



## Learning Center graduates 16 students

The Goodland Learning Center held a special graduation ceremony on Friday at the High School auditorium for 16 who graduated this year.

The auditorium held more than 100 friends and family who came to see the special ceremony and to congratulate those for reaching their goal.

Students file in for graduation ceremonies for the Goodland Learning Center on Friday at the Goodland High School auditorium.

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Pennington

Special remarks were from Dustin Pennington, who was in his Kansas National Guard uniform, and said it was through the help of the people at the learning center he was able to complete his high school work and join the National Guard. He said after he quit school it became quite clear he needed to find a way to get his diploma, and said the learning center was the best way for him to get the help he needed to finish.

A special video of photos of each of the class members was shown

before Site Director Jack Steiger and Paul Medrano presented the graduates with their diplomas.

The members of the class included Jonathan Barnes, Cecilia Cole-Wright, Marcus Gamboa, Daniel Gomez, Alexa Kersley, Jillian Lovins, Ashley McClary, Cory Millam, Kobi O'Neil, Pennington, Jessica Perez, Tiffany Reyes, Gary Searle, Miriam Sigala, Melissa Williams and Juliet Wright.

Medrano said this class was more than twice the size of the class from the previous year, and said the students were great to work with to help them get their diplomas.

## Highway project from Caruso to state line begins today

A three-year project to reconstruct I-70 from the Colorado/Kansas state line to Caruso (Exit 12) begins today.

Contractors will place traffic control signs in the eastbound lanes of the 12-mile section this week.

Five of seven bridge locations along the project will be restricted to one-lane traffic in the coming weeks

as Bridges Inc., of Newton, replaces bridge rails and guard fence.

The project includes replacement of the lights at the interchanges, removal of the existing pavement and new concrete pavement – all to occur within the next three years.

The ramps at Caruso, Ruleton and Kanorado will be upgraded to current standards.

“The process to rebuild the actual driving lanes of I-70 will not begin until next construction season,” said Mathew Withington Construction Engineer of Kansas Department of Transportation’s Atwood office.

The entire project will take over two years to construct, with a final construction completion date of Oct. 11, 2013 – when the roadway

will re-open to unrestricted traffic, Withington said. The project will shut down during the winter months from approximately October to April each year, he said.

While the roadway is being reconstructed, traffic will be reduced to two lanes – one lane in each direction. The plan is to rebuild the westbound lanes in the 2012 con-

struction season; and the eastbound lanes in 2013, he said.

KDOT awarded the construction contract – totaling \$46 million – to Koss Construction Co., of Topeka. The I-70 repair project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May, 2010.

Drivers are asked to use caution,

and respect workers when driving through any road work zone. Slow down and “Give ‘Em A Break.”

For questions concerning this project, please contact Area Two Engineer Eric Oelschlager at (785) 626-3258 or EricO@ksdot.org in Atwood.

### New sign



Goodland Star-News employees Richard Westfahl (below), Gary Meyer (top left) and Jim Jackson put up the new sign for the business on Thursday. The sign was made by Mike Boyson of the Hot Brush of Bird City.

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## Patriot's Flag Day Rally, BBQ planned

The High Plains Constitutional Society will sponsor a Patriot's Flag Day Rally on Flag Day, June 14th, at the Sherman County Fairgrounds in Goodland.

A BBQ will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. featuring patriotic themed entertainment as well as time for attendees to visit with Secretary of State Kris Kobach.

Following the BBQ Secretary Kobach will address the gathering from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Constitutional scholar and Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach will speak on topics to include the Founders' intent with respect to the balance of power between the states and the federal government,

and how the abuse of the Commerce Clause has disrupted this vital balance. Secretary Kobach will inform attendees of the benefits of the newly passed Kansas voter ID law known as the Secure and Fair Elections Act.

A portion of the BBQ proceeds will go to help support the High Plains Constitutional Society in its efforts to foster greater knowledge of our U.S. Constitution and help inspire greater involvement in the affairs of our nation and state.

In case of rain, the event will be moved indoors at the fairgrounds. For more information, contact Ken Klemm at Ken@TheBuffaloGuys.com or (785) 899-9274.

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## Consignment AUCTION

Saturday, June 4 at 10 a.m. CT

(doors open at 8:00 am day of sale)

Auction Location: T-N-T & Jones Auction Facility

• 200 N Franklin • Colby, KS

Preview sale items between 5-7 p.m CT Friday, June 3, 2011.

King & Queen mattresses; Oak claw foot table w/4 chairs; 2-Kitchen tables w/chairs; Couches; Chairs; Rockers; Dressers; Recliners; White dresser; Corner dresser; Home interior; Coffee tables; Telephone stand; Stools; Oval mirrors; Lamps; Chests; Patio furniture; Perfect Flame grill; Sweepers; National security safe; Dishes; Pots and Pans; Sad irons; Large coffee pot; Small microwave; Very old skates; Skate boards; Lamps-some old; Cream cans; Old oil funnels; Red Samsonite luggage; Ceiling fan light kit and fan - new; Very old Vanity Fair record player; Very old tied heavy quilt; Salt and Pepper shakers; Toothpick holders and shot glasses; Very old adding machine; 6 wooden folding chairs - old; Many old cigar boxes; 2 reel to reel tape recorders & players; 2 Old wooden toy chests; Several model cars - never used - includes #3 Dale Earnhart; Old football pads and helmets; Old patent leather purses; 2 bar stools; Desk lamps; Lots of fragile glass items; 1 box 45 records; 1 box LP records; Chamber pot; Joe Camel neon sign; Marlboro Man signage; 2 railroad stop connected signs; Goldenrod wire stretchers; Old Amoco signage and paperwork; 2 Porcelain red/white no smoking sign; 1940's US Mail Box originally OD Green; 1 man bucket saw; Bulletin boards; Old chalk boards; Sled; Stuffed animals; Halloween items; Rhino diesel generator (brand new, Electric start, 7.3 kw); Lawyer desk made from Tiger wood; Secretary - Hutch; 8400 JD pedal tractor; CB radio; Old radio; Cameras including Nikon (over 50 yrs); Old typewriter; Gun cabinet; Roll of rope; Pulse Ergometer T50; Antlers (several); Pictures; Shelves (several); Paper shredder; Lots of Nic Nacs; Old RCA Victor stereo with removable speakers; Firewood holder; Old hand grinders; Bait boxes; Old spun glass hanging lamps; Iron skillet; Wash tubs; Coke bottles - some full, quart and some small packed; Kerr, Mason & Ball canning jars & box rings (Quart, pint and gallon); Electric grill; Old Coleman camping equipment; Old tent 8x8 canvas in bag + poles; Sleeping bags; Children's books (old); Baseball cards and posters; Alf cards; Several Tonka toys (30-37 years old); Games and puzzles (old); Avon bottles (old); Tins and cans (some very old); Christmas lights; Lots of old fishing gear & items; Wooden tool or fish box; Rods and reels; Fishing belly tub; Old glasses, trays, plastic & vases; Picture frames and albums; Clarinet, trombone, music & stand.

MUCH MORE DAY OF SALE! Lunch will be served!

Tom Harrison-Auctioneer-Broker: (785) 443-0136

Tom Simpson-Auctioneer: (785) 443-1153

Bob Jones-Auctioneer: (785) 443-0138



For complete sale bill, visit: www.tntjonesauction.com

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