



Overbrook City News and Events January 2025



Honor Flight to Washington DC – From the Overbrook American Legion Post #239: ATTENTION all military veterans – An Honor Flight to Washington DC next summer (2025) is now being organized by a group in Lyndon. This is a FREE trip for veterans. Veterans of WW2, Korea, and Vietnam are specifically requested to consider this trip as an honor to their service. Veterans from the Gulf war and later conflicts are also eligible as are all who have served in any brand of military service. If you would like an application for this trip, please contact Legion Post Vice Commander, Don Schultz at 785-665-7653.

Police Department - The Overbrook Police Department will host Citizen Response to Active Shooter Events (C.R.A.S.E.) on Monday, January 13th, 2025, from 6-8 PM at the Overbrook Community Center. The class will be taught by Master Deputy Troy Squire of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. The course will cover the history of active shooter events, current trends and what people can do to survive and expect from law enforcement response. This free class is open to anyone and business owners, parents, educators, church members and all citizens are encouraged to attend. Overbrook PD will provide refreshments, and a Q & A will follow the presentation."

City Hall – Time to renew your pet tags! Ordinance 408 requires all pets over the age of 6months to have a pet license. Please bring proof of vaccination when applying for a license. Licenses run from Jan 1st to Dec. 31st. Pet License Form Attached.

Water Rate – City council amended Ordinance #415 to raise the 2% January 1, 2025 water and sewer rates to 5%. There was a discussion to clarify that this was for 2025 only. Motion carried 5-0 Council felt that this additional adjustment was needed to meet the cost of the 500,000-gallon monthly comment from RWD #5. (Ord#415; Code 2024)

Overbrook Maintenance – Just a reminder, in case of snow, vehicles along the street will need to be moved so the snowplows can get the roads clear.

Overbrook Parks and Rec- We would like to welcome Madison Warbritton as our new Parks and Recreation Director. Madison and her husband Brandon are residents of Overbrook and have a small homebased business here. Madison has been studying how our Parks and Rec activities and programs have run in the past and is really looking forward to continuing the great things we have happening here in Overbrook. Some upcoming events are youth basketball games on January 11th and February 1st, getting the check list of items ready for Summer Camp, swimming pool preparation for summer of 2025, and working on updating the Overbrook Rural High School Gymnasium to make it a staple of Parks and Recreation and the community. For more information on games, practices and other events please check out the website at <https://overbrookks.com/parks-and-recreation-1>. Parks and Rec Phone number is 785-219-9060. Also check out our facebook page at Facebook/Overbrook Parks and Rec.

Fundraiser Items – Overbrook City Hall has a few items for sale for local nonprofits in our community. We have American Made 3x5 American Flags to help support the Legion, Baseball Hats to help support Parks and Rec, and City Garden Flags to help support Pride. All are available at the counter at City Hall Stop by and help support some local organizations.

Overbrook Pride- A new year is here! Come and join other civic minded people on Saturday Jan. 18 @ 8:00am at City Hall for discussion on what activities/projects to plan for the coming year.

Meals on Wheels - East Central Kansas Area on Aging (ECKAAA) is looking for some Volunteers to help serve Meals a few times a week in Overbrook. Contact Hanna Smith at 785-393-2246 for more information and to volunteer.

Pickleball – There is a very active pickleball group in the community. You can join the public group by joining the “Group Me” app on your phone and join the “Overbrook Pickle Ball” group.

The Overbrook Historical Society –The Overbrook Historical Society invites you to join us as we kick off our 2025 Speaker Series with a presentation called “We, The People of Kansas ... The Story of Kansas’s Founding Documents, 1820-2020” at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 23rd in the Overbrook Library Community Room. This talk will explore the foundational documents in our state’s history. It will also explore the modifications to the constitution to expand the role of government and rights for individuals over the 160 years of statehood. Presented by Virgil Dean, who is retired as consulting editor/editor of Kansas History: A Journal of the Central Plains. This event is made possible by a Speakers Bureau grant from Humanities Kansas. See attached Flyer.

Overbrook Community Chest – Thank you generous people of the Overbrook area. Overbrook Community Chest has exceeded its annual goal!! – The Betterment Committee

Overbrook American Legion, Anderson-Raible Post #239- The First “First Saturday” Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast, January 4, 2025 - 7-10am at the Legion. Bring your tattered and weather-worn US flag and exchange it for a new American made 3x5 USA flag for \$25. See you at the Post in 2025!

Friends of the Library- Mark your calendars for the Friends of the Library Soup Supper/Dessert Auction. February 8, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the library community room. A fun night for all including a cupcake walk for the kids. Sponsored by Friends of the Library. Informational Flyer attached. FOL is now accepting new and renewal memberships. Forms can be obtained at the library. The Library is also accepting gently used books for the 2025 Booksale.

Newsletter Items – If you would like your non-profit organizations or groups information or events in the monthly newsletter contact Becky at City Hall 785-665-7328 or bcoltrane@overbrookks.com. Newsletter deadline is typically the 25th of the month at noon.

Overbrook Calendar of Events for January 2025



December 30
January 1
January 13
January 20
January 24

Recycle Day
New Year’s Day (Offices Closed)
Recycle Day
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Offices Closed)
Newsletter Deadline (noon)

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- Every First & Third Monday - Overbrook Fire Department Meeting at the Fire Hall at 7 pm
- Every Second Monday - Overbrook Fire Board Meeting at the Fire Hall 7:30 pm
- Overbrook American Legion Post #239 Meeting at 7:30 pm at the Post
- Every Third Monday - Overbrook Library Board Meeting 6 pm at the library
- The last Monday - Public Safety Committee at 9:00 @ Rock Creek
- Every Other Monday - Growth Committee at 6pm at City Hall (Jan 13 &17, Feb 10 & 24, Mar 10 & 24)
- Every Tuesday -Overbrook Rotary 7am at TJ's.
- Hot meals at the Housing Authority Community Center 200 Oak St 11:30-noon
- Every Second Tuesday - Park and Rec. Meeting at 7 pm at City Hall
- Every Third Tuesday - Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting at 6 pm at City Hall
- Library Book Club meeting 7 pm first Meeting Room at the Library
- Tuesday Table (Supper) @ 5:30 at the Overbrook United Methodist Church.
- Every Fourth Tuesday -Friends of the Library at 6:00 pm at the Library Conference Room (Jan. Feb. April, Jun, & Oct.)
- Every First Wednesday - Infrastructure Committee at 6 pm at City Hall
- Every Second Wednesday - City Council meeting at 6:00 pm at City Hall**
- Every Thursday -Hot meals at the Housing Authority Community Center 200 Oak St 11:30-noon
- Every Third Thursday - Overbrook Historical Society 6:00 pm at the library
- Overbrook Community Foundation meets at 4:30 pm at the Overbrook Pubic Library
- City Court 10:30am
- Every Saturday - TOPS Meeting at the Methodist Church at 7:30 am. For information Contact Mary Anderson 785-806-5613.
- Every Third Saturday - Overbrook PRIDE Meeting 8 am at City Hall
- Overbrook Community Game Night at 6-9 pm at the United Methodist Church
