

Full scale drill will be rescheduled

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students and their parents. The timing just was not right, she said.

"We needed to start at the beginning," she said, "and take baby steps to make sure the plan would work."

The full-scale drill in 2003 may be the same scenario, she said, unless a more pressing need arises before then. Messamore said she doesn't plan to tell people exactly when the drill will be, but wants people to be aware that such a drill will take place so they won't panic when they see fire trucks at the school.

She said there is a design team that writes up the exercise, players who are the "victims" and people who respond, simulators who play the bad guys, con-

trollers who direct the action to make sure the drill runs smoothly and evaluators who watch and see that people implement the parts of the plan they said they would.

The evaluators could be emergency management people from other areas or the principal of the junior high, to name some possible choices, she said, but will be whomever she chooses to invite to help.

When they have the drills, she said, they are not testing the people, but rather testing the plan to be sure it works the way they thought it would.

High School Principal Harvey Swager was pleased with the presentation.

"We want to make sure we keep our kids safe," he said.

The school should be prepared for as many types of disasters as possible, he added, and to that end, the school is trying to coordinate with the police and fire departments.

One thing Swager said he is trying to find out, is how many people in the departments have actually been through the school and know their way around.

Another concern the principal said he has is the construction being done at the school. There are displaced classrooms, he said, adding that he feels it is important to consider how that would affect a fire, tornado or intruder drill.

The team needs to consider what to do about communication if they are unable to use the phones, Swager said,

and where the students would go if they need to evacuate. Right now, the students would go to the Max Jones Fieldhouse, he said, and parents could pick them up there.

But if something happens that the school and the field house are unavailable, the principal said, they need to have a buddy system with another building. They are working on that, he said, and deciding where classes could be held if a tornado destroys the school building or if it was not accessible due to a chemical scare.

"We can't think of every scenario," he said, "but the more prepared we are the better."

He said Messamore and Smee had been able to help the school teams see some things that they had missed.

Free concert Monday

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Festival, and has played at the Montreux De-troit and Elkhart jazz festivals, as well as conferences of the International Association of Jazz Educators and Music Educators National Conference. With the Commodores, he has performed with such legendary jazz artists as Louis Bellson, Dizzy



Pelzer

Gillespie, Milt Hinton, Clark Terry, Stanley Turrentine, Bill Watrous and Grover Washington Jr.

As a freelance musician, he has performed with Tony Bennett, George Bums, Marvin Hamlisch, Liza Minelli, Lou Rawls, Frank Sinatra Jr., the Four Tops and the Temptations.

Gause has also performed with the Tex Beneke, Les Elgart and Buddy Morrow big bands, and appears on jazz recordings with the Ashley Alexander, Frank Mantooth and Bill Potts big bands. He also has extensive studio experience that includes radio and television commercials.

Shooting delays powder investigation

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the letters said the anthrax came in a powder, making people across the U.S. leery of letters and powder and keeping officers busy investigating hoaxes.

Whitson and hospital administrators said the incident here was likely another hoax, as nine employees tested negative for anthrax. The sheriff said officers would still investigate, but

would have to wait a week to look at the mail.

He said the Kansas Department of Health and Environment tells officers to seal the potentially contaminated material and wait a week to see if anyone gets sick before bothering to test the powder. No one was sure where the powder came from, and Whitson said the department has a "wastebasket full" of mail to go through.

The substance will not be tested, Whitson said, because it has been longer than a week and no one has gotten sick at the hospital. He said officers still plan to inspect the mail and find a sender, but don't have the time right now. "It's not real high on our priority list now," he said, "but we're hoping to get to it in the next few days."

Whitson said officers are busy writing reports about a shooting here on

Friday, Oct. 26, when a state trooper killed a 19-year-old Indiana man on I-70 near the east Goodland exit.

Mark Palmer had led city, county and state law enforcement on a wild 30-minute chase, stealing and wrecking cars and threatening officers. He was shot to death after stealing a state Highway Patrol trooper's cruiser and allegedly grabbing for another trooper's gun.

Carla Stovall enters Kansas governor's race

TOPEKA (AP)—Attorney General Carla Stovall has entered the governor's race at a time when some Republicans hope she will become the party's only moderate candidate in next year's primary.

Stovall told reporters Thursday she will kick off her campaign for the Republican nomination later this month when she will name her running mate.

Her entry raised questions about whether House Speaker Kent Glasscock, another moderate, will stay in the race. Glasscock of Manhattan said he would, but speculation about his future remained.

Meanwhile, State Treasurer Tim

Shallenburger, a conservation, began campaigning this week for the Aug. 6 primary.

Some Republicans fear having more than one moderate candidate would split the vote and give Shallenburger the nomination.

Shallenburger has refused to describe himself as the conservative candidate, labeling himself only "right of center."

But Glasscock said: "I would say the more the field is crowded with traditional Republicans, the better he likes it."

The attorney general is likely to be a formidable candidate. She won re-

election in 1998 with 75 percent of the vote, the largest margin of any statewide candidate that year.

"I don't think anybody can judge whether or not they're the front-runner at this point in time," she said. "What I know is that I'll campaign very, very hard. There's no question I know how to do that."

Stovall, 44, was elected attorney general in 1994, after serving as Crawford County prosecutor and on the Kansas Parole Board.

She had announced last year she would leave public office and get a job in the private sector after her term ends in January 2003.

However, she said the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks changed her mind and convinced her she should remain in public service.

Shallenburger decided to run in September, after a private meeting with prominent conservatives, including U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback.

"Maybe democracy's about to start working here," Shallenburger said. "We all assume we're going to have opponents when we announce."

In recent days, prominent Republicans, including Shallenburger, have suggested that Glasscock will drop out of the race and be Stovall's running mate.

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