

College celebrates house opening

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A large group of Northwest Tech faculty and staff gathered with the Goodland Ambassadors Wednesday morning to celebrate the completion and open house of the Betz-Saint project at 1219 Center Ave.

The two-bedroom house was completely remodeled over the past year, and Dr. Ed Mills, Northwest Tech president, said he was pleased to cut the ribbon on the project and thanked the many people who have worked to get it done.

He said the home will be sold by the college, and the price being asked for the home is \$91,900. People wishing to see the house can call the college at (785) 890-3641 to make an appointment.

The money from the sale will be put back into the college for the next project expected to be built on the corner of 13th and Broadway Ave. on lots donated by Ralph Duell and the Vignery family. Dr. Mills said the difference in this project is it will be built from the foundation up as the old house on one of the lots will be demolished.

The ribbon cutting was done by Dr. Mills with the help of Dennis Saint who donated the old house and lot at 1219 Center Ave., and Tom Betz, editor of The Goodland Star-News who gave Dr. Mills the idea to remodel an existing house.

Many people took tours of the house after the ribbon cutting, and said they were surprised as how

beautiful the home was. One couple who came from Sharon Springs said they had lived in the home 20 years ago and were impressed with the remodeling.

Furniture in the house was provided by Garcia's Home Furnishing and two wall-mounted televisions were furnished by the college to show what could be done.

Dr. Mills said John Garcia told him the furniture could stay until the home was sold, and if the buyers were interested Garcia would have a special package price for the furniture.

Students from six of the college programs helped in the remodeling project including the engineering technology who helped draft the plans and had to redraft them as the project evolved.

The brunt of the work fell to the carpentry students who learned about house building from the ground up.

The heating, ventilation and air-conditioning students helped with installation of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems and running the duct work through the home.

The communications technology students worked to make Internet and cable television available throughout the house.

The electrical technology students learned about wiring a house and installing various lighting fixtures and controls.

The welding students helped with



Two of the many people who attended the open house of Betz-Saint remodeling project done by the students at Northwest Technical College this last year. The sale of the two bedroom house will be used on the next project of the school. Students in engineering

technology; carpentry; heating, ventilation and air-conditioning; communications, electrical; and welding. Goodland High School students of Sarah Short helped with the interior design.

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creation of the front porch railing for the house.

Students from Sarah Short's interior decorating class helped in the interior design, color selections

and fixtures for the bathrooms and kitchen.

Dr. Mills said a number of people helped and had praise for Bryant Nemecheck, carpentry instructor,

and his students. He thanked Chuck Lutters for his help and Joe Ginn for his help with the brick front and work on the basement walls.

The project took about 11 months

and in remodeling the north wall, part of the foundation and some of the floor braces are all that remain from the original home.

Tech College board changes leaders, adds new faculty

Saturday was a busy day for the Area Board of Control Members of the Northwest Kansas Technical College with leadership changes and approval of administrative staff and faculty.

Area Board of Control Chairman Robert Loftin resigned and has accepted a position as electrical technology instructor at Northwest Tech. Loftin served on the Area Board of Control since 1985 and as Chairman for the past seven years.

Area Board of Control officers elected Saturday are Chairman, Frank Otter of Norton; Vice Chairman, Dick Short of Goodland; Secretary, Bruce Buck of Sharon Springs; Treasurer, Tony Bremenkamp of Brewster; Building and Grounds Chair, Clair Legere of Penokee; Curriculum Chair, Carol Laws of Leoti; Faculty Chair, Billi Beckman of Hoxie; Public Relations Chair, Paul Bruggeman of Rexford; and Student Welfare Chair, Arlie

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Other board members are: Chris Schmidt of Oberlin; Giovanni Caasi of Quinter; Tom Button of Oakley; Myra Douthit of St. Francis; Stewart Stabel of Lakin; Belinda Preston of Brewster; Mark Davis of Scott City; Matt Lampe of Syracuse; Randy Balluch of WaKeeney; Bill Miller, Jr. of Colby; George Schmidt of Tribune; Alan Suter of Oakley; Sheila Selensky of Grainfield; and Dan Wasson of Selden.

New faculty members include Dennis Misurell in business technology and Audrey Coumerilh as a helper in computer graphics.

"We are extremely excited about our new faculty members and dynamic staff," said Dr. Ed Mills, college president. "We have some of the most talented and energetic staff around and continue to build a strong team."

Mills said he was pleased to announce the addition of Diane Stiles,

director of grants and admissions; Jed Snethen, assistant to the director of technology; Calli McDaniel, administrative assistant and Sylvia Guzman, administrative assistant.

"In spite of economic stress and pressures, we have to continue to look for innovative ways to grow so we can better serve our students and communities," said Dr. Mills. "We have two new programs launching in the fall with other programs currently being developed."

A new two-year business technology program, medical assistant program in Hays in collaboration with North Central Kansas Technical College and Northwest Tech at Norton evening classes are beginning in August, he said.

For more information on Northwest Tech, go to www.nwktc.edu or call (800) 316-4127.

Wallace County K-27 study to be discussed

An open house to wrap up the corridor study of the 30 miles of K-27 through Wallace County will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at the Wallace County High School Auditorium, 521 N. Main, Sharon Springs.

The open house will give people a chance to see and discuss the survey results of the preferred alternative route including modifications to the

priority area at See's and Walker's Curve south of Sharon Springs, and new information for a bridge replacement at South Fork of Ladder Creek on the south end of the survey area.

People can visit the open house at any time as no formal presentation is scheduled.

Those who unable to attend the open house can contact the Kansas

Department of Transportation for copies of the take-home information, which will be available after the meeting. Comments are welcome any time and are not limited to the public information open house.

The open house location is handicap accessible, said Kristen Brands, KDOT public affairs manager in Norton. Persons in need of a sign language interpreter, an assisted lis-

tening device, large print, or Braille material, or other accommodations to participate in this meeting should notify the Kansas Department of Transportation at least one week prior to the meeting. Requests may be addressed to Brands, at (785) 877-3315 or kristenb@ksdot.org or (785) 296-3585 (Voice)/Hearing Impaired 711.

Signup date ends on Wednesday

Signup cutoff date for Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative applications is Wednesday, Aug. 11, to renovate shelterbelts and restore forested riparian areas in Kansas to be considered for the year requested funding.

Go to the Sherman County U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 210 W. 10th, phone (875) 899-3070 ext. 35,

and visit with the Natural Resources Conservation Service or local conservation district staff to get more information about helping address your resource concerns.

Information can be found on the Web at <http://www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ccpi/>

Two arrested on search warrant for drugs

Two Kansas men were arrested in the alley behind 1308 Cherry Ave., on Thursday evening when officers from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, Goodland Police and Sherman County Sheriff's Department executed a search



Jorgensen



Banks

warrant. Arrested during the search at 11:10 p.m. were Toby Lee Jorgensen, 38, of Scott City and Ricky Lee Banks, 32, of Goodland. The search warrant was for a 1997 Saturn belonging to

Banks and the home at 1308 Cherry Ave. Several grams of methamphetamines were found at the home and in the vehicle.

Both men were booked into the Sherman County Bastille on charges of possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute within 100 feet of a school.

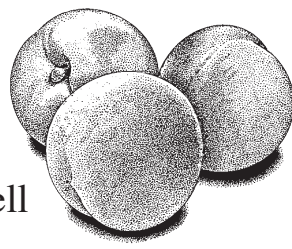
Chief Ray Smee said the invest-

igation is continuing and the KBI expects more charges to be filed and possibly more people to be arrested.

Three officers from the KBI helped with the search with assistance of four from the Sherman County Sheriff's office and five from the Goodland police department.

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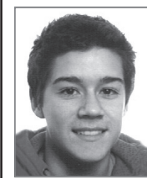
If you are interested in this program, please stop by the office at 104 E. 10th St., Goodland, to pick up the requirements and application. The deadline for returning applications is AUGUST 20, 2010, at 4 p.m..

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