

# Flatlander Festival fun for everyone

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Center, 890-7242, for more information.

Races for the 18th annual Flatlander Fall Classic will give fans more than 12 hours of high-speed action Friday and Saturday on the dirt track at the Sherman County Speedway. Races on Friday begin at 6:30 p.m. and at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Alex West, president of the Sherman County Racing Association, said on Friday the cars in the mini stock, econo, bomber, stock and modified classes will run in qualifying heats to determine starting order for the main events on Saturday.

The Flatlander committee doesn't make money off the street fair, Wood said, but just brings in enough to cover costs. Organizers do the festival to promote Main Street businesses, he said.

In the last two years, he said, they have added the golf tournament and the Sunday Picnic in the Park and plan to add more events, he said; it takes a year to plan some of the events, so there are things being planned now for next year's festival.

This year, he said, the committee added a talent contest. Everyone will compete from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday at the grandstand at 11th and Main, Wood said, and three finalists in each age group will compete at the Sunday picnic from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Chambers Park. Winners will be announced there.

The age groups are 9-12, 13-19 and 20 and up. Each act will be allowed 15 minutes to perform. Three judges will evaluate the contestants on performance, originality and crowd response and interaction.

Each area will be graded on scale of 1-10, said Richard Johnson, festival committee member and owner of Madd Hatter's Music Emporium, with scores entered by a secret ballot. Those will be tabulated at the end of each performance, then compiled at the end of each category to determine first, second and third place.

Winners will be announced and prizes awarded on Sunday at the Flatlander Picnic in the Park, Johnson said. Prizes will be \$100 for first, \$50 for second and \$25 for third in

each category.

All three first-place winners will perform at the picnic before the headliner, the Pieces of Eight band. Johnson said he is the lead guitarist for the band, which includes Andrew Melia on drums and vocals, Howard Culver on bass and vocals and Heather Hays as the lead singer.

Another performance has been added, Highway 385, a well-known bluegrass band, will perform between the talent winners and Pieces of Eight. The performances are scheduled to begin at noon.

The Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce used to hold an annual chili cook-off at the festival, but discontinued it five years ago. Frontier Ag brought the cook-off back as a benefit for the Goodland School District's literacy program. The cook-off will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Contestants will prepare their favorite recipe of red chili for judging by a local panel of experts and by the public. Each team will provide two gallons of prepared chili and their own equipment for keeping it at a proper temperature to prevent foodborne illness (above 140 degrees Fahrenheit).

The chili will be judged on aroma, appearance, texture, blend and overall taste. Each team's entry form and \$50 fee need to be turned into Frontier Ag before 9 a.m. Saturday. Businesses are sponsoring teams, and a few slots are left. Ten to 15 teams are expected.

A traveling trophy will be kept by the winner for a year, and winners will be listed on a banner at Frontier A and congratulated on the radio and in *The Goodland Star-News*.

The Colorado Tractor Puller's Association will hold the David Clark Memorial Show and Pull Saturday. The show will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Main between 16th and 17th streets. Then they will have pulling demonstrations at 3:30 p.m. at the lot behind Subway and Wendy's, next to Herl Chevrolet-Buick's main location at the intersection of U.S. Business 24 and K-27.

There is no admission charge, but donations will be accepted. Bring your own lawn chair but no alcohol.

# Development director begins job this week

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about getting a session in Goodland.

She said the training would teach contractors how to identify lead paint in homes being remodeled. She said the inspector said he would do a session in Goodland if there is enough interest, and he would waive the \$125 fee for up to 35 people to attend.

She asked if the council would pay for lunch for those who attend if the city gets a \$400,000 housing

## matters of record

The following accidents were investigated by the Goodland Police Department.

**Aug. 27** — 4:54 p.m., 900 Broadway Ave., a 2001 Toyota driven by County Attorney Bonnie Selby was backing out of the parking stall and hit a 2005 Ford owned by Sherman County on the right front corner. The Ford was parked in a yellow zone on the west side of the alley.

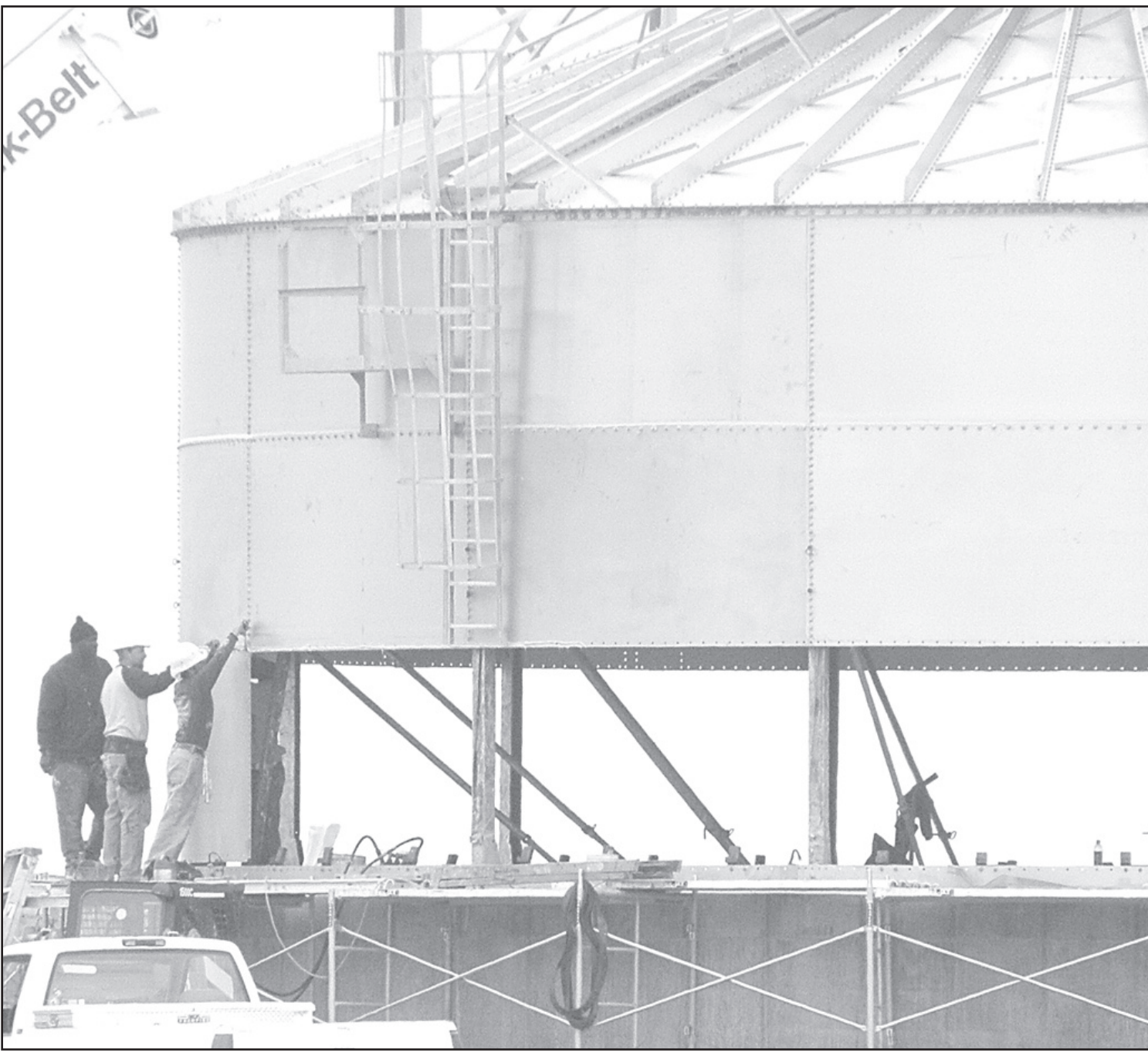
**7:55 p.m.**, 206 Main Ave., a 1985 Mercedes-Benz driven by Matthew Monroe Hughes was backing from a driveway and hit a 1993 Cadillac owned by Russ Safer that was legally parked in front of 206 Main.

**Aug. 28** — 5:10 p.m., 1100 Sherman Ave., a 1990 Buick driven by Fred A. Russell was going east when it hit a 2002 Chrysler driven by Stacy Jo Studer.

**Aug. 29** — 5:24 p.m., 400 Caldwell Ave., a 2000 Suzuki driven by Monica Gail Ford was backing from the alley and backed into a natural gas meter. Damage to the protective cage and meter was limited. No gas was leaking, and Aquila employees were able to straighten and test the meter for leaks.

**Classifieds work! Call 899-2338.**

# Tanks near completion



Workers put final pieces together on one of the tanks for the ethanol plant last week. Fermentation, beer well and stillage tanks are being erected at the plant at the Goodland Energy Center north of Caruso, along with preparation for the ethanol storage tanks, said Doug Sederstrom chief financial officer

for the project. He said the internal piping and component installation is ongoing, and the plant is closer to being ready to begin operation in the next month or so.

Photo by Tom Betz/The Goodland Star-News

# City approves Flatlander beer garden

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pretty shot. Simon said he is considering putting some of the old stuff in an upcoming auction.

Daniels asked if these were replacing the John Deere mowers the city bought recently, but Simon said these are replacing older mowers.

- Approved purchase of a four-wheel-drive pickup for the water department from Dan Brenner Ford-Mercury for \$19,395. Simon recommended the low bid, saying it was a close bid among the local vendors. The other bids were Herl Chevrolet, \$19,768; Finley Motors, \$19,850; and Yost-Ford Mercury, \$20,017.

Simon said this truck will replace a 1985 model which is unsafe and will be junked.

- Approved purchase of a pickup for the parks department from Dan Brenner for \$15,755. Simon said the Ford bid was lower than the other bidders because of a special incentive.

Simon said he recommended the Brenner Ford, and said Dan Brenner said he could sell the city a second one at the same price. Simon suggested taking the second pickup and buying one for the street department. He said there is money in the budget for a street department pickup.

Simon said the street department is looking to put a flatbed on the

1975 truck they got from the fire department and put a water tank on it for the winter. He said the 1975 has extra-heavy springs, and the crew may put a blade on it to help clear streets if needed.

Garcia said he did not have a problem with buying two pickups, but if the other bidders knew the city might be looking for two pickups. Simon said he only took for bids one pickup. He said he was looking for a four-wheel drive, and was thinking of backing off to a two-wheel drive.

Billinger said he agreed with Daniels, Garcia and Fairbanks that Simon should put out another bid for everyone. Simon said it would not take long to get another set of bids.

"I don't mind if you want to spread the purchase around and buy one from one of the others," Simon said.

Daniels said it would be fair to get bids to see what the dealers can do. The commission voted to approve the purchase of the two-wheel drive Ford from Brenner for the parks department.

- Heard a report on the streets from City Clerk Mary Volk in the absence of City Manager Wayne Hill. Volk said Darin Neufeld, engineer from Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates, told her they were working

with APAC of Hays about doing the block near the hospital that is part of the newly approved street improvement project.

Volk said APAC is supposed to be back in the area in about three weeks, and Neufeld is trying to negotiate a deal.

- Heard a suggestion that the city and county consider buying a striping machine jointly. Garcia said he had been approached by a former city commissioner who said while the county may not be able to afford its own machine, it might be a joint project the city and county could

consider. Garcia said the suggestion was for the two to purchase a smaller striping machine that could be pulled behind a pickup.

Garcia said it was something to consider once the details of new federal regulations are known next year, and if the county is interested in striping its paved roads.

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m. The next commission meeting will be 5 p.m. on Monday in the commission room upstairs in the City Administration Building, 204 W. 11th.

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## REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS

CITY OF GOODLAND, KANSAS  
SALE OF ONE FORKLIFT

General Information:

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Goodland for the SALE of one FORKLIFT. All bids must be received in the City Manager's office on or before Wednesday, October 10, 2007, by 10:00 a.m. MST. All bids should be marked, "FORKLIFT", on the outside of the envelope.

The bids will be opened for review in the office of the City Manager at 11:00 a.m. MST on Wednesday, October 10, 2007. Bid award will take place the following Monday, October 15, 2007, at the regularly scheduled Commission Meeting.

Payment for this vehicle will be in lump sum upon delivery of the equipment, and approval of the City Manager and City Commission but not sooner than the first regular City Commission Meeting following delivery and acceptance.

The City of Goodland reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids for any reason deemed necessary. Any questions concerning this bid will be forwarded to the City Manager during regular business hours at 785-890-4500. Bid information can be pickup at the City Offices.

### GENERAL INFO

DESCRIPTION: Clark LP Gas Powered Forklift  
YEAR: 1998  
MODEL #: CGC25-LP  
SERIAL #: C365L-0123-9402FB  
Attachment 55ESS-A051S/S  
Truck Weight: 9386 pounds  
Capacity: 4652 pounds  
Hour Meter: 01124.4