

# READING, U.S.A.

City of Reading, Kansas Newsletter

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

- The June 13, 2024 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- The Revenue Neutral Budget Option #1 was presented and approved.
- The payment of bills was presented and approved.
- The property at 202 Vine Street, currently one of the City of Reading's RV parks was sold.
- Street repair/improvements to Broad Street and Walnut Street was discussed. The council will continue to monitor plans and progress.

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

"We hope you can join us for worship". Bible study group will not meet in August, starts in September.

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**  
Doors Open 9:30am  
Doors Closed 10:30am  
**Rev. Lyle Williams**

Sunday, doors open 9:30am. Meet, greet, and song 9:30-9:40am. Prayer requests and prayer 9:40am. Bible study By Rev. Lyle Williams at 9:50am. Closing prayer around 10:20am. Snacks and coffee afterward.

### ECKAN and ECAT in Osage City

ECAT is the clothing and food pantry at 306 S. Martin. People from Reading who need food assistance can get food once a month, also have some nice clothing. You can arrange for someone to pickup food for you. 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

Harvesters food distribution at 10am on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Osage City. Stay in your car and line up at the football-track parking lot. <https://www.harvesters.org/drive-thru-food-pickup-calendars>

### Food Pantries

Americus pantry is located at the Americus United Methodist Church and open to anyone within the USD 251 school district. Open to Reading, the Lebo pantry is located in the back of the Lebo 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 are available. Open to residents of Reading. Check Shopper or internet for days and hours open each month.

### 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 & 1-6pm Wednesday

Closed 12-1pm every day for lunch



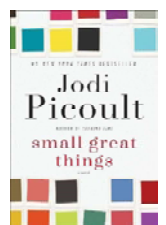
### Barbara's Book Club



Next meeting will be on August 9th at 11:30am in Emporia at Pizza Ranch. We will be discussing "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult.

The books are available at the Emporia Library under Barbara's Book Club. New members are Welcome!!! Questions, please contact Malonne Davies at (620)794-4324.

Ruth Jefferson is a labor and delivery nurse at a Connecticut hospital with more than twenty years' experience. During her shift, Ruth begins a routine checkup on a newborn, only to be told a few minutes later that she's been reassigned to another patient. The parents are white supremacists and don't want Ruth, who is African American, to touch their child. The hospital complies with their request, but the next day, the baby goes into cardiac distress while Ruth is alone in the



nursery. Does she obey orders or does she intervene? Ruth hesitates before performing CPR and, as a result, is charged with a serious crime. Kennedy McQuarrie, a white public defender, takes her case but gives unexpected advice: Kennedy insists that mentioning race in the courtroom is not a winning strategy. Conflicted by Kennedy's counsel, Ruth tries to keep life as normal as possible for her family—especially her teenage son—as the case becomes a media sensation. As the trial moves forward, Ruth and Kennedy must gain each other's trust, and come to see that what they've been taught their whole lives about others—and themselves—might be wrong.

### **NLC PTO**

The PTO is a group of parents that helps to provide special programs and events for our children, but it cannot function without the help of many parents. Please see the FaceBook page for meeting times and dates. We're counting on you! Please like and join our FaceBook page for information on meetings, fundraisers, and volunteer opportunities.

<https://www.facebook.com/amicus.nlc/>

### **NHHS Booster Club Notes**

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

FaceBook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137671147589399>

### **USD 251 School Hours**

**First day of school Wednesday, August 21st!**

NLC Early Learning Center 620-481-2049

Preschool 8:10am-3:30pm

NLC Elementary School 620-481-2086

Grades KG-8 8:10am-3:30pm

Northern Heights High School 620-481-2087

Grades 9-12 7:50am-3:10pm

### **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 Wednesday 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 Hoops Academy

Wednesdays 6pm K-3rd 7pm 4th-6th

8/21, 8/28, 9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16

Sundays

2pm 5-6th 3pm JH/HS Women 4pm JH/HS Men

8/18, 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13

Check our website for more information. 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 Wednesday of each month. Join us, visit, make new friends, and enjoy the fellowship.



### **Reading 4-H**

The Reading 4-H Club had their monthly meeting at the Osage city swimming pool on July 10th. The Club went swimming with meeting that followed. The Club also in full swing selling fair tickets and gearing up for the fair. The fair will be kicked off by the Friends of 4-H picnic August 1st at 6:30pm. The Club would like to wish all who will be participating in the fair good luck!! Come out and enjoy the fair and thank you to all that support 4-H.

Next meeting will be Friday, August 9th at the at the Lyon County Fairgrounds at 5:30pm for our Club Tour and fairgrounds clean up. Hunter Senft, Reporting





## The Miracle Cafe



Monday through  
Thursday 9am-3pm  
Friday 9am-9pm  
Closed Saturday  
and Sunday

**Starting on Wednesday, August 21st  
NEW HOURS!**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday  
9am-3pm  
Wednesday 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 August

2nd- Smoked Meatloaf  
9th-Cafe Closed  
16th-Cafe closing at 3pm

### Wednesday Night Specials for August

21st- Sloppy Joes  
28th-Mexican

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

Thank you for your continued support!  
Gene and Reta Jackson

### 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!

### Reading Lions' Club

Reading Lions Club wants to thank everyone who supported our fireworks display by buying ice cream and brownies. We want to thank everyone who donated to purchasing fireworks and those for taking time to enjoy our fireworks display. Thanks to Justin Jackson and his family, Amy and Ryder Jackson for shooting off the fireworks. It was good to see our community enjoying time together. Reading Lions Club is still collecting plastic sacks (bags, bread wrappers, etc.) to receive another bench. If anyone



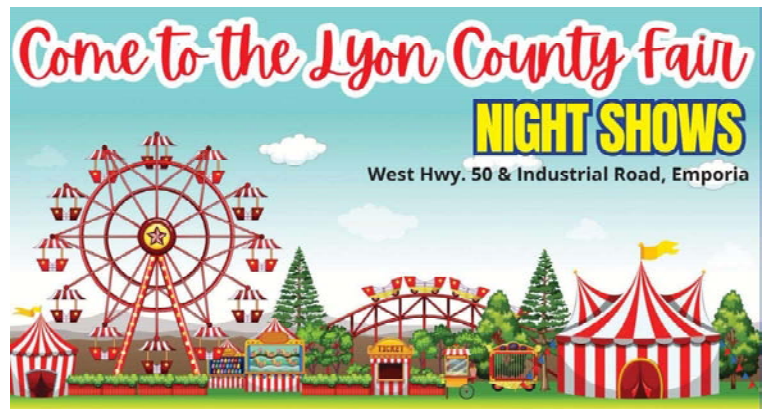
wants to help, take your extra sacks to the cafe. Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, August 19th at 6:30pm at The Miracle Cafe for a meal. Cost of meal for members is \$8.00; regular meeting starts at 7pm. Join us at 7pm at a meeting and see if Lions' Club is for you too! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.

### Tornado Trot & Trail

The Tornado Trot & Trail held their annual event on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Over 120 people participated in this year's event. Co-chairs, Jann Briggs and Nancy Standiferd are excited to donate \$2,000.00 to Handlebars of Hope.

Today, it's a significant fundraiser for Handlebars of Hope, a charitable initiative led by Matt and Stephanie Brown and Ty and Lacie Davis. The funds raised help support various community projects and individuals in need.

Thank you to all the participants, volunteers, Reading Fire Department and the City of Reading for all your support and help making the 2024 Tornado Trot & Trail a huge success!



### Carnival Wristbands, August 8-17 \$28 Nightly 6-10

|           |              |                                      |               |
|-----------|--------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Sunday    | ..... Aug 4  | ... Ranch Rodeo                      | ..... 7pm     |
| Tuesday   | ..... Aug 6  | ... Mutton Busint                    | ..... 7:30pm  |
| Tuesday   | ..... Aug 6  | ... Buck, Rumble & Roll              | ..... 8pm     |
| Wednesday | Aug 7        | ... 4-H Rodeo (free gate)            | ..... 7pm     |
| Thursday  | .... Aug 8   | ... Antique Tractor Pull (free gate) | ..... 7pm     |
| Friday &  | ..... Aug    | ..... BBQ Contest                    | ..... Check   |
| Saturday  | ..... 9 & 10 | .. Bowyer Building                   | ..... in 10am |
| Saturday  | ..... Aug 10 | . Demolition Derby                   | ..... 7pm     |
| Sunday    | ..... Aug 11 | .. Kid's Pedal Tractor Pull          | ..... 3pm     |
| Monday    | ..... Aug 12 | . Premium Sale                       | ..... 6pm     |
| Friday    | ..... Aug 16 | . Truck & Tractor Pull               | ..... 7pm     |

**Gate Tickets: Adult \$15 Child (12 & under) \$2**  
Tickets may also be purchased online for all grandstand events at

[www.lyoncountyfairks.org](http://www.lyoncountyfairks.org)

**Anderson Building open for Public viewing:**

Wednesday, Aug 7th from 5-9pm Thursday, Aug 8th  
thru Monday, August 12th 10am-9pm

**For More information 620-342-5014 Fair Office**



NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION

# AUGUST 2024

AWARENESS MONTH




| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                               | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Saturday                                                                                           |
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| <p>Fruit &amp; Veggies for the month: Peaches, Cactus Pear, Eggplant, Prickly Pear, Nopales Catus, Okra, Celery, &amp; Fennel</p>  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                       |  <p>Flower(s):<br/>Poppy &amp; Gladiolus</p>                                                                                                  | <p>Coffee Club 1<br/>9:30-10:30am</p>  <p>City Council<br/>7pm</p> <p>National Girlfriend Day<br/><b>IPADAY</b></p>                                                           | <p>Smoked Meatloaf 2<br/><b>Last Friday Night Special at The Miracle</b></p>  <p>Trash Pickup</p> <p>National Ice Cream Sandwich Day<br/><b>NATIONAL COLORING BOOK DAY</b><br/><b>INTERNATIONAL BEER DAY</b></p>                                                               | <p>3</p> <p><b>NATIONAL MUSTARD DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL WATERMELON DAY</b></p>                     |
| <p>4</p> <p><b>OBAMA NATIONAL SISTER'S DAY friendship day</b></p>                                                                                                                                                   | <p>Coffee Club 5<br/>9:30-10:30am</p>  <p>Sirens test</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <p>6</p> <p><b>ROOT BEER FLOAT DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                            | <p>Womens Coffee Club 10am 7</p> <p><b>PURPLE HEART DAY</b><br/>National Lighthouse Day</p>                                                                                                                                    | <p>8</p> <p>Recycling Trailer </p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL CAT DAY</b></p>                                                                                                      | <p>Cafe Closed 9</p> <p> 4-H 5:30pm</p> <p>Trash Pickup </p> <p>WORLD'S <b>INDIGENOUS PEOPLES</b> Book Lovers Day</p>                                                                       | <p>10</p> <p><b>WORLD LION DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL SMORES DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL LAZY DAY</b></p> |
| <p>11</p> <p><b>SUMMER OLYMPICS</b> Ends</p>                                                                                                                                                                        | <p>Coffee Club 12<br/>9:30-10:30am</p>  <p>Sirens test</p> <p><b>WORLD ELEPHANT DAY</b><br/><b>INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                             | <p>13</p> <p><b>International Left-handers Day</b></p>                                                                                                                                | <p>Crafters 1:30pm<br/>Miracle Cafe 14</p> <p>BOE meeting 6pm</p> <p><b>WORLD LIZARD DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                               | <p>Harvesters 10am 15<br/>Osage City</p> <p>City Bills Due! </p> <p>Inservice day</p> <p><b>NATIONAL RELAXATION DAY</b></p>                                                 | <p>Cafe closing at 3pm 16</p> <p>late fees added to unpaid city bills </p> <p>Trash Pickup </p> <p>Tell A Joke Day<br/><b>NATIONAL ROLLER COASTER DAY</b></p>                              | <p>17</p> <p><b>NATIONAL BLACK CAT APPRECIATION DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL NONPROFIT DAY</b></p>      |
| <p>18</p> <p>Hoops Academy</p>                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p>Coffee Club 19<br/>9:30-10:30am</p>  <p>Sirens test</p> <p>Work Day<br/>Freshman Orientation<br/>Lions 6:30pm </p> <p>World Photography Day<br/><b>WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL AVIATION DAY</b></p> | <p>20</p>  <p>Shut off past due accounts</p> <p>Teacher Work Day<br/><b>NATIONAL RADIO DAY</b></p> | <p>Sloppy Joes 21<br/>Womens Coffee Club 10am</p> <p><b>BACK TO SCHOOL</b> Classes begin</p> <p>Hoops Academy<br/>International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism<br/><b>SENIOR CITIZEN'S DAY</b></p> | <p>22</p> <p>Recycling Trailer </p> <p>International Day Commemorating the Victims of Act of Violence Based on Religion or Belief<br/><b>NATIONAL TOOTH FAIRY DAY</b></p> | <p>23</p> <p>Info for Newsletter due 8am! </p> <p>Trash Pickup </p> <p>International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition</p> <p><b>NATIONAL WAFFLE DAY</b></p> | <p>24</p>                                                                                          |
| <p>25</p> <p>Hoops Academy</p>  <p>Finished Newsletter Due</p>                                                                    | <p>Coffee Club 26<br/>9:30-10:30am</p>  <p>Sirens test</p> <p><b>Women's Equality Day</b><br/><b>NATIONAL DOG DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>27</p>                                                                                                                                                                             | <p>Crafters 1:30pm<br/>Miracle Cafe<br/>Hoops Academy</p> <p>National Power Rangers Day<br/><b>National Bow Tie Day</b></p>                                                                                                    | <p>29</p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST NUCLEAR TESTS</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                | <p>30</p> <p>Trash Pickup </p> <p><b>COLLEGE COLORS DAY</b></p> <p>International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances<br/><b>BEACH DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                      | <p>31</p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY</b></p>                                       |

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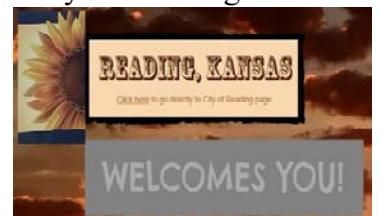
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-  1st Quarter 12th
-  Full Moon 19th
-  Last Qtr 26th
-  New Moon 4th

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- An updated Gas Ordinance 2024-03 was presented and approved.
- It was decided that the bushes around the community building would be removed and planters with flowers will be added in the spring.
- It was decided that landlords/property owners would begin receiving notification if a renter is 30-days or more past due in paying utility bills.
- Three broken spring riders in the city park, have been replaced.

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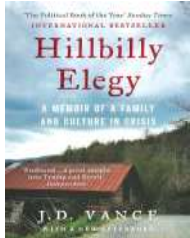
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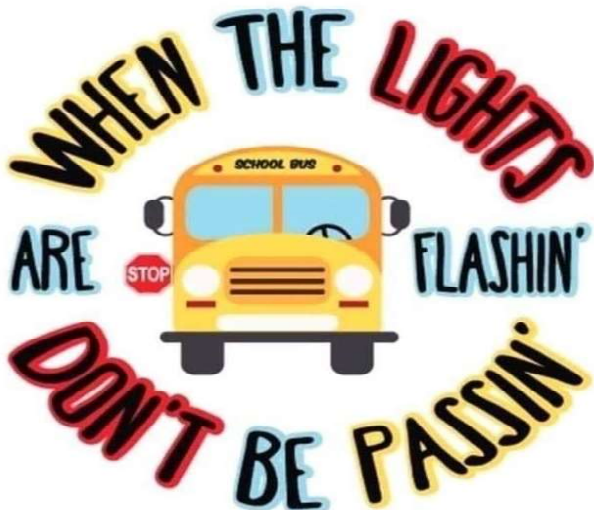
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### NHHS Booster Club Notes

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

FaceBook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137671147589399>

### USD 251



### 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

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### Performance Sports

Fall Hoops Academy

Wednesdays 6pm K-3rd 7pm 4th-6th  
9/4, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16

Sundays

2pm 5-6th 3pm JH/HS Women 4pm JH/HS Men  
9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/13

Check our website for more information. 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.



### Reading 4-H

The Reading 4-H Club did great at the fair, congratulations to all the kids. We kicked off the beef show on August 9th where the kids did really well. The Rabbit show was that morning too and Hunter did well receiving grand champion level two showman and he won a buckle. We had our Club Tour that evening at 5:30pm and all the kids showed the rest of the club their projects. We started in the Anderson building then worked our way through the animals. Wow, I didn't know we were that talented so many nice things! We had our very own Cru

Jackson take the Senior goat showmanship title and qualified to go to round robin. That's were you show all the species of livestock and they pick both a grand and reserve champion in each class. Rhylee Venters represented the club well by helping her little sister in the peewee showmanship. It was really cute to watch. Thank you all who have supported us throughout the year and has helped us make our best better.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 11th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Hunter Senft, Reporting



## The Miracle Cafe



Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday, & Friday  
9am-3pm  
Wednesday 9am-9pm  
Closed Saturday  
and Sunday

### Daily Specials

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

### Wednesday Night Specials for September

4th-Smoked Meatloaf  
11th-Roast Beef  
18th-Spaghetti  
25th-Mexican

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

Thank you for your continued support!  
Gene and Reta Jackson

## 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!



## Reading Lions' Club

The Lions Club meeting for Monday, August 19th had to be changed to Monday, August 26th due to gas leak at The Miracle Cafe. Still collecting plastic sacks (bags, bread wrappers, etc.) to receive another bench. If anyone wants to help, take your extra sacks to the cafe.

We discussed that we still have some address signs. If anyone in the community is interested in an address sign, let a member know. They are \$20.00 and the sign is green with white lettering. We also discussed the company that makes Rada knives. If enough people would be interested in purchasing kitchen knives, we could use this for a fundraiser. A catalog is at the cafe, if someone is interested in check them out.

Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, September 16th 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 see if Lions' Club is for you too! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.

## Street ministry for the homeless in Emporia.

Every Thursday beginning September 19, we will hit the streets with food, blankets, socks, toiletries, etc. to pass out freely to those in need. With winter quickly approaching, it is crucial that we begin gathering these items now! That's where you can help... Donation items for distribution are being collected at two local businesses: Schrockbier Old Smokehouse, 11 E 6th Ave; and Affordable Auto Glass, 1925 W 6th Ave.

Items needed include:

- Socks • Blankets • Coats • Toiletries
- Large waterproof backpacks

Items must be new not used! Or Cash donations to purchase fresh food for sack lunches. Thank you for helping us minister to the homeless in our community!

## Humane Society of the Flint Hills

Do you have an animal need? Do you need help with something animal related? Please contact us! Now that the Emporia Animal Shelter is under new management by Prairie Paws, we are now able to expand out to the Flint Hills and the surrounding counties! Phone: (620) 342-4477 E-Mail: Directorhsfh@gmail.com



| Sunday                                                                                                                        | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Tuesday                                                                                      | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                       | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                            | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <p>1</p> <p>Hoops Academy</p>                                                                                                 | <p>2</p> <p>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br/>Sirens test</p> <p><b>No School</b></p> <p><b>LABOR DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                     | <p>3</p> <p>NHHS VB at NHHS 5pm</p>                                                          | <p>4</p> <p>Smoked Meatloaf<br/>Womens Coffee Club 10am</p> <p>NHHS/NLC CC at Mission Vly 4pm<br/>NLC VB/FB at NLC 5pm/6:30pm</p> <p>Hoops Academy</p>                                          | <p>5</p> <p>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br/>Recycling Trailer<br/>Bible Study 3:30pm<br/>City Council 7pm</p> <p><b>CHEESE PIZZA DAY</b><br/>international DAY OF CHARITY</p>                                                                                               | <p>6</p> <p>Trash Pickup<br/>NHHS Tailgate 5:30pm<br/>NHHS FB at NHHS 7pm</p> <p>Barbaras Book Club 11:30am at Miracle-Reading</p> <p>Read A Book Day</p>                                         | <p>7</p> <p>NHHS VB at Burlingame Tournament 9am</p> <p><b>WORLD BEARD DAY</b><br/><b>BEER LOVER'S DAY</b><br/><b>BACON DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                          |
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| <p>15</p> <p>City Bills Due!</p> <p>Hoops Academy</p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMOCRACY</b></p>                            | <p>16</p> <p>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br/>Sirens test</p> <p>late fees added to unpaid city bills</p> <p>NHHS FB at Lebo 5pm</p> <p>Lions 6:30pm</p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE OZONE LAYER</b></p> | <p>17</p> <p><b>NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY</b><br/>Constitution and Citizenship Day</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Spaghetti</p> <p>Womens Coffee Club 10am<br/>NHHS FFA at Prairie View 9:30am</p> <p>Hoops Academy</p> <p><b>CHEESEBURGER DAY</b><br/><b>HIV/AIDS &amp; AGING AWARENESS DAY</b></p> | <p>19</p> <p>Harvesters 10am<br/>Osage City<br/>Recycling Trailer<br/>Bible Study 3:30pm<br/>NHHS/NLC CC at The Orchard 4pm<br/>NHHS VB at Herington 5pm<br/>NLC VB/FB at Lebo 5pm/6:30pm</p> <p>TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY</p>                                              | <p>20</p> <p>Shut off past due accounts</p> <p>Trash Pickup</p> <p>ACT Registration<br/>NHHS FB at Hartford 7pm</p> <p><b>NATIONAL PEPPERONI PIZZA DAY</b><br/><b>POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY</b></p> | <p>21</p> <p>Info for Newsletter due 8am!</p> <p>Trash Pickup</p> <p>ACT Registration<br/>NHHS FB at Hartford 7pm</p> <p><b>Oktoberfest Starts</b><br/><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE</b><br/><b>BATMAN DAY</b></p>                                                           |
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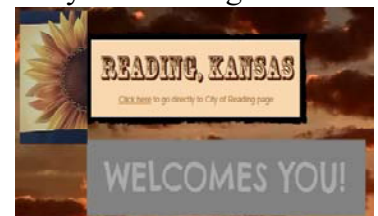
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- 1st Quarter 11th
- Full Moon 17th
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## **Highlights from the City of Reading**

### **Council Meeting:**

The City of Reading Council met on Thursday, September 5, 2024 at 7:00pm.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Malonne Davies. Council members present were, Mary Ann Newton, Bill Paige, Heather Jones, Kevin Sorensen and Marc Atchison. Staff present were Treasurer, Joyce Wilson, and City Clerk, Nancy Standiferd. Guests present were, Shane Bowers, Bill Hooper and Rhonda Hooper.

- The August 1, 2024 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- The payment of bills was presented and approved.
- An updated Utility Deposit Ordinance 2024-01.01 was presented and approved. You can review the updated ordinance on the City of Reading's webpage. <https://www.readingks.com/codesordinances>
- Upcoming street projects: Walnut Street, potholes filled and estimates for further maintenance are being requested. Vine Street, the gravel portion will be graded. Franklin Street -the city will be in contact with the county to evaluate maintenance needs. (Franklin Street is maintained by the county, not the City of Reading.)
- The timer for the lights at the park will be evaluated for possible updates.
- The Budget Hearing and Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing were held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024. Both were presented and approved as published.

### **City Hall Office Hours:**

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8:30am – 12:30pm  
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## **Action Reminders!**

The October city council meeting will be on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 7:00pm in the Reading Community Building.

## **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 big screen TV is available for use when renting the building.

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If you are unable to stop by the office to pick up the reservation form, please email [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com) 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 your reservation.

## **RV Park Rental Information**

All RV sites have water, sewer and electricity (30amp & 50amp).

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### **Dates for 2024:**

October 3 & 17

November 7 & 21

December 5 & 19

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

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- Books - Emporia Public Library
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The author of numerous best-selling cookbooks and hailed as "America's Grandmother," Betsy Martin isn't as warm off-screen as on, although no one needs to know that but her. She has always demanded perfection, and gotten it with a smile, but this year something is off. Things go awry as the baking competition begins. At first, it's merely sabotage—sugar replaced with salt, a burner turned too high—but when a

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### USD 251



After many years of participating in the Flint Hills League, Northern Heights High School and NLC have moved to the Lyon County League. Some would say we have come back home. We appreciate the Flint Hills League and wish all the schools the best of luck in the future. NHHS and NLC's move to the Lyon County League was based on a better fit for both schools with members of the Lyon County League in terms of size of school and communities. Although NLC has been competing at 8 man football in recent years, this marks the first time NHHS will compete in 8 man football. The coaches and players are excited for this new challenge and opportunity.

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Fall Hoops Academy

Wednesdays: 6pm K-3rd 7pm 4th-6th  
10/2, 10/9, 10/16

Sundays: 2pm 5-6th 3pm JH/HS Women 4pm JH/HS Men  
10/6, 10/13

Check our website for more information. 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.



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The Reading 4-H Club met on September 11th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. The Club had several projects that went to the state fair and did well. Congratulations to all who exhibited their projects. Record books are due to club leaders by September 29th. Layten Fox lead us in a game of tag, it was really fun to get outside and run around.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 9th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Hunter Senft, Reporting





## The Miracle Cafe



Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday, & Friday  
9am-3pm  
Wednesday 9am-9pm  
Closed Saturday  
and Sunday

**Starting 10/17 Open Monday thur  
Friday 9am-3pm only!**

### Daily Specials

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

### Wednesday Night Specials for October

2nd-Smoked Meatloaf  
9th-Pulled Pork  
16th-Spaghetti w/Garlic Bread

**After 10/16 no more evening meals  
until further notice.**

Grandma has to go to Minot, ND to help the  
grandchildren with the great grandchildren; so  
Tara and Nikita will be open M-F from 9am-3pm and  
closed Saturday and Sunday. Thank you for your  
continued support! Gene and Reta Jackson

## Reading Lions' Club

At Lions Club we voted to serve hot dogs, chips and bottled water at Trunk & Treat again this year at the Miracle Cafe.

We also voted to sell Rada knives for a fundraiser. If interested there is a catalog at The Miracle Cafe or contact any Lions member. We are still running our plastic bag and sack fundraiser, please bring them to The Miracle Cafe.

Address signs are \$20<sup>00</sup> each - 5" by 15" sign with a green background 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! These are signs to put your house number on so emergency workers can find which house is yours.

Possible future community projects which we will be looking into are: replacing the community sign and fencing for the Reading Cemetery.

Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, October 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 at a meeting and see if Lions' Club is for you too! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.

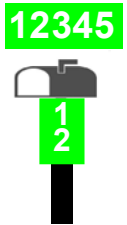


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## RCD

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!

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                              | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Saturday                                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Fruit & Veggies for the month: Pears, Apples, Persimmons, Pumpkin, Ginger, Galangal, and Tumeric.<br>Flower(s): Calendula<br> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Coffee Club 1</b><br>9:30-10:30am<br>NHHS VB at Lebo w/Hartford 5pm<br>WORLD VEGETARIAN DAY<br>International day of Older Persons<br>INTERNATIONAL COFFEE DAY       | <b>Smoked Meatloaf 2</b><br>Womens Coffee Club 10am<br>Work Keys for Jrs Homecoming Parade 6:30pm<br>Hoops Academy<br><b>NAME YOUR CAR DAY</b><br>International Day of NON-VIOLENCE    | <b>Recycling Trailer 3</b><br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br>City Council 7pm<br>NHHS/NLC CC at Council Grove 4pm<br>NLC VB/FB at Hartford 5pm/6:30pm<br><b>MEAN GIRLS DAY</b><br><b>NATIONAL BOYFRIEND DAY</b>                   | <b>Trash Pickup 4</b><br>Barbaras Book Club 11:30am at Miracle-Reading<br>NHHS Homecoming Ceremony 6:30pm<br>NHHS FB vs Madison 7pm<br><b>WORLD SMILE DAY</b><br><b>WORLD ANIMAL DAY</b><br>National Taco Day | NLC VB at Lyndon 9am<br><b>WORLD TEACHER'S DAY</b><br>                                         |
| 4H Sunday 11am RUMC<br>Hoops Academy<br><b>NATIONAL COACHES DAY</b><br>German-American Day                                                                                                                     | <b>Coffee Club 7</b><br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>PSAT<br>JV FB-NHHS at Madison 5pm<br>VB-NLC vs Olpe 4:30pm<br><b>WORLD HABITAT DAY</b>                                                                               | VB-NLC at Olpe w/MdCV 5pm<br><b>ADA Lovelace DAY</b>                                                                                                                   | Pulled Pork 9<br>4-H 6:45pm<br>FCCLA at Yates Center<br>BOE meeting 6pm<br>Hoops Academy<br><b>LEIF ERIKSON DAY</b><br><b>WALK TO SCHOOL DAY</b><br><b>WORLD POST DAY</b>              | <b>Crafters 1:30pm</b><br>Miracle Cafe<br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br>CC-NLC/NHHS at Osage City 4pm<br>NLC vs Waverly VB 5pm/FB 6:30pm<br>8th Grade Recognition<br><b>WORLD SIGHT DAY</b><br><b>MENTAL HEALTH DAY</b>          | <b>Trash Pickup 11</b><br>FB-NHHS at Yates Center 7pm<br><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD</b><br><b>NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY</b><br><b>WORLD EGG DAY</b>                                                 | JV-VB-NHHS at Mission Vly 9am<br>NLC-LCL VB at Hartford 9am<br><br><b>NATIONAL FARMERS DAY</b> |
| Hoops Academy<br><b>NATIONAL NO BRA DAY</b><br><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR DISASTER REDUCTION</b>                                                                                                                 | <b>Coffee Club 14</b><br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>NLC VB at Mission Vly 4:30pm<br>PreACT Freshmen JV FB-NHHS at W Franklin 6pm<br><b>NATIONAL DESSERT DAY</b><br><b>INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY</b><br><b>COLUMBUS DAY</b> | City Bills Due!<br>VB-NHHS vs Madison 5pm<br>Senior Recognition<br><b>GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY</b><br><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF RURAL WOMEN</b><br><b>NATIONAL PUG DAY</b> | Spaghetti 16<br>late fees added to unpaid city bills<br>Womens Coffee Club 10am<br>Hoops Academy<br>FFA in KC 9am<br><b>WORLD FOOD DAY</b><br><b>Pronouns Day</b><br><b>BOSS'S DAY</b> | <b>Harvesters 10am</b><br>Osage City<br>Recycling Trailer<br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br>HOSA in Manhattan<br>NHHS Picture Retakes<br>CC-NLC/NHHS-LCL at The Orchard 4pm<br>FB-NLC vs Olpe 6:30pm                              | <b>Trash Pickup 18</b><br>End of 1st 9 wks NLC/ELC Picture Retakes & Class Pictures<br>FB-NHHS at Chase County 7pm                                                                                            | <b>National Pasta Day</b><br>International Day for the ERADICATION OF POVERTY<br><b>SPIRIT DAY</b><br>VB-NHHS-LCL in Emporia 9am                                                  |
| Shut off past due accounts<br>                                                                                              | <b>Coffee Club 21</b><br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>Lions 6:30pm<br>NLC BB Practice Begins<br>NHHS JV FB vs Chase County 5pm                                                                                            | NHHS FFA in Indianapolis IN<br>National<br><b>NUT DAY</b>                                                                                                              | closing at 3pm 23<br>Red Ribbon Week<br><b>MOLE DAY</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>Crafters 1:30pm</b><br>Miracle Cafe<br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br><b>No School</b><br>Parent Teacher Confernece 1-8pm<br><b>WORLD DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION DAY</b><br><b>UNITED NATIONS DAY</b><br><b>NATIONAL FOOD DAY</b> | <b>Trash Pickup 25</b><br><b>No School</b><br>NHHS FB vs Lyndon 7pm<br>Senior Recognition                                                                                                                     | Info for Newsletter due 8am!<br>NHHS FFA in Indianapolis, IN<br>NHHS VB Substate NHHS CC Regionals ACT Test<br><b>NATIONAL TRICK-OR-TREAT DAY</b><br>National Pumpkin Day         |
| Finished Newsletter Due<br>Trunk & Treat 5:30-7pm<br>Red Ribbon Week<br>World Day for Audiovisual Heritage<br><b>BLACK CAT DAY</b>                                                                             | <b>Coffee Club 28</b><br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br><b>No School</b><br>NHHS JV FB at Lyndon 6pm<br><b>CFDA FASHION AWARDS</b><br><b>CHOCOLATE DAY</b>                                                                  | NHHS Scholars Bowl 4pm<br><b>WORLD STROKE DAY</b><br><b>NATIONAL CAT DAY</b>                                                                                           | closing at 3pm 30<br><b>NATIONAL CANDY CORN DAY</b>                                                                                                                                    | Bible Study 3:30pm<br><b>World Cities Day</b><br>Happy Halloween<br>                                                                 | Red Ribbon Week                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                   |

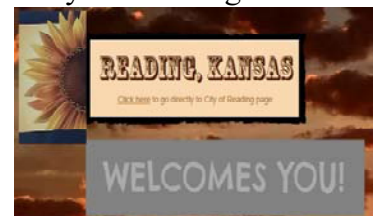
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# Reading Lions Club Fundraisers

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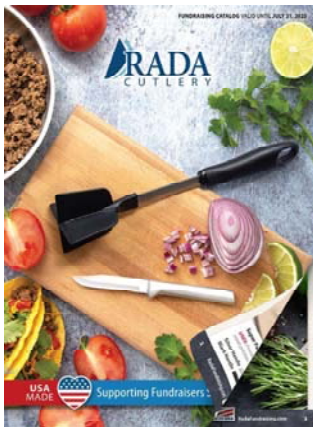
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# CITY of READING NEWSLETTER

## October 2024

### **City Council Meeting Highlights**

The City of Reading Council met on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 7:00pm.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Malonne Davies. Council members present were, Mary Ann Newton, Bill Paige, Heather Jones, and Marc Atchison. Council member absent was, Kevin Sorensen. Staff present were Treasurer, Joyce Wilson, Maintenance Manager, Brian Knight, and City Clerk, Nancy Standiferd. Guests present were, Bradley Atchison and Gary Stambaugh.

- The September 5, 2024 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- An updated 30-60-90 Past Due Policy and Reconnection Fees was presented and approved.
- Bradley Atchison asked permission to plant 2 Oak trees in the park in memory of his sister. Council approved.
- Gary Stambaugh express concern regarding some sagging on First Street in front of their property due to heavy trucks using the road. Brian will inspect the street, make repairs if necessary, and report back to council in November.
- The potholes on Walnut Street have been filled.
- Repairs to Broad Street will begin once harvest season is over.
- Timer options for the lights at the park basketball court are being reviewed.

### **The City Hall Office will be closed on the following dates:**

Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

### **Holiday Trash Service Info.**

November 15<sup>th</sup> – pickup as normal.  
November 29<sup>th</sup> – no service. Trash will be picked up on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **City Hall Office Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
8:30am – 12:30pm  
Wednesday 8:30am – 3:30pm

### **City of Reading Contact Info:**

City Hall, 620-699-3870  
Clerk, Nancy Standiferd  
Treasurer, Joyce Wilson  
Maint. Manager, Brian Knight, 620-794-0556  
Email: [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com)  
Webpage: [www.readingks.com](http://www.readingks.com)  
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### **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 Building.

### **Action Reminder**

The next city council meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2024 at 7:00pm.

## **Utility Billing Information**

Utility bill payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Late notices will go out on the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month. All accounts unpaid by 8:00am on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month will be disconnected. If the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, notifications and disconnections will be done on the closest business day following the 16<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## **Payment Drop Box Information**

When dropping your payment in the night drop, please make sure your envelope drops down and is not left sitting in the drop shoot.

## **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 big 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 [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com) and a reservation form will be emailed to you. Please complete the form, then either mail or drop off the form and deposit to the city office to confirm 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. If the 1<sup>st</sup> is not on a Monday or Tuesday, then the trailer will be here the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.

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

Dates for 2024:

November 7 & 21

December 5 & 19

### Recycling options in Emporia are:

- Books – Emporia Public Library
- Clothing, housewares, furniture, working electronics and 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

# READING, U.S.A.

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

"We hope you can join us for worship". Bible study group will meet on Thursdays at 3:30pm. 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 at this time, there are no services or Bible studies being held. We can still offer the church for weddings, funerals, etc. Contact information is Bill Paige at 620-795-5457.

## ECKAN and ECAT in Osage City

ECAT is the clothing and food pantry at 306 S. Martin. People from Reading who need food assistance can get food once a month, also have some nice clothing. You can arrange for someone to pickup food for you. 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

Harvesters food distribution at 10am on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Osage City. Stay in your car and line up at the football-track parking lot. <https://www.harvesters.org/drive-thru-food-pickup-calendars>

## Food Pantries

Americus pantry is located at the Americus United Methodist Church and open to anyone within the USD 251 school district. Open to Reading, the Lebo pantry is located in the back of the Lebo 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 are available. Open to residents of Reading. Check Shopper or internet for days and hours open each month.

## 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 & 1-6pm Wednesday

Closed 12-1pm every day for lunch

## Barbara's Book Club



We will meet in Reading at 11:30am for a book discussion. Next meeting will be on Friday, November 1st. We will be discussing "A Storm of Infinite Beauty" by Julianne MacLean.

Scarlett Fontaine is a true Hollywood legend-a singer, actress, and beloved fashion icon. But Scarlett dies tragically at just thirty-six years old, leaving behind no children. Or so the story goes...



Gwen Hollingsworth is the curator at a museum dedicated to Scarlett's life. She's also sole heir to Scarlett's fortune as a descendant of the star. But all is not well in Gwen's world. She's dealing with a messy marital separation and is struggling to move forward. So when Peter Miller, a biographer and photojournalist, comes to the museum with shocking claims about Scarlett-a life of exile in Alaska, a baby born in secret-Gwen's whole world is turned upside down. Again. Determined to uncover the truth, Gwen and Peter set



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**11th Annual NHHS Booster's Night Out**  
**Saturday, November 9th 6-10pm NLCYA gym**  
**Steak dinner and silent auction. Tickets \$40**  
**(must be 21 to enter) and available from**  
**Kristy Ciero, Amy Floyd, or Shawna Beck.**

### **USD 251**

Our school district is continuing the commitment to follow our five-year Capital Outlay Plan to improve school facilities. During the 2024-2025 school year, the following projects have already been completed:

- NHHS – Sidewalk concrete repairs
- NHHS – North hallway floor tile replaced
- NHHS – Main gym walls updated, wall carpet removed
- NHHS – South hallway walls updated, wall carpet removed
- NHHS – 2 football goal posts moved for eight-man games
- NLC – Sidewalk concrete repairs, gravel parking lot work
- NLC – Exterior painted
- NLC – Outdoor freezer installed
- NLC – 2 new football bleachers added
- NLC – 2 football goal posts moved for eight-man games
- Early Learning Center – Unfinished space remodeled for additional flexible learning space or future classroom
- District – Two new school buses added

Respectfully, Robert Blair, Superintendent

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Registration for Fall 2024 Throws Academy is now open.

#### **Shot Put**

Wed JH 6:15-7:30pm 11/6 11/13 11/20 11/27 12/4 12/11 12/18  
 Sat JH 11:45-1:00pm 11/9 11/16 11/23 11/30 12/7 12/14 12/21  
 Sun HS 2:00-3:15pm 11/10 11/17 11/24 12/1 12/8 12/15 12/22  
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#### **Javelin**

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### **Women's Coffee Club**

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### **Reading 4-H**

 The Reading 4-H Club met for 4-H Sunday on October 6th at the Reading United Methodist Church. The kids helped pass out programs and light the candles. We all enjoyed worshipping together. We do have a project display set up at the restaurant

in order to help promote both 4-H and 4-H Week. The Club held our monthly meeting on October 9th at 6:45pm at the Miracle Cafe. During that meeting we voted in new slate of officers. I am Lincoln Senft, and I am our new Reporter. My brother Hunter was last year's Reporter and he is showing me the ropes.

The Reading 4-H Club is running the games for this year's Trunk & Treat. It will be held on Sunday, October 27th at 5:30pm on First Street. The Club will be celebrating our hard work from 2023-2024 during an achievement banquet recognizing those that turned in record books. The banquet will be on Sunday, November 3rd at 3pm at the Anderson Building in Emporia.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 13th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. Lincoln Senft, Reporting



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!

### Reading Lions' Club

Our District Zone Chairwoman, Barbara Schattak, from Lyndon was a guest at our October meeting. So far, Lions International has given grants to the disaster areas from the hurricane of over \$700,000.00. We completed our cutlery fundraiser. We want to thank everyone who ordered. We completed our plans for the Trunk & Treat.

Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, November 18th 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 see if Lions' Club is for you too! Guests are always welcome, Rosalie Voorhees.

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

**No evening meals until further notice.** Will be closed on November 11th, 28th, & 29th! Thank you for your continued support! Gene and Reta Jackson

**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!**

**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



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| Fruit & Veggies for the month: Apples, Cranberry, Plantains, Collard Greens, Mustard Greens, Kale, Swiss Chard, & Broccoli Rabe.<br><br>Flower(s): Chrysanthemum |  |  |  | All NLC Home Basketball Games are played at NHHS! |  | Coffee Club 1<br>9:30-10:30am<br>Trash Pickup<br>Barbaras Book Club 11:30am<br>VB State Dodge City FB-NHHS TBD<br>Love Your Lawyer Day<br>AUTHOR'S DAY<br>WORLD VEGAN DAY | 2<br><br>CC State Wamego<br>VB State Dodge City<br>INTERNATIONAL DAY TO END IMPUNITY FOR CRIMES AGAINST JOURNALISTS |
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| 3<br><br>4H Banquet 3pm<br>Anderson Bldg Emporia<br>NATIONAL SANDWICH DAY<br>Daylight Saving Time Ends<br>Change clock back an hour | Coffee Club 4<br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br><br><b>No School</b><br>Scholars Bowl at West Franklin 4pm | 5<br><br>WORLD TSUNAMI AWARENESS DAY<br>Nat'l. Redhead Day<br><b>ELECTION DAY</b> | Womens Coffee Club 10am<br><br>Throws Academy FFA at Jayhawk Linn 9am<br>Scholars Bowl at NHHS 4pm<br><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR PREVENTING THE EXPLOITATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN WAR AND ARMED CONFLICT</b> | Recycling Trailer<br>City Council 7pm<br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br>Scholars Bowl at Burlington 4pm<br>Balfour-Sophomores and Seniors | Trash Pickup<br><br>NLC Winter Sports Pictures<br>Veteran Day Program 2pm<br>FB Regional<br>ACT Registration Due<br>Technology Engineering Science Art Math<br><b>STEAM NATIONAL STEM/STEAM DAY</b> | 9<br><br>Throws Academy<br>NHHS Boosters Night Out 6-10pm<br>NLCYA gym |
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| 10<br><br>Throws Academy<br><b>HOSA WEEK</b><br>Buffer Week<br>Science Day for Peace and Development | Coffee Club 11<br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>Cafe Closed<br>City Hall Closed<br><br><b>No School SINGLES DAY</b><br>Veterans Day | 12<br><br>NLC/NHHS-LCL<br>Vocal at Madison | 13<br><br>Throws Academy<br>4-H 6:45pm<br>HOSA Day at KU Med<br>Scholars Bowl at MdCV 4pm<br>BOE meeting 6pm<br>World KINDNESS Day | Crafters 1:30pm<br>Miracle Cafe<br><br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br>V/JV Scholars Bowl at Mission Vly 4pm<br>BB-NLC at Waverly 5pm<br><b>WORLD DIABETES DAY NATIONAL PICKLE DAY</b> | Trash Pickup<br>City Bills Due!<br><br>FFA at Mission Vly<br>NLC Honor Roll Assembly 3rd-5th 2:30/6th-8th 3pm<br>FB Sectionals<br><b>Philanthropy Day America Recycles Day</b> | 16<br><br>late fees added to unpaid city bills<br>Throws Academy<br><b>HOSA WEEK</b><br>Buffer Week<br>NHHS Fall Play 7pm<br>NATIONAL FAST FOOD DAY<br>INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR TOLERANCE |
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| 17<br><br>Throws Academy<br><b>AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK</b><br>WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS<br>NATIONAL UNFRIENDLY DAY<br>WORLD PREMATUREITY DAY<br>NATIONAL TAKE A HIKE DAY | Coffee Club 18<br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br><br>Lions 6:30pm<br>Scholars Bowl at Osage City 4pm | 19<br><br>NHHS Fall Sports Banquet 6:30pm<br>NHHS Winter Sports Parent Meeting 7:45pm<br><b>WORLD TOILET DAY INTERNATIONAL MENS DAY</b> | Womens Coffee Club 10am<br>Shut off past due accounts<br>Throws Academy<br>Scholars Bowl at NHHS 4pm<br><b>GIS day TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY</b> | Harvesters 10am<br>Recycling Trailer<br>Bible Study 3:30pm<br>BB-NLC vs MdCV 5pm<br><b>TELEVISION DAY PHILOSOPHY DAY National Stuffing Day Great American SMOKEOUT</b> | Trash Pickup<br><br>Lyndon Harvesters Noon<br>NLC Thanksgiving Lunch<br>FB Sub-State<br><b>NATIONAL ESPRESSO DAY</b> | 23<br><br>Info for Newsletter due 8am!<br>Throws Academy<br><b>AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK</b><br><b>NATIONAL ESPRESSO DAY</b> |
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| 24<br><br>Finished Newsletter Due<br><br>Throws Academy | Coffee Club 25<br>9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br><br>BB-NLC vs Olpe 5pm<br>International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women<br><b>National Cake Day</b> | 26<br><br>BB-NHHS Black/White Scrimmage 6pm<br>Wrestling-NHHS at Council Grove Scrimmage 6:30pm<br><b>National Cake Day</b> | 27<br><br>No School<br><br>Throws Academy<br><b>National Jukebox Day</b> | 28<br><br>No School<br>Cafe Closed<br>City Hall Closed<br><b>FRENCH TOAST DAY NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING</b><br>Happy Thanksgiving | 29<br><br>NO Trash Pick up<br><br>No School<br>Cafe Closed<br>City Hall Closed<br>FB State at Greensburg<br><b>BUY NOTHING DAY BLACK FRIDAY</b> | 30<br><br>Throws Academy<br>Day of Remembrance FOR ALL VICTIMS OF CHEMICAL WARFARE<br><b>SMALL BUSSINES SATURDAY</b> |
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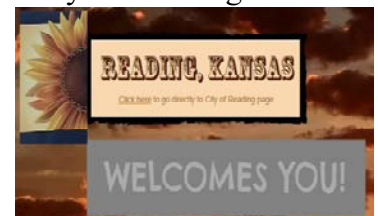
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https://www.facebook.com/ReadingKS/

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- ☽ Full Moon 15th
- ☾ Last Qtr 22nd
- New Moon 1st

City of Reading Website



www.readingsks.com



# CITY of READING NEWSLETTER

## November 2024

### **City Council Meeting Highlights**

The City of Reading Council met on Thursday, November 7, 2024 at 7:00pm.

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

- The October 3, 2024 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- The review of older/outdated ordinances was discussed. With possible updates in 2025.
- A portion of the road work on Broad Street has been done.
- Due to the City of Emporia's boil advisory, Tyson contracted with the City of Reading to purchase water until the advisory is lifted.
- An updated timer for the lights at the park basketball court will be installed.

### **Tree Dump Reminder:**

The city tree dump is for tree limbs only, **NOT** for the dumping of household items such as furniture, trash, etc. Due to the dumping of such items, the dump has been locked. Please call the city office if you have tree limbs to dump. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

### **The City Hall Office will be closed on the following dates:**

Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Holiday Trash Service Info.**

December 27<sup>th</sup> – service as normal.

### **City Hall Office Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
8:30am – 12:30pm  
Wednesday 8:30am – 3:30pm

### **City of Reading Contact Info:**

City Hall, 620-699-3870  
Clerk, Nancy Standiferd  
Treasurer, Joyce Wilson  
Maint. Manager, Brian Knight, 620-794-0556  
Email: [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com)  
Webpage: [www.readingks.com](http://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 Building.

### **Action Reminder**

The next city council meeting will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 7:00pm.

## **Utility Billing Information**

Utility bill payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Late notices will go out on the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month. All accounts unpaid by 8:00am on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month will be disconnected. If the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, notifications and disconnections will be done on the closest business day following the 16<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## **Payment Drop Box Information**

When dropping your payment in the night drop, please make sure your envelope/payment drops down and is not left sitting in the drop shoot.

## **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 big 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 [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com) and a reservation form will be emailed to you. Please complete the form, then either mail or drop off the form and deposit to the city office to confirm 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. If the 1<sup>st</sup> is not on a Monday or Tuesday, then the trailer will be here the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.

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

Dates for 2024:

December 5 & 19

2025 dates will be posted as soon as they are received from Lyon County.

### Recycling options in Emporia are:

- Books – Emporia Public Library
- Clothing, housewares, furniture, working electronics and 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

# READING, U.S.A.

Reading Kansas Community Newsletter Volume 27 Issue 11 November 30, 2024

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>



The season of Thanksgiving and Christmas is a time to think about "doing the good that is ours to do." Over time, good has come to the Reading community in various ways. Reading United Methodist Church is currently involved in a disaster relief project. Our goal is to provide twenty-five "cleaning kits" to assist disaster victims. Specific items are packed into 5-gallon buckets and the kits will go to affected areas with trained disaster relief volunteers when needed . We invite interested persons in the Reading community to assist Reading UMC with monetary donations for the project. Contact Malonne Davies or Marion Jones if you have questions.

**Thursday, December 5 at 2p.m.** - We will begin our new Advent Bible Study featuring the book "The Christmas Letters". This study will be for four Thursdays and we will meet in the Upper Room at the church. You do not need to be a United Methodist church attendee to take advantage of this study. Let us know if you are interested and we can get you a copy of the book.

**Sunday, December 8** - Worship at 11a.m. followed by **Community Christmas Lunch** - approximately 12:15p.m. Meat and drinks provided. We hope you will come and celebrate the start of the season with us.

**Tuesday, December 24 - 5:30p.m.** Annual Christmas Eve Celebration. All proceeds from the offering will go towards our current mission project to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to replenish their supply of health/cleaning buckets and contents for future US disasters. Recent hurricanes in the south have all but depleted their supplies. As some of you may remember, those of us in Reading who were affected by the 2011 tornado were the recipients of some of these much needed supplies following our disaster.

Information for any of these UMC events,

please contact Pastor Michael Turner at 785-249-8047 or Marion Jones 620-343-0489.

## 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

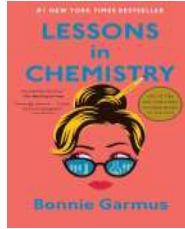
9am-12pm & 1-6pm Wednesday

Closed 12-1pm every day for lunch



## Barbara's Book Club

We will meet at CoolTura Conexion in Emporia at 11:30am for a book discussion. Next meeting will be on Friday, December 6th. We will be discussing "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus.



Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind. True chemistry results.

But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show Supper at Six. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

The books are available at the Emporia Library under Barbara's Book Club. 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/amicus.nlc/>

## NHHS Booster Club Notes

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

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/137671147589399>

## USD 251

USD 251 North Lyon County is proud to announce that our school district was recently awarded four different STAR Recognitions by the Kansas Commissioner of Education Dr. Randy Watson, the Kansas State Department of Education, and the Kansas Board of Education through the 2024 Kansans Can Star Recognition Program.

USD 251 North Lyon County was recognized for our work in four different areas:

Graduation – Gold

Civic Engagement – Bronze

Academically Prepared for Postsecondary – Copper

Postsecondary Effectiveness – Copper

Respectfully, Robert Blair, Superintendent

## 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. We will not be meeting in December.

## Performance Sports Fall 2024 Throws Academy

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 **Celebration of the Heart  
Reading 4-H Project**

Please bring your donations to The Miracle Cafe or Citizens State Bank and Trust.  
Your donations are greatly appreciated!

We will be accepting cash donations to help with the purchase of gift cards. Nonperishable food items such as boxed, packaged, or canned food items will be added to the Blessing Box. Let’s all work together to help provide Christmas Dinner for locally needy families. **Your Local Reading 4H Club thanks you for your participation!**

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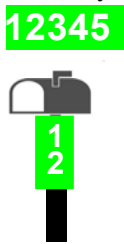
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| Sunday                                                                 | Monday                                                                                                                                                                      | Tuesday                                                                                                       | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Saturday                                                                                                                                           |
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| 1<br>Throws Academy<br><b>WORLD AIDS DAY</b>                           | 2<br>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>Trash Pickup<br>Scholars Bowl at Lyndon 4pm<br><b>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</b><br><b>CYBER MONDAY</b> | 3<br>Winter Sports Pictures<br><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES</b><br><b>GIVING TUESDAY</b> | 4<br>Womens Coffee Club 10am<br>FFA Paola 9am<br>Throws Academy<br><b>NATIONAL COOKIE DAY</b>                                                                                                                | 5<br>Recycling Trailer<br>BB-NLC at Lebo 5pm<br>Wrestling-NHHS at Council Grove 6pm<br>Bible Study 2pm<br>City Council 7pm<br><b>National Repeal Day</b><br><b>WORLD SOIL DAY</b><br><b>VOLUNTEER DAY</b> | 6<br>Trash Pickup<br>FFA Burlington 9am<br>Senior Citizens Dinner 12pm<br>BB-NHHS vs Onaga 5pm<br>Barbaras Book Club 11:30am                                                                             | 7<br>Wrestling-NHHS at El Dorado 9am<br>Throws Academy<br><b>PEARL HARBOR</b><br><b>REMEMBRANCE DAY</b><br><b>International CIVIL AVIATION DAY</b> |
| 8<br>RUMC Community Christmas Lunch 12:15pm<br>Throws Academy          | 9<br>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br><b>GENOCIDE PREVENTION DAY</b><br><b>INTERNATIONAL ANTI CORRUPTION DAY</b><br><b>Green Monday</b>                           | 10<br>HOSA at KU med<br>BB-NHHS at Wabaunsee<br><b>HUMAN RIGHTS DAY</b>                                       | 11<br>HOSA at KU Med<br>BOE meeting 6pm<br>4-H 6:45pm<br>Throws Academy<br><b>INTERNATIONAL MOUNTAIN DAY</b>                                                                                                 | 12<br>BB-NLC vs Hartford 5pm<br>BB-NHHS at Wabaunsee<br>Wrestling-NHHS at Smoky Vly 5pm<br>Bible Study 2pm<br><b>INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE DAY</b><br><b>NEUTRALITY DAY</b>                 | 13<br>Trash Pickup<br>BB-NHHS at Wabaunsee<br>Wrestling-NHHS at Ellis 1pm<br><b>NATIONAL HORSE DAY</b><br><b>NATIONAL COCOA DAY</b>                                                                      | 14<br>HOSA at ACCC ACT test<br>Throws Academy                                                                                                      |
| 15<br>City Bills Due!<br>Throws Academy<br><b>BILL OF RIGHTS DAY</b>   | 16<br>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>late fees added to unpaid city bills<br>NLC Winter Program K-2 6pm/3-5 7pm                                                 | 17<br>BB-NHHS vs MdCV 5pm<br><b>WRIGHT BROTHERS DAY</b><br><b>Maple Syrup Day</b>                             | 18<br>Womens Coffee Club 10am<br>Jr/Sr High Winter Music Concert at NHHS 6:30pm<br>Throws Academy<br><b>Interational Migrants Day</b>                                                                        | 19<br>Harvesters 10am<br>Info for Newsletter due 8am!<br>Recycling Trailer<br>End 1st Semester BB-NLC at Burlingame 5pm<br>Bible Study 2pm                                                                | 20<br>Noon Lyndon Harvesters<br>Trash Pickup<br>No School<br>BB-NHHS at Burlingame 5pm<br>Wrestling-NHHS at Council Grove 3pm<br>Shut off past due accounts<br><b>INTERNATIONAL HUMAN SOLIDARITY DAY</b> | 21<br>Wrestling-NHHS at Chase County 9am<br>Throws Academy<br><b>SUPER SATURDAY</b><br>First Day of Winter                                         |
| 22<br>Finished Newsletter Due<br>Throws Academy<br><b>WINTER BREAK</b> | 23<br>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test<br>Non Practice Date                                                                                                          | 24<br>Non Practice Date<br>RUMC Christmas Eve Celebration 5:30pm<br><b>Christmas Eve</b>                      | 25<br>City Hall Closed<br>Cafe Closed<br>Non Practice Date<br><b>CHRISTMAS</b>                                                                                                                               | 26<br>Non Practice Date<br>Bible Study 2pm<br><b>BOXING DAY</b>                                                                                                                                           | 27<br>Trash Pickup                                                                                                                                                                                       | 28                                                                                                                                                 |
| 29                                                                     | 30<br>Coffee Club 9:30-10:30am<br>Sirens test                                                                                                                               | 31<br><b>WINTER BREAK</b><br><b>New Year's Eve</b>                                                            | Fruit & Veggies for the month: Comice Pears, Kumquats, Sapote, Pepino Melon, Cherimoya, Ugli fruits, Parsnip, Beets, Turnips, Rutabaga, Celery Root/Celeriac, & Horseradish.<br>Flower(s): Narcissus & Holly |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                    |

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



<https://www.facebook.com/ReadingKS/>

- 1st Quarter 8th
- Full Moon 15th
- Last Qtr 22nd
- New Moon 1st

City of Reading Website



[www.readingsks.com](http://www.readingsks.com)



# CITY of READING NEWSLETTER

## December 2024

### **City Council Meeting Highlights**

The City of Reading Council met on Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 7:00pm.

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

- The November 7, 2024 minutes were presented and approved.
- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved.
- The Payment of Bills was presented and approved.
- A portion of the road work on Broad Street has been done. Work will continue as time allows.
- Culvert repair/replacement has been done near the corner of Vine and Front Street.
- Finish work will continue on the water tower.
- Door knockers were hand delivered on December 5<sup>th</sup> regarding trash pickup reminders.

### **Items For Sale by Sealed Bid:**

The city has the following items for sale by sealed bid: a LaserJet Pro 400 color MFP M47 printer/copier with 2 toner cartridges, a Kenmore counter top refrigerator, and a Sentry safe. See attached document for more information.

### **The City Hall Office will be closed on the following dates:**

Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>

### **City Hall Office Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
8:30am – 12:30pm

Wednesday 8:30am – 3:30pm

### **City of Reading Contact Info:**

City Hall, 620-699-3870

Clerk, Nancy Standiferd

Treasurer, Joyce Wilson

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

Email: [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com)

Webpage: [www.readingks.com](http://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 Building.

### **Action Reminder**

The next city council meeting will be held on Thursday, January 2, 2024 at 7:00pm.

## **Utility Billing Information**

Utility bill payments are due by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Late notices will go out on the 16<sup>th</sup> of each month. All accounts unpaid by 8:00am on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month will be disconnected. If the 16<sup>th</sup> or the 20<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, notifications and disconnections will be done on the closest business day following the 16<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## **Payment Drop Box Information**

When dropping your payment in the night drop, please make sure your envelope/payment drops down and is not left sitting in the drop shoot.

## **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 big 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 [cityofreading.ks@gmail.com](mailto:cityofreading.ks@gmail.com) and a reservation form will be emailed to you. Please complete the form, then either 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. If the 1<sup>st</sup> is not on a Monday or Tuesday, then the trailer will be here the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.

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

## **2025 Recycling Dates:**

January 9, 23  
February 6, 20  
March 6, 20  
April 3, 17  
May 8, 22  
June 5, 18 (June 19<sup>th</sup> 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, housewares, furniture, working electronics and 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

# READING, U.S.A.

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**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.

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.

## 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 & 1-6pm Wednesday

Closed 12-1pm every day for lunch



## Barbara's Book Club



Barbara's Book club will not be reading a book this month. We will gather on Friday, January 3rd, 2025 at 11:30am for lunch at the House of Ma to celebrate the New Year!

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/amicus.nlc/>

### **NHHS Booster Club Notes**

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

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/  
137671147589399](https://www.facebook.com/groups/137671147589399)

### **USD 251**

USD 251 and North Lyon County Youth Association Enters into Partnership for 3-year-old At Risk Preschool By Robert W. Blair & Kiley DeDonder Beginning in August 2024, USD 251 North Lyon County Schools entered into a partnership with the North Lyon County Youth Association for a three-year old preschool. The NLC Youth Association's long-standing child development center has provided pre-school services to three and four-year-old students since 1999. USD 251 opened its Early Learning Center in 2022 to serve four year-old preschool students. This alliance allows us to bring together strengths and resources of both programs to improve access, and outcomes for our young children and their families. Several key changes for the program at the NLC Youth Association and USD 251 include:

1. Aligning the implementation of an evidence-based curriculum that includes literacy, math, and social skills. The three-year-old curriculum was purchased by USD 251 and aligns with the four-year-old curriculum used by the Early Learning Center.
2. USD 251 will claim and receive funding for any North Lyon County three-year-olds that qualify for At Risk funding. USD 251 will compensate the NLC Youth Association 90% of the total BASE student aid generated by any qualifying students.
3. USD 251 will complete all KSDE required data collections.
4. NLC Youth Association will monitor student progress throughout the school year and report the data to USD 251 for both program review and reporting to KSDE annually.
5. NLC Youth Association teachers will be able to participate in Mobilizing Literacy teacher training and collaboration with USD 251 teachers.

It is the belief of both USD 251 and the NLC Youth Association that this partnership will serve to enhance Kindergarten readiness of young students in North Lyon County. School readiness is measured by both academic skills and the identification of individual student strengths and areas of growth. When students' strengths and areas for growth are identified and addressed early in their education, they are better prepared for future success. School readiness is the strongest predictor

of a student's 3rd grade reading and math scores.

### **Counselor's Corner**

Attention senior students and parents: If your student plans to attend college next year, you must file for Federal financial aid. The application is now open for the 2025-2026 school year. Please contact me, Jessica Woodrow at woodrowj@usd251.org, if you need guidance in completing the application.

### **Three types of Federal Student Aid**



Grants/Free money.

Grants are usually based on financial need and don't have to be repaid.



Loans/Borrowed money.

Loans are an investment in your future. But remember, they must be repaid with interest.



Work Study/Earned money.

A work study job lets you earn money while you're in school.

Learn more at [StudentAid.gov/Types](http://StudentAid.gov/Types).

Apply at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov).

### **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**

Check our website for more information on our winter sessions coming up soon! 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 has been busy with community service this month. We kicked off by ringing the Salvation Army bells at Bluestem Farm and Ranch in Emporia on Saturday, November 30th. We are currently working on wrapping up our Celebration of the Heart project for Reading residents. Our monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, December 11th at 6:45pm at The Miracle Cafe. It was a fairly short meeting we played heads-up 7-up and had brownies for dessert. Our next meeting will be an exchange meeting with Rinker 4-H Club on Monday, January 20th at 7pm. Lincoln Senft, Reporting



**Celebration of the Heart  
Reading 4-H Project**

Your local 4-H Club would like to thank you for your participation in this event. We could not do this without your help!

**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!

**Reading Lions' Club**

Next Lions' Club meeting will be on Monday, January 20th 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.

**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 January**

3rd-Smoked Meatloaf  
10th-Spaghetti w/homemade garlic bread  
17th-BBQ Ribs  
24th-Chicken Fried Steak  
31st-Mexican

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

Closed on Wednesday, January 1st. Thank you for your continued support!  
Gene and Reta Jackson



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**GLAUCOMA AWARENESS MONTH**

**Cervical Health Awareness Month**

# JANUARY

# 2025

**NATIONAL BLOOD DONOR MONTH**

**BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION MONTH**

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Tuesday                                                                     | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                  | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Saturday                                                                                                                                                        |
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| <p>Fruit &amp; Veggies for the month: Tangerines, Dried Cranberries, Sun Dried Tomatoes, Raisins, Yucca Root, Quinoa, Jicama, Suncoke, Taro Root, &amp; Water Chestnut.</p>  <p>Flower(s): Carnation</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p><b>WINTER BREAK</b> →</p>                                                | <p><b>Cafe Closed 1</b><br/><b>City Hall Closed</b></p> <p><b>Rose Bowl Winter CLASSIC new year's day</b></p>                                                                              | <p><b>Coffee Club 2</b><br/>9:30-10:30am</p> <p><b>City Council 7pm</b></p>                                                                                                                                                           | <p><b>Smoked Meatloaf 3</b></p> <p><b>Trash Pickup</b></p> <p><b>Barbaras Book Club 11:30am</b></p> <p>ACT Test Registration Due/Test 02/08</p>                                                                                           | <p><b>← WINTER BREAK</b></p> <p><b>World Braille Day TRIVIA DAY</b><br/>National Day<br/><b>Spaghetti</b></p>                                                   |
| <p><b>5</b></p> <p>UMC Flood Buckets after service</p> <p><b>NATIONAL SCREENWRITERS DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL BIRD DAY</b><br/><b>GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS</b></p>                                                                                                                               | <p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>Coffee Club</b><br/>9:30-10:30am</p> <p>Sirens test</p> <p>School Resumes</p>                                                                                                                                                                 | <p><b>7</b></p> <p>BB-NHHS at Hartford 5pm</p> <p><b>Bobblehead Day</b></p> | <p><b>8</b></p> <p>FCCLA in Topeka BOE Meeting 6pm</p>                                                                                                                                     | <p><b>9</b></p> <p><b>Recycling Trailer</b><br/>Crafters 1:30pm<br/>Miracle Cafe</p> <p>BB-NLC vs Madison 5pm<br/>8th Grade Recognition</p> <p><b>LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY</b></p>                                            | <p><b>10</b></p> <p>Spaghetti w/ Garlic Bread</p> <p><b>Trash Pickup</b></p> <p>BB-NHHS at Waverly 5pm</p>                                                                                                                                | <p><b>11</b></p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS Girls at Herington 9am<br/>BB-NLC at Olpe 9am</p> <p><b>NATIONAL MILK DAY</b><br/><b>Human Trafficking Awareness Day</b></p> |
| <p><b>12</b></p> <p><b>KISS A GINGER DAY</b><br/><b>CRITICS CHOICE AWARDS</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <p><b>13</b></p> <p><b>Coffee Club</b><br/>9:30-10:30am</p> <p>Sirens test</p>                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p><b>14</b></p> <p>BB-NHHS vs Madison 5pm</p>                              | <p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>Womens Coffee Club 10am</b></p> <p><b>City Bills Due!</b></p> <p><b>Museum Selfie Day</b><br/><b>NATIONAL HAT DAY</b></p>                                           | <p><b>16</b></p> <p><b>Harvesters 10am</b></p> <p>late fees added to unpaid city bills</p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS at Council Grove 6pm<br/>BB-NLC at Olpe 5pm</p> <p><b>NATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM DAY</b><br/>Appreciate a Dragon Day</p> | <p><b>17</b></p> <p>BBQ Ribs</p> <p>Noon Lyndon Harvesters</p> <p><b>Trash Pickup</b></p> <p>BB-NHHS at Lebo 5pm<br/>NLC Honor Roll Assembly<br/>Grs 3-5 2:30/6-8 3pm</p>                                                                 | <p><b>18</b></p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS at Topeka High 9am<br/>BB-NLC at Olpe 9am</p> <p><b>Winnie the Pooh Day</b></p>                                              |
| <p><b>19</b></p> <p><b>NATIONAL POPCORN DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>20</b></p> <p><b>Coffee Club</b><br/>9:30-10:30am</p> <p>Sirens test</p> <p><b>Shut off past due accounts</b><br/><b>City Hall Closed</b><br/><b>No School</b><br/>Lions 6:30pm<br/>4-H 7pm</p> <p><b>Inauguration Day</b><br/>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</p> | <p><b>21</b></p> <p>BB-NHHS vs Olpe 5pm</p> <p><b>NATIONAL HUG DAY</b></p>  | <p><b>22</b></p> <p>FFA at Paola 9am<br/>Scholars Bowl at Waverly 4pm</p>                                                                                                                  | <p><b>23</b></p> <p><b>Recycling Trailer</b><br/>Crafters 1:30pm<br/>Miracle Cafe</p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS at Rock Creek 6pm</p> <p><b>NATIONAL PIE DAY</b></p>                                                                          | <p><b>24</b></p> <p>Chicken Fried Steak</p> <p><b>Trash Pickup</b></p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS Boys at Council Grove 2pm</p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL COMPLIMENT DAY</b><br/><b>NATIONAL PEANUT BUTTER DAY</b></p> | <p><b>25</b></p> <p><b>Info for Newsletter due 8am!</b></p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS Girls at Council Grove 9am</p> <p><b>ROBERT BURNS NIGHT</b></p>                   |
| <p><b>26</b></p> <p><b>Finished Newsletter Due</b></p> <p>BB-NHHS-Lyon County Tournament</p> <p><b>NATIONAL SPOUSES DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                                           | <p><b>27</b></p> <p><b>Coffee Club</b><br/>9:30-10:30am</p> <p>Sirens test</p> <p><b>INTERNATIONAL DAY OF COMMEMORATION IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST</b></p>                                                                                           | <p><b>28</b></p> <p><b>DATA PRIVACY DAY</b></p>                             | <p><b>29</b></p> <p>FCCLA at Anderson County Quiz Bowl-NLC at Waverly 1pm</p>  <p><b>KANSAS DAY</b></p> | <p><b>30</b></p> <p>Wrestling-NHHS at Council Grove 7pm</p> <p><b>NATIONAL CROISSANT DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                      | <p><b>31</b></p> <p>Mexican</p> <p><b>Trash Pickup</b></p> <p><b>NATIONAL Hot Chocolate DAY</b></p>                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>← BB-NHHS-Lyon County Tournament</b></p>                                                                                                                  |

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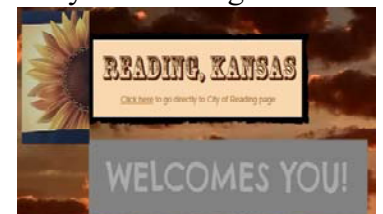
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