

List update reveals over 100 home-based businesses

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 An update of the business list for Goodland and Sherman County shows over 100 home-based companies, and the Sherman County Economic Development Council wants to find ways to help them grow and prosper.
 Executive Director Tiffani McMinn told council members Tuesday that office assistant Helen Dobbs, while updating the list, had discovered 102 home-based firms.
 "We would like to do a reception for home-based businesses," McMinn said, "to get to meet these people and let them know what we can do for them. We want to include them in the business web pages."

Don Newell, council chairman from S&T Communications, suggested doing a workshop for the owners.
 "What are we going to talk to them about?" asked Jerry Fairbanks, a council member from First National Bank.
 "We would be talking to them about expanding their business," McMinn said, "and educating them about what is available to help and explain our connection to the Small Business Development Center in Hays and the (state) Department of Commerce."
 "What can we offer them as a way to entice them to be involved?" Fairbanks asked.
 Slough said he thought it would

be important for the Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce to be involved.
 "We need to get to the home-based business owners to let them know we want to have links to their businesses and help them," Fairbanks said.
 "When we get our website finished, we want to give each business a one-page website," McMinn said. "We want to be able to have as comprehensive a listing of businesses and links as possible."
 Harlan D. House, a council member who is a farmer and rancher, suggested inviting about 10 business owners at a time to the office. Fairbanks said it would be better to invite all the owners and see how many

want to come back for a workshop.
 Dobbs said she has a list of 485 businesses in the county, 102 home based.
 "I don't know what some of these businesses do," Dobbs said. "I think there are more businesses out there."
 Chuck Wilkens, a council member and trucking businessman, said it might be good to take the list and send owners a questionnaire to get information about the firms.
 McMinn said she would like to see how it goes with the home-based businesses and then maybe look at doing an extended Main Street business meeting.
 "We have more than one Main Street," McMinn said. "There are lots of things we can do if we can get the business people involved. There is a lot of programs we can bring here for training."
 McMinn pointed out she had suggested a business incubator before, where a small business could pay low rent to get a start and begin moving up the ladder. She said the

idea would be to take an empty building and break it up into small offices for these businesses.
 "They would pay a small fee, like \$50 the first month," she said. "That would increase gradually, and they would have to find their own office location in about a year."
 The council was one short of a quorum, couldn't take any official action, but those present talked about design for a sign to be hung on the Centennial building so it could be easier to find the office on East 10th.
 Fairbanks said he liked the idea

of a sign perpendicular to the building so it could be seen by people on Main Street.
 Fairbanks asked if the other members could be asked about their choice so the sign could be ordered before the next meeting. Newell said the council could approve the sign at the next meeting if there is a quorum present.
 McMinn said she is looking for a couple of people to help put decorative rock around the trees on the south side of the building, saying that would cost about \$200.

Tornadoes miss Goodland, Edson

TORNADO, from Page 1a
 miles west of the Kansas border, a 600-foot-wide tornado ripped through the town, destroying homes and injuring 11. A 28-year-old woman who was flown out to Colorado Springs later died of her injuries. There were reports of up to

60 homes damaged and trees in a park two blocks west of Main Street uprooted.
 The March storm produced heavy snow in the Rocky Mountains west of Denver and up to five inches along the Front Range.
 Johnson said there was a slight chance of thunderstorms to the

northeast of Goodland through Thursday. She said there is a chance for thunderstorms today, but these are not expected to be severe. The weekend looks to be warmer and the sun should come out by Saturday afternoon, she said, with highs in the 60s.

Five vie for school board seats

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 "I wanted to get involved," Wilkens said. "The biggest challenge for the district is the budget."
 "We may be looking at some tough decisions and it will be a challenge. In 1976, the graduating class had around 150 kids and in 2005

there were 61. We are still running the district with the same number of facilities with less kids."
 "I am interested not only in my kids' education, but everyone's."
John Hendrich, 44, also graduated from Goodland High School. He has been a coach and father in

the Young Guns football program for fifth and sixth graders.
 He farms north of Goodland. Hendrich and his wife Kelly have four children, Nicole, John, Hiram and Wence.
 He was out of town and did not return calls for this story.

matters of record

Municipal Court
 These are cases decided by the Goodland Municipal Court:
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Feb. 13: Steven M. Price, illegal tag, fined \$90.
 Thomas West, parked vehicle without current registration, fined \$90.
Feb. 14: Curtis L. Littrell, speeding school zone, 1 to 10 mph over limit, fined \$130.
 Justin D. Lamb, driving while suspended or license revoked, fined \$2,830.
 Nicholas E. Slusher, expired license, fined \$150.
Feb. 20: Christopher J. Stegeman, parked vehicle without current registration, fined \$90.
Feb. 21: Patricia I. Cochran, illegal tag, defective wiper, obstructing windows, diversion, total cost \$230.
Feb. 22: Brandon Douglas, speeding school zone, 13 mph over limit, fined \$154.
 Panya Laongbua, expired license, no drivers license, fined \$150.
Feb. 23: Brennan L. Leiker, unsafe speed, diversion, total cost \$150.
Feb. 28: Shawn Black, speeding in school zone 14 over limit, fined, \$162.
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	Base Acres	DCP/Yld
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