

Newspaper wins writing, photo awards in contest

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of game, as well as conditions faced by the team.”

The Daily News received three awards for overall quality, including a second place award for news and writing excellence, and the judge said, “Very strong leads pull readers into stories. A couple of rougher patches, but still very strong skills and editing displayed.” The paper won a third place award in design and layout. The judge said, “Loved the front page.” Under General Excellence, The Goodland Daily News received an honorable mention. The judge said, “I like the big photos. Hard to make selection in this category — lots of good papers.”

The Daily received a second place award for best front page. The judge said, “The use of color helps presentation. Good use of local photos and a dominant art presentation — especially the July 4th story.

A story about the tornado which hit a farm south of Ruleton in late October won a second place in spot news for Tom Betz. He received an honorable mention in feature package for a story about searching for fossils.

“Well done ‘morning after’ story,” the judge said about the tornado coverage. “One of the best leads I have seen — gave reader an immediate sense of the situation.”

Managing Editor Rachel Miscall won second and a third place awards for in-depth writing; second place in news photography; third place for feature photography; and honorable mention for a sports feature about the



This photograph of a trailer that caught fire on I-70 in September won The Goodland Daily News second place in news photography in an annual Kansas Press Association contest.

Photo by Rachel Miscall/The Goodland Daily News

Goodland-Oberlin football game involving members of the Stone family.

Her second-place award for news photography was for a photo of a camper in flames on I-70 in September. State trooper Rich Hageman is running through the foreground as firemen rush to douse the flames.

On her in-depth stories the judges said, “Good use of information. May make readers stop and think a little more about who they are voting for,” on the second place story, which was about spending in the state Senate primary last year.

“Good sources. A topic that is often overlooked, Liked sidebar with troopers. Interview with widow of trooper

makes a good impact,” on the third place story, about a new law which requires motorists to move over when an emergency vehicle is beside the road.

On her feature photo, the judge said, “Conveys 4th of July spirit and background shows other activities at the celebration.”

Miscall also won two awards for her work at The Oberlin Herald before moving to Goodland last year, a second place for feature writing and a third place for in-depth writing.

Society Editor Janet Craft won an honorable mention for her feature story about Pearl Harbor.

The Colby Free Press won five awards, including two for writing by

Managing Editor Patty Decker; one for editorial writing by Publisher Tom Dreiling and one for column writing by Sports Editor Jay Kelley. Both papers entered the category for small daily newspapers.

The Oberlin Herald won three awards, including a second place for news and writing excellence. The Saint Francis Herald won five awards including a first place for news photography. The Herald also received an honorable mention for general excellence.

The Western Times of Sharon Springs won three awards including a third place for column writing by Mary Hansen.

Many awards earned

- The Goodland Daily News**
1. **second** place spot news (Nov. 1) Tornado strikes farm near Ruleton by Tom Betz
 2. **second** place for in-depth writing (July 28) Campaign reports show differences by Rachel Miscall
 3. **third** place for in-depth writing (July 7) Law protects troopers from drivers by Rachel Miscall
 4. **first** place sports writing (Oct. 23) Ambush is nightmare for fans (Volleyball loss) by Roxie Yonkey
 5. **honorable mention** for sports feature writing (Oct. 5) football game is family affair by Rachel Miscall
 6. **second** place for news and writing excellence
 7. **second** place for news photography (Sept. 12) camper bursts into flames on highway by Rachel Miscall
 8. **third** place feature photography. (July 5) fourth of July by Rachel Miscall
 9. **honorable mention** for feature package (July 26) amateurs scan rocks for remains of ocean by Tom Betz
 10. **honorable mention** for feature package (Dec. 7) He saw rising sun over Pearl Harbor by Janet Craft
 11. **third** place for design and layout excellence.
 12. **honorable mention** general excellence
 13. **second** place for best front page
- The Colby Free Press**
1. **honorable mention** spot news (Jan. 21) Colby proves to be dead-end

- for drug dealers by Patty Decker
2. **honorable mention** in-depth writing Drug dealer stories by Patty Decker
 3. **third** place for editorial writing by Tom Dreiling
 4. **third** place for column writing by Jay Kelley
 5. **honorable mention** for sports column writing by Jim Ferguson

The Oberlin Herald

1. **second** place for news and writing excellence.
2. **second** place for feature writing by Rachel Miscall. (June 7) New York fossil hunter visits area.
3. **third** place for in-depth writing (Feb. 9) Bomb threat hits school by Rachel Miscall

Saint Francis Herald

1. **first** place news photography. (Jan. 20) Coyote calling contest protester by Karen Krien
 2. **second** place sports photography (June 22) girl tying ribbon on goat's tail by Karen Krien
 3. **honorable mention** sports photography (May 4) The long jump by Dale Rose
 4. **honorable mention** best front page
 5. **honorable mention** general excellence
- Western Times, Sharon Springs**
1. **third** place for column writing by Mary Hansen
 2. **second** place for news photo by Jackie Walker
 3. **honorable mention** by feature photo by Julie Samuelson

Brewster loses principal and superintendent

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tried to cover up the incident because it involved Garner's son and didn't give the students a harsh enough punishment.

At a special meeting Monday night, the board fired a teacher and an aide and approved hiring a new teacher and another aide.

After more than two hours in closed

session, the board voted not to renew band teacher Denise Schoff's contract for next year and to fire paraprofessional Melanie Headley.

Board secretary Daryl Ann Jorgensen said the board called the meeting because of the amount of work they had to do before a May 1 deadline set by the state notify teachers on contract renewal.

The board approved the hiring of

Danny Traub as industrial arts teacher and Brian Denies as a paraprofessional.

Members discussed a proposal by S&T Telephone to hire students in the summer as part of the district's work study program. They agreed the telephone company is a good partner in the program and the learning experience of students had been excellent, but they were skeptical of the program as a

whole.

“I don't want to hurt S&T,” said board member Rod Arnberger, adding that other work study programs had not worked out as well.

“It's a good program, but it needs to be revamped,” he said. Both Arnberger and Becky Luckert said supervision of the program had been lax.

“The concept of learning has gone by the wayside,” said Luckert, “and it has become a way to get out of school.”

Superintendent Jim Garner asked the board to review their goals for the program.

“We might have to develop new goals,” if the board wants to remove the work study program. “You're going to have to have courses for the students.”

Principal Matt Pounds told the board, “Some students are into the money aspect rather than learning.”

Asked about the city of Brewster dropping out of the program, both Pounds and Garner said they didn't think the city was dissatisfied.

“I think they just ran out of money,” said Garner.

Garner also said some students were working at jobs that were not what they intended to do for a career, but “even at McDonald's, you learn what you don't want to do for a career.”

Greg Mills, board president, and Horney both said the controls already required monthly reports by students and employers, and just needed to be enforced.

Luckert disagreed, saying there needs to be more accountability on both employers and students.

The board voted 6-1 to continue the program with tighter controls with Luckert the dissenting vote.

County officials test sirens

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reported 2.5 inches.

Sunday about noon, a strong cold front went through as the back side of the low pushed through.

The south winds switched to the north and temperatures dropped into the 40s. Again, the winds averaged 25-35 mph with gusts up to 50 mph. The low Sunday night was 29 degrees..

Taber said there were lots of reports of wind damage on Friday, all caused by straight line winds. He said the severe weather season usually starts around late April and runs through June in this area.

Mary Messamore, director of emergency communications and emergency management coordinator for Sherman County, said the warning sirens in Goodland are tested at 11:45

a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month if the weather permits. This is to make sure they are working properly and is done year round.

She said the sirens are tested at this time of day so that emergency management personnel can have city workers nearby to make sure the sirens are sounding. There are several sirens located around Goodland.

Messamore said the main thing people need to remember is that sirens are to warn people who are outside. If you are in your house with the TV on or the vacuum cleaner running, you may not hear them.

She said you shouldn't just count on sirens to warn you if you are inside, but listen to the radio and TV if the weather looks threatening.

A weather alert radio is the best thing, she said.

Budget brings no protest from citizens

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start work next fall.

The board didn't hear any complaints during a short budget hearing that started the meeting, where the public was allowed to protest the extra \$32,852 the district is adding to this year's budget.

The money will come from the state, which has agreed to pay the district more to correct a mistake made when students were counted this year.

A state auditor recently found Goodland students were spending more time than originally thought in a vocational education classes. The state pays schools more for each vocational education student — depending on the amount of time

the student spends in the class.

Superintendent Marvin Selby said \$8,000 will go to the vocational education program, \$6,500 will pay for students' tuition for Internet classes and the remainder will go into the district's utility fund, which is low because of high natural gas prices.

In other business, the board:

- Approved signing a three-year lease agreement with the Northwest Kansas Technical College, allowing the college to use district-owned land in east Goodland at no cost.
- Gave the Goodland High School Alumni Association permission to use a small school bus over alumni weekend to give visitors rides. The board stipulated that the association use a

district bus driver, follow a regular route and only run the bus between 2 p.m. and 2 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. Members said if there are problems on Friday, the association won't be able to use the bus on Saturday.

• Agreed to pay \$3,000 to Sugar Hills Golf Club for annual dues for the golf team. The fee had more than tripled from the previous year, but the club included student membership fees, which students or parents had to pay \$75 for before.

• Approved giving the Goodland Arts Council \$1,000 for a summer art program.

• Held a 5-minute closed session to talk about teacher contract negotiations, but took no action.

Arts council to host garden lecture series

The Goodland Arts Council will host a garden lecture series called “How Does Your Garden Grow?” led by members of Master Gardeners at 7 p.m. for six Thursdays starting May

3, with the first session on vegetables.

Other topics include composting and lawn care, roses, annuals, perennials and herbs. Session cost \$5 for

the public but are free for council members. People are asked to register at the Carnegie Arts Center and find out where to meet for the sessions or call the center at 899-6442 for information.

Western tribes form coalition

RIVERTON, Wyo. (AP)—A newly formed coalition of tribes plan to lobby Washington next month on behalf of Western tribes with large amounts of land.

The Council of Large Land-Based Tribes represents far-flung reservations of more than 100,000 acres that have difficulty receiving adequate federal funding, tribal officials said.

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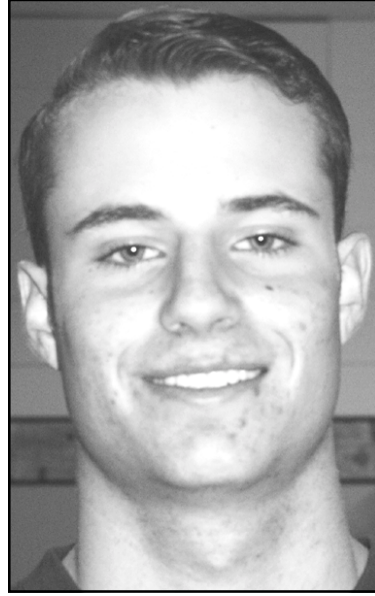
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Name: Brian Coon
Parents: Keith and Judy Coon
Grade: Junior
Age: 17

We've nominated this student because: of his excellent leadership skills and solid performances in both his course work and activities. Always being prepared and willing to accept a challenge along with a super personality are character-

student of the week

istics that make Brian an exceptional student.

Student Comment: My favorite aspects of school are the classes and activities which make me think. The classes I enjoy most are the science and Visual Communications classes. I will remember all the excellent teachers that have a good sense of humor

Activities involved in at school: 4-H, Basketball, Cross Country, FCCLA, NHS, Science Olympiad, and 4-H Ambassadors.


My choice of movies, books, and games: I enjoy most types of movies, country music, cards, and board games.

After I leave Goodland High School I intend to....: Go to college in the area of the study I choose.

And 10 years from now, I think I'll be....: Older and wiser.




Favorite Quote: “Chance favors a prepared mind.”

Louis Pasteur



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