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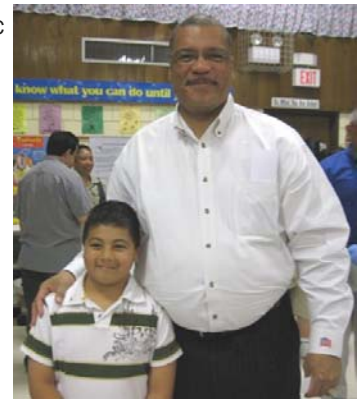
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## Hispanic Town Hall Meeting Well Received

About 150 people accepted Mayor Carl Brewer's recent invitation to participate in a Hispanic Town Hall meeting. The meeting, which was held on March 7 at Cloud Elementary School and was conducted in English and Spanish, focused on various topics. Those included ongoing redevelopment of the 21st Street business district, public schools, law enforcement, revitalization of aging neighborhoods, efforts to fight blight and graffiti and a planned international marketplace. One attendee presented a rendering of the much-anticipated marketplace. The City is a partner in the development of the facility which is designed to feature custom goods and live entertainment.

"Thank you," Mayor Brewer said to the presenter. "We'll help your dream come true."

Residents also asked City officials to address traffic concerns at a busy intersection and raised concerns about an emerging flooding issue near an elementary school, City officials are reviewing each issue. The town hall meeting was designed to "engage, inform and empower the Hispanic community." It is part of a series of upcoming meetings the Mayor has planned across the city. It included Spanish interpreters such as moderator Abel Perez, head of the Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Wichita Police officer Ramon Machain.



Mayor Brewer invited Javier De la Torre to serve as Mayor for a day.

"If it's important to you, it's important to me and us," Mayor Brewer said as he opened the meeting.

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Event organizers included representatives from neighborhood organizations, civic groups and several City of Wichita departments and divisions. Joining the Mayor as panelists were State Representative Delia Garcia and Steve Cisneros, head of Latino and Hispanic affairs for Gov. Kathleen Sebelius.

Javier De La Torre, a Hispanic boy in attendance, asked the Mayor what was the key to becoming Mayor. Brewer responded: "You have to have a love of your community," then he quipped: "The hardest thing you have to do is figure out where to find more money." He also invited the boy to serve as Mayor for a day.

*Van Williams*

## Employees 3 On 3 Basketball

It's March Madness! The City of Wichita Employees 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament will be held from 9 a.m. until approximately 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 28 at Lynette Woodard Recreation Center, 2750 E. 18<sup>th</sup>.

All employees are encouraged to participate in this free tournament. T-shirts will be provided for all participants. To register, please contact Mickey Lara at 268-4316 or email [mlara@wichita.gov](mailto:mlara@wichita.gov).



## Q & A With Council Member Fearey



**S**haron Fearey is a Wichita native who has represented the City as Council Member for Wichita's 6th District, since April 2001. Her last day on the City Council will be April 14.

Prior to joining the Wichita City Council, she was a member of the Historic Preservation Board for 10 years. Keeping the character of Wichita's diverse neighborhoods is a top priority for Fearey. She is an active board member and former president of the Historic Midtown Citizens Association.

Fearey is an advocate for citizens behaving responsibly during the holiday season. In this effort, she has been a proponent of the Celebrate Safely campaign to end celebratory gunfire for several years.

Fearey knows first hand how citizen involvement can bring about great change for our community. She served as the co-chair for the 2000 USD 259 Bond Master Plan and Vice Chair for the very successful 2000 Bond Election Campaign that brought much needed renovations to aging Wichita public schools as well as the addition of new educational facilities.

In addition to her duties as a Council Member, Fearey serves on committees and boards for various organizations including the Wichita Downtown Development Corporation, the Old Cowtown Museum and The Kansas African American Museum. She is also a member of the Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. She is a tutor for John Marshall Middle School and serves on the Visioneering Wichita Steering Committee.

Fearey is an alumna of Wichita Heights High School, Kansas State University and

has a Masters of Science degree in Personnel Administration from Wichita State University. She is married to Dr. Alan Fearey and they are the proud parents of two daughters, Alana and Laura.

**Q** Your mother was a Marine. How did she shape you?

My mother had a very acerbic tongue and a quick wit that I think she developed during her parachute packing Marine Corp days. I think I inherited that from her and it can get me into trouble. It also got me on YouTube after I made the joke about selling my vote for nuts regarding an item having to do with the Nifty Nut House! My mother also taught me that you can do anything you set your mind to and that giving up or being bored is not an option. Whenever I was upset about something, she told me that things would look better in the morning – something that still holds true.

Humor is also important. These quotes always make me laugh:

"You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say will be misquoted and used against you."

"Despite the cost of living, have you noticed how it remains so popular?"

"Good judgment comes from experience, and experience - well, that comes from poor judgment." - A.A. Milne

**Q** What do you think about term limits?

I don't think much about term limits. They were here when I first got elected and had been voted in by the citizens of Wichita so they were just a fact of being elected twice. I would be reluctant to want to make a change unless there was a groundswell of people calling for it.

**Q** What accomplishments are you most proud of?

Anything that had to do with making

our city better for kids. The new Evergreen Library, improvements at Riverside Park, getting new park space in the far northern part of the district, new bike paths, and continuing the work toward making downtown a special place for people to gather are all things that come immediately to mind.

**Q** What is your biggest disappointment?

It was hard to see the Renaissance Square (formerly Center City Organized Revitalization Effort) project fall apart at the final hour. It is a great project put together by churches and Inter Faith Ministries. Their goal is "the fostering of community in the center city through planned residential projects that would be inclusive, diverse and cosmopolitan." What a great thing to have in a largely vacant, depressed part of our core area.

**Q** Any plans to seek another office?

Never say never, but I have to garden first.

**Q** How do you plan to stay involved in civic life and drive the issues you support?

Being involved is just a part of my life. I don't have a lot of concrete plans, but I'm sure you haven't seen the last of me yet.

**Q** What will you miss most when you leave the Council?

Definitely being with people every day and trying to work through issues, problems and projects that I hope (and think) will make our city a better place for everyone.

**Q** If you could attend any actual historic event, what event would that be, and what would you be doing there?

I would be fighting along with every woman who sacrificed for women's right to vote. Without them I would never have had this wonderful, glorious, extraordinary, unforgettable opportunity to serve my community to the best of my ability.

## Traffic Signal Upgrade Wins Air Quality Award

The City's traffic signals are turning green – thanks to a program to upgrade all of the City's incandescent traffic signal 'lamps' (lightbulbs) to LEDs (light emitting diodes). LEDs reduce the energy consumption of an intersection by approximately 80%. The electric bill for the signals at Hillside and Harry, for example, have gone from \$112/month to \$30/month. The program was recognized by the 2009 Regional Energy Conference and Fair in Wichita on Jan. 31.

The traffic signal upgrade, which is approximately 48 percent complete, significantly reduces the carbon footprint of the City's traffic signal system. Lower electrical consumption translates to a substantial reduction in carbon emissions. Once all the new lamps are installed, projected to be late 2009, monthly energy usage is expected to go down by more than 290,000 kWh. This is enough to power 391 homes in Wichita.

This means a significant energy cost savings to taxpayers. At the beginning of the conversion, the City spent almost a half million dollars annually on electricity to power its traffic signals. The LED conversion is expected to save \$275,000 per year in energy costs.

As an added benefit, LED lamps last up to ten years, compared to a life expectancy of only two years for incandescent lamps, which means that labor and fuel for signal maintenance will also be reduced in coming years.

Public Works' Traffic Maintenance and Traffic Engineering sections are mindful of the environmental impact of their operations, as well as costs to the taxpayers. Future projects include city-wide coordination of the traffic signal system to improve traffic flow, which is anticipated to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 65,000 tons annually.

*Gail Williams*

## Point-in-Time Survey

The Point-in-Time Survey is a community-wide activity to determine the number of homeless persons in our area, and more importantly, to hear from them as to their needs. The federal government requires cities who receive homeless assistance funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, to conduct such a count/survey during the last week of January each year. Wichita receives federal funding to subsidize costs for housing homeless persons on a permanent basis and to support homeless shelters which provide temporary housing. Funds are also used for staff costs in agencies which provide counseling and case management for homeless persons. The United Way of the



Some of the City employees who volunteered to help with the survey.

Plains coordinates the activity and relies on community volunteers to help conduct the surveys. City and County government have been supportive over the years because of our commitment to serve all citizens. The City had 18 volunteers who participated in the survey. Below are some of their unique perspectives on the experience:

"Luckily most of the people were sheltered from the cold. We did find an 18 year old in a sleeping bag alongside the Murdock bridge. We were afraid at first that we had found a body and not a person. It took 5 or 6 loud requests before we got a response from within the snow covered sleeping bag. The temperature that morning was 3 or 5 degrees."

"This experience was very insightful for me. I have had previous experience working with the homeless but they had always come into my place of business – not me going to their living quarters. Participation in the Point-in-Time Count was an eye opening experience. While looking under a bridge, my partner and I actually found a person's belongings. We did not speak with a person but assumed that he/she would eventually return to stay or collect their belongings. This put things into a new perspective for me."

"It was truly a humbling experience that I won't forget for a very long time, if ever."

"When I saw sleeping bags in 'protected' areas under bridges with no padding under them, I thought how cold and miserable that would be and how vulnerable one would be in an 'urban camping' situation."

*Mary K. Vaughn*

## Carthalite May Be Unique to Wichita

There has been an increased interest in historic preservation in Wichita as a result of the re-discovery of a remarkable, but little-known, building product called Carthalite.

Carthalite incorporates particles of sand, crushed rock and/or crushed glass into cement with mineral pigments. In the mid-1920s, the Cement Stone and Supply Company (the precursor to today's Lusco Brick & Stone Co.) devised a method of incorporating brightly colored Carthalite motifs within a background of gray or white as decorative trim on an assortment of buildings in Wichita.

In Wichita, many companies manufactured plain cast components, but Cement Stone and Supply appears to be the only company which used the trade name "Carthalite" for all its cast concrete products.

Cement Stone and Supply introduced another innovation by using crushed colored glass as an aggregate in some of its designs. These tiny translucent shards are quite evident in the Native American motifs on the Minisa Bridge and the Art Deco patterns on the WPA Comfort Station in North Riverside Park. Colored panels are known to have been produced for 14 buildings in Wichita, 13 of which still stand. They include the City's original Airport Administration building, an apartment building, three elementary schools, four retail buildings, a synagogue, a small office building, a park restroom, the Minisa Bridge and a private residence. According to some architectural historians, Carthalite may be unique to Wichita.



Carthalite at Minisa Bridge

## District Advisory Boards Meet City Manager



District Advisory Board Members meet with City Manager Robert Layton at a reception at CityArts.

In February, the Neighborhood Services Division of the City Manager's Office hosted a reception at CityArts to introduce the new City Manager, Mr. Robert Layton, to District Advisory Board (DAB) members. DABs are groups of 11 individuals in each of the six city districts chosen by their respective council person to meet monthly and provide feedback on critical issues affecting neighborhoods and the City as a whole. Approximately 40 people attended including Council Members, department heads, DAB members and other staff to enjoy light conversation and refreshments with Mr. Layton. The new city manager addressed the group and complimented the DAB process by stating that it added a citizen engagement component to the transparent government process that Wichita values. He further stated that since he had not been exposed to DABs in his previous position, he is looking forward to working closely with them to address and resolve neighborhood concerns.

*Kelli Glassman*

## GFOA Distinguished Budget Award

The Finance Department was awarded the "Distinguished Budget Award" by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The GFOA award is a benchmark to demonstrate that a budget is proficient as a policy document, a financial plan, an operational guide and a communications device. The award is based on a peer review, and budgets are rated on 81 different criteria. The City of Wichita received the highest rating possible on 37 of the 81 criteria. In fact, one peer reviewer noted that the city budget was "one of the best, if not the best" budget document they had seen.

This marks the 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive year the City has received this award. Of the roughly 35,000 units of government in the US, around 1,000 receive the GFOA award. In Kansas, only 13 entities (including the City of Wichita) have been recognized.



Budget Staff

## Library Shares Knowledge at Conference

The Kansas Library Association/Mountain Plains Library Association Joint Conference 2009, "Dynamic People, Places and Ideas," will be held April 1-3 at Century II and the Hyatt Regency. The Wichita Public Library will have strong representation at the Conference, sharing its best practices with attendees from twelve states. Presentations include:

- "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation or Customer Service Improvement?": Nina Hand, Jennifer Heinicke, Ofonime Ikpe, Jaime Prothro, Sarah Shetlar and Ken Warner
- "Making The Big Read BIG!": Jennifer Heinicke with Jennifer Mahnken, Johnson County Public Library; Susan Moyer, Dorothy Bramlage Public Library in El Dorado; Leah Oswald, Iola Public Library and Marie Pyko, Topeka-Shawnee County Public Library
- "Painless Promotion: Marketing by Email": Jennifer Heinicke
- "Plays Well With Others," a discussion of how libraries can successfully partner with community organizations: Julie Linneman



Several Library staff members are participating in events in conjunction with WALA, the Wichita Area Library Association. Library staff members are also playing key roles in making local arrangements for the conference. Jean Hatfield is overseeing those efforts.

*Jerrod Ketchersid*

## Mike Mayta, Interim Chief Information Officer



Mike Mayta has been appointed to serve as Interim Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the City of Wichita. The CIO position was vacated in early February when Jim Norris announced his resignation. Norris had filled the position since November 2006.

City Manager Robert Layton announced Mayta's appointment to the IT/IS staff in a departmental email on March 3. The CIO oversees the City of Wichita IT/IS department which consists of 56 employees working in the areas of geographical information systems (GIS), application development/support, networking, telecommunications and administration in support of the information technology needs of all 19 city departments.

Mayta has been with the City IT/IS department since October 1998 and currently serves as the IT/IS Application Development Manager. He holds bachelor's degrees in graphic design, business (MIS) and an MBA from Wichita State University and has over 13 years of experience in the development field. His experience includes work in both the private and public sector. He currently provides leadership for numerous E-government initiatives, including authoring of the City of Wichita's E-government master plan, as well as serving on a number of internal teams and as a trainer for the Transforming Wichita effort.

Through his career, Mayta has served on technology committees, board of directors, presented for numerous national conferences and is currently an adjunct faculty member in the School of Business at Wichita State University. He has also consulted for a variety of organizations including Weber State University and Parthenon Publishing (New York, London).

## Bus Shelter Art

Three murals have been installed in three Wichita Transit bus shelters. The art was made possible through a partnership with Wichita Public Schools. Students from North, Northwest and Northeast High Schools designed and painted the panels. The bus shelter art is part of the efforts to revitalize the 21st Street area.

"We are very impressed with the artistic talent of these students," Wichita City Council Member Sharon Fearey said. "The panels will add an artistic flair to the community and turn the shelters into more welcoming places for Wichita Transit riders to wait for the bus."

Over the next few months a total of eight murals will be installed at Wichita Transit bus shelters. Four of the eight bus shelters are new additions to the Wichita Transit routes.



Bus shelter mural located at 21st and Chautauqua.

## Events at Century II

### Theatrical / Music Productions:

Tickets to the following events can be purchased through WichitaTIX (except where noted) at [www.wichitatix.com](http://www.wichitatix.com) or by calling 219-4TIX.

**Wichita Wurlitzer Pops Concert**, presented by Wichita Theatre Organ, 7 p.m., March 21 in Exhibition Hall. For ticket information, call 838-3127.

**Swan Lake**, featuring the Moiseev Russian Classical Ballet and hosted by the Wichita Grand Opera, 3 p.m., March 22 in Concert Hall. For ticket information, visit [www.wichitagrandopera.com](http://www.wichitagrandopera.com) or call 262-8054.

**“Never Would’ve Made it Tour” with Marvin Sapp**, presented by A Talent Showcase Production, 7:30 p.m., April 3 in Convention Hall.

**Honk!**, presented by Music Theatre for Young People, 7:30 p.m., April 17; 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m., April 18; 2:30 p.m. & 7 p.m., April 19 in Mary Jane Teall Theater.



Swan Lake

**Classics – The Pines of Rome**, featuring pianist Adam Neiman and presented by Wichita Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m., April 18 and 3 p.m., April 19 in Concert Hall. For ticket information, visit [www.wso.org](http://www.wso.org) or call 267-7658.

### Consumer Show:

Tickets for this event are purchased at the door.

**Fun Fair for Kids**, presented by Entercom, from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., April 18 in Expo Hall.

For more information about these and other upcoming events, visit [www.century2.org](http://www.century2.org) or call 316-264-9121.

Jacob House

## March Exhibitions at Wichita Art Museum



Patrick Duegaw (b. 1966), *The Builder, Removed* (detail), 2008. Mixed media on sheetrock.

**The Builder, Removed: Scenes from the Painted Theatre Project**, March 15 through April 26, 2009.

Local artist Patrick Duegaw created this exhibition featuring paintings on sheetrock, and drawings over obsolete architectural drawings and on various salvaged materials. The exhibition is an ongoing documentary. It is part installation, part theater production. In place of thespians, objects, and a stage, it instead features painted characters, props, and a set.

**Elevations: Exploring the Architectural Beauty of Grain Elevators** through July 19, 2009.

In his exhibition, photographer Larry Blackwood approaches photographing elevators much as someone would explore the architectural features of buildings designed with artistic beauty foremost in mind. In contrast to buildings designed primarily to make an architectural statement, elevators are more about function than form. Yet the wide variety of elevator sculptural shapes and textures, as well as the play of shadows across the structures, provides as rich a source of images as any building or cathedral.

**Photogravures, Recent Gifts from Donna R. Bailey and Cornelia R. Yohr** through April 12, 2009.

Experience works of art created with the photogravure process in the Wichita Art Museum's permanent collection. The photogravure process has played an important role in the evolution of fine art photography.

Crystal Walter

<u>Retirees</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Yrs. Of Service</u>
Michael D. Custer	Fire	35 yrs. 00 mo.
Ronald W. Meadows	Fire	33 yrs. 02 mo.
Kelly L. Diel	Public Works	25 yrs. 06 mo.
Patric M. Cunningham	Police	12 yrs. 09 mo.
Herbert H. Shaner	OCI	07 yrs. 08 mo

<u>Retiree Deaths</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Rebecca J. Haselhorst	Police	12/15/2008
Elwood L. Neely	Fire	02/17/2009
Edward R. Azim	OCI	02/19/2009
Wilbur B. Mohr	Police	03/11/2009

Congratulations to these employees who have reached 10, 25 and 30 year career milestones with the City. Contact Carolyn Bowen in Human Relations if you have questions regarding the Career Award Program.

<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>30 Years</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>
Kenneth P. Rodgers	30 years	Fire
Jeffery T. McClernon	30 years	Fire
Douglas K. Acuna	30 years	Fire
Kenneth R. Schofield	30 years	Fire
John K. Tabler	30 years	Fire
Carolyn K. Gales	30 years	Municipal Court

<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>10 Years</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>
Emily A. Frost	10 years	Police
Kevin E. Shore	10 years	Public Works
Rebecca Fields	10 years	City Council
Jodi Hanks	10 years	Finance
Raymond J. Shellman	10 years	Water Utilities
Shelia M. Kessinger	10 years	Public Works
Paula S. McVey	10 years	Police
Kelly J. Godfrey	10 years	Police

	<u>25 Years</u>	<u>DEPT.</u>
Maryann Crockett	25 years	Planning
Jerry W. Himebaugh	25 years	Park
Linda Baker	25 years	Park
Brad Reha	25 years	Library
Robert Lambert	25 years	Park

	<u>30 Years</u>	
Donna D. Williams	30 years	Housing
Robert J. Laughlin	30 years	Public Works

**Steve Coberley, Published Author**

Along with WSU faculty, Steve Coberley, Senior Accountant in Finance, contributed to the recently published *Handbook of Governmental Accounting*. Steve's experience was utilized in the chapter addressing accounting and reporting for proprietary funds, which in the City are the Water Utilities, Airport, Storm Water, Transit and Golf. We're fortunate to have Steve's experience and talent at the City and pleased that his knowledge is recognized on a far broader level.



**New Faces in the Law Department**

Jaime Blackwell joined the Prosecutors Office on Dec. 8. She graduated from the University of San Diego School of Law and has worked as an attorney for three years before joining the city.



Jamie Blackwell

Prior to her employment with the city, she was an Assistant Saline County Attorney prosecuting adult and juvenile cases. Currently she prosecutes Domestic Violence cases as well as Environmental Court cases.



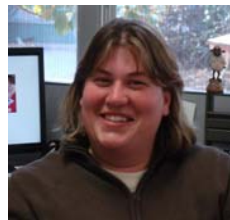
Cynthia Dameron

Cynthia Dameron joined the Law Department as a volunteer Legal Office Assistant intern in February. She is currently in the Legal Office Assistant Program with Cowley County Community College. When her internship of 250 hours loomed on the horizon she began to network with family and friends to find a position. A friend mentioned the City Attorney's Office and Dameron contacted the office.

After an interview she was offered the internship position. However, she doesn't plan to stop her education here. Dameron currently has an Associate's of Arts degree in accounting. She plans to continue on to a Bachelor's Degree in Paralegal/Legal Assistant. Her strategy includes attending online and evening courses. In the meantime, she is experiencing the workings of a governmental legal office.

**Standardized Food Inspectors**

Maren Taylor and Remilde Schotsborg, inspectors in the Dept. of Environmental Services, are now fully standardized food inspectors. Standardization is the final step in an 18-month training process for all food inspectors. Standardization involves conducting several restaurant inspections in the presence of an officer from the Kansas Department of Agriculture and helps to ensure that all inspectors enforce the Kansas Food Code equally and properly.



Maren Taylor



Remilde Schotsborg

Schotsborg began working for the city in 1996 in Sewage Treatment. She transferred to the Dept. of Environmental Services to be a food inspector in June of 2007. Taylor began working for the city as a food inspector in June of 2007. Schotsborg and Taylor are two of eight staff members in the Food Protection and Tobacco Control program, which is responsible for inspecting approximately 2,000 restaurants and schools and 500 grocery establishments each year, as well as for conducting tobacco compliance checks and enforcing the City's smoking ban.

## Mayor's Letter to President Obama

Dear Mr. President:

During your Feb. 24 address to Congress, you appropriately criticized corporate CEOs who "disappear on private jets." I share your concern about the poor public image conveyed by such misuse.

And, while I personally agree that corporate abuse of business jet travel cannot be tolerated in these current economic times, it is important to remember that business jets are still an essential part of a successful national business plan. It is also important to remember that the responsible use of corporate jets will help spur our national economic recovery, maximizing productivity by minimizing travel times for key personnel.



Citation business jet

It would be tragic if that essential business fundamental was lost amid the sensational news coverage of ill-advised corporate jet travel by a tiny percentage of corporate America.

As mayor of this great Midwestern city that takes great pride in the title of "Air Capital of the World," I urge you to consider the big picture when referencing the misuse of corporate jets. Wichita's long-term relationship with the aircraft manufacturing industry could be severely damaged if the corporate jet market is marginalized in the national debate over our struggling economy. But the loss of jobs locally in Wichita is only a small part of the national loss if corporate jet travel is unfairly disparaged.

Business jet manufacturing is a major part of our local and state economy, but it doesn't stop there. Maintenance of Air Force One is performed right here in Wichita, Kansas. And every job created in the aircraft industry spins off nearly three other jobs that provide a great quality of life. Those numbers are too important to forget as we work together to fix our ailing economy.

I'd encourage you to take a first-hand look at this economic engine that pays off with high-quality jobs for our community. I would be honored to personally escort you on a tour of our local manufacturers. Most importantly, I stand ready to assist you in meeting the great challenges that lie ahead.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mayor Carl Brewer

## How to Do Business Workshop

To assist vendors in doing business with the City, the Purchasing Department has established a web site for vendors, <http://ep.wichita.gov>, and a document, "How to do Business with the City of Wichita," which contains vendor information and also explains how the Purchasing web site will make it easier for vendors to conduct business. The 2009 Workshop Schedule is also posted online with the times and dates for these workshops. The City of Wichita will co-host these workshops with the Wichita Public Schools (USD 259). The first workshop for 2009 will be from 5 to 6 p.m., Monday, March 23, at the Atwater Neighborhood City Hall, 2755 E. 19th Street N. For more information, please contact Shirley Mast at 316-268-4508. No registration fee is required for these workshops.

*Janice Briggs*

## IRISE Winners for March

Julie Scott	Finance	Felicia Franklin	Park	Kenneth Stillwell	Public Works
Alejandra Cossio	Finance	Gavin Seiler	Police	Kipper Toland	Public Works
Lisa White	HR	Al Ward	Police	Alejandro Carachure	Public Works
Anne Warren	HR	Reginald Chaney	Police	Stanley Wooley	Public Works
Anne Cravens	Library	Jeffrey Watson	Public Works	Randall Ricard	Public Works
Mark Torres	Library	George McCarthy	Public Works	Jacob Poore	Water Utilities
Karina Villarreal	Library	Abbey Buggs	Public Works		

**CITY CONNECTION TEAM**-Debbie Aviks-CMO; Gordon Bassham-Police; Megan Buckmaster-CMO; LeeAnn Casey-HR; Heidi Cleveland,-CDO; Vallery Fields-Transit; Larry Foos-Park; Dale Goter-CMO; Elaine Hammons-OCI; Mike Hampel-Planning; Jennifer Heinicke-Library; Lisa Hilyard, Env. Services; Kay Hurdle-Law; Angela Cato-Water; Denise Klug-IT/IS; Deb Legge-OCI; Lauragail Locke-CMO; Donte Martin-M.C.; Tabitha Meyer-CityArts; Michelle Rucker-Housing; Marge Seger-Finance; Michelle Stroot-CMO; Bob Thompson-Fire; Denise Tipton- Water; Gail Williams-P.W.; Van Williams-CMO; Valerie Wise-Airport