

January

2026

# Udall Chit Chat

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## WARM GREETINGS

As we welcome a brand-new year in the City of Udall, we want to extend our warmest wishes to all residents. We appreciate your continued support and are excited to serve you throughout the coming year.

Our Chit-Chats are also available by email in full color with extra features our printer can't provide. Want to be added to the email list? Or have ideas for future editions? Let us know at [courtclerk@cityofudall.com](mailto:courtclerk@cityofudall.com)



## YEAR IN REVIEW

# 2026

## LOOKING AHEAD

Here's to new beginnings, exciting adventures, and more beautiful memories in the coming year.

This past year brought important accomplishments and meaningful growth for Udall. From community events to city improvements, every step forward was made possible by the teamwork of our residents, staff, and volunteers. Your involvement helped strengthen our small-town spirit, and we are truly grateful for your support.

# Annual Town Events Calendar

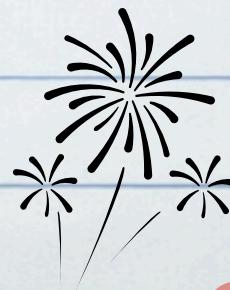
Udall is full of fun, family-friendly events all year long!

From summer festivals to holiday celebrations, there's always something to enjoy in our cozy town.

Keep an eye out for upcoming event dates, times, and detailed information in future newsletters and announcements.



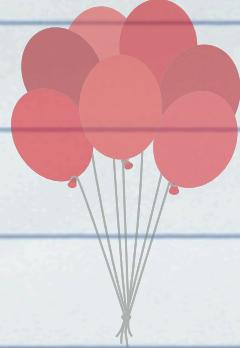
Easter Egg Hunt : Date- TBD



Vaccination Clinic : Date- TBD

Udall Fourth Festival : Date- July 4<sup>th</sup> 2026

Udall Fall Fest- Date- First Weekend in October



Udall Town Christmas: Date- TBD

## Stay Involved

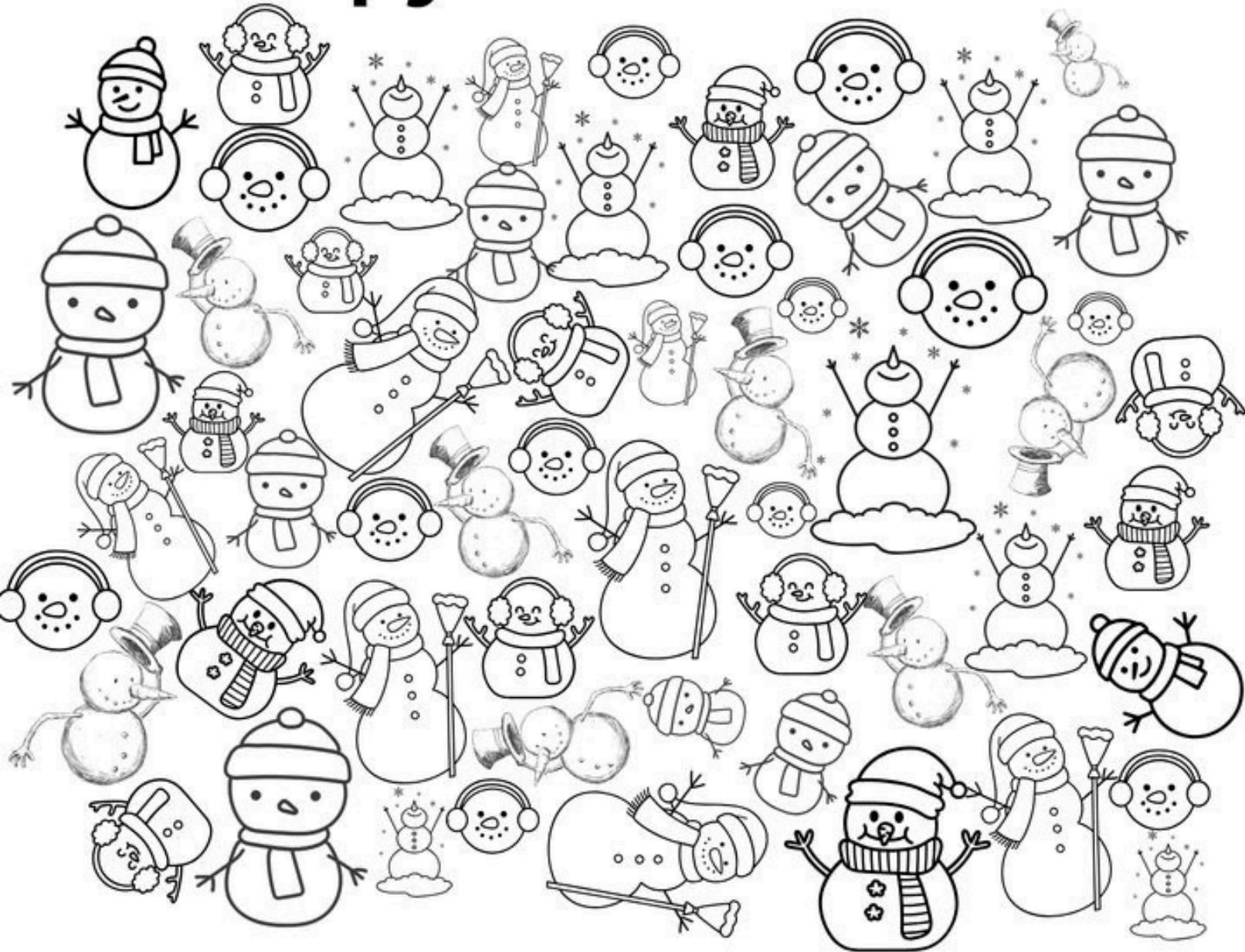
Be on the lookout for specific dates, times, and more information in future newsletters and city announcements. Don't miss your chance to join in the fun!

Interested in volunteering? Contact Presley Cooper at Udall City Hall to learn how you can help make our events special.

We want your ideas! Share suggestions to improve our events or create new community celebrations. Contact Presley Cooper at [courtclerk@cityofudall.com](mailto:courtclerk@cityofudall.com) to have your voice heard.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# I Spy Snowmen



Color and count how many of each and write the number in the box.



UDALL CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
November 12th, 2025

The Udall City Council met for the City Council Meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 6:30pm in the Udall City Hall Council Room. Matt McAllister, Mayor, called the meeting to order. Council members were Dan Rutschman, Randy Hoffman, Jim Caywood, Craig Hopkins, and David Franz. Quorum was established. Also, present were Erik King, Travis Hart, Jennifer Mays, Jack Wellman, and Brandon Foster.

**Meeting brought to order** by McAllister at 6:30pm-**Pledge of Allegiance-Invocation** – Jack Wellman

**Modification to Agenda** – NONE – MOTION to approve the agenda as presented by Caywood. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carries.

MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda by Hoffman. SECONDED by Hoffman. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carries.

**Business from the floor** – None

**CONSENT AGENDA** – MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda by Hoffman. SECONDED by Hoffman. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes. MOTION Carries.

**OLD BUSINESS** 406 N. Clark – Closing date is the 2nd of December

**NEW BUSINESS**

Introduction of new employees

One Stop CMB 2026 – Vote to Accept -

MOTION by Hopkins. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All ayes

**Utility Relocation Phase** – See Harlans Email update - see email from KDOT as well

**T-Mobile Tower Rent** – AT&T and Verizon files are in OneDrive council file. - no update currently

**End of Year Budget Amendments** – No EOY Budget Amendment needed as of 10.31.2025 - contact the county for how to enter the bidding process for road projects here in town.

**City Clerk and Asst City Clerk Positions**, Part time positions, and KPERS – Vote on Handbook Amendments and post to the city website. – Vote on all job description changes and employee handbook revision.

As negotiated with Mrs. Mays - Full benefits, salaried based annually at \$47,320.00 paid biweekly and overtime eligible after 40 hours a week. Also, all amendments to the employee handbook and job descriptions are required.

MOTION by Caywood. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All yes.

**Street Sweeper Re-Sale research** - a guy is coming to look at it tomorrow

**Christmas** – Parade will be sponsored and run by the Fall Festival at 4:30pm.

KPP meeting with Mayor to discuss new Energy transmission lines. Update from Matt. And Vote on 2026 delegates. - Discussion

**Part time positions and KPERS** – Vote on Handbook Amendments and post to the city website. Discussed in #6

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS:

Rutschman - none

Hopkins- wreaths across America dec 13th – volunteers appreciated

Hoffman - none

Franz – employee bonuses? Need to vote on those on the dec 10th

Caywood - Nancy Blum closing – chief needs to keep a close eye on the process and permits

Mayor- we need to think about the internet and network - talk to advantage about what we absolutely need from them with SonicWall - because WST needs to just set it up the way it used to be. Set up a phone conversation with advantage and west.

STAFF REPORTS:

Police Dept - Vote - Pole Contest Prize Money - \$350.00. MOTION by Franz to approve both the PD and Office Christmas monetary requests. SECONDED by Hopkins. McAllister called for a vote. All ayes

Maintenance – contractors and trailer house people turning off their own water – someone over torqued, Travis will talk to the owner and bring him the owner and how much repairs and manhours will be.

Cameras at the shop - trail cam

No more Saturday limb dumps, and residents must now sign in at the city, and we will notify the guys to unlock the door  
Office – Vote - Christmas Candy Budget \$300.00 Christmas Presents Budget \$300.00 All ayes on pd report

ADJOURN: 8:00pm - MOTION to adjourn by Hopkins. SECONDED by Caywood. McAllister called for a vote. All Ayes.

## Udall Historical Society Chili Feed Fundraiser

The Udall Historical Society will host a Chili Feed Fundraiser on Saturday, January 10th, at the Udall Community Building, 102 E. 1st, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

A meal of chili, dessert, and a drink will be available for \$6 (cash only).

Guests can also enter a drawing for 10 pounds of ground beef or a homemade cinnamon roll pan.

Take-out is available, and attendees may bring their own containers. Proceeds support the Udall Museum.



### QUESTION

OF THE MONTH

What's your favorite local tradition?



Email your answers to  
[courtclerk@cityofudall.com](mailto:courtclerk@cityofudall.com).

## Pole Decorating Winners

- 1 Community Board
- 2 Sun Club
- 3 Liz Kosjer

## Congratulations!

The Udall Police Department sincerely thanks all who participated!

### Udall Police Department

As winter continues, please remember to allow extra time when driving in icy conditions and always clear frost from your windows before hitting the road.

### Share Your Winter Photos!

We'd love to include resident submitted photos in future Chit-Chats

Winter landscapes, snowy moments, or community activities

email them to [courtclerk@cityofudall.com](mailto:courtclerk@cityofudall.com) for a chance to be featured.

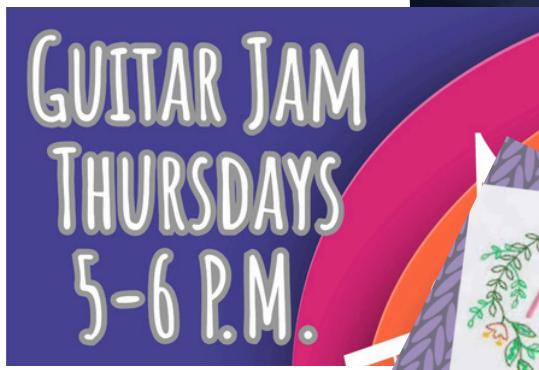


LIBRARY



True Crime Club

Last Thursday  
of every month  
7-8 p.m.



GUITAR JAM  
THURSDAYS  
5-6 P.M.



## Embroidered Tea Towels

Sat., Jan. 10th  
10-Noon

\*up to 12 participants

Do you remember those wonderful towels that  
Grandma always had dozens of in her kitchen? They  
were perfect for everything from rising homemade  
bread to dish drying to ironing! And they ALWAYS had  
something embroidered on them.

Come learn how to make your own special tea towel.  
Beginners welcome!!

Free

Register in the Library or at:  
<https://udallpubliclibrary.squarespace.com/booking>



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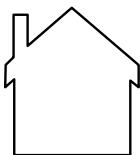




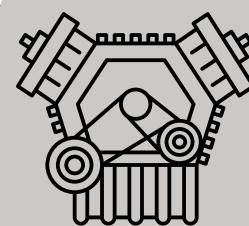
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 	2 Senior Potluck @ 12Pm	3
4	5 Fire Dept. Training 7pm  Library Board Meeting 6:30Pm	6 TOPS Meeting 5:45Pm	7 City Council Work Session 6:30Pm	8	9 Cooperettes Meeting 1:30Pm	10 Udall Historical Society Chili Feed Fundraiser 5PM Library Embroider Event 10Am
11	12	13 Recycle pickup TOPS Meeting 5:45Pm Comm. Bldg Public Meeting 7Pm Court 6Pm	14 City Council Meeting 6:30Pm	15	16 Senior Potluck @ 12Pm  Meter Readings Taken	17
18	19 Fire Dept. Training 7pm  Meter Readings Taken	20 TOPS Meeting 5:45Pm	21	22	23	24
25	26 Fire Dept. EMS Training @6:30Pm	27 Recycle pickup TOPS Meeting 5:45Pm	28	29	30	31

Utility  
Payment  
Due