

# Activities center adds exercise equipment, programs

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to update some of the equipment in the weight room.

There are 20 youth and adult programs, he said — gymnastics, taekwondo, dance, couples dance, tackle football, wrestling, tennis, aerobics, technical college softball, flag football, boys basketball, girls basketball, soccer, coach-pitch baseball and T-ball, baseball, girls softball, youth volleyball, adult vol-

leyball, men's softball and adult coed softball.

"People from other towns come in," he said, "and have said we are lucky to have this.."

Part of the center's goal, Jimenez said, is to adjust its sources of revenue. He said he wants the center to be more self-sufficient.

"We're trying to shift from donations and fund raisers to being more self-supporting," he said. "If we were 75 percent donations and fund raisers and 25 percent memberships

and programs, we have tried to shift. We want to have revenue we know will be there."

Memberships are available for individuals, students, senior citizens, families and businesses, Jimenez said, and are set up to give a discount for longer terms. Also, members get discounts on center programs, he said, but the city programs cost the same for everyone.

You don't have to be a member to come in, though, he said; punch cards and day passes are available.

The center has several annual events: a golf tournament; baseball camp; British soccer camp; annual health fair; Punt, Pass, Kick; Hit, Pitch and Run; Halloween Party; Kiwanis Turkey Shoot; new membership drive; fair concessions; and helping with the Levi Hayden Baseball tournament.

Besides the fitness room, the center has a weight room, dance and aerobics room, basketball and handball courts a taekwondo room and locker rooms, he said.

Jimenez started as administrator in August 2004. The center has changed administrators a few times, he said, but the staff has helped with stability. Verla Terry has been the secretary since 1985, two years after the facility opened, and Sandy Jamison has been front desk clerk for 14 years.

Also on the staff are Jessica Kannady, who handles the weekly radio spot, radio advertising, web site and billboard advertising; Derek Lorlovick and Marcy Melia,

front desk customer service, facility supervision, telephone and maintenance; and Dominga Reyna, cleaning. Kannady operates the Right Combination Dance Studio in the center.

The center's board includes Rodney Kling, president; Steve McCall, vice president; Susan Bellamy, secretary and treasurer; Sarah Linton; Chris Thompson; Carrie Peter; Denise Archer; Mike Brannick; and Brandon White.

# Is there a limit to what you can pray for and expect God to answer?

Sometimes people wonder if God hears their prayer, especially when they don't get the answer they wanted.



**sharon corcoran**

• use it or lose it

Does the Bible say God listens to everyone's prayers? Are their limits on what we can pray for and expect an answer?

Psalms 65:2 says, "O Hearer of prayer, even to you people of all flesh will come."

Acts 10:34, 35 says, "At this Peter opened his mouth and said: 'For a certainty I perceive that God is not partial, but in every nation the man that fears him and works righteousness is acceptable to him.'"

So a person's nationality, race or economic situation do not affect whether or not God listens to their prayers, but their motives and attitude toward Him do.

Matthew 6:7 says, "When pray-

ing, do not say the same things over and over again, just as the people of the nations do, for they imagine they will get a hearing for their use of many words."

Micah 3:4 says, "At that time, they will call to God for aid, but he will not answer them. And he will conceal his face from them in that time, according as they committed badness in their dealings."

Our actions also affect whether or not our prayers are heard. So does who we address our prayers to.

Luke 11:2 says, "Whenever you pray, say, 'Father, let your name be sanctified.'" And John 14:6, 14 says, "Jesus said to him: 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you ask anything in my name, I will do it.'"

Prayers need to be addressed to God and in Jesus' name, not to saints, to Mary or "the Mother of God" and not to Jesus.

1 John 3:22 says, "Whatever we ask we receive from him, because we are observing his commandments and are doing the things that are pleasing in his eyes."

1 John 5:14 says, "This is the confidence that we have toward him,

that, no matter what it is that we ask according to his will, he hears us."

If we know God's will, we can have confidence that He will answer our prayers as long as they are in harmony with it. If we don't know God's will, we need to learn it; he gave us his word, so we have that opportunity.

Besides helping us to know what to pray for, knowledge from the Bible has other benefits. Isaiah 48:17, 18 says, "This is what God has said, your Repurchaser, the Holy One of Israel: 'I am your God, the One teaching you to benefit yourself, the One causing you to tread in the way in which you should walk. O if only you would actually pay attention to my commandments! Then your peace would become just like a river, and your righteousness like the

waves of the sea.'" John 17:3 says, "This means everlasting life, their taking in knowledge of the one who true God, and of the one whom you sent forth, Jesus Christ."

Knowledge from the Bible helps us in our lives now and paves the way to an everlasting future of peace. And with that knowledge, we can pray in line with God's will.

The Bible gives guidelines that can help us to know what we should pray about. Jesus taught his disciples some of those things, as recorded in Matthew 6:9-13: "You must pray, then, this way: 'Our Father in the heavens, let your name be sanctified. Let your kingdom come. Let your will take place, as in heaven, also upon earth. Give us today our bread for this day; and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us into temptation, but deliver us from the wicked one.'"

1 Thessalonians 5:17, 18 says, "Pray incessantly. In connection with everything give thanks."

James 5:16 says, "Pray for one another."

Philippians 4:6 says, "Do not be anxious over anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication along with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God."

Prayer is a privilege, an opportunity to communicate with our Creator. The Bible is His way of communicating with us. If we study the Bible, take what it says to heart and apply it in our lives, we can have two-way communication with God, benefit our lives now and look forward to an everlasting future.

# matters of record

## District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court:

**Nov. 30** — Mike Martin, \$166 and \$150 for motor carrier safety rules and regulations.

**Dec. 1** — Bennie D. Davis, \$120 for speeding and dismissed for no liability insurance.

Roger L. Predmore, \$144 for speeding.

**Dec. 2** — Jose R. Perez, \$60 for no driver's license and \$126 for speeding.

Jeffrey N. Polo, \$174 for speeding.

**Dec. 3** — Teddy L. Collins, \$166 and \$122 for motor carrier safety rules and regulations.

Charles F. Damon, \$132 for speeding.

**Dec. 4** — Oscar D. Arriaga, \$165 for speeding.

Derrick Bailly, \$126 for speeding and dismissed for no liability insurance.

**Dec. 6** — Kenneth R. Barber, \$144 for speeding.

James L. Mosbarger, \$150 for improper parking.

**Dec. 7** — Igor Panfilov, \$156 for speeding and \$60 for no child seat belts.

**Dec. 8** — Michelle R. Wertz, \$144 for speeding.

**Dec. 11** — Linda D. Foster, \$126 for not yield at stop or yield sign and \$10 for no seat belt.

Jasper R. Laster, \$166 for motor carrier safety rules and regulations.

**Dec. 12** — Tammy L. Anderson, \$138 for speeding.

**Dec. 13** — Christopher M. Estes, \$166 for no Kansas registration.

**Dec. 14** — Jordan O. Ellard, \$138 for speeding.

**Dec. 15** — Richard L. Allen, \$78 for improper parking.

Georgie K. Barnasek-Avi, \$210 for speeding.

Elizabeth A. Desantis, \$156 for speeding.

Luke D. Seeber, \$120 for speeding.

Thomas P. Williams, \$132 for speeding.

**Dec. 16** — Randall L. Baker, \$150 for speeding.

Michael A. Boehm, \$150 for speeding.

Eric J. Churchwell, \$66 dismissed for unlawful acts with vehicle.

Michael A. Saraceno, \$126 for speeding.

John F. Winsler II, \$120 for speeding.

**Dec. 17** — Eugene C. Wiggs, \$126 for speeding.

**Dec. 21** — James A. Burch, \$165 for speeding.

**Dec. 22** — Jeffery T. Brunner, \$120 for speeding.

Christopher A. Hinds, \$132 for speeding.

**Dec. 23** — Jeffery M. Clark, dismissed for no liability insurance.

Kevin D. Stenvall, \$132 for speeding.

Jeffrey L. White, \$183 for speeding.

**Dec. 26** — Kyle R. Herring, \$156 for speeding.

Todd C. Legge, \$96 for speeding.

**Dec. 27** — Jose Alejandro, \$30

## Municipal Court

These are cases decided by the Goodland Municipal Court:

**Dec. 13:** Rosalinda M. Martinez, battery, fined \$250, plus 30 days of Jail, to serve 48 hours.

Kenneth C. Claytor, reckless driving, fined \$300 plus five days in jail, suspended; seat belt violation, fined \$10, plus five days in jail, suspended.

Brooke L. Lennington, driving while under restrictions, fined \$150, plus driver's license suspended for 45 days.

Rusty Robinson, improper parking, fined \$70.

Catarino F. Salinas, theft, fined \$150, plus restitution \$50 and 10 days in jail, credit for two days served.

Levi Houston, improper parking, fined \$70.

**Dec. 14:** James M. Barera, driving while suspended, fined \$250, plus five days in jail.

**Dec. 19:** Clifford D. Crites, Burlington, theft of services, fined \$150.

**Dec. 20:** Stephanie G. Barnhart, St. Francis, disobey stop sign, fined \$90.

**Dec. 27:** Monica Garcia, driving while suspended, fined \$250.

Joshua Harengerg, speeding 50-30, fined \$130, plus \$100 diversion fee.

Devin Wade Marx, unsafe speed for conditions, fined \$90.

**Dec. 29:** Linda K. Romero, speeding 54-40, fined \$106.

## Real Estate

The following real estate transactions were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Morden, L.L.C. to Benjamin Coumerilh and Audrey Coumerilh, N17' of Lot 18 and all of Lot 19, Block 5, CK&N Addition to the City of Goodland.

Western Uniform & Towel Service, Inc. to Darol E. Peter, W62' Lots 9 and 10, Block 7, CK&N Addition to the City of Goodland.

Robert J. Hayden, trustee of Rose M. Hayden Revocable Trust, correction deed to Robert J. Hayden, Sally Jo Sherman and Mary Lou Teeters, N/2 Sec. 14, T9S R41W and N/2 S/2 Sec. 14, T9S R41W.

Alan Billenwillms and Linda J. Billenwillms to Daniel Estes, Lots 20, 21 and 22, Block I, Cody's Addition to the Town of Kanorado.

Edwin R. Deeds, trustee of Edwin R. Deeds Revocable Living Trust, to Sharon Y. Deeds, trustee of Sharon Y. Deeds Revocable Living Trust, NW/4 Sec. 19, T7S R37W.

Sharon Y. Deeds, trustee of Sharon Y. Deeds Revocable Living Trust, to Edwin R. Deeds, trustee of Edwin R. Deeds Revocable Living Trust, NE/4 Sec. 27, T7S R38W.

Camron Paxton and Lisa Ann Paxton to Glenn Carter and Sharon Carter, a tract of land in W/2 NW/4 Sec. 31, T8S R39W.

J. Leslie Clow and Virginia F. Clow to Carol C. Pye and Charles F. Pye, an undivided one-half interest in and to SW/4 Sec. 30, T8S R38W.

Peter P. Fitzgibbons and Kath-

erine H. Fitzgibbons to Kenneth T. Merrill and Jody L. Merrill, Lots 16 and 17, Block 18, Second Addition to the City of Goodland.

Diana L. Flanders and Brent J. Flanders to Magnum Ranch, LLC, a tract of land in E/2 Sec. 20, T6S R38W containing 169.766 acres more or less.

Gary D. Taylor and Mary N. Taylor and Sherry L. Gatrost and Donald G. Gatrost to Max D. Fisher or Mary C. Fisher, trustees of Max Fisher Trust, NE/4 Sec. 26, T8S R42W.

Genevieve Matthews, trustee of

Genevieve Matthew Revocable Trust, to Sherman County, Lot 5, Block 11, Original Town of Kanorado.

Juanitia M. Barnett and Elbert Wade Barnett, individually and as trustees of Juanitia M. Barnett Trust, to Kahle D. Helton and Lori A. Helton, E12 1/2' Lot 20 and N/2 Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 30, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

Robert K. Hellerud and Marilyn Hellerud to Thomas L. Hellerud and Timothy E. Hellerud, Lots 8 and 9, Block 18, CK&N Addition to the City of Goodland.

J. Leslie Clow and Virginia F. Clow to Carol C. Pye and Charles F. Pye, an undivided one-half interest in and to SW/4 Sec. 30, T8S R38W.

J.R. McDaniel and Helen McDaniel to Faye E. Cooper, lot 13, Block 5, Westmoor Acres Addition to the City of Goodland.

Faye E. Cooper to EMRLand Co. L.L.C. of Carbon County, Wyo., 31.22 acres of grassland SE/4 Sec. 17, T6S R38W. and all of W/2 Sec. 17, T6S R38 W less 42.02 acres.

Justin Joe Tesmer to Jonathan W. Whisnant and Tina K. Whisnant,

E22' Lot 22 and all of Lots 23 and 24, Block 6, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

Richard Walter, trustee under like-kind exchange trust agreement, to William Easton and Joyce Easton, an undivided one-half interest and to Harriet Easton, an undivided one-half interest, NW/4 Sec. 17, T8S R39W.

Dennis M. Saint and Linda L. Saint to Timothy R. Dudley and Corry L. Dudley, Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 6, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

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