

Oakley recognized for supporting annual state hunt

The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism Division of Tourism, recognized the City of Oakley with this year's Tourism Partnership Award on Oct. 16, during the 2012 Kansas Tourism Conference in Dodge City. The 2012 Governor's Tourism Award was also presented at the conference, which was co-sponsored by the Travel Industry Association of Kansas.

Raelene Keller and Jim and Lori Millensifer accepted the award on behalf of the Oakley, whose people were enthusiastic and cooperative hosts for the Inaugural Governor's Ringneck Classic pheasant hunt last November. Their efforts focused attention on the hunting opportunities in Kansas. Oakley is holding the event again this year.

The award was developed to recognize the importance of collaboration in the development of tourism in Kansas. Efforts would not be successful without the work of many organizations and businesses that step up and work with the Division of Tourism.

The Flint Hills Nature Trail received the 2012 Governor's Tourism Award. In the past 10 years, over \$800,000 in private funding was raised to support over 60 miles of trail that has been constructed and opened. Hard-work-

ing volunteers continue to build and maintain the trail.

On the right-of-way of the famous "Colorado Eagle Line" of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, the 154-mile long Flint Hills Nature Trail is the longest trail in Kansas and seventh longest rail-trail in America. It spans seven counties and covers more than 2,000 acres from Herington to Osawatimie, crossing a wide variety of natural areas including the Chippewa Hills, the riparian forests of the Marais des Cygnes and Neosho River valley, and the Flint Hills, which are the largest expanse of tallgrass prairie remaining in the world. The trail links state and local parks, wildlife areas, waterfalls and wetlands, and shares Kansas' heritage with those that trek it.

The governor's award was established in 1983 to recognize Kansans for outstanding contributions to the travel and tourism industry and to encourage others in the industry to strive for excellence.

Tourism is the third largest industry in Kansas, with a total economic impact of about \$5.46 billion. Half of tourism expenditures in Kansas come from out-of-state visitors.

Town catches pet cats when going after strays

NORTH CHARLEROI, Pa. (AP) — A tiny western Pennsylvania borough's plan to trap stray cats has angered residents who say their pets have been swept up in the trapping effort, which the pet owners say wasn't well-publicized.

KDKA-TV (cbsloc.al/V46XuF) reports angry pet owners pelted North Charleroi council members with questions at Monday night's council meeting. Adding to the drama was the absence of a newly-hired animal control officer

who has been trapping the cats, but didn't show up at the meeting as requested.

The borough's attorney says residents have 48 hours to claim their pets if they're trapped. But residents say they wouldn't have known that because the trapping plans weren't well-publicized. But council members say they announced the plan at their August meeting.

Council is now considering giving residents up to 10 days to claim their cats.

Student News

Colby Public Schools
Activities: Monday: 2 and 7 p.m. second grade musical, grade school auditorium; 4 p.m. seventh and eighth wrestling at Goodland vs. Scott City and Oakley. **Tuesday:** 4 p.m. seventh girls basketball, Holcomb; 4 p.m. eighth girls basketball vs. Holcomb; 7:30 p.m. National Honor Society induction, high school auditorium. **Wednesday:** 7:30 a.m. high school faculty meeting; 10 a.m. Great West Activities League meeting, Scott City; noon — middle school site council. **Thursday:** 4 p.m. seventh girls basketball vs. Scott City; 4 p.m. eighth girls basketball, Scott City; 4:30 p.m. scholars bowl, Goodland. **Friday:** football sub-state. **Saturday:** 10 a.m. seventh and eighth wrestling, Ulysses; 10 a.m. seventh and eighth B girls basketball, Goodland; 10 a.m. seventh and eighth A girls basketball vs. Goodland and Ulysses.

Menus: Monday: breakfast: French toast, syrup, apricots; lunch: cheese quesadilla, lettuce, salsa, refried beans, orange wedges. **Tuesday:** breakfast: cereal, apple juice; lunch: turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, tropical fruit, pumpkin dessert. **Wednesday:** breakfast: blueberry muffin, grape juice; lunch: corn dogs, garden spinach salad, peas, fruit cocktail. **Thursday:** breakfast: Donuts with Dad; lunch: taco pie, lettuce, salsa, fresh broccoli, grapes. **Friday:** breakfast: oatmeal breakfast round, apple wedges; lunch: cowboy cavatini, baby carrots, pears, gelatin.

Sacred Heart
Activities: none listed.

Menus: Monday: hamburger on a bun, dark green leaf lettuce and tomato, sweet potato fries, fruit cocktail, rice crispy bars. **Tuesday:** chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, fresh broccoli, strawberries and bananas. **Wednesday:** chili, whole grain corn chips, celery and cucumbers, cinnamon roll, orange smiles. **Thursday:** baked ham, two-potato mash, green beans, biscuit and jelly, fresh kiwi. **Friday:** macaroni cheese and meatballs, seasoned peas, fresh baby carrots, apple wedge.

Heartland
Activities: Tuesday: 7 p.m. HOPE meeting. **Thursday:** 4 p.m. junior high girls basketball, Brewster.

Golden Plains
Activities: Monday: Jostens

visit for sophomores and seniors; 4 p.m. middle school scholars bowl, Rawlins County. **Tuesday:** Colby Community College representative; 4 p.m. high school scholar's bowl, Oberlin. **Thursday:** middle school basketball, Logan; 5 p.m. high school scholar's bowl, Goodland.

Friday: Dodge City Community College representative. **Menus: Rexford: Monday:** breakfast: hash browns and toast; lunch: pinwheel. **Tuesday:** breakfast: monkey bread; lunch: spaghetti. **Wednesday:** breakfast: combo; lunch: Thanksgiving dinner. **Thursday:** breakfast: scrambled eggs; lunch: taco salad. **Friday:** breakfast: scrambled eggs; lunch: hamburgers.

Selden: Monday: breakfast: breakfast burrito; lunch: hamburgers. **Tuesday:** breakfast: pancake; lunch: chicken nuggets. **Wednesday:** breakfast: biscuit and gravy; lunch: tacos. **Thursday:** breakfast: long john; lunch: Thanksgiving dinner. **Friday:** breakfast: eggs and toast; lunch: corn dogs.

Brewster
Activities: Monday: 4 p.m. junior high scholars bowl, Atwood. **Thursday:** 4 p.m. junior high girls basketball vs. Heartland Christian at Brewster. 5 p.m. high school scholars bowl, Goodland.

Menus: Monday: breakfast: sausage biscuit; lunch: pork rib on bun, tri-tater, green beans, carrots. **Tuesday:** breakfast: blueberry muffin; lunch: taco salad, chips, lettuce, corn. **Wednesday:** breakfast: pancakes, sausage; lunch: chili, veggie sticks, cinnamon roll. **Thursday:** breakfast: sausage cheese biscuit; lunch: turkey, cheesy potatoes, broccoli, cooked carrots, pumpkin cake. **Friday:** breakfast: grilled cheese sandwich; lunch: sausage pizza, salad.

Colby Community College
Activities: Sunday: equestrian team, Laramie, Wyo.; 1 p.m.

Red Barn

Activities for the week: **Monday:** Veterans Day observed; 1:45 p.m. blood pressure clinic; 2 p.m. Barnswallows. **Wednesday:** 10 a.m. ladies' Bible study. **Thursday:** 2 p.m. "Come on Down;" 6:30 p.m. Spuds 'n Splits. **Friday:** 9:30 a.m. Koffee Klatch; 10:30 a.m. board meeting; 1:30 p.m. Red Barn Gang practice; 2:30 p.m. Stitch and Chatter.

Northwest Kansas All-Star volleyball game, Community Building. **Tuesday:** 6 p.m. women's basketball vs. Trinidad. **Wednesday:** 10 a.m. Senior Day, Student Union. **Friday:** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thanksgiving dinner; 6 p.m. women's basketball, McCook; 9 p.m. student casino night, Union. **Saturday:** 9 a.m. women's cross country, South Plains, Texas, Nationals 1/2 Marathon; 4 p.m. men's basketball, Colorado Springs; wrestling, Greeley, Colo.; wrestling, Kearney, Neb. (split team)

Triplains
Activities: Monday: no school;

Senior Progress Center

Friday will be the Young at Heart Singers at the Senior Progress Center.

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 10:30 a.m. dart game. **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. Rummikub. **Wednesday:** cinnamon rolls. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinocle. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 11:30 a.m. Young at Heart Singers.

Menus for the week: **Monday:** Polish sausage with kraut, mashed potatoes, winter mix vegetables, peaches. **Tuesday:** turkey, sweet potatoes, cranberry salad, bread,

pumpkin dessert. **Wednesday:** taco burger, mandarin oranges, peas, pudding. **Thursday:** Wai-kiki meat balls, broccoli, pears, birthday cake. **Friday:** chicken patty sandwich, parslid potatoes, mixed vegetables, cook's choice fruit.

Anyone 60 and older and guests are invited to the senior center Monday through Friday. A contribution of \$3 is asked for seniors, \$5.25 for others. For anyone under 60, home delivery is \$5.75.

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