# Speaker tells grads to believe in self

**Editor's Note:** The following paragraphs were inadvertently omitted from the end of the Goodland High School graduation story on Monday. The speaker is Larry Todd, a 1966 Goodland graduate who is now director of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation:

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Talking about his current job as the head of the Bureau of Reclamation in Washington, he said it is his job to make sure federal dams are safe and that areas in the West have enough water for irrigation and municipal use. The issues he faces include the power situation in California and an ongoing drought in Oregon.

"Believe in yourself, and find what fits you," he said. "You have a good base, having grown up in a good town and good schools.'

Turning to the parents he said, "Have patience as they find their way, and send a few dollars along once in a while. That will help."

Sharon Hall, a high school English teacher, was selected as the educator



**Sharon Hall** 

of the year. She thanked the students for selecting her, and congratulated them on completing their education. 'And now you can sit in my

director's chair," she said. Salutatorian Jill Sowers read a poem about growing up and Valedictorian Lindsay Custer spoke about

her experiences and challenges. Harvey Swager, high school prin-



**Larry Todd** 

cipal, said the class of 2001 had done well. Fifty of them would receive scholarships and that 28 had maintained at least a 3.5 grade point av-

Following presentation of the class, the graduates came forward to receive their diplomas and congratulations from members of the school

# Seniors won't forget school days

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years, said, "We're not going to have them any more. It's tough to say goodbye. I thank the class and individuals for what you have brought to us. We welcome you at anytime to come into the school. You will never forget your high school days."

Brett Arnberger presented the welcome and prayer.

"The class of 2001 would like to thank the teachers for all the time and hard work they put in to helping us get to where we are today," he said. "We would like to send out a big thank you to our parents, for we would not be here without their motivation, their support, and most of all, their love."

have faced. He said the class had family." learned teamwork, especially during their junior year.

"When we put prom together, tension was high, but we all got through it with a couple of falls and a sprained arm," he said. "This was the first time our class realized how much they could accomplish when they worked to-

"Now that we have come to the end, we reflect on the happiest memories of our high school years, the back-toback state championships in basketball, and our senior prom. We look forward to what we believe will be the best time of our lives, our senior trip to Florida.

"Even though we are going our sepa-Bobby Tubbs, class valedictorian, rate ways, it doesn't mean we won't see to be a highlight of Brewster graduasaid the challenges following gradua- each other anymore because this class tions. Scholarship award information tion are bigger than any most of them is more than just a senior class, it is a will appear when it is available.

Justin Jamison, salutatorian, praised Brewster, saying he people care about

each other. "I believe it is this attitude that makes Brewster what it is today and has made

me what I am today," Jamison said. Graduates include Brett Arnberger, Kimberly Cook, Parker Jay Crumbaker, Clinton Horinek, Nicole Johnston, Shalon Miller, Crystal Pounds, Jill Beiser, Diane Cranston. Travis Dixon, Justin Jamison, Nicholas Juenemann, Jay Reid and Robert Tubbs Jr. The class motto was, "Enjoy life today, for yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come.'

A slide presentation showing students from babies to seniors continues

# Bush asks senators to 'stop delay'

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the the money should be used for other a supporter of the bill. Senate plodded through a stack of Democratic amendments, President Bush prodded senators today to "stop delay" and get moving on his 11-year, \$1.35 trillion tax cut package.

"I want the Congress to pass tax relief now," Bush told a small group of news-service reporters at the White House. "Congress ought to stop delay and move forward."

"To those who believe it's in the country's interest to tie up tax relief, my message is, it's not in the nation's interests," the president added with a note of frustration in his voice. "We have a chance to get it done very quickly and the members of Congress ought to remember that a tax relief package... will benefit our economy."

On Capitol Hill, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, the Senate Finance Committee chairman, vowed to persevere through what he called the Democrats' "delaying tactic."

Democrats refused to stop offering amendments, which the Senate was considering in continuing back-toback votes. Democrats said they wanted to highlight their opposition to the way the benefits of the tax bill are split between the wealthy and those of modest means and their insistence that priorities such as education and a Medicare prescription drug benefit. "We're going to continue this fight,"

said Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. "This is not about obstruction. This is not about delay."

Final passage nevertheless remained possible later in the day.

Talks then would begin with the House on the ultimate bill. Republican leaders had insisted on getting the Senate bill finished Monday night, but after five hours of roll-call votes on 16 amendments it became clear Democrats were in no mood to cooperate.

there," said Sen. John Breaux, D-La., take."

Amendments to derail or substantially change the legislation, which is supported by a pivotal group of Democratic moderates, were unsuccessful. The bill features the core of Bush's original tax cut plan, including acrossthe-board income tax cuts, but has elements designed to get a majority in a Senate divided between 50 Democrats and 50 Republicans.

"We have to reach a compromise that is sustainable by 51 votes," said Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, a key co-sponsor and ranking Democrat on the Finance Committee. "I think we "There is a lot of frustration out have a good bill. It has a lot of give and

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### Commissioners discuss development West said if the committee and the thing that the commission would

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sary. Commissioner Rick Billinger said he thinks the city needs to have economic development, but that they need to focus on the businesses that

Commissioner Dean Blume asked where people could go to get information on the area if the economic development committee didn't provide it.

their home Monday morning, their

three frightened children ran to a

Investigators were looking for three

men reported seen leaving the area af-

The children, a boy, 8, and girls 7 and

Police identified the victims as

neighor's home to seek help.

2, were staying with relatives.

ter the shootings.

chamber don't do the prospecting, need to address in the next 30 to 45 then the city or county would have to days, before next year's budget is

"We can't stand still," Blume said, 'we have to keep pushing someplace." West said the members volunteer for opment committee. If they do, then

the committee because they cared and they will decide when to give the comwanted to help the community.

City Manager Ron Pickman said restrictions placed on how the money economic development is some- is spent.

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — Af- Trayleena Huff, 28, who was pregnant, bedroom with his 7-year-old sister, heard

ter their parents were shot to death in and her boyfriend, James Daniel shouting in his mother's room, where the

Wallace, 30. Both victims lived at the

duplex with the three children, who

Police searched that area for about two

Police said that the boy, who shared a

Neighbors who heard gunshots

police said belonged to the couple.

Kids run for help after parents are shot

The commission will decide if they

want to give any money to the devel-

mittee the money and if they want any

intruders pushed him back into his room. Cowering in their bedroom, the older about 6:30 a.m. told police three men children waited for the shouting—and

younger sister slept. When he stepped

into the hallway to investigate, one of the

ran into the woods behind the house. eventually the gunshots — to stop. After silence had fallen over the house, the boy counted to three, then dashed across the hall to grab his sister.

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