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Green Lantern will open another location in Wichita next summer at K-96 and Rock Road. Demolition crews razed the former Ryan's Steakhouse building to construct the 13,000 square foot building. The construction plans include the company's customary car wash bay and four areas that will be used for detailing. This will be Green Lantern's third Wichita location, joining sites near Kellogg and Greenwich and 21st Street North and Maize Road. Grant Glasgow and Troy Farha, Commercial Advisors at NAI Martens, brokered the deal.



Congratulations to **Kris Wessel, Commercial Advisor for NAI Martens**, for being appointed to serve on the **Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors for 2016!**



Jimmie's Diner will soon open a west side location in the former Ciao's Italian Kitchen space at 21st and Tyler. This will be the owners third location and they anticipate a January opening. Owner Jack Davidson is excited about the space saying it offers "wonderful visibility on 21st Street (and) nice open parking spots." He also appreciates being across the street from the west-side Warren Theatre.

Aldi Inc. opened it's fourth store in the Wichita area on December 10th. The 17,825 square foot store is located in the commercial piece of The Oaks development in Derby. Aldi is adding stores as part of a large expansion nationwide. They plan on adding an average of 130 stores every year across the nation over the next several years. Grant Glasgow, Commercial Advisor at NAI Martens, brokered the deal.



Village at Greenwich is adding 22,000 square feet to the already booming area of 21st Street North and Greenwich. There will be two new multi-tenant buildings east of the Freebirds World Burrito and in front of the hotel developments. The anticipated opening will be sometime in February. The buildings are being reported at being 65% pre-leased. Tenants include All Paws Pet Center (5,600 SF), Mattress Hub (4,200 SF), Meddys Mediterranean casual dining (2,800 SF) and Dickey's Barbeque Pit (2,100 SF).

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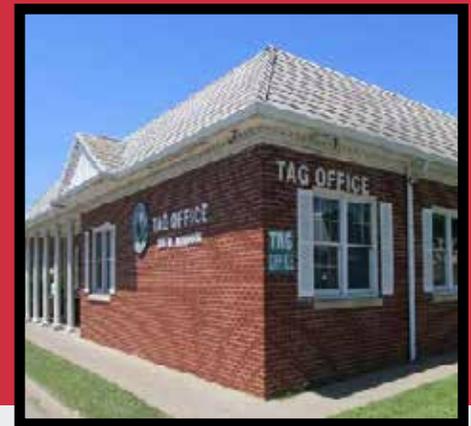


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The nearly 150,000 square foot **Wichita Sports Forum** opened its doors for its first full day of business right after Christmas. The complex will serve multiple purposes for the community housing a 20,000 square foot trampoline park for public use and 120,000 square feet dedicated to various courts and fields for a variety of sports. Matt Baty, GM for Wichita Sports Forum, said that the forum has tournaments booked nearly solid from mid-January through September.



Sedgwick County's Main Tag Office will have a new home soon at the former Dillon's building at Douglas and Meridian. Sedgwick County commissioners unanimously approved the contract on December 8th. Facilities director, Steve Claassen is excited about the close proximity to Kellogg saying that it "should provide most residents with really good access." Another feature the new location boasts is it's parking lot. Available parking will more than quadruple from 32 spaces to 139 spaces. Construction is estimated to take about four months and projected to open in the end of May.



EPIC Heart & Surgery Center opened in mid-December near 34th Street North and Webb Road. The 8,000 square foot, free-standing facility will serve as a general surgery center and a heart catheterization lab. The name "EPIC" was chosen as an acronym for Electrophysiology and Interventional Cardiology by six physicians who are investors in the project.



Little Caesars has confirmed they will be opening a new location south of 47th and Broadway area in the former Papa John's location. "We have been looking at this area for a while now," said Brian and Pam Morris of Little Caesars. "This location will fill a geographical need and be a great fit for this trade area." This is the third location for their franchise group. Renovations are underway and the store anticipates opening in the first quarter of 2016.

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Site work for the **Aloft Hotel** has begun near K-96 and Oliver. Susayn Brandes, CEO of Great Plain Ventures, announced the hotel had a ceremonial groundbreaking on Monday, December 21st. Aloft is a brand of Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide Inc, and with the recent announcement of Marriott International Inc. purchasing Starwood Hotels, Brandes says she is unsure of how it will affect Aloft, but they still anticipate the facility to open in Spring 2017.

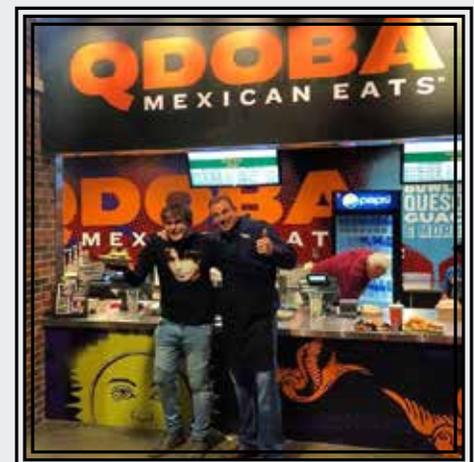


Conco Construction has finished its move to its new headquarters at 3051 N. Ohio Street. After 25 years in the same location, Conco executives decided it was necessary to find a bigger space for future development. They now occupy a 24-acre site, which they will be using 12 of those acres for its immediate needs and the additional acres for potential growth. The new campus also hosts a 17,200 square foot building being used for Conco's shop and maintenance needs, a 13,502 square foot building for the company's offices and a 10,000 square foot building for storage. Grant Glasgow, Commercial Advisor for NAI Martens, brokered the deal.



A new **QuikTrip** location has been announced for the south-east corner of Harry and Oliver. QuikTrip received rezoning approval but has permitting to finish before construction can begin. This store is meant to eventually replace the QuikTrip at Harry and Edgemoor. Mike Thornbrugh, QuikTrip spokesman, stated they have a long way to go and gave no timeline before the new store will be ready.

Qdoba, the build-your-own burrito store that opened on Rock Road last spring is the latest restaurant to join the Intrust Bank arena. Qdoba's kiosk, in the former Carlos O'Kelly's space near section 121, had its big debut during the Garth Brooks concert series. The arena's director of sales and marketing, Christine Pileckas, is working on revamping the food choices on the main concourse and hopes to add second locations of the food vendors to the upper concourse next year.



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