



May 2025
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Upcoming Events:

May 3rd- Fire Department Car Show & Celebrate Cheney- Cornhole tourney & kids activities

May 17th- Summer Reading Kick-off Party @ Library 11-1

May 22nd-24th – City-Wide Garage Sales

May 31st City-Wide Clean-up- FREE Curb-side large item disposal by WC

June 1st- Annual Fire Dept. Golf Tourn. @ Cherry Oaks

June 22nd- Friends of Cherry Oaks Tourn.

July 9-12th- Sedgwick County Fair

Don't forget to renew your Golf Cart/UTV Tags for 2025.

Project Updates:

Swimming Pool- Since 1957, thousands of kids have created summer memories at the Cheney Pool. After many years of planning, budgeting, and discussion, the city is excited to be moving forward with the construction of a new pool! Construction is set to start June 1st and the new pool, featuring 6 lanes, 2 diving boards, zero-entry, 6 shade structures, a new pool house and two new slides, will open in May 2026 and be located just west of the current pool location. Our wishes had been to start construction in late summer after the 2025 pool season, but pricing was presented for crews to begin in early summer. Unfortunately, the pool will not be open this summer. We understand not having a pool this summer impacts many things, but we are working with Cheney Rec on adding some additional bus field trips, so kids can still enjoy swimming this summer by visiting other pools.

Street Projects- Street projects this summer include general maintenance throughout areas of the city with slurry seal and crack seal. Full tear-out and replacement of 5th Ave (between Main and Jefferson) and 1st Ave (between Main and Jefferson) will also take place.

Sports Complex- The construction of two dugouts on Field 4 is almost complete. Sunshades have also been installed and concrete in the spectator area has been poured. Plans include adding additional concrete from the west parking lot.

Having a Garage Sale May 22-24th? Sign-up at cheneyks.org or contact City Hall. For \$2, we'll advertise for you! Maps available May 21st

Cheney Fire is looking for Volunteer Firefighters! Applications available at City Hall or online at <https://cheneyks.org/home/employment.html>

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Maint. Cell 895-0885
Library 542-3331
Fire Dept. 542-3155
Police Dept. 542-3173
Police- cell 213-5831
Cherry Oaks 540-0133
Emergencies 911
Crime Stoppers 267-2111

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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 2, 2025. Non-compliance to the City Ordinance 647 will result in your utilities being disconnected by July 15, 2025. Contact Lexi if you have questions. llorenz@cheneyks.org

City-Wide Clean-up Day

Waste Connections will make one pass through town on Saturday, May 31st 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 60 years of age and over (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 2025. Stop by City Hall beginning June 1st to get your free vouchers! Limited number available.

Golf Carts and UTVs

Reminder- Golf carts and Utility Vehicles that are tagged in the City are to ONLY be operated on city streets/alleys/parking lots. They are not allowed to be driven in the parks, grass fields, or on sidewalks. Please operate them in places where normal vehicles are driven.

Grass Clippings & Brush

Please be mindful of the City Ordinances stating no grass clippings are to be discharged into the streets. Keeping them off the street helps ensure proper drainage.

We are fortunate to have a Brush Site 3361 S 359th; one that is regulated by the State. The brush site continues to be closed and can only be accessed by checking out a key from city hall. Please follow the rules of BRUSH only. It is NOT a dumping site for grass clippings, leaves, lumber of any kind, trash, or old furniture and it is free for 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, 2025 and construction must be completed by December 15th, 2025. Applications are available at cheneyks.org or at City Hall.

SUPPORT THE POOL!

Keep collecting your aluminum cans and placing them in the recycling trailer at the Sports Complex Parking Lot at 731 S Main. Funds collected from recycling the cans will help purchase additional items for our new pool!

Please follow us on Facebook at **City of Cheney** for updated information. If you don't have Facebook, visit our website at cheneyks.org and you can view our Facebook feed on our website's homepage. Also follow **Cheney Fire Rescue, Cherry Oaks Golf Course, Cheney Public Library** and **Cheney Police Department** for additional updates from these departments. The City is not affiliated with the Facebook group Cheney Chat. It is best to contact the city directly with questions or to report emergencies.

Cherry Oaks Golf Course

The 25th Annual Friends of Cherry Oaks benefit golf tournament will be held June 22nd. This tournament funds golf course projects such as cart paths, irrigation additions, tree planting and restrooms, to name a few! Tournament entry includes golf w/ cart, catered meal, drinks, and a tee gift. Call today to register your team! 316-540-0133 Don't wait, this tournament fills up fast!

Junior Golf Lessons will take place June 23-26 for ages 8-17 with additional play dates on June 30 and July 1. 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.

Dogs

Please make sure your dog is registered with the city. Registering your dog saves you money if your dog is found running at large around Cheney. With a city tag, we can contact the dog's owner directly, instead of hauling it to animal control. The city registration fee is minimal and will save you hundreds in fines and impound fees! Remember to register or re-register your dog at the time of their annual vet appointment!

Park Shelter Rental

The park shelter at the Sports Complex features a restroom with covered picnic area, 6 picnic tables and electrical outlet. Reservations can be made for a minimum of 2 hours and a max of 8 hours between 5am-10:30 pm. The fee is \$10/hour. The shelter can be reserved by completing a form online at cheneyks.org/forms/shelterreservation.html

Free Public Wi-fi is available at Albers-Zerener Park (712 Sunset Ave) and at Cheney Public Library (203 N Main).

Cheney Public Library

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Member: Christopher Webb

Member: Candace Johnson

Member: Mallory Keefe

If you haven't visited YOUR local library recently, we invite you to stop by and meet our new team. We are committed to providing exceptional service and support, connecting you with the numerous resources available.

***Susan Woodard, Director Tamera Scheer, Children's Librarian
Tamara Bennett, Librarian Meghan Schwartz, Librarian***