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City Commission



Greg Gwin,
Mayor



Gordon Blackie,
Commissioner



Jody Cole,
Commissioner

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From The Commission...

I would like to thank the community for re-electing me for another term on the City Commission. It has been an honor and privilege to serve the people of Garnett and I will continue to do so as best I can.

One task the Commission is currently working on is the search for a new city manager. The community surveys are in and our work is now to begin in this process of selecting the best candidate for our City.

Another responsibility as Commissioner is to analyze the budget. This is something I have always thought was our most important job that affects everyone in Garnett. One of the biggest factors is the mill levy that is set on your property taxes. Although this year (2017) the mill levy increased slightly (+.359), the 10-year record of our mill levy is .870 lower in 2017 than it was in 2007!

Exciting news for 2017 is that the County has agreed to chip seal some of the roads inside the city limits this year. Hopefully this will take a little of the strain off of our street budget and allow us to expand on our street repairs. If you see one of the County Commissioners, please tell them thanks!

We are thrilled for the flurry of activity that has taken place recently with the addition (or

expansion) of several businesses into Garnett:

4th Street Flea Market
Barnes Seed Service, LLC
East Kansas Agri-Energy Renewable Diesel Plant
John Foltz Plumbing and Electric
Garnett Auto Body, Restoration and Pool Chemicals
Genco Manufacturing
Dr. Richard Hale, DDS
Maple Street Liquor
Trade Winds Bar and Grill
Wildcards Storage
Wise Auto

Not only will these businesses add to our tax base and generate sales tax dollars, they will provide more local jobs! Please find out what these businesses have to offer and welcome them into Garnett.

I have big hopes for 2017, that this will be one of the most successful years yet!

From my family to yours, "Happy 2017!"

Respectfully,

Greg A. Gwin, Mayor



From The City Manager..

As I begin the process of cleaning out my office and files, I am amazed at how much has changed in this wonderful town I call home. I was born and raised here so I'm a pretty good historian about the way things **were** compared to the way they are **now**. I never dreamed when former city manager Bill Tschudy offered me the job as his secretary in 1967, that I would work here most of my life. My husband Frank and I have had some pretty serious conversations the last few months about my employment with the city. He asked me if my job experiences have truly been positive and fulfilling. I answered yes, for the most part. He has seen me at the top, the bottom and in between and has supported me every step of the way. We just celebrated 50 years of marriage so I guess we have done things right for the most part.

Over the past few months, I have received so many cards, letters, e-mails, and phone calls of encouragement and thanks. So I believe I have touched many of you in a positive way. I go into stores and receive handshakes, hugs and blessings. Enough so that I have been brought to tears several times.

Garnett is a wonderful community that holds promise for future generations to come. Over the past few months, we have seen several houses sold, new businesses promising new employees coming to town, and an upswing in our sales tax revenues. All commissioners and city managers, former and present, are to be commended for realistic planning that has kept Garnett going in the right direction. No one person can take credit because it's been a continual, group effort for many years. A firm foundation was laid for this city in 1964 when the voters approved the commission-manager form of government.

I must commend Jenny Myers, Colette McDonnell, Nancy Hermreck, Diane Hastert, Jenny Schooler and Kristie Kinney for their patience as we worked through a very difficult computer conversion on all aspects of the city's financial record keeping, utility billing, court and payroll. We are seeing the light at the end of the tunnel and are anxious to find that "warm and fuzzy feeling" with what we are doing. Special recognition goes to Susan Wettstein and Desiree Donovan as they stepped in to answer phones, take care of customers and begin to learn the new system as well. Thank you ladies. We're almost at the end of this journey. You have been amazing and I'm proud to work alongside you.

And to the guys and gals in all of the departments. You have made my job so easy. You are not afraid to make suggestions, to try new things and are willing to adapt to change whenever asked. You are a proud, hard working group of people and I have been honored to be your boss, co-worker and friend. You are the best and Garnett is lucky to have you.

This might be the last time I write an article for the city newsletter. If so, I want to encourage everyone to support the new city manager. Be patient and remember that Rick Doran and I had years of service to draw on as we did this job. It hasn't always been easy, but I can assure you that both of us had the best interests of the city in our hearts. And please, think twice before you pick up the phone to call "phone forum" to complain about the new person. Instead, make that phone call to them and you'll probably find out how misinformed you are. I encourage you to be positive and patient. Don't be afraid to ask questions.

Thank you Garnett for a wonderful life. Blessings and Happy Holidays to you all!

Respectfully,
Joyce E. Martin,
City Manager

From The City Clerk/Finance Director

Work continues on the software conversion at City Hall for our general ledger, payroll, municipal court, utilities and cemetery. General ledger and payroll went live in January 2016, and the court conversion was completed in May 2016. The utility software went live on November 28, 2016. Our cemetery modality has an anticipated go-live date sometime in January.

Utility customers will notice that the new utility bills will have a different appearance beginning with the January bills. Utility bills will now print on white cardstock with blue lettering. When customers bring bills in for payment, please bring the whole bill in if you would like us to validate your receipt. The cardstock CANNOT be torn apart in order for staff to validate a receipt. Utility bills will have a bar code that will enable staff to scan the bill directly into the software system for payment posting. This will not only help our payment processing be more efficient, but will also help eliminate errors.

Our new system will allow us to grow in the future, as well as have more flexibility than what we have had in our old system. As with any changes in software systems, there is a tremendous amount of new procedures for our staff to learn. Staff is doing an excellent job of working through those challenges. We continue to strive to offer the best customer service possible and we appreciate the patience that our customers have shown us during this time of transition.

Sincerely,
Kristina L. Kinney,
City Clerk/Finance Director



● Required Public Notice ●

An Important Message from the Garnett Water Department

Our water distribution system violated drinking water standards. Even though this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During June 1 through September 30, 2016 we did not take the required number of 20 samples to monitor for lead and copper. The Kansas Department of Health & Environment requires this sampling to be done every three years. The last time 20 acceptable samples were submitted was during the period of June 1 to September 30, 2013.

As soon as city crews noticed that the sample bottles had not been submitted in a timely manner to the Kansas Department of Health, a phone call was made to the Department of Health to see if the samples could still be submitted. Their reply was no. An alternative schedule of June 1 to September 30, 2017 has been set for water department personnel to sample again. The State will then send us the results and schedule our sampling schedule.

The table below is a recent history of our monitoring for lead and copper. It shows how often we are supposed to sample, the date that we last sampled, the date we failed to sample, how many samples we are supposed to take, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken and the date samples are next scheduled to be taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	When all samples should have been taken	Number of samples taken	When samples are next scheduled to be taken
Lead and Copper	20 samples every three years	June 1 to September 30, 2013	20 acceptable samples submitted	June 1 to September 30, 2016
Lead and Copper	20 samples every three years	June 1 to September 30, 2016	0 acceptable samples submitted	June 1 to September 30, 2017

Lead can cause delays in physical or mental development in infants and children; children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. In adults, lead can cause kidney problems and high blood pressure. Copper can cause gastrointestinal distress and liver or kidney damage. People with Wilson's Disease should consult their personal doctor if the amount of copper in their water exceeds the action level.

For more information, please contact Joyce Martin at 785-448-5496 or by mail to 131 West Fifth Avenue; PO Box H, Garnett, Kansas 66032.

Garnett's state water system ID# is I8500; Federal System ID # is KS 2000304.





JANUARY

- 1 **Happy New Year!**
Rec Center Open 1-5 p.m.
- 2-6: **Anderson County Hospital 4-H Youth Photography Contest.**
- 2 **City offices closed, Rec Center open.**
Trash service will be one (1) day late the week of January 2-6.
New Session-A.M. Indoor Cycling Class
Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs, Rec Center, 5:30 a.m.
New Session-Adult Exercise Classes
Mon/Wed, Rec Center, 9 a.m.
New Session-Core & Cardio Fitness
Mon/Wed, Rec Center, 5:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery-Every Monday
Church of the Nazarene, 6 p.m.
- 3 **Pet licenses go on sale at City Hall.**
TOPS Meeting-Every Tuesday
United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.
Storytime for Preschoolers-Every Tuesday, Garnett Public Library, 10 a.m.
Rotary International Meeting-Every Tuesday, Garnett Inn, 12 p.m.
American Legion Bingo-Every Tuesday
VFW Post 6397, 6 p.m.
New Session-Yoga Classes
Tues/Thurs, Rec Center, 6 p.m.
New Session-P.M. Indoor Cycling
Tues/Thurs, Rec Center, 7 p.m.
- 4 **Duplicate Bridge-Every Wednesday**
Garnett Inn, 1 p.m.
Tourism Advisory Board Meeting
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
New Session-Intermediate Yoga
Wednesdays, Rec Center, 5:30 p.m.
- 5 **12-Point Pitch and Snacks-Every Thursday**, Garnett Senior Center, 6 p.m.
USD 365 Board of Education Meeting
Greeley Elementary School, 7 p.m.
- 9 **Anderson Co. Commission Meeting-Every Monday**, Annex Building, 9 a.m.
- 9 **Library Board Meeting**
Garnett Public Library, 5 p.m.

- 9 **Airport Advisory Board Meeting**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
Community Foundation Meeting
Rec Center, 5:30 p.m.
Garnett Housing Authority Board of Directors Meeting, GHA Office, 7 p.m.
- 10 **Anderson County Recycling Trailer**
Country Mart parking lot.
City Commission Meeting
City Hall, 6 p.m.
Alzheimer's Support Group
Parkview Heights, 6 p.m.
- 11 **Friends of the Prairie Spirit Trail Meeting**, Archer Room, Garnett Public Library, 7 p.m.
- 12 **Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting**, Dornes Insurance, 5:30 p.m.
- 14 **ACHS Drama Class Night of One Acts**
ACHS Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- 17 **Healthy Happy Hour**
Free, hosted at Anderson County Hospital, 5 p.m.
ACDA - Economic Development Meeting, City Hall, 5 p.m.
- 18 **Caffeine & Colors**
Garnett Public Library, 1 p.m.
- 19 **Walker Art Committee Meeting**
City Hall, 4 p.m.
- 23 **Caregivers Support Group**
Park Plaza North, 1 p.m.
Adult Reading Program Kickoff Party
Garnett Public Library, 7 p.m.
- 24 **City Commission Meeting**
City Hall, 6 p.m.
- 25 **Book Discussion, "Where Lilacs Still Bloom", by Jane Kirkpatrick**
Garnett Public Library, 7 p.m.
- 26 **Emergency Food Distribution**
Quonset Hut, North Lake Park, 4 p.m.
Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet-
Keynote Speaker: Antonio Soave, Kansas Secretary of Commerce
Social - 5:30 p.m. Dinner and awards to follow.

FEBRUARY

- 1 **Tourism Advisory Board Meeting**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 2 **USD 365 Board of Education Meeting**
Board Office.
- 6-22: **Sign-up for Youth Soccer League**
Rec Center.
- 6-26: **Sign-up for Little Goalies Soccer**
Rec Center.
- 6 **Library Board Meeting**
Garnett Public Library, 5:00 p.m.
Community Foundation Meeting
Rec Center, 5:30 p.m.
- 8 **Friends of the Prairie Spirit Trail Meeting, Chocolate Night**
Garnett Public Library, 7 p.m.
- 9 **Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting**, Dornes Insurance, 5:30 p.m.
- 13 **Airport Advisory Board Meeting**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
Adult Reading Program Midway Party
Garnett Public Library, 6:15 p.m.
Garnett Housing Authority Board of Directors Meeting, GHA Office, 7 p.m.
- 14 **Anderson County Recycling Trailer**
Country Mart.
City Commission Meeting
City Hall, 6 p.m.
Alzheimer's Support Group
Parkview Heights, 6 p.m.
Caffeine & Colors
Garnett Public Library, 1 p.m.
- 16 **Walker Art Committee Meeting**
City Hall, 4 p.m.
- 20 **City offices closed-Presidents Day**
Trash service will be one (1) day late the week of February 20-24.
New Session-A.M. Indoor Cycling Class
Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs, Rec Center, 5:30 a.m.
New Session-Core & Cardio Fitness
Mon/Wed, Rec Center, 5:30 a.m.
- 21 **Healthy Happy Hour**
Free, hosted at Anderson County Hospital, 5 p.m.



Did You Know...

The City of Garnett welcomes the following new employees:

- **Johnathan Chitwood**, Power Plant Operator
- **Shane Henkle**, Meter Reader
- **Quenton Trammell**, Water and Gas Maintenance Worker I

Ken Amaya was recently promoted to Water and Gas Department Superintendant. He formerly worked at the municipal power plant.

We wish to recognize **Roy Salazar**, Street Maintenance Worker, for reaching his 20-year anniversary of working for the City of Garnett. Also, congratulations to **Greg A. Gwin** on winning his fourth term as a City Commissioner.

City Clerk **Kristina L. Kinney** asks that all city residents sign up for "CodeRED". Forms are available at city hall or you can sign up online at www.andersoncountyks.org (see Emergency Management tab). A new feature to CodeRED is the availability of receiving text messages via your cell phone. CodeRED is an emergency notification system and allows Anderson County Emergency Management to alert you in the event of an emergency situation, such as severe weather, evacuation notices, bio-terrorism, boil water notices and missing child reports.

The Garnett Fire Department held a drawing for children back in October in which the prize would be the opportunity to take a ride in a fire truck. Over 100 children entered the drawing, which required the completion of an entry form in the child's own handwriting providing their name, address and telephone number. Fire Chief **Pat Tate** drew 4 names. "This was a good exercise", said Chief Tate. "Each child had to remember all their important information and practice handwriting skills in order to enter." The winners were briefed on the safety measures of riding in a real fire truck with firefighters.

First up was winner **Kendall Fagg**, who experienced his ride on November 4th. Second was **Emmett Holloway**, who took his ride on November 6th with his firefighter dad driving the fire truck. Next was **Austin Farrar** and others on November 11th, and then **Brittany Hughes** and her sister on November 14th. Congratulations to all drawing participants.

When snow is forecast the City of Garnett would like to remind residents to please make sure the fire hydrant near you is not blocked by piles of snow or other obstructions that would hinder its use should the need arise. Also, when possible, please move vehicles off the roadways prior to snowfall so that road crews have better access to clearing streets.

The Garnett Public Library invites all adults to enjoy the **Caffeine & Colors** events held at the library on the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. Caffeine & Colors is a relaxing afternoon of chatting with friends and coloring away the stress of your day.

Coffee, iced tea, coloring pages, and colored pencils are provided. Upcoming Caffeine & Colors events will be held on January 18, February 15 and March 15.

New in 2017 is "Healthy Happy Hour", hosted by the Anderson County Hospital. The first happy hour will be held on Tuesday, January 17 in the front lobby of the hospital, and will continue to be held the third Tuesday of each month from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Healthy Happy Hours are free to the public and include free nutritious snacks, mini presentations by guest speakers, free health screenings (weight, blood pressure, heart rate and BMI), and the first 75 attendees will receive a free Happy Hour water bottle. To learn more about Healthy Happy Hours and other Anderson County Hospital events and local wellness resources, please visit www.GoAndersonCounty.com. Look for "Go Anderson County" on Facebook.

As the Garnett City Commission searches for the replacement of long time city employee, City Manager **Joyce Martin**, we would like to thank her for her passion, compassion, dedication and diligence in serving the citizens of Garnett for almost 50 years. Please join us in thanking her and wishing her well. She's been a very active community volunteer and we hope her passion to community service continues. A tribute honoring her will print in a future newsletter.

Don't Forget to License Your Pet

Owners of dogs and cats within the city of Garnett are required to purchase pet licenses annually at city hall. Between the first of January and the end of February, the city will collect a registration fee of \$7.50 for sexually altered or neutered dogs and cats, and \$20 for any dog or cat that is not sexually altered or neutered.



As of March 1, 2017, the fees will double to \$15 and \$40 respectively. Replacement tag fee for lost tags are \$5.

Certificate of current rabies vaccination provided to you by your veterinarian is required at time of city pet license purchase.

Thereafter, by ordinance a notification will be sent to a pet owner 30 days in advance of the expiration of their pet's rabies vaccination. Owners will be required to provide the new rabies vaccination information to the city within 30 days of notification. Failure to comply will result in the pet license being revoked and a fine issued. So don't forget to license your pet!



Exposing a Silent Killer - Carbon Monoxide

Winter is the time of year when the City of Garnett Gas Department wishes to remind all city residents to be aware of the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Potential carbon monoxide sources in the home include:

- Unvented space heater.
- Gas or wood burning fireplace.
- Improperly maintained or faulty oven, range or cook top vent.
- Operating barbecue grill in enclosed area such as the garage.
- Leaking, cracked, corroded or disconnected flue or vent pipes.
- Plugged or cracked heat exchangers.
- Improperly installed or faulty furnace, water heater or gas clothes dryer.



Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless, tasteless and odorless gas that is very toxic. If enough CO is inhaled it can cause death. Some of the first signs of CO poisoning are flu-like symptoms, headache, dizziness, weakness and nausea.

Have a professional regularly check the furnace and venting system in your home. Also, consider purchasing carbon monoxide detectors. It could save your life.

Prevent carbon monoxide poisoning by following a few safety tips:

- Don't try to heat your kitchen or home by leaving the stove on or oven door open.
- Never burn charcoal indoors.
- If you have an attached garage, pull the car all the way out when warming it up. Leaving the garage door open is not enough.
- Have a professional regularly check combustion appliances.
- Contact Garnett City Hall, (785) 448-5496, or the Law Enforcement Dispatch Center, (785) 448-6823, if you have concerns about carbon monoxide or if you smell natural gas inside or outside your home.

Senior Independent Living Awaits

The holidays have come and gone. Family has been home to visit and spend time with their aging parents or other family.

Did you notice mom and dad, aunt and uncle, or just a really close family member or friend not doing as well as you thought they were? Maybe it is time to look at making a move to simplify their life, and yours? Start 2017 with peace of mind.

Parkside Place or Park Plaza North both have openings at this time. Both locations provide secure, worry-free senior living, and are owned and operated by the Garnett Housing Authority, an entity of the City of Garnett.

Parkside Place apartments are income based 1-bedroom apartments where independent living includes no utility bills, no maintenance costs and no worries. Meals on wheels are delivered to qualifying individuals.

Park Plaza North currently has 2-bedroom apartments available that include all utilities and extended basic cable in the rent. These too are maintenance free and have detached garages. Independent living, where meals on wheels can be delivered as well.

Contact the Garnett Housing Authority today to take a tour. Call: 785-448-6990. The office is located just west of Pine Street at 116 Park Plaza North.

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- FEBRUARY Continued...
- 21 **ACDA - Economic Development Meeting**, City Hall, 5 p.m.
New Session-Yoga Classes
Tues/Thurs, Rec Center, 6 p.m.
New Session-P.M. Indoor Cycling
Tues/Thurs, Rec Center, 7 p.m.
- 22 **New Session-Intermediate Yoga**
Wednesdays, Rec Center, 5:30 p.m.
Book discussion, "Family Tree", by Susan Wiggs, Garnett Public Library, 7 p.m.
- 23 **Emergency Food Distribution**
Quonset Hut, North Lake Park, 4 p.m.
- 27 **Caregivers Support Group**
Park Plaza North, 1 p.m.
- 28 **Deadline to purchase pet licenses at City Hall**
Last day to purchase at reduced rate.
City Commission Meeting
City Hall, 6 p.m.

MARCH

- 1 **Tourism Advisory Board Meeting**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- 2-5, 9-12: **The Chamber Players Community Theatre presents "Rose and Walsh".**
- 2 **USD 365 Board of Education Meeting**
GES, 7 p.m.
- March 6-April 3: **Sign-up at Rec Center for Baseball, Softball, T-Ball & Coach Pitch**
- 6 **Library Board Meeting**
Garnett Public Library, 5 p.m.
Community Foundation Meeting
Garnett Recreation Center, 5:30 p.m.
End of Adult Reading Program Celebration Party, Garnett Public Library, 6 p.m.
- 8 **Friends of the Prairie Spirit Trail Meeting**, Santa Fe Depot, 7 p.m.
- 9 **Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting**, Dornes Insurance, 5:30 p.m.
- 11 **Women's Fair 2017**, presented by Garnett BPW and Anderson County Farm Bureau Women, ACHS Gymnasium, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

- 12 **Daylight Savings Time begins**
- 13 **Airport Advisory Board Meeting**
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
Garnett Housing Authority Board of Directors Meeting, GHA Office, 7 p.m.
- 14 **Anderson County Recycling Trailer**
Country Mart parking lot.
City Commission Meeting
City Hall, 6 p.m.
Alzheimer's Support Group
Parkview Heights, 6 p.m.
- 15 **Caffeine & Colors**
Garnett Public Library, 1 p.m.
- 16 **Walker Art Committee Meeting**
City Hall, 4 p.m.
- 20-24: **Spring Break**, No School.
- 21 **Healthy Happy Hour**
Anderson County Hospital (front lobby), 5 p.m.
- 21 **ACDA - Economic Development Meeting**, City Hall, 5 p.m.
- 22 **Book discussion (TBA)**
Garnett Public Library, 7 p.m.
- 23 **Spring Into Fitness**
hosted by Anderson County Hospital, ACJSHS, 1-4 p.m.
Emergency Food Distribution
Quonset Hut, North Lake Park, 4 p.m.
- 25 **Prairie Spirit Trail Ultra Races**
100 & 50 mile run.
- 27 **Caregivers Support Group**
Park Plaza North, 1 p.m.
- 28 **City Commission Meeting**
City Hall, 6 p.m.
- 29 **Garnett Elementary School Kindergarten Round-Up**, Garnett Elementary School, 12:30-7:00 p.m.



Special Events 2017



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January

- 26 Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet

February

March

- 2-5, 9-12: "Rose and Walsh", presented by The Chamber Players Community Theatre
11 Women's Fair, presented by Garnett BPW & Anderson County Farm Bureau Women
25 Prairie Spirit Trail Ultra Races (100 & 50 miles)

April

- April 3-May 28: At The Walker Juried Art Exhibition, Walker Art and West Wing Galleries
8 Spring City Wide Garage Sales, presented by Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce
15-16 Lake Garnett Enduro Club Road Races
15 Garnett Community Easter Egg Hunt hosted by Life Assembly of God Church, courthouse lawn
28-29 The G-Town Smokin' Showdown hosted by Garnett Knights of Columbus

May

- May 4-October 12: Garnett Farmers Market Season
13 45th Annual Square Fair Crafts Festival hosted by Garnett BPW
13 Air Fair at Garnett Industrial Airport
26-29 Avenue of Flags at Garnett Cemetery
29 Memorial Day Service presented by Garnett American Legion and VFW

June

- 1-4, 8-11: "The Foreigner", presented by The Chamber Players Community Theatre
3 1st Annual Car, Bike & Truck Show hosted by the Southland Cruisers, Town Square
10-11 Lake Garnett Enduro Club Road Races

July

- TBA Libertyfest Community Fireworks Display, presented by TBA (Rain Date: July ??)
15 Hot Rod Truck and Tractor Pull hosted by Anderson County Fair Association

July continued...

- 24 Draft Horse Pull at Anderson County Fair
24-29 Anderson County Fair
24-29 Fun Time Carnival Rides at the Fair
25 Anderson County Fair Tent Night, Pie Contest
29 Demolition Derby hosted by Anderson County Fair Association

August

- 5-6 Lake Garnett Enduro Club Road Races

September

- 2 Colony Day Celebration
8-9 17th Annual Greeley Smokeoff
9 Fall City Wide Garage Sales, presented by Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce
Pub2Pub 10K Run, Walk or Crawl presented by Garnett Community Foundation
23 "Cornstock" - 13th Annual Anderson County Corn Festival Concert on the Hill w/ TBA, Casey Donahew & more TBA
28-30 109th Annual Kincaid Free Fair

October

- 7 Taste and Talent Art and Wine Tour, presented by Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce and Walker Art Committee
7-8 Lake Garnett Grand Prix Revival
28 Epic Ultra Fall Classic 50-mile, 50K Run
31 Children's Haunted House hosted by Friends of the Prairie Spirit Rail Trail
31 Light the Night/Trunk-or-Treat hosted by First Christian Church

November

- 3-4 Holiday Open House Weekend hosted by Garnett Area Businesses
4 St. Rose Craft Show & Bierock Sale
25 47th Annual Christmas Parade and Lighting Ceremony, presented by the Garnett Area Chamber of Commerce

December

- 2 13th Annual Colony Christmas Parade
3 Holiday Homes Tour, presented by the Friends of the Library
3 BPW Holiday Boutique at The Kirk House
9 Westphalia Christmas Celebration

**All events subject to approval by governing bodies.
Red indicates date not confirmed.*



2017 Guide to Garnett Recreation

FITNESS

Core and Cardio Fitness Training

Registration Begins:

January 2, February 20, April 10

Registration Deadline:

Prior to the start of each session.

Program Period:

Ongoing 6-week sessions.

Fee: \$50

Program information:

This workout combines High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) and core strengthening exercises all in one class.



Exercise Class

Registration Begins: January 2, 2017

Registration Deadline:

Prior to start of each class.

Program Period:

October-March 9am - 10am

Fee: \$2.50

Program information:

Open to adults of all ages, this class focuses on keeping you in motion, helping you to feel younger and healthier.

Indoor Cycling (Spin)

Registration Begins:

January 2, February 20, April 10

Registration Deadline:

Prior to the start of each session.

Program Period:

Ongoing 6-week sessions.

(No summer sessions)

Morning Class: Mon/Wed 5:30 - 6am or Tues/Thurs 5:30 - 6am

Evening Class: Tues/Thurs 7pm-8pm

Fee: AM (30-minute) \$30, PM (1-hour) \$60.00 per session

Program Information:

Class size limit 10 per class. Six-week session, includes 12 classes.

Yoga (Beginner and Intermediate)

Registration Begins: January 3, February 21, April 11

Registration Deadline: Prior to the start of each session.

Fee: \$36

Program information: *For beginners to advanced, these 6-week sessions will help you build strength, increase flexibility and find focus. Learn the fundamental Yoga postures and principles that create a successful and effective Yoga practice that will invigorate your entire body.*



Water Fitness

Swimming Lessons

Registration Begins:

Session I June 5 – 16

Session II June 19 – June 30

Program Period: June-July

Fee: \$25

Program information: *Swimming lessons are offered in 2-week sessions to adults, youth, infants and preschoolers. Enroll at the swimming pool.*

Water Aerobics

Registration Begins: June 5

Registration Deadline: Prior to taking class.

Program Period: June-August

Fee: \$4 per class.

Program information: *Classes focus on aerobic endurance, resistance training and creating an enjoyable cardio workout with less stress on joints.*

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Little Goalies Soccer

Registration Begins: February 6

Registration Deadline: February 26

Program Period: March-April

Fee: \$15

Program information: *This program introduces children to the game of soccer.*

Youth Soccer League

Registration Begins: February 6th

Registration Deadline: February 22nd

Fee: \$30

Program information: *The Spring Youth Soccer League is available to boys and girls in grades 1-3 and 4-6. This program is an instructional league to develop soccer skills.*

Baseball

Registration Begins: March 6

Registration Deadline: April 3

Program Period: May-July

Fee: \$30

Program information: *Open to boys ages 9 to 16 years old as of May 1 of current year. As a part of the Twin Rivers Softball League, teams will travel to nearby towns.*

Softball

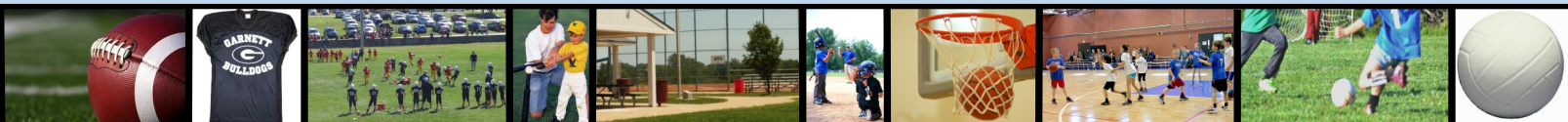
Registration Begins: March 6

Registration Deadline: April 3

Fee: \$30

Program Period: May-July

Program information: *For girls ages 9-14 as of January 1 of current year. Teams will travel to nearby towns.*



2017 Guide to Garnett Recreation

Sign up for these recreation programs at the Rec Center.

Coach Pitch

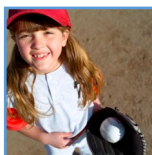
Registration Begins: March 6

Registration Deadline: April 3

Program Period: June

Fee: \$30

Program information: *Open to boys and girls who are ages 7 to 8 years old as of May 1 of current year. This is the fundamental transition from T-Ball to baseball/softball.*



Future Footballers Continued...

will learn basic motor skills necessary to play organized football in the future, such as how to run, throw, catch and kick a football properly, while having fun.

T-Ball

Registration Begins: March 6

Registration Deadline: April 3

Program Period: June

Fee: \$30

Program information: *This is the beginner level of baseball/softball. The purpose is to teach basic fundamentals of the game to boys and girls who are ages 5 to 6 years old as of May 1 of the current year.*

Coed Softball League

Registration Begins: April 24

Registration Deadline: May 15

Program Period: June-July

Fee: \$250 per team.

Program information: *Summer Coed Softball League is open to all men and women. Registration is by teams (not individual enrollment). League play is held Friday evenings at the Garnett Sports Complex.*

Tackle Football

Registration Begins: July 10

Registration Deadline: August 7

Program Period: September-November

Fee: \$55, includes equipment; \$30 if child has equipment.

Program information: *For kids entering grades 3-6. The Tackle Football League participates against nearby towns with some home games and some required travel. Included football equipment: helmet, shoulder pads, pants and leg pads. In addition, each child must have their own mouth piece and shoes.*



Flag Football

Registration Begins: August 7

Registration Deadline: August 28

Program Period: September-November

Fee: \$30

Program information: *Open to boys and girls in grades 1-4.*

Future Footballers

Registration Begins: August 14

Registration Deadline: August 28

Program Period: September-October.

Fee: \$20

Program information: *This program is designed to teach kids ages 4 years through Kindergarten the fundamentals of football. They*

Cheerleading

Registration Begins: August 8

Registration Deadline: August 21

Program Period: During Youth Tackle

Football Season.

Fee: \$30

Program information: *Squads are formed with kids in grades 3-4 and grades 5-6. Organized practices teach these cheerleaders cheers and routines to perform at home Youth Tackle Football games.*

Youth Volleyball

Registration Begins: August 1.

Registration Deadline: August 29.

Program Period: September-October

Fee: \$20

Program information: *For boys and girls in grades 3-6, introducing basic volleyball fundamentals in an environment that promotes teamwork and sportsmanship.*

Little Dribblers

Registration Begins: December 5

Registration Deadline: December 19

Program Period: January-February, 6 weeks.

Fee: \$20

Program information: *This program is designed to teach kids ages 4 years old through Kindergarten the fundamentals of basketball. Children will learn the basic motor skills necessary to play basketball in the future. They are taught basic sports mechanics without the threat of competition or fear of getting hurt.*

Biddy Basketball

Registration Begins:

Grades 1-2: October 9

Grades 3-6: October 30

Registration Deadline:

Grades 1-2: October 30

Grades 3-6: November 20

Program Period:

Grades 1-2: November-December

Grades 3-6: January-February

Fee: \$30

Program information: *A winter program, the purpose of Biddy Basketball is to teach basketball fundamentals and team sportsmanship to children currently in grades 1-6.*



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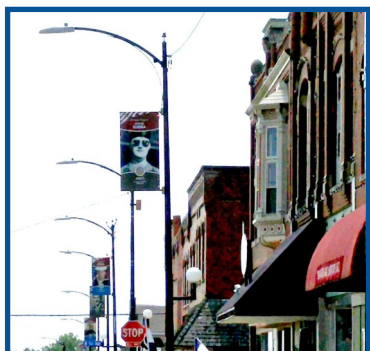
The Garnett Community Foundation invites you to participate in the "Garnett Remembers" patriotic banner project honoring our military service men and women.

Applications are being accepted now at City Hall. The goal is to have over 100 pole banners sponsored by April 1, 2017 for display on Garnett's town square, Highway 59 and Park Road leading to the North Lake Park and Garnett Municipal Cemetery. Banners will be exhibited annually just prior to Memorial Day Weekend through Independence Day, July 4.

If you know of a person who has ties to Anderson County that has or is currently serving our country and would like to sponsor a banner to remember and acknowledge them, banner sponsorship is \$200 for a 2-sided, full color banner and covers the cost of the banner, brackets and installation. Checks made payable to the Garnett Community Foundation are tax deductible.

This project began in 2016 with a total of 84 banners. A special "Celebration of Service" will be held in May to kick-off the patriotic display.

Applications are available at Garnett City Hall, Garnett Public Library, Santa Fe Depot and online at www.simplygarnett.com.



Rec Center Membership Changes

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As of January 1, 2017, membership to the Garnett Recreation Center is as follows:

Single (11-18)	\$20/month
Single (19-54)	\$30/month
Family	\$40/month*
Senior (55+)	\$20/month
Daily Fee	\$3/day
Single (11-18)	\$200/annual
Single (19-54)	\$300/annual
Family (4)	\$400/annual*
Senior (55+)	\$200/annual

New members are always welcome. *Please contact the Rec Center Office about family/membership benefits.

At The Walker Open Exhibition

April 3-May 28, 2017

Now entering its third year, the Walker Art Committee presents "At The Walker", a national multi-media juried art exhibition at the Walker Art Gallery. Over \$3,000 in cash prizes will be awarded including a "Best of Show" prize of \$1,000. There will be \$300 awarded for First Place, \$200 for Second Place, and \$150 for Third Place in each category.

Categories:

- 2D - All 2D media, excluding photography
- 3D - All 3D media
- Photography

Deadline for entry is February 21. Entries must be submitted online. Visit www.SimpleGarnett.com/at-the-walker.html for more information.

