

City commission to support flag project

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The Goodland City Commission agreed Monday to help buy the 45 American flags needed to place flags on Main Street during special holidays for a Shine on Sherman County beautification project.

Commissioner John Garcia said he felt the city should support the flag project, and asked the commission to consider buying a few of the flags at \$40 each.

Commissioner Josh Dechant said the beautification action team was trying to find people to help pay for the flags and didn't want to ask the downtown businesses this time. He said they plan to have the flags ready to put up by Memorial Day.

Commissioner Daniels said he thought it was a great project, and that he knew some people had made donations through the Sherman County Community Foundation. Garcia suggested buying five flags, which would be \$200.

"I think the city ought to do a little part,"

Commissioner Annette Fairbanks agreed. The commission agreed to buy up to five flags if the donations fall short. City Clerk Mary Volk said she would contact Dechant to see how many flags are covered by donations.

The subject came up at the beginning of the meeting when Daniels suggested the commission open their meetings by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The commissioners thought that was a good idea, and after the meeting was called to order, they had everyone in the audience join them.

Daniels, who ran the meeting as vice mayor, suggested the pledge be made a part of the regular agenda, and Fairbanks, Garcia and Dechant agreed. Mayor Rick Billinger was absent.

Dechant said another American flag that needs help is the one at Pioneer Park. He said the city and the Boy Scouts who helped erect the large flag pole on the east side of the entrance should buy more than one flag

so when one gets ripped, it could be replaced while it is repaired.

Daniels said the flags need to be double stitched before they are put up, and agreed the city needs a spare.

In other business:

- Garcia asked about the status of the sewer line project on Eustis.

Rich Simon, city public works director, said Midland Contractors is looking at doing the project in June. He said they will come out and scope the line to be sure they know what the problems are before they create a protective sleeve.

- Dechant asked if the destruction of the K-Inn was to begin soon.

Simon said the contractor had begun to move equipment to the site and expects the demolition to begin this week.

- Garcia said he thought the city needs to get together with the Shine on Sherman County action team talking about joint planning with the county.

"I know Annette has brought this up be-

fore," Garcia said, "and I think we need to sit down with them. We need to keep the lines of communications open."

Hill said he would contact the county people and the action team to see what can be scheduled.

- Dechant asked Hill if he had talked to the owner of the Conoco Travel Shoppe on K-27 about the potholes on his access road.

Hill said he had contacted the owner, Warren Sweat of Wallace, and was told he was getting bids to do some asphalt work.

Darin Neufeld, engineer for Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates who handles the city street work, said the city needs to be sure the work is up to its specifications if they expect to take over maintenance of that part of the street.

Hill said the owner got a copy of the city ordinance from Steve Criswell, city building inspector.

- Fairbanks said a citizen had asked her if there was a city ordinance requiring people to spray their dandelions?

"I told them I did not think there was such an ordinance," she said, "but it is an honest concern, and I said I would ask."

Hill said the weed ordinance applies they get over 10 inches, but the city has nothing specifically dealing with dandelions.

- Fairbanks said a citizen asked her during the cleanup weekend if the city did anything about the garage sale notices stuck on utility poles. She said the question was if the person doing the sale could be required to go back and tear the down.

Volk said by ordinance, there should be no signs on the poles, and the city building inspector used to tear them down.

- Daniels said the city crew and everybody who helped did a great job on the citywide cleanup, and they should be thanked.

At the end of the meeting Daniels said, "We should keep Greensburg in our thoughts."

Band plays concert at park

The weather was beautiful for a concert by the Goodland High School band and jazz band on Tuesday in Gulick Park starting around 6 p.m.

The band and jazz band entertained family and friends as they sat in lawn chairs or on blankets.

Every year the band members give gag gifts to the graduating seniors. For example they gave Josiah Goodley a watch so he could be on time and Jillian Parker cough drops and facial tissues because they thought she had been sick a lot.

The awards for band were also given out. Kerek Mason and Jared Hall got the Esprit de Corps or spirit award. Sandy Johnson got the Louie Armstrong Award for jazz band. Parker got the most improved musician award.

The audience could buy hamburgers and hot dogs from the Music Boosters before and during the event. The club, made up of the parents, raises money for things the

music department needs.

Rho Beta Sorority set up a table to collect instruments for use by fifth graders who can't afford to buy one.

Almost all of next year's fifth graders say would like to play in the band, said Joy Hayden, a member of the sorority, but some who said they could not afford an instrument. She said the club decided to collect instruments and have them repaired so that anyone who wanted to play in the band had access to one.

Before the concert, Hayden said, they had collected drums and two trumpets, with hopefully many more to come. The group will also accept money to help pay for the maintenance and repairs, she said.

She said people promised to bring in more instruments. Call (785) 821-4699, 899-2781 or 821-1095 if you'd like to make a donation.

"It's a great idea," said Band Director Deanne Spanier.



Members of the Goodland High School band, Ryan Irvin (left), Jared Hall, Ben Waugh and J.P. McCool, sat on the merry-go-round at Gulick Park before their concert on Tuesday night. Dani Mangus (far left) watched.
Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

Seniors in the band included Mason and Josh Cech on trombone; Parker and Lea Shores on clarinet; Jena McCall, Johnson, and Ashley Pettibone on trumpet; and Hall on French horn. Cebula on saxophone; Jessica Lu on flute, Goodley and Andrew

corrections

The caption under a picture of the Cowgirls softball team in the Friday, May 4, issue of *The Goodland Star-News* identified the runner at third as senior Denise Archer. It should have said Whitney Archer. Denise Archer is her mother. This was due to a reporter error.

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Seniors, juniors perform at club sponsored recital

By Pat Schiefen
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Two seniors and three juniors performed at the Junior Senior Recital Sunday evening at the Sunrise Christian Church, sponsored by the Goodland Federated Music.

Goodland High senior Jillian Parker, daughter of Lauren and Geryn Parker, took home the 2007 Margaret Martin Piano Award.

Junior Heidi Yonkey, daughter of Gary and Miriam Yonkey, played "Allegro in A Major" by Wilhelm Friedemann Bach. Junior Andrew

Philbrick, son of Brady and Jane Philbrick, sang "Vittoria Mio Core" by Carissimi, accompanied by Nancy Shores.

Senior Lea Shores, daughter of Shores, played "La plus que lente" by Debussy.

Junior Renae Reasoner, daughter of Mark and Mary Reasoner, played an alto saxophone solo, "Andante and Allegro" by Andre Chailleux, without her usual accompaniment by Melanie Biel.

To finish up the program, Jillian Parker played "Scherzo Op. 16, No.

2" by Felix Mendelssohn.

Teachers of the students include Geryn Parker, Pat Ziegelmeier, Linda Koons, Biel, Deanne Spanier, Randy Berls and Carol Jolly.

The piano award is given by Martin's family, Bonnie and W.J. Trachsel and Char and David Avila, in honor of the longtime piano and organ teacher. The club receives nominations from piano teachers and recommends who should receive the award. A large plaque at the high school lists the winners,

and each winner also receives a plaque.

Parker has been active in high school accompanying choirs, playing and singing solos, band, jazz band and pep band.

The award went to Cheryl Hinger in 1980, Marlene Corke 1982, Owen Freiburger 1983, Ping Huang 1985, JoAnna Long 1986, Lynette Brazda 1992, Diane Coon 1993, Heather Porterfield 1995, Matthew Barnes 1996, Mandy Hatcher 1997, Nicholas Parker 2000, Erinn Hardy and Jill Sowers 2001, Amanda

Hoffman 2003, Kayla Rasure 2004, Grace Langness 2005 and Samantha Philbrick last year.

The club holds the recital each year as an observance of National Music Week. This is the 84th year for the week, sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs.

matters of record

District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court:
March 30 — Christen M. Roper, \$165 for speeding.
Michael R. Schneider, dismissed for unlawful acts with vehicle.
March 31 — Eric W. Heiser, \$96 for speeding and \$10 for no seat

belt.
April 1 — Jeffrey S. Allred, \$126 for speeding.
Stormie D. Lynch, \$132 for speeding.
Jessica S. Viera, \$144 for speeding.
April 2 — Matthew B. Breese, \$132 for speeding.

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student of the week



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My choice of movies, books, and games: All the Star Wars Movies. Country Music. Non-Fiction books and any board games.

After I leave Goodland High School I intend to: go to Northwest Kansas Technical College and go into Auto-Body. This summer I will help Darrell Schreder mow all of the Sherman County Ditches.

And 10 years from now, I think I'll: have a good life working in Auto-body and maybe starting a family.

Favorite Quote: "Life can go by pretty fast. If you don't stop to look around sometimes you might miss it."

— Ferris Buller's Day Off

Name: Steven Mangus
Parents: Dan & Charlene Mangus

Grade: Senior
Age: 19

We've nominated this student because: He is a very good student with a tremendous attitude towards learning and helping others. He is a very responsible young man with great capabilities.

Student Comment: My most favorite subject is probably any science class.

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Open House

You are cordially invited to an open house in honor of USD 352 retirees. The retirees are Mark Hagerman, Gaylene Shank and Linda VanLoenen.

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We hope you come by & share some memories.

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