Steam-cleaned



The Sherman County Rural Fire Department hosed down a car fire about 5 p.m. Wednesday on the eastbound off ramp at Caruso, exit 12 west of Goodland on I-70. The fire destroyed the 1991

BMW sedan. The driver, Fouad Oujani, and passenger, Mushtak Alsugas, told Deputy Roger Studer the fire started under the hood. Photos by Sheila Smith of The Goodland Star-News

Foundation looks at future of city parks

By Pat Schiefen

The Goodland Star-News Rich Hoffman and City Manager Ron Pickman talked about plans for the city's parks with the Sherman County Community Foundation board last week at the Northwest Phillips. Memory and Rosewood Kansas Technical College.

Hoffman was representing the Parks Committee formed by the city commissioners to come up with a five-year plan for the parks. He said the group had decided that a survey taken earlier in the year was invalid because the numbers for park usage were not possible. Skate boarding, horseshoes and kite flying were listed as activities wanted in the parks on the survey.

The city has seven parks, Centennial (behind Presto near I-70), Memory (Ninth and Center), Phillips (10th and Cattletrail), Gulick (8th and Caldwell behind the Bastille, and a convenience store courthouse), Chambers (by the across the street. There was a pubchurches), Steever (by the power plant) and Rosewood, plus the new Pioneer Park near U.S. 24 and Cherry.

Pickman said the city has money for basic mowing and watering, but Center at the Northwest Kansas

not for improvements. He said in the time he has been here, there have been few park improvements.

In order of most used, Pickman said, it would be Centennial and Steever, followed by Chambers and are probably the least used. The new Pioneer Park was not included in any plan for the parks.

The possibility of building a skate park at Gulick was discussed. There is a lot of interest in a skate park by teens and Technical College students, Hoffman said, and the tennis courts could be converted. They are not utilized as much as the others in town because they are not regulation size and there are safety concerns for people running into the street after balls.

The other advantages are the central location, closeness to the lic meeting on the skate park plan at 6 p.m. last Thursday.

The next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at the Murray

Board votes to keep school search team

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told them, "Thanks for coming in." Later, during his monthly report, Principal Swager brought up the contract renewal for Interquest Detection Canine, an Oklahoma City firm with offices in Overland Park which provides the search team.

Board members agreed that while the program has been controversial, it seems to be working as intended. Swager reported that after finding guns, ammo and marijuana in January, the second search this month turned up just a few pills. They said little about the criticism they've endured, but alluded to it in the discussion.

"For the dues we've already paid," said member Mike Campbell, 'I think we need to have them back."

He pointed out the an inspection could occur during an event at the fieldhouse, and members of the public could be caught or arrested if they bring guns or drugs onto school property.

"This goes for adults, too," he said. "What's good for the kids is

good for everybody.'

Member Ron Schilling questioned why the school did not go into a "lockdown," with students required to stay in their seats, during the search. Swager pointed out that with one dog, it took much of the day and a lockdown wasn't practical. In earlier searches by the Kansas Highway Patrol, the school did a lockdown, he said, but the patrol had four dogs. They haven't had time to come back, he said.

"I heard that when the dog shows up, kids go to the john and start flushing," Schilling said. "The word is that the troublemakers are smart enough to get away with it."

Russell concurred, saying that she had heard a lot of questions about why kids were allowed to leave class and move their cars. The searches are unannounced — even Swager doesn't know when there will be one - four times a year, including one or two more this year.

The motion to renew passed 5-2, with Schilling and Ben Duell voting no.

Worship worms the heart

Calvary Gospel Church

Pastor: Rev. Steve Rains Fourth & College • 899-3605 Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am Morning Service: 10:30 am Evening Service: 6:00 pm Wednesday: Adult Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m. Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m. Helping you focus upward in worship, inward in commitment and outward in evangelism

Sonrise Christian Church

Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398 Minister: Tony Kafka Youth Minister: Doug Bean Sunday: Worship Service: 9:30 am Sunday School: 10:45 am Wednesday: Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

Bible Baptist Church

Pastor: Don Crutcher Fifth & Broadway 899-7368 Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Pastor: Father Norbert Dlabal 307 W. 13th • 899-7205 Sacrament of Reconciliation: 4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment Mass Schedule: Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am Spanish Mass: 1st & 3rd Sunday: 2 pm

Word of Life **Joursquare Church**

10th & Clark • 899-5250 **Pastor**: John Coumerilh Service Schedule: **Sunday**: Worship Celebration and Kids' Church: 10:30 am First Wednesday: K.W.A.M.! Grades 1 through 5: 7 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter-Day Saints 1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO (719) 346-7984 ment Meetina[.]

Sunday School: 11:15 am

Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 am



Pleasant Home Church Serving the rural community for over 100 years Rt. 1, Box 180 • 694-2807 • 3190 Road 70 **Pastor**: Charlie Busch 694-2242 Sunday: Worship Service: 9 am Sunday School: 10 am Evening Service: 6 pm

Iglisia Del Dios Vivo

La Luz Del Mundo Spanish Speaking Church Minister: Esteban Ortiz B. 1601 Texas • 899-5275 **Daily Prayer**: Sunday thru Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm **Sunday**: Sunday School: 10 am

more rain in forecast

Heat, winds lash area;

Storm, from Page 1

The highest wind in the area was 71 m.p.h. recorded in Flagler, Colo., while Colby had gusts to 67 and Weskan reported 61. Grinnell, McCook and Burlington also had 58.

Stegemiller said the storm was caused by a strong low pressure center which passed through central Kansas on Tuesday, followed by a strong high which help whip up the north wind. An upper air disturbance was expected to move out of Colorado Thursday evening, bringing more rain. Highs were expected to be in the 50s and 60s, with lows in

the 30s and 40s. A record high was recorded at 88 degrees on Monday, breaking a record of 87 set just last year.

Stegemiller said the mercury hit 85 on Tuesday, just before the thunderstorm, but the record for that day was 92 set last year. Record lows should be safe, he said; they range in the teens and 20s for April.

The meteorologist said the storms were "pretty standard early spring storms," nothing unusual. Though the area was under a tornado watch, none was sighted.

The chance of rain Thursday night was put at 50 percent.

obituary

Bob Pruitt

Robert Carl Pruitt, 60, a Goodland harvester, died Friday, March 14, 2003, at Citizens Medical Center in

Colby.

He was born Oct. 18, 1942, in Reed, Okla., the son of Claude and Mae (Sanders) Pruitt. He grew up in the Muleshoe, Texas, area and



graduated from Lazbuddie, Texas, High School in 1961.

Pruitt came to Kansas during the wheat harvest, was hired by Marvin Matthews of Kanorado and stayed.

On Aug. 24, 1964, he married Marilyn Johnson of Kanorado. They lived in the Kanorado area until 1969 and then moved south of Ruleton. He worked for Milton Parish for 14 years, Ray Sieck for four years and then for Collingwood Grain of Kanorado until he retired in 1995 for health reasons.

He loved to fish and recently helped catch 14 trout. He started a Home in Goodland.

CB club and was a member for many years. He was a former member of the Kanorado Lions Club and a former member of the Sherman County Sheriff's Reserve Unit.

Preceding him in death are his parents; a brother, Bruce Pruitt; his brother-in-law, Jack Haney; mother-in-law, Evelyn Johnson; and a nephew, Danny Miller.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Cathy (Paul) Eddleman of Goodland, Amy (Shawn) Mari of Burlington and Betty Ann (Ken) Heskett of Stratton, Colo.; four brothers, Jasper (Wanda) Pruitt of

Altus, Okla., Ed (Carol) Pruitt of Morton, Texas, George (Wanda) Pruitt of Picayune, Mich., and Johnny Pruitt of South Charleston, Ohio; two sisters, Joann (Al) Miller of Stanford, Texas, and Thelma Haney of Altus, Okla.; his father-inlaw, Art (Bernadine) Johnson; and eight grandchildren.

Memorial services were at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, 2003, at the Goodland United Methodist Church. Burial followed in the Kanorado Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Bateman Funeral

Worship Service: 10 am Evening Service: 6:30 pm Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

United Methodist Church Brewster: Pastor:

Worship Service: 10:45 am CST Sunday School: 9:45 am CST Winona: Minister: Rev. Bob Winters Worship Service: 9 am CST Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

Church of the Nazarene

Pastor: Matthew Delp Third & Caldwell 899-2080 or 899-3797 Sunday: Sunday School: 9:45 am Worship Service: 10:50 am Evening Service: 6 pm Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 pm

First Baptist Church

Pastor: Bud Chester Fifth & Center • 899-3450 **Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am Morning Worship: 10:30 am Evening Worship: 6:30 pm **Tuesday:** Mens' Prayer Group: 6:00 am **Chursday:** Night Bible Study: 7:00 pm

Seventh Day Adventist Church

1160 Cattletrail **Pastor:** Arlin Cochran • 785-332-2888 Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 am Worship Service: 11 am

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

13th & Sherman • 899-6161 **Pastor**: Scott Grimshaw Sunday: Sunday School: 8:45 am Worship Service: 10 am Wednesday: Confirmation: 6 pm

Jirst Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ) **Pastor:** Loren Strait Eighth & Arcade • 899-5233 Sunday: Worship Service: 10:30 am Sunday School: 9:15 a.m. Activities: Junior High & High School Youth Groups, Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups, Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship **Special Notice:** Handicap Accessible, Hearing Assistance Equipment and Infant and Toddler Nurseries Available

First United Methodist Church

1116 Sherman

899-3631

Pastor: Rev. Janet Hernandez

Sunday: Sunday School: 9:15 am

Worship Service: 10:30 am

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

13th & Center

Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969

Priest: Father Jerry Jones

Deacon: Sister Gretchen T. Good-Pankratz

Morning Prayer: 9:30 am, 4th & 5th Sundays

Holy Eucharist: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd

Sundays: 9:30

Sr. Warden for emergencies during the week 890-3320

Kanorado **United Methodist** Church **Pastor**: Leonard Cox 399-2468

Sunday: Sunday School: 9 am Worship Service: 10:15 am

Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400 Pastor: **Sunday**: Sunday School: 9:45 am Morning Worship: 11 am Evening Worship: 6 pm Wednesday: Call for location

Grace Jellowship Church

104 E. Hwy 24 • 899-6423 **Pastor:** Bob Snyder • *Residence:* 899-0134 Sunday: Sunday School: 10 am Worship Service: 11 am Youth Group at Gattshall's at 5:30 pm Adult Bible Study 6 pm

Church of Christ

401 Caldwell 899-6185 Sunday: Bible Study: 9:45 am Worship Service: 10:45 am Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 pm

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