

U.S. Senator helps launch fund raiser

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way there. All told the campaign has raised more than \$620,000, including more than \$100,000 from the hospital employees and \$35,000 from the Medical Center Auxiliary. Vignery said 100 percent of the foundation and hospital boards, as well as every doctor, have all contributed money.

Vignery said the campaign money will go toward the dialysis unit, computerization of records, physician recruitment and retention.

Mason said the foundation has obtained tax credits that people can use to help offset donations. Anyone interested in the tax credits can contact Dr. Joyce Moore at the hospital. To make a donation, contact foundation member Dale Schields.

Hospital CEO Jay Jolly also spoke at the ceremony, saying part of the mission statement of the hospital is to help people get through the times when they need care.

“A strong, local health care system is essential,” he said, “both on a personal and community

level.”

A hospital brings with it physicians, pharmacies, ambulance services, and more. As an example, Jolly cited Sharon Springs, which is without a hospital and thus without many of the health care institutions that Goodland has. It has a long term care center, but it is maintained by communities to the north and south.

A good health care system is also good for attracting businesses, Jolly said, since they are looking for a healthy work force and healthy communities.

Health care is a \$20 million a year industry in Sherman County, Jolly said, and two thirds of that comes from the hospital.

“It is an asset not to be taken for granted,” he said.

Jolly was candid about the challenges facing the hospital. No matter what happens with the Affordable Care Act, which is now before the Supreme Court, Medicare is still broke and there is a large and complicated bureaucratic system to negotiate. Jolly said the hospital has to deal with being in a low-population area that still has a lot

of competition, including seven other hospitals within a 60-mile radius.

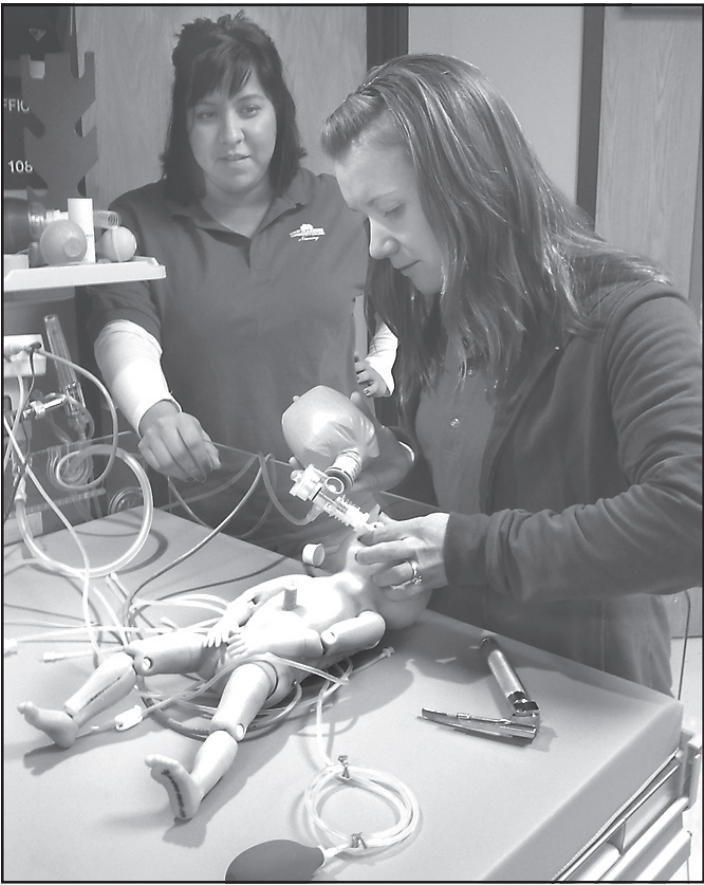
“That requires that we differentiate ourselves,” he said.

Goodland Regional Medical Center must learn to be more efficient and offer services people can’t get elsewhere, he said, such as the new kidney dialysis center. That type of service isn’t about making money, he said, its about providing a needed service that people couldn’t get locally otherwise.

Jolly said the original hospital facility is now 40 years old and was built at a time when most of what the hospital did was inpatient procedures. Now most procedures are outpatient, and adapting the facility to the changing times hasn’t been easy.

However, he said, Goodland and many other places in rural Kansas have excellent health care, sometimes better than what you find in big cities.

“People who didn’t grow up here don’t know the quality we have,” he said.



Victoria Herrera watches while Jobeth Hawkins practiced resuscitation on an infant mannequin. Photo by Cheryl Traub

First class to graduate from nursing program

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nursing program next year.”

The program in Goodland can accept 12 students each year. Colby Community College has also expanded the nursing program in WaKeeney and Norton. In addition, an evening associate degree nursing program was

added in Colby.

Instructors for the Goodland program are registered nurses Sandra Barber, Julie Juenemann and Traub.

For more information about these programs, contact Director of Nursing Ruth Wolfram at (785) 460-5444.

Warden says steer clear of wild animals

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If you see a skunk digging in your yard, then you need to spray for grubs to keep the skunks away, he said.

Also if you feed animals outside feed them during the daytime and don’t overfeed. Also free feeding animals should be avoided. Excess animal food attracts wildlife.

Another way to discourage wildlife is remove possible habitat, said Hopper. The amount of trash, garbage and overgrown shrubs should be reduced around buildings. Volunteering to help the elderly keep up their yards is another way to reduce habitat.

It is best to leave wildlife alone, said Hopper, and to make a little noise so wildlife can hear you coming.

CITY OF GOODLAND TREASURER’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT Goodland, Kansas

For the period from January 1, 2012 to March 31, 2012

FUNDS	PREVIOUS BALANCE	RECEIPT	DISBURSEMENT	CURRENT BALANCE
Special Highway	128,993.08	29,418.69	0.00	158,411.77
Self Insurance	250,309.31	42.07	50,000.00	200,351.38
Airport Fund	183,564.53	5,555.88	50.00	189,070.41
Bond & Interest	40,107.57	171,949.09	28,470.63	183,586.03
Library	0.00	89,097.30	84,186.66	4,910.64
Sales Tax	3,449.24	50,039.51	51,292.86	2,195.89
Electric Utility	3,885,462.06	1,513,644.32	1,812,579.15	3,586,527.23
Municipal Court Diversion Fees	35,156.06	1,744.64	12,919.54	23,981.16
Law Enforcement	20,350.92	3.37	795.75	19,558.54
Electric Meter Deposit	133,318.34	6,100.00	3,320.00	136,098.34
Water Utility	483,954.16	172,127.38	192,505.73	463,575.81
Water Service Deposit	72,907.00	7,450.01	4,578.01	75,779.00
Sewer Utility	181,563.96	88,259.74	59,467.40	210,356.30
Special Park & Rec.	51,307.11	2,516.54	0.00	53,823.65
Vehicle Inspections(VIN)	25,176.93	2,823.41	3,005.50	24,994.84
Grant Imp Reserve Fund	577,793.63	25,095.99	3,810.61	599,079.01
Street Imp Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Solid Waste	37,597.61	104,923.91	68,665.12	73,856.40
Fire Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Airport Improvement	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
CDBG Grant	-137.13	0.00	150.00	-287.13
Capital Imp. Reserve	2,674,363.94	2,655,739.61	4,226,087.97	1,104,015.58
Insurance Proceeds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Employee Benefit	309,161.88	210,859.45	152,849.06	367,172.27
Library Emp. Benefit	0.00	15,750.45	14,893.66	856.79
State Water Fund	4,245.75	1,219.23	2,510.58	2,954.40
Cemetery-Perp. Care	82,500.00	0.00	0.00	82,500.00
Cemetery Endowment	108,000.79	1,650.00	0.00	109,650.79
Cemetery Improvement	102,976.67	701.96	1,545.00	102,133.63
Economic Development	106,326.89	69,020.76	37,041.08	138,306.57
Electric Reserve	1,862,714.00	64,059.32	912,500.00	1,014,273.32
Water Reserve	200,925.58	106.71	0.00	201,032.29
Water System Improvement Proj.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Efficiency Ks Proj	0.00	534.69	534.69	0.00
Sewer Reserve	867,299.45	3,899.85	0.00	871,199.30
M.E.R.F.	2,989,555.03	15,652.79	1,470,943.98	1,534,263.84
Total	16,344,351.55	6,046,404.20	9,770,947.15	12,619,808.60
LIABILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS				
ST OF KS PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY LOAN			1,211,370.09	
ST OF KS PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY LOAN-2010			0.00	
GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2007			1,560,000.00	
TOTAL			2,771,370.09	

I, Janeil Dilling, do hereby certify that the above statement is correct.
City Treasurer
Signature
Title

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Sherman County Expenditures

SHERMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY, FEBRUARY, & MARCH, 2012 FIRST QUARTER AS AUTHORIZED BY HOUSE BILL 3211-1980.

SALARIES:

APPRAISER \$36849.01; HEALTH \$52354.02; ELECTION \$6177.34; GENERAL \$307177.15; NOXIOUS WEED \$5680.94; ROAD & BRIDGE \$155899.08; RURAL FIRE DISTRICT #1 \$14250.00; SOLID WASTE \$45930.08; TOTAL SALARIES: \$624317.62

EXPENDITURES:

Advance Ins. \$846.19; Advanced Auto Body \$500.00; Ag Power \$877.12; All Makes Machine \$391.50; American Environmental \$3735.03; American Fidelity Assurance \$2127.15; American Resource Consultants \$47.15; Asa Stiles \$200.00; AT&T \$141920.50; Barb Disney \$242.35; Barco \$430.60; Barrett Law \$586.60; Bateman Funeral Home \$422.00; Bernies RV Sales \$351.95; Berry Tractor \$120.35; Big Brother/Big Sisters \$1733.16; Big Twin Napa \$600.04; Bill Finley \$100.00; Birney Law Library \$10.00; Black Hills Energy \$10928.08; BC/BS \$107469.57; Brock Abbey \$24.55; Burton Pianalto \$161.80; Butch Smith dba McB fs Motor \$344.50; Butch Vandiver \$46.00; Cash-Wa \$6656.50; Central States Wire \$3561.60; Cheyenne Co. Clerk \$3525.00; City of Brewster \$2646.92; City of Goodland \$69711.85; City County Rec. \$21201.27; CLIA Lab \$150.00; Cochran Farm \$295.06; Colby Medical \$116.00; Community Partnership Prevention \$433.29; Computer Info. Systems \$12000.00; Correct Care \$52.50; County Counselors Assoc. \$150.00; Craig Crouch \$120.00; Crissy Livengood \$49.38; Crop Production \$87.00; Cure Law Group \$568.00; D&D Filter \$353.87; D-C Wholesale \$1598.50; Darcy Weis \$50.00; Darrel Cloyd \$99.45; David Daniels \$173.40; David Pederson \$83.42; Decatur Co. Health \$3.50; Deluxe for Business \$89.51; Dependable Glass \$220.00; DSNWKS \$15482.75; Diamond Medical \$36.80; Dinkel Gas \$664.00; Document Resources \$224.00; Dollar General \$320.00; Donna Terry \$101.01; Doug Meissingner \$35.70; Drivers License Guide \$28.95; Eagle Comm. \$31.90; Elliott fs \$117.94; Eric Albright \$80.00; Evercom \$2470.00; Fairbanks Law \$1741.25; Finley Motors \$210.52; Fire Alarm Spec. \$230.00; Fire Apparatus \$2675.14; First Bankcard \$3834.32; Fleet Services \$759.45; Foulston Siefkin \$660.00; Free Fair \$18419.75; Frontier Ag. \$80698.70; Galls \$1067.74; Glassman \$31644.50; Glaxosmithkline \$1205.00; Global Guns \$91.99; Goodland Ambassador fs \$100.00; Goodland Cemetery Assoc. \$21175.34; Goodland Elks #1528 \$350.00 Goodland Family Health Ctr. \$450.00; Goodland Glass \$229.80; Goodland Greenline \$20394.91; Goodland Machine \$7407.00; Goodland Medical Arts Pharmacy \$125.95; Goodland Nutrition \$1190.98; Goodland Public Library \$15449.88; GRMC \$261867.35; Goodland Senior Ctr \$15500.59; Goodland Star \$1618.38; Goodland Yost \$4822.79; Hays Fire Equip. \$966.47; Hays Medical \$6220.44; Heartland Animal Hospital \$148.00; Helena \$17884.80; Hemocue \$109.00; Herl Chev. \$2996.98; High Plains Mental Health \$18490.64; High Plains Office Supply \$5412.91; Hirsch & Mahoney \$283.80; Historical Society \$5972.70; Homestead Nutrition \$4466.18; Ideal Linen \$1086.52; Ikon Office \$175.10; In the Can \$602.40; Infinitec \$125.00; Infoprint \$797.62; Jackie Jorgensen \$240.00; Jacqueline Finley \$42.35; James Milliken \$764.97; Janet Rumpel \$375.29; Jayhawk Hospitalists \$63.95; Jerry Bauman \$27.54; Jury Duty \$437.01; Kandee Hoss \$60.00; Kanorado Cemetery \$2646.93; Kanorado Senior Ctr \$3635.93; KCOA \$1735.31; KADCCA \$150.00; KAG \$150.00; KHP \$480.00; KJA \$100.00; KPC \$127.00; KROD \$325.00; KSOS \$1139.80; KWRCC \$44883.00; Kansasland \$1678.31 KCAMP \$76592.00; KCC & EOA \$420.00; KCCA \$280.80; KCTA \$200.00; KDHE \$1135.83; KDIAI \$130.00; Ken Campbell \$176.47; Kenneth Palmgren \$30.60; Ken Griffith \$139.45; Kevin Zimmermann \$19.38; Kimmi fs Kopy Shop \$1276.40; Kit Carson Co. Sheriff \$106.00; Kiwanis Club of Goodland \$150.00; KPHA \$75.00; L & P Wire Tie \$53.69; L & W Andrist Ins. \$50.00; Lampton Welding \$471.03; Language Line \$1080.00; Larry Enfield \$220.00; Larry fs Professional 2-way \$1564.31; Law Enforcement \$247.00; Leslie Beims \$2500.00; LESO \$708.65; Lewis, Beims & Holste \$261.50; Lina Zinn \$300.00; Mail Finance \$1650.00; Malsom Terracing \$302.28; Mann fs Jewelry \$40.00; Marie Johnson \$75.00; Marshall & Swift \$910.15; Marvin Matthews Trust \$830.00; McClure Plumbing \$151.21; Merck \$4301.76; Midwest Energy \$906.99; Midwest Mailing \$235.00; Mike Yarger \$200.00; Miller fs Home Ctr. \$583.97; Moore Medical \$845.35; Motorola \$31074.48; Municipal Emergency Services \$1545.00; National Sign \$9376.92; NDF \$100.00; Nemechek Welding \$168.27; Nex-Tech \$1005.00; NWKS Ambulance \$33942.93; NWKS Area Agency on Aging \$1786.46; NWKHOA \$25.00; NWKPDC \$6561.00; NWK Tech College \$10000.00; NWLEPG \$1158.00; Oakley Housing Authority \$30.00; Oakley Vet \$40.00; Office Depot \$191.76; Office Works \$192.59; Orschelns \$870.23; Pawnee Co. DC \$191.00; Pierce Electronics \$40.00; Pine Valley Eco \$511.12; Plains Heating \$10003.78; Prestige Equip \$55500.00; Price Digests \$103.90; Priority Dispatch \$39.00; Professional Ins. \$3750.00; Professional Radiology \$59.00; R & S Northeast \$1218.19; Randall Fixsen \$164.05; Rasure Lumber \$1644.45; Rawlins County Square Deal \$5.80; Redwood Toxicology \$93.75; Rod Butts \$86.50; Rod Roeder \$261.46; S&M Repair \$351.65; S&T \$10272.11; Salina Blueprint \$538.48; Scheopner fs Water \$137.00; Scott Jarrett \$460.00; SE&EC Recycling \$2988.60; Shell Card Ctr. \$440.76; SC-CVB \$34832.76; SCFRA \$3092.47; SCHD \$11683.35; SCRF#1 \$300.00; SCSC \$13948.24; SCT \$3553.13; Shores \$3267.33; Sondra Krayca \$90.07; SDDOPS \$5.00; SRJDC \$775.00; Standard Register \$596.25; Star Programming \$6400.00; Steve Evert 1190.25; Stuart fs Jewelry \$25.00; SW Mgmt. Fund \$1275.79; T-N-T Tools \$623.98; Thomas Co ADAC \$2166.43; TCT \$4841.27; Thyssenkrupp \$1990.20; TMHC \$919.50; Topside Office \$4074.21; TotalFunds \$4000.00; Tri-State Exterminating \$884.08; Truck & Tractor \$1369.17; US Identification Manual \$82.50; Underground Vaults \$420.00; Unifirst \$191.73; Universal Lubricants \$124.00; UOK \$220.00; Valtec \$1348.33; Viaero \$373.58; Vignery & Mason \$2250.50; Virginia Ziegler \$2710.70; Vonveldt, Bauer, Vonfeldt \$12760.58; Wagner Equip. \$5395.34; Walmart \$8944.20; Wear Parts \$2855.30; Welborn Sales \$4827.60; Western Prairie RC&D \$500.00; Western State Bank \$127316.95; Western Times \$4.50; WH Scale Co. \$337.50; Wheeler Trigg O fDonnel \$461.04; Wichita Co. ED \$5000.00; Mat Windell \$20.00; Wyeth Pharm. \$1180.96.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$1,587,895.05.

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