

Central Elementary has open house



All the different schools in the Goodland School District had their open house last Thursday. Pictured above is Principal Harvey Swager at Central Elementary School greeting parents and students. Central Elementary music teacher Char Avila (right in doorway) talked to parents and students as they went by. Several of the students brought their school supplies to put in their desks.

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St. Francis feedyard received compliance orders

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Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 on Monday issued administrative compliance orders to six concentrated animal feeding operations in Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, directing those operations to correct a range of violations of the federal Clean Water Act. Among those listed was Callicrate Feeding Company, St. Francis.

The enforcement activity, is aimed at encouraging producers'

compliance with the Clean Water Act and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permitting program.

According to the report, an inspection in February identified failure to maintain adequate wastewater storage capacity, failure to meet nutrient management plan requires, failure to conduct operations within areas that are controlled to prevent pollution and failure to maintain adequate records.

A.J. Jones, manager of the feed

yard, was upset when talked to on Tuesday. We were following the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's instructions, he said, noting that the only violation might have been in keeping exact records.

Callicrate Cattle Company has been operating without issue under the rules of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for over 20 years, said Mike Callicrate, owner.

"I don't understand why the En-

vironmental Protection Agency is involved or why the Kansas Department of Health and Environment has appeared to cede their authority to the Feds," Callicrate said. "The department of health and environment has authorized us to operate as we currently are."

"We run the cleanest cattle feeding operation I know of. We have never discharged even one drop of water outside our facility - never!"

Callicrate was outraged that hay was being classified as a pollutant,

requiring to be stored in a controlled discharge area.

"This really smells!" he said.

The order requires the operation to comply with all terms of the Clean Water Act and its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit, and to coordinate with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment on its compliance. The order requires the feed yard comply with the terms of its nutrient management plan, including sampling and record keeping requirements.

The feedlot has a permitted capacity of 12,000 cattle and was confining approximately 3,219 cattle at the time of the inspection.

Jones said anyone can visit the feed yard anytime and he will be glad to show them where the charges are coming from.

"We have nothing to hide. We run a clean yard and I will be glad to have people come," Jones said.

Labor Day weekend activities planned at Fort Larned site

Experience the excitement of a working frontier fort as Fort Larned National Historic Site hosts Labor Day Weekend activities Sept. 3, 4, and 5.

Living history demonstrations and activities will be held all three days of the event from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mountain Time. Admission is free.

Fort Larned will be abuzz with activity as park staff and volunteers portray the living fort as it was in the 1860s and 1870s. Watch soldiers perform rifle and cannon demonstrations, blacksmiths working raw metal into finished products and bakers creating

meals for the troops.

Interact with living history interpreters throughout the site including ladies of the post wearing elaborate Victorian dresses and soldiers in historic uniforms.

This year's event will feature two very special demonstrations. Park volunteer Jim Sellers at 12 p.m. will demonstrate the art of packing horses, such as packing would have done in the 1860's.

The next special demonstration will be by volunteer Bill Wolfe at 2 p.m. with a program on horse shoeing, you can watch as Bill demonstrates and explains the techniques of shoeing his horse. Special

programs presented by park staff and volunteers include:

- Labor Day Weekend Activities on Saturday, Sunday and Monday
- 9 a.m., Infantry and Cavalry Weapons
- 10 a.m., Saddling a Cavalry Horse Program
- 12 p.m., Pack Horse Demonstration
- 1 p.m., Artillery program
- 2 p.m., Horse Shoeing Demonstration
- 3:30 p.m., Flag Retreat program

Cheyenne County received food recall from officials

Local emergency officials in Cheyenne County have been notified a food product was distributed within Cheyenne County starting Friday, Aug. 19.

The product has been recalled due to possible contamination and may contain Listeria. Officials are warning if you have the following products not to eat and discard immediately.

- Recalled products:
- Rojo's Ultimate 7 Layer Dip, 36 oz. 35196-44162 with a use by date of 09-16-11 or before.
 - Fresh Food Concepts 5 Layer Dip, 32 oz. 29358-11272, with the use by date of 09-16-11 or before.

Please call your healthcare provider, local health department or hospital if you have eaten any of the above product and are experi-

encing the following symptoms: fever, vomiting, diarrhea or severe unusual headache. This warning is especially concerning for the elderly population and pregnant women or those with immune compromised illness and need to contact your health provider immediately.

Use proper hygiene including washing hands before eating or after using the rest room. This will help in preventing any person to person transfer.

Listeria can cause Listeriosis,

a serious illness. The disease may manifest as meningitis, or affect newborns due to its ability to penetrate the endothelial layer of the placenta. Vegetables can become contaminated from the soil, and animals can be carriers. Listeria has been found in uncooked meats, uncooked vegetables, unpasteurized milk, foods made from unpasteurized milk and processed foods. Pasteurization and sufficient cooking kill Listeria; however, contamination may occur after cooking.

matters of record

Real Estate

The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Sherman County register of deeds: Marietta L. Whalen and Bernard E. Whalen, Co-Trustees of the Marietta L. Whalen Trust dated July 26, 2011, and Bernard E. Whalen, to MaDa, LLC, the W55' of Lots 1 and 2, Block 73, Original Town of Goodland.

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