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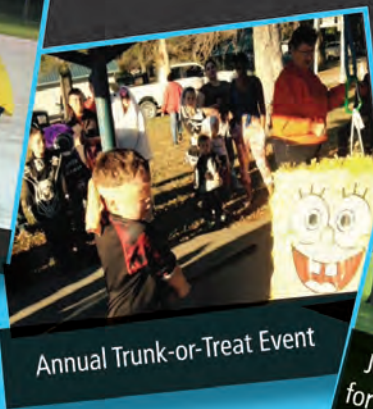
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Guide to Osage County

The 2017-18 edition of the Osage County Guide is a keepsake edition geared at featuring the communities and features of Osage County, with information and resources for visitors and residents.

Small-town living, rich history, educational opportunities, business potential, recreational pursuits, bountiful farms and caring neighbors are all part of the shared resources that make this home for some and a destination for others.

We hope that compiled within, readers will find needed information at their fingertips to read, use and enjoy.

We invite you to read and keep this guide to learn how you can benefit from all that Osage County has to offer. Return to these pages any time you need helpful information to guide you along your journey through our county.

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Arvonia

Historic Welsh Community

Arvonia, which is located west of Melvern Lake, was settled in 1869 by Welsh farmers and coal miners. The site was chosen because the settlers assumed a railroad would run nearby, along the Marias des Cygnes River. The railroad did not follow that path, and missed the town of Arvonia, causing the population to dwindle over time.

A schoolhouse was built in 1872 and was open until 1949. At that time, it closed due to the statewide district consolidation.

In 1883, the Calvinist Methodist Church was built. It was open for 85 years before disbanding.

The town hall was built around 1917. Walnut Hall, the original community gathering building, had burnt.

The Humphrey Home was built in the 1860s and has housed three generations of Humphreys. The home has had several additions to it, and has been completely remodeled twice.

The Arvonia Historical Preservation Society has been working on restoring the schoolhouse, church, city hall and the Humphrey home of the small community. Grants and donations have been gathered to make the restorations possible. The preservation society has made



tremendous progress with restorations to the many buildings. They hope the restorations will attract tourists to revitalize public enjoyment of the area and spread its history.

Restoration projects on the schoolhouse include new windows and doors, plaster and masonry work, new desks, new floors and ceiling and painting of the walls. New blackboards are expected, and the hand water pump and the merry-go-round will be reinstalled in front of the school.

The ceiling tiles, windows, doors and plaster have been restored on the Calvinist Methodist Church. The floors, altar rails, pews and painting restoration are expected.



General Public Transportation
Medical trips, shopping, to and from the center, local events

Activities
A variety of games, arts and crafts, exercise equipment, books and magazines, puzzles, computer with internet access, group and club meetings, or just coffee and conversations. Assistance and social service programs are also available.

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Burlingame

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Founded in 1854, Burlingame, is the oldest continually occupied town in Osage County. Most notably, it is known for being a town in which the Santa Fe Trail crossed the Santa Fe Railway.

The Santa Fe Trail was opened in 1827 as a mail route from Independence, Missouri to Santa Fe, New Mexico. Along the trail, a group of the Emigrant Aid Society and Kansas League selected a site for their town, Council City, later to become known as Burlingame. The settlers founded Council City in 1854, and the settlement rapidly expanded with the traffic from the Santa Fe Trail. In 1857, Council City was renamed Burlingame to honor Anson Burlingame, a lawyer that openly opposed slavery. Phillip C. Schuyler served as the first mayor of the town.

Other than Council Grove, Burlingame was a crucial spot along the Santa Fe Trail. The Switzler Creek that flowed nearby provided plenty of water to passing travelers.

The Santa Fe Railway was laid in Burlingame in 1868, and it was expanded upon in the years to follow. Original plans had the Santa Fe Railway bypassing Osage County, but the discovery of coal caused a re-route. The railway brought more individuals to the community, which helped it flourish.

Mining in Burlingame did not officially begin until 1897. The area was not thought to have coal, but it was buried deeper than other areas in the county. The discovery of coal led the Santa Fe Railway to ship coal to a large market area. Burlingame's Bell Mine No. 4 closed in 1964. It was the last shaft in the state to close.

Another distinguishable factor about Burlingame is its extra-wide brick main street. This wide portion of the Santa Fe Trail was made to allow large oxen teams pulling covered wagons to turn around. The bricks were laid in the 1920s and still cover the street today.

The town is a former county seat for Osage County. The courthouse was built in 1865 and was located where the Schuyler Museum is today. It wasn't until 1875 that the county seat was moved to the centrally located town of Lyndon.

The Civil War period from 1861 to 1865 stunted the population growth. A fort was built around the town in 1862 to help defend the town from Quantrill's guerilla band.

Over the years, Burlingame has housed many businesses, including bars, grocery stores, body shops, gas stations, beauty parlors, restaurants and more. In addition, Burlingame has also been the hometown of several distinguished individuals like Ron Thornburgh, former

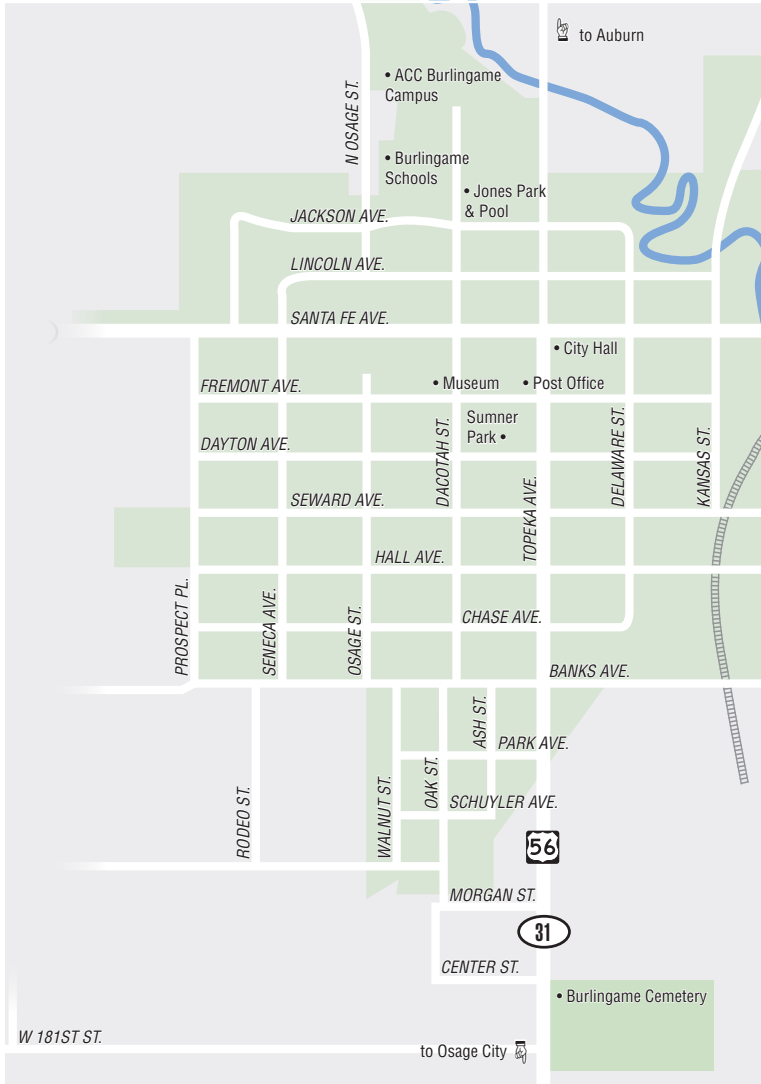
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BURLINGAME

Population – 934 (2010 Census)

Location – In northwest Osage County, 31 miles southwest of Topeka, 8 miles north of Osage City on K-31, and 7 miles west of Scranton on U.S. 56.

Government – Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral city council.

Zoned – Yes.

City Hall – 101 E. Santa Fe Ave., (785) 654-2414
Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday.

City Services – Electric, water, gas, sewer, trash. (785) 654-2414

Police – (785) 654-3329 or 911

Fire – (785) 654-2407 or 911

Recreation – (785) 654-3857

Pool – (785) 654-2321

Post Office (66413) – 123 S. Topeka Ave.
(785) 654-3823

Burlingame USD 454 – (785) 654-3315

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Burlingame Campus (785) 654-2416

Kansas Secretary of State, and Dr. Earl Sutherland, Nobel Prize winner. Today, Burlingame is still home to about 20 local businesses.

The small-town atmosphere is still present with the many annual events the town hosts. Most prominently, Rodeo Days takes place in the middle of May and Country Christmas is at the beginning of December.

Other happenings occur around the USD 454 school district, the recreation complex, numerous organizations and the city parks.

Schuyler Museum

Wednesday, Friday, Sunday • 1 - 4 p.m.
Saturday • 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. or by appointment
Closed some holidays

The Schuyler Grade School, now the Burlingame Schuyler Museum, was built in 1902. The first classes began in January 1903, and it served until the close of school in 2001.

The museum features ten rooms of exhibits reflecting Burlingame's history and a research room, including the fire station exhibit in the Annex that houses the Burlingame Fire Department's pride and joy, their 1938 fire truck.

Exhibits demonstrate the rich history of farming, mining and railroad of the area through artifacts and photographs. In addition visitors will be taken aback by the extensive arrowhead collection and military collection dating back to the Civil War.



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District Office	(785) 654-3328



The annual Rodeo Days event is one of the biggest weekend in Burlingame, featuring the rodeo, parade, games and vendors.

Annual Events

Kansas Day Celebration, Schuyler Museum, Jan. 29.

Citywide Garage Sales, April and September.

Burlingame Rodeo & Rodeo Days, May.

Redneck Days, September.

Burlingame Country Christmas, first Saturday of December.

Churches

Burlingame Federated Church - Pastor Dan Muzzy, 322 S. Topeka Ave., (785) 654-3851, 9 a.m. Sunday School; 10 a.m. worship.

Food & Restaurants

Aunt B's, 113 W. Santa Fe Ave., (785) 654-3108

Casey's General Store, 139 E. Santa Fe Ave., (785) 654-2364

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Burlingame Community Library

122 W. Santa Fe Ave., Burlingame, KS 66413, (785) 654-3400.
Librarian: Sara Worcester

Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1-5 p.m., Wednesday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Summary of collections: Large print. Adult, young adult and children fiction as well as non-fiction, graphic novels (comic books) and picture books. Audio books, DVDs, music CDs, video games and adult coloring kits for loan in addition to over a million items available through our shared catalog, NExpress. Free access to Hoopla and Flipster on your computer or mobile device.

Seven computers are available for public use.

Police Department

Burlingame Police Department, Chief Matthew Baker, (785) 654-3329

Fire Department

Osage County Fire District No. 6, Fire Chief Jim Strohm, (785) 654-2407, burling6@embarqmail.com

Utilities

The City of Burlingame provides electricity, gas, sewer and water services, (785) 654-2414. Rural Water is provided by Osage County Rural Water District No. 8, (785) 654-3711.

To apply for building permits in Burlingame, contact the city office from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or call (785) 654-2414.

Internet services are provided by CenturyLink, Media-com and Mercury Wireless.

USD 454 Burlingame www.usd454.net

District enrollment - 300

Athletic Classification - 1A

Mascot - Bearcats

Affiliation - Lyon County League

District Office - Superintendent Allen Konicek, 100 Bloomquist Dr., Suite A, Burlingame, KS 66413, (785) 654-3315

Burlingame Junior-Senior High School - Principal Tammy Baird, 100 Bloomquist Dr., Suite A, Burlingame, KS 66413, (785) 654-3315

Burlingame Elementary School - Principal Tamara Buche, 100 Bloomquist Dr., Suite A, Burlingame, KS 66413, (785) 654-3315

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Burlingame schools participate in a Veterans Day ceremony.

Recreation

Burlingame Arena - Rodeo arena southwest of Burlingame hosts the county's only official rodeo during Rodeo Days in May.

Burlingame Swimming Pool, Jones Park. Open 1-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday from May to Labor Day. (785) 654-2321.

Jones Park - Located on the north end of town on Topeka Avenue adjacent to school football field and track. Home of the city swimming pool, and has playground equipment and a skate park.

Jones Recreational Sports Complex - Three baseball diamonds with batting cages, picnic tables and restrooms.

Sumner Park - Central park two blocks south of downtown with playground equipment, shelters, a gazebo, volleyball and basketball courts.

Schuyler Museum

117 S. Dacotah St., Burlingame, KS 66413, (785) 654-3170, museum@burlingamemuseum.org, www.burlingamemuseum.org

A collaborative effort of area residents to share the rich

history of the area, including its origin along the historic Santa Fe Trail, its heritage of coal mining, and original home to plains Indians. Exhibits include a 1938 fire truck, Native American artifacts, a coal-mining room, a research room, a simulated one-room school, history of farming, railroad artifacts, and an extensive collection of military memorabilia.

The museum is housed in the former Schuyler Grade School, which was built in 1902 and remained in use until May 2001. The school and museum were named for Philip Schuyler, owner of the property when it was given for the site of the first courthouse of Osage County. Schuyler was one of the early settlers of Council City in 1855, later renamed Burlingame.

The museum is open from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

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- Clover Wranglers - Gina Shultz - (785) 654-3220
- Burlingame Boy Scouts, Troop 111, Alan Dunn - (785) 213-0267
- Burlingame Girl Scouts, Carolyn Strohm - (785) 654-3561
- Burlingame Saddle Club, David Prescott - (785) 654-3947
- Burlingame's Busy Bodies, Tonia Hunter - (785) 654-3115
- Chapter IQ Philanthropic Educational Organization, Jackie Diver - (785) 654-2304
- Chamber of Commerce, David Prescott - (785) 654-3947
- Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Judy Schwanz - (785) 654-2486
- Fairplain Grange, Keith Tucker - (785) 654-3640
- Friends of the Burlingame Library, Judy Schwanz - (785) 654-2486
- Great Plains Quilt Guild, Kathy Smith - (785) 654-3303
- Historical Society, Carolyn Strohm - (785) 654-3561, Second Thursday 6 p.m. at museum
- Masonic Organization Corinthian Lodge No. 79, A.F. & A.M., First, third Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. 106 E. Fremont Ave.
- Recreation Commission, Darin Lee - (785) 654-2376
- Saturday Afternoon Club, Judy Thompson - (785) 654-2341

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Population - 1,437 (2010 Census)

Location - In north-central Osage County, 15 miles south of Topeka and 15 miles north of Lyndon along U.S. Highway 75.

Government - Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral city council.

Zip Code - 66414. **Zoned** - Yes.

City Hall - 234 Main St., (785) 836-7108. 8 a.m. to noon; 1 to 4 p.m. Monday - Friday.

City Services - Water, sewer, trash. (785) 836-7108; Weststar Energy (800) 393-1183; Kansas Gas (800) 794-4780

Police - (785) 836-7377 or 911

Fire - (785) 836-7252 or 911

Recreation - (785) 836-7108

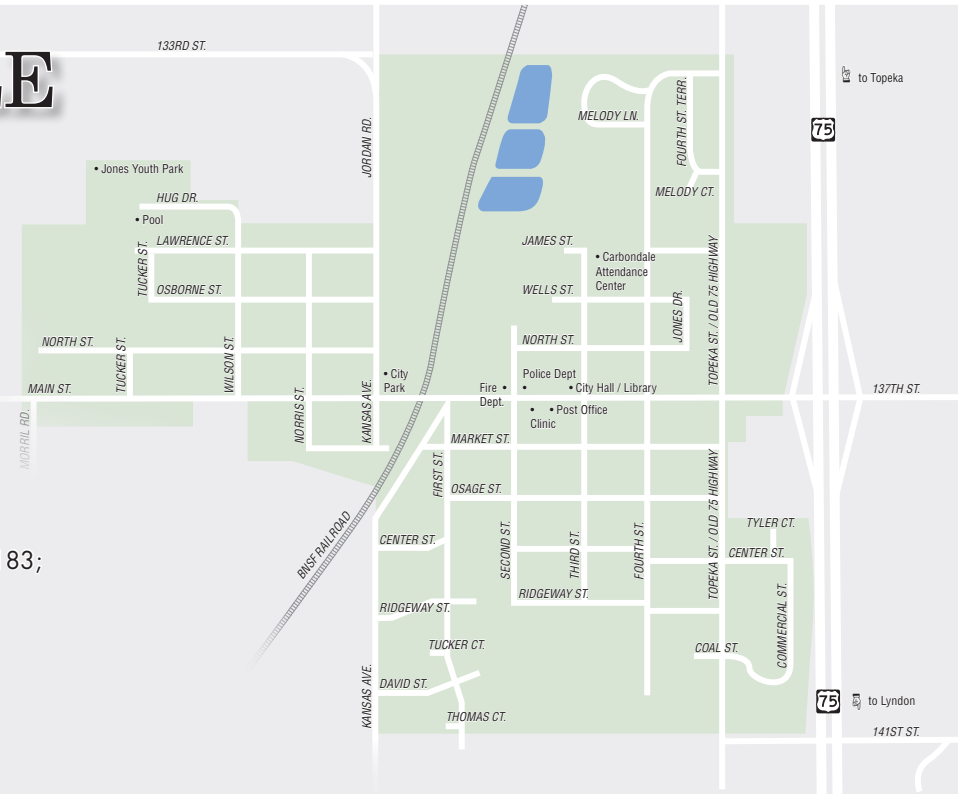
Library - (785) 836-7638

Pool - (785) 836-9151

Post Office (66414) - 223 Main St. (785) 836-7682

Santa Fe Trail School District USD 434

Carbondale Attendance Center - (785) 836-7188
Santa Fe Trail High School - (785) 665-7161



27. Forbes Air Force Base, Topeka, was named after him. A healthy population and many businesses still reside in Carbondale. An apartment complex, health clinic, chiropractor, pharmacy, restaurants, stores, auto shop and a school are some that still remain. Fire and police departments are located within the town, too.

The Carbondale Attendance Center houses the late-elementary junior high aged children of the Santa Fe Trail school district. Grades four through eight gather there. It hosts children from Overbrook, Scranton and Carbondale.

Carbondale ELM Community Building



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Phone: (785) 836-7638 Fax: (785) 836-7789
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City Hall

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As a service to the community, City Hall is available for event rental. Contact the City Office for information.
City Office Hours: 8 a.m. to Noon, 1 to 5 p.m. Mon. - Fri.



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Carbondale Swimming Pool

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Watch for massive improvements to Carbondale City Park coming soon!



In an effort to promote pride in our community, the governing body and employees are working to improve the appearance of the city. City Park has play equipment, shelter house, restrooms and a small baseball diamond.



Carbondale Community Center
Where the community gathers for parties, fundraisers and even weddings.

Jones Park Fike Field

A busy place for summer games and tournaments for both baseball and softball.



Annual Events

- Easter Egg Hunts, March/April.
- Citywide garage sale, April.
- National Night Out, August/September.
- Fall Festival September/October.
- ELM Quarter-Mania, semi annual benefit.

Churches

- Community United Church of Christ** –Rev. Bill Kraus
104 S. Fourth St., Carbondale, (785) 836-7614. 10:30 a.m. worship
- Church of Christian Fellowship** – Pastor John Cross,
430 Commercial Ave., Carbondale. (785) 836-7155
9 a.m. Sunday school; 10:30 a.m. worship
- Grace Chapel Church** –Pastors Roy and Anita Clark ,
419 S. Third St., Carbondale. (785) 836-9305. 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship
- Carbondale Cornerstone Church** – Rev. Russell
Mayfield, 326 Main St., Carbondale, (785) 836-9953. 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. worship

Food & Restaurants

- Casey's General Store** –105 S. Topeka Ave. (785) 836-9103
- Carbondale Thriftway** –515 Main St. (785) 836-7178
- Pepper Patch** –115 S. Topeka St. (785) 836-7555

Carbondale City Library

234 Main St.- P.O. Box 330. Carbondale, KS 66414 (785) 836-7638. Librarian: Alice Smith
Hours - Monday, 1-5 p.m., Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m.–noon, 1-5 p.m., Wednesday, 9 a.m.–1 p.m., Thursday, 10 a.m.–noon, 1-6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.–noon. (Closed daily for lunch)



The city encourages familiarity with emergency responders at the county's biggest National Night Out event.

Summary of collections –adult fiction and non-fiction, children's fiction and non-fiction. Selection of audio books and DVDs, but has an online catalog to order other selections. Part of the NEXPRESS Shared Automation System, which connects the library to approximately 40 other libraries. Five computers are available for public use.

Police Department

The Carbondale Police Department is run by Chief Gordon Smith. (785) 836-7377. Emergency dial 911.

Fire Department

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Anyone planning to build in Carbondale should contact the city hall at (785) 836-7108 between the hours of 8 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m.

USD 434 Santa Fe Trail www.usd434.org

District enrollment – 1,000-1,100
 Athletic Classification – 4A
 Mascot – Chargers
 Affiliation – Pioneer League

District Office – Superintendent Steve Pegram, 104 Burlingame Ave., Scranton, KS 66537, (785) 793-2256, Fax: (785) 665-7164

Santa Fe Trail High School – Principal Patrick Graham, 15701 S. California St., Carbondale, KS 66414, (785) 665-7161, (785) 836-7656, Fax: (785) 665-7193

Carbondale Attendance Center (Grades 4-8) –Principal Michael Flax, 315 North Fourth St., Carbondale, KS 66414, (785) 836-7188, Fax: (785) 836-7696

Overbrook Attendance Center (Grades K-3) – Principal David Fernkopf, 202 West Seventh St., Overbrook, KS 66524, (785) 665-7135, Fax: (785) 665-7189

Scranton Attendance Center (Preschool) –Principal Jennifer Hanni, 104 Burlingame Ave., Scranton, KS 66537, (785) 793-2256, Fax: (783) 793-2828



The Carbondale city pool was recently renovated.

Recreation

City Park – Small park along Main Street at the railroad crossing. This park has playground equipment and a shelter.

Jones Youth Park – Located in west Carbondale, four blocks north of Main Street on Wilson Street. It is home to the city pool and two baseball diamonds.

Carbondale Swimming Pool – Open 1-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 1-6 p.m. Sunday, from May until the start of school. (785) 836-9151.

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- Carbondale Lions Club - Meets first and third Wednesday at ELM Community Center
- Carbondale Recreation Commission - Meets at Carbondale City Hall - (785) 836-7108
- Carbondale Rustlers 4-H - Nita Anstaett - (785) 836-7216
- ELM Foundation - Terry Ramsdell - (785) 836-7284
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The city dubs itself the “Gateway to the Lakes,” positioned between the county’s two federal reservoirs, Pomona Lake and Melvern Lake.

Lyndon is a beautiful town with good schools, several churches, a swimming pool, plus over 100 businesses in the immediate area.

“Lyndon is a very active community to live in,” said Brandon Smith, former mayor and lifelong resident.

“Numerous clubs, organizations, and civic groups provide opportunities for young and old to help shape the kind of community we are.

“Lyndon’s school district, USD 421 has a great reputation of both academics and extracurricular activities. Go Tigers!

“Local churches are vested in our youth and are always growing. The Lyndon Recreation Commission offers programs to stay active almost year round. Don’t miss Winterfest, Fallfest, or 4th of July in Lyndon.

Lyndon is located just south and east of the perfect geographic center of the county, positioned on the county’s main thoroughway directly between two federal reservoirs.



Visitors tour the historic Bailey House in Lyndon’s City Park.

Lyndon has a population of approximately 1,050 and is the county seat of Osage County. Lyndon is located on U.S. Highway 75 about 27 miles south of Topeka.

The city of Lyndon maintains two parks, with shelter houses and playground equipment available at both. One

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Population – 1,052 (2010 Census)

Location – In central Osage County along U.S. Highway 75, 30 miles south of Topeka and 8 miles east of Osage City.

Government – Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral council.

Zip Code – 66451. **Zoned** – Yes.

City Hall – 730 Topeka Ave. (785) 828-3146.

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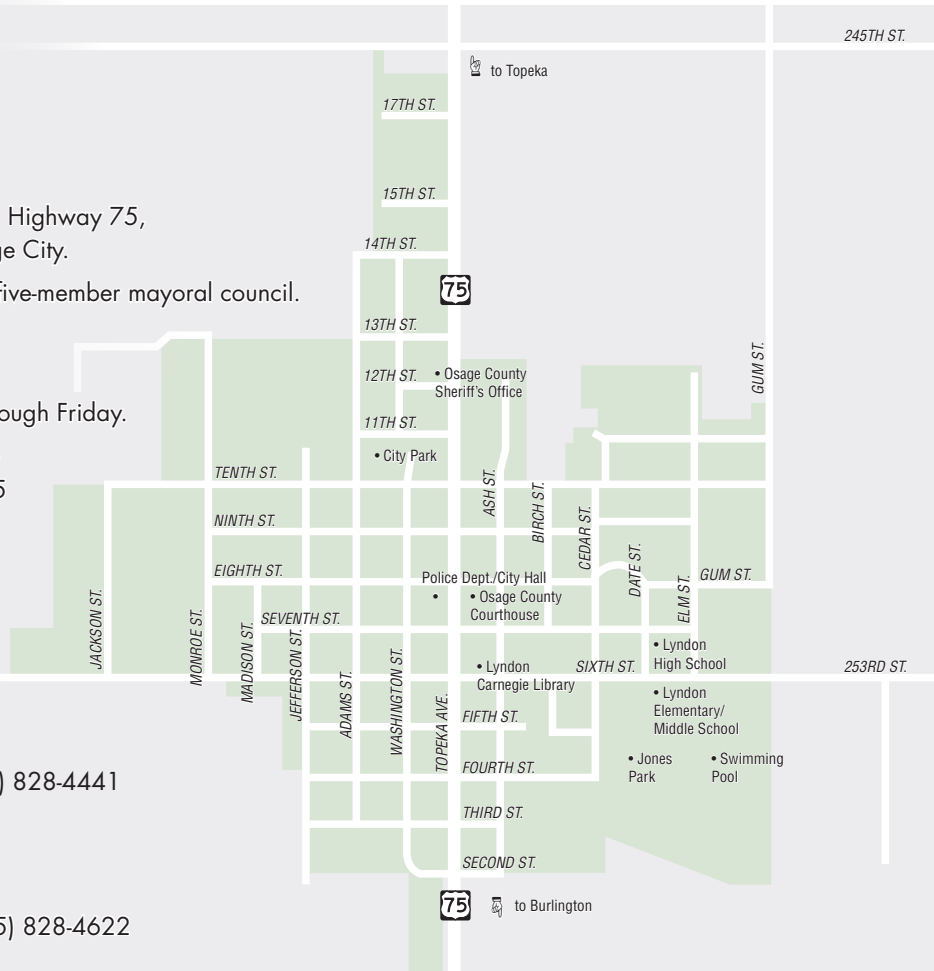
Post Office (66451) – 712 Topeka Ave. (785) 828-4441

Lyndon School District USD 421

District Office – 421 E. Sixth St. (785) 828-4413

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park is also home to a 140-year-old log house.

There are ball diamonds, soccer fields, tennis courts and a new swimming pool, as well as a summer recreation program. Three golf courses are only minutes away.

Lyndon Unified School District 421 has completed a new distance learning and computer center, which is available for student and community use.

The Lyndon Carnegie Library is the smallest of the Carnegie libraries still being used today.

Several church denominations are located in Lyndon, including Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Assembly of God and Jehovah's Witnesses. Catholic and Lutheran services are available within a few minutes' drive.

The community is bisected by U.S. 75 highway, which

runs from Dallas north to the U.S.- Canadian border, which it continues as Manitoba 75 to Winnipeg, Canada. Nearly 4,000 vehicles pass through the city center daily, and almost 15 percent of those vehicles are heavy commercial traffic, including super loads.

Located midway between two federal reservoirs, Lyndon has easy access to year round outdoor recreation. Festivities throughout the year make Lyndon the place you want to be. More and more young people are choosing to make Lyndon their home.

History

Lyndon was established March 14, 1870, when four town site owners contributed 40 acres each to the establishment of a town.

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In 1842, the US government signed a treaty with the Sac & Fox of Mississippi, residing in Iowa. The tribe agreed to give up their Iowa land for land in Kansas, part of it being the site where Lyndon now stands, almost in the center of the reservation. After Kansas became a state, the Sac & Fox were soon removed to Oklahoma, and the land was immediately put up for sale by the government.

The county seat contest, common to nearly all new counties, took on a serious aspect in Osage. Prior to the organization of the county, the voting was done at Burlingame, no objections being raised. The first meeting of the county commissioners on April 27, 1859, was held at Superior. This board was appointed by the governor and was composed of V. R. Morrill, M. Rambo and A. T. Dutton. S. M. Perrin was clerk. An election on June 7 resulted as follows: J. L. Rooks, judge; D. B. Burdick, sheriff; J. Perrill, surveyor. At the first regular election in November the following officers were chosen: J. R. Carrier, superintendent of schools; M. Rambo, judge; C. C. Crumb, sheriff; A. N. Hulburd, register of deeds; W. O. Fisher, attorney; John Rambo, clerk; A. T. Dutton, treasurer; J. P. Perrill, surveyor, and A. Leonard, coroner.

The legislature of 1860 appointed a commission composed of O. H. Sheldon, Philip C. Schuyler and James M. Winchell to select a location for the county seat. They selected a spot about midway between Superior and Burlingame, which they called Prescott. At the county seat election, held in April, Prescott was rejected and Superior continued as the county seat. The first term of the district court was held there in October 1861, with R. M. Ruggles as presiding judge. A county seat election was held in 1861, and another in 1862, and both resulted

in the choice of Burlingame, where the county records remained for many years. When the Indians moved away and the whole of the county was opened to settlement, Burlingame was not central enough, and another county seat election was called in October 1870, which resulted in a victory for Lyndon. The Burlingame people immediately got out an injunction to prevent the removal of the county records, which was the beginning of a series of litigation and a strife which ended in 1875 in both sides resorting to the use of arms.

The people of Lyndon, who had for five years been trying to get the county records, finally decided to resort to force and a small body of armed men with a team were sent to Burlingame to remove the records. On learning of their approach, the men of Burlingame barricaded the courthouse and prepared to defend it against the Lyndonites. Scouts were stationed along the road to guard it. The Lyndon men sent out scouts one or two at a time to reconnoiter, all of whom were captured and landed in jail. A force of about 400 from the southern part of the county was then raised at Lyndon and marched to Burlingame, determined to secure the records or burn the town. Scouts sent on ahead brought back the intelligence that the courthouse was filled with armed men ready to defend the records. For a time, it appeared as though there would be a battle, as both sides were worked up to a fury. However, wiser counsel on both sides prevailed, and Burlingame gave up the records, believing that to be the only way to save the town from destruction. A short time after this, the supreme court, in which the case was at that time pending, sustained the lower court in favor of Lyndon and the county seat has remained at that place ever since.

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Bailey House

The log house that sits in Lyndon's city park is unique. It was built about 1870 and is still in excellent condition. It might have been built by Wells P. Bailey, but could have been built by the government for the Sac & Fox Indians. It was built on the quarter section where a Fox village stood.

Wells P. Bailey was born in May of 1827 in New York. He and his wife, Julia, moved to Kansas in 1866 and lived with her uncle in Wabaunsee County.

As soon as the government opened for purchase the Sac and Fox lands in Osage County, Wells Bailey was anxious to move onto the Indian lands. He filed pre-emption papers for 160 acres two miles east of the newly established town of Lyndon. He paid \$240 for it. He sold the west half of his 160 acres to Samuel Holyoke, who had been living in one of the Indian houses built for the Sac and Fox 10 years earlier. The house remained in the Bailey family until 1943, when it was sold to Charles and Bess Hawes. Two generations were born and raised in the log house.

The Historical Preservation Partnership of Lyndon, Inc. acquired the house and moved it to the city park in 1997.

Osage County Courthouse

The city of Burlingame was the first self-proclaimed county seat of Osage County and had the first courthouse – where once a murderer was strung up on a rope over the rafters of the courthouse and hung.

After several elections in the 1860s to determine the city that should have the county seat, and after a skirmish between Lyndon and Burlingame, the court determined that Lyndon would be the county seat.

The first large courthouse in Lyndon was built in 1874. It was a brick two-story structure that was positioned on the southwest corner of the courthouse block. The front extended to the street on the south and west. It was determined to be unsafe in 1923, but was still used until the newer, more modern three-story courthouse was dedicated in 1925. The old building was torn down.

The newer, 1925 building is still in use and has been placed on the National Historic Register.

Annual Events

- Easter Egg Hunts, March/April.
- Citywide Garage Sale, June.
- Fourth of July celebration and parade.
- Fall Festival, October.
- Winter Festival, parade, craft show, December.

Churches

- First Baptist Church** – Pastor Jonathan Moore, 129 W. 15th St., Lyndon, (785) 828-3530, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school; 10:45 a.m. worship
- Jehovah Witness** – Charles Cronn, 24262 S. U.S. Hwy. 75, Lyndon, (785) 828-3354, 10 a.m. worship
- Lyndon Fellowship Bible Church** – Rev. Jered Miller, 327 W. Sixth St., Lyndon (785) 828-0128, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school; 10:45 a.m. worship
- Lyndon United Methodist Church** – Pastor Loren Drummond, 126 W. Eighth St., Lyndon (785) 828-4744, 10:30 a.m. worship service
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Sports Mart – 24131 S. U.S. Highway 75 (785) 828-3293

Lyndon Carnegie Library

The Lyndon Carnegie Library sits where a livery stable stood in 1871. Andrew Carnegie agreed to give \$7,500 to the city in 1910 to build a library. The first librarian was Gertrude Caimans. From 1919 to 1973, Miss Anna Hedges served as librarian, then Linda Jones, Sarah Reese, Sarah Walker-Hitt, and assistant librarian, Sharon Culley.

In 1983, a \$185,000 grant was received from the Jones Foundation to renovate the building. It was entered onto the National Register of Historic Places in 1987.

The library's 100th birthday was Oct. 2, 2010.

127 E. Sixth St., P.O. Box 563, Lyndon, KS 66451 (785) 828-4520, Fax - (785) 828-4565. Librarian: Sarah Walker-Hitt

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Fire Department

Osage County Fire District No. 5, Fire Chief Bryce Romine, (785) 828-4567, bryceromine@embarqmail.com

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The communities of Lyndon, Vassar and several outlying areas are served by Unified School District 421 Lyndon, which has a district enrollment of more than 400 students.

The high school has a Kansas High School Activities Association Classification of 2A, and the district's mascot is the Tiger. The high school and junior high compete in the Flint Hills League.

District Office – Superintendent Cheryl Cook, 421 E. Sixth St., Lyndon, KS 66451, (785) 828-4413, Fax: (785) 828-3686

Lyndon High School (Grades 9-12) – Principal Brad Marcotte, 421 E. Sixth St., Lyndon, KS 66451, (785) 828-4911. Fax: (785) 828-4221

Lyndon Elementary/Middle School (Grades K-8) – Principal Jennifer Hamlet, 422 E. Sixth Street. Lyndon, KS 66451, (785) 828-4622. Fax: (785) 828-4110



The Jones Park sports complex, including baseball and football fields, track, pool and recently completed walking trail.

Three Lakes Educational Cooperative

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The Three Lakes Educational Cooperative provides comprehensive special education services to eligible children (birth to 21) in six school districts, including all five Osage County school districts. The school districts include: USD 287 West Franklin, USD 420 Osage City, USD 421 Lyndon, USD 434 Santa Fe Trail, USD 454 Burlingame, and USD 456 Marais des Cygnes Valley.

Services provided include physical and occupational therapy, speech and language, and early childhood development, 1318 Topeka Ave., Lyndon, KS 66451, (785) 828-3113, Fax: (785) 828-3671

Recreation

City Park – North of downtown on U.S. Highway 75. The park is home to the historic Bailey House, a shelter and playground equipment.

Jones Park – Is located southeast of Lyndon's schools, and is home to the school district's football field, track and field, and three ball diamonds. The park also contains a playground, tennis courts, city pool, and the Aldie-Christesen Trail, a developed walkway between the park and downtown. Jones Park is open 1-6 p.m., May to August. (785) 828-4849.

Lyndon Saddle Club – One mile north of Lyndon on U.S. Highway 75. Hosts the Osage City and Melvern fairs, KSHSC horse shows and smaller rodeo events. lyndonsaddleclub.zoomshare.com

Dragoon Creek Motocross Park – 21755 S. U.S. Hwy. 75, Lyndon. (785) 828-3100, www.dragoonmotocross.com

Kansas All-Terrain Vehicle Association – Located one-quarter mile west of U.S. Highway 75 on 217th Street. Private club grounds on land leased from the Army Corps of Engineers. www.katva.org

Osage County Historical Society

Osage County Historical Society and Genealogical Research Center, www.osagechs.org, open 1–5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, April through October, or by appointment. Closed some holidays, P.O. Box 361, 631 Topeka Ave., Lyndon, KS 66451, (785) 828-3477, researchosagechs@embarq-mail.com, www.osagechs.org

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Lyndon High School teams have made several state appearances.

Clubs & Organizations

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Lyndon Lions Club, JoAnn Pouch – (785) 828-3330, meets 6:30 p.m. first and third Mondays at Lamont Hill, Vassar

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Melvorn

Building bridges together

The present-day town of Melvern was first settled in the 1860s. The area, which rested on a hill, was a half-mile northeast of the town's present location. It was known as Junction Hills.

The town moved and was officially laid out in 1870. The new, and current, area would have a reduced chance of flooding. The name Melvern was chosen after one of the founder's parent's birthplace, the Malvern Hills of Scotland. A misspelling on the charter dubbed the name Melvern.

In the same year, the town's first store opened. A post office opened soon after. The schoolhouse was also built that year of heavy timber and stone. Today, it is a private residence.

The convenient location along the Marias des Cygnes River made the town a perfect location for a railroad to run through. The emergence of the railroad helped the town's population grow rapidly.

In 1881, a cyclone went through the town and destroyed a lot of property. Two men died as a result.

Over the years, Melvern has hosted many businesses. The businesses include doctors, lawyers, general stores, restaurants, hotels, drug stores, a bank, an undertaker, a broom factory, a newspaper, a cheese factory and a popcorn factory.

To decrease the likelihood of flooding, a dam was built in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The dam created Melvern Lake.

Melvorn is home to the junior and senior high school portion of the Marias des Cygnes Valley school district. The Marias des Cygnes school district hosts students that live in the Quenemo, Melvern and Olivet areas.

Near the end of June, Melvern hosts the annual Sunflower Days Fair. Sunflower Days usually kicks off fair season in Osage County. Community activities and 4-H events take place at the annual fair.



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Annual Events

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Government – Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral council.

Zoned – Yes.

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Police – (785) 828-3121 or 911 **Fire** – 911

Library – 109 SW Main St.

Post Office (66510) – 118 NE Emporia St. (785) 549-3631

Marais des Cygnes Valley USD 456

District Office - 105 SW Main St. (785) 549-3521
MdCV High School - 508 NE Main St. (785) 549-3313



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Board of Education
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Churches

Community Church of God
Pastor Paul Martin
133 N.W. Mayes St., Melvern
(785) 549-3362
10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship

Melvern United Methodist
Pastor Alex Bruning
620 N.W. Emporia St., Melvern
(785) 549-3464
9:30 a.m. Sunday school; 10:30 a.m. worship

TrueGrace Community
Rev. Terry Bullock
108 Hwy. K-31, Melvern Lake exit
(785) 549-3259
10 a.m. worship service

Food & Restaurants

Circle L Convenience Store, 218 NW Emporia St., (785) 549-3335
Legends Bar & Grill, 129 S. Main St., (785) 549-3262
Whistle Stop Cafe, 117 S. Main St., (785) 549-3575

Police Department

Osage County Sheriff's Office, (785) 828-3121



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City Water Utilities

Melvern City Office (785) 549-3447
melvernks.com

Electricity

Melvern (Kansas City Power & Light) (800) 223-0755

Rural Water

Osage County Rural Water District No. 4 (785) 733-2885
(Melvern and Lincoln Townships)
310 Pearson Ave., Waverly, KS 66871

Gas

Melvern (Kansas Gas Service) (800) 794-4780
Melvern

Planning & Zoning

In the city of Melvern, planning information can be obtained by contacting the city hall at (785) 549-3447.

USD 456 Marais des Cygnes Valley

www.usd456.org
Areas served – Melvern, Quenemo, Olivet
District enrollment – 220-290
Athletic Classification – 1A
Mascot – Trojans
Affiliation – Lyon County League

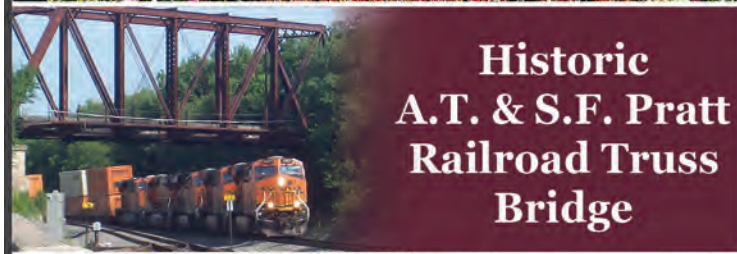
District Office — Superintendent Ted Hessong, 105 SW Main St., P.O. Box 158, Melvern, KS 66510, (785) 549-3521
Fax: (785) 549-3659

Marais des Cygnes Valley Middle/High School — (Grades 6-12) — Principal Michelle Schulze, 508 N.E. Main St., P.O. Box 158, Melvern, KS 66510, (785) 549-3313, (877) 881-5579, Fax: (785) 549-3576

Marais des Cygnes Valley Elementary School — (Grades Preschool-5) — Principal Twila Wollenberg, 213 N. Eighth St., Quenemo, KS 66528, (785) 759-3512, (877) 881-5602, Fax: (785) 759-3515

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City Hall

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City Council meets 1st. Monday of every month at 7 p.m.

www.MelvernKS.com

email: MelvernCity@hotmail.com



Melvern hosts several community-driven events, such as the Thanksgiving dinner and Sunflower Days fair.



Riverfront Park and Trails – Six miles of trails along the Marais des Cygnes River, including two miles of six-foot wide crushed limestone paths.

Railroad Park – A park on the south edge of town with a dog area, shelter, skate park, and railroad viewing platform.

Baseball diamonds are located east of the high school.

Clubs/Organizations

- American Legion & Auxiliary - (785) 549-3624 or (785) 549-3330
- Friends of the Trail - (785) 549-3544
- Melvern PRIDE - (785) 549-3678, First Thursday
- Melvern Junior Highline 4-H - (785) 549-3532
- Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) - Tammy Vanderpool, USD 456, (785) 549-3313
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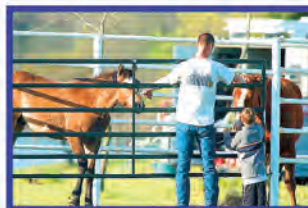
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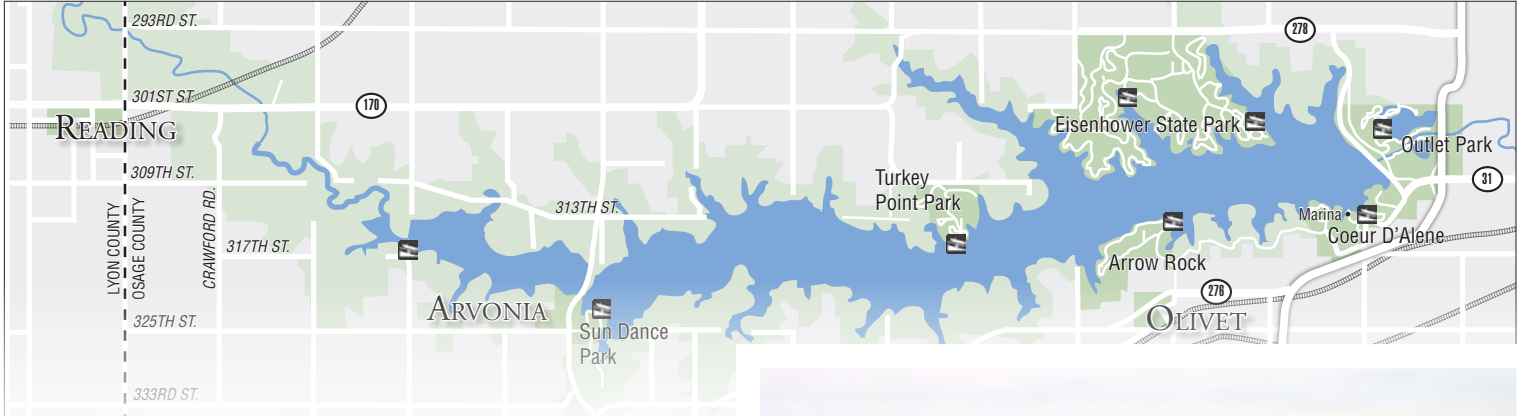
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The lake features five parks operated by the Army Corps of Engineers, and the larger Eisenhower State Park, operated by Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism. Amenities distributed between the parks include swimming beaches, shelters, restrooms, showers, campgrounds, trails, boat ramps, RV hookups, playgrounds, a softball field and a marina.

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Corps of Engineers – (785) 549-3318
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Michigan

Michigan Valley is an unincorporated community within Osage County. The area is located in the eastern part of the county, eight miles south of Overbrook and four miles northeast of Pomona Lake.

The village used to be a station along the Missouri Pacific Railroad.

During the early 1900s, it was a small community, but had several businesses. The businesses included mercantile establishments and telegraph and express facilities. There was also a bank, a school and churches.

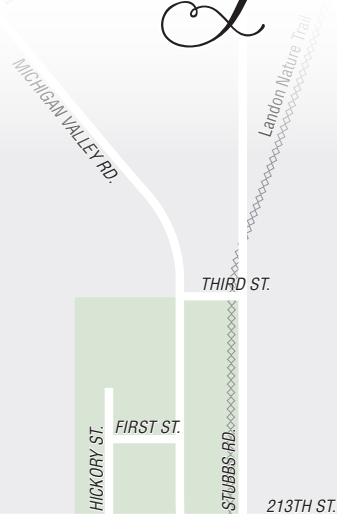
A post office was opened in 1870, but it was discontinued in 1967.

Churches

Michigan Valley United Methodist Church - Pastor Scott Dickinson, 9:30 a.m. service; 10:30 a.m. Sunday school

Michigan Valley Community Church - Pastor Bob Parisot, 6485 E. 221st St., Quenemo, (785) 453-2296, 9 a.m. Sunday school; 10 a.m. service

Valley



Population - <25
(Unincorporated)

Location - In east Osage County, 8 miles south of Overbrook and four miles NE of Pomona Lake.

History - Population peaked at 200 in 1910.



Olivet

Olivet, which was originally called Ridgeton, was founded in 1869 by a group of Swedenborgians. The group hoped to make this new settlement the center of the Swedenborgian movement.

A fire that swept through the town in 1873 wiped out a couple of buildings, acres of prairieland and stables.

In 1885, several years after the fire, the town changed its name to Penfield. Just a year after the name change, Penfield moved its location to be closer to the Santa Fe Railroad. By doing this, the town was able to establish a post office. The new location also prompted the name to be changed to Olivet.

Two years later, the name was changed back to Penfield, and in 1890, the town was given its present-day name of Olivet. Since 1890, the town has not changed names again.

Olivet suffered again in 1966 when it lost a portion of land to the federal government. The federal government acquired the northern part of Olivet for the Melvern Reservoir.

Volunteers began constructing a community building in 1991, and finished it in 1996. Olivet remains an incorporated town, one of the smallest in Kansas.

Olivet has a city council that meets 6:30 p.m. on the second Sunday of the month at the community building.

Population - 67 (2010 Census)

Location - In south-central Osage County, 11 miles south of Lyndon and 4 miles north of BETO Junction, one mile south of Melvern Lake.

Government - Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral council.

Community Center - 388 B Ave.

City Services - Trash. **Police** - 911 **Fire** - 911

Post Office (Lebo 66856) - (620) 256-6544

Schools - Marais des Cygnes Valley USD 456 (See Page 25)

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Settlement of the Osage City area began around 1865. It is located at the junction of the Santa Fe and then, Missouri Pacific, railways.

During the first several years of settlement, population growth was slow. When the city became officially platted in 1869, after the route of the Santa Fe Railroad had been fixed, population began to grow rapidly. The influx of people caused a post office that was located just a mile away, known as Onion Creek, to be renamed Osage City.

Many businesses, churches and schools opened their doors for use with the expansion of the population.

A windstorm that occurred in 1874 caused multiple structures to be blown down. The town quickly recovered from the storm.

Osage City was prosperous with coal mining. Osage Carbon and Coal Mining Company opened the first coal shaft. Five other coal-mining companies had shafts throughout the town.

The Osage State Fishing Lake is the county's oldest man made lake. It is operated by the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks.

The town has hosted many organizations and businesses over the years. They include general stores, hardware stores, restaurants and cafes, bars, churches, coal shafts, hotels, schools, newspapers, banks, hotels, a flourmill, law offices, health clinics, a car dealership, a golf course and many clubs.

The town is best known for its Smoke in the Spring barbecue competition. The competition began in 2003 and has become an event recognized nationwide. The Smoke in the Spring is usually chalk full of activities with lots of vendors, a car show and entertainment.

Osage City also hosts the largest fair within Osage County. It falls upon the first weekend in July. A fair, community activities and 4-H events are planned throughout the weekend.

The town also hosts car shows, a beer tasting event, 5K runs and a Christmas celebration.

Osage City is the largest town in the county. It is also the only town in Osage County to rank as a second-class



The Smoke in the Spring State Barbecue Championship has become one of the premier events every April in Osage City.

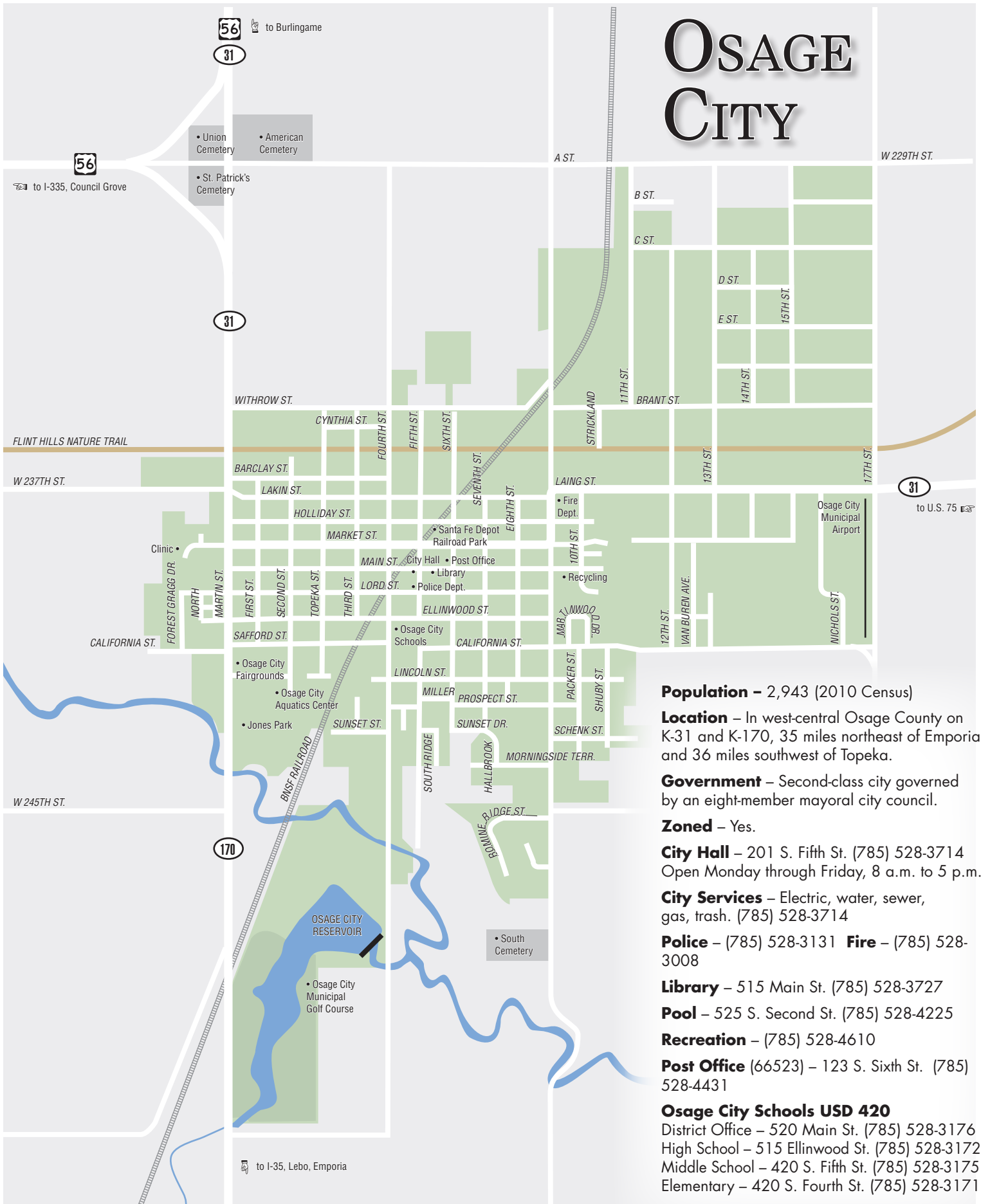
city. It has its own school district, fire department and police department.

Annual Events

Smoke in the Spring State Championship Barbecue Contest and Cruis'n and Cook'n, Osage City, April
 Easter Egg Hunts, March/April
 Spring Citywide Garage Sales, April
 Osage City Osage County Fair, June-July
 Fall Citywide Garage Sales, September
 Osage County Tailgate Showdown and Craft Beer Tasting, October
 Halloween Parade, October
 Christmas On Market, Saturday after Thanksgiving

Churches

Church of Christ - Pastor Max Cotton, 504 Ellinwood



OSAGE CITY

Population – 2,943 (2010 Census)

Location – In west-central Osage County on K-31 and K-170, 35 miles northeast of Emporia and 36 miles southwest of Topeka.

Government – Second-class city governed by an eight-member mayoral city council.

Zoned – Yes.

City Hall – 201 S. Fifth St. (785) 528-3714
Open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

City Services – Electric, water, sewer, gas, trash. (785) 528-3714

Police – (785) 528-3131 **Fire** – (785) 528-3008

Library – 515 Main St. (785) 528-3727

Pool – 525 S. Second St. (785) 528-4225

Recreation – (785) 528-4610

Post Office (66523) – 123 S. Sixth St. (785) 528-4431

Osage City Schools USD 420

District Office – 520 Main St. (785) 528-3176

High School – 515 Ellinwood St. (785) 528-3172

Middle School – 420 S. Fifth St. (785) 528-3175

Elementary – 420 S. Fourth St. (785) 528-3171



USD 420: OSAGE CITY SCHOOLS

VISION STATEMENT



AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES A WELL-ROUNDED, RICH AND ENGAGING EXPERIENCE

- Provide for a safe, nurturing environment that promotes respect and honors the potential of all students
- A wide variety of curriculum to cover the interests of our students
- An education rich in the development of life skills and human interaction
- Programs focusing on the success of at-risk students
- The use of educationally sound field trips as an extension of the classroom
- Limited class sizes
- With results being analyzed one student and one classroom at a time



A STAFF WHO IS ENGAGING, PASSIONATE, FOCUSED ON STUDENT SUCCESS AND HAS A DESIRE TO ADVANCE THEMSELVES PROFESSIONALLY

- Staff that makes the well-being of students the fundamental value of all decision making
- Staff using multiple strategies to reach all types of learners
- Staff focused to be examples of lifelong learners
- Staff working as a team to improve student success
- High impact professional learning directly linked to student learning



A PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS, FOCUSED ON THE SUCCESS OF THEIR STUDENTS AS INDIVIDUALS

- Provide opportunities for parental involvement in school day activities
- Provide opportunities for parent/staff interaction to develop a better understanding of their student's educational path
- Provide training to parents to keep them up to date on their student's progress and success
- Work cooperatively with parents to help address the challenges faced by today's students



A TECHNOLOGY RICH EDUCATION THAT PREPARES STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE

- Provide the right technology for student success
- A variety of technology experiences for our students
- Educate students and parents about internet/computer safety
- Continued technology training for staff
- Long-range planning model developed with stakeholder input implementing three year goals



A SCHOOL FOCUSED AS BEING A HUB OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

- Continue to develop opportunities for volunteers
- Offer the school for use of community activities
- Continue school activities to enhance the lives of community members



THE MAINTENANCE OF FACILITIES THAT ARE ENERGY EFFICIENT AND POSITIONED FOR FUTURE GROWTH WITH A CONTINUED FOCUS ON OVERALL CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

- Create long term plans for continued improvements to the overall campus with a goal to accommodate all school needs in permanent facilities
- Continuously monitor facility needs and make necessary repairs in a timely manner



THE USE OF A BALANCED APPROACH FOR FINANCIAL DECISIONS RECOGNIZING THE NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL AND THE BURDEN OF COST TO OUR COMMUNITY

- Continue to look for innovative ways to manage cost
- Continue to look for ways to increase school revenue without placing additional burden on our local taxpayers
- Find ways to ensure that our Capital Outlay is adequate to support the needs of our facility, vehicle, and technology maintenance and continued upgrades

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United Methodist Church - Rev. Alice Purvis, 219 S. Sixth St., Osage City, (785) 528-4443, 10:45 a.m. worship

Food & Restaurants

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Casey's General Store, 210 N. Ninth St., (785) 528-3939

Fraternal Order of Eagles, 209 N. Martin St., (785) 528-4188

J&K's Sno Shack, 124 S. Martin St.

Jade Garden, 6 Market St., (785) 528-3789

Jerry's Thriftway, 880 Lakin St., (785) 528-3065

Lawless Grocery Store, 1248 Brant St., (785) 528-3034

Marilynn's, 1216 Laing St., (785) 528-3769

Max BP, 110 Market St., (785) 528-3010

Mid American Nutrition, 604 Market St., (785) 528-4170

Osage City Country Club, 1401 S. Fourth St., (785) 528-3329

Pizza Hut, 27 Market St., (785) 528-4595

Pueblo's Mexican Restaurant, 115 W. Market, (785) 528-2614

Sonic Drive-in, 888 Lakin St., (785) 528-4444

Sowers Pub N Grub, 609 Market St., (785) 528-3282

Subway, 104 W. Market St., (785) 528-4040

Osage City Public Library

515 Main St., Osage City, KS 66523, (785) 528-3727

Librarian: Jeanette Stromgren, hours are Monday–Thursday, 10 a.m.–8 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

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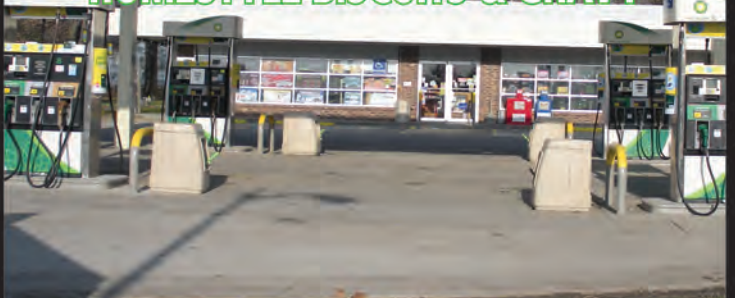
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City Water

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Rural Water

Osage County Rural Water District No. 7, (785) 528-5090, (Barclay, Dagoon, Grant and North Olivet Townships), 104 N. Ninth St., Osage City, KS 66523-1187

Gas & Electricity

City Office, (785) 528-3714

Planning & Zoning

In Osage City, the building and zoning process is administered by city hall. For information, call (785) 528-3714.

USD 420 Osage City www.usd420.org

Osage City schools have a district enrollment of 600 to 700 students and compete in the Flint Hills junior and high school leagues in Class 3A postseason athletics.

District Office – Superintendent Troy Hutton, 520 Main St., Osage City, KS 66523, (785) 528-3176, Fax: (785) 528-3932

Osage City High School (Grades 9-12) – Principal Tony Heward, 515 Ellinwood St., Osage City, KS 66523, (785) 528-3172

Osage City Middle School (Grades 6-8) – Principal Tim Reimann, 420 S. Fifth St., Osage City, KS 66523, (785) 528-3175

Osage City Elementary School (Grades K-5) – Principal Dena Paul, 420 S. Fourth St., Osage City, KS 66523, (785) 528-3171

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Recreation

Lincoln Park – Located west of downtown on Market Street. The park is home to shelters, playground equipment, restroom, and a decommissioned Army tank.

Jones Park – Located in the southwest corner of town along K-170. The park encompasses the Osage City Aquatics Center, four baseball diamonds, the high school football field and track, and the Osage City fairgrounds, including several buildings and pavilions. The park is home to the Osage City Parks and Recreation building, basketball courts, tennis courts, restrooms and a skate park.

Santa Fe Park – A small park located across the railroad tracks from the Santa Fe Depot, with a garden and fish pond, small shelter, gazebos and public restrooms

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MEETINGS
Board Meeting is held the 2ND week of the month and the Member Meeting is held the 3RD week of the month.

EVENTS

Visit our website: www.osagecitychamber.com

January
Annual Chamber of Commerce Member Mixer

April
Smoke in the Spring/Taste of Osage City - 5 p.m. till food is gone
Smoke in the Spring Sanctioned BBQ
- www.smokeinthespring.com

Cruis'n & Cook'n Auto Show - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- www.cruisnandcookn.com

Osage City Fly In -- In conjunction with Auto Show
Spring City Wide Garage Sale

June
Cross Country Chaos Mud Run
Osage County Osage City Fair
Osage County Osage City Fair Parade

September
Fall City Wide Garage Sale
Annual Festival of Beer

November
Christmas on Market Opener; Annual 5K Jingle Bell Run/Walk; Parade - www.chamberofcommerce.com

December
Hometown Santa

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berm surrounding the entire park. Large shelter house and youth fishing pond.

Skydive Kansas – Located at the Osage City Airport. Skydive Kansas teaches people to skydive every Saturday. Spectators are always welcome. (785) 840-5867. www.skydivekansas.com

Osage City Municipal Golf Course – Oldest course in the county, opened in 1933. The city-owned nine-hole, 3,028-yard, par 36 course wraps around the city reservoir, with water hazards on five holes. 1401 S. Fourth St., Osage City. (785) 528-3329.

Osage City Aquatics Center – 525 S. Second Street. Open 1-7 p.m. Monday-Friday; 1-6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Open from end of May to Labor Day. (785) 528-4225.

Gilday’s White Eagle Gas Station

Osage City has improved and restored the old Gilday’s White Eagle gas station. It provided full service back in the day. It is a popular site to photograph classic automobiles. It is at Fifth and Holliday streets, in Osage City, on the corner north of the Santa Fe Depot.

Osage City Municipal Airport

Osage City Municipal Airport is located on the east edge of Osage City at an elevation of 1,105 feet. The airport was activated in 1949. Its FAA identifier is 53K, and it is open to the public. It is an unattended airport with a wind indicator, a white and green beacon, and lighted runway from dusk to dawn. It is asphalt, 2,560 feet by 40 feet; the runways end in red lights. Two runways are available; runway headings are 174 degrees magnetic and 180 degrees true, and 354 degrees magnetic, 0 degrees true.



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Following a council and public vote in 1988, Osage City sent the first phase of an airport master plan to the FAA for funding. Improvements were approved in 2006 to acquire land and begin plans to build a 4,100-foot long, 75-foot wide runway. Design of the airport began in 2011 and construction is set to begin in 2017.

Santa Fe Depot

The Santa Fe Railroad had a line to Osage City by the late 1860s. The Osage City depot serviced thousands of people throughout its history as trains stopped every day to pick up passengers. The Spanish style depot has been a landmark since it was built in 1912. Once busy with freight and passenger traffic, business there slowed to a trickle in 1980, when the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad decided to close its doors.

Santa Fe Depot, 504 Market St., Osage City, KS 66523, (785) 528-4711. Tours available by appointment.

Clubs & Organizations

American Legion Post 198, Frank Mersmann, (785) 528-3114 or (785) 528-3559, second and fourth Monday at Legion.

American Legion, Auxiliary Unit 198, Sharyl Bolyard – (785) 528-3831, meets third Monday at 1:30 p.m. at Legion hall.

Boy Scout Troop 106, Don Bailey - (785) 528-3811, meets every Monday 7-8:30 p.m.

Cub Scout Pack 106, Scott Farmer, meets every Tuesday 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Chapter IQ P.E.O., Lois Park – (785) 528-4571

Civic Sisters, Diane Scott

Osage County Community Foundation, Perry Thompson – (785) 528-3002

Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 3890, (785) 528-4188

Friends Club, Karen Whalen – (785) 528-3741, second Thursday, September-May

Kiwanis Club, Dave Azwell – (785) 528-4025

Knights of Columbus, (785) 528-3424, meets last Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at St. Brigid Hall

Osage City Lions Club, meets first and third Monday at 7 p.m. at the Osage City Country Club.

Marshall Club, second Tuesday

Osage City Area Arts Council, Dave Azwell – (785) 528-4025, second Tuesday 6 p.m., Flint Hills Beverage

Osage City Fair Board, osagecountyfair@hotmail.com

Osage City Historical Society, Cathryn Houghton – (785) 528-4711

Osage City Chamber of Commerce, Jeanette Swarts – (785) 219-2510, osagecitychamber@gmail.com

Osage City Municipal Golf Course Club, (785) 528-3329, board meetings are third Thursday

Osage City Parent-Teacher Association, Kathy Camarena – (785) 367-1834

Osage City PRIDE, Sharon Smith – (785) 528-4392, third Thursday 7 p.m. at Marilyn's Restaurant

Sorosis, Cheryl Mussatto – (785) 528-3015, first and third Friday, September-May

Tree Board, Cheryl Mussatto – (785) 528-3015, meets third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Flint Hills Beverage

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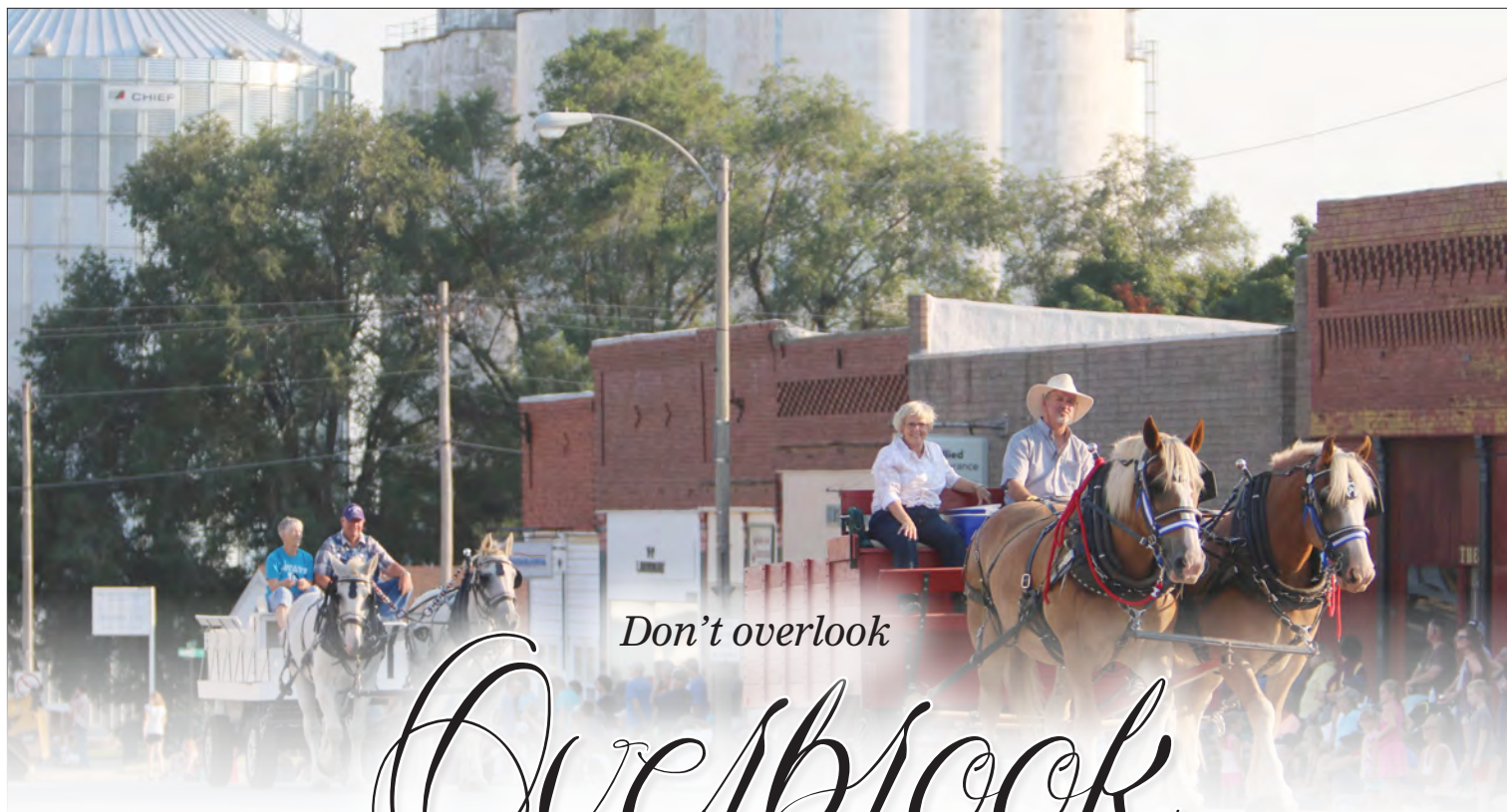
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The Overbrook Osage County Fair is the third of the county's three fairs, taking place in early August.

Another Osage County town along the Santa Fe Trail, Overbrook, began to spurt to life in the 1880s. Overbrook was officially founded in 1886 by W.T Coffman and J.B. Fairchild, who wanted to ensure a railroad would be built through the town. A railroad engineer suggested naming the town Overbrook after his hometown of Overbrook, Pa.

The town began to grow with the emergence of the Missouri-Pacific railroad. A Burlingame Independent article published on Nov. 11, 1886 stated that the first business in town was a grocery store.

The population continued with substantial growth over the next several decades, prompting many businesses to appear. The businesses included, but were not limited to, grocery stores, a grange store, a depot, a hardware store, blacksmiths, carpenters and a barber.

In 1965, the Brookside Manor was built. It was originally under Topeka ownership, but after a couple of years, several Overbrook people purchased it to keep it local.

The Missouri-Pacific railroad that once ran through Overbrook is no longer in use. Along its old tracks is the 40-mile Landon Nature Trail. The trail links Topeka's Shunga Trail to the Clinton Wildlife Area and the Flint Hills Nature Trail.

The population leveled out a few decades ago.

Currently, Overbrook is home to many businesses, including a dentist, a retirement community, restaurants, gas stations, grocery stores, a quilt connection, an apartment complex, a liquor store and a golf course. Overbrook also has a fire department and police department.

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Government – Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral city council.

Zoned – Yes.

City Hall – 401 Maple St. (785) 665-7328
Open Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 5 p.m.

City Services – Water, sewer. (785) 665-7176
Westar Energy (800) 383-1183
Kansas Gas Service (800) 794-4780
Osage Waste (785) 836-9392

Police – (785) 665-7230 or 911

Fire – 911

Recreation – (785) 665-7328

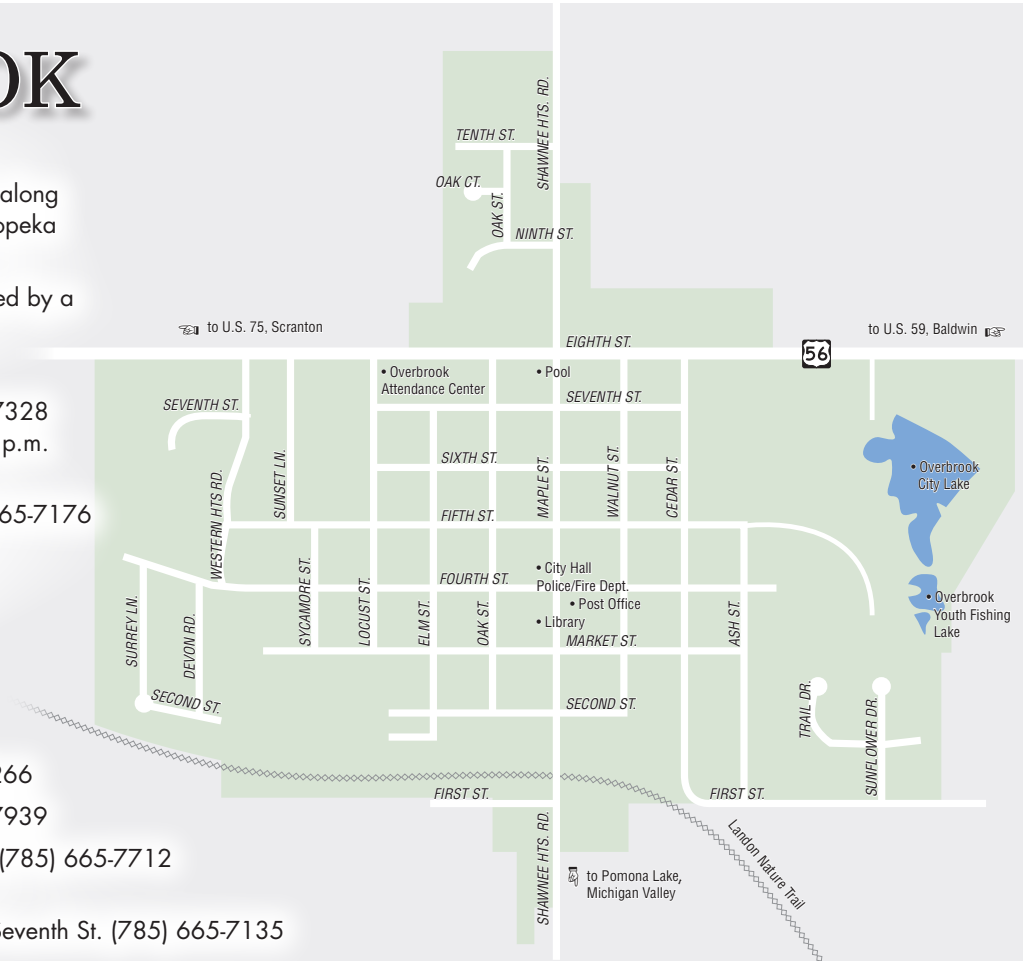
Library – 317 Maple St. (785) 665-7266

Pool – Seventh and Maple (785) 665-7939

Post Office (66524) – 320 Maple St. (785) 665-7712

Santa Fe Trail USD 434

Overbrook Attendance Center – 202 W. Seventh St. (785) 665-7135



Every August, the town gears up to host the Overbrook Osage County Fair. It serves as the final fair within Osage County. There are multiple 4-H events, a parade, a carnival and other activities that occur.

Annual Events

- Easter Egg Hunts, March/April
- Citywide Garage Sales, April
- Childrens Bike Parade, July
- Overbrook Osage County Fair, August
- Sunset Stroll, September
- Santa Fe Trail Days, September-October
- Kids Fishing Derby, September
- Overbrook Craft Fair, November

Churches

St. Francis of Assisi, Lapeer - Fr. Chris Rossman, six miles east of Overbrook, 1.5 miles north on 300th Road, (785) 594-3700, 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass

Grace Community Church - Senior Pastor Travis Van Meter, 310 E. Eighth St., Overbrook, (785) 665-7117, 10:15 a.m., 6 p.m. worship

Overbrook Bible Church - Pastor Kevin Stone, 719 Western Heights Dr., Overbrook, (785) 665-7572, 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. worship

Overbrook United Methodist Church - Rev. Hyun Jung Choi, 1005 N. Maple St., Overbrook, (785) 665-7345, 9 a.m. Sunday school; 10 a.m. worship

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- Double D's Sports Bar, 405 E. Eighth St., (785) 665-7000
- Fieldstone Orchard, 7049 E. 149th St., (785) 665-7643
- Jack's Cafe, Highway 56 & Maple Street, (785) 665-7624
- Overbrook Thriftway, 205 Maple St., (785) 665-7111
- Overbrook Gas and Convenience, Hot Stuff Pizza, 403 E. Eighth St., (785) 665-7082
- Red Barn Cafe, 305 W. First St., (785) 665-7181
- Santa Fe Trail Meats, 206 W. First St., (785) 665-7713

Overbrook Public Library

317 Maple Ave., Overbrook, KS 66524, (785) 665-7266, Monday-Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thursday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Summary of collections: Large print and small print collection of fiction and non-fiction, DVDs and CDs. Audio books for children are also available. Part of the NExpress Shared Automation System.

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Police Department

Police Chief Terry Hollingsworth, (785) 665-7230

City Water

Overbrook City Office, (785) 665-7328

Rural Water

Osage County Rural Water District No. 5, (785) 665-



The Overbrook Library was completely rebuilt with expanded space and a meeting room in 2014.

7223, (Elk, Ridgeway, Fairfax, Junction and Scranton Townships), 101 S. Maple St., Overbrook, KS 66524

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District Office/Preschool - (Previously known as Scranton Attendance Center) Superintendent Steve Pegram, 104 Burlingame Ave., Scranton, KS 66537, (785) 793-2256, Fax: (785) 665-7164; Principal Jennifer Hanni, 104 Burlingame Ave., Scranton, KS 66537, (785) 793-2256, Fax: (783) 793-2828

Santa Fe Trail High School - Principal Patrick Graham
 15701 S. California St., Carbondale, KS 66414, (785) 665-7161, (785) 836-7656, Fax: (785) 665-7193

Carbondale Attendance Center (Grades 4-8)
 Principal Michael Flax, 315 North Fourth St., Carbondale, KS 66414, (785) 836-7188, Fax: (785) 836-7696

Overbrook Attendance Center (Grades K-3)
 Principal David Fernkopf, 202 West Seventh St., Overbrook, KS 66524, (785) 665-7135, Fax: (785) 665-7189

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Swimming Pool - Nina Schlink Memorial Swimming Pool, Seventh and Maple streets. Open 1-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1-7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May to August. (785) 665-7939.

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Clubs & Organizations

American Legion Post No. 239
Overbrook Boy Scouts, www.scouting.org
Fidelis, Lois Schultz
Overbrook Girl Scouts, www.girlscouts.org
Heart of America Game Breeders' Association, www.gbwf.org/hoagba

Hobby Club, Peggy Tucker
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Nancy Durbin (785) 453-2185, ndurbin70@hotmail.com
Michigan Valley 4-H, mv4h.tripod.com, third Monday 6:30 p.m. at Michigan Valley Community Church
North Osage 4-H, Extension Office - (785) 828-4438, 7 p.m. the first Monday at Overbrook Library
Overbrook Parks and Recreation Commission, (785) 665-7328

Overbrook Betterment Committee, Ruth Von Stein - (785) 665-7641
Overbrook Fair Board, (785) 665-7328
Overbrook Library Friends, (785) 665-7266
Overbrook PRIDE, Inc., 8 a.m. third Saturday, at American Legion
Overbrook P.T.O., (785) 665-7135



Residents mingle with LifeStar employees during the city's annual Emergency Responders Showcase.

Overbrook Public Library Foundation, (785) 665-7266
P.O. Box 389, Overbrook, KS
Overbrook Rotary, Jon Wilhite - (785) 665-7990, meets every Tuesday 7 a.m. at Brookside Manor.
Overbrook Senior Citizens, Bob Buffum - (785) 224-0694
Renaissance Committee, (785) 665-7161
Ridgeway Lodge No. 62, Jon Wilhite - (785) 665-7990
Searchlight, Nancy Durbin - (785) 453-2185, ndurbin70@hotmail.com
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Pomona Lake

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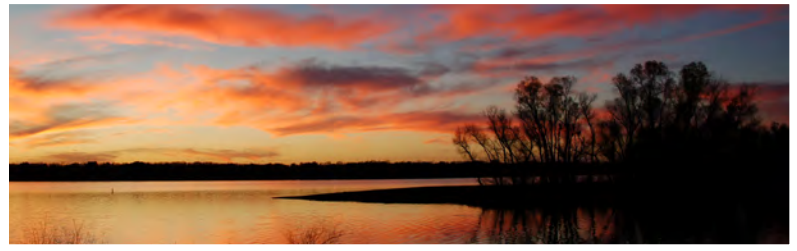
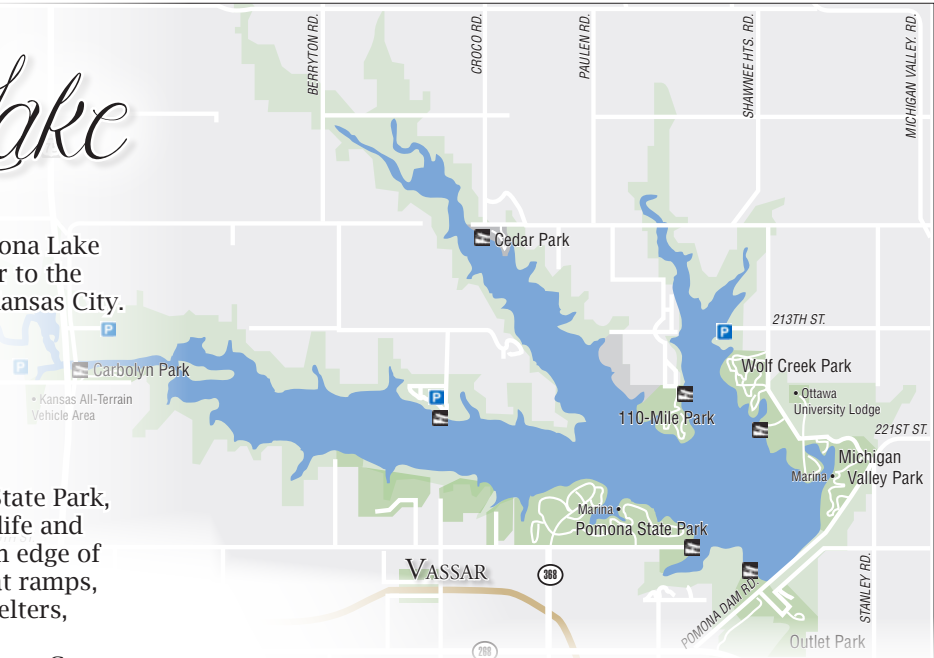
Pomona Lake was built to control the flow and flooding of 110-mile, Dagoon and Valley Brook creeks, which merge to form the three fingers of the lake. The waters leave the lake via 110-Mile Creek, which joins the Marais des Cygnes River eight miles downstream.

The lake features nine parks. Pomona Lake State Park, maintained by the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, offers extensive services along the south edge of the lake. Facilities at the lake include eight boat ramps, two marinas, camping, RV hookups, shows, shelters, swimming beaches, trails and a fishing dock.

The other eight are parks managed by the Army Corps of Engineers. Michigan Valley Park, located on the north edge of the dam, provides the majority of services offered by the corps parks.

Activities available at the parks and lake include camping, cabins, boating, fishing, hunting, ATV riding, swimming, hiking, biking and horseback riding.

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Biking, Hiking and Riding Trails

Flint Hills Nature Trail - A 117-mile rail-to-trail in various stages of development which bisects the county along the old Missouri-Pacific rail bed. The trail stretches from Osawatomie to Herington, and passes through Osage City and Vassar in Osage County. A newer pedestrian bridge was recently constructed where the trail crosses U.S. Highway 75.

Landon Trail - Trail runs around 40 miles from Lomax Station along the Flint Hills Trail north of Quenemo, to the Brown vs. Board of Education Museum in Topeka. The trail is developed for a short distance from Topeka and for several miles in Shawnee County.

Melvern Lake Trails - Offers a variety of trails, available for all levels of users. The Outlet Park features a half-mile paved trail connected to a 2-mile gravel trail. Coeur d'Alene Park has the 200-yard Overlook Trail and the half-mile Breakwater Trail, both paved. The River Bottom Trail is a primitive path located in Outlet Park. The Tallgrass Heritage Trail is a 2.2 mile mowed-grass trail between Coeur d'Alene and Arrow Rock Park.

Eisenhower Park includes a 5-mile Five Star Bike Trail. The 17-mile Bridle Horse Trail extends from the Five Star Trail to undeveloped areas west of the park.

Pomona Lake Trails - Lake area features a variety of trails, ranging from the 1/3-mile Deer Creek nature trail at Outlet Park to the 33-mile Black-Hawk hiking/biking/horseback riding trail, beginning and ending in 110-Mile Park. Additional trails include the half-mile Witches Broom trail at 110-Mile Park, and the Rising Sun, Hedge Wood and Blackbrush trails, located at Pomona Lake State Park, ranging from .5 to 1.1 miles.

Melvern Riverfront Park & Trails - Several miles of trails along the Marais des Cygnes River, including one mile of six-foot wide crushed limestone paths.

Fishing, Hunting and Shooting

Locust Point Sporting Clays - A private gun club, with clay-shooting courses. 19939 S. Berryton Road, Lyndon. (785) 828-3406.

Melvern Lake - A 7,000-acre reservoir with numerous ramps for entry in southwest Osage County. Stocked with largemouth and smallmouth bass; channel, blue and flathead catfish; walleye; wipers; crappie; and sauger.

Melvern Wildlife Area - 10,000 acres surround Melvern Lake - includes 4,000 acres of native grass, 2,000 acres of woodland and 3,000 acres of cropland. Major species include quail, deer, turkey, dove and waterfowl. (620) 699-3372.

Osage State Fishing Lake - The county's oldest man made lake, located along the Santa Fe Trail one mile south and east of the U.S. 75-U.S. 56 junction (Four Corners). A shallow, 140-acre lake on a 506-acre wildlife reserve, with limited facilities. Stocked with channel catfish, largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, walleye and wipers. Operated by Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks. (620) 431-0380.

Pomona Lake - The 4,000-acre lake has two-thirds of the surface area of its sister lake, but rests in deeper valleys and rivals the larger Melvern Lake for available services. Stocked with channel catfish, wipers, crappie and walleye.



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- 2 swim beaches
- 1 marina



Quenemo

Settlement of the Quenemo area began around 1869 with a few early residents. By 1870, the area had been officially named Quenemo after a Sac and Fox Indian chief. A few businesses had also been established.

The first building to be erected in the town was a trading post. Beyond that, the town had a bookkeeper, gunsmith, blacksmith, physician, school and church.

A fire swept through in 1878 and destroyed much of the town. In addition to several deaths and business failures, this did not leave much remaining in Quenemo.

The construction of the Santa Fe and Missouri Pacific railways, as well as the convenient location along the Marias des Cygnes River, helped revitalize the town.

Over the years, Quenemo hosted grocery stores, a hardware store, service stations and an opera house, but today, it is best known as the home to the Marias des Cygnes elementary school. The opera house is also still in use.

The town does have a fire department and a post office.

Annual Events

Easter Egg Hunts, March-April
 Friday the 13th Celebration, Summer
 Halloween celebration at Marais des Cygnes Valley Elementary, October
 Christmas Tree Lighting, December

Churches

Quenemo Baptist Church - Rev. Donald Brannon II, 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship
 Quenemo United Methodist Church - Rev. Alex Bruning, 9 a.m. worship; 10 a.m. Sunday school
 Michigan Valley United Methodist Church - Pastor Scott Dickinson, 9:30 a.m. service; 10:30 a.m. Sunday school
 Michigan Valley Community Church - Pastor Bob Parisot, 6485 E. 221st St., Quenemo, (785) 453-2296, 9 a.m. Sunday school; 10 a.m. service

Food & Restaurants

North Shore Marina, 200 North Shore Marina Dr., Pomona Lake
 (785) 453-2144

Police & Fire

Contact the Quenemo Police Department at the City Hall, (785) 759-3315, or dial 911.

City Water

Quenemo City Office (785) 759-3315



Rural Water

Osage County Rural Water District No. 2, (785) 453-2332, 6200 E. 221st, Quenemo, KS 66528-8147. Also serves Michigan Valley and Junction Township.

Gas

Kansas Gas Service, (800) 794-4780

Electricity

Kansas City Power & Light, (800) 794-4780

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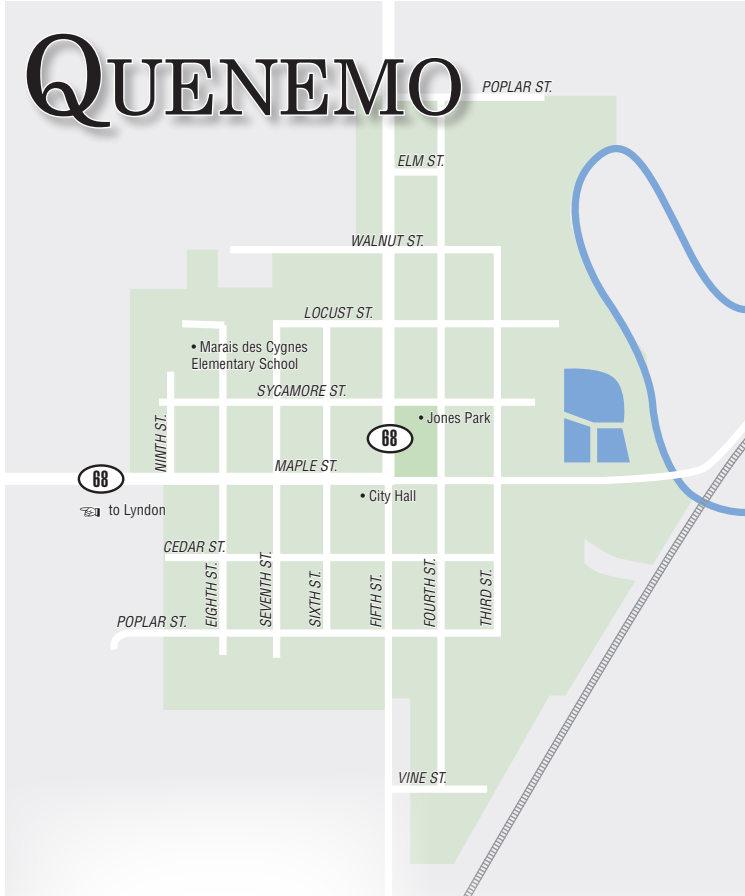
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Pride Meetings • Last Monday of each month at the Community Building
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- Friday the 13th Celebrations
- Annual Easter Egg Hunt
- Community Breakfast Fundraisers
- Annual Christmas Potluck Dinner
- Halloween Bags for the Kids
- Community Beautification Projects & Development





Residents decorate the Christmas tree in Jones Park.

USD 456 Marais des Cygnes Valley

Serves Melvern, Quenemo, Olivet with a district enrollment of around 200 students. The high school was reclassified as a Class 1A Division II in 2016. The Trojans compete in Lyon County junior and high school leagues.

Marais des Cygnes Valley Elementary School — (Grades Preschool-5) — Principal Twila Wollenberg, 213 N. Eighth St., Quenemo, KS 66528, (785) 759-3512, (877) 881-5602, Fax: (785) 759-3515

Recreation

Jones Park — Located in the center of town, the park houses a large pavilion, basketball courts, playground equipment and picnic tables.

Clubs & Organizations

Quenemo PRIDE, Shirley Rose, roshirl7@yahoo.com

- Population** – 388 (2010 Census)
- Location** – In east-central Osage County, 16 miles west of Ottawa on K-68.
- Government** – Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral council.
- Zoned** – Yes.
- City Hall** – 109 E. Maple St. (785) 759-3315
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Once a booming coal mining town, Scranton, population 724, is now a small, quiet “bedroom” community located fifteen miles south of Topeka on the Santa Fe Trail, which is closely followed by U.S. Highway 56.

Scranton is surrounded by assiduous farm land and is a wonderful place to reside with a peaceful small town environment and the convenience of the “city” just a short drive away.

The business district accommodates a convenience store, bank, café, restaurant, saloon, post office, telephone company, consignment store, tire/auto repair shop, auto sales, car wash, dog grooming, knife sharpening, variety store, cabinet shop, storage units, two construction businesses, three antique stores, fire department, city maintenance shop, and the city municipal offices.

The community is made up primarily of single family housing, several rental properties, two mobile home parks and an income based apartment complex for the aging and disabled.

History

Settlement of the Scranton area began in 1855 with a small amount of people. The original settlers were of Swedish origin. In 1871, the emergence of coal within the area prompted many more to settle the area.

The Burlingame and Scranton Coal Company was founded in 1872. It was the first of many companies to mine coal in the area.

By the late 1870s, the town’s population swiftly expanded. The presence of coal and the close proximity to the Santa Fe railroad brought hundreds of individuals to the area.

When the coal mining slowed, Scranton’s community shifted to being primarily agricultural. It remains that way today.

There were many churches that served the community over the years. Several locally-owned banks have also been in the community. The locally-owned banks did not do well, and have not been in existence in Scranton since the mid-1930s.



Memorial Day events at the Scranton Cemetery, located east of the city. Above, Shriners give high-fives during the annual Saturday in the Park event.

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SCRANTON

Population – 710 (2010 Census)

Location – In north-central Osage County along U.S. Highway 56, 20 miles southwest of Topeka.

Government – Third-class city governed by a five-member mayoral city council.

City Hall – 120 W. Boone St. (785) 793-2414. Open Monday through Friday. 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

City Services – Electric, water, sewer, trash. (785) 793-2414
 Kansas Gas Service (800) 794-4780

Zoned – Yes.

Police – (785) 793-2336 or 911

Fire – 911

Post Office (66537) –324 S. Brownie Blvd. (785) 793-2773

Santa Fe Trail USD 434
 Scranton Attendance Center – 104 Burlingame Ave. (785) 793-2256

There were also several papers. The Scranton Gazette was the longest-running one. It eventually merged with the Carbondale Record.

Scranton is part of the Santa Fe Trail school district. The 2016-17 school year will be the first year that the Scranton Attendance Center will serve as a preschool. Burlingame and Santa Fe Trail students, ages three and four years old, will be able to attend the preschool.

A fire and police department are present in Scranton. Several community organizations and a few businesses still serve the community.

Annual Events

- Citywide Garage Sales, June
- Liberty Day, fourth Saturday of June

Churches

- Cross Road Community - Pastor Don Herren, 512 S. Mason St., Scranton, (785) 793-2431, 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m. worship
- New Life Assembly of God - Pastor Pete Goans, 202 S. Nicholas St., Scranton, (785) 793-2690, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship
- Scranton United Methodist Church - Pastor Suzanne

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Werthmann, 229 S. Burlingame Ave., Scranton, (785) 793-2346, 11 a.m. worship

St. Patrick Catholic Church - Fr. Larry Bowers, 302 S. Boyle St., Scranton, (785) 793-2735, 10 a.m. Sunday Mass

Heritage Country Cowboy Church - Pastor Scott Perkins, 15776 Topeka Ave., Scranton, (785) 793-2735, 10:30 a.m. service

Food & Restaurants

Branding Iron Restaurant & Saloon, 301 S. Brownie Boulevard, (785) 793-2558

Casey's General Store, 304 S. Brownie Ave., (785) 793-2454

Four Corners Steakhouse & Lounge, 15745 S. Topeka Ave., (785) 793-2800

RJ's Auction Service, 15767 S. Topeka Ave., (785) 793-2500
VFW No. 2709, 324 Southeast Ave., (785) 793-2757

Police

Contact the Scranton Police Department at (785) 793-2336 or 911

Utilities

Electricity, water and trash service are provided by the city, (785) 793-2414; Gas by Kansas Gas Service, (800) 794-4780.

Planning & Zoning

For planning information, contact the Scanton Zoning Board at Scranton City Hall at (785) 793-2414.

USD 434 Santa Fe Trail www.usd434.org

Areas served - Carbondale, Overbrook, Scranton

District enrollment - 1,000

Athletic Classification - 4A


Mascot - Chargers

Affiliation- Pioneer League

District Office/Preschool - (Previously known as Scranton Attendance Center) Superintendent Steve Pegram, 104 Burlingame Ave., Scranton, KS 66537, (785) 793-2256, Fax: (785) 665-7164; Principal Jennifer Hanni, 104 Burlingame Ave., Scranton, KS 66537, (785) 793-2256, Fax: (783) 793-2828

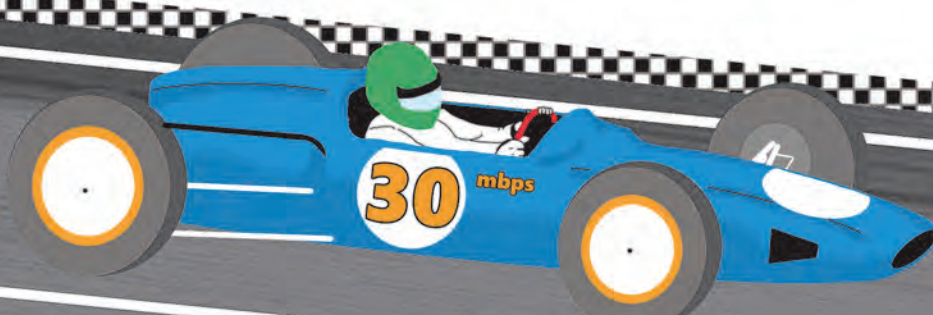
Santa Fe Trail High School - Principal Patrick Graham
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Overbrook Attendance Center (Grades K-3)
Principal David Fernkopf, 202 West Seventh St., Overbrook, KS 66524, (785) 665-7135, Fax: (785) 665-7189

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Recreation

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Jones Park - Located just south and east of downtown, Jones Park includes the city's community building, along with shelters, gazebo, basketball courts, sand volleyball court, playground equipment and storm shelter. The baseball field is located west of downtown along U.S. Highway 56.

Clubs & Organizations

Scranton/Carbondale Boy Scouts, (785) 354-8541
Scranton Girl Scouts, (785) 793-2256
Scranton Lions Club, Clint Vawter - (785) 836-7191, meets second and fourth Tuesday
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Superior

Superior was one of the first communities founded in Osage County. It served as the first county seat of Osage County and was a candidate for the state capital. The community has since vanished.

A schoolhouse was built two miles south of Burlingame in 1894. In 2014, the Burlingame Historical Preservation Society began renovating it. The floors, posts on the porch, windows, structural foundation and chimney have been repaired. The tin roof, exterior and coal shed have all been painted.

The preservation society is currently getting funding for electrical work on the building. They hope to eventually rent the building out for family events, weddings, etc.



Volunteers replace the roof of the schoolhouse in 2016.



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Vassar is an unincorporated community that was located along the Missouri Pacific Railroad.

The area is located just south of Pomona Lake and northeast of Lyndon.

A post office was opened in Lamont Hill in 1871, but in 1887, the post office moved to Vassar. The post office remains open today.

Annual Events

Vassar Fun Fest, September/October

Churches

Vassar United Methodist Church - Pastor Julie Freeman, 23211 S. Croco Rd., Vassar, (785) 828-4550, 9 a.m. worship service

Zion Lutheran Church - Pastor Mark Junkin, 23167 Topeka St., Vassar, (785) 828-4482, 9 a.m. worship

Food & Restaurants

Breck's Green Acres Restaurant, 4961 Highway 268, (785) 453-2166

Doman's General Store, 4961 E. Highway 268, (785) 453-2446

Green Acres Pizza & Subs, 4951 Highway 268, (785) 453-2247

Lamont Hill Restaurant, 22975 Highway 368, (785) 828-3131



Children sift through hay in search of prizes during Fun Fest.

Rural Water

Osage County Rural Water District No. 3, (785) 828-4545, (Olivet and Arvonias Townships), P.O. Box 85, Vassar, KS 66543

Recreation

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Schoolhouse Park – Central park with a ball field, basketball courts and playground equipment.

Vassar School

Vassar’s “little red schoolhouse” housed first through eighth grades, with one or two teachers and a large folding divider making two rooms. In 1965, it was decided that Vassar USD 68 would consolidate with Lyndon USD 28, and become USD 421. That fall, the eighth-grade students went to Lyndon. The next year, seventh-grade students followed, leaving Vassar with six grades. The Vassar school closed in 1978. Area students have since attended school in Lyndon.

In 1979, the Vassar Community Service Corporation was incorporated to oversee the Vassar Grade School, which became the Vassar Community Center, and adjacent park. The corporation leases the building and grounds from Osage County, and the seven-member board of directors maintains the community center through rentals, donations and fundraisers.

Effort has been made to enhance the comfort and convenience of the facility while maintaining its historic character. The original blackboards are routinely used by guests. The teacher’s desk and several students’ desks and chairs remain. The original boys’ and girls’ restrooms, which replaced outhouses, are in the basement.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, a cement porch and stairs have been removed and a wooden ramp installed at the front door. In addition, an accessible restroom was built into the northwest corner of the schoolroom. The kitchen has been updated with a microwave, a new stove and refrigerator. New heating and air conditioning is in place.

The schoolhouse is now used for family reunions, meetings, funeral dinners and other functions. The corporation is 501(c)(3) tax exempt.

For rental or other information, call Wilburn Ludlum at (785) 828-4188 or Sherri Coffman at (785) 828-4810.

Vassar City Well

The Vassar community was an Indian reservation of the Sac and Fox Indians until 1868, when the government opened the area up for settlement. An organization was formed to take claim on the land. The first post office for the area was called Lamont Hill, and was located on the



Children and adults dress up for the Vassar Fun Fest parade.

farm now owned by Glenn Bauck. Later the post office was designated in the town of Vassar. In 1886, the Missouri Pacific Railway began surveying a route through Osage County. The town began to grow.

Every town in Osage County had a well in the center of the main intersection. Mostly they were just used to quench the thirst of humans and animals alike. Some had troughs completely around the well to make it easier for horses to get a drink.

Vassar’s well still sits proudly in the middle of the main street, adorned with hollyhocks and other greenery.

Clubs & Organizations

Pomona Lake Ski Club, www.skipomona.com

Vassar Community Center, Sherri Coffman

Vassar Blue Ribbon 4-H Club, Extension Office – (785) 828-4438, 7 p.m. first Monday, Vassar community building.



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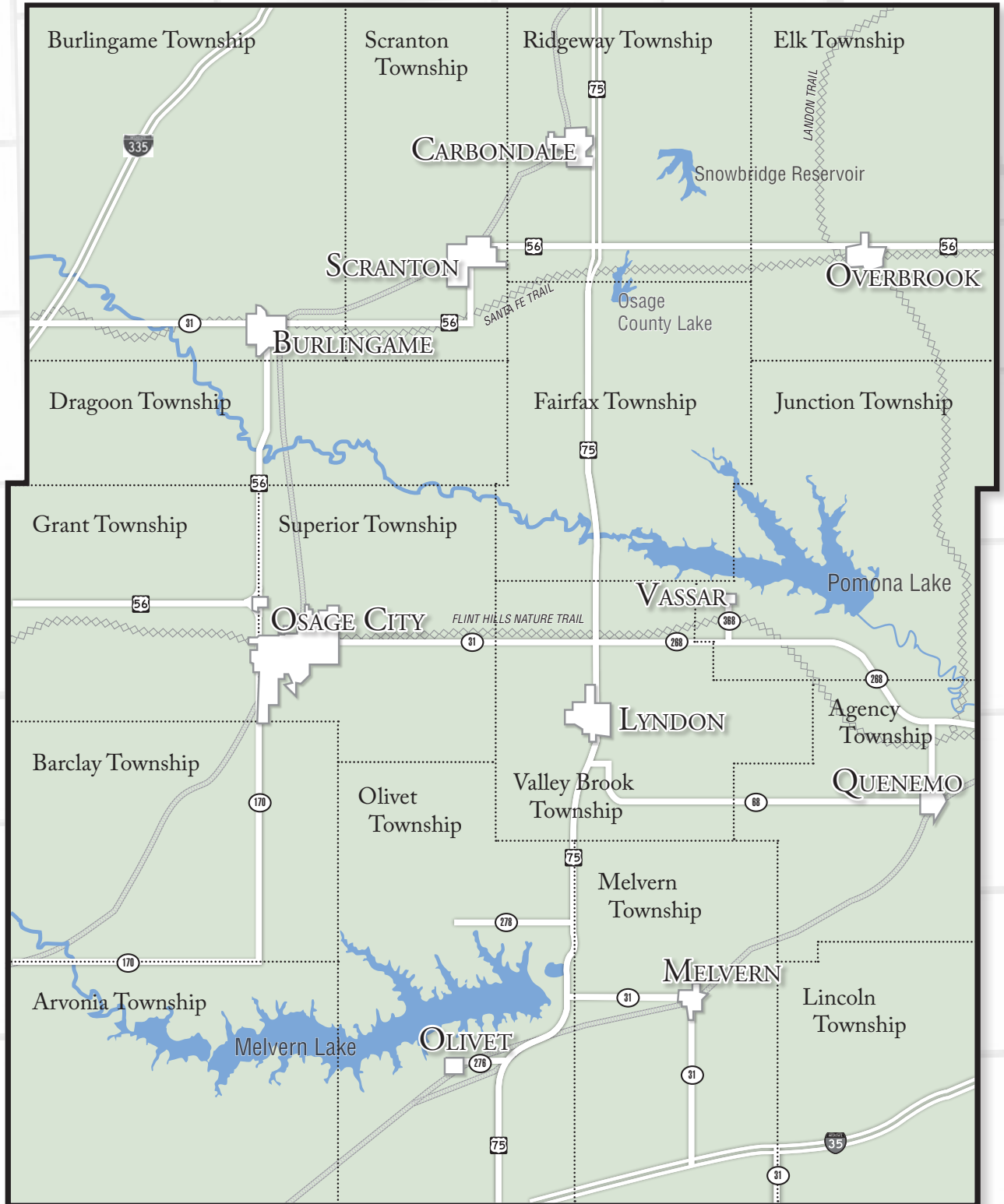
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County Attractions



Heberling School

Heberling School was built of limestone in 1873. It is located three miles north and one mile west of Overbrook. Travel north of Overbrook on Shawnee Heights Road to 141st Street and turn west; the school is 1/2 mile down the road on the right. It is now a private residence.

Hiram K. Reilly Monument

Hiram K. Reilly was born in 1839, in a family of well-connected Presbyterians of German and English stock that held positions of influence. They moved to Kansas in 1858 and eventually bought patent claims on Elk Creek, near Ridgeway, just north of Overbrook.



While Reilly lived in the area for the rest of his life, he had little contact with the community. Few records of Hiram's life survive, but it was known he was a relentless Spiritualist, who was seldom seen without a book. Census records show that he was a farmer, yet he spent little time farming. He was a stonemason who lined his fields with rock fences and enjoyed pruning orchards and puttering around.

Spiritualism was clearly Reilly's life-long motivating force. Two years before his death, he spent \$800 to have text copied word for word onto marble slabs.

This text was from Swedenborg's vision of unity in the book "The Magic Staff." This monument was erected after Hiram's death in 1912. It contains eight surfaces and 16 categories of text, one each for the various aspects of the history of civilization, such as art, music, literature, commerce and architecture.

The monument is located in Ridgeway Cemetery, 3.6 miles north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 56 and Maple Street in Overbrook, to 129th Street, west 2 miles to Paulen Road, north 1/2 mile to 125th Street, then west 1/2 mile.



Karnes Stone Barn

Karnes Stone Barn was entered onto the National Register of Historic Places on Jan. 21, 2004. It is located 3 1/2 miles north and two miles west of Overbrook, in Elk Township, at 2404 E. 129th St., Carbondale. It is a limestone structure that was built in 1877 by George R. Bronson, also known as Col. Bronson, who moved his family, servants, fine horses and coaches from St. Louis, in 1876. They came to Ridgeway east of Carbondale.

Bronson was a circus man who was born in New York and was known as a land baron of sorts, owning hundreds of acres of land in the Ridgeway area. He was also associated with the famous Forepaugh circus. He built a house that looked like a southern mansion; the barn was built east of the house. The farm was located 1/2 mile west of a railroad stop that was known as Swissvale. The barn was intended to house Topeka circus animals during the winter. The animals would arrive by train at Swissvale and be transported to the barn.

The site is private property.

Osage County Creeks

It is interesting how surveyors named creeks in Osage County. When the surveying crews found the creek where Burlingame is now located, they called it 120 Mile Creek. A man by the name of Switzler was killed at the 120-mile crossing by being run over by a wagon. In memory of that event, its name was changed to Switzler Creek.

Dragoon Creek, west of Burlingame, was named by a Lt. Fields, who brought a company of Dragoon soldiers and a wagon train in 1852 from Leavenworth, enroute to Santa Fe, N.M.

Soldier Creek was named in 1851, when a regiment of soldiers, camped on the creek, had cholera. About half of them were sick and 38 died. One of the surveyors decided to call it Soldier Creek.



Osage County Farm

The Osage County Chronicle reported Jan. 7, 1876, that the county commissioners purchased 160 acres for the purpose of a county farm. It has been 40 years since the Osage County Farm closed. The information in this report was taken from a book of transcription of the personal diaries of Superintendent Walter Howe, titled "The Osage County Farm, Burlingame, Kansas 1939-1941," written by Linda Fagan in 2007, and published by the Burlingame Historical Preservation Society.

The cost of the house was \$5,000. It was perhaps the largest farmhouse in the county and it was thought it would answer the needs as a county home for a number of years. Commissioners had the foresight and compassion to know that there were many people who needed special care, just as nursing care

facilities today. Osage County financed the home, sometimes called the poor house. It was a wood framed home that served the insane and the elderly for years. People living there were called inmates. In February 1917, a fire caused from an overheated furnace destroyed it and a few people died.

A new brick facility was built and ready for occupancy in November of 1917 and remained in use until the farm closed in the early 1970s. This building still stands but is a personal residence. It is located 1.5 miles west of Burlingame Cemetery on 181st Street.



Rapp School

Rapp School, built in 1929 about five miles west of Osage City, is one of the few, if not the only, one-room, eighth-grade schoolhouses in Kansas that still has its original desks and textbooks. It has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is now used as an educational site where elementary classes can spend a day, families can hold reunions, and visitors can experience the contributions made by one-room schools. The brick schoolhouse and playground adjoins Rapp Cemetery, where many early family names may be found.

The Rapp settlement was once a thriving community along the Missouri Pacific Railroad track. It was located 1/4 mile east and 1/4 mile south from the present Rapp School building. Only a few houses remain where once a lumberyard, general store, cattle pens, train stations, and other businesses and houses stood.

To visit Rapp School, schedule an event, or arrange to have an elementary class spend a morning, contact the Rapp School Preservation Association at (785) 528-3445.

Sac & Fox Mission School

The Sac (also spelled Sauks) and Fox tribe of the Mississippi moved from lands of Iowa onto their Kansas reservation in 1845-46. Their reservation at that time included the southern two-thirds of Osage County, and extended into Franklin and Lyon counties. The Indian Agency at that time was at Greenwood, in Franklin County. Soon a treaty diminished their reserve, keeping only an area twenty by twelve miles. It began two miles west of where Lyndon is now and extended one-fourth mile into Franklin County.

The agency was eventually moved to where Quenemo now stands. Beginning in 1863, there was a Methodist mission and school for the Sac and Fox Indians. It was located on a hill about a mile southwest of the agency. In 1869, the government moved the Sac and Fox to Indian Territory in Oklahoma and land was opened up for settlement.

Years ago, farmers built around the mission school and used it as a barn. But the mission still stands inside with its thick limestone foundation. It can be seen from the road, one mile south of Quenemo, up the hill on the west side of the road. It is on private property.

Santa Fe Trail markers and ruts

The Daughters of the American Revolution placed Santa Fe Trail markers in Osage County to commemorate the struggles of families moving west on the trail from 1822 to 1872. School children gave pennies to help purchase the granite stones to mark the trail from Missouri to Mexico.

One stone marker can be found 1/4 mile south of the junction of U.S. highways 56 and 75. It rests near the south end of the propane tanks. The trail comes from the east, over the rolling hills by the current Santa Fe Trail High School.

West from the marker was the 110-Mile Creek crossing, where for many years two brothers, Mobillion and Frye McKee, charged 25 cents for each wagon to cross a small bridge. They provided food and shelter for the travelers and their horses also. The crossing location is private property.

The Santa Fe Trail ran through the southern edge of Scranton, and a D.A.R. marker was placed in the northeast

corner of Jones Park, two blocks east of U.S. 56, on Boone Street.

From Scranton, the trail continued to Burlingame, and entered it at the east end of the present Santa Fe Street, proceeding through downtown. A marker on the southwest corner of Santa Fe and Dacotah streets honors Fannie Geiger Thompson, who, having seen the importance of the Santa Fe Trail, led the D.A.R. in 1906 to mark the trail's route.

Another marker in Osage County is 4.5 miles west of Burlingame, and marks the crossing of Soldier Creek or Switzler Creek. It was here the D.A.R. wanted the Santa Fe Railway to place a marker, as the railroad crossed over the old Santa Fe Trail crossing.

About 100 yards south of the highway, and just to the east, are stone walls of the Havana Stage Station, built in 1858. The ruts or swales of the trail can still be seen in the field south of the roadside marker as they continue southwest from the Havana Station.



Stahl's Grove

People had to make their own fun in the early days of Osage County, and one man found a way to spur their senses. Frank M. Stahl lived nearly 100 years while taking part in the making of Kansas. He was a militant prohibitionist that never relinquished his zeal for a dry Kansas. He was most widely known as the founder of "Stahl's Picnic," held on his land every year from 1879-1937.

Stahl and other Temperance Union supporters decided to host a big picnic for the community to gain more votes for the prohibitory amendment. The picnic was a huge success. Stahl provided entertainment for all ages; a big amphitheater and stage was built and camping areas were provided. This picnic was an annual event for over 55 years. Many older folks living in Osage County still remember Stahl's hospitality.

Stahl died in March 1937 in an apartment

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Services

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Osage County Commission

The Osage County Commission is a three-person elected board, responsible for county government functions including budget, setting policy and performing executive functions. The commissioners oversee the county's agencies and handle the day to day functions.

The county commissioners meet at 8:30 a.m. every Monday at the Osage County Courthouse. There is also a monthly meeting to pay bills.

Each commissioner serves for four years with staggered terms.

Commissioners' chambers are located on the second floor of the courthouse, 717 Topeka Ave., Lyndon, KS 66451.

Osage County Clerk

The county clerk's office is often a first stop for resolving issues and needs pertaining to county government.

Services available at the clerk's office include:

- hunting and fishing licenses.
- voter registration.
- placement on the commission meeting agenda and record of the meetings.

The office is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

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Osage County Appraiser

The appraiser's office values property, reappraising annually. The office is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Services provided by the office include:

- access to current and historical valuations of real and personal property.
- access to interior information of real property – number of bedrooms and bathrooms, along with square footage.
- arrange a meeting or file a protest form to challenge the appraised value of property.

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The Osage County Counselor is the defense attorney for the county and consultant for the Osage County Commission.

The counselor may be contacted to:

- discuss complaints against the county.
- submit a bid for purchase of county property.

Clerk of the District Court

The Osage County District Court is part of the Fourth Judicial District, which includes Anderson, Coffey, Franklin and Osage counties.

The office is open 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Persons may go to the office to:

- file court cases.
- pay traffic tickets or fines.
- access the public computer to check the status of court cases.
- apply for and obtain a marriage license.
- file for divorce.
- check in for jury duty.
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- file for protection from stalking or abuse.
- file civil actions for recovery of money.

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Osage County Sheriff's Office

The Osage County Sheriff's Office performs county-wide law enforcement in the county's rural and urban areas, working closely with the city police departments,

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Services available include:

- obtain copies of accident reports for insurance purposes.
- report a crime or accident.
- have a vehicle identification number checked for vehicle registration.
- obtain gun locks, when available.
- get a copy of a driver's license record.
- obtain information on drug and alcohol regulations.
- discuss issues related to abuse.
- turn in found property.
- pay delinquent property taxes.
- assignment of property addresses.

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Osage County Treasurer

The treasurer's office is responsible for balancing county books, receiving funds and making deposits daily.

Services include:

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Economic Development

The economic development office assists existing and prospective businesses in establishing and expanding operations throughout Osage County. The office utilizes tools and programs provided at the federal, state and county level.

It also assists communities with building economic opportunities.

Services available include:

- guides on starting a business.
- location and site assistance.
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- referrals to specialized resources.

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Land Development

The department delineates boundary lines for all property located in Osage County and provides owner-

ship maps with aerial photography. Other maps available include tax, water, fire and school district maps, as well as location of cemeteries and flood maps. Many digital maps are available on the county's website at www.osageco.org.

The office is also responsible for land use analysis for zoning map and amendments; special permits under zoning resolution; changes to city and county maps; acquisition and disposition of city-owned property; site selection for public facilities; urban renewal plans and amendments; and landmark and historic district designations.

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Register of Deeds

The register of deeds records all documents submitted by the public that are qualified to be recorded.

The office maintains a set of indexes that show the correct ownership of land in the entire county, and performs functions to accomplish that objective.

The register of deeds files financing statements and security agreements on personal property under the Uniform Commercial Code.

In addition to records on real estate and personal property, the Osage County Register of Deeds Office maintains records of military discharges, old school records, and information on county cemeteries.

The office is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Records available 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Osage County Attorney

The county attorney serves as criminal prosecuting attorney in district court cases.

Services available include:

- report a bad check payment.
- discuss a criminal case.

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Solid Waste Department

The department oversees household hazardous waste, solid waste transfer and recycling. Osage County operates a state-approved transfer station and recycling center.

The majority of the county's trash is moved from the transfer station to a landfill outside of the county.

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The department is directly or indirectly responsible for the control of noxious weeds in Osage County, include inspection of real and personal property, feed and forage crops, topsoil extraction sites, county property and rights of way, in complying with the Kansas noxious weed laws.

The office is open Monday-Friday 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Kevin Culley, Director
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Road and Bridge Department

The Osage County Road and Bridge Department is re-

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The county operates three motor graders, which are assigned to blade rock roads every 7 to 10 days. Three dump trucks rotate to haul throughout the three districts. The county also places new seal coat on approximately 20 miles of its 84 miles of paved roads each year.

Osage County oversees 237 bridges, and is responsible for maintaining approximately 450 county size culverts with 25 square-foot openings. The county bridge crew can build up to 40-foot span bridges.

The road and bridge department office is open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Persons may visit the department to look up information on all county roads, report a problem with a county road, or to find road closing and vacated road information.

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Osage County Health Department

The office is open 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday. Services available include:

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Osage County operates a state-approved transfer station and recycling center. A tipping fee and mill levy fund the county's solid waste programs.

Solid waste

The majority of the county's trash is moved from the transfer station to Deffenbaugh Industries, in Kansas City. Refuse collection is available to all city residences and businesses, as well as most rural Osage County residences and businesses. Solid waste in Osage County is collected and transported by private contractors and individuals. Individuals and businesses may deliver trash to the transfer station using their own vehicles. Residential collections are once a week in cities and rural areas. Commercial and business accounts are collected on an as-needed basis.

Household hazardous waste

Osage County provides a household hazardous waste program with a specially equipped HHW trailer. These items are accepted at selected sites on designated collection days. Household hazardous wastes are collected in a trailer and transported. Items accepted include motor oil, automotive fluids, batteries, poisons, paint, solvents and reactives.

Tires

Individuals and businesses are charged a fee, based on size, for tires delivered to the transfer station. Tire dealers in the county accept used tires for a fee and have them recycled or taken to the transfer station. No tires are accepted into the waste stream.

Recycling

Osage County's recycling program is voluntary and a drop-off center is located at 208 W. 17th St., Lyndon. The center is open the second and fourth Saturday of the month from 9 to 11 a.m. The following items are accepted: Plastics, No. 1 and 2 only, tin, cardboard, aluminum, glass, telephone books, newspapers, magazines, office paper and junk paper.

Osage County has partnered with several communities to provide recycling trailers for depositing recyclable items. Trailers are located at:

- Burlingame – Dakota St. and Santa Fe Ave.
- Lyndon – 208 W. 17th St.
- Melvern – City Park
- Osage City – Ninth and Main streets
- Overbrook – Fourth and Cedar streets

- Quenemo – 109 E. Maple St.
- Scranton – 202 Brownie Ave.

Grass clippings, brush, limbs

Grass clippings, leaves, forest waste and some wood products are accepted at the county transfer station. Backyard composting is highly encouraged through education and awareness of the solid waste recovery process. In addition, the following cities offer dump sites for brush, limbs, clean wood or grass clippings:

Osage City – Brush and limbs, 300 block of Superior Street; open any time.

Carbondale – Brush and limbs, near West Lake; open 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Burlingame – Small tree limbs, grass clippings; on East Banks Street, south side of road.

Overbrook – accepts branches; southeast corner of the sewer pond, 8-10 a.m. the third Saturday of each month.

Construction debris, metal

Individuals and businesses can haul scrap steel, white goods, construction debris or similar wastes to the transfer station and construction debris site. Residents are encouraged to contact salvage contractors to dispose of scrap steel and white goods. These items may be brought to the county transfer station for salvage, recycling and disposal. Refrigerant will be reclaimed from compressors and tagged at the transfer station. Any proceeds from material sales go to the solid waste program.

Dead animals

Dead animals should be buried on the owner's land or picked up by a rendering company.

Lead acid batteries

These are accepted at local battery dealers for recycling. Batteries are not accepted into the waste stream and are not to be disposed of in any manner other than that established for recycling.

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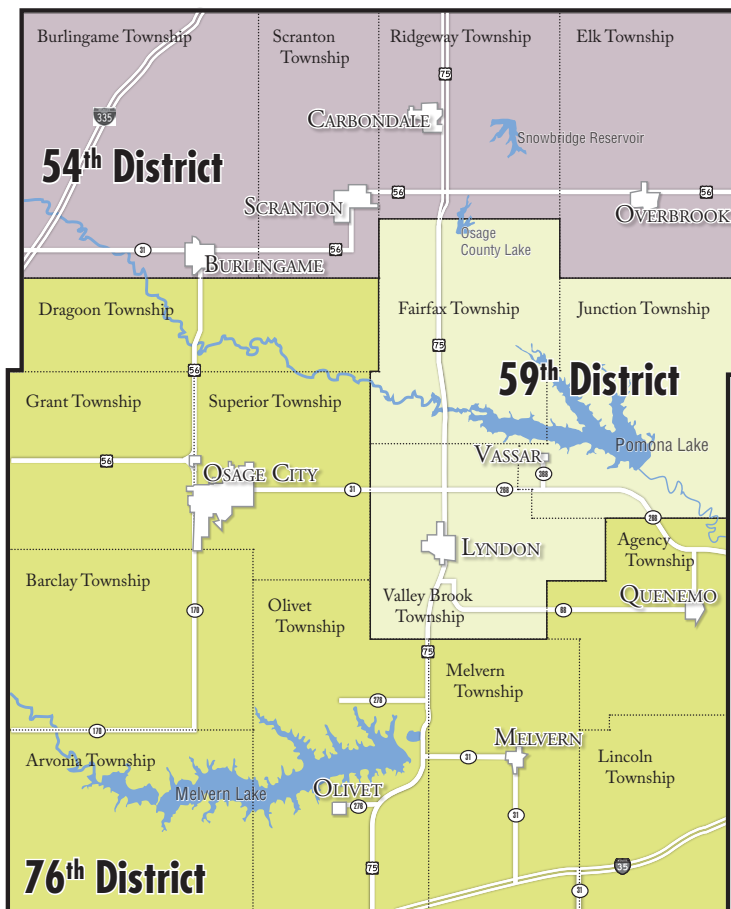
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Kansas voting districts were remapped on June 7, 2012. The county, which was formerly served by a single state House district, is now served by three. All of Osage County now falls within the 19th Senate District, and the 4th District for the Kansas State Board of Education. The county also remains in the 2nd U.S. Congressional District. Representatives from these districts were voted on in the Nov. 8, 2016 election.

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Voter Registration

To register to vote, complete a voter registration application, which can be obtained at the Osage County Clerk's office or from the Kansas Secretary of State's office. More than half of Osage County's 16,295 residents are registered voters.

Voter registration is also available at each city clerk's office in the county. Also, the county clerk's office will send a voter registration application by mail if contacted by phone at (785) 828-4812.

Voter registration or changes in registration information can also be completed online with a valid Kansas driver's license at www.kdor.org/voterregistration/.

The Kansas voter registration application is used to update registration records, such as name changes, address changes, or party affiliation changes.

The deadline to register to vote for any election is 21 days prior to that election. Party affiliations cannot be changed after that date.

The county election office will mail a certificate of registration after processing the application.

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Osage County is dotted with 34 cemeteries, spread throughout the area. The following numbers correspond to numbers on the adjacent map.

1. Prairie Center - 6 miles north of Burlingame on Burlingame Road to 125th Street; west 1 mile to Valencia.

2. Burlingame - 1 mile south of Burlingame on U.S. 56.

3. Hunt - 4 miles west of Burlingame on K-31. Single Dragoon soldier grave.

4. Rapp, Maple Grove - 4 miles west of Osage City on U.S. 56 to Davis Road; school and cemetery.

5. Union, Swedish - 1 mile north of Osage City on west side of K-31, just north of Mount Calvary.

6. Osage City, Crown Hill, American - 1 mile north of Osage City on K-31; east side of highway.

7. Mount Calvary of Osage City, St Patrick's - 1 mile north of Osage City on K-31, west side.

8. Dog, South Ninth - 1 mile south from Ninth and Market streets in Osage City. Cemetery is in trees on west side of road just south of housing development.

9. Barclay - South of Osage City on K-170 to 269th Street, west 3 miles to Valencia Road, south on Valencia 1 mile.

10. Arvonia - From Osage City, south on K-170 to Hoch Road, south over lake bridge, turn west on 325th Street 2.5 miles to Docking Road, north on Docking Road .5 miles.

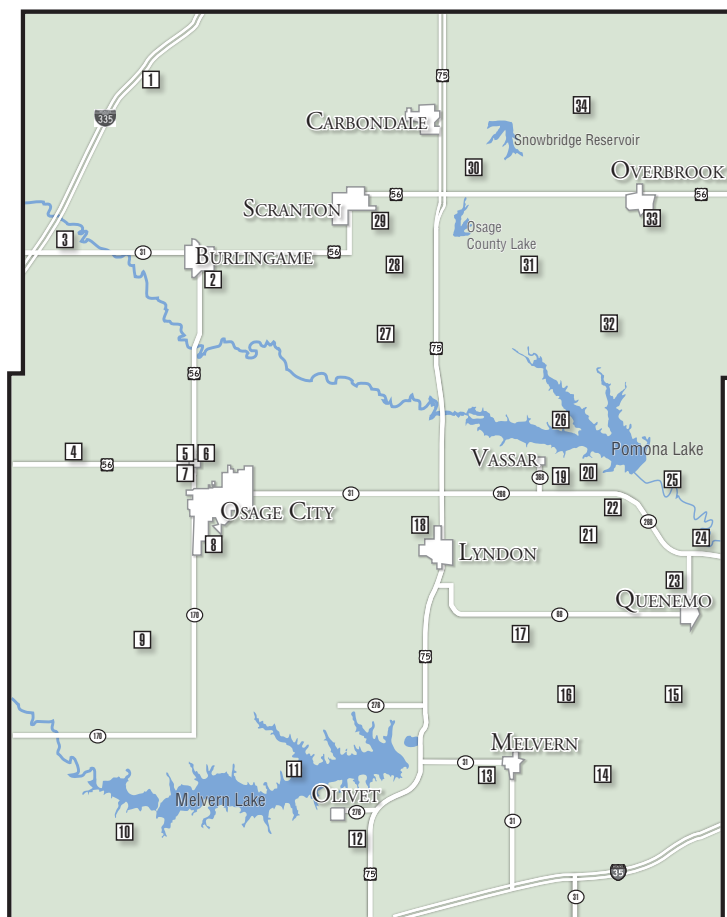
11. Alpine - South of Lyndon on U.S. 75 to K-278, west on 293rd Street; road veers south to Indian Hills Road then onto 309th Street that goes east into Turkey Point Park. Cemetery is in the east end of the park.

12. Olivet, Glasgow - Olivet exit on U.S. 75, then south on Lewelling to 325th St.

13. Melvern - 1 mile west of Melvern on K-31.

14. Pleasant View, Connelly - 3 1/2 miles east of Melvern on 309th Street.

15. Humphreys, Tequa, Schreck - South on Fifth Street in Quenemo 2.9 miles, cross railroad tracks and two bridges to Willoughbys drive-



way, turn west into the drive, follow winding rocky road, turn right at split for .3 mile down the hill.

16. Central, Sutton, Maxon, East Lake - on K-68 south of Lyndon to Berryton Road, south 4 miles to 293rd Street, east 1 mile to Croco Road, north .25 mile to lane on right that leads to cemetery in field.

17. Danish - East on K-68 south of Lyndon to Berryton Road, south .5 mile.

18. Lyndon - North of Lyndon on U.S. 75 to 245th Street, 1 mile west.

19. Vassar - .3 mile south of Vassar on Croco Road.

20. No Name No. 8 - On Lamont Hill, .25 mile north of junction of K-268 and K-368, south of Pomona State Park entrance, on embankment on east side of highway.

21. Salt Creek, Knauf - From K-268 and Ratner Road south 1.5 miles to 249th Street, west 200 yards to wooded lane on right, follow lane that winds 100 yards to cemetery.

22. Deaver - .5 mile south

of K-268 and Ratner Road. A.L. Morris' stone is the only one remaining in the front yard of Peimann home.

23. Oak Hill - .5 mile north of Quenemo on K-68, cemetery on west side of highway down long lane.

24. Eastview, Curry - .125 mile east of K-268 and K-68 junction north of Quenemo.

25. Pleasant Ridge, Cook - 1.9 miles south of Michigan Valley on Stubbs Road, cemetery is .1 mile south of 229th Street. Stones are under cedar

trees on west side of road.

26. Mt Zion, Fairfax, Farmerville - From U.S. 75, east on 205th Street to Berryton Road, south 213th Street, east 1 mile to Croco Road. Cemetery is on the southeast corner.

27. Highland, Dodder - From U.S. 75, west on 197th Street 1.5 miles, north side of road.

28. Mount Calvary of Scranton - 1 mile west of U.S. 75 on 173rd Street.

29. Scranton - 161st Street and Lewelling Road on southeast side of Scranton.

30. Carbondale - 1 mile east of old 75 south of Carbondale on 149th Street to Adams Road.

31. Peterson's Graves - From U.S. 75 and 181st Street, go east 3 miles past Berryton Road .5 mile; road curves north to stone house, headstones in front yard.

32. Valley Brook - From U.S. 75, east on 189th Street 6 miles to Ratner Road. Cemetery is on right.

33. Overbrook - South on Cedar Street in Overbrook, follow curved road to cemetery.

34. Ridgeway, Twin Mound - From U.S. 56 and Maple in Overbrook, north 3.6 miles to 129th Street, west 2.3 miles to Paulen Road, north .5 mile to 125th street, west .25 mile.

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Carbondale - Overbrook - Scranton

The mission of Santa Fe Trail USD 434 is to support individual student needs in preparation for successful lifework.

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District Administrative Center & SAC Pre-School (Ages 3 & 4)
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The Santa Fe Depot at the heart of town.



Over the previous 12 years, Smoke in the Spring State BBQ Championship has expanded into one of the premiere BBQ contests in the Midwest, attracting teams and judges to Osage City from 16 states. Smoke in the Spring is one of the most competitive contests in the Midwest. Join us annually on the 2nd weekend in April. Enjoy Taste of Osage City on Friday evening and the best of the best team competition on Saturday.



Orbis is North America's leading manufacturer of plastic reusable containers and pallets. The Osage City plant produces containers, crates, and trays used by today's leading bakery, beverage, poultry and meat companies. www.orbiscorporation.com

Skydive Kansas opened its doors in Osage County on October 8, 1995. In July 1996 they moved to their current location at the Osage City Airport, making 4,000 skydives every year. Open weekends year around and some summer weekdays. Spectators welcome.



Asset Life Cycle, LLC, with more than a decade of knowledge and expertise in the B2B recycling industry, is the largest investment recovery and reclamation company in Kansas and the Tri-State area. The most recent development of our state-of-the-art automated shredding system, located in Osage City, will allow for the separation and further refinement of various commodities consisting of ferrous and non-ferrous metals and plastics. To learn more, please visit www.AssetLC.com.



The Osage City Aquatic Center remains one of the most popular spots in the county, drawing swimmers from around the county. The pool was built in 2003 as a small replica of the Emporia Aquatic Center.



Proud Past, Brilliant Future!

We're proud of our hometown heritage and we offer what the bigger cities can't – a sense of community. For you, your family, or your business, Osage City is a great place to call home.

Osage City is home to over 3,000 residents and is located in Northeast Kansas with convenient access to Topeka, Emporia, Ottawa, Kansas City and Wichita.

Osage City offers quality recreation facilities and opportunities. Parks and Recreation offers year round youth and adult sports, leisure, and aquatic programs along with special events, providing the community an enhanced quality of life.

The City of
Osage City

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