



NEWSLETTER

November 2023

Discover the Heart of Hays: The Benefits of Shopping Local

Hays, known for its rich history and vibrant culture, has a lot to offer. One of the ways we can nurture our community's growth is by embracing the benefits of local shopping. In this article, we'll explore why supporting our local businesses is not only good for the heart of Hays but also for our own well-being.

Unique Experiences

Shopping locally has a direct and positive impact on our local economy. When you spend your money at Hays-based businesses, you're helping create jobs, stimulate economic growth, and increase the tax revenue that supports essential community services like schools, parks, and infrastructure improvements. This economic boost is a win-win for everyone.

Community Involvement

Hays offers a delightful mix of unique, locally-owned shops that you won't find anywhere else. Whether you're searching for one-of-a-kind gifts, home décor, or fashion, our local retailers provide a personal touch.

Each store has its own character, making shopping in Hays a memorable experience.

Long-term Prosperity

Local businesses are more invested in the communities they serve. They often support local charities, schools, and events. By choosing to shop locally, you indirectly contribute to the well-being of the community through the businesses' active involvement

in local causes and initiatives.

Keeps Hays Unique

Every community has a distinct identity, and Hays is no exception. Our local businesses are a key part of what makes Hays unique. When you shop local, you help preserve and celebrate the distinct character and culture of our town, ensuring that it remains a place that people are proud to call home.

Convenience

Shopping locally can be incredibly convenient. With Hays' small-town charm, businesses are often located close to residential neighborhoods, reducing travel time and making your shopping trips efficient and hassle-free.

Strengthens Community

The success of local businesses directly contributes to the long-term prosperity of Hays. When local businesses thrive, they can expand, hire more employees, and invest in our community. This means more opportunities for everyone in Hays, from job seekers to aspiring entrepreneurs.

Shopping locally in Hays, Kansas, is not just a shopping choice; it's an investment in the heart and soul of our community. It strengthens our community bonds, boosts our local economy, and ensures a thriving future for Hays.

The next time you consider where to shop, we encourage you to choose our local businesses. It's a small but impactful step towards making Hays an even better place to

live, work, and play.

As we head into the holiday season, let's remember that the power to make a difference in our community is in our hands. Choose to shop local and celebrate the unique spirit of Hays while enjoying the numerous benefits that come with it.

And thank you for your ongoing support of our vibrant community!



**SUPPORT
ELLIS COUNTY
BUSINESSES
THIS HOLIDAY
SEASON!**

**Chamber Cheques are
a convenient way to
support local
businesses!**

**Find the order form
inside!**

GET YOURS TODAY

Sarah's Space



As we enter the holiday season, I'm reminded of the magic that surrounds this time of year.

The twinkling lights, the cheerful carolers, and the joyous gatherings with loved ones all contribute to the warm and festive atmosphere that we cherish.

It's a time when our community comes together to celebrate, and it's also a time when we have the power to make a profound impact on our local businesses.

Shopping local is not just a choice; it's an investment in our community's well-being.

According to Nasdaq.com's 2023 Holiday Shopping Season Insights and Trends published on October 24th, "Retailers and brands have a reason to be optimistic for the

upcoming holiday season as projections are showing a little over \$1.5 trillion in sales." Amazon recently reported their strongest October Prime Fall Sale to date.

If we want to maintain a strong business culture and climate in Ellis County, we must all do our part to purchase as many items locally as possible this holiday season. Whether you are buying food to prepare your holiday feast, purchasing decorations or furnishings to adorn your home or business, or finding that magical holiday gift for each of your loved ones, we encourage you to cherish your fellow community members by shopping locally. Show your financial support to those who continuously invest to make our community such a special place to call home and be sure to spend last year's Chamber Cheques while shopping!

From our chamber family to yours, we extend our sincerest note of appreciation and thanksgiving for all you do to support our organization and community throughout the year. Happy Thanksgiving, friends!

Yours in service,

Sarah A. Wasinger

MISSION | Accelerating business connections and advocating community advancement

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Welcome to Our Newest Members!

The businesses listed recently made an important investment by joining The Chamber.

Please consider them for your needs, and let them know you learned about their business through The Chamber.



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Women Who Lead

Election forum



On Oct. 17 The Chamber in Hays, Kansas, in a partnership with the American Democracy Project, FHSU Student Government Association, FHSU Docking Institute of Public Affairs, and the Tiger Media Network hosted an election

forum providing voters in the city of Hays and USD 489 district boundaries the opportunity to learn about each of the candidates and their stances on important community issues at the Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center on the campus of Fort Hays State University.

This event was sponsored by Midwest Energy and The Hays Daily News.

As the election nears, those that could not attend the event in person are encouraged to replay the forum at [youtube.com/watch?v=YWDYS_wIXpY&t=590s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YWDYS_wIXpY&t=590s).

Chamber office November holiday hours

The Chamber in Hays, Kansas' office will be closed on Nov. 10 for Veteran's Day and Nov. 23-24 for Thanksgiving.

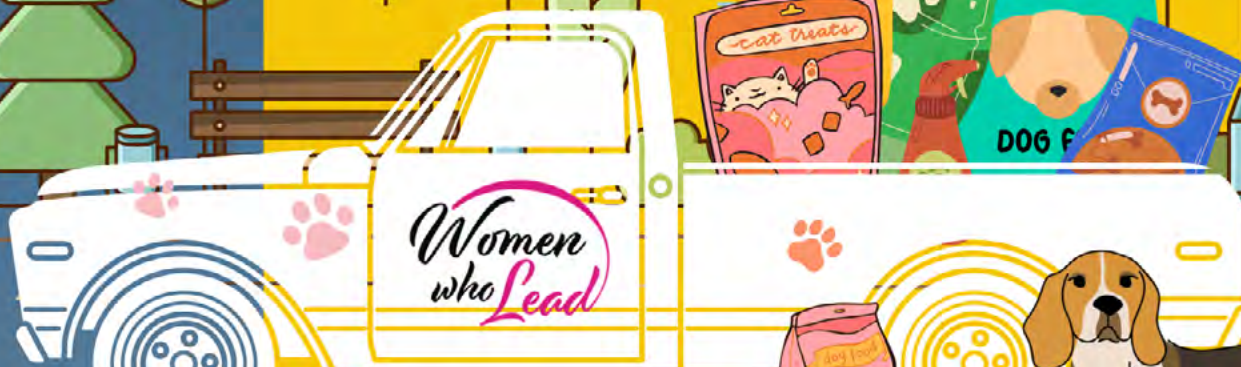
FILL THE TRUCK

While we "Light Up"
the Hays DOG Park
**Join us Wednesday,
November 8th, 2023**

5:30 PM

at the Hays Dog Park

Help us fill the bed of the truck for
the Humane Society of the High Plains
and other shelters needs.



Fill the truck at
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Until November 7th

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Women who Lead

We are "Lighting Up" The Hays DOG Park

Thank you to our
Wonderful "Light the Park" Sponsors



Midwest Energy, Inc.



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Hays, Kansas 67601

A special thank you to the Business and Individual Community sponsors that donated to make this project a success!

And thank you to our yearly Women Who Lead sponsors.

Also a special thank you to the members of WOMEN WHO LEAD for their dedication to the project!



FIRST CARE CLINIC WELCOMES NURSE PRACTITIONER



First Care Clinic is pleased to announce that Alexis Ibarra, APRN has joined its medical staff. Alexis obtained her Doctor of Nursing Practice from Fort Hays State University. She is a Board-Certified Family Nurse Practitioner with American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

"We are excited to welcome Lexi

to our staff. We look forward to her contributions as we continue to grow and expand our patient services." said Eric Flax, CEO.

"Lexi did her clinical preceptorship with First Care Clinic, and we were so impressed that we offered her a position in our clinic. She is very knowledgeable and is kind and compassionate with patients. We are very fortunate to have her," stated Dr. Christine Fisher, Medical Director.

First Care Clinic welcomes all patients and accepts all major insurances. A sliding fee scale discount is also available to those who qualify. Patients can request an appointment at firstcareclinic.com or by calling First Care Clinic at (785) 621-4990.



SBDC offers free classes

The Kansas Small Business Development Center will be offering several FREE classes in celebration of Global Entrepreneurship Week.



All events can be found here: <https://ksbdc.ecenterdirect.com/events?reset=1>

Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Virtual

Podcasting for Profit: Master the Art of Business Podcasting

Wednesday, November 15, 2023,

9:00-11:00 a.m., Virtual

International Trade Opportunities and Resources Webinar

Friday, November 17, 2023, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Virtual and In-Person

Trademark Essentials: What You Need to Protect Your Business

Friday, November 17, 2023, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., Virtual

How to work with U.S. Patent & Trademark Office



K-State Research and Extension plans Regional Community Visit

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Research and Extension

K-State Research and Extension Regional Community Visit will be November 7th from 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at the Great Bend Events Center, 3111 10th St., Great Bend, KS, or 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at the Bullseye Event Center, 118 Kansas Avenue, Norton,

KS. Everyone is invited to attend these community events, where K-State leaders and students will host a dialogue about university and community connections and the student experience. A focus will be on the future of enhancing the successful partnerships and positive relationships with and between communities in the regions surrounding Great Bend, Hays, Norton, Phillipsburg and Smith Center. For more information or to RSVP visit: <https://www.k-state.edu/president/initiatives/regional-community-visits/schedule/barton-ellis-norton-phillips-smith-counties/>

Sunflower Bank launches Community Partner Award

Sunflower Bank is pleased to announce the creation of their new Community Partner Award program to recognize outstanding individuals and organizations in their bank communities. Award recipients will receive grants of \$3,000 to \$15,000 each to be used in support of their ongoing efforts with a grand total of \$80,000 to be donated to seventeen awardees. Nominations are open to the public from October 11 – November 15, and each bank community is encouraged to

nominate local partners for one of the five Empowerment awards.



Check donation presentations will be held throughout the month of December.

Community Partner Award

winners will be chosen from nominees that:

- Demonstrate exceptional focus on community enhancement through their work; or
- Support one of our main impact areas: affordable housing, economic development, financial education, or community services; or
- Help create stronger communities that are diverse, equitable, inclusive, and modeled to create opportunities for all.

Call for Content

Would you like to see your business featured here?

Email your newsworthy story, up to 150-words along with a headshot if applicable, to hayscc@hayschamber.com. Contact us for any questions.



Alzheimer's Association-Central & Western Kansas Chapter continues fundraising effort

The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's event in Hays is over, but the fundraising is not!

The Hays community is nearly halfway to their goal of \$19,000 and fundraising continues through the end of

the year.

55,000 people are living with Alzheimer's disease in Kansas. Additionally, more than 89,000 Kansas caregivers are providing unpaid care, valued at more than \$1.9 billion, to their loved ones with Alzheimer's.

Fundraising is made easy, and participation is free!

Those who raise \$100 will receive a Walk event T-shirt. Donations can be made at act.alz.org/hays or mailed to

the Alzheimer's Association at 535 W. Douglas, Suite 150 Wichita, KS 67213.

The Alzheimer's Association is proud to partner with Heartland Credit Union, FHSU Senior Companion Program, BCBS, KWCH, XPRESS SIGNS AND GRAPHICS, USAVE Pharmacy, Clinkscales Elder Law, HaysMed, and Bank of Hays for the Walk in Hays.

The Alzheimer's Association is dedicated to Alzheimer's care, support, and research.



Save the dates for the 2024 FHSU Job Fairs!

Teacher Exploration & Employment Fair – 2/13/24

Werth College Career Fair – 2/26/24

Health & Wellness Career Fair – 3/8/24



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Each of these will take place in the Memorial Union.

Registration will open at least a month before the scheduled date. We will send email notices to past participants and those who have Handshake accounts and asked to be included on our notification list. If a community business representative indicates they would like to be notified, please have them contact Career Services.

Lifetime Dental Care hosts free clinic



On Friday, October 6th, Lifetime Dental Care hosted their annual "Seek 2 Serve Donated Dental Day."

Staff and volunteers saw patients in need of dental care from Hays and surrounding communities, and donated \$17,289 worth of services.

They host two annual free clinics a year for those without insurance and in significant need of dental treatment.

They serve adults in October, and in February, during National Children's Dental Health month, they have another day of free services for children, 18 and under.

LDC loves giving back to the community and ensuring healthiness for all patients.



Hope Tree Christmas for Kids

**Help us make Christmas a little brighter for
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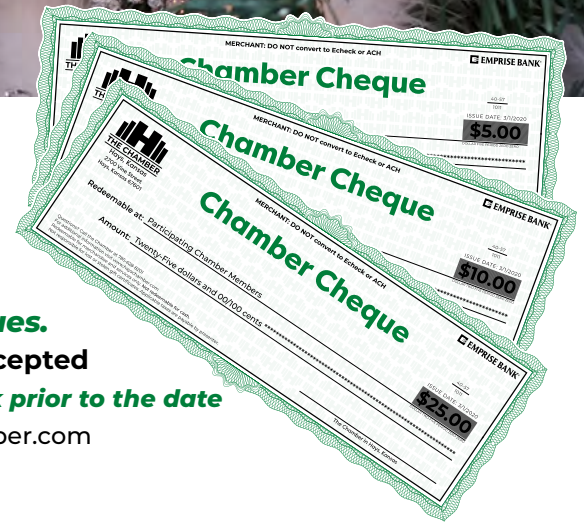
KEEP LOCAL and shop Hays!

**Get your holiday shopping
done early by reserving your
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CHAMBER CHEQUE ORDER FORM

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family and friends this year with the gift of Chamber Cheques.**

Available in quantities of \$5, \$10, or \$25, Chamber Cheques are accepted
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Payment must accompany order

If using credit card, please call the office to process the payment



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Chamber, Nex-Tech share AI possibilities



The Chamber in Hays, Kansas, hosted an AI Content Generation Workshop on Tuesday, October 24.

The event provided attendees with invaluable insights into how generative AI tools can transform and enhance their business efforts.

Justin McClung, Director of Operational Support Services at Nex-Tech, was the featured speaker, offering his expertise in navigating the evolving landscape of AI technology.

One of the main focuses of the workshop was the advancement of technology in the realm of AI content generation. McClung stressed the importance of staying current with the latest developments in the field, given the rapid pace of innovation.

He emphasized that AI-powered tools are no longer futuristic concepts but tangible solutions that can be integrated

into various business processes to improve productivity and efficiency.

Throughout the event, attendees were introduced to a variety of AI tools that are making waves in the industry. Among the notable mentions was ChatGPT, a cutting-edge language model and image generator Midjourney. ChatGPT is designed to generate human-like text and can be leveraged for customer support, content creation, and more. Its versatility and natural language understanding capabilities were showcased as valuable assets for businesses seeking to enhance their communication and content generation processes.

Adobe Photoshop, a widely recognized tool for image editing and manipulation, was also discussed in the context of AI. Attendees were introduced to how AI-powered features in Photoshop can streamline image editing processes and enhance creativity.

One of the key takeaways from the workshop was the importance of sharing best practices for utilizing AI tools effectively. McClung encouraged attendees to collaborate and exchange insights to optimize the integration of AI into their respective business models and the importance of continuous learning to stay abreast of AI advancements.

<p>Your Business Featured Here!</p> <p><i>*Contact The Chamber for more information!</i></p>	<p>LIFETIME DENTAL CARE Health. Function. Beauty.</p> <p>(785) 625-7969 lifetimedentalcare.com</p>	<p>ELLIS COUNTY CONCRETE HAYS, KS 785-626-2100</p>	<p>Walmart</p> <p>4301 Vine Street Hays, KS 67601 (785) 625-0001 wal-mart.com</p>
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November MDC Workshop - First Impressions Matter: A Customer Service Workshop

Do you or your team members need a refresher on customer service skills?

Join us for such topics as how to handle upset customers/co-workers, how to communicate more effectively utilizing the 4 styles, telephone etiquette, how to best represent yourself on the job and more.

Looking ahead: the MDC anticipates releasing a winter workshop schedule and the SHRM certification prep course information on or around December 1.

More info here: <https://www.fhsu.edu/cob/mdc/Upcoming-Workshops/> or connect with Sabrina at slwilliam@fhsu.edu or 785-628-4124.

Igniting Leadership session scheduled for Nov. 8



Calling all Leadership Hays and Dale Carnegie graduates and any local leaders who enjoy synergizing with others on how to improve Hays and the surrounding area!

Igniting Leadership is facilitated by 2022 Leadership Hays graduate Laurie Kennedy.

Each month, the time of Igniting Leadership will alternate between a noon lunch session and a 5:30 p.m. dinner option on the second Wednesday of every month.

The November session will be at noon and will be hosted at Professor's Classic Sandwich Shop & More, 521 E 11th St.

Anyone who is interested in flexing leadership muscle is welcome to attend.

The cost of meals and drinks will be the responsibility of attendees to cover.

Hays Public Library Director Brandon Hines will be November's featured speaker.

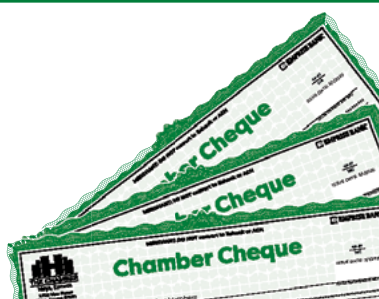
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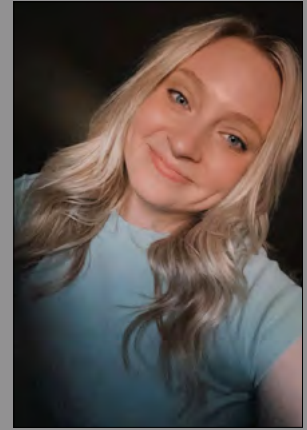
Wednesday, November 22 - 12:00 p.m.
*Paisley Pear Wine Bar, Bistro & Market,
1100 Main St. Hays*

Holiday Social

Thursday, November 30 - 5:00 p.m.
STEM Harvest, 507 Main St., Hays

Welcome to our newest members

Emprise Bank Madison Streit



"I hope to grow and build connections with others in the Hays area! I am looking forward to expanding on my professional career, meet new people, and give back to the community in any way that I can."

FHSU - Residential Life Haysley Kelty



"I want to be more involved in my community."

HYP scholarships available

Scholarship funds are available for eligible HYP members!

HYP members will be required to fill out a scholarship application 60 days prior to the event they would like to attend and will

receive reimbursement after the event (up to \$50 in a calendar year) for the learning/leadership event they choose to attend.

Priority will be given to HYP members attending local events.



Presentation by
MARY KOHN

Kohn is an associate professor of English and the director of the Chapman Center for Rural Studies at Kansas State University.



You Say Tomato, I say Tomahto:

Evolution of Language in Kansas

We've all heard that newscasters are trained to speak with a Midwest accent—the so-called “accent from nowhere.” In fact, language reflects people, history, and community. It is intimately tied to our immigrant past, a foundation that, surprisingly, is always changing.



Join us for refreshments and discussion.

7:00pm | 7th & Main
THURSDAY | DOWNTOWN
Nov. 16, 2023 | **HAYS**

more info 785-628-2624 www.echshays.org

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Special thanks to Golden Belt Bank for sponsoring this insert!

Leadership Book Club



**13 WAYS TO KILL YOUR COMMUNITY
BOOK DISCUSSION**
Hays Public Library
1205 Main St., Hays

Catching Up



NCK TECH
2205 Wheatland Ave., Hays



HIGH PLAINS MENTAL HEALTH
208 E. 7th St., Hays



**USD 489 FOUNDATION FOR
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21344 Fariground Rd., Hays

Chamber Chats



**DOWNTOWN HAYS DEVELOPMENT
CORP.**
1200 Main St., Hays



WOMEN WHO LEAD
1200 Main, St. Ste. 102, Hays

Click on photos to be taken to the event replay!

Membership Lunches



SEPTEMBER LUNCH

Program: Rural Opportunity Zones Program
Speaker: Sheena Thomas, ROZ Program Manager
Sponsor: Rose Garden Banquet Hall & Catering
 2350 E. 8th St., Hays



OCTOBER LUNCH

Program: FHSU Updates
Speaker: Tisa Mason, FHSU President
Sponsor: Nex-Tech
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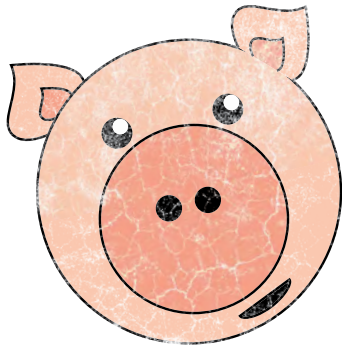
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☐ \$100 - Grower

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- Event signage

☐ \$250 - Cultivator

Grower level items +

- Save the date card distributor
- Booth space with 2 staff attending

☐ \$700 - Barnraiser

Grower and Cultivator level items +

- \$25 Chamber Cheque giveaway in sponsor's name
- Promotion social media video placement
- Videos played during event
- Save the date sponsor listing
- Booth space with 3 staff attending

☐ \$1000 - Title

Grower, Cultivator, and Barnraiser level items +

- Event naming
- Branded swag bag option
- Guest welcome placement
- Featured item per bag (\$5-10 item)
- Radio interview guest spot
- Booth space with 5 staff attending

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December 15

Please select one option

- ☐ Will drop off items to the Chamber **Feb. 20, 2024.**
- ☐ Need Chamber to pick up

☐ Door prize provided



COMMUNITY EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2023

- 11/1-11/21: **"Along the Santa Fe Trail" paintings exhibit by Cally Krallman** | Hays Arts Center
- 11/1-12/21: **Expedition Dinosaur: Rise of the Mammals** | Sternberg Museum
- 11/2: **Triston Marez with David Adam Byrnes & Mila Rae** | 6:30 PM | The Fox Theatre
- 11/3: **1920's Mafia Marriage Murder Mystery Dinner & Show** | 5:30 PM | Strand Event Center
- 11/4: **Hays Recreation Commission Turkey Trot 5K & 10K** | 9 AM | Dusty Glassman Ballfields
- 11/4: **51st Annual Peddlers' Fair** | 9 AM-1:30 PM | First United Methodist Church
- 11/4: **Hays Area Ducks Unlimited Annual Banquet** | 5 PM | Ellis County Fairgrounds
- 11/7: **Hays Hall of Fame Award Ceremony** | 4:30 PM | NCK Tech Dreiling-Business Occupations Center
- 11/7: **NCK Tech Community & Alumni Social Event** | 6:30 PM | Defiance Taproom
- 11/7: **Square Dancing** | 7-9 PM | Hays Senior Center
- 11/9-11/11: **Downtown Holiday Open Houses**
- 11/9-11/12: **Hays High School Music & Theatre presents: Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street**
Rockwell Administration Building
- 11/9-11/12: **FHSU Department of Music & Theatre presents: Silent Sky** | Felten/Start Theatre
- 11/9-11/13: **The ARC of Central Plains Festival of Trees/Online Auction**
- 11/9: **Beginner Pie Making** | 6 PM | Hays Public Library
- 11/10: **Cody Canada & The Departed with Jarat Ray Reddick & Tyler Byrd** | 6:30 PM | The Fox Theatre
- 11/11: **Veterans Day Program & Lunch** | 11 AM | VFW Hall
- 11/11: **Puzzle Competition** | 1-3 PM | Hays Public Library
- 11/12: **Stars & Stripes Breakfast** | 7:30 AM-12 PM | VFW Hall
- 11/14: **Trivia Night: Disney** | 6:30 PM | Paisley Pear
- 11/16: **Thanksgiving at the Library** | 5-7 PM | Hays Public Library
- 11/16: **"You Say Tomato, I say Tomahto: Evolution of Language in Kansas" by Mary Kohn** | 7 PM
Ellis County Historical Society Museum
- 11/17: **Hailey Whitters with Autumn Ragland** | 6:30 PM | The Fox Theatre
- 11/17: **Kids Night Out - Turkey Trot** | 7-9 PM | Heartland Academy of Hays
- 11/18: **Bright Lights for Little Tykes** | 5-11 PM | Strand Event Center
- 11/18: **Live Music by Murphy's Mountain Kings** | 8-10 PM | Paisley Pear
- 11/23: **Annual Ellis County Ministerial Alliance Community Thanksgiving Feast** | 11 AM-1 PM
Kansas National Guard
- 11/24: **Santa Arriving at Big Creek Crossing** | 10 AM-5 PM
- 11/24-12/30: **Christmas at Creek Side** | Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays 6-11 PM | Creek Side Resort RV Park
- 11/25: **KSHSAA Football State Championship** | 1 PM | Lewis Field Stadium
- 11/25: **Annual Tree Lighting** | 5-6:30 PM | Union Pacific Park
- 11/25: **Live Music by Brad Dawson** | 8-10 PM | Paisley Pear
- 11/28: **Plymouth Schoolhouse Christmas Open House** | 3-4:30 PM | FHSU Campus
- 11/29: **Tiger Trivia** | 5:30 PM | Defiance Downtown
- 11/30-12/2: **Annual Gerald Mitchell Hays City Shootout** | Hays High School



Fort Hays State University Athletics Schedule: FHSUAthletics.com

2700 Vine St., Hays, KS 67601 • 785-628-8202
Details and more events at VisitHays.com



for events



November

SAT	SUN	M	T	W	TH	F
				1 • HYP, Leadership Over Lattes, 7:30 AM Breathe Coffee House 703 B Main St. • RC, The Gamers Guild 4:00 PM 200 E. 8th St.	2 • HYP, Networking & Engagement Committee Meeting, 12:05 PM WC, 2700 Vine St. • HYP, First Thursday Social Meeting, 5:15 PM Golden Q 809 Ash	3 • RC/CC, Grabbe Law Office, 9:00 AM, WC, 2700 Vine St.
4	5	6	7	8 • IL, 12:00 PM Professor's Classic Sandwich Shop & More 521 E 11th Street • CU, Hays Area Children's Center, 4:00 PM 94 Lewis Dr.	9 • HYP, Advisory Council Meeting, 12:00 PM WC, 2700 Vine Street • Lunch & Learn, 12:00 PM Speaker: Kaley Conner, James Gerstner Program: Coping with Holiday Blues & Stress The Venue at Thirsty's Brew Pub & Grill 2704 Vine St. #B	10 • Chamber Closed - Veterans Day
11	12	13	14	15	16 • Child Care Provider Professional Development Series, 6:00 PM Rose Garden Banquet Hall & Catering 2350 E. 8th St.	17 • CC, Kat's Hallmark, 9:00 AM, 1003 Main St.. • AMB, Monthly Lunch, 12:00 p.m. Rose Garden Banquet Hall & Catering 2350 E. 8th St.
18	19	20	21 • Chamber BOD Meeting, 3:30 PM WC, 2700 Vine St.	22 • HYP, LDC Meeting, 12:00 PM, Paisley Pear Wine Bar, Bistro, & Market 1100 Main St.	23 • Chamber Closed - Thanksgiving	24 • Chamber Closed - Thanksgiving
25	26	27	28 • Child Care Task Force of Ellis County Meeting, 4:00 PM, WC, 2700 Vine St.	29	30 • HYP, AMB Holiday Social, 5:00 PM, STEM Harvest 507 Main St.	

ABBREVIATION LEGEND:

AMB = Ambassador	HYP = Hays Young Professionals
BAH = Business After Hours	IL = Igniting Leadership
BP = DHDC Brick Presentation	LH = Leadership Hays
CC = Chamber Chat	LL = Lunch & Learn
CU = Catching Up	ML = Membership Lunch
GB = Groundbreaking	RC = Ribbon Cutting
GO = Grand Opening	WC = Hays Welcome Center

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