

## February 2016 – The Heart of Winter – good food, a warm fire, and a good book!

**REMEMBER** – The best place to keep up to date with City News and Events is on the **City Facebook Page**. Log into Facebook and search for “City of Overbrook”. “LIKE” us and get the news as it is posted! Our City Website is also a good place to check for City information – [www.overbrookks.com](http://www.overbrookks.com)



**City Pet License Tags are PAST DUE!** – Stop at City Hall and get your pet tags – a **Late Fee** will apply March 1. - Contact Animal Control about pets running loose and untagged or stray at (785) 806-9501

**Early Childhood Developmental Screenings** are February 5 at Grace Community Church. This is a free program. It's required for all 2016-2017 Kindergarteners. Call the school at 665-7153 to make an appointment.

**Overbrook Library Foundation's annual Dinner & Play** is February 5 and 6, starting at 6pm each evening at the United Methodist Church. This year's play was written by local Playwright, Kevin Stone and is directed by Debbie Jones. The play is “Mayhem at the Museum”. Dinner will be Pasta, Salad, Bread and Dessert. Tickets are available in advance at a discount price at the Library or, at full price at the door the nights of the event.

**Overbrook Rotary Club's Annual Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Saturday, February 13** from 7am to Noon at the Overbrook United Methodist Church. Tickets (\$5) are available from any Rotarian and at the door.

**Valentine's Day is Sunday, February 14** – Shop early at Overbrook Floral for flowers, gifts, and candy bouquets. Store hours will be 9a-4p on Saturday, Feb. 13. The store will be closed Valentine's Day.

### City News . . . .

**Dollar General** - a development company has purchased the property at Maple Street and 56 Highway to build a Dollar General store. Their site plans were reviewed by two Engineers, the City's Planning & Zoning Commission and Administrator, and the City Council prior to approval of their Building Permit. Only one formal objection to the store was received by the City. Concern for existing businesses was discussed by the City before decisions were made. Dollar General defines their business as “a simple, easy to use store for the working public for necessities such as toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo, socks and underwear plus, a few miscellaneous gadgets.” Their business goal in a town our size is to keep dollars typically spent at Walmart in the local community. It is the hope of the City that by keeping shoppers and dollars in Overbrook it will benefit us all. Even though they sell some grocery items, the bulk of our everyday grocery needs will still be much better served by our local Thriftway Grocery Store. AND, if local residents are not making a trip to Walmart for “socks & underwear”, the probability of them shopping locally for their groceries is much better. For more information, see Dollar General's website: <https://newscenter.dollargeneral.com/company+facts/fastfacts/>

**Overbrook Drinking Water** – During February, our City water wells will have some general maintenance work done including electrical and mechanical repairs and upgrades. During this repair, the City will assure daily water supply by way of our agreement and connection to Rural Water. On occasion, as flow rates and pressures change some discoloration may occur. Thank you for your understanding.

**Storm Water Drainage** – City Maintenance will video the storm sewer drain system from the inlet grate at Maple & Market to the exit southeast of the Coop to assure that it will handle surface water from that alley behind the Library. A collection and drainage system in that alley is currently being planned.

### The City of Overbrook has posted three Job Openings:

- **Overbrook Park & Recreation Commission** has posted a part time Job Opening for a Park & Rec Coordinator. Job responsibilities include oversight and management of the Overbrook Swimming Pool and Summer Youth Baseball Programs. Details have been posted in the Osage County Herald-Chronicle Newspaper, City of Overbrook website, and are available at City Hall.

- **City Maintenance Department** has posted a full time Job Opening with the City Maintenance Department. City maintenance work experience preferred. Details have been posted in the Osage County Herald-Chronicle Newspaper, City of Overbrook website, and are available at City Hall.

- **City Planning & Zoning Commission** has posted a part time Job Opening for a Planning & Zoning Administrator. Zoning Regulations work experience referred. Details have been posted in the Osage County Herald-Chronicle Newspaper, City of Overbrook website, and are available at City Hall.

**From the Overbrook Police and Fire** – *NEVER is anyone especially children allowed on the ICE on the City Lake and Kids Pond! Signs are in place with that warning. Also, wintertime home break-ins happen when residents don't lock doors, leave a vehicle running unattended, or window curtains are open to expose an unattended home. Be SMART and be SAFE! Home fires also increase during the winter. Have your furnace checked by a professional; change the filter regularly; and make sure any supplemental heating appliance you use is operating correctly. Most importantly . . . test your smoke alarms regularly! Remember, if you see or suspect a crime of any type, report it immediately to (785) 806-9500. – Chief Terry Hollingsworth*

## Calendar of events and activities for February 2016:

- Tuesday, February 2 - National Groundhog Day! – 6 more weeks of winter ??
- Wednesday, February 3 - Overbrook Library Board meeting at the Library at 7pm
- Friday, February 5 - Childhood Wellness Screening at Grace Community Church – Appointments for FREE screening of newborn through 5-yrs of age – Call OAC at 665-7135
- Friday/Saturday, Feb 5 & 6 - Library Foundation Fundraiser “Dinner & Play” at Overbrook Methodist Church at 6pm each night
- Saturday, February 6 - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday “Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast” at the American Legion, 7-10am
- Monday, February 8 - Recycle Pick Up Day  
- Overbrook American Legion Post #239 monthly meeting at 7:30pm
- Tuesday, February 9 - Park & Recreation Commission monthly meeting at City Hall at 7pm
- Wednesday, February 10 - Monthly City Council Meeting at City Hall at 7pm
- Thursday, February 11 - Overbrook Housing Authority meeting at Oak Plaza at 8am
- Saturday, February 13 - Rotary Club Pancake & Sausage Feed at the Methodist Church, 7a-Noon
- Sunday, February 14 - Valentine’s Day – Don’t forget to send Valentines to your Sweeties!
- Monday, February 15 - Presidents Day - City Hall closed –Trash Service will be Friday as normal
- Tuesday, February 16 - Planning & Zoning Commission and Board of Appeals regular monthly meeting at City Hall starting at 7pm  
- “Tuesday’s Table” free supper at the Methodist Church from 5:30 to 6:30pm
- Saturday, February 20 - Overbrook PRIDE monthly meeting at the Legion at 8:00am  
- City Tree Dump open from 8am to 10am (Weather permitting)
- Monday, February 22 - Recycle Pick Up Day
- Tuesday, February 23 - Friends of the Overbrook Library monthly meeting at 6:30pm at the Library
- First & Third Mondays - Overbrook Fire and EMT meeting at the Fire Hall at 7pm
- Every Wednesday - Overbrook Library “Story Time” at the Library at 10:15am

**NOTE:** – The Overbrook Rotary Club will sponsor a fundraising **Consignment Auction** at the Overbrook Fair grounds on **Saturday, March 19**. They need your donations and consignments **NOW** to create a Sale Bill. Contact Gayle Warren at (785) 230-2995 or Vic Robbins at (785) 817-2814 – they will help transport items!

### Looking ahead:

- Sunday, March 13 - Daylight Savings Time Change – “Jump ahead one hour!”
- Thursday, March 17 - Saint Patrick’s Day – gotta’ celebrate this!
- March 25, 26, & 27 - Easter Weekend – very best reason to celebrate!
- Monday, April 18 - Tax Day for the IRS – no reason at all to celebrate!
- Thursday, May 5 - National Day of Prayer and the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Overbrook Community Prayer Breakfast. This year’s speaker is David Saving, Executive Director of “Lead a Child.org” (Topeka) and bike riding partner with Scott Averill on their 63-day bike ride last summer from Portland, OR to Portland, ME
- Saturday, May 14 - 2<sup>nd</sup> annual “First Responders Showcase” at Overbrook City Park
- Saturday, June 4 - Overbrook Fair Board’s 2<sup>nd</sup> annual “Downtown Overbrook Car Show”
- Fri/Sat, June 17-18 – Overbrook Fair Board sponsored 2-day professional cowboy Rodeo
- Wed, July 27 - Sat, July 30 - annual Friends of the Library “Book Sale” at the Library Community Room. Drop off your resalable books at the Library at anytime. Please use the rear entry.

**Enjoy February in Overbrook! Remember . . . Save our Stores - Shop in Overbrook!**