Sylvia Sun

The Reno County Foundation conducted a "Love Where You Live" survey this past summer and the results were presented during a meeting at Fairfield on Nov. 13th. The full results of the survey for the Fairfield area can be viewed at the city office. The Community Empowerment Initiative is a three-year project looking to improve towns in Reno County. One of the items discussed was the perception of a lack of communication. In an effort to combat this problem, we will have a newsletter included with your monthly bill. The newsletter will include news of the town, business highlights, and activities.

The purpose of this newsletter is to highlight the happenings in and around Sylvia. We would like to feature a business of the month and have a list of upcoming activities.

If you have something you would like to see in the newsletter, Email or fax it to the city office by the 20th of the month. This will give us time to contact you to make sure the information is correct and do our best to include it.

Business News

Our first business highlight: we are happy to have the Oasis serving lunch Tuesday - Saturday from 11-2. Hamburgers and fries are available each day during unch hours. A featured two week menu can be found on Facebook. At the time of this printing, Jose stated that in the new year they will be open 5 days a week. This will hopefully include Sundays with a special of the day available and possibly opening 2 evenings a week. For up to date information, follow them on Facebook or call (620) 486-2354.

Upcoming Events

- Community Dinner Jan 11 12:00 Sunflower Center
- City Council Meeting Jan 13 7PM City Office
- Friday Coffee Weekly 9:00-10:00 Sunflower Center
- Open gym for walking M/W/F 10-12
- Fifth Quarter Jan 17 9:30-11:30 Old Gym
 - Everyone is welcome-Please Come and Enjoy!

THOUGHTS

WE ARE LOOKING TO ADD SOME ACTIVITIES FOR OUR RESIDENTS TO ENJOY. A FEW OF THE SUGGESTIONS WERE:

- BINGO NIGHT
- KARAOKE NIGHT
- FARMERS MARKET
- CRAFT FAIR
- MAIN STREET GARAGE SALE
- MONTHLY KIDS ACTIVITY
- · DESERT BAKE-OFF
- · CRAFT/QUILTING DAY
- CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION
- DANCES
- · CARD/BOARD GAME NIGHT

WHAT ACTIVITIES INTEREST YOU???
WHAT ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO
HELP WITH? PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OFFICE
WITH IDEAS AND WILLINGNESS TO HELP.

CHILI FEED

Calling all Cooks

Nazarene Church will have its fifth annual chili feed.

February 1st 5-7PM Chefs: Bring your chili or dessert All others: Bring your appetite!

Old School Gymnasium

You may have noticed activity at the old Sylvia gym lately. The Nazarene Church has been working on the building for ministry and community center to share with the community. So far, the lighting has been replaced with LED bulbs, plumbing in the front restrooms, and new heat installed in the gym. AC will be completed this spring! Fairfield High School has been using the court for basketball practice already. The gym will host regular youth events. The community is welcome to use the gym Mon/Wed/Fri from 10-12 for walking recreation in January.

More updates to follow.

Park Renovation

Our city park received a much-needed facelift this past fall at the community workday. The merry-goround and slide were fixed and painted. Trees were trimmed and removed. The swings have been replaced. In addition to this the city received a grant from the Fund Reno County Foundation. Some new equipment has been ordered and will be installed this spring. We are also looking to purchase a couple of barbecue grills.

Water Update

The city is still waiting for the results of the new water wells. In the meantime, one case of water per week will only to be provided to infants under 6 months, nursing mothers of those infants, and people with a doctor's note on file with the city. Hopefully good news will be on the way soon

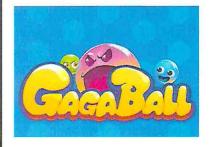
City Website

The city has been working on a website. It will have a link for you to be able to pay your city bill on- line with a debit, credit card or pulled directly from your bank account (e-check). A link to all the city ordinances and codes will also be included.

Information will be updated continually to provide access to current information.

The Kansas Mission of Mercy Free Dental Clinic
January 17 and 18th at the Kansas State
Fairgrounds Meadowlark Building will open at
5:30 a.m. Dentists and other professionals will
provide free cleanings, fillings, and extractions
to patients of all ages. No appointments will be
taken (except for children up to the age 13) and
patients will be treated on a first come, first
serve basis. There are no eligibility
requirements such as income, residency or legal
status.

If you would like to volunteer, they need hundreds of volunteers to help with parking, serving food, escorting patients, etc. For more information or to volunteer, call the Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation at (785) 272-7469



Fifth Quarter - After game party
Grades 6-12
Come and join in on the fun at the old
Gymnasium
Friday January 17th 9:30-11:30
Basketball and Gaga Ball
Free popcorn!!
\$1.00 pop

City Dumpster

The city council approved the upgrade and relocation of the city dumpster to better facilitate the larger items that were previously overflowing the previous dumpsters. This is a convenience for the residents of the city.

Contact

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HAVE A MERRY MONTH!

The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members- Coretta Scott King