



Overbrook City News and Events March 2023



Update on water project – <https://overbrookks.com/water-distribution-project> The construction phase of the water project is reaching final completion. We recently started the new chlorination building which was the last major hurdle in the construction phase. There is a significant amount of cleanup, grading, and grass seeding to be completed. This process will be completed in the spring. Many of you have expressed concerns about this part of the process and we have provided a compiled list of items that need to be addressed during the final clean up phase to the contractor. We will be entering the 1-year warranty period of the project which will run into the spring of 2024. If you have concerns, we encourage you to report these during this period, so the contractor has an opportunity to address the issue. The new water system will serve the community for many years to come providing clean safety drinking water for the growth of Overbrook. We would like to thank you all for your patience during this project.

Autopayment for Utility Bill – Did you know you can set up autopayment with a checking account /savings account/or credit card? Email btrotter@overbrookks.com to have a set up form sent to you.

Overbrook Police Department – The Overbrook Police Department would like to remind citizens to always lock unattended vehicles and always report any suspicious activity.

Tree Dump – Many people will be cleaning up their yards this month and we wanted to remind you of the guidelines for the city tree dump. Only tree limbs and leaves may be dumped at the site. No plastic bags, furniture, rocks, construction material or logs bigger than 18 inches. A key may be picked up at City Hall to unlock the gates to the dump.

Overbrook American Legion – The American Legion will be hosting the “First Saturday” Biscuits & Gravy Breakfast on March 4, 2023, from 7 am to 10 am at the Overbrook American Legion. Don't Miss It! Breakfast by donation, all funds used to support the Local Post.

Overbrook Parks and Rec- Save the date: April 22, 2023 for the 15th Annual Steve Cross Memorial Fishing Derby for kids, toddler to sixteen. Parks and Rec has moved this great event to the spring!

The Overbrook Historical Society - The Overbrook Historical Society is hosting its first Scan Party from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 19th in the Overbrook Public Library Community Room. Anyone who has documents or photos pertaining to the history of Overbrook is encouraged to bring the materials to the library so that we can scan them for inclusion in our digital collection. Even if you don't want to donate your item, the society would love to scan it for inclusion in the museum. See our flyer in the newsletter for more details. Copies of the Don't Overcook Overbrook cookbook are still available for purchase (\$20 per copy – tax included) at Overbrook City Hall, the Kansas State Bank in Overbrook, and The Copper Moose.

Historical Tidbit - Did you know that Willard Cobb was the first Mayor of the City of Overbrook? He was first elected in July of 1948 and served through August of 1949. Before Cobb's election, Overbrook had never been able to form a local government due to its status as an unincorporated town. In fact, at one time Overbrook claimed (without the ability to substantiate the statement) that it was the largest unincorporated city in the United States.

Friends of the Library – New and Renewal memberships for the 2023 year forms can be picked up at the Library or contact Mary Anderson at 785-806-5613. The library is now accepting gently used books for the Friends of the Library book sale July 26-29, 2023. Books can be brought to the library any time during library hours.

Search Light Club – is giving away the native stone that is part of the flower bed at the Schlink memorial (the Arch) by the school. They are going to be revamping that flower bed this spring. Anyone is welcome to dig them up and haul them off.

Overbrook PRIDE – Overbrook PRIDE is inviting the community to join their meetings; they meet in the back of the American Legion building every third Saturday of each month at 8am. The next meeting will be March 18. They are accepting donations for the 4th of July fireworks.

Growth Committee – The committee has begun a new focus on the identification and exploration of funding opportunities to promote business growth in Overbrook. This includes sourcing grants, writing applications, and coordinating required business plans to applications. If you have a business in Overbrook with "shovel-ready" proposals, business plans, etc. and are looking for funding please contact Jim Koger at cityclerk@overbrookks.com or co-chairs Katie Moon or Cheryl Miller (via Facebook) and we'll be happy to include your plans in funding research.

Nutrition Program – The Overbrook Growth Committee in conjunction with the East Central Kansas Area on Aging (ECKAAA) is offering a Nutrition Program dedicated to meeting nutritional needs to citizens 60 years and older in Overbrook. We currently provide hot meals on Tuesday's and Thursdays; the meals are delivered to the Overbrook Housing Authority Community Center where participants pick up their meal. Donations of \$3.50 per meal are encouraged; however, no one will be denied if unable to donate. For more information, please contact Hanna Smith at 1-785-393-2246 or by email hanneuiu@hotmail.com or stop by the Overbrook Housing Authority Community Center on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 11:30 am and 12:00 pm."

Community Christian School – Kindergarten Enrollment for Fall of 2023. Enrollment will be on April 21st. Sessions at 9:00am and 1:00pm. Contact 785-670-6403 or register at CCSkansas.org.

Business of the Month Showcase – We will be showcasing local brick and mortar businesses as well as homebased businesses in our newsletter this coming year. If you would like to get on our Overbrook business list, please contact us at city hall at 785-665-7328 or email Ben at btrotter@overbrookks.com

If your group, organization, or non-profit event would like to appear on the City Calendar, Newsletter or Website, please contact Overbrook City Hall at 665-7328.

Overbrook Calendar of Events for March 2023

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| February 27 | - Recycle Day |
| March 13th | - Recycle Day |
| March 17 | - St. Patrick's Day |
| March 18 th | - 1 st Annual Santa Fe Trail Lady Chargers Softball Team Alumni Scrimmage
at Carbondale Ball Fields 1PM Admission \$3 (5 and under free)
Proceeds from this Scrimmage will be used for a new batting cage. |

March 27th

- Recycle Day

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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
- Public Safety Committee at 7 pm at City Hall
- Every Other Monday - Growth Committee at 6pm at City Hall
- Every Second Tuesday - Park and Rec. Meeting at 7 pm at City Hall
- Every Third Tuesday - Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting at 7 pm at City Hall

- Library Book Club meeting 7 pm first Meeting Room at the Library
- Every Fourth Tuesday - Tuesday's Table Lunch at 12:00 pm at the United Methodist Church
- Every First Wednesday - Friends of the Library at 6:30 pm at the Library Conference Room
- Every Second Wednesday - Infrastructure Committee at 6 pm at City Hall
- Every Third Thursday - City Council meeting at 6:00 pm at City Hall
- Every Fourth Thursday - Overbrook Historical Society 6:30 at the library
- Overbrook Community Foundation meets at 5:30 pm at the Overbrook Public Library
- Every Saturday - TOPS Meeting at the Methodist Church at 7:30 am. For information call Mary Anderson 785-806-5613.
- Every Third Saturday - Overbrook PRIDE Meeting 8 am at the American Legion, 102 Maple
- Overbrook Community Game Night at 6 pm at the United Methodist Church

March Businesses of the Month Showcase

Coltrane Paint Party – 785-817-3582

Overbrook Hair Center – Barber Shop – 785-665-7225

Lamb-Roberts-Price Funeral Home – 785-665-7141

Ottawa Cooperative – 785-665-7143

McCain Plumbing – 785-219-2349