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Community of Reading Vision Statement: A renewed community built on Commitment, Faith, and Families. "Come grow with us!"



City of Reading

Meeting called to order by Mayor, Kevin council members present were: Heather, Todd, Bill, and David. Jenifer Hanneman was absent. City employees present were: Tom and Joyce Carol Ann was absent. We had two guests/visitors: Tom Willard and Doug Markley. Doug asked about availability of city lots for sale on Vine St. Kevin said to check with housing committee. Tom commented about community property looking so bad. Carol is to put signs in kitchen so when building is used people will know the cleaning duties. There are to be no decorations hung on walls or ceilings with tape or nails. You can hang things from the bars that hold up the ceiling tiles but all decorations must be taken down when done.

Next Council meeting is February 4th at 7:00 p.m. ; public is welcome.

Book your parties and reunions as we have already started booking events for 2016. Up to four hour rentals are \$40.00 over four hours is \$60.00. Everyone is subject to a \$100.00 refundable deposit.

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United Methodist Church



Children's Sunday School: During Service
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Open Hearts Open Minds Open Doors

The church will be open and the pastor present from 4 - 7 P.M. on February 10, Ash Wednesday, for anyone wishing to come in for prayer and imposition of ashes. All are welcome. No formal service is planned, simply an opportunity for people to come in as schedule permits to begin their Lenten journey.

Lenten study

The church is offering a Lenten study, using the book "A Clearing Season" by Sarah Parsons, on Wednesday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30 P.M., beginning February 17 and running through Holy Week. The book is available online or from the Disciple Shoppe in Emporia, or contact Pas or Nancy (620-443-5371) by February 8 to reserve a copy.

Advent study

Have you ever wondered what makes the Methodist Church "Methodist"? Come join us for the final weeks of our study of the history of the Methodist Church and its founding family, the Wesley Family. Church services begin at 11:00am with Pastor Nancy Brown.

Jan 31st - We will learn about Charles Wesley's music and the role the Wesley Family felt music had in worship.

Feb 7th - RUMC-TV live interview with "John Wesley". Tea and Treats reception following. Interview open to questions from the audience.

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UMCOR (ERT) Early Response Team Training

If you are willing to be involved in the early days following a disaster come to this training!

- What: Early Response Team Training (Disaster Response)
- Where: RUMC, 25 Franklin St, Reading, KS
- When: 3/5/2016 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Meal: snacks, beverages and lunch provided

Not a first response group of emergency workers nor a recovery rebuild or repair team: the purpose of ERT's is to fill a specific need in the early days after a disaster of being a Christian presence of the church. ERT's respond only after they have been requested by the effected community.

Come learn about where United Methodists are involved, what is a disaster, how do we get prepared for a disaster, what we can do when a disaster strikes, how the disaster response plan is activated, how to be a caring presence to communities facing disaster recovery, and hear stories about how we do not harm the recovery process for individuals.

You will also learn about the roles Early Response Teams plan in the early days after a disaster:

- Provide a Christian presence, be a part of the caring ministry of "listeners"
- Take steps to prevent further damage to a family's personal property:
tarps, flood clean-out, debris removal
- Help manage donated materials, gather information, or do other things needed in the community
- Observe survivor's needs and report those to the local disaster operations

Various tasks are assigned to an ERT by those selected by the community to command the response, but no task is more important than the purpose of ERT than being a part of the ministry of "listeners" who help survivors begin to heal. Team members must respect that some work on damaged homes may, in fact, jeopardize the survivors eligibility for greater assistance. Teams and team members must pledge to be part of the solution and not become the problem, to join in the response rather than initiate their own desires. ERT team members must obtain Safe Gatherings <<http://www.greatplainsumc.org/safegatherings>> certification and be able to respond with little advance notice, putting personal plans on hold when the call to respond comes your way.

Registration fee covers course materials, snacks, lunch and instructor travel costs. For more information, contact Steve Burnett at srburnit@gmail.com.



Baptist Church
Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
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Miracle Cafe

We are planning on opening soon The Miracle Mini Mart in the green room. We will have extended hours and open 7 days a week. We will be starting with a small inventory. If you have items you would like to see carried please give me a call or put it out on facebook. We already have on hand a lot of grocery items because of the Café. We want to be of service to the community by saving you some additional trips to Emporia for just one or two small items. We are planning on an opening date of March 1st.

We will also be making some changes at the Café. A few price increases are needed and we will be changing how we figure the taxes. This is not something that we want to do but in today's economy it is a necessary evil.

We hope all our loyal customers will understand. We greatly appreciate this community and our neighbors. We are extremely proud of how far we have come together and look forward to the next few years and watching Reading grow and prosper. Reta & Eugene Jackson

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Reading Community Development

RCD is putting together a cookbook. Do you have recipes new or old you would like to submit for the cookbook? These can be yours, your mother's, your children or whomever. To submit your recipes please email Melissa Siler at dmsiler@seamless.net or Marion Jones at marionjones72@gmail.com. You may hand or leave them at the Miracle Cafe. Our goal is to have the books ready before Alumniweekend and the Reading fish fry. Everyone is looking forward to all of your delicious recipes.



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Don't forget February 13th will be a special "Dinner Out with your Girl Scout". Each girl is inviting someone special to join her for a catered dinner at the Miracle Café on that night to celebrate being "her". A special thanks to Reta Jackson for helping us with this tasty dinner.

We will meet on February 8th and 22nd. Heather Jones

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co

We wish to remind our debit card customers that you may use your card to withdraw cash at any ATM where you see the logo Shazam or Cirrus. However, you will be subject to whatever fee the bank that owns the ATM charges - \$1.00, \$2.00 or more. A quick and easy way to also get cash is at a store where you are already making a purchase with your debit card. When you swipe it, a question will pop up asking "do you want cash back?" Say "yes" and there will be no charge for it.

The Reading Post Office is a full service facility and is in full operation. Please use our local post office to buy stamps, mail packages, whatever your needs are. The townspeople worked so diligently to get our post office back, let's be sure we get to keep it by giving them as much business as possible!

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Reading School

The character trait for February is Self-Discipline. Self-Discipline--Controlling of one's own thoughts and behavior.

Before you do it, ask yourself...is it necessary? Is it kind? Is it right? The color of the month is pink. The Lyon County Spelling Bee will be Wednesday, February 3, at 9:45 a.m. at Olpe Schools. Makenna French, Sierra Dempsey, and Greta Crawford will represent Reading School in the spelling bee. Mrs. Shari Beatty is the sponsor.

KANSAS STATE ASSESSMENTS 2016

The Kansas State Board of Education has established curricular standards for all students in the core subjects of reading, mathematics, science, social studies and writing. The standards are general statements of what students should know and be able to do at various grade levels and are provided to schools as a guide in preparing curriculum.

Assessments were developed by the State to ensure students are meeting the expectations established by the State Board. Students at all accredited schools in the state are required to participate in the assessments.

Grades three through six will be taking the Math and Reading Assessment in February and April. Fifth grade will take the Science Assessment in April. Sixth grade will take the Social Studies Assessment in April.

This time of the school year seems to be the annual test taking time. I would like to pass along some tips that might make these stressful days easier for your students.

Test Taking Tips

- Get a good night's sleep before the test.
- Have a nutritious breakfast.
- Dress comfortably.
- Bring all materials you need.
- Relax...take slow, deep breaths.
- Follow directions carefully.
- Read each question.
- Answer the easy questions first.
- Move on if you don't know an answer.
- Mark answers carefully.
- Review to make sure you've answered every question.
- Don't change any answers unless you are sure they are wrong.



Please remember to help your child dress according to the weather. The students will have recess outside as the weather permits. Even with inside recess, please send with your child a coat, hat and gloves. If your family does not have these items, please let your child's teacher know.

In case of severe weather, school closings will be broadcast over radio stations WIBW in Topeka, KVOE in Emporia and KANS 92.9 in Emporia. Notices will also be announced over television channels 13, 27, and 49 in Topeka and through the automated phone system.

ETIQUETTE AND MANNERS THEME DAY

Friday, January 8, 2016, was our Etiquette and Manners Theme Day. Reading students spend the morning rotating through nine different stations. The student body was divided into groups. The groups were named: Respect, Cooperation, Responsibility, Trustworthy, Honest, Friendly, Caring, Considerate, and Effort. The student groups visited all nine sessions while filling out a passport to good citizenship. After completing the activities and sharing what they learned, students received good character bracelets. Stations presented by community members were:

1. "Gratitude through Writing". Barbara Schmidt, Suzanne Kaniper, and Suzanne Johnson, all retired 251 teachers, worked with students on writing handwritten thank you notes and letters.

2. "Family Table Manners". Tonya Coppock presented on family style table manners. Students actually ate a meal while learning "seated family" table manners.

3. "Community Service Project". Lee Walker, Bev Long, Marion Jones, and Harry Stephens, members of the Kansas Children's Service League, worked on a community service project with the students and talked about the importance of community service. They created blankets to give to children.

4. "Flag Etiquette". Veterans and members of the Emporia American Legion, presented information on flag etiquette.

5. "Etiquette in Nature". Phil Taunton, Roger Wells, and David Farley discussed the importance of nature and being respectful of it. The students were in the gym casting fishing lines to fake fish. There were deer, turkey, frogs and other life size animal models set up for the children to learn about and enjoy. Phil Taunton also talked on his live KVOE radio show while he was at Reading. He featured Reading students Hank Phillips and Colby on his show. The last four stations were presented by NHHS students.

6. STUCO: "Team Building". Curtis Becker, sponsor, and members Ian Malcolm, Kaitlyn Houck, Jessica Finney, and Courtney Smart gave a presentation on Team Building.

7. Forensics: "Modeling Manners". Members, Aubrie Arevalo, Jacie Geist, and Mallory Plankinton presented Modeling Manners.

8. FFA: "Global Manners". Jacob Lang, sponsor, and members Kara Horton, Karsen DeWeese, Trinity Case, and Andrea Anderson, presented etiquette on Global Manners.

9. FBLA: "Electronic Etiquette". Members Claire Hamlin and Maddie Glaser presented to students about electronic etiquette.

It was a great morning of learning. We are very proud of and thankful for our Reading students and teachers, NHHS students and sponsors, and community presenters.

Calendar of Events

Feb. 1	Site Council 6pm/PTO 6:30pm
Feb. 3	Lyon County Spelling Bee Olpe Schools 9:45am
Feb. 15	NO SCHOOL/In Service
Feb. 17	Class Pictures & Spring Portraits











Reading 4-H

Reading 4-H Club met on January 9th at The Miracle Café. There was much discussion regarding the upcoming 4-H Club days and the different opportunities that are available for our members to participate. The Club voted to do a skit involving all our members and our leaders encouraged all of the members to also try to do a talk or music. Deadline for registration is January 29th. Our next meeting will be February 10th at the community building. All members should arrive early 5:30pm to work on the skit.

We then worked our Chili and Soup Supper fundraiser at the Cafe. We want to thank all the community members who came out to support us and very generously brought food items to pack the pantries of North Lyon County; which is our ongoing community service project. Great job 4-H members, 4-H Parents and Grandparents. Our first fundraiser was a great success. Crue Jackson, Reporter

February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Facebook Reading, Kansas Community Page 	Sirens test 1 NLC Quiz Bowl at Chase County 4:30pm All Site Based Council 6pm PTO: Reading 6:30 NLC 7pm	2 BB-Burlingame at NHHS 4:45pm	3 Coffee Club FBLA District Conference DCC meeting 4pm Lyon County Spelling Bee 9:45am  Trash Pickup	City Council 7pm 4 Scholars Bowl Regionals Recycling Trailer 	Smoked Meatloaf 5 BB-NHHS at Madison 4:45pm	6 Music-Regionals-Piano ACT Test BB-NHHS at Lyndon JV Tournament 9am
7 UMC Advent Study	Sirens test 8 Girl Scouts 5pm NLC Quiz Bowl at Osage City 4:30pm	9 National BB_NHHS at Herington 4:45pm	City bills due! 10 Coffee Club FBLA & FCCLA Week Crafting 2-4pm 4H meeting 5:30pm District Cooks 2pm School Board 7pm  Trash Pickup	11 RUMC open Wednesday the 10th 4-7pm	Pulled Pork 12	13 Girl Scout cookie sale begins Dinner Out with your Girl Scout Scholars Bowl State
14 Valentine's Day	Sirens test 15 NO SCHOOL Teacher Inservice Presidents' Day	16 BB-Olpe at NHHS 4:45pm	17 Coffee Club UMC Lenten Study Reading Pictures District Bus Driver meeting 9am  Trash Pickup	18 Americus Pictures NLC at FHJL Band Clinic at ESU 3pm/ Concert 7pm Recycling Trailer 	Mexican 19 BB-NHHS at Hartford 4:45pm	20 Music- State- Piano Info for Newsletter due! 
21 Finished Newsletter Due	Sirens test 22 Girl Scouts 5pm NLC Quiz Bowl at NLC 4:30pm	23 NHHS Dinner Fundraiser 4:30pm Wildcat sign drawing Senior Recognition BB-Waverly at NHHS 4:45pm	24 Coffee Club Crafting 2-4pm After school Teacher inservice 4pm School Board meeting 7pm  Trash Pickup	25	Bacon Ranch 26 Chicken	27
28	Sirens test 29 Coffee Club BB-Sub State Spring Sports Practice begins NLC Quiz Bowl at Mission Vly 4:30pm	NHHS/NLC Fund-raisers The last NHHS home basketball game for the 2015-2016 season will be on Tuesday, February 23rd against Waverly. This will also be senior recognition night. The NHHS freshman class will be holding a chili, Frito pie and loaded baked potato bar with homemade desserts! Serving will start at 4:30 p.m. JV games start at 4:45 p.m. Come out and support your Wildcats! Also, raffle tickets for a custom wood burned Wildcat sign will continue to be sold at remaining NHHS home games (February 2nd, February 16th and February 23rd). Tickets are 1 chance for \$1 or 6 chances for \$5. Drawing will be held on February 23rd and you do not need to be present to win.				



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Reading was the recipient of several thousand hours of UM trained volunteers. This is your opportunity to train yourself to be ready to help others and pass on the gifts we were given.

Contact Steve at srburnit@gmail.com to enroll and get questions answered. You MUST register in advance. See you there!

Roast Beef Luncheon at

Reading United  Methodist Church

33 Franklin, Reading, KS.

Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 12:15 p.m.



- Roast Beef
- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
- Church Green Beans
- Homemade Rolls
- Dessert
- Tea or Coffee
- A donation of \$8 (\$3 for children) is suggested

Proceeds from the luncheon will be used to purchase school supplies for the children at Reading Elementary School for the 2016-17 academic year. Thank you for your continued support!



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Tara Senft brought a few books some time ago. Thanks, Tara. At this time, I feel we should be able to open the library by the first day of spring. I hope more of you will take advantage of the library's availability.

We need to be thinking about *SUMMER PROGRAMS*. If you have any program ideas for youngsters and wish to lead it, let me know as soon as possible. If I can get enough interest in *FACE PAINTING* again, I will lead be glad to lead that program. We could do a *KNITTING* program if anyone is interested. Summer is not the best time to knit, but I could help with the knitting basics. We could make dish cloths or potholders without much expense. Give me a call at 620-699-3472 or stop by the house at 17 Vine if you have an interest in any summer programs for your children. Bette Eby



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Wow! The third nine weeks is almost over. Reading students and teachers have been working hard in their classrooms and preparing for the State Assessment Tests. The students are doing a wonderful job.

The character trait for March is Perseverance - Sticking to a purpose or an aim; never giving up what one has set out to do; to try, try, again; persist. The color of the month is green.

STATE ASSESSMENT NEWS

Students in grades third through sixth are gearing up to take their State Assessments in March and April. Grades Kindergarten through second will be holding a pep rally for grades third through sixth to help them do their best, feel confident, and approach their assessments as positive test takers. A tentative schedule for testing is included.

3rd grade	Reading	March 1 & 2	April 18-20
	Math	March 3	April 11-13
4th grade	Reading	March 1 & 2	April 20-22
	Math	March 1	April 12-14
5th grade	Reading	February 24 & 25	April 19-21
	Math	March 8	April 12-14
	Science	April 5-7	
6th Grade	Reading	March 1-3	March 29-31
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	Social	Studies	April 12-14

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REMINDERS:

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 10, from 1:00-8:00 p.m. There will be NO SCHOOL on Thursday, March 10 and Friday, March 11. Spring Break will be March 14 through March 18, 2016. Daylight Savings Times begins March 13, 2016. Remember, the clock "Springs" forward one hour.

Join us on March 7, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. for the next
PTO Meeting.

Planning for the annual spring carnival has begun and we welcome your participation. The carnival is scheduled for April 29.

Calendar of Events

Mar. 2	Fast Night at Americus School
Mar. 4	End of 3rd Nine Weeks
Mar. 10	NO SCHOOL/1/2Day Work Day Parent/Teacher Conferences 1-8pm
Mar. 11	NO SCHOOL
Mar. 14-18	NO SCHOOL/Spring Break
Mar. 25	NO SCHOOL/Good Friday



For many years we have collected Box Tops for Education and Campbell's Labels for Education. The next shipment of Box Tops for Education will be mailed the end of May. If you have any Box Tops at home, please send them to school with your child. Each box top that is sent in earns ten cents for our school. For the complete list of qualifying products go to <http://www.boxtops4education.com>.

We have been notified that Campbell's Labels for Education will end during the summer of 2016. If you have any Labels for Education, please send them to school with your child. You can find a list of participating products at <http://www.labelsforeducation.com>. These labels are collected to earn items for the classroom.

We have recently registered with Tyson to send in qualifying labels for their A+ Project. Products that qualify may be found at <http://projectaplus.tyson.com>. We must collect at least 100 labels to earn \$24.00. If you use Tyson products, please help us out with this.

Best Choice labels are also collected. When we send in 1000 labels we earn \$30.00. You can find a list of products for Best Choice at <http://bestchoicebrand.com/save-a-label>. Jerry's IGA in Osage City and Reeble's Country Mart in Emporia are two area businesses that sell Best Choice items.



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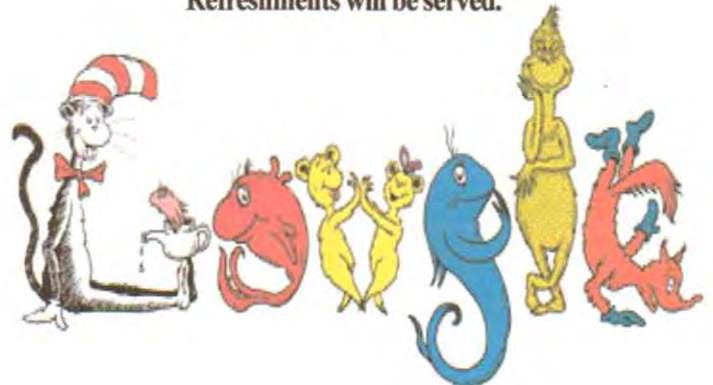
"Families And Schools Together"
Dr. Seuss Theme Night
March 2, 2016, 6:30 p.m.
Americus School



FAST, or Families and Schools Together, is intended for all USD 251 families. It will be an opportunity for families and teachers to come together to enjoy Dr. Seuss themed sessions with your family. USD 251 Staff will provide eight 20 minute sessions over different topics and "hands on fun" for the family. You may choose three sessions to attend for the evening.

1. **Infinite Campus Parent Portal** - (How to view student grades, lunch account, and online payments)
2. **Pathways** - (The theory behind Pathways and what Pathways/courses USD 251 offers.)
3. **The Real Dr. Seuss** - (Dr. Seuss political motivation behind the stories he wrote)
4. **Leadership Opportunities** through Clubs and Organizations for 7th to 12th grade. (Parents and Students will be able to visit with club and organization sponsors to learn about the opportunities they serve our children.
5. **Reading Resources** for Parents and Students
6. **Activities** with Dr. Seuss
7. **Dr. Seuss Interactive Trivia Games**
8. **A Fun Reading Session** with Dr Seuss

**Please join us on March 2, 2016 for
a wonderful evening with your family.
Refreshments will be served.**



March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 BB-Sub State	2 Coffee Club FAST Dr Fuess Night District Cooks meeting 2pm DCC meeting 4pm BB-Sub State Trash Pickup	3 City Council 7pm BB-Sub State Recycling Trailer	4 ACT Registration NLC Donuts w/Dads 7:30am BB-Sub State End of 3rd 9 Wks	5 Disaster Response Training BB-Sub State
6 RUMC Women Dinner	7 Sirens test Girl Scouts 5pm PDC meeting 4pm NLC Quiz Bowl at Council Grove 4:30pm NLC PTO 7pm	8	9 Crafting 2-4pm Coffee Club BB-State 8th Grade Vistation at NHHS District Bus Driver meeting 9am Trash Pickup	10 City bills due! NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences 1-8pm BB-State	11 NO SCHOOL BB-State	12 BB-State
13 Daylight Savings Time begins 	14 Sirens test	15 NO SCHOOL-SPRING BREAK	16 Coffee Club Trash Pickup	17 St Patrick's Day Recycling Trailer	18	19 Info for Newsletter due! 
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Meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Sorensen. Council members present were Dave Siler, Heather Jones, Jennifer Hanneman, Bill Paige and Todd Hensley. Carol Ann Higgins was the only city employee. Tom Corpening was absent and Joyce had come and did her work and had to leave early. We had three guests Tom Willard, Bruce Boettcher and Mark Hanks. Bruce was here to give us more avenues to work for getting another grant for our streets being the one we had put in for, we didn't get. UM Church wanted to know if city would put gravel in front of church and council said yes they would do it. Put in Gazette about application for city clerk, all applications to be in by noon on March 15th, ran it three days. Next meeting will be April 7th at 7:00 PM storm shelter, public welcome. Book your parties and reunions for 2016. Up to four hour rentals are \$40.00 over four hours is \$60.00. Everyone is subject to a \$100.00 refundable deposit.

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Roast Beef Luncheon at

Reading United  Methodist Church

33 Franklin, Reading, KS.

Sunday, April 3rd 2016 at 12:15 p.m.

*On the Menu
this week*

- Roast Beef
- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
- Church Green Beans
- Homemade Rolls
- Dessert
- Tea or Coffee
- A donation of \$8 (\$3 for children) is suggested

Proceeds from the luncheon will be used to purchase school supplies for the children at Reading Elementary School for the 2016-17 academic year. Thank you for your continued support!

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Reading Library

Again the Library had several contributions. Glenda Estes and Kathryn Christian brought some great sounding books. We now have a set of the Narnia books which should entice your children, and several Pearl S. Buck novels. Be sure to come by and check these out.

We have so many great books for children. We need to keep our kids reading this summer when they are out of school. They are used to going to the library at school on a regular basis. Can we continue that practice for the summer so they don't lose the ground they gained while in school?

We have a great selection of books--romance, college-level textbooks, cookbooks (old and newer), biographies, children's (all ages), westerns, adventure, science, space, history, etc. No matter what you are interested in, we probably have it. Stop in and check it out.

I do not plan to establish regular hours for the library. If you want to stop by, come to the house (17 Vine), and we'll go across the street to find what you want. I will be in the library some of each day, but will not establish specific hours. Hope we get more interest in *reading in Reading*. Need to keep the kids reading so they don't lose ground during the summer. Bette Eby

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Reading School

I hope all of you are enjoying the spring weather. The school year is almost over. The students continue to take the state assessments this month. They are working hard and doing a great job. The Character Trait for April is Friendship----- accepting, giving, sharing, feeling, and enjoying companionship with others. The color of the month is yellow.

Calendar of Events

Apr. 4	Site Council Meeting 6pm
	PTO 6:30pm
Apr. 19	Kindergarten Round Up 6:30pm
Apr. 25	4th Grade Day at the Farm Trip
Apr. 26	Spring Concert 6:30pm
Apr. 29	PTO Carnival



**PTO
Coming
Together
to make a
Difference!**

PTO Meeting

April 4, 2016

6:30 p.m.

Reading School Cafeteria

Kindergarten Round Up

The faculty and staff of Reading School would like to welcome all prospective kindergarten students to the annual Kindergarten Round Up which will be held at Reading School on Tuesday, April 19, 2016, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The Round Up will last approximately one hour. Any child who will be five years of age on or before August 31, 2016, and their parents are invited to attend.

Mrs. Fort, Reading School principal, will welcome all prospective students and parents. Ms. Julie Harrison, kindergarten teacher, will accompany the children to the classroom for some fun while the adults share information regarding the new school experience.

Information needed for kindergarten enrollment in August includes: birth certificate, immunization record, physical exam, dental card and social security number. These items may be brought to round up or at enrollment time in August.

If you know of a potential kindergarten student, please encourage their parent to call 620-699-3827 for more information. We are looking forward to a wonderful kindergarten experience for all USD 251 students.



**PTO
CARNIVAL
Friday,
April 29, 2016**

Join us for carnival fun, games and dinner.

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Raffle will be held at 6:30 p.m.
Carnival Games held 5:00-6:30 p.m.



Carnival Dinner Menu
Serving 4:30-6:45 p.m.
Hot Dog Meal....\$4.00
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**Meal includes: Sandwich, Chips,
 Baked Beans & Drink**

Live Basket Auction will begin at 6:45 p.m.!

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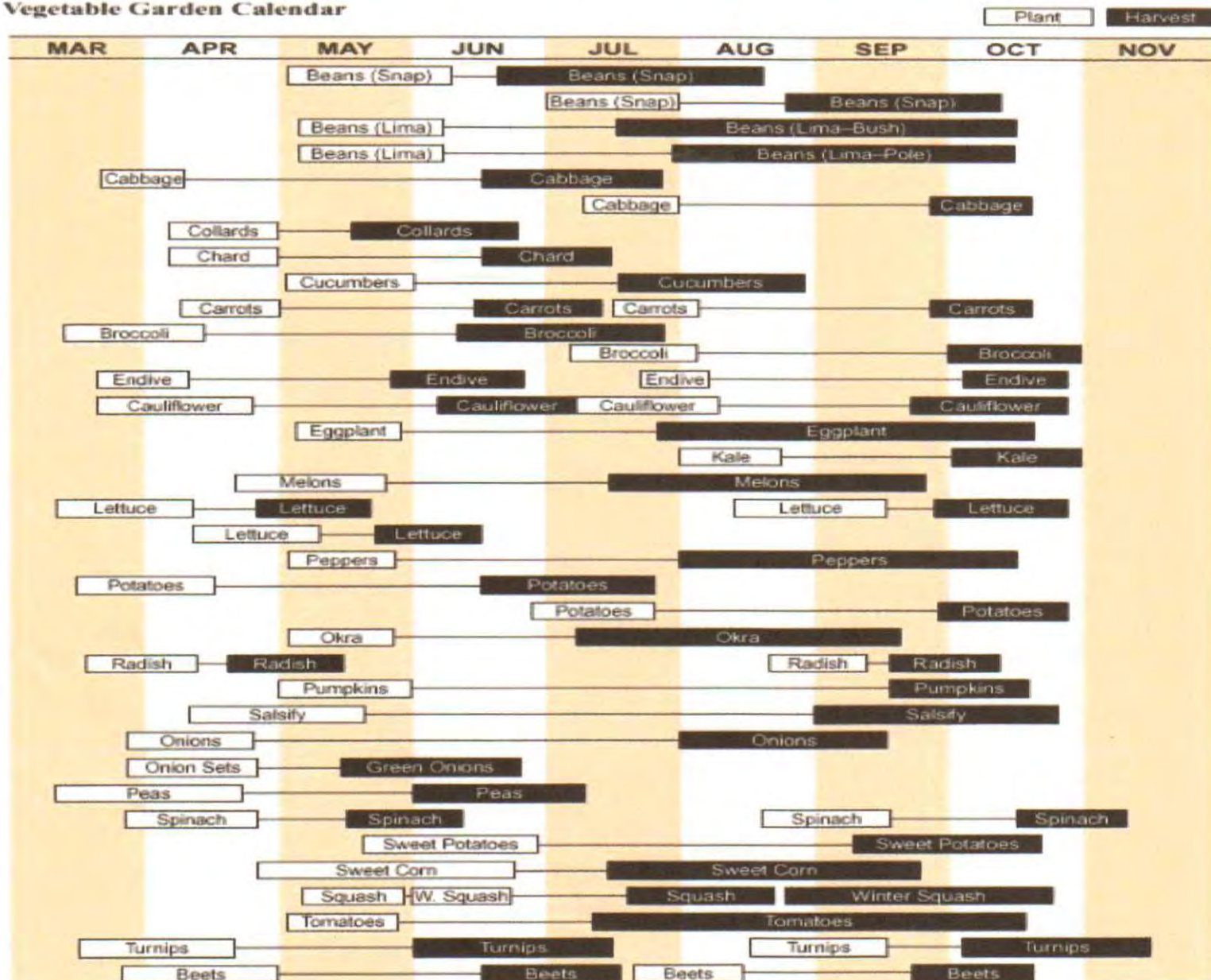
Reading 4-H

Reading 4-H Club met March 9th at 7:00 pm for their regular monthly meeting. The whole club participated in 4-H Club days on March 5th in Emporia. We did a Skit about Dorothy riding a tornado into the Land of Clovers. There were cool costumes and everyone did an awesome job. Many of our club members participated by giving talks, demonstrations or playing their instruments. We all received purple ribbons. The Club leaders congratulated us on what an outstanding job we all did. Auralee and McKinley qualified for Regionals which will be held on March 19th in Madison. Good Luck girls! Do good and make us proud!

We had a very informative program with Hannah giving a project talk on her Chickens, Brett did a demonstration on how he is going to be decorating his room in the new house, Caden told us all about the Star Wars Lego project he is doing for Fair and Devin demonstrated how to make a butter and cinnamon and sugar sandwich, which we all got to taste. We played a loud game of Hot Potato.

Our next meeting will be April 13th and it will be an exchange meeting with Riverside 4-H Club at the Reading Community Building at 7:00 p.m. We will be having Brownies and ice cream for dessert. See you next month. Crue Jackson, Reporter.

Vegetable Garden Calendar





April 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Facebook Reading, Kansas Community Page 					Smoked Metloaf 1 Coffee Club Paraprofessional Appreciation Day April Fools' Day	2 Music Regionals Solos/Sm Ensembles
3 RUMW Roast Beef dinner FCCLA State Leadership/STAR Events April 3, 4, & 5	Sirens test 4 FBLA State Leadership April 4 & 5 NLC Site meeting 6/ PTO 7pm Reading Site meeting 6/PTO 6:30pm	5 12 NLC Spring Concert 6:30pm	6 Coffee Club Bus Driver meeting 9am DCC meeting 4pm Trash Pickup 	City Council 7pm 7 NLC Track at Madison 3pm SS/BB NHHS at Mission Vly 4:30pm Recycling Trailer 	Chicken Fried Steak 8 Track NHHS at Wabaunsee 3:30pm NLC Carnival 5:30pm	9 ACT Test
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29 Closed for Carnival Reading PTO Carnival  Track NHHS at St Marys 3:30pm						



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The Spring Clean-Up will be May 9-13 this year.

There is a limit of 4 tires per household. If you have a large clean up or need help or just have any questions, please feel free to contact our new City Clerk, Tonya at City Hall.

My name is Tonya Coppock, I was born and raised in South Florida, went to high school in Okeechobee, Fl. Attended Indian River State College. I have 4 children, and have lived in several southern states. My husband Darryl Coppock works here in and around Reading. I love to be with people and truly enjoy seeing people happy. I also attend Reading Methodist Church and enjoy working with the wonderful people of this community. Please feel free to stop in and visit any time City Hall is open or if you see me around, I will always have time to say hello. I am very grateful to have this opportunity to work here.

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Reading Book Club

The Reading Book Club loves reading and fun experiences! We have been focusing on Kansas this year beginning with a book dealing with the demise of the family farm centered in the Clay Center area. We read Orphan Train which was prevalent here in northeastern and central Kansas. In April we read Diary of a Waitress about a girl from Leavenworth who trains to be a Harvey House girl in Emporia. Our final read, until September, is Hometown Appetite. Here is a description: In *Hometown Appetites*, Kelly Alexander and Cynthia Harris come together to revive the legacy of the most important food writer you have never heard of. Clementine Paddleford was a Stockdale, Kansas, farm girl who grew up to chronicle America's culinary habits. Her weekly readership at the *New York Herald Tribune* topped 12 million during the 1950s and 1960s and she earned a salary of \$250,000. Yet twenty years after America's best-known food editor passed away, she had been forgotten, until now. Before Paddleford, newspaper food sections were dull primers on home economy. But she changed all of that, composing her own brand of sassy, unerringly authoritative prose designed to celebrate regional home cooking. This book restores Paddleford's name where it belongs: in the pantheon alongside greats like James Beard and Julia Child.

I am reading the novel now and this independent woman is fascinating. She focused on REAL recipes from the kitchens of everyday women.....especially farm women. Included in each chapter are a couple recipes that the story line had mentioned. I recommend this novel for enjoyment, history and some possible delicious food! We have decided to eat our way through this novel! When we gather the end of May to discuss the book, each of us is going to select one of the recipes to prepare and bring for everyone to taste test. Email me for information on the date and location we choose for the taste test. bjschlobohm@gmail.com

We are taking a field trip to the Clay Center area and to the Orphan Train Museum in Concordia on June 15 to see the places we have read about and learn a little more. New experiences and fun people. Debbie Senft, Sue Jones, Malonne Davies, Margene Crane or myself will be glad to answer questions and bring you. Barbara Schlobolm



Reading Lions Fund-raiser

The Reading Lions Club will be hosting a taco feed benefit for Warren and Rosalie Voorhees to help defray some of Warren's recent medical expenses. It will be held

on June 11th, 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Reading Community Building. One the menu will be your choice of tacos, taco salad, nachos, desserts and drinks. The cost will be by donation. If you cannot attend and would like to donate or have questions, please contact Debbie Garrison 620-794-1863 (cell), or 620-699-3900 (Bank)



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Citywide Garage Sale

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Girl Scouts

Greetings from the Girl Scouts. Thank you to all those who helped make our cookie sale a success this again this year!! We couldn't do it without the support of our community. As another year comes to an end, we are finishing up our art badge series. We recently spent a day at the Emporia Art Council. The morning was devoted to creating unique wire sculptures followed by lunch at Casa Ramos. After lunch we headed back to EAC to take a painting class. A fun time was had by all! Our final badge in this series, our pottery badge, will be completed with the painting our projects at our final meeting May 2nd. We have also earned some badges focusing on the importance of physical fitness, healthy living, and good sportsmanship. Thank you to the girls and parents for another great year! Have a safe and fun summer!! Heather Jones



Reading Library

Nancy Loney shared more of her books with the Library this month. Thank you so much, Nancy. We do have books for every age and interest, even pop-up books for our youngest citizens. Moms and Dads: Bring those youngest to get them starting early to love reading and learning.

Don't forget, the Library is now open again. Stop by anytime and check us out. If I'm not at the Library (18 Vine) itself, I'm probably at the house (17 Vine) ready and waiting for you. Be sure to stop by at your convenience. Bette Eby

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The Reading PTO will soon host another school carnival, raffle, and

auction. They would like to thank all the students, parents, and community members for all the wonderful support given each year. Our school and PTO could not successfully operate without all the support.

I cannot believe there is less than one month of school left this year. I would like to remind parents of several important end of the year events. April 26th-at 6:30 p.m. this evening, Kindergarten through 6th grade students and Mrs. Merring will present a concert featuring the musical talents of our students.

April 29th-annual Reading School PTO Carnival. Enjoy food, fun and festivities with the students, staff and members of the PTO.

May 3rd-National Teachers' Day. Remember to thank a teacher from your past for all they did for you.

May 4th-All school field trip sponsored by PTO to Emporia. All students and faculty will travel to Emporia by bus to visit the Planetarium at ESU and the Emporia Arts Council.

May 5th-Grade 1,3,4 Field Trip

May 6th -USD #251 Annual Play Day at NHHS. All students in grades Kindergarten to sixth will participate in the annual play day. This exciting day begins at 10:30 a.m. at NHHS. (Rain date May 11, 2016).

May 10th- Grades 2 & 6 Field Trips

May 13th-Reading School Cook Out at noon.

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See you all in August. Peggy Fort



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Carnival Dinner Menu

Serving 4:30-6:45 p.m.

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Meal includes:

Sandwich, Chips, Baked Beans & Drink

Live Basket Auction will begin at 6:45 p.m.!

**Proceeds will be used for PTO
based projects to support
Reading School students and staff.**

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Reading 4-H

The Reading 4-H had their regular monthly meeting on Wed. April 13th and we hosted an Exchange meeting with Riverside 4-H Club. The meeting was held at the Reading Community Center at 7:00 pm. All members and parents of both Reading 4-H and Riverside 4-H played a mixer game so that we might all get to know each other better. Each club's Presidents called their meetings to order and reports were given by treasurers, reporters, and Club leaders. Upcoming dates to remember were announced. The program consisted of a Rabbit Showmanship demonstration by Riverside and from Reading Brett played his saxophone and Robert played his guitar for our listening enjoyment. We played Simon Says for recreation and then adjourned and everyone enjoyed brownies with ice cream. A great time was enjoyed by all. We will meet again on Wed. May 11th at 7:00 pm at the Reading Community Building for our regularly scheduled monthly meeting. See you all there. Don't forget your drops and ads are due to the extension office by May 1st. Crue Jackson, Reporter.

NHHS FBLA Members Qualify for Nationals

Four Northern Heights FBLA members recently qualified to compete at the National Leadership Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Tanner Boyce and Allie Houston finished 3rd in Publication Design along with Natalie Leffler and Karsen DeWeese finishing 2nd in Business Financial Plan. All of these members were provided a business scenario in which they had to develop a product and present at the State Conference in Topeka, KS.

These members are currently working on raising funds to finance their travel and hotel expenses to attend the National Leadership Conference from June 29th through July 3rd. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated. Businesses or individuals wishing to sponsor the members will be recognized on the school website as well as receive a poster "We Support NHHS FBLA".

Qualifiers will be working to raise funds for the trip with the following:

- April 18th – April 28th Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sales:
 - o Individuals or businesses may order between April 18-28th
 - o Payment to NHHS FBLA must be made by April 28th
 - o Doughnuts will be delivered fresh Monday, May 2nd
 - o Order forms located in the office of any USD 251 school office or the district office
 - o Contact Mr. Bush at NHHS if you have any questions
Phone: 620-528-3521 Email: bushr@usd251.org
- May 2nd and May 6th @ Admire
 - o Baseball Concessions
- May 11th All You Can Eat Pancakes
 - o 5pm – 7pm @ Northern Heights High School South Gym
 - o Free Will Donation
 - o Come eat before Academic and Athletic Awards Night
- May 12th
 - o Flint Hills League Track Meet @ NHHS
 - o Concessions
 - o BBQ Pork Meal

Spring Turkey Season

Spring Turkey - Regular (firearm/archery) 04/13/2016 - 05/31/2016
Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.
Legal Equipment: Shotguns using shot sizes 2-9; long, recurve or compound bows and crossbows.
Bag Limit: One turkey with a visible beard per permit or game tag.
Dogs may not be used in spring season.

May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Sirens test 2	3	4	5	6	7
	SB/SB-Central Heights at NHHS 4:30pm FBLA Fundraiser NLC PTO 7pm	251 School Bond Election Teacher Appreciation Day NLC Track at Lyndon (W/Franklin meet) 3pm	Coffee Club DCC meeting 4pm NHHS Night of the Arts 7pm Trash Pickup	City Council 7pm Track-NHHS at Burlington 3:30pm Track-NHHS at Herington 3:30pm Recycling Trailer	Smoked Meatloaf ACT Registration Muffins w/Moms 7:30am Play Date at NHHS 10:30am SS/BB-Osage City at NHHS 4:30pm FBLA Fundraiser	NLC at Madison Music Contest NHHS Prom The Bowyer Bldg 7pm
8	Sirens test 9	10	11	12	13	14
	NHHS Seniors Last Day Girl Scouts 5pm FHJL track meet at Chase County 10:30am PDC meeting 4pm	City bills due! CITYWIDE SPRING CLEAN UP 8th Grade trip to Worlds of Fun	4H 7pm Coffee Club Crafting 2-4pm Rain Dates Track meet/Play Day NHHS Awards 7pm School Board 7pm Trash Pickup	FBLA Pancake Fundraiser 5-7pm NHHS (11th) Track-FHL at NHHS 3pm FBLA Fundraiser	Bacon Ranch Chicken Last Day of School NLC Awards Night & 8th Grade Celebration 6:30pm Reading School Annual Cook Out	NHHS Graduation 7pm
15	Sirens test 16	17	18	19	20	21
	1/2 Teacher Workday SB/BB Regionals	SB/BB Regionals Cooks meeting 2pm	Coffee Club SB/BB Regionals Trash Pickup	SB/BB Regionals Recycling Trailer	Mexican SB/BB Regionals Track Regionals District Bus Driver meeting 9am	Info for Newsletter due! Armed Forces Day
22	Sirens test 23	24	25	26	27	28
Finished Newsletter Due	Girl Scouts 5pm		Coffee Club Crafting 2-4pm Trash Pickup	SB/BB State	Roast Beef SB/BB State Track State	Cafe Closed Track State
29	Sirens test 30	31	<p>Remember: Fish Fry June 25 and contact Jill if you will be having a garage sale!</p>			
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Community of Reading Vision Statement: A renewed community built on Commitment, Faith, and Families. "Come grow with us!"



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On May 5, 2016 the City Council had it monthly meeting. All council members were in attendance including the treasurer and city clerk and the city maintenance manager.

Two community members also attended the first part of the meeting to express concerns or questions.

New blinds for the south side of the Community building have been ordered and will help for better viewing of movies.

It was brought to attention that the city needs more gravel and that it will go to the roads and alley ways, as soon as it is brought in.

The City Wide clean up went very well as expected, many loads were taken to the dump, many tires were removed, and a good amount of scrap metal. Thank you to everyone that participated.

Just to inform the community, that Malonne Davies has asked to have a few bucket/bottle calves this summer and will be in the fenced in area of their property, there is going to be an additional electric fence there, so please be aware.

Next meeting Thursday, June 2nd, 7:00 p.m.

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Healthy Congregations News at Reading United Methodist Church

Health is more than the absence of disease and illness.

Health is "abundant life" as promised by Jesus in John 10:10

"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Earlier this spring, two of our members attended the 2016 Healthy Congregations Retreat at Rock Springs Ranch. Our church has submitted the paperwork to become part of the Healthy Congregations program where we will be supporting intentional, effective, congregational and community health ministry in our church and community. One of the early tasks for the team is to come up with a needs assessment tool which will help determine the wants/needs of the community. A separate page to collect your input is included with this newsletter. Please complete the poll and return it as directed. Thank you from the Healthy Congregations Team. Pastor Nancy, Marion, Melissa, Nancy, Tara and Tonya

Baptist Church

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

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Rev. Lyle Williams



Taco Feed Fundraiser For Warren Voorhees



Proceeds from fundraiser will go to help with medical expenses acquired during Warren's recent cancer treatments.

Where- Reading Community Center,

Reading City Park

When- Saturday, June 18th

Time- 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Menu Includes:

Tacos, Taco Salad, Chips,

Salsa, Drink and Dessert

Freewill donation accepted at the door.

Miracle Cafe

The Mini Mart is stocked and open for business.

Thank you for your continued support it is greatly appreciated. Thank you to all our loyal customers. We greatly appreciate your business. Hours are: Monday through Thursday 9:00 am-3:30 pm, Friday 9:00 am- 9:00 pm, and Saturday 6:00-11:00 am for breakfast only.

Reading Book Club

We are taking a field trip to the Clay Center area and to the Orphan Train Museum in Concordia on June 15 to see the places we have read about and learn a little more. New experiences and fun people. Debbie Senft,

Sue Jones, Malonne Davies, Margene Crane or myself will be glad to answer questions and bring you. Barbara Schlobolm

Quarter Mania

Event was a big success, everyone had a great time. We will be planning another event so watch the newsletter for upcoming events.

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Citywide Garage Sale

Up to 8 in town sales; if we make it to 10 will advertise in the Gazette. If you are interested in having a garage sale on Saturday, June 25th 8am till 4pm (same day as Fish Fry) please contact Jill Chenoweth via text 620-412-7544 or email chenowethjill@yahoo.com with your contact information and address of sale site.

Current list: 120 Vine, 810 Hwy 170, 318 Hwy 170, 23 Chestnut, 220 Chestnut, 28 Broad, 502 Front, & 22 Walnut.

Lyon County Historical Society

The Lyon County Historical Society has been renovating the former Winter Furniture and Montgomery Wards for the past eight months. The move to 709 Commercial, slated for later this year, will be the first time in over 15 years that the museum and archives will be under one roof. The new Lyon County History Center will be the home to child friendly discovery area, exhibits, research center, museum store, facility rentals and much more. Like us on Facebook and learn more about the renovation, upcoming events and Lyon County trivia!

Girl Scouts

Well The girls scouts have wrapped up another busy year! The troop will be little different next year. Due to the fact that our girls will be going to school in several communities next year, meeting after school will not be an option. So we will be meeting quarterly. We have some fun filled events planned so stayed tuned for further details. Heather Jones

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Reading Library

Rosalee Voorhees brought us some new books. Thank you so much, Rosie.

You may have noticed the Library door is no longer open even during the day. My computer was stolen this winter; therefore, requiring me to keep the door locked most of the time. I have since purchased a computer to replace the stolen one, and I can now catalog books there (18 Vine). However, if you wish to visit the Library, I am generally at the house so either call (699-3472) before you come and I will meet you there, or stop by the house (17 Vine) first, and we'll go over to the library together.

I hope parents will begin bringing their children to the Library now that school is out. I do have gifts for the first 20 or so students who come to visit. Also, I have many bookmarks the kids can choose from. As you are aware, there are books for all ages, even if you, Mom or Dad, are doing the reading to the youngest. It's never too early to start a love of reading and learning. Bette Eby

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co.

As a reminder to our customers (and potential customers), the bank offers debit cards and online banking, two products which go hand-in-hand. When you swipe the card for a Point-of-Sale (POS) transaction, and fail to record it in your check register (!), you can immediately get online and see that transaction posted already. Our processing is known as "real-time" so it happens very quickly. Go to www.extramilebank.com to sign up or give us a call 620-699-3900.

The ever popular Fish Fry & Fireworks Display will be Saturday, June 25th. There are events planned for the entire day, with something for everyone to enjoy. Come to the bank and see the many raffle prizes that have been donated. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for six.

This fundraiser helps defray the costs of putting on the Fish Fry and keeps it sustainable from year to year! Can you believe it has been going on since the year 2000? We thank the many folks who work so hard on it each and every year.

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School pictures

Reading 4-H

The Reading 4-H Club met Wed. May 11th at 7:00 p.m. at the Reading Community Building. School is just about out and everyone is working on their 4-H projects. We scheduled our tour for July 24th. We will have 3 stops in Reading to view animals and then on to Leader Kathy Barr's house for hot dog roast and covered dish. Everyone is to bring something that they plan on exhibiting at Fair. After wards we will be going to Osage City for a swim party.

Kylee Barr gave a project talk on her bucket calf. McKinley Senft showed us her new rabbit and Gabe played his trumpet for us. A fun time was had by all. We are looking forward to next month's meeting on Wed June 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Reading Community Building. Crue Jackson, Reporter.



Questions? Call Debbie Garrison
620-699-3900 daytime

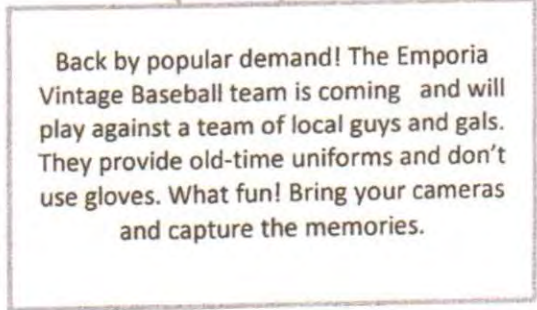
Reading, Kansas

17th Annual Fish Fry & Fireworks Display

Saturday, June 25, 2016



Bring your lawn chairs and a generously- sized covered dish to share with your friends and neighbors. Bring a few dollars to buy raffle tickets for some really nice prizes! It helps defray the cost of putting on this event.



Back by popular demand! The Emporia Vintage Baseball team is coming and will play against a team of local guys and gals. They provide old-time uniforms and don't use gloves. What fun! Bring your cameras and capture the memories.

Schedule of Events:

6:30 a.m. Registration (\$20) in the City park for 5K Tornado Trot. . Race begins at 7:30 a.m. Awesome souvenir to those who pre-register. Email tornadotrot@gmail.com
Also a Munchkin Dash (kids 5 and under)- FREE! 7:30 a.m. Prizes for best OZ costume! Broom races too. Bring your own broom.

7:00 – 10:00 a.m. Pancake Feed at the Reading Fire

4:00 pm Vintage Baseball Game in the park.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. .Art Mobile for kids. **7:30** Kids games, including a Turtle Race.

6:00-9:00 p.m. Music in the Gazebo provided by BAND OF MANY COLORS

6:30 p.m. Fish Fry & Potluck Dinner. Raffles Prizes awarded after dinner

At Dusk- Fireworks on the Ball Diamond; sponsored by City of Reading and The Citizens State Bank and Trust Co.

GARAGE SALES IN TOWN
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Jill Scales 620-412-7544

Community Praise Service at the Reading Fire House
10:00 a.m. Food and Fellowship
11:00 a.m. Service

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12	13 Sirens test	14 Flag Day	15 Coffee Club Trash Pickup	16 Recycling Trailer	17 Smoked Brisket Info for Newsletter due! 	18 5:30-8pm Taco Feed Fund-raiser
19 Finished Newsletter Due 	20 Sirens test	21	22 Coffee Club School Board meeting 7pm Crafting 2-4pm Trash Pickup	23	24 Chicken Fried Steak	25 Fish Fry & Fireworks Display Citywide Garage Sales 8am-4pm
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City of Reading

On June 2, 2016 the City Council of Reading met for their monthly meeting. Present were: Mayor Kevin Sorensen, Council members, Jenifer Hanneman, Bill Paige, and Todd Hensley. Absent were, Heather Jones and Dave Siler. Also present were, City Maintenance Manager Tom Corpening, City Treasurer Joyce Wilson and City Clerk Tonya Coppock.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sorensen at 7:02 p.m. Guests at the meeting were, Nikki Schoepflin and Adrienne Olejnik running for State Representative 51st District. Nikki Schoepflin inquired about keeping horses and bucket calves at Malonne Davies, council approved of this. Adrienne Olejnik wanted to introduce herself and attend the meeting to become familiar with our town.

New business includes: due to an increase in fees to the city for our water, the residents will see an increase on their water bill in the near future. The city will also contribute again to the funds for the fireworks along with The Citizens State Bank and Trust Co.

There have been many complaints of dogs not being fenced or on a leash and getting into garbage and wandering onto private property to relieve themselves. Please keep you dogs on a leash or in a fence when outside. The city and or residents will have to call to have them picked up if they are loose. Owner will have to go to Emporia and pay a fee to get their animal back.

Please do not discard furniture except during Spring Clean-up, the city will not pick up large items through the year. Also, next year during Spring Clean-up, there will Not be a pickup for tires, as this has been taken advantage of and cost the city too much money for disposal.

The City Hall will have new hours on Wednesdays, starting in July, the new hours will be 8 to 5, being closed for an hour from 12:15 to 1:15.

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Walking in the Spirit

Team members from The Healthy Congregations team are initiating a new program for the community. "Walking in the Spirit" will start Tuesday, July 5, 2016. For the rest of the summer, we will meet Monday-Friday at the Community Building in the park at 7 a.m. to begin our walks around Reading. The course we have selected would lend itself to 2 miles per day but if people want to attend and are unable to walk that far, that is perfectly okay. The goal is for people to walk for their health and any amount of walking is better than none. We will individually chart our own progress, learn how to stretch properly after walking and a variety of other tips will be shared. We hope you will consider joining us. Reading UMC Healthy Congregations Team: Marion, Melissa, Pastor Nancy, Tara and Tonya

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RCD

The RCD is sponsoring a watermelon feed and family movie night on Saturday, July 16th at 8:30pm in the shelter house at the park. We hope to see everyone there!



Reading Lions Club

We want to thank Reading Lions Club members for sponsoring a taco feed to help with the extra expenses caused by Warren's medical situation. We are so proud to be a part of such a loving, caring community. We want to share our appreciation of the help that our community friends and neighbors have shown to us. They have mowed our yard, fix special needs for Warren's comfort, support us with helpful suggestions, help us to get special equipment to help Warren, given so generous with their money and prayers, brought special food. This is truly a special community and we are so thankful that we live in it. Warren and Rosalie Voorhees.



Thank you

As most of you know already, I am now fully retired and living in Osage City. I did want to take the time to say how much I enjoyed working for the community of Reading for seven and a half years. During my years at City Hall I was fortunately able to meet and get to know so many of you. We developed so many friendships which I cherish. I still look forward to the newsletter and any events that bring me back even for a few hours. We have celebrated together the good times and struggled through the bad times. In May 2011 I did not have any personal loss, but

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I did suffer for each and every one of you that did have enormous losses that night. Many of our friends and neighbors had no choice but to find homes outside of Reading truly tragic to our community. I felt so blessed to be in a position to offer help in any way I could. All of us at City Hall worked long and hard to get all the help we could find to ease even a little of your burden. It was a joy to watch our town rebuilt and renewed. Now the only reminder of that terrible night is missing homes and damaged trees.

Even though I did not live in Reading I feel like it was and will always be my town too. I may not be the City Clerk any longer but I feel I am still a part of this wonderful community and will be around every chance I get. Thank you for the parting gift I received when I retired; I used it to get a new vacuum cleaner for my apartment. God bless and take care, Carol Ann Higgins.



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Too hot for you! Grab a book either for yourself or for your kids. With dangerous temperatures, be sure to stay inside. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a book or spend quality time with your children. I'm at home nearly all the time and available to you should you need something to read. Stop by the house (17 Vine) and we'll go find something you will enjoy during the heat of summer. It's not going to get much better for several months so take advantage of this inside time to enjoy a book. Bette Eby

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co.

CSB&T hopes that everyone in town enjoyed the Fish Fry and Fireworks Display. This event is seventeen years old and still going strong, thanks to the diligent efforts of several hard-working individuals. The sale of the raffle tickets helps defray the costs of this event, which is at no charge to the members of the Reading community. We appreciate all the donated items for the raffle.

We remind you that the bank has debit cards and on-line banking two tools that make managing your checking account much easier.

Hopefully, we will introduce mobile banking at some point, so that you can view your accounts on your phone. AND, coming soon, a new branch in Council Grove, KS! It will have an ATM on site.

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Reading Days

What a wonderful day! Thank you to everyone for all your efforts and hard work planning, organizing, sponsoring, and donating time and funds to all the different events to make this a special day for our entire community. Every event was a huge success and even with the unusual hot day participation was at a max.

Special thank you to Jill Chenoweth for all her hard work advertizing our citywide garage sales. Jill paid for ads in the Osage and Emporia newspapers along with posts on numerous online garage sale sites. Hope everyone's sales were very successful and you will participate again next year... has anyone ever seen so much traffic in Reading!



July 2016

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 City of Reading website address www.readingks.com	Send information for Newsletter to: Linda Woods 623 Highway 170 Reading, KS 66868 620-699-3883 woods@seamless.net or Reading City Hall at reading_clerk@seamless.net			Facebook Reading, Kansas Community Page 	Smoked Meatloaf 1 Coffee Club	2 Cafe Closed
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City bills due! 10 First Quarter	Sirens test 11 World Population Day	12 Walking in the Spirit 7am	13 Coffee Club Walking in the Spirit 7am 4H 7pm Crafting 2-4pm  Trash Pickup	14 21 BBQ Ribs 22	15 Mexican RCD Watermelon Feed & Family Movie 8:30pm	16
17 National Ice Cream Day	Sirens test 18 Full Moon Nelson Mandela Day	19 Walking in the Spirit 7am	20 Coffee Club Walking in the Spirit 7am Trash Pickup 	21 Info for Newsletter due! 	22 29 Chicken & Noodles	23
24  Finished Newsletter Due Parents' Day	Sirens test 25 26 Last Quarter	27 Coffee Club Walking in the Spirit 7am Crafting 2-4pm  Trash Pickup	28 World Hepatitis Day	29 National Lasagna Day	30	31

31 For Sale: For more details call Dusty at (913)636-4224, or at any of The Citizens State Bank and Trust Co. locations



2005 Ford F-150
King Ranch
190,000 miles
\$12,750



Chevy Bucket Truck \$6,500

**Health is more than the absence of disease and illness,
health is "abundant life"**

Two community members attended the 2016 Healthy Congregations Retreat at Rock Springs Ranch in April. We have submitted the paperwork to become part of the Healthy Congregations program where we will be supporting intentional, effective and community health ministry. Grant funds are available for the implementation and continuation of this program. One of the early tasks for the team is to come up with a needs assessment tool which will help determine the wants/needs of the congregation/community. Please complete the poll below and return it as directed. Thank you from the Healthy Congregations Team.

Health Poll for Reading Community

- 1) Age Group: 13-39 _____; 40-74 _____; 75 + _____
- 2) Are you interested in monthly blood pressure checks? _____YES _____NO
- 3) Do you eat at least 2 ½ cups of fruit and vegetables per day? _____YES _____NO
- 4) Do you feel that you get enough physical activity? _____YES _____NO
- 5) If no, would you be willing to participate in some physical activity _____YES _____NO
- 6) If yes, please check the type of physical activity in which you might like to participate:
 - Group walking/running up to three times per week _____
 - Group aerobic exercise up to three times per week _____
 - Group chair exercises up to three times per week _____
- 7) If interested, please indicate the days of the week that might work for you?
Monday _____; Tuesday _____; Wednesday _____; Friday _____; Sunday _____; Thurs. _____
- 8) If interested, what time of day works best for you?
early morning _____; mid-morning _____; early afternoon _____; late afternoon _____; evening _____

If you have questions, please contact: Tonya Coppock, Tara Senft, Melissa Siler, Marion Jones or Pastor Nancy. Thank you for your assistance. This poll may be returned to City Hall with your June city bill payment. Please return by Monday, June 6, 2016.

City of Reading

620-699-3870

May 6, 2016

Dear Reading Community,

This letter is to inform all City of Reading customers that participate in the LIEAP Program, the funds you receive are to only be applied to your gas bill. We are sorry for any inconvenience, but this program is only for electricity and gas. You will still be responsible for your water, garbage and sewer bills. In the event that you do not pay for these, you are subject to be shut-off. Please note we understand in extenuating circumstances, this may be difficult, so please contact City Hall to avoid being shut-off.

If you have any questions, please contact City Hall.

Thank you,

City of Reading