

May 2024



National Police Week May 12-18, 2024

From ensuring our streets are safe, to responding to emergencies with unwavering courage and compassion, City of Shawnee Police embodies the true spirit of service.

Thank you to our law enforcement officers for their selfless commitment to our community's safety!

National Tourism & Public Works Weeks May 19-25, 2024

Tourists provide \$6.7M in additional tax revenue to Pottawatomie County, equating to \$257 per household, which can be used for services that citizens enjoy. Tourism works to bring in new revenues from guests to Shawnee.

Thank you to those who tirelessly work to showcase the Best of what Shawnee has to offer!

Public Works professionals work tirelessly behind the scenes to enhance our quality of life. From maintaining our roadways and infrastructure to ensuring clean parks, they are the unsung heroes of our community.

Thank you to the dedicated individuals who work tirelessly to keep our City sanitary and operational!

Fire Extinguishers

The acronym P.A.S.S. will help you remember these four easy steps!

- Pull** the pin on the handle
- Aim** the nozzle at the base of the fire
- Squeeze** the lever slowly
- Sweep** from side to side

Follow the QR Code to watch the training video:



Shawnee Civic Leadership Academy

Interested in learning about Shawnee's municipal operations, challenges, and successes? Sign up for the Civic Leadership Academy on **May 9, 16, and 23**. Space is limited.



Importance of Memorial Day

On Memorial Day, we honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. Military. The Oklahoma Veterans Memorial in Woodland Veterans Park has a ten-panel granite wall inscribed with the names of every known Oklahoman killed in action since the Spanish-American War.



We encourage you to visit the Memorial to pay your respects!



This week-long celebration of **healthy lifestyle** choices kicks off on May 28th!



May Events

- May 9, 16, and 23
Civic Leadership Academy
- May 20 City Commission Meeting
- May 27 Memorial Day - Offices Closed

For City Meetings, visit shawneeok.portal.civicclerk.com

For Community Events, see VisitShawnee.com/events.





Zebra Mussel Precautions

As stewards of our local waterways, it is crucial that we take steps to prevent the spread of invasive species like zebra mussels. These small creatures can wreak havoc on ecosystems and infrastructure, if left unchecked.



Info

Help stop the spread with these precautionary steps:



- 1. Clean, Drain, and Dry:** Before leaving any body of water, clean and inspect your watercraft, trailers, and equipment.
- 2. Dispose of Bait Properly:** City of Shawnee municipal code Section 16-56 states that you cannot dump unused or live bait (minnows, worms, etc.) into a body of water.
- 3. Use Local Bait:** This reduces the risk of introducing invasive species.



Ordinance



Summer Vacation Safety Tips

Going out of town? Here are tips to keep your home safe:

- Make sure your home is locked up and secure.
- Manage your mail and package delivery.
- Set interior lights on a timer inside to create the appearance of activity.
- Having exterior motion sensor lighting can aid in deterring crime.
- Keep valuables away from public view through a window or door.
- Place valuables in a safe if possible.
- Do not post your vacation plans or pictures on social media while you are gone. Post them after you return home.



Summertime Fun!

It's time to ride the waves and start your summer adventures. Parks and Recreation has put together a fun **flip book** that



holds all the info you will ever need to prepare for a **summer of fun!**



Update on City Hall Hours of Operation!

The City of Shawnee is changing its hours of operation!

Follow the QR Code to see the new schedule and plan your visit!



Do Your Part, Be Water Smart!

Learn to swim!

It teaches you the skills you need to enjoy the water safely.



Never swim alone!

Swim as a pair or near a lifeguard.



Look before you leap!

Be sure that it's a safe place and time to swim.

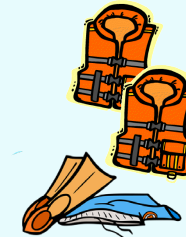
Follow the rules!

Always listen to the lifeguards.



Don't just pack it, wear your life jacket.

All boaters should wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets. Inexperienced swimmers should wear them in or around water.



Think, so you don't sink!

Know what to do if you get in trouble in the water. Floating or treading water can help you think!



Reach or throw, don't go!

Reach or throw an object to help someone in trouble in the water to safety. Never go in the water to try to help.



These safety tips in or around bodies of water can significantly reduce your risk!

Scan the QR Code for more information from the American Red Cross on Water Safety.

