CITY of READING NEWSLETTER January 2025

City Council Meeting Highlights

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The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Malonne Davies. Council members present: Mary Ann Newton, Heather Jones, Kevin Sorensen, and Marc Atchison. Council member absent: Bill Paige. Staff present: Treasurer, Joyce Wilson, Maintenance Manager, Brian Knight, and City Clerk, Nancy Standiferd. No guests were present.

- The December 5, 2024 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- Sealed bids will be accepted until Wed. Feb. 5th for a LaserJet Pro 400 Color printer/copier, a Sentry safe, and a counter top refrigerator. Bids will be opened at the February 6th meeting.
- A culvert near the corner of Vine and Front Street has been repaired. Rock will be added.
- Water line replacement for the line located on Second Street, going south along Road Y5 will begin as soon as weather permits.
- The Christmas decorations will be taken down as soon it is safe to do so.

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On Sunday, January 5th, we will be meeting in the church basement after our Sunday morning service to assemble 25 cleaning and hygiene supplies for disaster Flood Buckets. This is part of UMCOR's project to replenish their disaster clean up supplies which were depleted due to recent disasters in the south eastern US. All of the supplies have been purchased and are ready to be assembled. The completed buckets will eventually be taken to the main supply facility in New Orleans. Anyone wishing to help with this is welcome to attend. Any monetary donations received will be used to offset the cost of purchasing the supplies. A light lunch will be served and we will start about 12:30pm.

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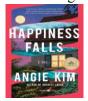
We will meet on Friday, February 7th at 11:30am for book discussion at Palerno's Italian Restaurant in Emporia. We will

be discussing "Happiness Falls" by Angie Kim. New members are Welcome! Questions, please contact Malonne Davies at (620)794-4324.

"We didn't call the police right away." Those are the first words of this extraordinary novel about a biracial Korean-American family in Virginia whose lives are upended when their beloved father and husband goes missing. Mia, the irreverent, hyperanalytical twenty-year-old

daughter, has an explanation for everything--which is why she isn't initially concerned when her father and younger brother Eugene don't return from a walk in a nearby park. They must have lost their phone. Or stopped for an errand somewhere. But by the time Mia's brother runs through

the front door bloody and alone, it becomes clear that the father in this tight-knit family is missing and the only witness is Eugene, who has the rare genetic condition Angelman syndrome and cannot speak.



What follows is both a ticking-clock investigation into the whereabouts of a father and an emotionally rich portrait of a family whose most personal secrets just may be at the heart of his disappearance. Full of shocking twists and fascinating questions of love, language, race, and human connection, Happiness Falls is a mystery, a family drama, and a novel of profound philosophical inquiry. With all the powerful storytelling she brought to her award-winning debut Miracle Creek, Angie Kim turns the missing person story into something wholly original, creating an indelible tale of a family who must go to remarkable lengths to truly understand one another.

NLC PTO

The PTO is a group of parents that helps to provide special programs and events for our children. Please like and join our FaceBook page for information on meetings, fundraisers, and volunteer opportunities.

https://www.facebook.com/americus.nlc/

NHHS Booster Club Notes

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USD 251

USD 251 NORTH LYON COUNTY- FARM TO PLATE PROGRAM. USD 251 Food Service would love to continue offering local homegrown, locally raised beef & pork in our cafeterias. Did you know that you can help by donating an animal to be processed to our food service program? Who: Farmers, Ranchers & Community Members What: Donate a beef or hog to the Farm to Plate Program! You will need to notify the district & arrange an appointment for drop off of the animal at Allen Meat Processing. The school has the animal processed to meet their needs and will pay the processing fee. Where: After the meat is processed, it is picked up by the school. It is incorporated into our menus served our students. Why: Your donation will help USD 251 serve better quality meals to our students at an affordable cost to the district. You receive documentation to verify your donation and can in turn use this as a tax write off.

How: For more information, contact Stacie at the District Office (620)481-2085.

Honor Flight

Honor Flight recognizes American veterans for your sacrifice and achievements by flying you to Washington, D.C. to see your memorial at no cost. Top priority is given to WWII and terminally ill veterans from all wars. Honor Flight could also include Korean and Vietnam veterans, depending on number of applications. Applications are available at The Miracle Cafe, or on Reading KS website home page at: https://www.readingks.com/.

Crafters/Ouilters

We will meet at The Miracle Cafe on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 1:30pm. We welcome new people anytime, come join us. Please contact Rosalie Voorhees with questions or for more information.

Performance Sports

Winter Throws Academy 2025 registration is open now. Sessions are filling fast. Check our website for more information on our winter sessions! Lucas Boss

https://www.performance-sports.net

Happy Hour Coffee Club!

Monday through Friday 9:30-10:30am. Join us and enjoy a hot cup of coffee and fellowship for a free will donation. All proceeds go directly to the RCD!

Women's Coffee Club

The Women's Coffee Club meets at 10am on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Join us, visit, make new friends, and enjoy the fellowship. Pictured below Rhylee Venters, Crue and Caden Jackson.

Reading 4-H

The Reading 4-H Club had an exchange meeting with Rinker 4-H Club on January 20th at 7pm at the extension office in Emporia. We watched a demo from the Blustem Swingers Square Dancing Club. We then got to join in and take our turn at square dancing. It is so much fun that a few of us signed up to do it for Club days. We brought cookies to share and Rinker brought punch. We all had so much fun getting to know each other and trying our hand at square dancing. Club days sign up is due by February 1st. Beef tagging and weigh in is also the 1st of February from 8-10am. Our next meeting will be Wednesday February 12th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Lincoln Senft, Reporting





RCD

The Reading Community Development is a non-profit organization devoted to the continued improvement of our small part of the world. Community folks gathering information and talents to enrich our whole community.

Meeting are posted on FaceBook and only called when needed at The Miracle Cafe. Guests are always welcome!

The Miracle Cafe

Monday, Tuesday,



Wednesday, & Thursday 9am-3pm Starts in January Friday 9am-9pm Closed Saturday and Sunday

Daily Specials

Monday - Roast Beef; Tuesday - Fried Chicken; Wednesday - Cook's Choice; Thursday - Ham; Friday - Mexican.

Friday Night Specials for February

7th-Smoked Meatloaf 14th-KC Strips 21st-Pulled Pork 28th-Smoked Brisket

New Miracle Cafe coffee cups are available for \$10 each!

Thank you for your continued support! Gene and Reta Jackson

Reading Lions' Club

January meeting was canceled due to the weather. Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, February 17th at 6:30pm at The Miracle Cafe for a meal. Cost of meal for members is \$8.00; regular meeting starts at 7pm. Join us at 7pm at a meeting and learn what Lions' Club is all about! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.



Robert Glenn Roller 07/18/1951 — 01/21,/2025 Hartford, Kansas

Robert Glenn Roller, born on July 18, 1951, in Kansas, passed away peacefully at his home in Hartford, Kansas, on January 21, 2025, at the age of 73. Robert led a life filled with hard work, dedication, and the love of family and friends.

For years, Robert was an integral part of the Cargill Flour Mill in Topeka, where he contributed significantly amid a supportive work environment. Prior to this role, he worked diligently as a farm hand for Evans Livestock & Feed for eight years. His career also included a position at Kan-build before he took on custodial roles at Life Care and the Coffey County Hospital in Burlington. After 15 years of dedicated service in these roles, Robert retired due to health concerns, leaving behind a legacy of commitment and reliability. In his personal life, Robert experienced both love and loss.

He was married to Jane Marshall on April 23, 1987; their partnership would later shift to friendship following their divorce in 2002. He found love again when he married Cindy Chesler on July 18, 2003. His marriage to Cindy brought him joy, but it was marked by sadness as she preceded him in death on September 25, 2020.

Robert's family was of utmost importance to him. He is survived by his former spouse and caregiver, Jane Jensen; his daughters, Ramona Wade of Osage City, Kansas, and Misty Harvey of Emporia; as well as his sons, James Wade of Greensboro, North Carolina, and Larry Kemmerer of Neosho Rapids. He shared a special bond with his sisters, Kay Trout of Overbrook, Kansas, and Nellie Miles of Topeka. Robert was a proud grandfather to Kathleen Smith, Jacob Wade, Jayden Kemmerer, Justice Kemmerer, and Shailee Herrera, and he cherished his role as a great-grandfather to six great-grandchildren. In addition to his immediate family, he leaves behind numerous extended family members and a community of friends who will miss him dearly.

Robert's journey was not without its hardships, as he was preceded in death by his wife, Cindy, his parents, and his infant brother, Johnny.

A Celebration of Life is scheduled for **Saturday, July 19, 2025,** at the Reading Community Building.

Where friends loved ones can gather to honor and remember Robert Glenn Roller. It is a come and go pot luck format from 10:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. HISTORY MONTH





Sunday

Monday

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Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Fruit & Veggies for the month: Oranges, Star Fruit, Calabaza Squash, Chayote Squash, & Bitter Melon.



Flower(s): Violet



FFA Manhattan 9am Wrestling-NHHS at Fredonia 9am BB-NHHS-LCL Tournament

ACT Test

Piano Regional

Festival

JV BB-NHHS Boys

at Lyndon 9am

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GRAMMY AWARDS World Wetlands Day GROUNDHOG DAY

NATIONAL WOMEN PHYSICIANS DAY

BB-NHHS vs Osage City 4:30pm **WORLD CANCER DAY**

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Olpe 1pm Womens Coffee Club10am World Read Aloud Day WEATHERPERSON'S DAY

FFA Paola 9am

NLC Quiz Bowl at

SIGNING DAY National Girls and National Girls and FEMALE GENITAL Women in Sports Day MUTILATION

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City Council 7pm Recycling Trailer 🚳

DAY OF ZERO

Regional Scholars

Bowl

Wrestling-NHHS a

Herington 4pm

Wrestling-NHHS at Circle 1pm -NHHS vs Mission VLy 4:30pm Queen of Courts Barbaras Book Club 11:30am

Smoked Meatloaf 7

Trash Pickup 📆

KC Strips

Wrestling-NHHS at Circle 9am Winter Ball 8pm PGA AWARDS WEAR RED DAY DGA AWARDS

National FBLA/ FCCLA Week Coffee Club 10 9:30-10:30am Sirens test

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Wrestling-NHHS FHL Tournament 4pm

Wrestling-NLC Quad at SE Saline 4pm INTERNATIONAL DAY OF WOMEN & GIRLS IN SCIENCE 18

NLC Quiz Bowl at Madison 1pm BOE meeting 6pm 36 4-H 6:45pm

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Crafters 1:30pm

Shut off past due accounts

Wrestling-NLC at

Herington 4pm

BB-NHHS at West **GALENTINE'S DAY** Franklin 4:30pm Internet Friends Day

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Trash Pickup

Pulled Pork

BB-NHHS vs Central

Heights 4:45pm

Senior Recognition

Wrestling-NHHS

Boys Regionals 4pm

Noon Lyndon

Harvesters

State Scholar Bowl Wrestling-NHHS Girls Regionals

City Bills Due!

National FBLA/ FCCLA Week

Newsletter

due 8am!

Piano State Festival

Wrestling-NHHS

Boys Regionals

NAACP IMAGE AWARDS NATIONAL MARGARITA DAY

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Info for 22

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National FFA Week

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16 Coffee Club 17 9:30-10:30am

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Wrestling-NLC at West Franklin 4pm Lions 6:30pm 40

Random Acts of Kindness Day PRESIDENT'S DAY

23 Coffee Club 24 9:30-10:30am

Sirens test

Wrestling-NLC at Marion 4:30pm BB-Sub State Quarter Finals

NATIONAL DRINK WINE DAY 25

BB-NHHS at

Herington 4:30pm

ACT for Juniors Wrestling-NLC at Council Grove 3pm

BB Sub-State

Quarter Finals

Burlingame 1pm Womens Coffee Club10am 26

FFA at Prairie

View 9am

Quiz Bowl at

NLC 1pm

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Osage City 10am Recycling Trailer WORLD DAY OF

NATIONAL LOVE YOUR PET DAY

Wrestling-NHHS

State at Hays

Crafters 1:30pm Miracle Cafe

Trash Pickup 📆 SOCIAL JUSTICE MOTHER LANGUAGE DA

Smoked Brisket 28

Donuts w/Dads at NLC 7:30am ACT Registration Due Wrestling-NHHS State at Hays

Trash Pickup RARE DISEASE DAY National TOOTH

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1st Quarter 5th Full Moon 12th) Last Qtr 20th

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 As of the council meeting date, residents had not received their billing statements. It was discovered that the cities of Osage City, Burlingame and Carbondale had the same issue with their current bill mailing. Residents were notified to contact the city office for amount due.
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This beautiful, thoughtful novel illuminates a unique and

unforgettable culture, one where the women are in charge, engaging in dangerous physical work, and the men take care of the children. A classic Lisa See story—one of women's friendships and the larger forces that shape them—The Island of Sea Women introduces readers to the fierce female divers of Jeju Island and the dramatic history that shaped their lives.

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USD 251

Community is the Key to North Lyon County Student Success: By Mark Tallman

Leaders in North Lyon County USD 251 say they are passionate about preparing their students for success in school and in life. Covering about half of Lyon County north of Emporia, the district serves about 330 students from several small towns, farms, and rural homes.

Recent successes include a 100 percent high school graduation rate, four consecutive Kansas Star Recognition awards from the Kansas State Department of Education for post-secondary success, and a reduction in chronic absenteeism from 24 percent to 15.5 percent. The district also stresses civic engagement, with a 40-hour community service requirement for graduation.

North Lyon County exceeds the state average in English language arts (ELA), math, and science at most levels. Crucially, the district has also seen significant improvements in moving students to higher performance levels in math and ELA. District leaders say much of the improvement was supported by a strong tiered system, especially at the high school level. Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) focuses on a strong curriculum and instruction for all students then provides structured time and additional support for students who have greater needs. Northern Heights High School (NHHS) Principal David Watkins said, "We have as true an MTSS ELA support system as you can in high school, where we move kids in and out based on the progress monitoring process." Based on the data, the district added a new math intervention teacher to support students who are struggling. District leaders say strategic planning and community

engagement have been key to their efforts. This includes a school board appointed strategic planning committee, long term facility planning, and a communications plan to promote what the district is doing. Leaders also stressed that the work of the district is very personal, with most employees having strong district ties. As Wilson explained, "The majority of our staff are either from this community or live in this community."

Honor Flight

Honor Flight recognizes American veterans for your sacrifice and achievements by flying you to Washington, D.C. to see your memorial at no cost. Top priority is given to WWII and terminally ill veterans from all wars. Honor Flight could also include Korean and Vietnam veterans, depending on number of applications. Applications are available at The Miracle Cafe, or on Reading KS website home page at:

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Performance Sports Winter Throws Academy

Thursdays Saturday
Feb. 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th 6:00-7:15 JH/HS Javelin 6:00-7:15 JH Shot Put 7:15-8:30 JH Discus 7:15-8:30 JH/HS Javelin 11:45-1:00 JH/HS Shot Put 11:45-1:00 JH/HS Shot Put

Sunday Feb. 9th, 16th, 23rd, Mar. 2nd 2:00-3:15 HS Shot Put 3:15-4:30 HS Discus

We will have our Spring Basketball Academy in April. Check our website for more information! Lucas Boss

https://www.performance-sports.net

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Reading 4-H

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on the 12th at 6:45pm. We went over our Club Skit for our song. The 4-H members that are line dancing with Riverside for Club days thought up the line dance. Club days is March 1st at Timmerman school.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday March 12th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Lincoln Senft, Reporting

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Friday Night Specials for March

7th-Smoked Meatloaf 14th-Corned Beef 21st-Bierocks 28th-Roast Beef

New Miracle Cafe coffee cups are available for \$10 each!

Thank you for your continued support! Gene and Reta Jackson

Reading Lions' Club

Again we had to reschedule our meeting because of weather. So, we decided to try a daytime meeting until at least May to see how that works for everyone. Meetings will still be the third Monday of each month but we will meet for lunch at 12:30pm at The Miracle Cafe.

Unfortunately our Christmas decorations are old and tattered, very difficult to put up and take down each year, and in need of replacement. We decided to go with a banner instead as the hardware is already installed. This would make changing to Christmas decorations so much easier. We could utilize this same

hardware for other holidays too. We will of course have to hold fundraisers to raise the funds to purchase the banners... this is where we need your help! The Lions' Club would like to invite the other organizations, businesses, and the City of Reading to help with funds and/or fundraisers to make the purchase of banners happen. Please let us know if you would like to donate funds, have a fundraiser, or would like to help with any fundraisers. Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, March 17th at 12:30pm at The Miracle Cafe for a meal. Cost of meal

for members is \$8.00; regular meeting starts at 1pm. Join us at 1pm at a meeting and learn what Lions' Club is all about! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.

Fire in Reading

On Tuesday, February 18th the fire crews from Reading, Hartford-Neosho Rapids, and Miller, along with an ambulance crew from Emporia, responded to a call from 5 Vine shortly after 6am. Scott Wilkerson, Fire Chief of Reading Fire said there was heavy smoke and fire as crews arrived. Crews were able to both put out the fire and ventilate the space.

Emporia Fire says one person suffered burns on a hand and was taken to Newman Regional for treatment. Scott Wilkerson also said that early indications are a space heater was too close to combustible materials, causing fire damage through one room damage throughout the house. and smoke



Reading Lions Club Fundraisers

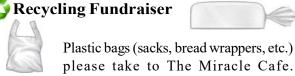
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 20^{00} each - 5" by 15" sign with a green background (not actual color) and white numbering may be attached to your house or mailbox pole.



Please contact any Lions Club member for more information or to place an order!



Plastic bags (sacks, bread wrappers, etc.)

All proceeds go directly to community projects!

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

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NATIONAL NUTRITION

Sunday

Daylight Saving Time

late fees

added

city bills

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to unpaid 🍇

Finished

Newsletter

Due

WORLD

METEOROLOGICAL DAY

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Send information for Newsletter/Website/FaceBook to Linda Woods: ggmawoods@gmail.com or Reading City Hall at cityofreading.ks@gmail.com Reading KS FaceBook Page



1st Quarter 6th

Full Moon 14th Last Qtr 20th

New Moon 29th

Throws Academy Wrestling NHHŚ State at Havs BB Sub-State Semi-Finals

ZERO DISCRIMINATION DAY

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Coffee Club 3 9:30-10:30am Sirens test FFA at Paola BB Sub-State Semi-Finals **NLC Track Practice** begins Throws Academy NHHS Spring Sports SHROVE TUESDAY ACADEMY AWARDS WORLD WILDLIFE DAY Coffee Club 10 9:30-10:30am Sirens test

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NLC/ELC Spring Pictures

Waverly 1pm Womens Coffee Club10am

Topeka Wrestling NLC at NLC Quiz Bowl at Douglass 4pm Recycling Trailer 😂

City Council 7pm

N HHS Leadership

Challenge Event in

Barbaras Book End 3rd 9wks NHHS in Topeka Wrestling NLC at Chase County 4pm BB Sub-State Finals Trash Pickup

Smoked Meatloaf 7

BB Sub-State Finals APPRECIATION DAY

ASH WEDNESDAY National Oreo Day 12

Corned Beef 14

NTERNATIONAL **WOIVEN'S DAY**

No School No School

State BB at Dodge City

34-H 6:45pm

BOE meeting 6pm

Parent/Teacher Conferences 1-8pm Crafters 1:30pm

Miracle Cafe WORLD KIDNEY DAY Spring

Trash Pickup Holi Festival of Colors WORLD SLEEP DAY

Trash Pickup

Bierocks

State BB at Dodge City

City Bills Due! CONSUMER RIGHTS DAY

Info for

Newsletter

due 8am!

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20 FFA Leader Lab Noon Lyndon Harvester

Shut off past due accounts

Recycling Trailer 🚳 Harvesters

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9:30-10:30am

International Day for the Right to the Truth concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims WORLD

International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantić Slave Trade ERNATIONA

WAFFLE DAY

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NLC Spring Pictures FFA in Olathe 9am **HOSA** in Manhattan

Womens Coffee

Club10am

MANATEE APPRECIATION DAY Air Max Day

3:30pm BB/SB West Franklin 4pm Crafters 1:30pm Miracle Cafe

HOSA in Manhattan

World THEATRE Day

Track NLC at Emporia FFA at Fort Scott 8am Track NHHS at Wabaunsee 3pm NLC Honor Roll Assembly 3rd-5th 2:30pm

6th-8th 3pm

Trash Pickup

Roast Beef

Regional Music Festival Solos and Small Ensembles

EARTH HOUR VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

National Puppy Day TUBERCULOSIS DAY
30 Coffee Club31 9:30-10:30am

Sirens test

Asparagus, Canistel EggFruit), Kiwi, Guava, Grapefruit, Tamarillo, Feijoa, Red Banana, and Kiwano Melon.

Fruit & Veggies for the month:

Flower(s): Daffodil



City of Reading Website



www.readingks.com

TRANSGEND WORLD BIPOLAR DAY CESAR CHAVEZ DAY NATIONAL DOCTOR'S DAY DAY OF SERVICE

BB/SB vs Mission

Valley 4pm

CITY of READING NEWSLETTER March 2025

City Council Meeting Highlights

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- The February 6, 2025 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's Report was presented and approved.
- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- Kathy Barr with TrustPoint Insurance presented the council with the latest insurance coverage/policy information.
- Ordinance 2025-01, Dangerous and/or Unfit Structures. Ordinance updated.
- Ordinance 2025-03, Natural Gas. Ordinance updated.
- Ordinance 2025-02, Utility Deposit.
 Ordinance updated.
- All new ordinances are available on the City of Reading webpage.

Water Meter Reminder

If you need your water turned off or on at the meter, please call the city office or Brian Knight. Please do not do this yourself. Reminder: it is unlawful for any person other than duly authorized city officials or employees to turn water on or off at the water meter. Ordinance #2025-02.

City Hall Office Hours:

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Webpage: www.readingks.com

Facebook:

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Council Members:
Mary Ann Newton, President
Marc Atchison
Heather Jones
Bill Paige
Kevin Sorensen

Council meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Reading Community Building.

Upcoming Open Council Positions

Mayor – currently held by Malonne Davies Council Member – position currently held by Heather Jones.

Council Member – position currently held by Mary Ann Newton

Candidates need to complete required documents that can be found at:

https://www.lyoncountyks.gov/240/Election-Office or a packet may be picked up at the City of Reading City Hall during regular business hours. All required documents must be filed in the Lyon County Clerk/Election Office at 430 Commercial Street, Emporia.

The filing fee is \$20.00. Filing deadline is June 2, 2025 at noon.

Utility Billing Information

Utility bill payments are due by the 15th of each month. Late notices will be delivered on the 16th of each month. All accounts unpaid by 8:00am on the 20th of each month will be disconnected. If the 16th or the 20th falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, notifications and disconnections will be done on the closest business day following the 16th and the 20th. A reconnection fee will be charged to disconnected accounts. To have services restored, the full utility balance due and the reconnection fee will need to be paid.

Community Building Rental Info.

All reservations must be made in person or in direct phone conversation with city hall staff. No after hour phone messages will be accepted. The application and the deposit must be received within **1 week** of making the reservation or the reservation will be cleared from the calendar. Building rental payment must be received prior to the event. Payment is by check or cash.

Rental and Deposit Rates

Rental up to four (4) hours - \$50.00 Rentals longer than four (4) hours - \$100.00 Deposit for building rental - \$50.00 For an additional deposit of \$50.00, a large screen TV is available for use when renting the building. Deposit and building rental must be paid in two (2) separate checks.

If you are unable to pick up a reservation form, please email <u>cityofreading.ks@gmail.com</u> and a reservation form will be emailed to you. Please complete the form, then mail or drop off the

form and deposit to the city office to confirm and hold your reservation.

RV Park Rental Information

All RV sites have water, sewer and electricity, Cost is \$15.00/night.
Payment is by check or cash.
Reservations can be made at the city office.

Recycling Information

The recycling trailer will be parked on First Street, across from the school, on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. If the 1st is not on a Monday or Tuesday, then the trailer will be here the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

<u>Materials accepted</u>: newspapers, magazines, junk mail, plastics numbered 1 thru 7, cardboard, tin cans, aluminum cans, and glass containers. Please rinse containers.

2025 Recycling Dates:

April 3, 17
May 8, 22
June 5, 18 (June 19th is a holiday)
July 3, 17
August 7, 21
September 4, 18
October 9, 23
November 6, 20
December 4, 18

Recycling options in Emporia are:

- Books Emporia Public Library
- Clothing, furniture, working electronics or small appliances – Salvation Army or Goodwill
- Plastic Sacks Walmart or Dillions
- Yard Waste Emporia City Landfill/Transfer Station
- Hazardous Waste 3000 West South Ave, Emporia

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

READING U.S.A.

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The City of Reading does not endorse any advertisements printed in or sent out with the newsletter. The City is a neutral entity.



United Methodist Church
Open Hearts . Open Minds . Open Doors
Sunday Worship Service 11am
Pastor Michael Turner

Our Blessing Box is available for help with food and other needs, perishable items are available at The Miracle Cafe. Donations are needed and always greatly appreciated.

Reading UMC Healthy Congregations
For information on events please like
and follow their FaceBook page: https://
www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61552631576546

First Baptist Church

The church is not closed, but there are no services or Bible studies being held. We can still offer the church for weddings, funerals, etc. contact Bill Paige at 620-795-5457.



ECKAN and ECAT in Osage City

ECAT is the food pantry at 306 Martin. People from Reading can get food once a month, also have some nice clothing.

Open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 1-3:30pm, (785)528-8164. Be sure to LIKE ECAT FaceBook page.

ECKAN has food distribution days. For distribution days and other services; residents of Osage County call (785)528-584; Lyon County call (620)642-4607. Or visit website at: http://www.eckan.org/

Harvesters

Food distribution in Osage City is on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10am. Stay in your car and line up at the football-track parking lot. The 3rd Fridays are at Lyndon at noon. Line up in the Jones Park/Help House parking lot. Volunteers will not place items inside your car if you bring a dog. Be sure to check drive-thru calendar for changes. https://www.harvesters.org/drive-thru-food-pickup-calendars

Food Pantries

Americus pantry is located at Americus UMC. Lebo pantry located in the back of the Baptist Church. Open Monday 5-7pm, Thursday 9-11am, and 1st Saturday of each month 10am-noon. Questions, please call 620-340-2355. Hartford Community Food Pantry, 201 E. Park Ave. Clothing and some household goods. Check Shopper or internet for days and hours open.

Abundant Harvest Food Kitchen

Food is distributed from 1028 Whittier in Emporia.

Follow their FaceBook page for notifications of what and when items are being distributed. https://www.facebook.com/ahfkemporiaks

L-CAT County Public Bus Service



TO RIDE: Call office to request a ride and the fares at least 24 hours in advance. Phone: 620-342-4207.

Seniors

Interested in receiving meals, please call the Friendship Center in Emporia (620) 340-8001. Schedule to dine in at the center (221 W Logan Ave), pick up a hot meal to take home, or a week's worth of frozen meals.

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co.

Our Lobby hours are:

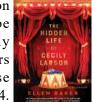
9am-12pm & 1-3pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9am-12pm & 1-5pm Wednesday Closed 12-1pm every day for lunch



Barbara's Book Club

We will meet on Friday, April 4th at 11:30am for book discussion

at El Lorito in Emporia. We will be discussing "The Hidden Life of Cecily Larson" by Ellen Baker. New members are Welcome! Questions, please contact Malonne Davies at (620)794-4324.



We will be discussing "In 1924, four-year-old Cecily Larson's mother reluctantly drops her off at an orphanage in Chicago, promising to be back once she's made enough money to support both Cecily and herself. But she never returns, and shortly after high-spirited Cecily turns seven, she is sold to a traveling circus to perform as the "little sister" to glamorous bareback rider Isabelle DuMonde. With Isabelle and the rest of the circus, Cecily finally feels she's found the family she craves. But as the years go by, the cracks in her little world begin to show. And when teenage Cecily meets and falls in love with a young roustabout named Lucky, she finds her life thrown onto an entirely unexpected—and dangerous—course.

In 2015, Cecily is now 94 and living a quiet life in Minnesota, with her daughter, granddaughter, and great-grandson. But when her family decides to surprise her with an at-home DNA test, the unexpected results not only bring to light the tragic love story that Cecily

has kept hidden for decades but also throw into question everything about the family she's raised and claimed as her own for nearly seventy years. Cecily and everyone in her life must now decide who they really are and what family—and forgiveness—really mean.

Sweeping through a long period of contemporary history, The Hidden Life of Cecily Larson is an immersive, compelling, and entertaining family drama centered around one remarkable woman and her determination to survive.

NLC PTO

The PTO is a group of parents that helps to provide special programs and events for our children. Please like and join our FaceBook page for information on meetings, fundraisers, and volunteer opportunities.

https://www.facebook.com/americus.nlc/

NHHS Booster Club Notes

Keep up-to-date by joining Booster Club - email list: northernheightsboosterclub@gmail.com - FaceBook:

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USD 251



You are INVITED!

NLC Early Learning Center P re-School Round-UP

Tuesday, April 8th at 6pm at NLC Early Learning Center 558 Broadway, Americus

Out of district families are welcome! Children who will be 4 years old on or before August 31, 2025. Are invited to attend Preschool Roundup. Questions, call Learning Center 620-481-2049 or District Office 620-481-2085.

You are invited to attend Kindergarten Round-UP

Tuesday, April 1st at 6pm at NLC Elementary School 804 Sixth St., Americus Out of district families are



welcome! Questions, call the NLC Elementary School 620-481-2086 or District Office 620-481-2085.



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Our skit was highlighting the community service we do in our community. We had a lot of fun performing it. We also held our monthly meeting on March 14th at 6:45pm.



Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 9th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Lincoln Senft, Reporting

RCD

Reading Community Development (RCD) will again be offering a limited number of scholarships this year to former Reading School Students! Scholarship funds will be available for the fall 2025 semester. Applications are being sent to local high school counselors. The deadline to apply is April 25, 2025. Be sure to follow the instructions and answer all the questions on the form. The RCD committee will be meeting in late April to decide on recipients. For additional information, you may email Marion Jones - marionjones72@gmail.com.

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Thank you for your continued support!

Gene and Reta Jackson

Reading Lions' Club

Special guest at Reading Lions Club's March meeting was Clark Lindstrom. Clark will be our district governor for 2025-2026. He told us of his goals for his term. We discussed doing a bake sale at the Emporia Mall spring craft show to raise money for Christmas

banners for the city of Reading. We donated

money to help with a diabetes camp at Augusta and to LCIF. LCIF is the name for Lions Club disaster relief. Reading received \$10,000.00 to help during our tornado. It was used to buy supplies to cover damage, groceries, household bedding. Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, April 21st at 12:30pm at The Miracle Cafe for a meal. Cost of meal for members is \$8.00; regular meeting starts at 1pm. Join us at 1pm at a meeting and learn what Lions' Club is all about! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.

Midwest Mama Co.

Midwest Mama is located at 1107B Commercial St. Owner Kinsey Jones stocks everything from hand-crafted earrings, gifts and decor, apparel for both kids and adults, and cute handmade refrigerator magnets to locally-grown beef and homemade artisan breads. Some products stocked include beef from Leffler Prime Performance, fresh Amish-made bread and cinnamon rolls from Hartford, Kan., cookies from Three Boys Treats, Louisburg Cider Mill cider, and an array of selections from Black Dog Salsas and Pepper Jellies.

Hours: Saturday, 9am to 2pm; Sunday closed; Monday, 9am to 4pm; Tuesday closed; Wednesday, 9am to 4pm; Thursday closed; Friday, 9am to 4pm; and 5pm to 8pm. Phone 620-208-4010, email midwestmco@gmail.com, or visit her website at www.midwestmamacompany.com.



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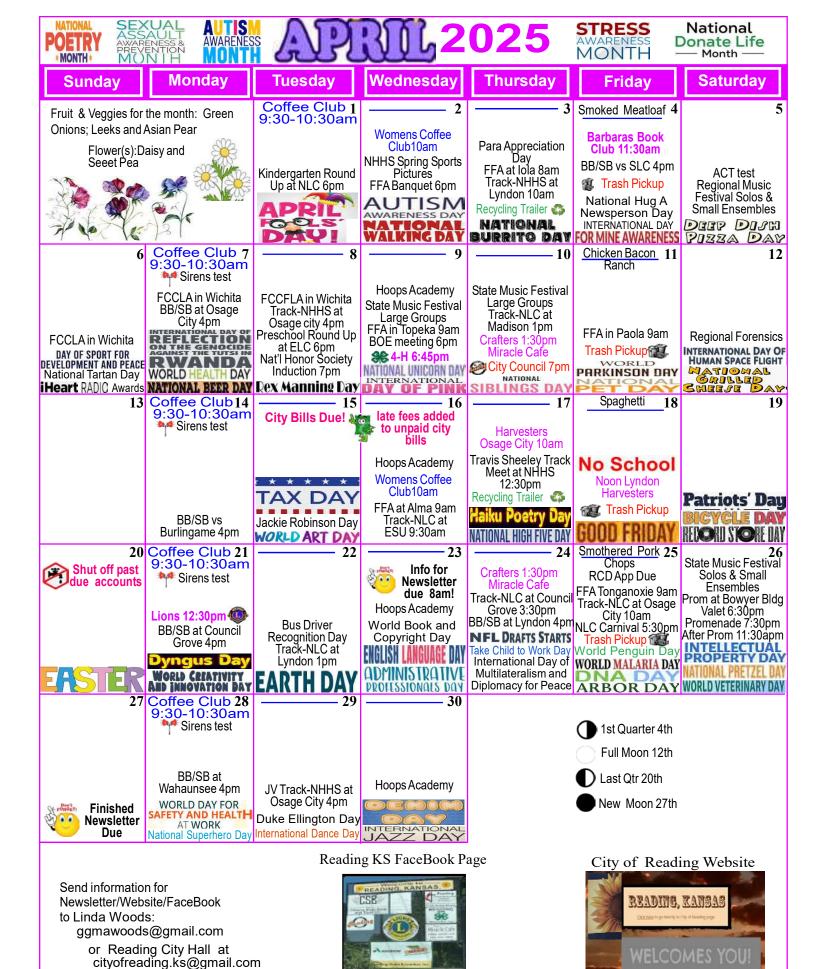
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Reading Community Development

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION - FALL 2025

*Applicants must have attended Reading School at some time in the past Open to both high school graduating seniors or students continuing their higher education experience

1. Name:	
2. Address:	
3. Phone number(s):	
4. High school or higher education institution you are currently at; Grad	ttending or have attended:
*5. Years and grade levels you attended Reading school:	
*6. Please provide a brief summary of what attendance at Readir	ng school has meant to you:
7. Please provide a brief statement of what this scholarship would continue on your educational path:	d mean to you as you
8. Name and address of institution where scholarship funds will be used:	
Date:	
9. Signature of applicant	

By April 25, 2025, return to the address below -

- this completed application form together with a copy of either:
- your 7th semester high school transcript (GED certificate is also acceptable) <u>OR</u>
 your most recent academic transcript of higher education

RCD PO BOX 4 READING KS 66868

Questions? Contact Marion Jones at marionjones72@gmail.com or 620-343-0489

CITY of READING NEWSLETTER April 2025

City Council Meeting Highlights

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- The March 6, 2025 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's Report was presented and approved.
- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- The water and electrical work have started on the two new RV sites in the city RV park.
- Price quotes and designs for seasonal light pole banners are being researched.
- The free dump dates were obtained from the manager of the Solid Waste Dept. City wide clean up dates were discussed and will be published.

City Wide Garage Sales:

The date for the City of Reading city wide garage sales is Saturday, June 28th. If you are having a sale and would like your address added to the list of sales, please contact Linda Woods at ggmawoods@gmail.com. Please include your name, address and time of your sale.

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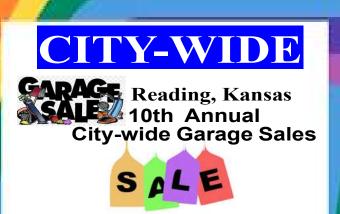
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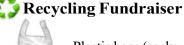
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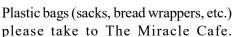
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- Bids for a pull-through road are being sought for the RV sites. This will make it easier for the RVs to pull-through the sites instead of backing in.
- Nancy Standiferd, submitted her resignation as the city clerk.
- Ordinance #2025-04, Animals was presented and approved.
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- There was discussion regarding the purchasing of seasonal and/or veteran's /patriot banners for the light poles. RCD, Lions Club and the 4-H club will help cover the cost.
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Monday thru Friday 8:30am – 12:30pm

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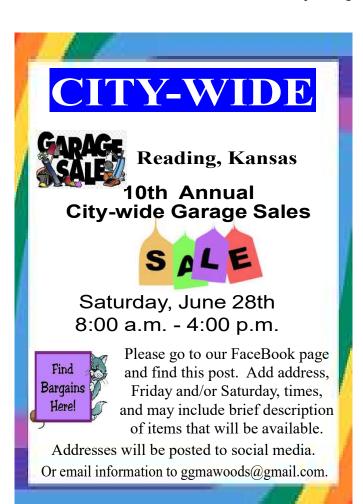
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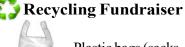
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- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- The 2 new RV sites in the city park are complete
- Interviews were conducted for the open City Clerk position. Bruce Helberg, Jr. was hired.

City Hall Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday 8:30am – 12:30pm

City of Reading Contact Info:

City Hall, 620-699-3870 Clerk, Bruce Helberg, Jr Treasurer, Joyce Wilson

Maint. Mgr., Brian Knight, 620-794-0556

Email: cityofreading.ks@gmail.com
Webpage: www.readingks.com

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/ReadingKS

City Council Members:

Mayor, Malonne Davies Council Members:

Mary Ann Newton, President
Marc Atchison
Heather Jones
Bill Paige
Kevin Sorensen
Council meetings are the first Thursday of each
month at 7:00pm in the Reading Community

Utility Billing Information

Building.

Utility bill payments are due by the 15th of each month. Late notices will be delivered on the 16th of each month. All accounts unpaid by 8:00am on the 20th of each month will be disconnected. If the 16th or the 20th falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, notifications and disconnections will be done on the closest business day following the 16th and the 20th. A reconnection fee will be charged to disconnected accounts. To have services restored, the full utility balance due and the reconnection fee will need to be paid.

Leash Law Reminder

Please make sure to follow city Ordinance #2025-05 regarding keeping your dog on a leash.

SECTION 9. LEASH: that it shall be the duty of every owner, or harborer of any dog(s) within the limits of the city to have each dog under leash or electronic leash or confined the same to the limits of his or her premises during all months of each year.

The full ordinance is available on the city's webpage or contact the city office for a paper copy.

Community Building Rental Info.

All reservations must be made in person or in direct phone conversation with city hall staff. No after hour phone messages will be accepted. The application and the deposit must be received within **1 week** of making the

reservation or the reservation will be cleared from the calendar. Building rental payment must be received prior to the event. Payment is by check or cash.

Rental and Deposit Rates

Rental up to four (4) hours - \$50.00 Rentals longer than four (4) hours - \$100.00 Deposit for building rental - \$50.00 For an additional deposit of \$50.00, a large screen TV is available for use when renting the building. Deposit and building rental must be paid in two (2) separate checks.

If you are unable to pick up a reservation form, please email <u>cityofreading.ks@gmail.com</u> and a reservation form will be emailed to you. Please complete the form, then mail or drop off the form and deposit to the city office to confirm and hold your reservation.

RV Park Rental Information

All RV sites have water, sewer and electricity, 30amp & 50amp.
Cost is \$15.00/night.
Payment is by check or cash.
Reservations can be made at the city office.

Recycling Information

The recycling trailer will be parked on First Street, across from the school, on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. If the 1st is not on a Monday or Tuesday, then the trailer will be here the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

<u>Materials accepted</u>: newspapers, magazines, junk mail, plastics numbered 1 thru 7, cardboard, tin cans, aluminum cans, and glass containers. Please rinse containers.

2025 Recycling Dates:

July 3, 17 August 7, 21 September 4, 18 October 9, 23 November 6, 20 December 4, 18

Recycling options in Emporia are:

- Books Emporia Public Library
- Clothing, furniture, working electronics or small appliances – Salvation Army or Goodwill
- Plastic Sacks Walmart or Dillions
- Yard Waste Emporia City Landfill/Transfer Station
- Hazardous Waste 3000 West South Ave, Emporia

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

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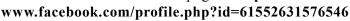
United Methodist Church Open Hearts . Open Minds . Open Doors

Sunday Worship Service 11am Pastor, Michelle Byerly

Our Blessing Box is available for help with food and other needs, perishable items are available at The Miracle Cafe. Donations are needed and always greatly appreciated.

Reading UMC Healthy Congregations

For information on events please like and follow their FaceBook page: https://



First Baptist Church

The church is not closed, but there are no services or Bible studies being held. We can still offer the church for weddings, funerals, etc. contact Bill Paige at 620-795-5457.



ECKAN and ECAT in Osage City

ECAT is the food pantry at 306 Martin. People from Reading can get food once a month, also have some nice clothing.

Open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 1-3:30pm, (785)528-8164. Be sure to LIKE ECAT FaceBook page.

ECKAN has food distribution days. For distribution days and other services; residents of Osage County call (785)528-584; Lyon County call (620)642-4607. Or visit website at: http://www.eckan.org/

Harvesters

Food distribution in Osage City is on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 10am. Stay in your car and line up at the football-track parking lot. The 3rd Fridays are at Lyndon at noon. Line up in the Jones Park/Help House parking lot. Volunteers will not place items inside your car if you bring a dog. Be sure to check drive-thru calendar for changes. https://www.harvesters.org/drive-thru-food-pickup-calendars

Food Pantries

Americus pantry is located at Americus UMC. Lebo pantry located in the back of the Baptist Church. Open Monday 5-7pm, Thursday 9-11am, and 1st Saturday of each month 10am-noon. Questions, please call 620-340-2355. Hartford Community Food Pantry, 201 E. Park Ave. Clothing and some household goods. Check Shopper or internet for days and hours open.

Abundant Harvest Food Kitchen

Food is distributed from 1028 Whittier in Emporia.

Follow their FaceBook page for notifications of what and when items are being distributed.

https://www.facebook.com/ahfkemporiaks

L-CAT County Public Bus Service



TO RIDE: Call office to request a ride and the fares at least 24 hours in advance. Phone: 620-342-4207.

Seniors

Interested in receiving meals, please call the Friendship Center in Emporia (620) 340-8001. Schedule to dine in at the center (221 W Logan Ave), pick up a hot meal to take home, or a week's worth of frozen meals.

Citizens State Bank and Trust Co.

Our Lobby hours are:

9am-12pm & 1-3pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9am-12pm & 1-5pm Wednesday Closed 12-1pm every day for lunch



Barbara's Book Club

We will not be meeting in July. New members are Welcome! Questions,

please contact Malonne Davies at (620)794-4324.

NLC PTO

The PTO is a group of parents that helps to provide special programs and events for our children. Please like and join our FaceBook page for information on meetings, fundraisers, and volunteer opportunities.

https://www.facebook.com/americus.nlc/

NHHS Booster Club Notes

Keep up-to-date by joining Booster Club - email list: northernheightsboosterclub@gmail.com - FaceBook:

 $\frac{https://www.facebook.com/groups/}{137671147589399}$

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Join the Strategic Planning Committee for Community Input Night, an engaging evening designed to spark meaningful conversation. Attendees will participate in small group discussions, where everyone's voice will be heard and valued. Northern Heights High School Gym Wednesday, July 30th from 6 to 8pm. Enrollment July 28th 1-8pm & July 29th 8am-12pm.

Honor Flight

Honor Flight recognizes American veterans for your sacrifice and achievements by flying you to Washington, D.C. to see your memorial at no cost. Top priority is given to WWII and terminally ill veterans from all wars. Honor Flight could also include Korean and Vietnam veterans, depending on number of applications. Applications are available at The Miracle Cafe, or on Reading KS website home page at: https://www.readingks.com/.

Crafters/Quilters

We will meet at The Miracle Cafe on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 1:30pm. We welcome new people anytime, come join us. Please contact Rosalie Voorhees with questions or for more information.

Performance Sports

Fall Academy (Mid-August thru Mid-October) be watching for Fall registration information on our FaceBook page or website! 45 minutes of ball handling, scoring, and shooting drills, 15 minutes of 3 on 3. Check website for more information! Lucas Boss

https://www.performance-sports.net

Women's Coffee Club

The Women's Coffee Club meets at 10am on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Join us, visit, make new friends, and enjoy the fellowship.

RCD

The Reading Community Development is a non-profit organization devoted to the continued improvement of our small part of the world. Community folks gathering information and talents to enrich our whole community.

Meetings are posted on FaceBook only when needed and at The Miracle Cafe. Guests are always welcome!



The Miracle Cafe

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday 9am-3pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday

Daily Specials

Monday - Roast Beef; Tuesday - Fried Chicken; Wednesday - Cook's Choice; Thursday - Ham; Friday - Mexican.

NO Friday Night Specials in July! Closed Friday, July 4th & Friday, August 1st.

Miracle Cafe coffee cups are \$10 each! Thank you for your support! Gene and Reta Jackson

Reading Lions' Club

Reading Lions Club Fourth of July fireworks display will be on Saturday, July 5th at the Reading City Park. We voted to do ice cream, brownies, and water like we did last year at around 8:30pm. at the concession stand.

Lion, Barbara Schattak from Lyndon was our guest. She was the zone chairman for our zone last year. Lion, Will Kerns from Osage City will be our zone chairman this year. Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, July 21st at 6:30pm at The Miracle Cafe for a meal. Cost of meal for members is \$8.00; regular meeting starts at 7pm. Join us at 7pm for the meeting and learn what Lions' Club is all about! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.







Sponsored by the Reading Lions Club.

Reading 4-H

It is time to start getting fair tickets from your favorite 4H Members. Save \$5 by buying your tickets ahead of time!

LYON COUNTY FAIR TICKETS from 4--H Member! \$10 on Sale thru July 18th Save \$5 OFF Gate Price! Tickets at the Gate \$15 Children 12 & Under (advance or Gate) \$2 The Reading 4-H met on June 11th at 7pm at The Miracle Cafe. We had 6 members 1 Leader and 2 guests present. This was an informal meeting. The Reading 4-H would like to thank all who supported their joint fundraiser with Riverside selling trash bags. We will be selling fair tickets for the Lyon County Grand Stand Events get with a 4-H'er they are \$10 in advance.

July 26 6pm 4-H Rodeo
July 27-28 CPRA Rode
July 29 7pm Mutton Bustin'
July 29 8pm Buck, Rumble, Roll
August 1BBQ Competition
August 2 7pm Rancfh Rodeo
August 3 3pm Farm Bureau Kid Tractor Pull
August 7 6:30pm Pee Wee Rodeo
August 7 7pm Antique Tractor Pull
August 9 7pm Demolition Derby
August 5-9 6pm nightly Carnival

Reading 4-H is busy gearing up for the fair and working on all of our projects for the fair this year. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, July 9th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Lincoln Senft, Reporting

Tornado Trot & Trail Saturday, June 28, 2025 - Reading City Park

Event Options: 5K Run or Walk; 13 Mile, 26 Mile, or 36 Mile Bike Ride. New Event for 2025: Run and Bike. Run the 5K, then bike 13 miles. All proceeds go to Handlebars of Hope!

Registration/Check-In opens at 6:30am. Closes at 7:30am. All events start at 7:30am!



Trash Service Change for the City of Reading

Friday, July 4th trash pick up has been changed to Monday, July 7th!

Bruce Helberg, Jr., City Clerk



Reading Lions Club Fundraisers

Address Signs

They can't help you if they can't find you! Think about your mailbox or house and how well it is marked in case EMS or the Sheriff's Office need to respond in an emergency! Also, will help delivery services to find you.

20⁰⁰ each - 5" by 15" sign with a green background (not actual color) and white numbering may be attached to your house or mailbox pole.



Please contact any Lions Club member for more information or to place an order!



Recycling Fundraiser

Plastic bags (sacks, bread wrappers, etc.) please take to The Miracle Cafe.

All proceeds go directly to community projects!



Reading Benefit Fire Department 102 First Street - Reading, KS.

Biscuit, Gravy, & Hashbrown Feed! Saturday, June 28, 2025 at the Reading Fire Department

We will be gravy, and



serving biscuits, hashbrowns

starting at 7 a.m. until we run out! This is a free will donation and meal will include your choice of coffee, water, or orange juice.

Join us for fellowship and to show your support for our local fire department and volunteers.





Reading KS FaceBook Page

Send information for Newsletter/Website/FaceBook to Linda Woods: ggmawoods@gmail.com or Reading City Hall at cityofreading.ks@gmail.com

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