention and Exhibition Halls and features cultural performances, craft vendors and a Miss Wichita Asian Festival scholarship pageant. read more >>

"ICT Summit panel: Risk for downtown development shrinks as progress continues" Wichita Business Journal 10/19/21

Investing in Wichita's downtown core is almost always a risk, but the more people who do it, the easier it becomes for others. A panel of local developers and business leaders delivered that message Tuesday during the Wichita Business Journal's ICT Summit. read more >>

"City selects McCownGordon for downtown Chester I. Lewis park renovations" Wichita Business Journal 10/18/21

When it's finished, the park, located south of Douglas Avenue between Broadway and Market, will serve as an entryway into the Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine and is expected to continue to honor the life and legacy of its namesake, late local civil rights advocate Chester I. Lewis. read more >>

"Tallgrass Film Festival returns for 19th year with in-person events, virtual screenings" Wichita Eagle 10/17/21

In the midst of the ongoing pandemic, Wichita's beloved Tallgrass Film Festival returns for its 19th year in two waves. The first part of the festival will be in-person, with screenings, parties, workshops and more being held Wednesday, Oct. 20, through Oct. 24 at various venues throughout downtown Wichita. After that, the festival will move online for virtual screenings Oct. 24 through 29. read more >>

"What to do this weekend in Wichita: Country concerts,



shopping and Halloween fun" Wichita Eagle 10/15/21

Wichita will be busy this weekend with country concerts, Halloween events and shopping opportunities. Here are some of the fun ways Wichitans can keep themselves entertained this weekend: read more >>

"Local events continue with Seldom Heard Film Festival, Rudy Love documentary, Tallgrass" Wichita Eagle 10/15/21

Kansas filmmakers and Kansas films are the center of attention at the first-ever Seldom Heard Film Festival, to be held Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Augusta Historic Theatre, 523 State St. in Augusta. The Tallgrass Film Festival will kick off its 19th year with a free family-friendly screening of "Shrek" at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19, in Naftzger Park, 601 E. Douglas. read more >>

"Roxy's Downtown gets 'Toxic' for Halloween musical" Wichita Eagle 10/14/21

With Arnold directing, "The Toxic Avenger" runs through Halloween at Roxy's. The musical is a collaboration of Joe DiPietro and Bon Jovi keyboard player David Bryan, who followed "Avenger" with the Tony Award-winning "Memphis." read more >>

"Renovation complete for riverfront warehouse turned into Class A mixed-use" Wichita Business Journal 10/12/21

A renovation has transformed a former Key Construction warehouse at 2nd Street and McLean Boulevard into a Class A, mixed-use building. read more >>

"Prairie Fire Marathon adds family 5K, offers outdoor events" Wichita Business Journal 10/8/21

After a pared-down, socially distanced event for 2020, the Prairie Fire Marathon returns in full form on Sunday. Offering a marathon, half-marathon and 5K, this year's event will also feature a new, non-competitive family 5K. read more >>

"Photos: Historic downtown building renamed The



Baltimore is now Class A apartments" Wichita Business Journal 10/7/21

An extensive remodel turning Wichita's oldest commercial building into Class A apartments has finished, and property managers say it's already two-thirds of the way leased. read more >>

"Riverfront Stadium to host its first football game: the Jayhawk playoff championship" Wichita Eagle 10/7/21

Wichita's downtown baseball stadium will host its first football game next month. In coordination with the Wichita Wind Surge, the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference announced Thursday afternoon that it will hold its playoff championship game at 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 at Riverfront Stadium. read more >>

"ICT Bloktoberfest returns to downtown with beer, food, music and a 'dad bod' contest" Wichita Eagle 10/7/21

When Xclusive Event Services owners Crystal McDonald and her brother, Cody Lathrop, put on their first ICT Bloktoberfest in 2016, it was a little too popular. A crowd of 4,000 people crammed into the plaza on Union Station for the first-year block party, which included beer, wiener dog races and sausage samples. read more >>

"Photos: Newly renovated Meritrust Center unveiled with ribbon-cutting" Wichita Businesss Journal 10/4/21

Delayed by the Covid-19 pandemic, Meritrust Credit Union hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to unveil its newly renovated downtown headquarters to a crowd of about 100 community leaders and partners on Monday. read more >>

"Wichita heads back to the future as riverfront possibilities abound" Wichita Eagle 10/3/21

After more than a year of disruption and delay because of the pandemic, new questions are being asked about the future of



Wichita's riverfront. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend and into next week: Comedy, concerts and Riverfest" Wichita Eagle 10/1/21

But there are lots of other activities happening in and around Wichita this weekend into next week that you might want to check out, including concerts, comedy, shopping opportunities and one of the first big shows at Intrust Bank Arena since COVID-19. read more >>

"The second part of the 2021 Wichita Riverfest starts this week with concerts, fireworks" Wichita Eagle 9/27/21

The second half of the split-in-two 2021 Wichita Riverfest launches Thursday in downtown Wichita, and the four-day fall installment will include most of the annual event's marquee attractions — including the fireworks show, the food court and the headlining concerts. read more >>

"Long Island Medium brings live experience to Orpheum on Saturday" Wichita Eagle 9/23/21

If you're interested in seeing the television personality read members of the local audience in person, you're in luck. As of Thursday, about 80 tickets remained for Theresa Caputo Live! The Experience. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and Caputo begins the roughly two-hour show at 7:30 p.m. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Music in the parks, music in the concert venues" Wichita Eagle 9/23/21

If you finish with the Wichita Wagonmasters Downtown Chili Cookoff and the Great Plains Renaissance & Scottish Festival and still have energy left, the first weekend of fall has plenty of ways for you to burn it off. read more >>

"Wichita's downtown chili cookoff returns after a year off, will happen in its old spot" Wichita Eagle 9/23/21



"There's some new people, and we have a lot of the staples we've had year in and year out," said Bill Ramsey, the "media wrangler" for the Wichita Wagonmasters. "I think there are just a lot of people who are super excited to be a part of something out in public again." read more >>

"Who, when and how to buy tickets for the Wichita Wind Surge baseball playoff games" Wichita Eagle 9/19/21

Minor league postseason baseball is coming back to Wichita, as the Wind Surge wrapped up a regular-season championship in the Double-A Central on Sunday with a 10-6 victory over the Arkansas Travelers. read more >>

"Wichita unveils redesigned park honoring civil rights icon at entrance to med school" Wichita Eagle 9/16/21

City officials have begun showing off the planned design of a downtown park being rebuilt as the entryway to Wichita's new osteopathic medical school, while continuing to honor the legacy of civil rights luminary Chester I. Lewis. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Art festivals, Open Streets, Latin Fest and more" Wichita Eagle 9/16/21

Wichita will be full of art festivals and open streets this weekend, which will be packed with activities all over town. Here are some of your options if you're looking for fun on the weekend of Sept. 17-19. read more >>

"Win for Lou: Wichita Wind Surge find their rallying cry for baseball playoff push" Wichita Eagle 9/14/21

A division championship and spot in the Double-A Central playoffs will be on the line this week in the six-game series hosted by the Wichita Wind Surge against the Arkansas Travelers at Riverfront Stadium. read more >>

"Union Rescue Mission's new downtown shelter will 'move the needle' on homeless outreach" 9/10/21 Wichita



Business Journal

And as the nonprofit's programming to help end homelessness evolves, Nolte says Union Rescue Mission looked downtown to open a second facility. Now a renovation targeted to finish next summer will transform the building into a downtown shelter and programming site — what will be a $3 million investment. read more >>

"2021 Marketing Awards: Jamie Garnett, Greater Wichita Partnership" 8/26/21 Wichita Business Journal

Why did you want to focus on marketing? I would love to say that my journey has been planned and intentional, but it absolutely was not. During my decade of community development work at the Greater Wichita Partnership and Downtown Wichita, I've been fortunate to have vast opportunities to grow my skills in marketing, communications and public relations strategy. read more >>

"Music Theatre Wichita announces its 2022 season" 8/26/21 Wichita Eagle

After a year of new venues, changes to its longtime schedules, and a transition in artistic management, Music Theatre Wichita is keeping some of those concepts as it enters its 50th season. read more >>

"What do to this weekend in Wichita: Live music, art, food trucks at the Globetrotters" 8/19/21 Wichita Eagle

You can shake off some of that back-to-school stress with several events planned for this weekend around the Wichita area. Among your choices: several live music events, a couple of new art shows, a food truck rally and even a night with the Harlem Globetrotters. read more >>

"Five treasures you'll find at Wichita's The Kansas African American Museum" 8/15/21 Wichita Eagle

TKAAM owns 3,000 cultural artifacts and works of art, a collection valued at more than $1 million. A selection of the



collection is on long-term display in the main gallery on the first floor and there's also a temporary gallery space with new exhibitions every three to four months. read more >>

"Old Scooter's space downtown gets new tenant whose specialty is a Wichita favorite" 8/13/21 Wichita Eagle

The old Scooter's space at Douglas and Rock Island in downtown Wichita has a new tenant. Last week, Wichita Cheesecake Company completed its move to the space, which has been vacant since Scooter's closed in the spring. read more >>

"HFG Architecture relocating Wichita headquarters to Old Town Square" 8/12/21 Wichita Eagle

HFG Architecture is relocating its headquarters to the first floor of 330 N. Mead in Wichita's Old Town Square. The firm, which specializes in planning and designing healthcare architecture, is uprooting from its longtime office space in the Hockaday Building on Mosley Street. read more >>

"WSU Tech partners with Envision for 'first-of-its-kind' innovation kitchen at downtown culinary school" 8/11/21 Wichita Business Journal

The school, called the National Institute of Culinary and Hospitality Education, is targeted to open in August 2022 in the old Henry's building at Broadway and William Street. read more >>

"Downtown Wichita's Chainlink Gallery Place lets you unleash your inner artist" 8/6/21 Wichita Eagle

The new outdoor Chainlink Gallery Place in downtown Wichita is a place where art can be viewed and created, even if you've never wielded a paintbrush or spray can before. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend and next week: Live music, end-of-summer bashes" 8/5/21 Wichita Eagle



Naftzger Park at 601 E. Douglas, the new downtown park that been filled with events all summer long, will be the site on Friday of a Family Movie and Game Night that will include a variety of yard games, food from Big B's Beef food truck and a showing of the film "Raya and the Last Dragon." read more >>

"California aerospace company plans Wichita expansion, new manufacturing jobs over 5 years" 8/5/21 Wichita Eagle

A California-based aviation company plans to expand into Kansas with new Wichita operations, creating 75 aerospace jobs over the next five years, Governor Laura Kelly's office announced Thursday. read more >>

"Roxy's Downtown putting new spin on 'Little Shop of Horrors'" 8/4/21 Wichita Eagle

Roxy's Downtown is billing its latest production as "not your mother's 'Little Shop of Horrors.'" "We've gone a little bolder, brighter, more contemporary," artistic director Rick Bumgardner said. read more >>

"Tickets, schedule, bracket: What you need to know about NBC World Series baseball" 8/3/21 Wichita Eagle

The 87th National Baseball Congress World Series is set to begin this week. The final eight teams will then advance to Wichita, where they will play at the brand-new Riverfront Stadium from Aug. 9-14. The championship game is slated for 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14. read more >>

"Avenue Art Days will return in September with a new set of Douglas murals" 7/27/21 Wichita Business Journal

Local artists will once again paint the town this summer with more of the splashy murals Wichitans have come to love. read more >>

"Projects of the Year: Meritrust fits into new home with GLMV's help" 7/23/21 Wichita Business Journal

When Meritrust Credit Union decided to relocate its headquarters to a central location in downtown Wichita, GLMV



Architecture was selected as the designer for the project. read more >>

"Deals of the Year: 430 Redevelopment draws big lease activity" 7/23/21 Wichita Business Journal

Where once there stood a coffee shop in downtown Wichita, there is now a four-story office building that has drawn hundreds of corporate workers to the city's core. read more >>

"Wichitans should get behind proposed school of osteopathic medicine | Commentary" 7/23/21 Wichita Eagle

With its location in the heart of the city, the school will attract a new generation of Wichitans who will make this community even more vibrant in the coming years. read more >>

"Rudy Love documentary 'This is Love' to have special screening at Naftzger Park" 7/23/21 Wichita Eagle

The film now returns home to Wichita for a special screening and party from 6 to 10 p.m. on Sunday, July 25, at Naftzger Park, 601 E. Douglas. read more >>

"It used to be an underused, aging downtown park. Now, it's full of life and fun all week" 7/22/21 Wichita Eagle

Now, 16 months later, the new Naftzger Park, which sits on roughly one acre on the 600 block of East Douglas, has become one of the city's most popular hangout spots, and over the course of the summer, it's been filled with activities almost every day and evening. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: birthday celebrations, cowboy party and a big float" 7/22/21 Wichita Eagle

Wichitans can float on the river, celebrate Wichita's birthday and honor Old West cowboys during a busy weekend of fun.



Here's what's going on around town this weekend: read more >>

"Wichita Symphony Orchestra's 2021-22 season makes up for lost time" 7/18/21 Wichita Eagle

The Wichita Symphony Orchestra's 2021-22 season will patch together remnants of the past year-and-a-half of dormancy while taking many of its pandemic-era innovations to the next level. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Outdoor concerts, Sunday market, food truck fun" 7/15/21 Wichita Eagle

It'll be a warm summer weekend in Wichita, and people looking for fun can find outdoor shopping and outdoor concerts at some of Wichita's top entertainment venues. There are also a few fun indoor events to keep you busy through the week. read more >>

"See what Wichita-area businesses got the biggest Restaurant Revitalization Fund grants" 7/12/21 Wichita Business Journal

More than 100,000 small businesses nationally received grants from the Restaurant Revitalization Fund, including plenty in Kansas and the Wichita area. read more >>

"InSite Real Estate Group expanding to occupy full building in Delano" 7/14/21 Wichita Eagle

InSite Real Estate Group, a longtime Delano tenant, is expanding to occupy the entire building at the northwest corner of Douglas and Sycamore. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Automobilia returns, WAM turns 86, music & food fest" 7/8/21 Wichita Eagle

It's another busy weekend in Wichita, which will be filled with events like Hartman Arena's Air Capital Bacon, Bourbon &



Brews festival and Botanica's celebration of the 10th anniversary of its Downing Children's Garden. read more >>

"Branded with new name in new downtown location, Street Commercial is slow but intentional about growth" 6/24/21 Wichita Business Journal

The latest evolution for one of Wichita's legacy commercial real estate firms involves a new name, a new location and a new broker on the team. "It's the same book, new chapter," Evan LaRue says. read more>>

"Director, stars reunite for new version of 'Driving Miss Daisy' at Roxy's" 7/3/21 Wichita Eagle

Reuniting after 7½ years, the two leads and director of "Driving Miss Daisy" have found a world of changes. The three are together again this time at Roxy's Downtown, which opens the Pulitzer Prize-winning play on Thursday. read more>>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend and beyond: Snoop Dogg, block party, local shopping" 7/1/21 Wichita Eagle

Fourth of July weekend will, no doubt, be full of fireworks in Wichita. But if you're looking for something to do before or after Sunday's explosive fun, there are many things to choose from. Here's a look at some of the things Wichitans can get out and do from Friday through July 8. read more >>

"From fireworks, to parades to concerts: 15 ways to celebrate July 4 in, around Wichita" 7/1/21 Wichita Eagle

From musical celebrations to parades to concerts to a gathering of military airplanes, more than a dozen events to celebrate America's 245th birthday are scheduled this weekend in Wichita and neighboring communities. read more>>

"A new property management company in Wichita is adding to its commercial portfolio" 6/23/21 Wichita Business Journal



Jordan Wright wants to provide a different level of service as a property manager. "We're treating the clients as a relational partnership, where we're growing together. They're not just numbers," said Wright, who is director of operations and principal of a new local property management company. read more>>

"First 20 years were easy compared to last five, but Mort's is still thriving in Old Town" 6/23/21 Wichita Eagle

Mort's Martini Bar sailed through its first 20 years of business mostly hiccup free. Opened in 1996 in a old gas station building at the corner of First and Washington, the bar quickly gained a following of people who loved its big martini menu, its live music, its large patio, its free jalapeno-flavored popcorn and its location right in the heart of Wichita nightlife central. read more >>

"What's a bubble waffle? Wichita can now find out at a just-opened downtown dessert shop" 6/22/21 Wichita Eagle

When I first reported in late May that the Union Station kiosks were getting a new vendor selling bubble waffles, the No. 1 question people asked me was, "What's a bubble waffle?" The new shop selling them — Sweet House, owned by Fnu Erico — opened on Monday. read more >>

"National arts grant will give downtown Wichita businesses some creative curb appeal" 6/18/21 Wichita Business Journal

A new placemaking initiative in Wichita funded by a national grant will help give a few downtown businesses a little more curb appeal. read more>>

"Lightning damage could keep Crown shuttered for two months; Orpheum stepping up to help" 6/18/21 Wichita Eagle

The damage from a lightning strike and fire at the Crown Uptown Theatre last week — which caused the venue to have to



evacuate its audience in the middle of a performance — is worse than originally thought. But another Wichita theater — the Orpheum at 200 N. Broadway — has come to the rescue- read more >>

"Downtown Wichita winery is expanding its space and now offers food with its drink" 6/18/21 Wichita Eagle

The owner of a downtown winery that opened just before the pandemic has just signed a lease that will allow her to expand her space at Wichita's Union Station and give her the ability to double seat, extend hours and eventually add lunch. read more >>

"Groover Labs event will connect Wichita entrepreneurs, investors with veteran venture capitalists" 6/17/21 Wichita Business Journal

Wichita's Groover Labs will host a networking event next week that will connect local entrepreneurs, investors and startups with experienced venture capitalists. read more >>

"What to do in Wichita this weekend: Father's Day fun, soulful tunes, 'Kinky Boots'" 6/17/21 Wichita Eagle

Wichita will be home this weekend to a new Riverside art festival, a big Juneteenth celebration at McAdams park, and a new Music Theatre Wichita show. But if those aren't enough, there are several other fun events going on during Father's Day weekend, which starts Friday, June 18. Here are some of them: read more >>

"New dessert business opening this weekend in Wichita to offer 'Christmas Cheer All Year'" 6/15/21 Wichita Eagle

A sweet new business is opening in downtown Wichita on Saturday that will make it feel like Christmas all summer. Hunter and Thali Leichner are about to open a second location of their Candy Cones shaved ice business that they started in Haysville last summer. read more >>

"Wichita-area Smoothie Kings offering free smoothies for a



year at reopenings" 6/10/21 Wichita Eagle

Do you want a chance at free smoothies for a year? Lucky guests at each of the four renovated Smoothie King stores in Wichita and Derby will win the smoothie jackpot as part of grand reopening celebrations this weekend. read more >>

"What to do this weekend in Wichita: Disney on Ice, lots of concerts and artsy fun" 6/10/21 Wichita Eagle

It's going to be another fun summer weekend in Wichita with a new season of Shakespeare in the Park starting and a couple of fun food events happening around the area. Here are some of the other worthwhile events that people with children, art lovers and music fans in their lives can enjoy. read more >>

"Wind Surge in first place after fourth walk-off win in Wichita with 481-foot home run" 6/5/21 Wichita Eagle

The Wichita Wind Surge are already becoming pretty familiar with walk-off wins at Riverfront Stadium. For the second straight night, the Wind Surge celebrated a walk-off in style. read more >>

"After a year off, summer concerts in south-central Kansas are making a comeback" 5/30/21 Wichita Eagle

With what they believe is their worst year behind them, south-central Kansas venues are getting back into the groove of summer concerts. read more >>

"TAKING ANOTHER LOOK - A vision remains, but leaders acknowledge Covid may tweak east-bank plan details" 5/28/21 Wichita Business Journal

A design team hired by the coalition to re-imagine the east bank — a 55-acre site which stretches from Douglas Avenue to Kellogg, Main Street to the river — recommended in January 2020 a 10- to 15-year plan that involves 17 major capital projects. read more >>

"Hong Kong-style bubble waffles are coming to Wichita"



5/28/21 Wichita Eagle

A sweet new dessert business that specializes in a Hong Kong street treat called bubble waffles is coming to downtown Wichita. read more >>

"Megan Radley Hartzell, Downtown Wichita" 5/27/21 Wichita Business Journal

How did you become involved in marketing and communications? I was initially interested in pursuing a career in journalism and was a writer for my high school newspaper. read more >>

"Exploration Place hosts National Geographic's 'Monster Fish' exhibit" 5/27/21 Wichita Eagle

There's something very fishy with Exploration Place's new summer exhibition. "Monster Fish: In Search of the Last River Giants" — an interactive traveling exhibition based on the popular Nat Geo WILD TV series "Monster Fish " — opens Friday, May 28, and will be on display until Monday, Sept. 6, at Wichita's science center. read more >>

"Drink local coffee and beer, earn swag as part of Wichita's Wicked Brew Tour challenge" 5/25/21 Wichita Eagle

It didn't happen last year — thanks, COVID, — but Visit Wichita's Wicked Brew Tour is returning for 2021, and it starts this weekend. The tour invites people to visit local coffee shops and breweries, order beverages, and collect at least 10 stamps on a special passport. read more >>

"'I don't see it ever ending': NBC World Series will return to downtown Wichita now" 5/24/21 Wichita Eagle

In partnership with the Wichita Wind Surge, the NBC announced on Monday afternoon that the championship week of the 2021 World Series will be played at Riverfront Stadium from August 9-14. read more >>

"Wichita OKs 41 days of food trucks and street drinking



downtown; here's where, when" 5/19/21 Wichita Eagle

In a sign of the ongoing recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, Wichita has approved a long list of outdoor activities at the Brickyard and the WaterWalk for this year and next, including a four-day party during the women's March Madness basketball tournament next year. read more >>

"Returning shows, concerts to Wichita means the return of millions in economic impact" 5/14/21 Wichita Business Journal

"Downtown is back," says Diana Gordon, president and chief development officer at The Orpheum, which is hosting its first event this month since the start of Covid-19. read more >>

"'Truly magical': Wind Surge team reacts to first baseball game in new Wichita stadium" 5/12/21 Wichita Eagle

The bottom of the ninth inning, the Wind Surge at the plate, the home crowd at Riverfront Stadium roaring, the stage was set for a fairy tale ending to the first major league-affiliated baseball game in Wichita since 2007. read more >>

"Baseball's back: Wichita fans try on a new team, new stadium on opening night" 5/11/21 Wichita Eagle

Fourteen years and $75 million later, major league affiliated baseball is back in River City. The Wichita Wind Surge took the field Tuesday for a season opener in the new Riverfront Stadium in front of 7,908 enthusiastic, if somewhat cold, fans on a breezy 55-degree night. read more >>

"Wichita coffee shop went to-go only during pandemic. Owners now plan to keep it that way." 5/11/21 Wichita Eagle

The Wichita coffee shop at 102 N. St. Francis that Warren and Ann Tandoc opened in 2013 has been operating as a to-go



business only during most of the COVID-19 pandemic, and now, the owners have decided they'll keep it that way. read more >>

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If you want to celebrate Taco Tuesday, shouldn't you do it by attempting to eat the most ridiculously oversized taco in town?

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