

LECOMPTON NEWS

FALL 2025

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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS!

The Lecompton City Council meetings are held at the City Office and begin at 7:00 P.M. the first and third Monday of every month. In the event this would fall on a holiday, the meeting would take place on the next business day.

City Mayor: Jimmy Wilkins

Council Members: Mary Jane Hoffer
Owen Mallonee
Troy Clark

Steve Freeman
Stephanie Confer

You are encouraged to attend any and all meetings. Attending the Council meetings will keep you informed of what is happening in your City! If you wish to address the council, please call the city office, 887-6407 to be placed on the agenda.

To review City Council Meeting Minutes or view the agenda online please visit www.lecompton.org

City Hall Office Hours

Mon-Wed-Fri: 8:30-12:30

Wed: 4-6

Office Holidays (11)

January 1st
Presidents Day
July 4th
Thanksgiving Day & Day after
Designated or Floating Holiday

Martin Luther King Day
Memorial Day
Labor Day
Christmas Eve Day & Christmas Day

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETINGS!

The Lecompton Planning Commission meetings are held at the City Office and begin at 7:00 P.M. Meetings are held twice a year on the 2nd Wednesday of January and June. In the event this would fall on a holiday, it would take place the next business day. There are also special meetings called when necessary.

Chairperson: Vickie Clark

Members: Erin Herschell
Benton Peugh

Carol Howard
Mercedes Fowler

LECOMPTON TOWNSHIP MEETINGS!

Our Lecompton Township meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 P.M. The meetings are held at 632 N. 1851 Diagonal Road. Phone #: 785-887-6836

Any township questions or repairs call the office 785-887-6836.

Trustee: Ed Daniels

Treasurer: Keith Noe

Clerk: Mike Stewart

Road Superintendent: Doug Porter

LECOMPTON COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT

WWW.LECOMPTONKS.ORG

Don't Just Reside in your Community. Live in it!

Lecompton Community Empowerment, volunteers of the Lecompton area, and Kansas Community Empowerment collaborate to enhance our community and improve our quality of life, while recognizing the importance of our history. The Lecompton Community Empowerment building is the former Lecompton Rural High School building located at 620 E. Woodson Ave. Anyone may join or participate at any time!

L.C.E. meetings are held the 4th Mondays of each month at 6:30p in the Owl's Nest Lounge. Everyone is welcome!

The LCE building has rooms available to rent for events.
Please contact Carol Howard to check availability at 785-887-6691

Watch for **activities** to be offered throughout the Spring and Summer at our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/lecomptoncommunitypride

LECOMPTON COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT OFFICERS

President – Greg Howard
Vice President – Mary Jane Hoffer
Secretary – Georgia Trammel
Treasurer – Elsie Middleton

Thank you to everyone who donated or purchased items at our annual rummage sale. Proceeds help support Lecompton Community Empowerment facilities programs and activities. If you would like to send a monetary donation to help support our organization please send to

LCE
P.O. Box 60
Lecompton Ks 66050

Or you may contribute online thru Douglas County Community Foundation.
Thank you for your continued support.

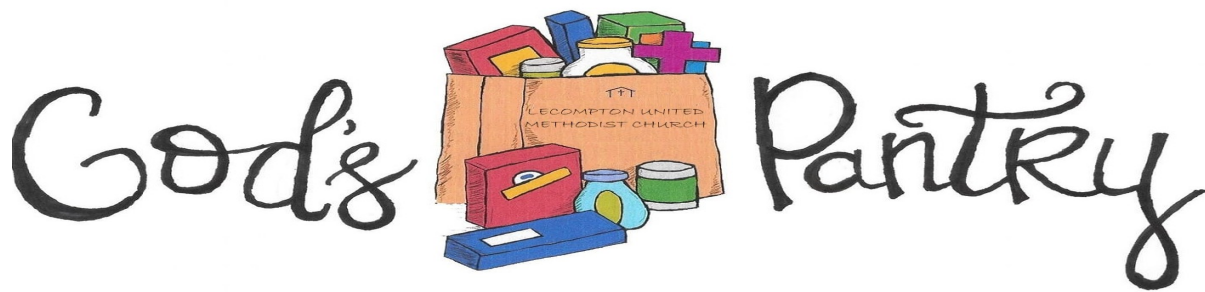
Lecompton Community Empowerment would like to thank everyone that has supported through donating or volunteering to help make our community Empowerment successful.



Kids Dance is available at Lecompton Community Empowerment Building
Tuesday & Wednesday Evenings – *Tap & Jazz Comob, Hip Hop, Pom Routine, Beginner Ballet*
Contact Brenda Hastert for more information or to sign up! 785-550-8914



Adult Yoga w/Jennifer – Mondays 5:30p-6:30p



The Lecompton United Methodist Church Food Pantry is open **the 3rd Saturday each Month**. 7:30a-10:00a

Due to the number of families we are serving and the time we have available, we are filling shopping lists each month.

Instead of individual shopping, a volunteer will shop for you. You must fill out a shopping list located on the North Door of the Church (Blue door) fill out the shopping list and return by 6:00pm the Saturday before pickup date.

There is a plastic sleeve/pocket to put your completed list in.

Lists not received by the Saturday before will not be shopped for, but will be given a pre-packed bag of general Non-perishable food items and any cold or frozen items available that day.

Lists received in time will be filled by volunteers and on the day of pick up will bring your bags to your vehicle in the parking area East of the Church.

When pulling into the parking area, vehicles will need to pull into the drive, just off Woodson and exit to the south. (There are signs)

The services are available once a month to clients. If there is an emergency or a new family has moved to the area, please contact the church or Mary Jane Hoffer, arrangements will be made to assist them.

Mary Jane Hoffer at 785-393-3382 or mjhoffer9@gmail.com

All support from the community is very much appreciated!

There are blessing boxes located at the church and elementary school.

They are for anyone who needs to take food from them.

Please close and latch the door so food can continue to be put in the boxes.

Cruising cupboard from just foods in the church parking lot – 1st Thursday of each month 4:30p-5:30p

The food pantry can always use any type of food or monetary donation. If you would like to make a monetary donation, checks can be made payable to “LUMC God’s Food Pantry” and may be delivered to the church.

If you have any questions or are interested in more information please contact Mary Jane Hoffer by phone:

(785) 393-3382 by email: mjhoffer9@gmail.com



LECOMPTON UNITED METHODIST CLOTHES CLOSET

The Lecompton United Methodist Church clothes closet is located in the former high school (LCE building) 620 E. Woodson Ave. 3rd floor.

The closet is open the 3rd Saturday each month, 9a-12p; volunteers are available for questions assistance if needed.

Anyone in need of clothing may come to the closet. Gently used clothing and lines are accepted at the clothes closet. Winter is approaching and if anyone has any gently used quilts, blankets that they would like to donate please let us know as some families do not have these items.

All items are free.

We can always use gently used infant, children, teens, men and women’s clothing.

In case of emergency need please contact Gina Clements (785)213-1168, Karmell Thacker (785-766-6603)

Mary Sue Sledd or Linda Smith for assistance

If you have any questions or are interested in more information, volunteering or making a donation, please contact Gina Clements- by phone: (785) 213-1168 - by email: gclement_1@yahoo.com

CHRISTMAS SHOPPE

Currently collection donations for sale at the end of November. No TV's, electronics or clothes

November 22nd, November 29th and December 6th - 9am-2p

Keep an eye out for postings on FACEBOOK & around town

Shop the Lecompton Community Empowerment Sale
for all Your Holiday Décor!

ADOPT A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS

For families who have children in the Perry Lecompton USD 343 School District - infant to 18 years.

The elementary schools (Lecompton and Perry) will be sending forms home with children in late October to be returned to school no later than November 10th. If your child is not in elementary school, please contact Lecompton Elementary School secretary (Meta Hetrick) to get a form to fill out and return to the school by November 10th

Adopt a family/angel tags should be available on the tree at LUMC by November 16th

Any tags left on the tree by December 1st will be pulled to allow the team to complete shopping.

The church will be accepting monetary donations also (cash preferred).

Anyone taking a tag will need to bring gifts to the church by Sunday December 7th

Please wrap gifts and include the tags on the outside of the gift.

For Families receiving assistance, gifts may be picked up on Saturday December 20th, on the East side of the Church basement from 8:30am-10:00am

If you want to make a donation (any amount helps!) please send to:

Adopt a Family Attn: Mary Jane Hoffer P.O. Box 93 Lecompton, KS 66050

If we have late requests we will try to fill them, but it may not be possible.

Please keep an eye out for future dates for gift pickups

For more information contact Mary Jane Hoffer by phone: (785) 393-3382 or by email: mjhoffer9@gmail.com



Lecompton United Methodist Church Choir

Presents "One Small Child"

Sunday December 22nd @ 9:45am

In the LUMC Sanctuary

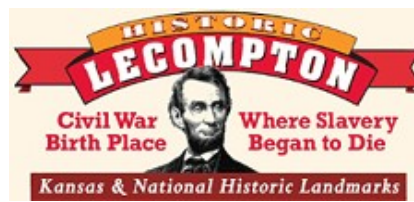


Lecompton United Methodist Church – 402 Elmore St

November 4th – Election Day Dinner

Turkey Dinner & Desserts

Serving 3:30p-6:30p Dine in or Carry out – Free will Donation



The Lecompton Historical Society is a group of volunteers dedicated to learning about and preserving the history and culture of the Lecompton area. It operates the Territorial Capital Museum at 640 E. Woodson located between the ball park and the gymnasium, the First Democratic Headquarters at Bald Eagle Park on East Second Street, as well as the historic City Jail just North of Constitution Hall on Elmore Street. Constitution Hall is a National Landmark and State Historic Site.

Visit the museums and learn about our city's and area's role in the Pre-Civil War era.

The Lecompton Historical Society (LHS) meets monthly on the 2nd Thursday, beginning with a pot luck dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by a program. Everyone is welcome! For more information call 785-887-6148

Territorial Capital Museum: Wed-Sat 11:00am-4:00pm; Sun 1:00-5:00pm

Constitution Hall: Wed-Sat 9am – 5pm; Sun 1:00-5:00pm



September 27, 2025

Please join the community in celebrating Lecompton's history by attending Lecompton Territorial Days!

Territorial Day 2024 was a great success! Between the pancake breakfast and the live music street dance we had a cakewalk, inflatables, carnival rides, a parade, games, craft booths and food trucks plus a performance by the PLHS Band. Territorial Day 2025 will take place ***Saturday, September 27, 2025.***

Look for the schedule at any local business plus City Hall and the Post Office.

For information about joining the Territorial day committee to volunteer contact Vickie Clark 785.249.8998 or sign up on Facebook at Lecompton Territorial Day

MAPLE GROVE CEMETERY NEWS

Policy Statement

Due to the increasing challenge of maintaining the beauty and uniformity of this sacred space along with the increasing cost and maintenance time required, the following guidelines have been adopted by the board.

Artificial flowers are encouraged year round when placed at headstones. An exception will be made for Memorial Day. However, the flowers must be limited to the headstone area by 10 days following Memorial Day.

Permanent plantings with thorns and large mature bushes are not allowed.

Above ground headstones are permitted. No other above-ground statuary is permitted unless it is at the headstone.

All non-complying plantings and statuary need to be removed in a timely manner.

These guidelines have been adopted in order to be fair to everyone.

We would appreciate your cooperation before the mowing season begins. Thank you.

CEMETERY BOARD

President: Vacancy
Treasurer: Sherri Neill * (785) 887-6155
Members: Paul Bahnmaier
Greg Howard



Please contact Sherri Neill for more information or with any questions.
If you would like to be on the Cemetery Board, please call Sherri Neill



Consolidated Fire District #1

Consolidated Fire District #1 is proud to continue providing fire and medical emergency response for the north and central communities of Douglas County, including Lecompton and the surrounding rural area. We have spent some time looking at the historic structures in the city, as well as several other buildings in the area. We look forward to our participation at Territorial Days, Perry-Lecompton HS Homecoming parade, and the City of Lecompton Santa Event.

Station 151 (415 Boone, Lecompton) remains staffed 10 days a month for 24 hour shifts. The CFD#1 is working towards staffing Station 151 full-time Firefighter/EMS in 2026. Firefighters and Medical personnel from Station 151 responded to over 350 emergency calls in the greater Lecompton area in 2024.

CFD#1 Firefighter training remains focused on providing safe, effective, and efficient response for the citizens of Lecompton and the whole of Douglas County. Movement of personnel and equipment is coordinated to quickly contain fires and have highly trained medical responders available where needed.

Consolidated Fire District #1 is primarily a Volunteer Department. We are always seeking people that are interested in serving the community and learning new skills. Firefighter and Hazardous Materials training, including certifications, is provided in-house. Reimbursement may be available upon successful completion of EMR or EMT courses. Applications may be obtained at Station 151 or Station 111 (300 W 31st St, Lawrence, KS).

We look forward to continuing to provide quality emergency services to the community, and we believe that the best is yet to come.

- Fire Chief John Mathis

TRUNK OR TREAT ON ELMORE STREET

Saturday October 25th, 2025

6P-7:30P

Candy Trunkers can angle park at designated spots along Elmore Street until 5:50p

Treaters may start at 6:00pm

Angled Parking for trick o'treaters/Families will be provided at the Lecompton United Methodist Church Parking lot

The parking area is off Woodson Ave between the post office and the Lecompton United Methodist Church



Lecompton Holiday Parade December 6th, Line up begins at 5:30p - parade starts at 5:50pm.
Meet at the Perry-Lecompton Grade School with your Holiday decorated Golf Cart, Lawn Mower, Side by Side,
or Kids battery powered vehicle (please NO full size cars/trucks or motorcycles)

Final arrival at the Lecompton Community Building 333 Elmore
Where Santa will countdown to light up the park and visit with the kids
Come inside to enjoy cookies and hot cocoa!



City Santa Visit & Holiday Park Lighting

Join us for a countdown to light up the City Park
Stay to enjoy a visit from a jolly man in a red suit

When: Saturday December 6th 2025

Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Where: 333 Elmore, Lecompton Communiuty Building



Holiday Lighting Contest

The City of Lecompton is looking for your participation in this year's holiday yard lighting contest.

Contestants must register with the Lecompton City office by December 11th (785) 887-6407.

1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be given

Awards announced on December 16th, during the City Council Meeting

HONEYCREEK WASTE DISPOSAL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Any pickup day BEFORE the holiday will be picked up on regular schedule. If the Holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, your pickup day WILL NOT CHANGE.

When your trash pickup day falls on an observed holiday OR on any day following the holiday in the same week your pickup schedule will be ONE DAY LATER THAN NORMAL.

Normal schedule will resume on the following Monday.

Memorial Weekend	1 day late	Thanksgiving	on schedule
July 4	on schedule	Christmas	on schedule
Labor Day	1 day late	New Year's 2026	on schedule

DATES TO CLIP AND SAVE!

Empty Nesters Winery Small Town Saturday Nights: 9/6-10/18 5p-7p

Game Night Every Thursday 6:30P-8P

Karaoke Every Friday 4p-7p

TERRITORIAL DAY – Saturday September 27th, 2025

LCE SOUP SUPPER & BINGO NIGHT - October 11th Soup Supper -5p-6:30p

620 E Woodson Ave - BINGO @ 6:30p-8p

*Free will donations accepted for Soup Supper

Trunk or Treat Elmore St – October 25th, 2023 @ 6p-7:30p

Advanced Voting: November 1st 8a-4p (Community Building 333 Elmore)

General Election - November 4th @ 7a-7p (Community Building 333 Elmore St.)

City park lighting, Santa Event - December 6th @ 6:00p

Holiday Vespers – December 7th @ 2pm Territorial Capital Museum

Vintage Christmas Display – November 1st – January 4th, 2026

Open Wed-Sat: 10a-4p & Sun 1p-5p

LCE Christmas Shoppe – Saturdays Nov. 22nd, 29th & Dec 6th @ 9a-2p

Holiday Parade – Saturday December 6th @5:30 (line up at LES) Parade starts at 5:50P

City Santa & Holiday Park Lighting – Saturday December 6th @ 6p 333 Elmore

LCE Price Is Right Game Show – January 2026 – Official date to be announced

Fun game with real prizes

For more information to follow at www.lecomptonks.org

Bleeding Kansas Lecture Series 2026 – February 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, March 1st & March 8th @ 2pm

Constitution Hall – 319 Elmore St.

2026 Lecompton Community Empowerment Rummage Sale – Dates to be announced



Shop Lecompton First!



POST OFFICE HOURS:

Mon-Fri: 8:00am-12:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am-10:30am