

## Letter from the City Clerk

#### Dear Buhler Friends and Neighbors,

As the holiday season approaches, we are excited to celebrate a special tradition that brings us all together in support of what makes our town truly unique — our local small businesses.

**Shop Small Saturday**, held this year on **November 29**, is more than just a shopping day. It's a celebration of the entrepreneurs, family-run shops, artisans, and local services that give Buhler its charm, character, and strength.

When you shop at a local store, grab a bite at a nearby café, or use a hometown service provider, you're doing more than just checking off a holiday list — you're helping to:

- Create local jobs,
- Support families right here in our neighborhoods, and
  - Keep dollars circulating in our local economy.

Our small businesses are the heartbeat of Buhler. They sponsor our kids' sports teams, donate to local causes, light up our Main Street during the holidays, and are always there when the community needs them. Now it's our turn to show up for them.

This **Shop Small Saturday**, we encourage you to take a stroll downtown, explore local vendors, and discover what our amazing small businesses have to offer. Whether it's a handmade gift, a festive meal, or a friendly service — every purchase makes a difference.

Let's make this holiday season a strong one for our community. Shop small. Support local. Strengthen Buhler.

With gratitude, Sara Howard City Clerk showard@buhlerks.org





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### Celebrating Sara Howard's Achievement!

We're proud to share that on October 29, 2025, Sara Howard graduated from the Municipal Clerks Institute — an important milestone on her journey to becoming a Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC)!

To reach this point, Sara dedicated four years to the program, completing numerous online courses, attending in-person classes, and collaborating with fellow clerks on a capstone project during her third year.

Graduating from the institute is only part of the certification process. To earn the official CMC designation, Sara must also complete an application requiring 60 education points and 40 experience points. The institute doesn't cover all of these, so she went the extra mile to find additional learning and professional development opportunities on her own.

This accomplishment reflects years of hard work, persistence, and dedication to serving our community. If you see Sara around town or stop by the office, be sure to offer your congratulations — this is a truly well-earned achievement!



### **Business Spotlight**

#### **Shopaholic Surplus Celebrates Grand Opening**

On November 6, 2025, Shopaholic Surplus officially opened its doors—bringing a fresh, fun twist to the popular "bin store" shopping experience. What began as a small storefront has been thoughtfully expanded and transformed by owner Shelly Bartel into an organized, inviting, and downright charming place to treasure-hunt.

Unlike the typical bin store chaos, Shopaholic Surplus offers neatly arranged finds, a cozy atmosphere, and the joy of discovering great deals without the clutter. Shelly's eye for detail and knack for creating a welcoming space shine through each room, making each visit both enjoyable and memorable.

But what truly sets this new shop apart is Shelly herself. Known for her warm conversations and her love for our small town, she's always happy to share stories, offer recommendations, and connect with customers. Her passion for giving back to the community is woven into everything she does—and it shows.

Stop by Shopaholic Surplus to enjoy a uniquely organized shopping experience, support a local entrepreneur, and celebrate another bright spot in our growing community.





211 N Main
Buhler, KS 67522

316-215-4749

Hours Mon-Fri 10-4:30

Sat:10-3

Facebook



#### **Buhler Wellness Center**

As winter settles in, staying active can be tough — but that's where we come in!

Everyone has different goals and different amounts of time to invest in their health, but we truly believe our community is strongest when each of us prioritizes our personal well-being.

This winter, we encourage you to make a plan, stay consistent, and get a head start on your New Year goals. To help, we're offering two great promotions designed to support healthy living in our community.

Stop by or schedule an appointment for a tour — we'd love to show you around!

#### **Current Promotions:**

- New members get their first month FREE.
  - -Acess card purchase not included
  - -Expires 12/31/25
- Refer a friend and get 50% off your next month's payment

-Ongoing

#### Membership Plans:

- Single \$25 per month
- Family \$40 per month
- Discounted Students & Seniors \$18/Mo
- Mid-Day Movers (limited gym acess- Begin your workout from M-F 9:30am-Noon) 1/2 off memberships!



# Water Tower Painting













City Update and Projects



Water Tower Painting has finished!



82nd Road water line set to start mid to late January and Harvest Hills water loop project is in engineering stage.



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## A Word from Our Pastors

The month of November means cooler temperatures, falling leaves and the Thanksgiving holiday. Hopefully, we're all mindful of being thankful year-round but this season does give us opportunity to intentionally reflect and consider things we are thankful for.

I've noticed, over the years, that there can be an ambiguous or vague sort of approach to being thankful. People can come up with things they are thankful for but are less clear or specific when it comes to who they are thankful to. Gratitude always needs an object. If Aunt Millie gives you a birthday gift you express your appreciation to her. When Mr. Smith gives you a promotion at work you thank him.

This, of course, must also apply to the unseen God in whom we "live and move and have our being" and who holds all things together. He saw fit to send us Jesus, His Son, to be our Lord and Savior. For so many things that only He can do and provide, the God of the universe deserves our gratitude. I hope you remember to thank Him this Thanksgiving.

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16

### **Upcoming Events**

November 25- City Council Meeting @ 7pm 27-28- City Office Closed

December 2-BGS K-2nd Grade Program Matinee @ 12:45pm Evening Program @ 6:30pm

5-5th Quarter-Buhler MB Church after BB game-midnight

5-6-Downtown Christmas Open House (see flyer)

6-Library Christmas Open House (see flyer)

6-50,000 Meals in 2025-8:45am-1pm @ Sand Hills Event Center 6:30pm-7:30pm Middle School Youth at Buhler Mennonite

19-BGS Caroling @ 12:45pm

19-All Schools 2hr early release-Winter Break

24-25-City Office Closed

Weds:

Community Meal at BMC

5:45pm-6:45pm Community Meal at Buher MB

6:30pm-7:30pm JAM @ BMC (6 weeks)

6:45pm-8:10pm Kids 4 Truth Club at Lighthouse

8pm -9pm Youth Group at BMC with Hoffnungsau

6:30pm Youth Group at BMBC







3rd Tuesday Book Club-7-8pm 2nd Thursday Board Meeting-6:30-7:30pm

