# City of Cheney

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### **Cheney Chatter**

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## Administrator's Report by Randall Oliver

Another year has quickly passed by. It just seems like a few days ago we were trying to remember to write 2015 on our paper work. Over the past year, Cheney has witnessed growth in both residential and business development and that is a true benefit to our town.

I hope you all enjoyed the new Singing Christmas Trees and other lighting decorations at the Legion Park. This display was partially funded through the Russ Myers memorial. Unfortunately, we did not have time to program the arches and 12' Christmas tree to perform to the music. Our plan is to add one more 6' singing tree, two more arches and two more mini Christmas trees for the 2016 holiday season if funds are available.

Each New Year brings about new challenges. The Council plans to study the storm water system for possible upgrades and improvements, eventually creating a Storm Water Utility to tackle several drainage problems throughout town.

In 2016, the City hopes to install a new concrete sign on the south end of Main St just south of the new ball diamonds. We will be working with the Cheney Recreation Commission in the next few years to develop a Park Master Plan for the area surrounding the school's new ball diamond complex. If this is something that interests you, please feel free to offer any suggestions.

As always, feel free to call or stop by City Hall with questions, comments or concerns.

#### **Sewer Awareness!**

The use of cleansing wipes are on the rise as more and more people use them for makeup removal, cleaning, and personal hygiene. These items are plugging the City's sewer and should NOT be flushed down the toilet. To save our sewer system, please only flush toilet paper and human waste down the toilet!

Blowing grass clippings and leaves into the street and gutters not only plugs our storm sewer system, but it is illegal! So please place your leaves and grass clippings in a bag and set them out for trash pickup.

#### **Contact Information:**

Elected Officials: Mayor Linda Ball 542-3732

#### Council Members

 Jeff Albers
 542-9873

 Judy Lehner
 542-0555

 Greg Kampling
 540-6145

 Carl Koster
 542-0353

 Phil Mize
 542-3830

#### City Departments

 City Hall
 542-3622

 Maintenance
 542-3815

 Library
 542-3331

 Fire Dept.
 542-3155

 Police Dept.
 542-3173

 Cherry Oaks
 540-0133

 Emergencies
 911

# February 11<sup>th</sup> - Free Hearing Screenings @ City Hall

Call City Hall to schedule appointment

FREE monthly Health
Talks @ Public Library
-check out the website for
dates/times

Visit www.cheneyks.org for a complete list of community events.



<u>Snow Days:</u> Please remember do not push the snow off your driveway into the streets. When the city plows the streets, the snow is moved to the curb. To avoid having your car plowed in, so please try to remove your car from the street when heavy snow is predicted.

#### **Police Department:**

As the winter season is upon us, please remember to take a few moments and be sure that your vehicle windows are always free from snow, ice and especially frost before you start your commute to work or school. Taking a few extra minutes or starting early to clean those windows could prevent your involvement in an accident. Thanks from the Cheney Police Department and Safe Travels!!

# <u>Cheney Fire Rescue had one of their busiest</u> years in 2015 responding to 418 runs.

- -75% were medical calls, 21% were Fire, and 4% were dual response (auto accidents).
- -82% of the calls were in Sedgwick County, 16% supporting Kingman County, and 2% in Reno County.
- -63% were during daytime hours (6am-6pm)

Previous years saw the following total number of calls:

2014-338	2011- 368
2013-329	2010- 349
2012-392	2009- 373

#### **Cheney Public Library**

Come in and sign up for our 9th Annual Adult Reading Program which began January 18th and goes through March 14th. This year's program theme is, "The Art of Books."

Are you interested in joining a book club? We will be holding an informational meeting Tuesday, February 2nd, from 6:30-7:30pm. If you are interested but can't make the meeting, please just give us a call at the library.

We are hosting a homeschool Valentines Party Friday, February 12th from 10:00 - 11:00ish. Come and meet other area homeschoolers. We will have sugar cookies to decorate and supplies to make a special valentine. You may bring valentines to exchange. This program requires a RSVP to 542-3331 by Wednesday, February 10th.

Thank you for your continued support by letting us know how we can serve YOU! Susan Woodard, Director

Worried about damage from a water leak? Check out these items that can alert you of a leak before serious flooding occurs.

#### **Mydlink Wi-Fi Indoor Water Sensor**

Retails for \$56.64 online at Home Depot Easily connects to your home wi-fi to send notifications to your smartphone when a leak is detected.

#### **Basement Watchdog Plastic Alarm**

Retails for \$11.99 online at Lowe's Sounds an alarm that can be heard throughout the house when a leak is detected.

#### Join the Senior Center in 2016!

Monthly Potluck meals- 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of Month- Bring a covered dish at 5:50 pm and enjoy meal and entertainment!

Membership is \$10

The Senior Center building may be rented for your next special event by calling Imogene Beat at 542-3673

#### **Cherry Oaks Golf Course:**

Season passes are on sale now! Country club golf at a public price...Cherry Oaks Golf Course is now offering a wide array of season pass options. From Juniors (K-12) to Seniors (60 and over), weekday to unlimited, we have green fees and golf cart passes suited for everyone at affordable prices. Call today, 316-540-0133.

WINTER SPECIAL \$25-18 holes w/cart Monday-Friday



Don't forget to renew your golf cart tags for 2016!

When hauling limbs to the brush site, please be considerate and pick up the limbs from the roadway when they fall from your trailer/pickup.

#### Rate increases for 2016

The following increases took
effect January 1, 2016:
Residential trash: \$.50/month
Additional Recycle Cart
\$1.00/month
Commercial Trash: \$1.50/month
Natural Gas monthly service fee:
\$1.00/month

Natural Gas Consumption fee: .20/month