

## Water-Wise Tips

Use organic mulch around trees and plants – you can get free mulch at Christmas tree recycle sites

Check for leaks in your pipes that may cause additional use

Install a low flow showerhead to reduce water usage

## Upcoming Events

New Years-  
City Offices Closed  
January 1st

Council Meeting  
January 5<sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm

Dr. Martin Luther King  
Jr. Day-Offices Closed  
January 19<sup>th</sup>

Council Meeting  
January 20<sup>th</sup>

Visit the Goddard Library  
website for even more  
community events



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## Mayor's Message



Hello Friends and Neighbors:

Hope your 2015 is off to a great start! I always like to give a brief recap of some of the highlights of the past year in the January Glance so here it goes. The Kansas State Dept. of Commerce gave approval for our STAR Bond project which will bring a hotel and indoor swimming complex to our town. Voters of Goddard approved a local sales tax for more improved development. And of course we were able to continue to host the community events that residents love, such as the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, 4th of July Fireworks,

National Night Out, Pumpkins in the Park at Tanganyika, the Community Thanksgiving Feast and the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. Things continue to grow and improve here in our community.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, we want to hear from you, so I encourage you to get in touch with me, or any of the City Council members.

## Christmas Tree Recycling

As the new year begins and our holiday decorations come down, and there is one question that many of us have, "how can I get rid of my old Christmas tree?" Instead of hiding it in your back yard or trying to stuff it into the trash, you should recycle it. Sedgwick County has sponsored a free Christmas tree recycling site in Goddard that you can take advantage of, and as an added benefit, there will be free mulch at the recycle site.

Goddard's Christmas tree recycling site will be open until January 12<sup>th</sup>

Means Park- North of the basketball court  
200 South Main Street



## Contact Information

In the Event of an  
Emergency  
**Dial 911**

City of Goddard  
Hours 8am-4:30pm  
118 North Main  
316-794-2441

Police Non-  
Emergency  
316-794-2051

Goddard Public  
Library  
316-794-8771

Goddard City Pool  
316-794-2644

Chamber of  
Commerce  
316-833-8385

## Government Websites

City of Goddard  
[www.goddardks.gov](http://www.goddardks.gov)

USD 265  
[www.goddardusd.com](http://www.goddardusd.com)

Sedgwick County  
[sedgwickcounty.org](http://sedgwickcounty.org)

State of Kansas  
[www.state.ks.us](http://www.state.ks.us)



## Save the Grease

Fats, oils, and grease can clog up sewer lines, and create big problems downstream

Grease in a warm liquid may not appear harmful, but as the liquid cools, the fat can stick to collection pipes and sewage tanks used to collect and treat water.

Here are a few tips to help reduce the amount of fats, oils, and grease that you send down the drain.

**-Save it:** Collect grease from your pan and let it cool before you throw it away, don't send it down the drain with hot water!

**-Dry Clean up:** Clean up food with dry methods like sweeping before you clean with water.

**-Drain Screens:** Use to prevent larger items from getting clogged in the pipes.

**-Use paper:** Paper products work great to clean up grease, because cloth can build up grease that you eventually send downstream.

## Winter Travel Kit

It is important to be prepared when you travel this time of year. Here are 10 things you should have with you in your car

1. Windshield Scraper
2. Water/Snacks/Energy Bars
3. A Flashlight with batteries
4. First Aid Kit- with medications, bandages, cleansing pads, etc.
5. Small Shovel
6. Tow Rope or Chain
7. Road Salt and Kitty Litter
8. Booster Cables
9. Hats/Mittens/Blankets/Coats
10. Common Sense



The City is committed to make winter driving as safe as possible, but it is up to you to do your part. Make sure to stay safe and watch out for others. If you ever think that driving conditions are unsafe please stay at home, never go out if you don't feel comfortable.