

## weather report

6°

10 a.m.  
Thursday



### Today

• Sunset, 7:49 p.m.

### Saturday

• Sunrise, 5:55 a.m.

• Sunset, 7:48 p.m.

### Midday Conditions

• Soil temperature 70 degrees

• Humidity 81 percent

• Sky cloudy

• Winds southeast 10 mph

• Barometer 30.11 inches

and rising

• Record High today 108° (1937)

• Record Low today 51° (1915)

### Last 24 Hours\*

High Wednesday 77°

Low Wednesday 60°

Precipitation 0.51

This month 0.56

Year to date 8.35

Below normal 5.59 inches

### The Topside Forecast

Today: Partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, a high near 77, winds out of the north 5 to 10 switching to the east east and a low around 55. Saturday: Mostly sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms at night, a high near 82, winds south 5 to 15 mph and a low around 62.

### Extended Forecast

Sunday: Most sunny with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, a high near 88 and a low around 63. Monday: Partly sunny with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, a high near 85 and a low around 63. (National Weather Service)

# Rainstorms bring relief, floods

By Kevin Bottrell

The Goodland Star-News

This week's rainstorms have come as a blessed relief for a parched Sherman County, though the actual rainfall has been inconsistent across the county.

Things began early Monday afternoon when storms materialized over Sherman County. Dave Floyd, warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Goodland said the service had been following the progress of storms in northern Nebraska during the early morning hours, storms which sent a gust front south toward Goodland. Floyd said the gust front hit Sherman County just as things were warming up, causing the storms.

"I'm always amazed at how far these things travel from the parent storm," he said. "They're not rare, it just happened to be over us as we started to get some heat."

At 12:30 p.m. a storm cell in northeastern Sherman County spawned a "landspout" tornado. Floyd said the tornado was very weak, rated an F0, the lowest possible rating. These types of tornadoes are formed when air circulation on the ground gets pulled upward toward the base of the clouds. The tornado only lasted a few minutes, Floyd said, and was in an area where it would not have caused damage.

The main storms stayed south of the interstate and stretched into Wallace, Logan and Thomas counties. While the weather service only received .04 inches of rain, a farm hand told *The Goodland Star-News* that an area about 12 miles south of Ruleton got more than three inches.

Wind speeds were also erratic.



This storm, the first of many this week, dropped anywhere from one to three inches of rain on southern Sherman County on Monday.

Subsequent storms have cause flooding in Wallace, Logan and Wichita counties. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

Floyd said the weather service measured 40 mph winds at the weather station in north Goodland, while radar indicated 50 mph or higher south of I-70. A wind gust caught a UPS truck and blew it over on

I-70 near mile post 25. The driver was not injured, but the wreck did disrupt traffic.

More rainstorms developed Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, heavily affecting Wallace, Logan,

Gove, Wichita and Greeley counties, but with some rain falling in Sherman County as well. On Tuesday, hail up to 4 1/4 inches was reported in Greeley County.

The wet weather received a cheer

from the crowd at the Professional Bull Riding event on Wednesday night, even though it started raining heavily before the event was over.

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## World's fastest pickup stops here

By Kevin Bottrell

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Mechanics at J Rod's Repair got a rare treat on Tuesday, a chance to see the fastest pickup truck in the world and visit with one of the men who built it.

Don Lewis, a semi-retired engine machinist who now works with Robert Yates Racing Engines out of Mooresville, N.C., was taking the truck to the Speedweek trials at the Bonneville Salt Flats when he and his grandson Tyler stopped in Goodland to have some repair work done on the trailer.

Hundreds of vehicles including motorcycles, jet cars and even production cars straight off the lot come to Bonneville in northwestern Utah each year to see how fast they can go on the salt flats.

Lewis' modified 2005 Dodge — owned by Wayne and Danny Jesel — currently holds the land speed record, 262 mph, for pickup trucks. This year, Lewis said, it has a bigger engine — a larger version of the NASCAR-spec Dodge R5P7 it had previously — with two turbo char-

gers. Without the turbo chargers the engine produces 850 horsepower. Lewis said they have never tested the output with the turbos, but it should develop anywhere from 1,400 to 1,500 horsepower.

With the bigger engine, Lewis and his team will be looking to break the overall truck speed record, in a class that includes non-pickup trucks. The speed to beat: 272 mph.

Lewis said there are about a half-dozen mechanics who work on the truck as a hobby.

"We each do whatever has to be done," he said.

The whole drive train has been modified, he said, and the truck has a full roll cage as well. Special tires will be fitted that are rated to withstand speeds up to 400 mph, and there is a cannon launcher on the back that shoots out parachutes to help slow the truck down.

There is also a lot of added electronics. A system called "Racepack" monitors 25 different data channels so the team can check engine

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Machinist Don Lewis explained some of the finer points of the Jesel truck to the staff at J Rod's Repair on Tuesday. The truck was headed to the Bonneville Speedweek trials, which begin Saturday. Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

## Fair events continue



4-H and Open Class contestants worked to keep their show animals clean ahead of the sheep, swine and beef shows at the Northwest Kansas District Free Fair. Fair events continued today with 4-H Livestock Sale at 5:30 p.m. and motorcycle races at 7 p.m. Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

## EagleMed expands in western Kansas

EagleMed, the operator of the aerial medical transport service in Goodland, has expanded with an inter-facility ground ambulance service in Great Bend, as the preferred provider for Great Bend Regional Hospital.

With this latest expansion in Western Kansas, EagleMed now operates a fleet of airplanes, helicopters and ground ambulances from 29 locations in 10 states. The Great Bend site will provide ground vehicle inter-facility critical care transportation, and it will also be a backup for emergency calls to the Great Bend Fire Department for Emergency Medical Service transport.

"EagleMed is pleased to work with Great Bend Regional Hospital and the com-

munity in advancing critical care transport for the city and throughout the region," said EagleMed President Larry Bugg. "The people of Great Bend will find that each of EagleMed's employees has a servant's heart and a caring approach to patient care."

EagleMed is locating a new Osage ambulance at Great Bend's St. Rose Ambulatory and Urgent Care Center. The site will be staffed by six paramedics and six emergency medical technicians with advanced clinical certifications who will provide service 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Great Bend critical care ambulance will be dispatched from EagleMed's communica-

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## local markets

10 a.m.

Wheat — \$6.91 bushel

Posted county price — \$6.63

Corn — \$5.98 bushel

Posted county price — \$5.49

Milo — \$5.27 bushel

Soybeans — \$11.86 bushel

Posted county price — \$12.75

Millet — no bid

Sunflowers

Oil current crop — \$21.60 cwt.

Confection — no bid

Pinto beans — \$28

(Markets by Scouler Grain, Sun Opta, Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean. These may not be closing figures.)

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## Riders versus bulls

The Western Plains Chute-Out event was Wednesday night at the Sherman County Fairgrounds.

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## Be informed about potential flooding hazards

With several areas throughout Kansas and Missouri experiencing bouts of late-summer flooding, the Federal Emergency Management Agency is urging residents to stay informed about the potential hazards of flooding.

Floods, especially flash floods, kill more people each year than any other weather phenomenon. This recent spate of severe weather-related events across the Midwestern states serves as a pointed reminder just how dangerous floods can be and how important it is to stay abreast of weather warnings, understand flood terms, and take action by monitoring, listening, preparing and acting accordingly.

Beth Freeman, Regional Administrator for FEMA Region VII urges residents to be constantly aware of their environment and any potential for flooding. "There's no doubt that when people are aware of the dan-

gers and power of flooding, they can take measures to lessen the exposure to danger for themselves and family members," Freeman said. "When you're driving and you see the road ahead is flooded, be safe. It's best to 'turn around, don't drown.' FEMA is monitoring the situation and is on standby to help states if assistance is requested."

While floods are the most common hazard in the United States, not all floods are alike. Floods typically occur when too much rain falls or snow melts too quickly. While some floods develop slowly, flash floods develop suddenly.

One of the most dangerous elements of a flood is floodwaters covering roadways, and motorists are urged to never attempt driving through them. About 60 percent of all flood deaths result from people trying to cross flooded roads in vehicles when the moving water

sweeps them away.

While flood risks can indeed be a formidable threat, there are simple steps citizens can take today to reduce their risk to all types of floods.

If a flood is likely in your area, you should:

- Listen to your radio or television for information.

- Be aware that flash flooding can occur. If there is any possibility of a flash flood that could affect you, move immediately to higher ground. Do not wait for instructions to move.

- Be aware of streams, drainage channels, canyons and other areas known to flood suddenly. Flash floods can occur in these areas with or without such typical warnings as rain clouds or heavy rain.

If you must prepare to evacuate, you should:

- Secure your home. If you have time, bring in outdoor furniture.

Move essential items to an upper floor.

- Turn off utilities at the main switches or valves if instructed to do so. Unplug electrical appliances. Do not touch electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water.

- Take essential documents (<http://www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family>)

If you must leave your home, remember these evacuation tips:

- Do not walk through moving water. Six inches of moving water can make you fall. If you have to walk in water, walk in areas where the water is not moving. Use a pole or stick to make sure the ground continues in front of you.

- Do not drive into flooded areas. If floodwaters rise around your car,

abandon the car and move to higher ground if you can do so safely. You and your vehicle can be quickly swept away.

- Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible stalling.

- A foot of water will float many vehicles.

- Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles including sport utility vehicles and pick-ups.

Additional tips to consider:

- United Way's 2-1-1 is a helpful resource before, during and after disasters. Keeping this number and an up-to-date family communication plan handy is a must-do when preparing for emergencies.

- Keep emergency supplies on hand, such as non-perishable food, medicine, maps, a flashlight and first-aid kit.

- Use extreme caution when returning to flood damaged homes or businesses.

- Become familiar with the terms that are used to identify flooding

hazards:

**Flood Watch:** Flooding is possible. Tune in to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio or television for information.

**Flood Warning:** Flooding is occurring or will occur soon; if advised to evacuate, do so immediately.

**Flash Flood Watch:** Rapid rises on streams and rivers are possible. Be prepared to move to higher ground; listen to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio or television for information.

**Flash Flood Warning:** Rapid rises on streams and rivers are occurring; seek higher ground on foot immediately.

• The National Weather Service is the official source for weather watches and warnings.

## Vaccinations needed for school

Kansas immunization school requirements are designed to protect all children against vaccine-preventable diseases. The 2013-2014 kindergarten through 12th grade school immunization requirements and recommendations are based on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommendations and the consensus of the Governor's Child Health Advisory Committee Immunization Workgroup.

The 2013-2014 school required immunizations are:

- Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP): Five doses required. A single dose of Tdap is required at Grades 7-12 if no previous history of Tdap vaccination regardless of interval since the last Td.

- Poliomyelitis (IPV/OPV): Four doses required. One dose required after age four regardless of the number of previous doses, with a six month minimum interval from the previous dose.

- Measles, Mumps, Rubella: two doses required.

- Hepatitis B: three doses required through grade 12.

- Varicella (chickenpox): two doses required for grades K-4 and 7-9; one dose required for grades 5-6 and 10-12 unless history of Varicella disease documented by a licensed physician.

"Vaccination saves the lives and prevents others from suffering from diseases and permanent disabilities. If children aren't vaccinated, they can spread disease to other children who are too young to be vaccinated or whose medical condition prevents them from being vaccinated," said Brenda Walker, director of disease control and prevention at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. "Because almost all parents vaccinate their children in the United States, we all derive protection from 'community immunity.' Children are best protected if they are vaccinated."

In addition to the immunizations required for school entry listed above, the 2013 recommendations also include the following for school children:

- Meningococcal (MCV4): one dose recommended at 11 years with a booster dose at 16 yrs of age; not required for school entry.

- Human Papillomavirus (HPV): three doses recommended for males and females at 11 years of age; not required for school entry.

- Influenza: yearly vaccination recommended for all ages six months and above; not required for school entry.

For information, go to the Kansas Immunization Program website at [kdheks.gov/immunize](http://kdheks.gov/immunize).

## Clinical training to be held at Hays

The founder of Rachel's Vineyard Retreats, Theresa Burke, is presenting a clinical training day from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Mountain Time) Tuesday, Sept. 3, in the Fort Hays Ballroom of the Memorial Union at Fort Hays State University. The training day is for pastors, therapists, social workers or any individual who works in pastoral counseling, the medical field or pro-life work. Continuing education hours are available.

The training will include the following sessions:

- Understanding post-abortion trauma and its many repetitions

- Medical abortions—understanding the new emotional and psychological landscape

- How emotional trauma impacts the brain—empirical outcome based evidence

- Redeeming a father's heart—abortion's impact on men, family and intimate relationships

- The power of secrets—the power of secrets—breaking free from trauma with truth and understanding the line between sexual abuse

and abortion

- Role of a priest or pastor in post-abortion ministry

Burke holds a master's degree and PhD in counseling psychology. In addition to being the founder of Rachel's Vineyard, the largest post-abortion ministry in the world, which has spread to 48 states and 57 countries. Burke has also founded "Grief to Grace — Reclaiming the Gift of Sexual Dignity," which is a five-day program for healing sexual abuse and "Duty to Heal: Finding Peace and Wholeness for a Soldier's Heart," which addresses the spiritual and psychological trauma suffered by combat veterans.

Burke is the co-author of "Forbidden Grief: The Unspoken Pain of Abortion," "The Contraception of Grief—The Genesis of Anguish Conceived by Abortifacients and Sterilization," and "Sharing the Heart of Christ," with Kevin Burke.

For a brochure on details of the courses offered for the clinical training day as well as a registration form, contact (877) 447-4383 or (785) 639-3338 or e-mail [rvineyard@ruraltel.net](mailto:rvineyard@ruraltel.net).

## Enjoying a picnic



These two kids enjoyed the customer appreciation picnic held on Aug. 1 in Burlington for USA Communications.

Photo by Kristen Triplett

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## Inventing crimes to catch bad guys

A federal judge in Chicago has questioned the practice of federal agents who invent a crime, then recruit and arrest willing "helpers" to carry it out, saying the government may be singling out racial minorities for prosecution.

Judge Ruben Castillo noted that at least half the defendants from recent "stash house" operations in that area were black or hispanic. That in itself might not be evidence of racial profiling, but it begs the larger question of whether the government ought to be promoting crime this way.

Nationwide, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, known as ATF, says it has locked up more than 1,000 bad guys in the last 10 years using this technique. Most of them probably deserve to be in jail for something, but still, the idea of government agents inventing a crime and then hiring the criminals gives many people the creeps.

Defense attorneys argue that their peaceful clients would never have engaged in armed robbery without the urging of federal agents. Some federal prosecutors refuse to allow the operations in their districts. These stings barely skirt the definition of entrapment, if that.

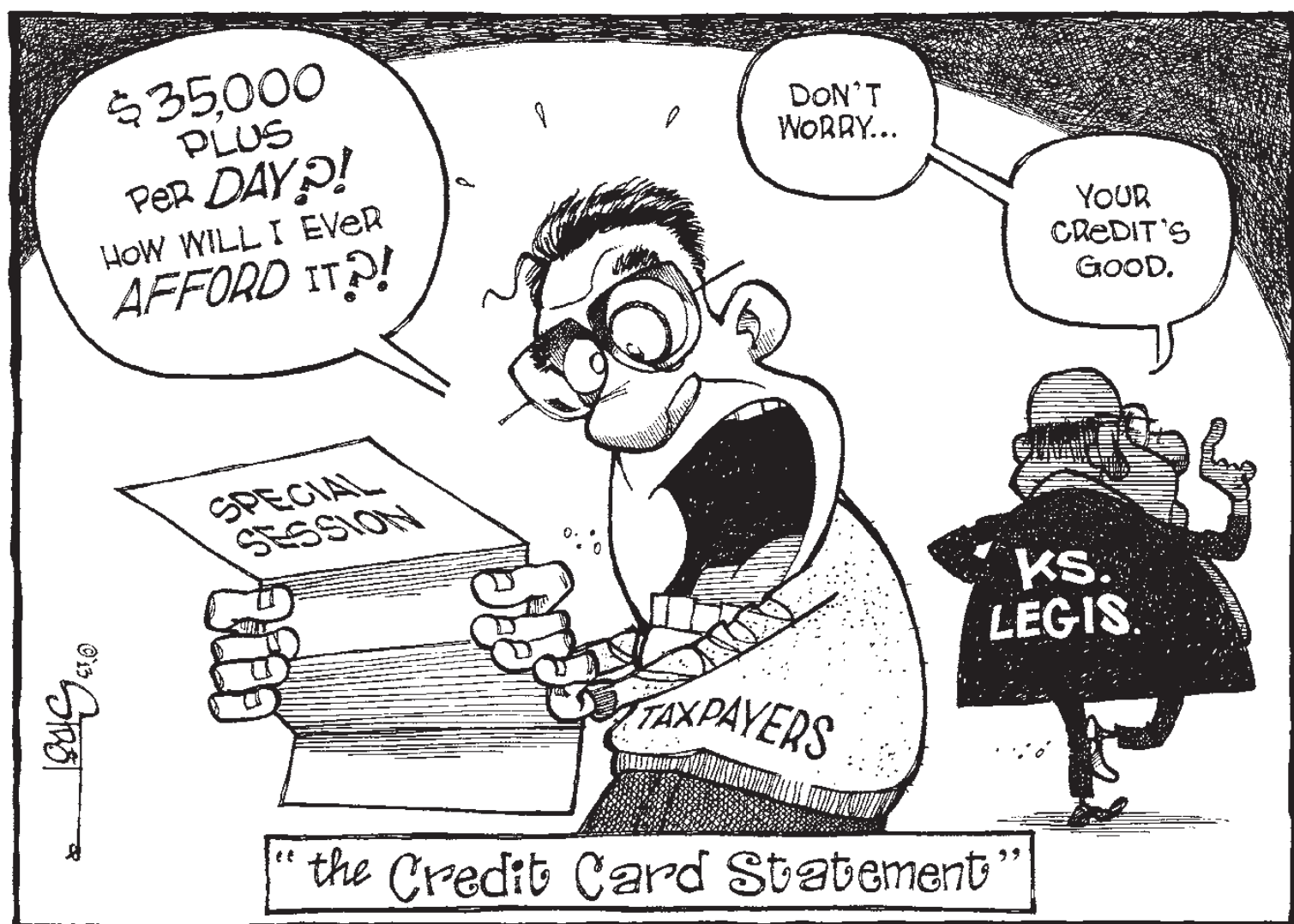
And while the agency says it's aiming at some of the most dangerous, violent criminals in the nation, the truth is, as with much of federal law enforcement, the henchmen who show up often are fairly small fish.

Perhaps the government is doing everyone a favor by getting these guys off the streets, but it seems to us that there ought to be a better way to catch crooks than by cooking up phony crimes. Sting operations are always a little suspect.

We'd prefer to see these agents focusing on crimes invented by the criminal, where the intent to break the law is clear from the start. The wife who wants her husband dead and agrees to hire a federal agent posing as a hit man, the burglar who sells his booty to an agent posing as a fence, the drug dealer who sells to an undercover cop, all know what they are doing is wrong.

So, perhaps, does the would-be robber who signs on for a job knocking off a fake "stash house" sheltering imaginary millions in illegal drugs. But would he have committed a similar crime without the government's enticing offer?

Surely, federal agents can spend their time dealing with people who commit real crimes. — *Steve Haynes*



## Popularity does not equal success

With their approval ratings in the mid and low thirties respectively, Gov. Sam Brownback and Secretary of State Kris Kobach are two of the least popular politicians in Kansas. So why have they been so successful in getting their agendas through the Kansas Legislature?

On a recent Saturday afternoon, 25 or so area residents gathered at a downtown Salina restaurant looking for an answer to this question.

The presenter was Louis Goseland, director of organizing for the Sunflower Community Action Group. His principal focus was the American Legislative Exchange Council, one of the many libertarian-leaning groups bankrolled by Wichita billionaire brothers David and Charles Koch. The group's membership is known to include prominent members in leadership positions in our Legislature, as well as at least two from the Salina-area legislative delegation.

Mr. Goseland started out his presentation with photos of the Koch brothers and then proceeded to list the many front groups that they bankroll with innocuous-sounding names such as the Kansas Policy Institute, the Heartland Institute, the Kansas Chamber of Commerce, Americans for Prosperity, and so on. All of these groups receive Koch money and direction.

He then focused in on the Legislative Exchange Council, a group of state legislators



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dedicated to conservative causes founded nearly 40 years ago by political activist Paul Weyric. Weyric was an early champion of voter suppression laws long before anyone had heard of Kris Kobach. You can watch an old video clip of Weyric on YouTube expounding on how "our (conservative) leverage in elections goes up as turnout goes down."

The council's profile has been elevated in recent years because the Koch brothers and other like-minded libertarians and corporate interests perceive state legislatures as a path of least resistance in terms of implementing their legislative agendas.

What is their agenda? It starts with a shifting of the tax burden from the wealthy to the middle and lower classes and proceeds through a laundry list of libertarian causes — defunding public education, voter suppression, anti-immigrant laws, extreme gun laws, the privatization of public services, weakened environmental laws and efforts to strip teachers and workers of bargaining rights. Hundreds of pieces of "model" legislation have emerged

from this group, much of which has been introduced verbatim in state legislatures across the country.

Prior to the last election, there were at least 46 members of the council in the Kansas Legislature. The wrap-up session of this year's Legislature was reportedly delayed a week so that a large group of members could attend the group's convention in Oklahoma. Those returning from the meeting tried, among other things, to push through a council proposal to suspend implementation of federal Common Core standards for public education, a push that almost succeeded.

The council enjoys federal 501(c) 3 tax status as a charitable organization. Groups with such a designation are required to refrain from political activity. Clearly, our tax laws have loopholes that the Koch brothers want to maintain.

The push to improve our democratic process will involve similar efforts to put the spotlight on groups such as this. More transparency is required so that citizens know what and who they are really voting for when they enter the booth.

*Alan Jilka of Salina is vice president of Jilka Furniture, former mayor of Salina and a one-time Democratic candidate for Congress in the Kansas 1st District.*

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## Sheriffs refusing to follow gun laws

Fifty-five of 64 Colorado county elected sheriffs, together with a sizable coalition of grassroots groups, are plaintiffs in a lawsuit against the state of Colorado and until resolved by the courts will not participate in the enforcement of what they consider a violation of the Bill of Rights, notably the Second Amendment, which they have sworn under oath to preserve. The elected sheriffs, consisting of both democrats and republicans, not only believe the laws to be unconstitutional but also unenforceable.

Wordage in the suit cited public safety and the 2nd and 14th Amendments of the Constitution of the United States as major concerns. Sheriffs were especially angered by a tweet from the Colorado Senate Democrats referring to them as criminals, which read: "2day co sheriffs stood in opposition of co's new gun laws, but not w/law-abiding citizens, but with criminals." A sheriff of each county is the only elected law enforcement agent in the nation and as such has more constitutional authority than the FBI or ATF. Their election to stand by their oath to protect and defend the Constitution is serious and a big deal. Unfortunately the national media is largely silent on this story.

The same situation exists in the state of New York where 52 of 58 elected county sheriffs signed a letter asking for changes to the New York gun control laws, known as the SAFE Act, shoved through the legislature "just hours after the text became public." The sheriffs were invited to a meeting where they expected to be able to share their reasons for opposition but instead were threatened by Governor Andrew Cuomo with removal from office. Who would he use to enforce removal, the six sheriffs of the 58 who had not signed? Numerous New York counties have passed non-binding resolutions to these laws in open support for the Second Amendment and those defending it. Schoharie County even going so far as to deny funding for enforcement.

Opponents claim that the SAFE Act is also unenforceable and criminalizes law-abiding citizens. This law is headed for the courts as well. New York sheriffs argue in their friend of the court brief. "Law enforcement's work is made more difficult attempting to enforce unclear laws that harm, rather than promote,



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public safety. The laws appear willfully blind to legitimate safety interests, and instead are tailored to impact, and negatively impact, law-abiding firearm owners.... The Supreme Court has confirmed that the Second Amendment protects arms typically possessed by law-abiding citizens, and identified that the right of self-defense is 'core' protected conduct that is at its zenith in the home."

Similar opposition by elected county sheriffs is rising in Maryland to a new law scheduled to go into effect this October 1st. Ten such have already voiced opposition to enforcing it. Other sheriffs "won't use county resources to enforce the laws' restrictions" ("Battleground Colorado: Sheriffs Resist," by Frank Miniter, America's 1st Freedom, Aug. 2013)

Fortunately such strong support of the Constitution by the law enforcement community is nothing new although the establishment press has been slow to cover these stories. In January and February 2013, angry sheriffs rose up putting the federal government on notice vowing to defend their citizens from the federal government if federal agents began enforcing gun laws outside the limits of the Second Amendment to the Constitution. Those states refusing to comply were, as they came on board: Utah, Florida, Georgia, Colorado, New Mexico, Nebraska, Wyoming, Indiana, and Illinois.

With respect to the Second Amendment, Utah's Sheriffs' Association went as far as to say, "We are prepared to trade our lives for the

preservation of its traditional interpretation." Wyoming's new "Firearm Protection Act," threatens federal officials with up to five years in prison and \$5,000 in fines if convicted of attempting to enforce unconstitutional statutes or decrees infringing on the gun rights of Wyoming citizens. Reportedly, Missouri and Texas have similar legislation pending.

Even the California State Sheriffs' Association's letter to Vice President Joe Biden, signed by 17 elected county sheriffs, was stronger than had been expected, putting him, and the federal government, on notice. "It is the position of CSSA, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States and the statutes of the State of California, that law-abiding persons who meet the established requirements have the right to acquire, own, possess, use, keep and bear firearms. This right shall not be infringed."

What makes the efforts of Colorado, New York, and Maryland different this time from earlier this year is that previous resistance was aimed at the federal government taking their Second Amendment rights from them. This time it is their own state governments attempting to do the same thing in clear violation of the Second and 14th Amendments. The sheriff's, and the populace that keeps them in power, says no when it violates their Constitution that they have sworn to uphold. Those who understand history and freedom know that an armed populace is critical to liberty. Thank goodness our sheriffs understand this and honor their sacred oath. If only our legislators and governors would as well.

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# World's fastest pickup stops here

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performance after each run, while "Big Stuff" controls the fuel system. The current driver is Jimmy Barton, but over the years this truck has helped many drivers get

into the exclusive 200 mph club. Lewis said the truck will make six to eight runs of the five mile course. Speed is measured at each mile marker. Speedweek begins Saturday. Racing fans can keep up with the results at landracer.com.

# Rainstorms bring relief, flooding

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Goodland ended up with .45 inches of rain Wednesday night, making for about a half inch total so far in August. Areas to the south again received more rain.

The downside of the rainfall is flooding. On Thursday, emergency management reported flooding across Logan, Wallace and Gove counties including two feet of water over U.S. 40 about one mile east of the Wallace-Logan County

line. A flood warning was issued for those three counties until 3 p.m. Thursday. Weather spotters were reporting many instances of standing water, as well as water over a bridge in northern Wichita County.

Thursday morning the weather service also issued a flash flood warning for the Smokey Hill River near Oakley from this morning to late tonight. Areas along the river in Wallace and Logan Counties received anywhere from 3-7 inches over 12 hours from Wednesday night and

Thursday morning. At 8:30 a.m. the Thursday the river was at 5.9 feet. The flood stage is 9 feet and river was forecast to exceed that by this afternoon. This could cause flooding of nearby pastures and fields.

The weather service is warning drivers and pedestrians not to cross water covered bridges, dips or low water crossings. Even small flowing streams could be hazardous.

# Beware of Medicare, Social Security scams

**By Derek Schmidt**

*Kansas Attorney General*

Our office recently has seen an uptick in complaints about phone callers who claim to be from Medicare, Medicaid or Social Security. Like many scams, these calls are nothing more than a ploy to try to get your personal information.

Often, the caller may seem to already know a lot about you. They may have all or part of your Medicare card number or Social Security Number. The caller usually asks you to confirm this information

because they will be sending you a new card. They may give you the partial number they have, and ask you to give them the rest "to confirm your identity." They may also ask for your bank account or routing number so that they can directly deposit your benefits. Once the callers have obtained your information, consumers are reporting to us that a withdrawal of about \$500 is being made from the bank account.

This is just the latest version of a common scam called "phishing." While the details vary, their goal is

always the same—to get you to give away your personal information in order to access your money or steal your identity.

Here are some ways you can protect yourself from phishing scams:

- Beware of phone calls or emails that ask for personal information. Legitimate government agencies will not ask you for personal information over the phone or by email.
- Ask for a contact number. If you think the caller may be real, ask for their contact information so you can call them back. Look them up online

to see if the number they give you really is to the agency they claim to be calling from, or ask a trusted friend or family member.

• Report the scams to our office. Our Consumer Protection Division staff members are trained to spot scams and identify theft.

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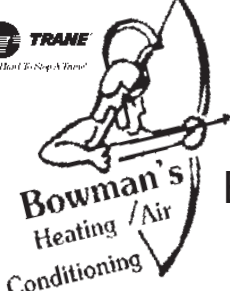
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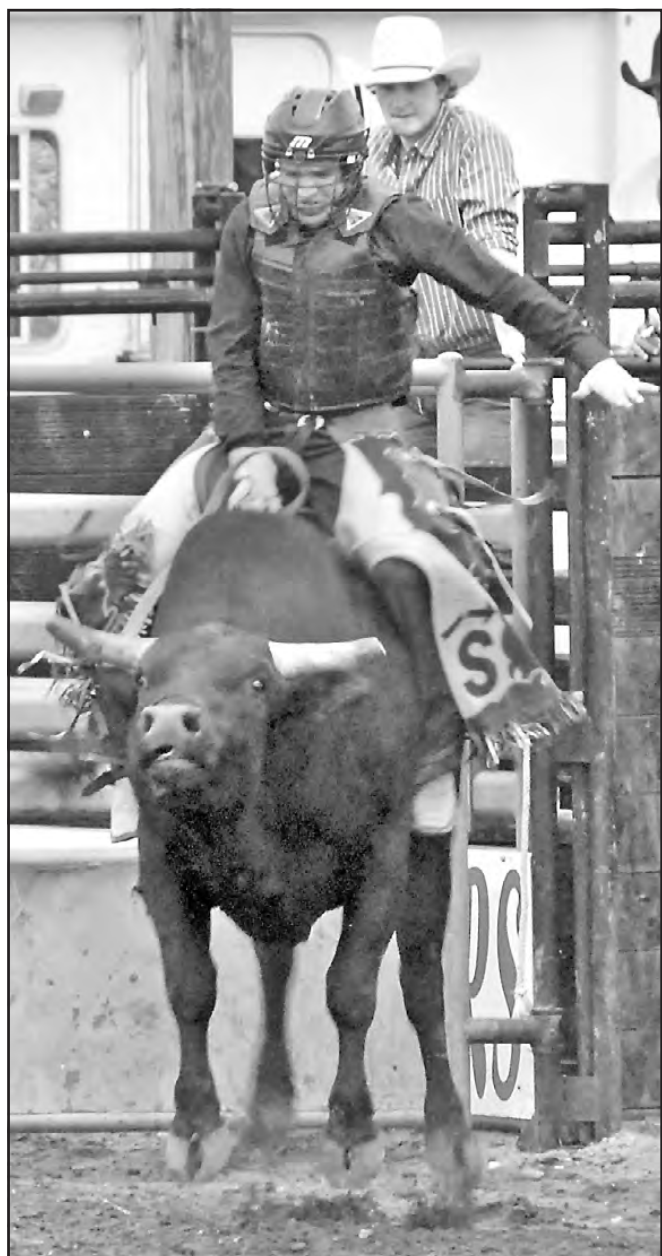
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## Riders fight bulls, weather on Wednesday

Undaunted by the rainy weather, Ryan McConnel (above right) from Bloomfield, N.M. won the Western Plains Chute-Out Professional Bull Riding event on Wednesday. McConnel scored an 86.5 in the long go and an 89 in the short go. John Jacobs (above left) of Timber Lake, S.D., scored an 81 in the long go but did not score in the short go. Kasey Hayes (below left) of Liberal fell off quickly and did not score in the long go. Along with a rodeo clown there were plenty of bull fighters (left) and cowboys (below right) on hand to calm the bulls down and get them back in the pens after each ride. The riders were introduced to the crowd at the beginning of the event (bottom left) along with sponsors and the event helpers. Also in the opening ceremony was a fireworks display and the National Anthem sung by Demi Mitchek.

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# Communications company owned by employees

By Ron Wilson

Director  
Huck Boyd National Institute  
for Rural Development  
at Kansas State University

Welcome to the company. Let's meet the owner. But if you're expecting to walk into one big office with a fancy desk and chair, think again. This is a company where every one of the certified employees is also an owner. Such an innovative ownership model has been part of the success of this remarkable communications company. It's today's Kansas Profile.

Gary Shorman is President and CEO of Eagle Communications in Hays. Last week we learned about how this company grew from its beginnings as a single radio station in 1948. Its company slogan is "Our Community...Connected."

Gary has rural roots, having grown up on a family farm south of Clay Center. He went to a one-room country school and then went to middle school at the rural community of Wakefield, population 841 people. Now, that's rural. Gary graduated from Clay Center, went to University of Kansas and began a career in broadcasting.

First he came back to his hometown of Clay Center and helped start a local radio station. His career then took him to KTOP and KDVV in Topeka.

In 1985, Gary was hired by Bob Schmidt, CEO of Eagle Communications, to run a group of radio stations in North Platte, Neb. In 1988 Gary moved to Hays and became head of the radio division. The company changed its name to Eagle Communications in 1992.

In 1998, Bob Schmidt retired as President and CEO. The person selected to replace him was Gary Shorman.

Eagle Communications has now grown to become a broadband services and media company operating 28 radio stations in Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri as well as cable TV and broadband Internet systems in 30 Kansas and Colorado communities.

The company serves thousands of rural customers including two who are especially significant: namely, Gary Shorman's mom and dad. "My parents still live on the family farm," Gary said. "They only had a slow dial-up connection until we came in with 3 meg wireless Internet service."

The wireless service to rural customers has been a significant benefit.

The company's transmitters are often located on top of community grain elevators so they can reach a long distance. In June 2013, Eagle Communications' rural internet service was highlighted at the national cable show in Washington DC.

"Our services allow our customers to connect beyond their local circle of families and friends," Gary said. "We strive to provide the best connections in the communities we serve. Our goal is to make our communities and the lives of our listeners and customers better every day."

"Gary Shorman literally grew up in Kansas broadcasting and has always understood the importance of localism in community media," said Steve Smethers, associate director of the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications at Kansas State.

"The motto of Eagle Communications is 'Our communities connected.' That's a value that Gary has stood for throughout his career."

In 1998, when Bob Schmidt retired as CEO, the company also adopted an Employee Stock Ownership Plan. Under the the plan, employees become owners and receive stock in the company as it grows and prospers.

The ownership transition began in 1998. On October 1, 2002, the plan purchased majority ownership from founder Bob Schmidt. Now the company has a celebration each year on October 1. In 2012, the plan purchased the remaining shares of stock so the company is 100 percent employee-owned.

The company takes many steps to engage its employee-owners, from special events to the Eagle

challenge coin, which bears the company and plan logos. The company has a "100/0" goal, meaning that employee-owners must take 100 percent of the responsibility for the company's success and there are 0 excuses for not providing the best products and customer service. In 2013, the company was named the Heart of America ESOP Company of the Year.

For more information, go to [www.eaglecom.net](http://www.eaglecom.net).

Welcome to the company. Let's meet the owner. No, not one big owner, but 271 employee-owners. We commend Gary Shorman, Bob Schmidt and all those involved with Eagle Communications for making a difference with rural service, advanced technology and employee ownership. That's a lot to own up to.

# Paying students for grades may not be good thing

Paying your kids for getting good grades may not be the most effective way to motivate them to do well in school, according to a Kansas State University family studies and human services professor.

Jared Durtschi is an assistant professor of marriage and family therapy in the School of Family Studies and Human Services at the university's College of Human Ecology. He says that while monetary compensation for grades may be effective in some cases, parents should also be aware that the practice could actually decrease their child's motivation to perform well in school.

Durtschi said that paying children for good grades may cause their motivation to work hard in school to shift from an internal motivation -- being motivated by how it will make them feel -- to an external one that is driven by the reward they will receive.

"If a student's motivation to apply himself or herself to academics is solely external, then the child will often stop working hard in school once he or she stops getting paid for their grades," Durtschi said. "The practice has the potential to be especially harmful to students who are already internally motivated to get good grades. By paying these

students for their achievements, parents risk making an activity these children enjoy in its own right into something they feel they have to do in order to obtain some other end."

In some cases, paying for good grades can be an effective method to motivate students who don't feel driven to succeed on their own, Durtschi said.

"Parents should work to transition the external motivation that comes with being paid to do something into an internal one, so that students will eventually become motivated to achieve in school on their own," he said.

Many parents who embrace pay-

ing students to get good grades do so because, in a very real way, grades do pay; they are a significant factor in determining whether students will get into a top college or eventually secure a high-paying job.

Even so, Durtschi said money may not be the most meaningful reward to all students.

"The most powerful motivator is unique to each child," he said. "For some kids, a trip to see Grandma or not being required to do chores for a week might be more motivating than \$20."

Durtschi also said that, especially for younger children, parental praise and affection often remain

the most powerful motivator. In fact, he said, parents and teachers have the ability to significantly affect a child's performance in the classroom merely by improving their perceptions of that child. In many cases, even students who have not traditionally been considered capable of achieving at the highest level academically may have the potential to become the best students in a class if the bar is raised for their academic performance and they are treated as someone who is competent in doing so.

"We attribute labels to ourselves based on what others tell us we are or are not good at," Durtschi said.

"Even if a kid is just average, they can rise to so much more if expectations and treatment are adjusted. It limits our kids if we stop believing they are capable of great things."

As a parent, Durtschi said it's important to let your child know you believe he or she is capable of achieving highly. But when you know your child is trying as hard as he or she can, it's also important for a parent to accept the child's best effort. Students who are perceived as less bright often just need more time to understand new concepts, or may learn more efficiently if the information is presented in a different way.




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# Cantaloupe isn't the easiest crop to grow

**By Kay Melia**  
*The Gardener*  
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 Before we head out to the cantaloupe patch, I want to sincerely thank all of you who reacted to last week's column about the possibilities of Gardening 101. Literally dozens of you sent your stamp of approval for the creation of some kind of gardening instruction to our young high school students, and several of you forwarded the column to teachers, other school officials and school board members. Thank you!  
 Most of us enjoy a good can-



**kay melia**  
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taloupe, whether it comes from the store or our garden. Naturally, it tastes so much better from the garden because cantaloupe has a tendency to lose some of its flavor when shipped long distances. But growing our own cantaloupe isn't the easiest crop to produce in our garden and as a result, less than 25

percent of all backyard gardeners mess around with it. In the first place, a cantaloupe seed is sometimes difficult to coax into the sprouting mode. You plant five seeds in a hill, and maybe only one emerges. There are two reasons for that. Number one, you planted the seed too deep. Never pile more than a half-inch of soil on a cantaloupe seed, and be sure the soil is moist. Number two, cantaloupe seeds will not germinate in cool soils. The soil temperature should

be a minimum of 65 degrees before you plant. Therefore, cantaloupe should be the last thing you plant in your High Plains garden, which also means that cantaloupe will probably be one of the last things you harvest, just before the watermelon. It generally takes from 75 to 80 days for melons to ripen. And then there's the added problem of knowing when to harvest them, and that's important because a cantaloupe will not continue the ripening process after it has been picked, like your tomatoes do as they sit there on your kitchen counter. So, you should utilize the "slip"

method of harvesting a melon at the time of its greatest flavor. If you think the cantaloupe is ripe, carefully pick it up and give it a very slight tug. If it's ready, it will "slip" from the vine. If not, just lay it back down and try again tomorrow. Just because the color of the cantaloupe seems to indicate it is ready to harvest, be advised that different melon varieties show different color at maturity. Some will still have a few green streaks in the nice tan color when it's fully ripe. So try the "slip" method several times when the melon is ripening. I have always considered the can-

taloupe as the dessert of the gardening season. The sweet, musky flavor can also be described as earthy, floral, spicy or berryish. A good cantaloupe is truly ambrosial. Years ago, I heard the story from a gardener that when cantaloupe are ripe and the aroma begins to drift over the neighborhood, the possibility of theft is extremely high. A famous plant breeder agreed with that assessment. He said "when a cantaloupe is ripe, there is a huge increase in 'finger blight'...and there is no known cure."

# Learning to listen helps improve friendships

Ever wonder why your friends are your friends? While many factors foster friendship, one of the most important is having good communication. It sounds simple, but often it isn't. The problem is that most of us are much better at talking than we are at listening. Communication, especially among friends, doesn't simply mean talking, but also learning to really listen to what he or she has to say. We all can learn to develop or improve good listening skills, and doing so is important if we want our relationships to prosper. A starting point is to observe what others do in a conversation. Try listing the things a good listener does that let you know that person has been paying attention and really hearing what you had to say. Then do a second list of what someone

does that shows he or she hasn't really been listening to you and wasn't very interested. Next, monitor your own actions when someone is sharing something important with you. Would you call yourself a good or poor listener? There are some simple guidelines that can help make you a more effective listener. First is simply to listen more than you talk. Constantly interrupting with your own stories shows you aren't really listening and that you value your own experiences more than what the other person is sharing. Good listeners will often repeat key points to show they've been paying attention and understood what was being said. They'll also allow for corrections if they have misunderstood something. And a good listener will ask questions

when something is said that wasn't understood. An effective way to end a conversation, especially when something important has been communicated, is to summarize what you've heard to show you've understood it all correctly. Good listening also requires

more than just paying attention. You don't want to respond in a way that minimizes or seems critical of what was just shared. Be clear if what is being shared is confidential or outside your personal limits. In such cases, restate that you will keep the confidence, or ask to stop

the conversation if it is making you uncomfortable. Communication is vital to a good friendship, but it's important to remember that means both listening and talking. Become a good listener and you'll find that relationships with your friends, spouse and your

children will all grow stronger. "Counseling Corner" is provided by the American Counseling Association. Comments and questions to ACAcorner@counseling.org or visit the ACA website at counseling.org

# Proper handling and preparation important

A food safety expert is cautioning consumers to properly handle and prepare produce before eating. Although these practices are always important, extra caution should be taken as a result of a recent outbreak of the Cyclospora infection. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have reported more than 353 cases, most likely spread by consuming contaminated produce. "It is still safe to eat fresh vegetables, as the vegetables that caused the infection are likely no longer being sold," said Londa Vanderwal Nwadike, state extension consumer food safety specialist with Kansas State University and the University of Missouri. This outbreak is a great reminder for consumers to use proper food safety handling practices when preparing and handling fresh vegetables, whether purchased at a grocery store, a farmers market, or raised yourself, she said. Proper food safety handling practices include: Thoroughly wash your hands with soap for 20 seconds before (and after) handling or preparing any food. Cut away any damaged or bruised parts of the produce. Wash/rub down the produce under clean running water, even if you are going to peel it. Be sure to use clean water and clean the produce thoroughly. There is no need to use soap or produce

rinses. With items such as head lettuce, be sure to take apart the leaves and wash the individual leaves. Use a vegetable brush to scrub the outside surface of produce such as potatoes and melons under running water. With Cyclospora, it usually takes one week from the time contaminated food is consumed until the person becomes sick. Symptoms of infection include persistent watery diarrhea with frequent bowel movements, which can last an average of 60 days if not treated. Other common symptoms include loss of appetite, stomach cramps and pain, bloating, increased gas, fatigue and other flu-like symptoms. As of July 26, the infections included 140 cases in Iowa, 71 in Nebraska, 92 in Texas, 2 in Missouri, and 1 in Kansas. At least 21 people have been reported to be hospitalized in three states. These numbers may continue to rise as cases are investigated. "Even though only two cases have been reported in Missouri and one in Kansas so far, there may be some consumers in these states that have been exposed to the pathogen. Anyone that is experiencing the symptoms listed above should see their health care provider," Nwadike said. For additional information, see an Iowa State University video on washing fresh produce: <http://youtu.be/5iQ5P1wQrRU>.

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 Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233  
**Sunday:** Church School - All ages 9 a.m.  
 Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Youth Group: weekly Jr./Sr. High groups  
 Thursday: Prayer Class - Noon  
 Pastor Carol's Class Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.  
[www.goodlandfccdoc.org](http://www.goodlandfccdoc.org)

**Kanorado United Methodist Church**  
**Pastor:** Justin Schlichenmayer  
 399-2468  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 10 a.m.

**Church of the Nazarene**  
**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
 Third & Caldwell  
 899-2080 or 899-3797  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 10:50 a.m.  
 Evening Service: 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 p.m.

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**Celebrant:** Father Don Martin  
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**Bible Study:** 4 p.m. the first and third Saturday of the month

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**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.  
 6 p.m. AWANA during school  
 Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** 6:30 youth group  
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 1121 Main  
 890-3450  
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 Morning Worship: 10 a.m.

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 Sunday: 10:30 a.m.

**Harvest Evangelical Free Church**  
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**Sunday:** Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
 Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.  
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 Junior High: 6:30 p.m. at the church  
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 1160 Cattletrail  
**Pastor:** Jim McCurdy  
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 Worship Service: 11 a.m.

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**Sunday:** Christian education/fellowship: 10:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service: 9 a.m.

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On August 5, 2013, the City of Goodland, Kansas adopted Ordinance No. 1648, attesting to an increase in tax revenues for budget year 2014 for the City of Goodland. A complete copy of this ordinance is available at www.cityofgoodland.org or at Goodland City Hall.

This summary was certified by Jerry Fairbanks, City Attorney. Published in The Goodland Star-News, Friday, August 9, 2013.

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Prepared By: South & Associates, P.C. Brian R. Hazel (KS # 21804) 6363 College Blvd., Suite 100 Overland Park, KS 66211 (913)663-7600 (913)663-7899 (Fax) Attorneys For Plaintiff (143266)

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You are notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas, praying to foreclose a real estate mortgage on the following described real estate:

All of Lots Seventeen (17) and Eighteen (18) and the West Twenty feet (W 20') of Lot Nineteen (19), in Block Nineteen (19), FIRST ADDITION to the City of Goodland, Sherman County, Kansas, commonly known as 1008 West 12th Street, Goodland, KS 67735 (the "Property")

and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 5th day of September, 2013, in the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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# Swimmer places at State Games

Ian Bonsall, Goodland High School student and member of the Goodland Swim Club, competed in the 2013 State Games of America in Hershey, Pa. The swimming competition was held Aug. 1 and 2 at the York Central High School in York, Pa.

Bonsall swam in three events. In the 50-meter freestyle he placed fourth with a time of 23.44. In the 100-meter freestyle he placed sixth with a time of 53.34 and in the 200 freestyle he placed fourth with a time of 2:02.11.

Medals were given to first, second and third placers. Even though Bonsall did not medal, all his times were personal bests, coming within fractions of a second of third place.

Bonsall was the only Kansas competitor in the 500 swimmers competing from ages eight to 18. Over 4,000 athletes competed in all sports coming from over 26 states including California, Texas, Georgia and Iowa.

To compete Bonsall had to qualify at the Kansas Sunflower games last year.

## Western Plains Chute-Out



Australian rider Jared Farley tried to stay on his bull at the Western Plains Chute-Out Professional Bull Riding competition on Wednesday at the Sherman County Fairgrounds. Farley was riding Big Jake, sponsored by the Ryan Franz Memorial. For more pictures, see Page 6.

Photo by Kevin Bottrell/The Goodland Star-News

# Triathlon held here last weekend

Results are in for the Goodland Activities Center triathlon, held last weekend.

In the team division, Team Cure/Mack placed first with 1:22:43. Team Raymer placed second with 1:28:35.

In the individual division, Luke Tubbs placed first with 1:20:17; Cindy Fielder, second with 1:35:57; Josef Felver and Elaine Felver, tied for third with 1:39:56.

There was also a 5K run with two divisions. In the adult division, Mark Perry placed first with 23:15; Rich Felver, second with 23:27; Jay Dee Brambaugh and Brennan Brambaugh, tied for third with 27:26; Tanya Szanto and Rick

Szanto, tied for fourth with 27:54; Amy Felver, fifth with 31:42; Scott Mentzer, sixth with 32:35; Jill Neitzel and Ashley Perry, tied for seventh with 32:35; Amy Gillming, eighth with 38:51; Amber Dinkel, ninth with 38:53; and Kate Felver, 10th with 1:24:54.

In the high school division, Ace Arteaga placed first with 18:23; Arron Arteaga, second with 18:31; Jacob Gerber with 18:50; Braxton Redlin, fourth with 20:17; Kameron Snyder, fifth with 21:03; Jessie Cooper, sixth with 22:09; Lacie Siruta, seventh with 22:39; Dillon Gillming, eighth with 23:06; Erin Floyd, ninth with 25:42; and Koal Artzer, 10th with 26:46.

# K-18 team defeated at state

After defeating the defending state champion on their way to the State Tournament, the Goodland Elks K-18 baseball team lost 2-1 in the first round on July 27 in Lucas.

Goodland had beaten state champion Victoria 5-3 to take the top spot at the West Regional in Colby earlier in July. The top four teams from the East and West Regionals get spots at the state tournament.

On the first day of the tournament, Victoria beat Beloit 4-3 and Osborne beat Oakley 5-4.

Goodland faced Republic County, the No. 4 team from the East Region, in the early game Saturday.

The boys started off well with a run from Luke Avila in the first inning. He and Kelby Smith each got base hits in the inning while Austin Hernandez

walked. That would turn out to be the team's only run of the game.

Republic County did not score until the third inning, when they got a run to tie the game 1-1.

Neither team was able to score until the seventh. Despite a single from Evan Peter, a single and a double from Dawson Raymer and a double from Smith, Goodland couldn't get any runs across. Republic County scored once in the seventh to win the game 2-1.

In the late game, Concordia fell to Colby 11-1. The tournament was rained out until July 31. Victoria beat Osborne 7-6 and Colby beat Republic County 5-2 to advance to the championship. In the final game, Victoria destroyed Colby 25-6.

# Activities center events coming soon

The Goodland Activities Center has two events coming up, a golf tournament fundraiser and co-ed flag football.

Co-ed flag football – for kids in kindergarten through sixth grade – will begin Sept. 9 and will play every Monday until Oct. 7. Deadline to register is Saturday, Aug. 24.

The 12th Annual Benefit Night Golf Tournament will have a shotgun start at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24, at Sugar Hills Golf Course. Registration begins at 1 p.m. After the first nine holes there will be a dinner at the clubhouse and then a scotch scramble start for the second nine hold at 8 p.m. An awards ceremony will be held at the clubhouse at 10:30 p.m.

Special events throughout the tournament will include a fantasy scratch off game and a "horse race" timed relay shoot on the ninth hole, and prizes for the longest and shortest drives.

Cost is \$100 per couple. Money raised goes to the Goodland Activities Center.

Forms for both events are available online at [www.goodlandgac.com](http://www.goodlandgac.com) or at the activities center, 808 Main.

## FUN BY THE NUMBERS

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American Profile Hometown Content

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### ACROSS

- Almost out of
- Attire for Dracula
- Brother of Little Joe on '60s TV
- Spanish tourist center
- Soon, in verse
- "Ulysses," for one
- U.S. money market
- Anniversary, e.g.
- Tough to trick
- Stick of gum, informally
- Sweater type
- Heroic deed
- Holm of "Still Breathing"
- Preacher's admonition
- Strongly opposed
- Publicist's assignment
- "Warmer" or "colder"
- "You gotta be kidding!"
- 45 or 78
- Cagney's TV partner
- Hatchery sound
- \_\_-eyed
- Discordant deity
- Converted split, e.g.
- "Ivanhoe" author
- Trample underfoot
- Branch out
- Ill-mannered sort
- "Can't resist!"
- Lover's \_\_
- \_\_ up (make sense)
- Huff and puff
- Engineer or conductor
- \_\_ Reader (eclectic magazine)

### DOWN

- Things on books
- Place to do laps
- See 20-Across
- Feeling rotten
- Just emerging
- Shift-6
- One more time
- "The Gold-Bug" writer
- Plea
- Crop-dusting plane
- Iridescent gems
- Occupy, as a table
- Noisy public fight
- "Take \_\_!"
- Supermodel Carol
- Indecisive sort
- Road construction markers
- Pete Rose's longtime team
- Devil's doings
- Cuban currency
- OK to do
- Literary Bret
- Disorderly stack
- Pianist Peter
- All-comers tournament
- Aerobics attire
- Brief visit along the way
- Stimpy or Sylvester
- Take to the sky
- Make confetti of
- Quartz variety
- Karan of fashion
- Partners of whistles
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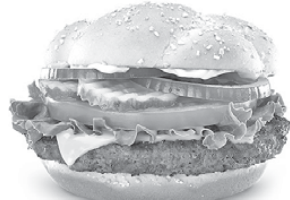
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