

### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

### **DECEMBER** 2025

| SUN | MON                               | TUE                                     | WED  | THUR        | FRI                                | SAT |
|-----|-----------------------------------|---|--|-------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| 14  | Fire Board Mtg. 7p @ Dist. Office | 16                                      | WW Volunteer<br>Fire Meeting<br>7p @ Fire Dept.  | 18          | 79                                 | 20  |
| 21  | CITY COUNCIL Meeting, 7pm         | Senior<br>Potluck<br>9a-3p @ Am. Legion | 24   | Merry Check | 26<br>stunds<br>CITY OFFICE CLOSED | 27  |
| 28  | 29 CLERK OUT of OFFICE            | 30  CLERK OUT of OFFICE                 | 31 New Reduction of the Control of t |             |                                    |     |

Visit our website for more calendar events and up to date schedules.

### WHITEWATERKS.GOV

Submit Calendar and Newsletter information to: cityclerk@whitewaterks.gov

### JANUARY 2026

| SUN | MON  | TUE                                      | WED   | THUR                                     | FRI                 | SAT |
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| 4   | Friends<br>of the Library<br>4:30p @ Library         | Library Board<br>Meeting<br>7p @ Library | WW Volunteer<br>Fire Meeting<br>7p @ Fire Dept. | <b>8</b>                                 | 9                   | 10  |
| 11  | USD 206 Dist. Brd Mtg. 7p @ District Office          | Senior<br>Potluck<br>9a-3p @ Am. Legion  | 14  | 15                                       | 16                  | 17  |
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### **City Council Meeting** Highlights from 11/22/25

Full minutes will be posted upon approval: whitewaterks.gov

The governing body has approved the 2026 Comprehensive Fee Schedule. Below is a list of the changes

starting January 1, 2026. Resolution No. 2025-1224A

### **SCOUT HOUSE RENTAL** \$75 per day + \$25 cleanup deposit/reimbursement

NEWS AD/SPACES 1/4 Space = \$20 once || \$200 (12months) 1/2 Space = \$30 once || \$300 (12months) Full Space = \$50 once || \$500(12months) News Ad + Website Add-on = news ad cost + \$10

Web-Only Ad = \$40 per month

### **MOBILE FOOD VENDOR PERMIT** \$50 annual || \$25 event/day

**CITY WATER RATE** Base Fee increases 5.25% + \$6.50 each additional unit example: Basic Residential base fee \$26.00 + \$6.50 each add, 1.000gal

#### Monthly Rate | Selected Service **CITY TRASH RATES**

\$16.00 || (1) 95gal can (1) 65gal can \$14.75 \$23.25 (2) 95gal cans \$21.64 (2) 65gal cans \$28.75 (3) 65gal cans (1) Commercial 95gal can \$23.00 II (2) Commercial 95gal cans

**WATER RECONNECTION FEE** \$50.00

SHUT OFF/REINSTATEMENT

In a Calendar Year

1st Time: Delinquent Amount + \$50 2nd Time:Delinquent Amount + \$75 3rd Time+: Delinquent Amount + \$100

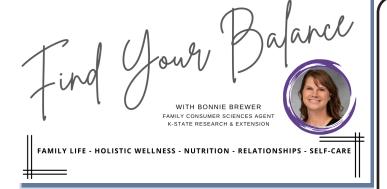
### **INSUFFICIENT FUNDS Card/Check \$15.00**

- · Reports were given by the City Treasurer, Animal Control Officer, City Clerk, City Superintendent and Mayor.
- Two Resolutions were passed the first being for the 2026 Fee Schedule. The other being Resolution No. 2025-1124B; The Oath of Office will be taken by Mayor-elect Timothy Eldredge, Council Member Trent Clark, and Council Member-elect Scott Silknitter at the December Council Meeting. Their duties begin January 1, 2026.

### NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, DECEMBER 22 @ 7:00PM

**Agenda Items:** Oath of Office proceedings · Cemetery Update

All are welcome at City Council meetings. Public Comment time is available at the beginning of each meeting; Please keep it to 5 minutes per person when addressing the council. To discuss a specific topic, please contact the City Clerk to be placed on the agenda.



#### ASSISTIVE DEVICES FOR YOUR HOME

The term, itself, seems to indicate something very high-tech, or exclusive to older adults or those with disabilities. -- Assistive technology.

It is true that there are many devices available to assist people as they age – think of canes, prosthetics, wheelchairs, stair lifts, automated pill dispensers and more. Yet, for every high-tech option, there are numerous simple options for everyday living at any age, including eyeglasses, non-skid plates and bowls, motion control lighting, phones with large buttons and others.

"Assistive technology sounds complicated, but really it's not," says K-State adult development and aging specialist Erin Martinez. "The typical definition is any tool or technology that helps a person complete daily tasks with ease and efficiency. It's those things that make our lives easier throughout the day."

For example, a step stool. You may be very capable in your physical mobility, but using a step stool to reach a higher shelf makes it easier and safer to reach the upper shelf.

Also, a lever handle to replace a traditional doorknob is another low-cost option that can be "an excellent use of assistive technology."

Other options for assistive devices in many parts of one's life are as follows:

- In the kitchen Grip foam handles for silverware, cutting boards that hold food in place, a drinking straw holder and more.
- **Around the house** Programmable thermostats, robot vacuums, grab bars and handrails and more.
- **Dressing and bathing** Buttoning aids and zipper pulls, long shoehorns, one-handed belts and more.
- **Communication** Pens and pencils with special grips, talk-to-text devices, electronic screen readers and more.
- **Cognition and memory** Audiobooks, identification bracelets, note-taking systems and more.
- At work or on the farm Ergonomic workstations, antifatigue mats, swivel seating and more.

### MOMS IN TOUCH

**Contributing to & for Our Community** 

Any mom interested in praying for the Remington School District Please come join and participate with us.



## WHITEWATER AREA FOOD PANTRY

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We (K-State Extension) have a lot of new assistive technology devices that you can try out, but you should also talk with your primary care physician and visit a home medical supply shop in your community. If you are interested in learning more, contact me (Bonnie Brewer, bjbrewer@ksu.edu) for a program about assistive technology. Other resources include a physical therapist or occupational therapist.

The goal of assistive technology is to keep people in their homes longer and help them maintain independence and mobility, and maintain their overall emotional well being and safety of being in their own home.

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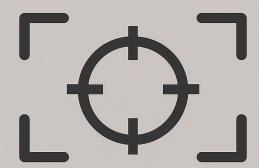
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> **January 3 & 17** February 21 March 7 & 21 **April 4 & 18**

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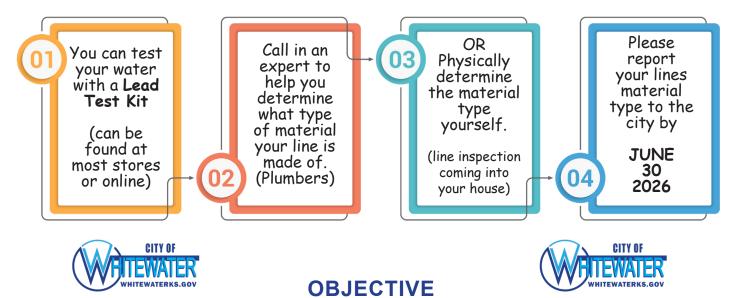
### ATTENTION WHITEWATER PROPERTY OWNERS

Dear Whitewater Resident,

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in conjunction with the KDHE, has REQUIRED all Public Water Supply systems to conduct a Lead Service Line Inventory of both the public and privately owned water services within our jurisdiction, (city utilities). During that survey time we had less than half of you respond. This information is required by the State of Kansas.

Please note: answering "UNKNOWN" is the same as NO RESPONSE.

Please know that the City of Whitewater currently & in the past has not had any lead issues within our water supply.



The city aims to **COMPLETE** the "Lead and Copper Survey". **Any lead,** galvanized, or unknown service lines need to be identified and/or should be replaced to ensure compliance and public safety.

Thank You

### WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU OR YOUR LANDLORD:

| Property/ Water Service Address:  | Water service line (water line from the meter into the house) |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Whitewater KS, 67154  | construction material:  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Water Customer Name:  or Account #:   | Year of water service line installation:                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| If you are a renter and cannot answer please provide the name and contact info for your LANDLORD: |   |  |  |  |  |  |

# \*\*CHRISTMAS\*\* WORD SEARCH

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### **The Frederic Remington Historical Society** Writing Contest

A call for submissions for historical articles about the Remington Area WHITEWATER. KS:

The Frederic Remington Area Historical Society announces a call for submissions for their first Historical Writing Contest. Submission are due January 31, 2026.

"We want to encourage research and writing about the history of the Remington Area," says President Eldon Esau. "This competition is open to anyone, but the scope of work must be concentrated on the area defined by the Remington School District. We are offering cash prizes for three different categories:"

#### **Categories and Prizes:**

Adult – \$300 - 2,000 word maximum

High School – \$300 - 1,500 word maximum

Youth – \$300 - 500 word maximum

- The FRAHS Writing Project is designed to stimulate research and writing about the history of the area defined by the Remington School District.
- Topics such as families, places, Native Americans, culture, finance, geography, or other subjects of historical significance.
- Any time frame is welcome, even recent history.
- While there is no particular writing style that must be followed, the works will need to show evidence of original sources.
- Please submit in a WORD Document with double spacing between lines
- Photographs are a welcome addition.
- Works will be judged by a the FRAHS Board of Directors
- Prizes will be awarded and winning authors will read their work at the April meeting.
- **DEADLINE**: January 31, 2026

This is open to everyone.

For more information, contact Eldon Esau: Phone: (316) 284-4764 Email: eldonesau@yahoo.com

About The Frederic Remington Area Historical Society

The Frederic Remington Area Historical Society (FRAHS) is a membership organization and not-for-profit corporation, filed June 21, 1978.

This corporation is exempt from federal income tax under 501(c)(3) Revenue Codes of 1954. Membership runs from September to May; dues are announced at meetings. The primary purpose of FRAHS is to collect, preserve, and share the Frederic Remington USD206 School District area's rich history and culture with its residents, students, and other interested persons. A majority of the society's programs each year are to fulfill that purpose, while other programs should inform attendees of state and national topics of historical and cultural interests.

## Merry Christmas Whitewater

We enjoyed a lovely kickoff to our Christmas season at the Whitewater Community Tree Lighting Event on December 7th.

Besides our friendly neighbors, we appreciate the efforts of the following groups in making this a wonderful occasion. (pictures can be seen on the city website: whitewaterks.gov/christmas-on-main)

Thanks to

Ravenscraft Implement, The City of Whitewater, and Centre Point Church for the community tree and set up.

Vintage Bank for 'Smores and Cider around an open fire.

Boy Scout Troop 225 for the Snowball fight and Christmas craft.

Friends of the Whitewater Memorial Library for challenging us to read by celebrating the Christmas Book Flood and chocolates. (Keep the books flooding in through December!)

Pizza Parlor for hosting Christmas Car Races.

Kae Hirsch for the Ornament making event.

Julie Mosiman for reading special Christmas stories.

Federated Youth Group for the Nativity Play.

Ashley Busenitz and Jennie Gaudern with the "littles" for leading us in music.

Leland Entz for leading carols around the tree.

Berean Students for manning the Cocoa Booth.

Kay Club for hosting the Cookie Decorating, Sidewalk Games, and handing out this year's ornaments.

Eric Toevs for our Holiday Hayrides.

Main Street Blooms for a Christmas craft.

Wheat State Manor, Whitewater Firefighters, Boy Scouts, and Ms. Jean, our librarian, for making the Jingle Run a Fun event!

201 Main, Ed & Chris Flora, for opening their building to us for this occasion.

Thanks to those unnamed volunteers who made this all possible.

Your invaluable role in hosting games, indoors and out, helped complete the celebration—it truly "takes a village."

Thanks to YOU, our Whitewater neighbors, for coming and sharing the fun! "Share the Joy" this Christmas, and see you the first weekend of December 2026!

ber 2026! - Centre Point Church



# WHITEWATER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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### HOURS

Monday: 1:30 - 8:00 pm Tuesday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Wednesday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Thursday: 1:30 - 8:00 pm Friday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Sunday: CLOSED

#### STAFF

Director: Jean Thiessen Admin Specialist: Joyce Bevan Social Media: Janelle Goodrich Library Intern: Gianna Van Zelfden Student Assistant: Clara Stoesz

#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

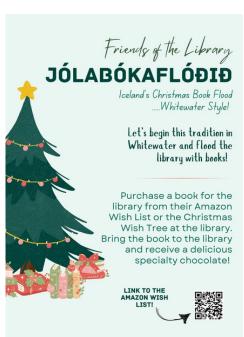
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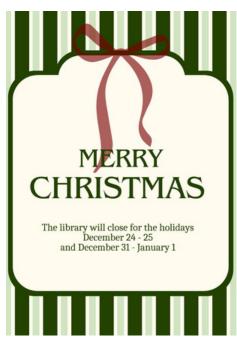
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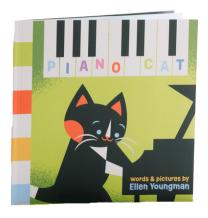


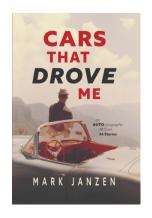


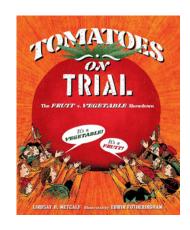


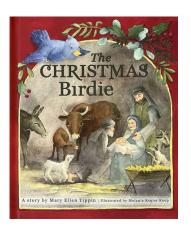
### **NEW BOOKS WITH A KANSAS CONNECTION**

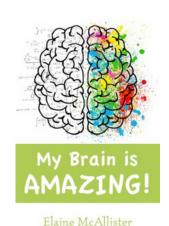
Newton Public Library recently held a local (Kansas) author fair at which the following items (and more!) were purchased!

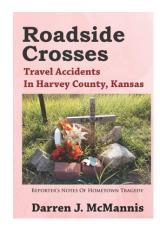




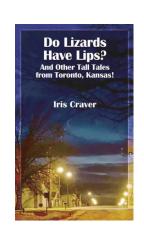




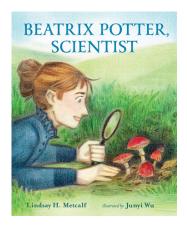




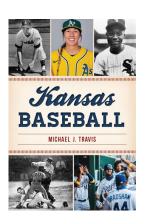












### A Little Christmas Miracle Needs a Home!

This holiday season, are you ready to open your heart and home to a deserving companion?

**Meet Sooty!** 

This sweet, stunning tabby kitten is looking for a forever family to share warm blankets and happy meows with.



### Why Adopt Sooty?

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- The Best Gift: Give the most meaningful gift this year—a second chance at a loving life.

The greatest present under the tree is unconditional love. This little one is fixed, litter-trained, and current on all shots, ready to curl up by your fireplace.

Don't wait! Make a difference this Christmas.

To learn more about Sooty or to apply for adoption and fees, please contact Country Aid Vet at 316-799-2740 or Whitewater Animal Control animalcontrol@whitewaterks.gov

### WHITEWATER, KANSAS — 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW —

2025 brought lightning bolts, library laughs, and plenty of small-town sparkle. We patched roads, nudged rates up a bit, and hosted festivals big cities would envy.

#### **City Government & Infrastructure**

New website launched, the water tower took a hit (it's fine!), and dropping AT&T saved us \$1,000 a month.

#### **Public Safety**

Deputy Moore kept roads safe, Animal Control rehomed pets and wrangled chickens, dogs — and the occasional skunk.

### **Community Events**

From Daddy-Daughter Dance to the Remington Festival, we celebrated well. Summer Reading drew 415 book-lovers.

#### **Community Services**

Food Pantry stayed strong, Moms in Touch lifted us up, and the library traded fines for food — carbs for kindness.

#### **Local Business & Health**

Cabin Pie fueled us, Cottonwood Pediatrics chased off flu season, Peak Family Wellness rebranded, and Main Street Blooms welcomed a new baby and a new logo.

From food-truck-friendly ordinances to a lightningtested water tower, we had wins big and small — and a community that showed up, especially at the Budget Forum and Christmas Wishes.

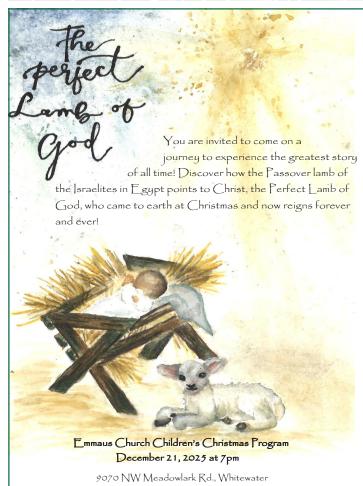
# COME AND WORSHIP JESUS CHRIST, THE NEWBORN KING

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December 25, 2025

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Dec 13th 9-12 AM Dec 15th 4-6 PM

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### **WHO ARE WE:**

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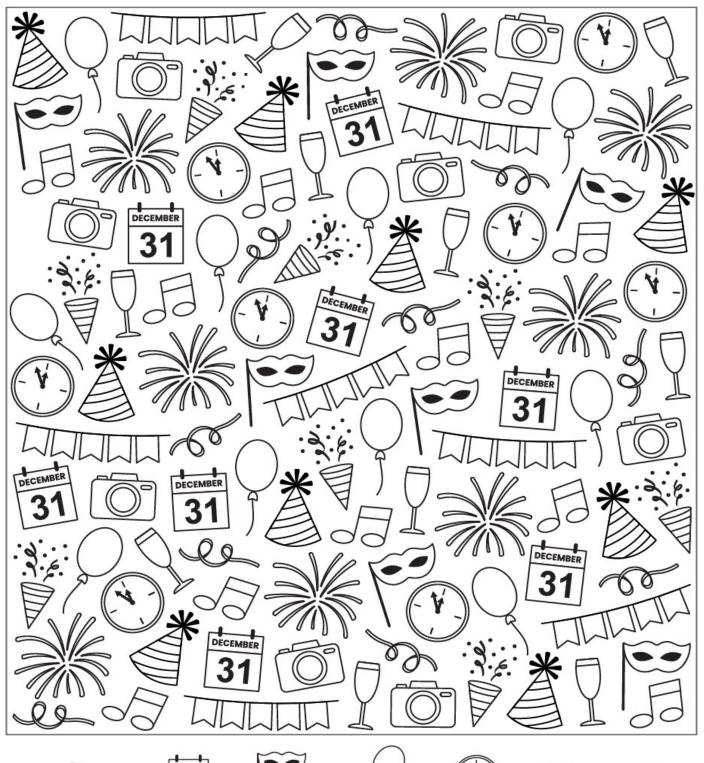
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