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**Looking for Employment?**  
<http://cheneyks.org/home/employment.html>

**Backflow Devices**  
It's time for your backflow prevention devices to be checked. Anyone with a sprinkler system without a well needs to have them checked by June 30, 2023. Non-compliance to the City Ordinance 647 will result in your utilities being disconnected by July 13, 2023. Contact Mary if you have questions.  
[mbronston@cheneyks.org](mailto:mbronston@cheneyks.org)

### Upcoming Events:

**May 6<sup>th</sup> - Fire Department Car Show & Celebrate Cheney-** Cornhole tourney & kids activities

**May 20<sup>th</sup> - Summer Reading Kick-off Party**

**May 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> - City-Wide Garage Sales**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> - Swimming Pool Opens!**

**June 3<sup>rd</sup> City-Wide Clean-up-** FREE Curb-side large item disposal by WC

**June 4<sup>th</sup> - Annual Fire Dept. Golf Tourn. @ Cherry Oaks**

**June 25<sup>th</sup> - Friends of Cherry Oaks Tourn.**

**July 12-15<sup>th</sup> - Sedgwick County Fair**

**Having a Garage Sale May 25-27<sup>th</sup>?** Sign-up at [cheneyks.org](http://cheneyks.org) or contact City Hall. For \$2, we'll advertise for you! Maps available May 24<sup>th</sup>

### Civic Ready Alerts-

Sign up to receive community bulletins, emergency alerts, and severe weather warnings that could directly impact you and your family! Sedgwick County and the City of Cheney are now able to send you important notifications via email, text, or voice call. Non-emergency messages will be sent via email only, while urgent alerts may be sent via email and text. Sign up for notifications at <https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/emergency-management/civic-ready-alerts/>

**Dog Registration-** Every owner of any dog over 6 months of age shall register their dog with the City and present a current certificate of immunization against rabies. It costs \$10/year to register unspayed or unneutered dogs and \$5/year to register spayed or neutered dogs. Registered dogs will be issued a tag for their collar. Registering your dog allows us to contact **YOU** directly if your dog is running lose, instead of contacting Animal Control.

### Auto-Debit Your Utility Payment for FREE!

Did you know that we can automatically withdraw your utility bill from any bank account on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month? To sign up for this free service, contact City Hall or complete the auto-debit form on our website at <http://cheneyks.org/forms/utilityforms.html>

**Permits-** Many home projects require a permit to be obtained from City Hall before work begins. *What types of projects require a permit?* Fences, sprinkler systems, irrigation wells, siding, windows, egress windows, carports, roofing, sidewalks, storage/garden sheds, garages, sheds, furnace, water heaters, electrical, and *more!* Call 811 to have underground utilities located, free of charge. Allow 2-3 days before beginning your project. Contact Angie if you have questions. [agassmann@cheneyks.org](mailto:agassmann@cheneyks.org)

### City-Wide Clean-up Day

Waste Connections will make one pass through town on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> for the annual clean-up day. Items need to be set at the curb by 7 am. Items not accepted: car batteries, oil filters, fluorescent light bulbs, propane tanks, any asbestos materials, explosives, paints, hazardous liquids, and tires. Construction debris, such as lumber, plaster, drywall, floor covering, roofing materials, and concrete must be in small manageable sizes so one person can lift safely. Any trash not in the trash cart must be in throwaway containers such as boxes or bags. No more than 30-gallon capacity, no loose piles of trash, no box or bag may exceed 40 pounds in weight. Refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners must be tagged by a technician and must have the appropriate paper work with it to be disposed. Please cut limbs into 3' lengths and bundle so they weigh no more than 40 pounds.

## **Be Safe!**

City Hall also has free reflective bands available to help those out walking/biking/running to be more visible!

## **Farmers Market Vouchers**

Vouchers are available at City Hall to those over 60 years of age (over 55 if member of Indian Tribal Organization) and meeting income guidelines. Applicants will receive ten \$5 vouchers to use at any qualifying farmers market in Kansas during 2023. Stop by City Hall beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> to get your free vouchers! Limited number available.

## **Lead Pipe Survey**

Don't forget to complete your lead pipe survey. The city is required in conjunction with KDHE to conduct a lead service line inventory of ALL municipal water customers. Surveys are available at City Hall or on our website [www.cheneyks.org](http://www.cheneyks.org)

## **Grass Clippings & Brush**

Please be mindful of the City Ordinances stating no grass clippings are to be discharged into the streets. Keeping them off of the street helps ensure storm drains do not clog.

We are fortunate to have a Brush Site 3361 S 359th; one that is regulated by the State. However, due to people illegally dumping items, it is now locked and can only be accessed with a key. You can check out the key from City Hall. Please follow the rules of BRUSH only. It is NOT a dumping site for lumber of any kind, trash, old furniture, or grass and it is for the residents of Cheney only. Those living outside the city limits can purchase a Brush Permit for \$25/year.

## **Sidewalk Grant**

The City of Cheney has renewed the Sidewalk Grant to assist property owners with the installation of new sidewalks that connect to existing sidewalks as well as replacing sidewalks in disrepair. The City of Cheney will reimburse property owners for two-thirds the cost of public sidewalk, located in the street easement, installation/replacement up to \$750 per building lot frontage. Grant applications are due by November 1, 2023 and construction must be completed by December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Applications are available at [cheneyks.org](http://cheneyks.org) or at City Hall.

## **SUPPORT THE POOL!**

Raffle tickets are still available at City Hall or Venmo @cityof-Cheneyks for your chance to win up to \$1000! Tickets are \$50 each and 9 winners will be selected. Only 200 tickets will be sold. Funds will go towards new pool updates!

Aluminum cans are also collected in the trailer at the Fire Station- 525 N Main. The funds collected from recycling the cans goes straight into an account for new pool updates!

Please follow us on Facebook at **City of Cheney** for updated information. If you don't have Facebook, visit our website at [cheneyks.org](http://cheneyks.org) and you can view our Facebook feed on our website's homepage. Also follow **Cheney Fire Rescue**, **Cherry Oaks Golf Course** and **Cheney Police Department** for additional updates!

## **Cherry Oaks Golf Course**

The 23rd Annual Friends of Cherry Oaks benefit golf tournament will be held June 25<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds from this year's tournament will be applied to the balance of the debt incurred from last year's project, which saw the addition of more than 40 irrigation heads added to the rough on the back nine. Tournament entry includes golf w/ cart, catered meal, drinks, and prizes. Call today to register your team! 316-540-0133

Junior Golf Lessons will take place June 19-22<sup>nd</sup> for ages 8-17 with additional play dates on June 26-27<sup>th</sup>. Juniors will learn the fundamentals of golf including etiquette and rules, and will have lessons, play dates, contests, and fun playing on the course. Sign up by calling 540-0133. Cost is \$75.

## **Parks**

Free Public Wi-fi is available at Albers-Zerener Park (712 Sunset Ave) and Swimming Pool Park (603 N Adams).

When visiting the park with your dog or when you're out walking, please remove and properly dispose of your dog's feces. City Code 2-125 states, "it is unlawful for a person having immediate control of an animal to walk the animal on public right-of-way, public property or private property of another without carrying at all times a suitable container or other suitable instrument for the removal and disposal of animal feces."

## **Swimming Pool opens May 27th**

The Cheney Municipal Swimming Pool will open for the season on May 27<sup>th</sup>. The pool is open daily from 1-6 pm and will not be open on days the outdoor temperature is forecasted to be below 70 degrees. **Daily admission** is \$3/person. **Punch cards** for discounted admission and **Family passes** are also available for purchase. The pool is also available for **Pool Parties**. Cost is \$90 for 2 hours for up to 50 people (or \$1/person charge for above 50). There is a 2-hour minimum, or \$40/additional hour.

**Swim Lessons** will be offered June 5-9<sup>th</sup>, 19-23<sup>rd</sup>, or July 3-8<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$30/session and sessions are 45 minutes/day for 5 days. Sign-up by contacting the Pool. Half-price admission on **Family Swim Night** is on Wednesdays June 28<sup>th</sup>-August 9<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 pm.

## **Cheney Public Library**

Come join us for our summer reading program Carnival! The kick-off block party will be May 20<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00-1:00 p.m., in the street between City Hall and the Library. You can sign up for the SRP and pick up your goodie bag, enjoy some popcorn and cotton candy, games, get your face painted and grab a corndog while enjoying a family outdoor carnival!!

*Come join the **coffee group** on Wednesdays at the library!* There's a lot of laughter and fellowship that goes on upstairs! This is a come-n-go event every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to whenever you want to stop drinking coffee! Thank you for allowing me to serve you!  
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