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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 was called to order by Mayor Kevin Sorensen, all council members were present. City employees were: Tom Corpening, Joyce Wilson and Carol Ann Higgins. Had many guests present. Minutes approved after few mistakes corrected.

Joyce Wilson gave treasurer report and the Budget which was approved 5-0. Mill level may go up a little but not sure until they give budget report and we hear back. Council discussed Kansas off set program for people who are not making any effort to pay passed due bills.

Merry Go Round for park is still waiting for some parts soon as it is fixed it will be put back up in park. The tree watering boy quit, so asked David Wells to do it for the rest of the summer his bid was next lowest approved 5-0. Disc-golf is up for everyone to enjoy at park now. The gazebo will move a little south of where it is now and set on cement. Citizen Bank and Trust of Reading asked if in case of disaster they could temperately use our new building for their use and council approved 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

Before next Council meeting is Budget hearing at 6:45 August 1st, than council meeting 7:00 P.M. at Storm Shelter in community building everyone welcome.

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Library News

We lost nearly a month from the library due to my broken hip, but I hope to be able to get over there pretty soon to work more on getting the library in shape. School will be starting in about a month. Therefore, we need to get our kids back into reading mode. If you wish to stop by with your children at any time, and if I am not in the library/shop (18 Vine), I will be at the house (17 Vine) and will be glad to help you.

Reading Community Development

Would like to give out some Pat on the Back's to Haley and Freedom on the great job they did cleaning up the curb sides on main street downtown.

Next meeting will be On Aug. 13th at 6:30 at the Community Center. We are always looking for new members. Everyone and anyone are encouraged to attend.



Reading Lions Club

We meet the 4th Monday of each month, 7:00 PM, Civic Building.

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co

Safety deposit boxes are safe places place to keep important documents. Safety deposit boxes with an annual fee of \$18.00 or \$35.00. We offer debit cards to any checking account customer, who would like one. We now offer online-banking to view all of your accounts. And mobile banking is coming soon!

These are just a few serves that we offer. If you would like to know more information, feel free to call us at 699-3900 or stop by during our business hours. Our hours are 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday thru Friday, except on Wednesday we are open until 6:00 pm.

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Reading School

It's time to start thinking about school again. The summer is winding down and we are looking forward to having your child/children at Reading School. We welcome the sixth grade class back to Reading School and hope all students are as excited as we are to begin a new school year.

Enrollment will begin on Thursday, August 1, 2013, starting at 1:00 p.m. and continuing until 8:00 p.m. We will hold enrollment again on Friday, August 2, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. You are welcome to come whichever time is most convenient for you.

Any student new to USD 251 or kindergarten student should bring a copy of their birth certificate, immunization form, physical form and a dental card. These items will need to be on file in the office for a successful enrollment.

Food service prices are as follows. Lunch: GR. K-5 \$2.10; Gr. 6 \$2.25; Breakfast: GR. K-5 \$1.35; Extra Milk: \$.40; Reduced Lunch: \$.40; Reduced Breakfast: \$.30. Please be prepared to pay for your child's school meals at enrollment. Information for free or reduced meals will be on hand at enrollment time. Information needed to fill out this form will be your current monthly salary or your yearly salary.

Textbook fees are Kindergarten through Grade 6: \$40.00. Please be prepared to pay these fees at enrollment, also. Free textbook information will be available at enrollment.

The first day of classes will be August 22, 2013, for all elementary students. Classes will begin at 8:10 a.m. and end at 3:35 p.m. Breakfast will be served beginning at 7:45 a.m. If you do not ride a bus, please be at school by 8:05 a.m. A copy of the school calendar is on our district website, www.usd251.org for your convenience.

Once again the Reading UMW and Admire UMM have provided almost all the needed supplies for our students. If you have a moment, please find some way to thank these folks for their generosity. We are so lucky to have them caring for our school and students.

Please remember if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call 620-699-3827 any time after August 1, 2013. We look forward to seeing you at enrollment times and are anticipating a wonderful school year.

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1	1-8 p.m.	Enrollment
August 2	8 a.m.-Noon	Enrollment
August 22		First Day of School

Reading School Supply List 2013-2014

Grades Kindergarten through Sixth:
Tennis shoes for gym class.



5th & 6th GRADE BAND STUDENTS:

Clarinet and saxophone players need reeds and cork grease. Trumpet, French horn, baritone, trombone and tuba players need valve oil and slide grease. Percussion students need a pair of #2 drumsticks. Beginning band students are responsible for their own reeds and instrument/ method book (Essential Elements 2000).

Please check with the band instructor for any instruments available through the school.

USD 251-District 1-BOE Members

Allen Curless and Earl Lyddane have taken their new position on the USD 251 board. We are looking forward to serving you and your students. We will try to keep you informed as to what your BOE is doing each month in this publication. Don't forget that you can now go on line at the USD 251 web site and read a DRAFT of the last meeting minutes and also look on the web site and find out what the agenda for the next meeting is. Look on your school calendar to find the time and dates of the BOE meetings.

A Special Board meeting is set for Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. This will be for the discussion with Mr. Smith with HTK (Architecture and Engineer doing a study to see what cost will be to build new or fix present schools) about what he has found and his presentation to the BOE and the Facilities committee. This is an open meeting without discussion from anybody except the BOE and HTK members.

You might want to attend the next meeting as the 2013-2014 Budget was approved. A scheduled Budget Hearing at 6:55 p.m. on Monday, August 12, 2013 is at the BOE Meeting room in Americus. Also on the agenda will be the Technology Purchase, it was tabled from the last meeting. This technology will hook all three campuses together to be able to communicate between campuses and have better use of the computers of the students, teachers, principals and employees.

The New school calendars are now available, check at business and civic location and they will have them for you.

We are here to serve and strive to provide the best education for the District's students, without putting an undue burden on the taxpayers.

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Reading Grain and Lumber, Inc.

Grain purchasing - Seed Sales - On-Farm Seed Treatment
Chemical & Liquid Fertilizer Sales - Custom Application
Baling Twine & Wire - Net Wrap - Livestock Mineral
Office: 620-699-3842 . Mobile: 620-340-3054
Monday though Friday 8-5 and Saturday 8-noon.

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Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism

Kansas State Parks Passport

In 2013, Kansas motor vehicle owners will be able to buy an annual park vehicle permit as part of their vehicle registration

The permit - called a Kansas State Parks Passport - will cost \$15.50. This lower-price, non-transferable permit will be available only during the vehicle registration process at a motor vehicle registration office, through the online vehicle registration site (www.kswebtags.org), or when registering by mail. The Kansas State Parks Passport will expire when the vehicle registration expires a year later. During 2013, persons who would like to purchase an annual park permit before they register their vehicles can do so at any KDWP office, Kansas license vendor or through the KDWP website, and then request a prorated refund for the difference in cost. Refund forms will be available from KDWP state park offices or you may download the REFUND FORM from the website and mail to,

Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism

Attn: Park Pass Refund
512 SE 25th Avenue
Pratt, KS 67124



Kansas residents (except seniors and persons with disabilities) and owners of vehicles not registered in Kansas who buy their park vehicle permits at a KDWP office or vendor will have to pay the regular price for annual and daily permits.

The regular annual park vehicle permit will cost \$25.00, and the daily vehicle permit fee will be \$5.00, including processing fees. Also starting in 2013, residents 65 years of age or older or persons with disabilities who display a special license plate or placard issued pursuant to state law can buy a park vehicle permit directly from a KDWP office or vendor. Including processing fees, the cost will be \$13.75 for annual vehicle park permits or \$3.25 for regular daily permits. These lower-priced permits will not be available as part of the vehicle registration process.

Information about the new Kansas State Parks Passport will be included in the registration renewal notice sent to vehicle owners each year.

Movie Nights at Eisenhower State Park

Oz the Great & Powerful

Saturday, August 10 from 8 to 10pm

The Game Plan

Thursday, August 22 from 8 to 10pm

Contact Park Office for Name of Movie

Saturday, August 31 from 8 to 10pm

Come on out for a movie, some popcorn, and relaxation at Ike's Shelter House! All are welcome to this free entry event!

****Park Permit Required****

For more information please contact Park Office at 785-528-4102

Eisenhower State Park

Named after native son President Dwight Eisenhower, this 1,785 acre park features 1,000 acres of tallgrass prairie, 440 acres of woodland, and a complete range of recreational facilities. The park lies on the north shore of the 6,900 acre Melvern Reservoir, in southern Osage County.

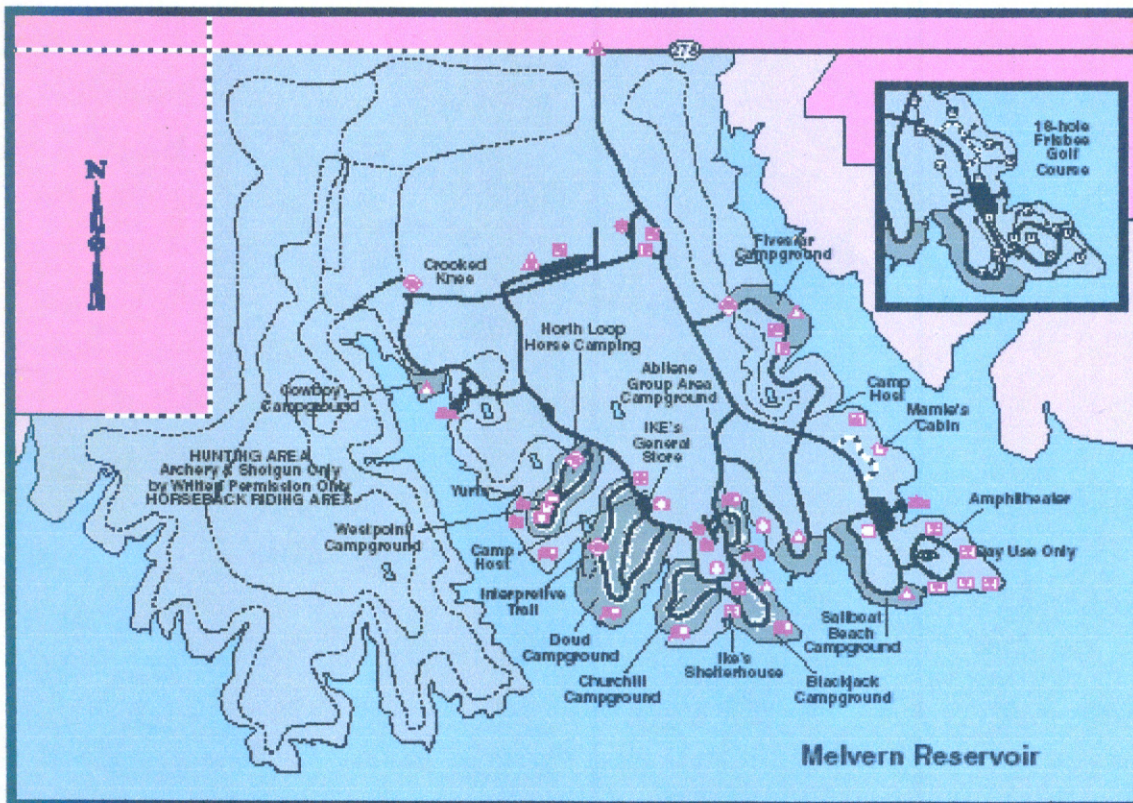
The park provides 186 utility sites, 81 with water, 37 with sewer hookups, and five showerhouses. Non-utility sites are available in four camping areas throughout the park. Contact the park office for information on reservable campsites that are available. Laundry facilities are also available at the Doud shower building.

The park offers four modern cabins, one primitive cabin, and two primitive yurts. Ike's Shelterhouse is an excellent area for family reunions within the Jones Family Activity Area. Other recreation facilities include a swimming beach, horseshoe pits, playgrounds, volleyball courts, picnic shelters, and an 18 hole disc golf course. Kayak and dock rentals available.



















Eisenhower is also home to a burgeoning trails system for horseback riding, biking, and hiking. Crooked Knee Horse Trail offers equestrians a 20 mile excursion through the undeveloped west side of the park. Biking and hiking is available on the horse trails.

Wildlife include white tailed deer, eastern wild turkey, bobwhite quail, squirrels, furbearers, and waterfowl. Hunting within the state park is by written permit only.

Anglers seek walleye, crappie, small mouth bass, sauger, white bass, and channel catfish. Two nine lane boat ramps offer excellent access.



August 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Reminder: Information for newsletter due Friday the 23rd!</p>				<p>1 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am</p> <p>School Enrollment 1-8pm </p> <p>City Council meeting 7pm</p> <p>Recycling Trailer </p>	<p>2 BBQ Ribs 9:30-10:30am</p> <p>School Enrollment 8am-Noon </p>	<p>3 Library 10-noon </p>
4	5	6 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am	7 RFD training  Trash Pickup 	8	9 Smoked Brisket	10 Movie Night 8-10pm RFD training  Library 10-noon 
11	12 BOE Budget Hearing 6:55pm	13 Special School Board Meeting 6pm	14 RCD Meeting 6:30pm  Trash Pickup	15	16 Fried Chicken	17 Library 10-noon 
18	19	20 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am	21 Trash Pickup  Recycling Trailer 	22 Back To School First day of School	23 Steak Bites & Shrimp	24 Info for Newsletter due!  Library 10-noon 
25 Finished Newsletter Due	26 Lions Club Meeting 7pm 	27 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am	28 Trash Pickup 	29	30 Smothered Pork Chops	31 Movie Night 8-10pm Library 10-noon 



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Budget hearing was at 6:45 August 1st before meeting. A motion was made by Billy and seconded by Todd to accept budget as it read in the paper August 17th passed 3-0. ED Sapp and Jenifer were absent.

Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Kevin Sorensen, Mayor council members present were: Heather Jones, Ed. Sapp, Jenifer Hanneman, Todd Hensley, Billy Paige. City employee's present, Carol Ann Higgins, Tom Corpening and Joyce Wilson and Marion Jones still on vacation. Had quite a few guest observing. Minutes were read and motion was made by Todd and seconded to accept minutes as read and approved 5-0. Joyce discussed treasurers report and a motion was made by Billy and seconded by Todd and passed 5-0. Bills were passed around and a motion was made by Todd after some questions Billy seconded the motion to pay the bills passed 5-0.

Bids were discussed about the stripes of concrete for the gazebo. With either bid we are going to by cable and things to tie it down. Meeks bid was the councils pick and Emporia Construction was the other bid. Motion was made by Todd and seconded by Jenifer 5-0.

A discussion came up again to sell the old furniture at the old city hall. If anyone is interested they can talk to Tom to look at it and make a bid on it. One old desk that Richard cleaned up after the tornado the council said that Richard could have it being he fixed it up for city. The bathrooms at the concession stands have been brought up a lot as they look pretty nasty, so it was brought up about getting a sensor for the lights and fans first and then working on painting up and getting them to look better for the public. Kevin talked to Whitaker and he told him he has one and would only charge the city \$75.00 to put it in. Council made a motion to have it installed, motion made by Todd to put it in and to accept bid of Whitaker and Billy seconded passed 4-0 with Jenifer not voting.

Jenifer called for a executive meeting for 15 minutes at 7:35 seconded by Ed Sapp to view time cards. Meeting was called back to order at 8:55 it was discussed that employees have to sign cards at when they come in and when they leave. A motion was made by Heather for employees to do that with their time cards and seconded by Billy with Todd abstaining and one council member leaving the meeting passed 3-0. Tom was told to post signs in a couple of yards for mowing. Basketball court goals to bid on but one may be paid by FEMA so tabled until next meeting. Discussed color to paint merry go round orange post or silver and or stain and seal sets, tabled to later. Todd made a motion to Adjourn Billy seconded passed 4-0. Next meeting will be September 5th, Public welcome

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Reading Community Development members have been busy this summer sponsoring projects for the Reading community. Our first project was hiring someone to be sure that all the trees planted in the park were watered. Our next project was to hire Annie Adams on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for 2 months to organize and plan different activities for children of Reading community.

Reading Community Development held a welcome at Reading's new community building serving punch and cookies to Reading Alumni. It gave them a chance to tour the building and visit before going to the school for their banquet.

Donated money to purchase softball equipment for girls' ball team coached by Amy Crawford. Members took an active part in helping with the truck pull. Reading Community Development helped the fish fry committee with putting on the annual fish fry by members furnishing extra food, purchasing fish, hamburgers, hot dogs, helping with the purchase of fireworks.

When a community picnic was planned to celebrate a successful season for our ball teams, extra hamburgers and hot dogs not used at fish fry was donated to help with this activity. We tried to be sure everyone in the community was invited to the picnic. It was a beautiful evening and everyone enjoyed our new ball field lights and sound system.


Giving a refund to community members getting rid of old junk cars has continued. This has helped to get rid of about ten cars this year. We have ordered welcome banners for our main street. We are hoping they will arrive so we can enjoy them before it is time to put up Christmas lights. They will look nice with our new trash containers.


Reading Public Square has been joined with Reading Community Development. Accreditation with public square is the next step in sustaining and advancing our community. Reading Community Development is always looking for new ideas to help with the growth of our community and new members. Our next meeting will be September 10 at 6:30 p.m. at Reading community building.


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Online banking is our newest product. Signing up is quick and easy. Go to www.extramilebank.com and enroll. We will approve your application at the bank and email you a temporary password. In the comfort of your home, you may view your deposits and loan information, view a listing of current transactions, view images of checks and deposit slips, review past statements, transfer funds between your account, make loan payments, and download transaction information into Quicken, MS Word, or MS Excel. Mobile App for your smartphone will soon be available as well! Come grow with us!

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Allen and Earl have been BOE members for almost 2 months now. There is a lot of things going on. We have had our final vote on 13-14 budget and approved it. The meeting with the HTK architect, the Facilities committee and the BOE have met and discussed what NHHS and Americus needs were and estimated cost of fixing them and what the cost of whole new campus would be. When the HTK were quizzed about the cost, it looked like the NNHS and Americus campuses had a lot more things included than maybe needed. When looking at a new campus a lot was left out in what they said it would cost. Be sure to get all the facts on costs before jumping to any decision of what 251 should do. The BOE presently doesn't have these facts.

The NNHS tail gate party is September 6th at 5:30 starting time. Also we understand the Facilities Committee will be giving tours of NHHS at this time. Look and see what needs to be done and what should have already been done.


The WAN technology connection (to connect the three campuses) will be on hold for at least a year. It looks like the cart was in front of the horse plus it will be 6 months before the inside technology wiring is right.

When school starts a class at NHHS will be doing the WEB site and get it up to speed. Don't forget the different school functions and attend and support the different attendance centers.

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See you at the tail-gate party.
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August 26 6:30pm - 7:30pm Reading Open House
August 30 Reading School Pictures, NLC Football; Volleyball; and Cheer Pictures 

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City Hall Things to Sell: L shape desk with drawers, Regular desk with drawers, 1 Lap Top Computer, One complete Computer with printer even old wood homemade table safe use to sit on, Different mixtures of wood and metal. Call Tom to see at 620-794-2556; need your bids on old equipment to city hall before Sept. 5th.

Reading Lions Club

***** Membership Drive *****

Free Membership First Six Months - Meal Included

**An opportunity for Adults
in the Reading Area to try us out!**



**Meeting the 4th Monday of the Month
7:00 P.M. - New Civic Building**

Join us in serving the Reading Community,
including but not limited to:

Concession Stand for the ball games

Pick up trash on highway into Reading

Maintaining the Fallen Veteran's Memorial



















Welcome basket for new Community Members

Santa and treats for the children

Easter Egg Hunt

We Serve

September 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	No School 2 Labor Day	3 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am VB-Lyndon at NHHS 5pm Americus/NLC Site Based Council Meeting 6pm/PTO Open House 7pm	4 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am City Council meeting 7pm DCC Meeting RFD training  Trash Pickup 	5 Recycling Trailer  CC-NHHS at Jeff West 4pm VB-Lyndon at NLC 4:30pm FB-Lyndon at NLC 6:30pm	6 Americus School Pictures Tailgate Party 5:30pm FB-West Franklin at NHHS 7pm	7  RFD training Library 10-noon 
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City of Reading

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Sorensen at 7:30 pm council members presents were Todd Hensley, Billy Paige, Heather Jones. Jenifer Hanneman and Ed. Sapp were absent. Tom Corpening, Joyce Wilson, Marion Jones, and Carol Ann Higgins. Guests were: Mandy Vieghe asking about her drive way problem. Council made a motion to order the benches for NNHS National Honor Society and for Emily Hooper's memorial. Council had a discussion on different lawn mowers to get for city as the one they have is counting more every day for parts. Council made a motion to get a Bad Boy, XP, with canopy with 72" cut. Meeting adjourned at 8:30. Next meeting will be October 3, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

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WiFi Hot Spot Need to use a computer? Computer for public use in the green room at the Miracle Cafe.

Laurie Schlobohm will be visiting in Reading for a few days in October. She would love to catch up with the local folks on Friday evening, October 11, at the Miracle Cafe. Laurie will get there around 5:30 and stay for a few hours so she has plenty of visiting time. Hope you can arrange to stop by....you don't have to eat, just visit!

Library News



The library received more books last month -- children's books and many western romances. They were received from Julie Brady and Barbara Railsback. As many of you are probably aware, Barbara has accepted a position in Mankato teaching again at the high school level. Lucky high school students! She and Burton are not moving yet, but she has been cleaning. Thanks to both Julie and Barbara for your contributions.

We have now had over 12,000 books go through our library. I have taken many of the books to the Emporia Library for their disposal, but I still have most of the paperbacks, all the hardbacks, cookbooks, craft books, and textbooks. Should you have any particular interest, stop by. I'm home most of the time, and will be glad to help you whenever you wish.

Still working to get the children's books better organized. Varying sizes make them very difficult to arrange successfully. I read just recently several interesting facts: Children should be read to until age nine, and due to budget cuts, school libraries are suffering. I gave quite a few books to our Reading school library last spring so they have some additions, but don't forget that we currently have one other resource for their education. Stop by and see what I have available. You'd be surprised. I have books from birth to the teenage years. They include history, fiction, girls and boys books, educational material, etc. Your child should be able to find something of interest.

Hopefully, school has gotten enthused about reading again. Stop by and check out what I've got available just for your family.

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Reading Community Development is working on getting Reading Public Square accreditation. Public Square will have community members from other cities met with Reading community action teams. They will tour the town, see what we have achieved since the tornado and offer ideas to move forward.

Reading Community Development is going to sponsor listing Reading businesses in the Emporia area visitors guide again. If You have a business and have not been contacted and are interested in

Reading Community Development cont.

participating, please let a RCD member know.

The Stroll thru Reading will be the 1st Wednesday after Thanksgiving, Dec. 4. If You have ideas or want to participate, contact a RCD member.. It was decided to purchase a park bench in memory of Donald Chesmore. It will be used at the community building.

Reading Lions Club has donated money to Reading Grade School for the purchase of picture frames for their honor roll wall.

They have also been ask to sponsor a girls volleyball team that are playing at Osage City on Monday night. They have purchased t-shirts for the girls and their coaches.

Trunk or Treat

Planning for the 3rd Annual Halloween Celebration and Trunk or Treat has begun. The Miracle Café will again be doing a Hot Dog Meal. There will be new games this year that will be going on during and after the meal. I am also talking with the Fire Department to set up a Marshmallow Roast and possibly S'more making.

October 31st. starting at 5pm, Main Street.

Wacky Wednesday

The materials and equipment for our science experiments is being provided by the Science and Math Education Center at ESU. It's a "straight shot" for the October 2 Wacky Wednesday! Or, maybe it is "an arc"? You'll have to be there to check it out!

Ms. Joan and Ms. Reta will meet you in the lunchroom right after school and walk you over to the UM Church where Ms. Martha and Ms. Donna will have a nutritious snack waiting for you. Pastor Pat will have a game and story while Ms. Malonne, Ms. Barbara and Ms. Carol will be "straight" shootin' or perhaps showing you how to "arc".

Looking forward to this month's adventure!



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Reading School

I would like to welcome everyone back to a new school year and extend a big welcome to all new students and families.

I would like to thank the parents for attending our recent Open House. Thank you to the Reading PTO for the ice cream social held during Open House. It was a great success. Parents and students participated in bingo and took home many prizes.

A huge thank you goes to Reading UMW and the Admire UMM for their contributions of school supplies for all students at Reading School. The students and teachers greatly appreciate your generosity.

"Oh, the Places Our Students Will Go!"
Dr. Suess theme

Reading School's theme this year is "Oh, the places our students will go!". This is a Dr. Suess theme that we will incorporate while building our children's learning. Each month Reading School is focusing on a new character trait. In September, the trait is **Kindness**— having or showing a tender considerate, friendly, generous or warmhearted nature to people, animals, and the environment.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SAVE CAMPBELL'S
PRODUCT LABELS AND BOXTOPS FOR
EDUCATION TO HELP OUR SCHOOL**

NHHS



WELCOME BACK WILDCATS!

We have a number of new faces on the staff and we are very excited with these additions to our building. First, I would like to introduce to you Mr. Ken Beck, who will be teaching our higher level mathematic classes. Ken comes to us from western Kansas but calls his home just up the road to the north of us at Eskridge, welcome Mr. Beck. Next we have two alumni that have returned, Ms. Amanda Meek, Amanda is taking over our FACS department and she is coming to us from ESU. Ms. Meek and her family live in Reading, welcome Ms. Meek. Then our second alumni, Mr. Rick Bush, Rick will be in a variety of areas, Business classes, and Physical Education classes as well as our acting Athletic Director. Rick comes to us from Onaga and will be assisting his family with their ranching operation, welcome Mr. Bush. In addition to these new staff members we have a number of new students coming to us and I am happy to state that our enrollment is currently up from where we ended the school year last May; so a **BIG WILDCAT WELCOME** to all the new members and their families here at NHHS.

As always everyone here in the educational setting begins the school year with a full plate. Probably the latest two buzz items that you may have been hearing and reading about are titled; "**Career and College Readiness along with The Common Core.**" We will definitely be working on both of these with our students as we journey along this school year. As always in order for this journey to be successful for your students then all of us must assist one another to

provide support, guidance and a strong work ethic to be the very best that we can be in all that we do. But before we can do this we must also provide a safe and nurturing environment for all of our students. So like most things in education we have to have an acronym or it just isn't education. This year our theme around the building will be "CATSS."

Caring Acts Towards Students Staff

As a staff we will be looking for those students that go out of their way to provide a more caring and positive environment by doing random acts of kindness. If a student is caught in the act by a staff member the student will receive a ticket that will make them eligible for a monthly drawing. At the end of each month beginning in September three tickets will be drawn and those students that have the winning tickets will each receive a \$25.00 gift card to Wal-Mart. Let's help one another build that **Wildcat Pride**. *Let's make this year the year of the CAT!*

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Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is an exciting time of year for kids, and to help ensure they have a safe holiday, here are some tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

All Dressed Up:

Plan costumes that are bright and reflective. Make sure that shoes fit well and that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping, entanglement or contact with flame.

Consider adding reflective tape or striping to costumes and Trick-or-Treat bags for greater visibility.

Because masks can limit or block eyesight, consider non-toxic makeup and decorative hats as safer alternatives. Hats should fit properly to prevent them from sliding over eyes.

When shopping for costumes, wigs and accessories look for and purchase those with a label clearly indicating they are flame resistant.

If a sword, cane, or stick is a part of your child's costume, make sure it is not sharp or too long. A child may be easily hurt by these accessories if he stumbles or trips.

Obtain flashlights with fresh batteries for all children and their escorts.

Do not use decorative contact lenses without an eye examination and a prescrip-

tion from an eye care professional. While the packaging on decorative lenses will often make claims such as "one size fits all," or "no need to see an eye specialist," obtaining decorative contact lenses without a prescription is both dangerous and illegal. This can cause pain, inflammation, and serious eye disorders and infections, which may lead to permanent vision loss.

Teach children how to call 9-1-1 (or their local emergency number) if they have an emergency or become lost.

Carving a Niche:

Small children should never carve pumpkins. Children can draw a face with markers. Then parents can do the cutting.

Consider using a flashlight or glow stick instead of a candle to light your pumpkin. If you do use a candle, a votive candle is safest.

Candlelit pumpkins should be placed on a sturdy table, away from curtains and other flammable objects, and should never be left unattended.

Home Safe Home:

To keep homes safe for visiting trick-or-treaters, parents should remove from the porch and front yard anything a child could trip over such as garden hoses, toys, bikes and lawn decorations.

Parents should check outdoor lights and replace burned-out bulbs.

Wet leaves or snow should be swept from sidewalks and steps.

Restrain pets so they do not inadvertently jump on or bite a trick-or-treater.

On the Trick-Or-Treat Trail:

A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.

If your older children are going alone, plan and review the route that is acceptable to you. Agree on a specific time when they should return home.

Only go to homes with a porch light on and never enter a home or car for a treat.

Because pedestrian injuries are the most common injuries to children on Halloween, remind Trick-or-Treaters:

Stay in a group and communicate where they will be going.

Carry a cell phone for quick communication.

Remain on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk.

If no sidewalk is available, walk at the far edge of the roadway facing traffic.

Never cut across yards or use alleys.

Only cross the street as a group in established crosswalks (as recognized by local custom). Never cross between parked cars or out driveways.

Don't assume the right of way. Motorists may have trouble seeing Trick-or-Treaters. Just because one car stops, doesn't mean others will!

Law enforcement authorities should be notified immediately of any suspicious or unlawful activity.

Healthy Halloween:


A good meal prior to parties and trick-or-treating will discourage youngsters from filling up on Halloween treats.

Consider purchasing non-food treats for those who visit your home, such as coloring books or pens and pencils.

Wait until children are home to sort and check treats. Though tampering is rare, a responsible adult should closely examine all treats and throw away any spoiled, unwrapped or suspicious items.

Try to ration treats for the days following Halloween.

OCTOBER 2013

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Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Sorensen with all council members present. City employees Marion, Carol Ann, Joyce and Tom were also there. We had guest Robin Humphrey, Gary Flores, Stephanie Smith and Galen Davis. Treasurer report was given and pasted, along with bills passed around and approved. Marion gave her report on FEMA projects and she is just about to finish them up by this year.

The merry go round is all painted and put back up in the park and looking all freshen up with bright colors to go with all the other new playground equipment. We also have 4 new spring riders going to be put in for small children. One is the horse painted by Ed Sapp and then a bumble bee, whale and a shark.

We were told by a citizen to watch your mail boxes as children have been tampering with peoples mail. If you catch anyone messing with your mail that is a federal offense. We have had a lot of dogs running loose bothering other peoples animals that are tied up or in a fenced yard. If you see a dog running loose call the dog catcher, He works everyday but not on weekends.

Council went into an excessive session for 15 minutes with Carol Ann city clerk to join the session. Gazebo will be put back on concrete as soon as it is cured enough and then bolted down. Electricity and a pole are being looked at for light just south of old tennis court and outlets for gazebo.

Are disc golf being used every day, the park looks so nice let's take care of it and keep it looking nice. The poles and goals for the basketball court is also coming right along and fencing for north and south end of court is coming also. We also are looking for wooden high chair and wooden booster seats for community building.

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Reading Public Square Steering Committee

On September 19th several community members met with a 4 member Public

Square accreditation team from around the state. The team first toured Reading and then shared in a supper provided by committee members. Several leaders presented to the team and many positive comments were made. In the near future it is hoped that Reading will become an accredited Public Square community. Melissa and Dave Siler will represent Reading at the state Public Square conference in early November in Salina.

In the coming weeks, several committee members will be conducting a series of interviews with community members and the results of the interviews will be the basis for our next Community Conversation to be held on Saturday, January 11, 2014 so mark your calendars now. More details on that event will be forthcoming in the December and January newsletters.

The Steering Committee meets at the same time as RCD each month and our next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 12. Any community area resident is welcome. As Charles Rosner, renowned marketer and advertiser said "If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem" (VISTA recruitment slogan 1967). Which one are you?

Trunk or Treat

Halloween Celebration and Trunk or Treat is almost here. The Hot Dog Feast will begin at 5pm and will go to 6pm. Games will be going on during and after the meal. I am hoping to have a Kids Costume Contest at around 6:30. I would like to have the cars park along Main Street starting at around 6pm. It would be great to see our country residents joining us in the Trunk or Treat. Rhonda Sapp.

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Menu's for Friday's in November: 1st-Smothered Pork Chops; 8th-BBQ Ribs; 15th-Ham & Beans and Cornbread; 22nd-Smoked Meatloaf; 29th-Pulled Pork Sandwiches.

Thanksgiving Holiday orders now being taken for pick up on Wed. Nov.27th for Pies, Bread or Cinnamon Rolls..... call and let us take care of your holiday needs.

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RCD will be advertising in The Gazette, The Shopper, The Osage Herald and with KVOE radio for this event. Hopefully we will have many visitors from the surrounding area, so get your homes and yards decorated for the Holidays and let everyone know just how much pride we all take in our community. See you there.

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co

Once again, we would like to remind our customers that we have online banking available at www.extramilebank.com.

Enroll at that website and the bank will receive the request, approve it, and assign you a temporary password. Try it and we are sure you will like being able to check your transactions from the comfort of your home! Also, you can archive your monthly bank Statements, which will save lots of room in your desk, office, etc. We'll help you sign up! Stop by the bank during the Reading Stroll on Saturday, Nov. 23rd.

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The end of September and starting through October has been real busy with the BOE and the attendance centers. The last BOE meeting in September the Facilities Committee gave the BOE members a tour of NHHS similar to that given during the tailgate party. A Special Joint Meeting with the Facilities Committee will be held on October 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the BOE meeting room in Americus. Also there is a scheduling of a Special Meeting regarding a Superintendent Search inviting Brian Jordan from KASB on October 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at BOE meeting room in Americus. Since the BOE has scheduled two extra meeting in October the last meeting of the month, 28 October has been canceled.

It looks like the Homecoming week was a huge success as all the attendance centers were involved and we won the game. In the last BOE meeting a new football scoreboard was approved. The old one died because of lighting and thus is covered by insurance. We voted to upgrade the poles that it is on with a steel structure. Along with the new scoreboard a new sound system will be installed at the football field. We unfortunately still have some technology problems. It is being given great attention and hopefully will be corrected soon. Check your school calendar and attend and support the different attendance centers with their activities.

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USD 251North

Kansas College and Career Readiness Standards implementation underway at USD 251 Aim is to better prepare students for success in the next phase of life

If you're wondering what all the talk is about the transition to Common Core State Standards (known in Kansas as the "Kansas College and Career Readiness Standards", or KCCRS) you're not alone.

Since "Common Core" burst onto the national scene, there has been much speculation about what it is - and what it isn't.

According to USD 251's School Improvement Coordinator, Becky Mayes, KCCRS offers numerous advantages to students, teachers and parents, no matter what the next chapter of that student's life may hold.

"The Standards put students in a better position to succeed in college or in a career, by upgrading the expectations in math, science, reading and writing, and the social sciences," says Mayes. "Students will also be expected to use their skills to solve real-life problems that require them to tap into the knowledge they have from various subject areas. It's a more realistic way to prepare students for their futures."

The Standards are not, Mayes says, an effort by the federal government to restrict states' rights to set their own standards, or a way to lower expectations. On the contrary, she says, they are a starting point.

"The Standards were created by teachers, parents, school administrators and experts in math and English from across the country, together with state leaders," says Mayes. "States are free to accept them, reject them or expand on them. It's been a great process."

The end result will be seen in the classroom – where more will be expected, and where intervention will take place sooner, for students who struggle – and in the assessment process.

A new state assessment for this school year is being developed as a transition to more summative tests – using more problem-solving exercises, rather than multiple-choice – in the 2014-2015 school year.

USD 251 is implementing the Math and English Language Arts KCCRS standards this year. This means that curriculum guides and lesson plans are being updated, to make certain that students get the knowledge and skills they need at each grade level, in preparation for the new assessment process in 2014-2015.

Mayes says the conversion will require some getting used to for everyone, but the end result will be very positive. "We're excited about the move to KCCRS, because it will put us in a better position than ever before to effectively measure student progress on key subject areas, help them gain real-world skills, and intervene earlier, when necessary."



The beginning of the new school year is off to a great start. I would like to take this time to remind parents about our Student Improvement Team (SIT). The SIT team, consisting of the principal, school counselor, and teachers follows a process to provide interventions for students to help them be successful at school. Any student may be referred to the SIT team for either academic or behavioral assistance. The SIT team encourages parent participation. Parents are resourceful when it comes to making decisions about the various school resources needed to help their child be successful in the classroom. If you have questions regarding the SIT process or would like your child reviewed for academic or behavioral assistance, please feel free to contact me at 443-5165.

Finally, Project TEEN will be happening in our school again this year. All parents of 6th-8th grade students either signed their child to opt into Project TEEN at enrollment, or were recently mailed an opt out letter. Project TEEN won't begin in Americus until January, and it will continue for 8-10 weeks. Project TEEN is an abstinence prevention program that has been offered at Americus for many years through the Lyon County Health Department. Students participate in discussions and activities to assist them in making positive life choices. Please contact me with any questions or concerns --- Mrs. Landgren

Reading School

Fall Festival and Halloween Parties

Our annual Fall Festival and Halloween party will be held on October 31. Children should bring their costumes to school (not wear them) and they will have a time in the afternoon to dress in their costume. After enjoying the Fall Festival Theme Day, we will have a Halloween parade down main street at 2:30 p.m. followed by class parties. Parents are welcome to attend.

RED RIBBON WEEK

North Lyon County schools will join thousands of schools celebrating Red Ribbon Week, the nation's most important anti-drug event. Red Ribbon Week will be Oct. 28 through Nov. 1, 2013, in over 10,000 American schools. Students, teachers, and patrons will take the opportunity to spread the drug free message to all people. Here are some ways parents can help their child stay on the road to success by being drug free.

- Explain to your child there are many things to look forward to, both today and in the future. There are many choices to make,

and being drug free makes it easier to choose wisely.

- Review the facts about drug use and abuse with your child.
- Discuss your family's values about drugs and obeying the law.
- Encourage your child to take responsibility for saying "NO" to drugs and "YES" to healthy fun activities.
- Set an example for your child by maintaining healthy habits in your everyday life by serving as a role model.

Deer-Vehicle Collisions Peak During November

Deer can be spotted near our state's roadways any time of the year. However, in the fall, motorists should be especially vigilant for deer crossing the highways. Deer breeding season peaks in mid-November, and this marks the period when deer-vehicle collisions are highest. That's why the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism (KDWP), and the Kansas Highway Patrol are working together to raise awareness and help drivers avoid collisions with deer.

Motorists should observe the following tips to avoid deer collisions:

- Be especially watchful at dawn and dusk when deer are particularly active;
- Watch for more than one deer, as they seldom travel alone;
- Reduce speed and be alert near wooded areas or green spaces such as parks or golf courses and near water sources such as streams or ponds;
- Don't swerve to avoid hitting a deer - the most serious accidents sometimes occur when motorists swerve and collide with another vehicle or run off the road and hit an obstacle;
- Heed deer crossing signs;
- Always wear a seat belt and use appropriate child safety seats; and
- Use bright lights and slow down whenever the reflective eyes of deer are spotted.

According to KHP Lieutenant Joshua Kellerman, if you hit a deer, slow down and pull onto the shoulder, turn on your emergency flashers, and watch for traffic if you have to exit your vehicle. If you have a cellular phone and are on a Kansas highway, dial *47 (*HP) for a highway patrol dispatcher, *582 (*KTA) for assistance on the Kansas Turnpike, or dial 911.

Anyone involved in a vehicle-deer crash resulting in personal injury or property damage that totals \$1,000 or more is required to immediately report the crash to the nearest law enforcement agency. Failure to report any traffic crash is a misdemeanor and may result in suspension of driving privileges. A salvage tag is required to remove a deer carcass from an accident site. Tags can be issued by KHP troopers, sheriff's deputies, or KDWP natural resource officers. If you are involved in a non-injury crash on an interstate, U.S. highway, or any divided or multi-lane road in the state of Kansas, and if you are not transporting hazardous materials, you are required by law to move your vehicle out of the lane of traffic. This law is intended to help keep drivers and passengers safe by getting them out of the lane of traffic and away from oncoming vehicles.

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NOVEMBER 2013

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3  Daylight Saving Time Ends	4 NLC Site Based Council 6/PTO 7pm Reading Site Based Council 6/PTO 6:30	5 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am	6 DCC Meeting FCCLA Fall Leadership Academy  RFD training Trash Pickup	7 Recycling Trailer City Council 7pm	8 BBQ Ribs NHHS Picture Retakes NHHS Veterans' Day Program FB-Regionals ACT Reg, due for 12/14 Test	9 Guest Chef at Cafe  NHHS Fall Play 7pm RFD training Library 10-noon
10 NO SCHOOL School Board Meeting 7pm  Veterans Day	11 Steering Committee 6:30PM RCD Meeting BB-NLC at Mission Vly 4:30pm	12 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am Buffer Week	13 UMW Guest Supper 6:30pm  Trash Pickup	14 BB-NLC at Herington 4:30pm	15 Ham & Beans FB-Sectionals Info for Newsletter duel 	16 Library 10-noon
17 Finished Newsletter Due	18 BB-NHHS Practice Begins BB-NLC at Council Grove 4:30pm	19 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am American Education Week	20 NLC-BB Pictures NHHS Site Based Council Bus Driver Meeting 9am  Trash Pickup	21 Recycling Trailer BB-Lyndon at NLC	22 Meatloaf FB-Sub State	23 Reading Stroll 2 to 6 Library 10-noon
24 BB-Chase County at NLC School Board Meeting	25 BB-Chase County at NLC School Board Meeting	26 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am NO SCHOOL Pickup Holiday orders at Cafe  Trash Pickup	27 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Day 	28 NO SCHOOL	29 Pulled Pork	30 FB-State Library 10-noon

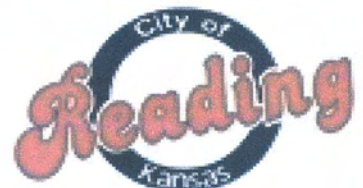


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Community of Reading Vision Statement: A renewed community built on Commitment, Faith, and Families. "Come grow with us!"



City of Reading

November 7 City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Sorensen. All five council members were present.

City employees in attendance were Tom Corpening, Carol Ann Higgins, Joyce Wilson and Marion Jones. Guests were: City Attorney Mike Helbert, five Reading Lions Club members, and three Reading residents. The October 3 council meeting minutes were approved as corrected, the treasurer's report was approved and current bills were approved for payment. The 2014 Budget Hearing was set for 6:45 p.m. December 5.

At 7:15 p.m. the council moved to go into executive session to discuss attorney-client privilege. At 7:35 p.m., the regular council meeting reconvened. Marion reported on the FEMA projects. All remaining projects should be completed by November 15. She and Dave Wilson from KDEM have been working on an analysis of insurance payments versus FEMA anticipated insurance. Once that is complete, work can begin on the final cost analysis of all 28 FEMA projects to see if the task of small project netting will be necessary. It is hoped that all can be finalized by the end of 2013. Lions' Club representative Dave Garrison was recognized. The Lions' Club is interested in assisting with the cost of installing some noise reduction material to the community room to help with the acoustics. After some discussion, the matter was tabled until further research can take place.

Under New Business:

- A letter was reviewed from an individual offering to purchase the old City Hall
- Carol Ann was asked to write RCD to thank them for paying for the Don Chesmore bench
- Discussion about the refurbishment of the old tennis court - tabled
- The second annual Reading Stroll to take place on Saturday, November 23 was discussed. Carol Ann and Connie Hensley volunteered to make a give away basket and the City will pay for it and refreshments which Connie and Todd volunteered to serve
- Park bathroom needs attention
- Carol Ann presented costs of high chairs for community room events and was asked to purchase 2 booster seats and 2 high chairs

Next meeting will be December 5th immediately following the 6:45PM budget hearing at City Hall.

Please remember to book your parties and reunions with City Hall as we have already started booking events for 2014. Half day rentals are \$40.00 and all day is \$60.00. Everyone is subject to a \$100.00 refundable deposit.

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Reading Public Square Steering Committee

Committee members are continuing to conduct citizen interviews, the results of which will become the basis of our next Community Conversation to take place at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2014. Please mark your



calendars now to join us at the Reading Community Building for a light lunch and good conversation about the future of our community. The conversation will be facilitated by a Public Square representative. If you have not yet been contacted about completing a citizen interview questionnaire and wish to voice your concerns and/or suggestions, please contact Marion Jones at 699-3471.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner

On Thanksgiving Day, November 28, Warren and Rosalie Voorhees are serving a Thanksgiving meal at noon at the Miracle Café. Since our children are unable to come for the day, we invite you to bring a salad or dessert and come join us instead of staying home by yourself. Jeff, the Schwan's driver has donated pies for our celebration. If you want to call and let us know that you are joining us that is fine. If you don't know until the last minute please come and join us. Rosalie Voorhees

Lions Club Pancake Supper



Saturday, December 7th
5:00-7:00 P.M.

Reading Community Building



All you can eat Biscuits, Gravy,
Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Orange Juice, and Coffee.
Price of the meal is by donations.

Proceeds will be used to help sponsor Christmas treats for
Reading Grade School and community children.



United Methodist Church

Children's Sunday School: During Service

Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:00- 12:00

Advent Sunday Services

Advent is the time of year when we prepare our hearts and homes for the celebration of Christmas. December 1 is the first Sunday of advent for 2013. Make this year's Christmas more meaningful by attending services from 11 am to Noon at Reading UMC in preparation for this big day. We are saving a seat for you!

Christmas Eve Service

Gather at 6:30pm in Reading United Methodist Church on December 24 to begin your family celebration with the Christmas story, carols and friends. Come in your normal Christmas Eve attire -- pajamas are fine! The service ends with candlelight singing of Silent Night. Then we head home for our family festivities. What a great way to begin your Christmas celebration!

Annual Christmas Dinner

The Outreach committee at United Reading Methodist is planning the annual Reading community Christmas Dinner. It will be at the church basement on December 15, 2013 at 12:30pm. Turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, ham, tea and coffee will be provided. Please bring your favorite covered dishes and join us.



Reading United Methodist Women

The annual Reading UMW guest supper was attended by 45 community and area women. Joan Kloppenberg and her husband gave a very illuminating program about a recent mission trip to Uganda. The ladies of the group will again be baking bread to give away at the November 23, 2013 Reading Business Stroll. A fabulous door prize is in the works. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, Dec. 11 when the group will travel to the home of Pat Gundy in Osage City for the annual Christmas gathering and book exchange. All community women are welcome.

Baptist Church

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Lyle Williams



Trunk or Treat

I would like to say a big "Thank You" to my wonderful husband Ed Sapp and Amber Atchison for helping me to set up the game and for helping run them, Reta Jackson at the Miracle Café for hosting the hot dog supper, and Scott Wilkerson and Julie Andrews Wilkerson and the Reading Fire Dept for the Marshmallow Roast and Smores. Also, a big "Thank You" to Grampy Granny Hensley, Melissa Siler, Misty Lingenfelter DeDonder, Alyce Hayes Metzler, Rosalie Voorhees for donating pop and baked goods for the games and to everyone that attended the games and Trunk or Treat, it was a huge success again this year and I am already looking forward to next years and thinking of things we can add to the fun. It is awesome to see all the kids running around with smiles on their faces and laughing and having a great time. Thank you to everyone for another successful Halloween Celebration and Trunk or Treat. Rhonda Sapp

Reading Fire Department

The Fire Department is having their monthly training on both the first Wednesday evening and the following Saturday morning each month. Those interested can attend the day that works best for them.



Miracle Cafe

You need to be asking everyone you meet if they are a Miracle Café Santa. There are at least 5 Santa's out there and they have some Christmas cash for you, so be sure and ask! Ho Ho Ho Merry Christmas!

Order your Pies, Rolls, Bread or Cinnamon Rolls now for Christmas. Last Day for Pick up will be Monday the 23rd by 3:30 pm. The Miracle Café will be closed for the Holidays from Tues. Dec. 24th through Wed. Jan. 1st in order to spend time with our family. We will reopen Thursday Jan. 2nd at 9:00 am.

Thank you all for another Great Year at The Miracle Café, without all of you and your patronage it would not be possible. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to each and everyone of you.

Hours are: Monday through Thursday 9:00am-3:30pm, Friday 9:00am-9:00pm, and Saturday 6:00am-11:00am for breakfast only.

WiFi Hot Spot Need to use a computer? Computer for public use in the green room at the Miracle Cafe.

Library News

Welcome to the holiday season. I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas. I have decided to change hours for the

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library. I ask that you give me a call to let me know you and/or your children are coming to the library. You are welcome to do this anytime between 9:00a.m. and 8:00p.m. any day of the week. I'm generally always home so do not hesitate to let me know, and I'll meet you at the library. Dress warmly!!! Bette Eby

Reading Community Development

Reading Community Development decided to purchase a bench in memory of Don Chesmore. We received this lovely thank you card from Mrs. Chesmore. I thought maybe it should be shared with the community. Thank you to all that helped with getting the bench for Don. I am very grateful and so is the rest of my family and friends. Words cannot express the joy I feel inside. Please let everyone who had a part in getting the bench and setting it up to know I am very grateful. Thank You Lavonda Chesmore, Family and Friends.



Citizens State Bank and Trust Co

Stop by the bank during the Reading Stroll on Saturday afternoon, November 23rd between 2:00 and 5:00. We are serving a cheese ball, cheese, crackers, and cider from The Orchard. Our door prize is a new savings account with an opening deposit of \$50.00 or a deposit of \$50.00 to an existing account. We appreciate our customers and always welcome new ones! Closed for Thanksgiving - closed on Thursday and Friday Nov 28th and 29th



Senior Meals

These meals are for anyone and will be delivered to your door, for a nominal fee. If you are interested in receiving meals, please call the Senior Center in Allen at 620-528-3414 or the Department on Aging at 620-342-6119.



L-CAT County Public Bus Service

TO RIDE: Call the L-Cat office to request a ride and the fares at least 24 hours before the desired trip day to ensure a bus is there. If no reservations are received from a town, L-Cat may reroute or cancel the trip to that town for that day. Be at the designated boarding/departure location in each town at least 15 minutes before scheduled departure time. Buses must leave on time to stay on schedule. **L-CAT OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Phone: 620-342-4207.

Recycling



The recycling trailer from Lyon County is parked in front of the school on the first and third Thursday of each month. There are bins for newspaper, magazines, junk mail, #2 plastic (color plastic like detergent bottles), cardboard, tin cans, milk jugs, pop bottles, clear and colored glass containers.

USD 251-District 1-BOE Members

We are here to serve and strive to provide the best education for the District's students, without putting an undue burden on the taxpayers.

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Reading School

The character trait for December is Responsibility- Being ethically accountable for the welfare and care of



Reading School cont.

another, being answerable for your own behavior-reliable; involving duties and obligations. The color is red.

American Education Week:

American Education week was celebrated during the week of November 18-22, 2013. "We are Proud of Our Country and School" was the theme for Monday. Students wore red, white and blue to show their appreciation of freedom of education. Tuesday's theme was "What do You Want to Be When You Grow Up? Students dressed in attire to suggest their future career. All classes discussed various careers in counseling sessions and received a ribbon denoting their chosen career. Wednesday's theme was "Show Your True Colors". Students dressed in specific colors to reflect their favorite school subject (green=science; red=reading; blue=math; and yellow=social studies). Thursday's theme was "What I Like Best About My School". Lower grades drew pictures and upper grades wrote paragraphs reflecting what they like best about their school. These were shared during an assembly on Friday. Thursday was a dress up day for students and staff. Friday's theme was "School Pride Day". Students wore orange and black. Students enjoyed an all school assembly and also had ice cream bars because, "School is Cool!"

Thank You!

The students and staff of Reading School would like to thank the men and women of Reading Fire Department that spent their day in late September with the children of Reading School. The volunteers gave the students and teachers a tour of the fire department and showed them the equipment used to keep our community safe. A fun and educational time was had by all.

'Tis the Season

The annual Winter Program will be held on Wednesday December 4, 2013, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The program is called "It's Christmas, Carol!". After the program, a special guest will pay a visit to the youngsters at the school. A big thank you to the Reading Lions Club and PTO for their sponsorship of the evening.

Santa Claus will be at Reading Grade School on Wednesday, December 4.

The Winter Program starts at 7:00 p.m.

Santa Claus, pictures and Christmas candy at 8p.m.



Calendar of Events

Dec. 3	NLC Basketball at Reading 4:00 p.m. Mission Valley vs. NLC
Dec. 4	Reading School Winter Program 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 6	USD #251 Senior Citizen Lunch at NHHS
Dec. 9	Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 16	NLC Basketball at Reading 4:00 p.m. Osage City vs. NLC
Dec. 20	End of 1st Semester Early Dismiss at 12:30 p.m.
Dec. 23 through Jan. 3 .	NOSCHOOL Christmas Break

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE
STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FACULTY
OF READING SCHOOL**

Reminder:

**Senior Citizen Dinner
has been changed to**

Friday, December 6th

at Northern Heights High School.

Wildlife Checkpoint Planned in NorthCentral Kansas

Vehicles will be stopped and checked for wildlife

Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism (KDWP) law enforcement officers will conduct a wildlife checkpoint in northcentral Kansas in mid-November. With upland bird, turkey, deer and waterfowl seasons underway, the checkpoint is intended to help enforce state and federal wildlife laws.

Officers will ask vehicle occupants if they have been hunting or are transporting wildlife. If they answer yes in either case, drivers will be directed to a check lane where natural resource officers will check for required licenses and permits, count the game and gather biological, harvest, and hunter success information. If violations of wildlife laws or other state laws are found, appropriate enforcement actions will be taken. Travelers should not expect major delays from this checkpoint. Additional wildlife checkpoints will occur around the state during the fall and winter hunting seasons.



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Hay Bales - 5x6 native/prairie mix hay bales for sale
\$40.00 a bale out of field. Can load, Call or Text 785-806-3344

Wanted- Old Pictures of Reading

Need people to bring old pictures of the town so we can put them in our locked showcases in the Community Building cabinets. Please drop off your pictures at City Hall. Thank you.

December 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	NLC Site Based Council 6/7 PTO	BB-Mission Vly at NLC 4pm	Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am DCC Meeting Reading Winter Prgrm 7pm / Santa 8pm RFD training Trash Pickup	BB-NLC at Osage City 4:30pm City Council 7pm Recycling Trailer	Smoked Turkey Senior Citizen dinner at NHHS NHHS Winter Sports Pictures BB-Wabaunsee at NHHS 4:45pm	Lions Club Pancake Supper 5:00-7:00 P.M. Reading Community Building RFD training
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	BB-NLC at Lyndon 4:30pm School Board Meeting 7pm	Herington BB Tournament	Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am UMC Women 6:30pm NLC Winter Program 6:30pm Trash Pickup	Body Ventures at NHHS Herington BB Tournament BB-NLC at West Franklin 4:30pm	Pulled Pork Herington BB Tournament Info for Newsletter duel!	FHJL-B Team BB Tournament at NHHS ACT Test Herington BB Tournament
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
UMC Community Christmas Dinner 12:30pm Finished Newsletter Due	BB-Osage City at NLC 4pm	BB-NHHS at Mission Vly 4:45pm	Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am District Bus Driver Meeting 9am NHHS Winter Program 7pm Trash Pickup	BB-NLC at Chase County 4:30pm Recycling Trailer	Chicken & Noodles Early Dismissal 1/2 Teacher Work Day End of 2nd 9 wks BB-Osage City at NHHS 4:45pm	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Cafe closed until 2014		UMC Christmas Eve Services 6:30pm	School Closed Winter Break Non-Practice Dates Dec. 22-26 Christmas Trash Pickup	Bank Closed		
29	30	31				
	School Closed Winter Break	New Year's Eve				



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City of Reading

Reading Budget Hearing was at 6:45 p.m. December 5th. All City Council members were present. Bill Paige served as chair in the absence of the mayor. The revised 2013 budget was approved unanimously.

Regular council meeting was called to order by Billy Paige. City employees were Marion Jones, Joyce Wilson, and Carol Higgins. There was one guest present. The prior month's minutes were read and accepted after one correction. Treasurer's report was given by Joyce. She explained budget is looking good and City is running close on expenses. Report was accepted and council approved payment of current bills.

- Brian Velasquez discussed snow guards on Community Building.
- Marion reported all FEMA projects are now complete and she is finalizing the analysis of City expenditures versus funds received.
- Some discussion about alternate project but was tabled by council
- Old tennis court tabled until later.
- Due to retirement of the current gas tester, another individual or gas company will need to be found. Tabled to later date.

Motion was made to accept Animal control by Todd again and seconded by Jenifer and passed 5-0. Motion to adjourn by Todd seconded by Jenifer 5-0.

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, January 2, 2014.

Trash will be picked up on December 26, 2013 and January 2, 2014 THURSDAYS BOTH WEEKS.

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Reading Public Square Steering Committee

The next Steering Committee/RCD meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Building. Any Reading community member is welcome to participate.

The next *Community Conversation is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 11* also in the Community Building. Chili and fixins will be served for lunch. Liz Hendricks, CFO of Public Square Communities, Inc., will facilitate the gathering. If there is enough interest in childcare, it will be provided but parents must preregister their children by contacting Reta Jackson at the Miracle Café, 699-3009.



United Methodist Church

Children's Sunday School: During Service

Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:00-12:00

The Reading United Methodist Church wants to thank everyone who brought food and celebrated an early Christmas dinner with us. God blessed us with a beautiful day to visit and eat with friends and neighbors. We invite you to join us on Christmas Eve for our Christmas service. We wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year's.

Reading United Methodist Church Outreach Committee



Reading United Methodist Women

Reading United Methodist Women will hold their regular meeting on the second Wednesday of the month. Marion Jones will be the hostess and present the program at the January 8th meeting. Please join us at the United Methodist Church at 6:30 PM for a light supper followed by the meeting and program. Malonne Davies, President



Baptist Church

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Lyle Williams

Thanksgivings Dinner

Warren and I want to thank everyone who came and ate Thanksgiving dinner with us. It is always more fun to celebrate a holiday with others. Rosalie Voorhees

Reading Fire Department

The Fire Department is having their monthly training on both the first Wednesday evening and the following Saturday morning each month. Those interested can attend the day that works best for them.



Miracle Cafe

Hours are: Monday through Thursday 9:00am-3:30pm, Friday 9:00am-9:00pm, and Saturday 6:00am-11:00am for breakfast only.

WiFi Hot Spot Need to use a computer? Computer for public use in the green room at the Miracle Cafe.



Library News

Hope everyone enjoyed the Reading Stroll I was glad to see and meet additional people who might be interested in the library. Hope to see you all soon. Don't forget - Just call me - 620-699-3472.

The library again received more books. Sonya and Southern Parker, Rosalie Voorhees, Stephanie Smith, and Julie Brady all contributed this month. Thank you so much.

I trust everyone is enjoying the holiday season, and hope you enjoy the Christmas holiday, and that 2014 will be better for all of us. Bette Eby

Reading Community Development

We want to thank everyone who participated in making the stroll a success. It was so nice to see so many out and having a good time in the chilly weather.

Thanks to all the businesses who participated with prizes and food. We are

starting to plan for next year's activities sponsored by Reading Community Development. If you have ideas and would like to be a part of planning events, our next meeting will be January 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Reading Community Building. The more community members we have working to make our community a better place to live, the more we can accomplish. Rosalie Voorhees, Secretary

The winners from the Reading Stroll were:

Santa Claus furnish by Rhonda Sapp	Tara Senft
\$25 service from Lena's pest control	David Siler
Taste of Home from Kylee Wood	Virginia Barger & Shawna Bowers
Lantern from the Fire Department	Eric Mann
Basket from Methodist Church	Jill Scales
ESU rock from Lucas Senft	McKinley Senft
Basket from Stephanie Smith	Angela Lewis
\$50 saving account Citizens Bank	Lincoln Senft
Basket from City of Reading	Carol Brock
Scentsy bear from Kim and Jessica Dhorithy	Chris Goodwin
Gift certificate from Head-Hands-feet	Jim Pritchard
Bread plate Miracle Café	Debra Senft
\$25 certificate Miracle Café	Zachary Ewert
Basket from Sonia Parker	Eugene Jackson
Item from Jason Kewley	Don Patton
Christmas book from library	Alyce Metzler
Toys from Atchison Trucking	Hunter Senft & Melissa Siler
Bathroom cabinet from Warren Voorhees	Shane Bowers
\$100 from Reading Community Development	Dustin Raymie

Senior Meals

These meals are for anyone and will be delivered to your door, for a nominal fee. If you are interested in receiving meals, please call the Senior Center in Allen at 620-528-3414 or the Department on Aging at 620-342-6119.

L-CAT County Public Bus Service

TO RIDE: Call the L-Cat office to request a ride and the fares at least 24 hours before the desired trip day to ensure a bus is there. If no reservations are received from a town, L-Cat may reroute or cancel the trip to that town for that day. Be at the designated boarding/departure location in each town at least 15 minutes before scheduled departure time. Buses must leave on time to stay on schedule. **L-CAT OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Phone: 620-342-4207.



Recycling

The recycling trailer from Lyon County is parked in front of the school on the first and third Thursday of each month. There are bins for newspaper, magazines, junk mail, #2 plastic (color plastic like detergent bottles), cardboard, tin cans, milk jugs, pop bottles, clear and colored glass containers.



Girl Scouts

The girl scouts have been busy this fall earning several badges. The Science Lady, Ms. Malonne, taught us about the colorful properties of acid and bases during a special science day allowing us to earn our chemistry patch. We had a great Christmas party where we made candy cane and angle ornaments for our Christmas trees and some cinnamon-applesauce ones to share with our neighbors. We also baked pumpkin bread



to share in our community food baskets. It won't be too much longer until our cookie sale starts. Be on the lookout for cookies starting Feb 8th. There is a new cookie this year, the Cranberry Citrus Crisps: A deliciously crisp cookie made with real fruit and 9 grams of whole grain per serving. More details will follow. Heather Jones

USD 251-District 1-BOE Members

The end of December is almost here. The Board and your school district have been real busy. The start of basketball, activates of the different learning centers, the end of the semester and having vacation time was all on the plate.

The New people in place now, Nicolette Nuessen, Board Clerk and Darrin Harrison, District Technology Coordinator are both doing a "great" job. It is nice that student's computers and the hookups are working like they are supposed to. Too bad it took this long to fix a problem.

In December we have had two board meeting. One was a Special Meeting as an Executive Session (attorney/client privilege). The other was on December 10th. A new bus (with an air ride driver's seat) was ordered. Also some of the Board Members went to the KASB's meetings in Wichita. It was very enlightening from visiting with the Venders, to hearing the main speakers and to the different breakout secessions ideas and thoughts. It was time well spent and I hope that it will help in our upcoming decisions that will be made.

We want to thank all the people that made the Senior Citizens dinner from the dinner, entertainment, place mats, and the Holiday gift that was presented to everybody in attendance plus all the meals that were delivered a success.

In January the Board will look at getting a new Superintend from the candidates that Dr. Brian Jordan will present to us. I want to thank all the people that gave input to what you thought was important in a Superintendent.

The Holidays are upon us and I hope that all have a merry one. Check your school calendar and I hope that you can attend and support the different attendance centers with their activities.

We are here to serve and strive to provide the best education for the District's students, without putting an undue burden on the taxpayers.

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Reading School

"Oh, the Places Our Students Will Go!"

Dr. Suess theme



The character trait for January is Courage. Courage-being brave in difficult times; trying new things and trying again if you fail. The color for the month is purple.

SICK CHILDREN: SEND TO SCHOOL OR KEEP HOME? Deciding when a child is too sick to go to school can be a difficult decision for parents to make. When trying to decide, use the guidelines below.

GO TO SCHOOL... If your child has any of the following symptoms, they should probably go to school.

1. Sniffles, a runny nose, and a mild cough without a fever.
2. Vague complaints of aches, pains or fatigue.
3. Single episode of diarrhea or vomiting without any other symptoms.

STAY AT HOME... If your child has any of the following symptoms, please keep your child at home or make appropriate child care arrangements.

1. Appearance, Behavior—unusually tired, pale, lack of appetite, difficult to wake, confused, irritable.
2. Eye—thick mucus or pus draining from the eye or pink eye (with pink eye or conjunctivitis you may see a white or yellow discharge, matted eyelids after sleep, eye, pain, and/or redness).
3. Fever—temperature of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher. Remember that a child must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.
4. Greenish Nose Discharge and/or Chronic Cough—should be seen by a health care provider. These conditions may be contagious and require treatment.
5. Sore Throat—especially with fever or swollen glands in the neck. With strept throat the child may return to school after 24 hours on antibiotics.
6. Diarrhea—three or more watery stools in a 24 hour period, especially if the child acts or looks ill.
7. Vomiting—vomiting two or more times within the past 24 hours.
8. Rash—body rash, especially with fever or itching. Heat rashes and allergic reactions are not contagious.
9. Ear Infections without Fever—do not need to be excluded but the child needs to get medical treatment and follow up. Untreated ear infections can cause permanent hearing loss.
10. Lice, Scabies—children may not return to school until they have been treated and are free of lice and nits (eggs).
11. Chicken pox—children must stay at home for five days after the onset of blisters or until all pox are scabbed and dry. Thank you for acknowledging these symptoms and for your part in helping your child and other children stay healthy.

Remember to contact the school if.....

- Your child is absent from school.
Please call before 9:00 a.m. to report any absences.
- Your telephone number and/or address has changed. If your child becomes ill or we need to communicate with you, the correct telephone number and address is very important. If you have changed jobs recently, please contact the school with the new information.
- Your child is in need of a heavy coat, gloves, or hat for the winter.
Recess will be held outside, weather permitting, and it is much more comfortable and safe for all children to have the appropriate winter wear.

HELP OUR SCHOOL EARN...

Help our school earn money and other needed articles. We collect Boxtops for Education which are on specially marked items from General Mills and many other products. Each of these box tops are worth at least \$.10 each. More information and ways to help our school earn money may be found at www.boxtops4education.com.

We also collect Labels for Education which feature, among other brands, Campbell soups. More information may be found at www.labelsforeducation.com.

As a community service effort, we also collect aluminum can tabs that are then sent to the Ronald McDonald House for their use.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS
FROM READING SCHOOL**

Reading School Calendar of Events

January 6	NO SCHOOL In Service NLC Basketball at Reading 4:00 p.m.
January 7	School Resumes
January 9	NLC Basketball at Reading 4:00 p.m. Council Grove vs. NLC
January 13	Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
January 15	Reading School Class Pictures 8:30 a.m.
January 20	NO SCHOOL In Service
January 27	Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m.
January 28	Lyon County Spelling Bee Reading School 9:00 Registration 9:45 Spelling Bee



Reading Grain and Lumber, Inc.

Grain purchasing - Seed Sales - On-Farm Seed Treatment
Chemical & Liquid Fertilizer Sales - Custom Application
Baling Twine & Wire - Net Wrap - Livestock Mineral

Office: 620-699-3842 . Mobile: 620-340-3054
Monday through Friday 8-5 and Saturday 8-noon.

Head, Hands, and Feet

Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9:30am-5pm
and Saturday 10am-3pm. 620-412-3222

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Popular New Year's Resolutions

- Lose Weight
- Volunteer to Help Others
- Quit Smoking
- Get a Better Education
- Get a Better Job
- Save Money
- Get Fit
- Eat Healthy Food
- Manage Stress
- Manage Debt
- Take a Trip
- Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle
- Drink Less Alcohol

A government website to help you achieve your New Year's goals:
<http://www.usa.gov/Citizen/Topics/New-Years-Resolutions.shtml>

January 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day	2 Cafe reopens Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am Steering Committee/ RCD meeting 6:30 City Council 7pm Recycling Trailer Trash Pickup	3	4
5	6 Teacher Inservice BB-Herington at NLC (Reading) 4pm	7 School Resumes BB-W Franklin at NHHS 4:45pm NLC Site Based Council 6pm/PTO 7pm	8 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am UMC Women 6:30pm DCC Meeting Trash Pickup	9	10 Queen of Courts ACT Registration due for 2/18 Test BB-Council Grove at NHHS 4:45pm	11 NHHS Winter Ball Community Conversation 11:30am
12	13 PDC Meeting FHJL BB Tourna- ment at Council Grove School Board Meeting 7pm	14	15 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am Reading Class Pictures 8:30am District Bus Driver Meeting 9am Trash Pickup	16 FHJL BB Tournament at Council Grove Recycling Trailer	17 BB-NHHS at Chase County 4:45pm	18 FHJL BB Tournament at Council Grove
19	20 No School Flint Hills Shoot Out League BB Tournament Teacher Inservice Martin Luther King Day	21	22 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am Trash Pickup	23	24 Info for Newsletter due!	25
26 Finished Newsletter Due	27 School Board Meeting 7pm	28 Lyon County Spelling Bee Reading School 9:00 Registration 9:45 Spelling Bee	29 Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am After School Teacher Inservice Trash Pickup	30 FHL Scholars Bowl at NHHS 4pm	31	



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**Reminder:
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for newsletter due
Friday the 24th**

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