

## Getting the house ready



Sherman County Historical Society members Wallace Hansen and David Branda put the garland up on the fencing at the Ennis-Handy House on Friday. The Victorian house is open to the public to visit and is available for private parties during Christmas and during the year.  
Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

# Farm Bureau sets policy positions, elects leaders

Kansas Farm Bureau members elected leaders and set the policy positions for the organization for the upcoming year at their annual meeting.

The 93rd Annual Meeting of Kansas Farm Bureau adjourned with voting delegates adopting consensus positions on a wide range of public policies that impact the conscious choices Farm Bureau members have made to build their lives in rural Kansas.

The voting delegates of Farm Bureau in Kansas:

- Adopted language calling for school district patron approval of proposed increases in the "local option budget" property tax to help finance public schools. The group reiterated existing long-standing Kansas Farm Bureau policy saying new revenues to finance public education should come from sales or income taxes.

- Support a tax mix that would decrease the dependency on property tax and focus more on sales and income taxes for the support of state and local government. Reductions in Kansas personal income tax, or sales tax, should not increase further reliance on property tax as a revenue source for state or local government.

- Reached consensus on a policy providing greater farmer and rancher flexibility to manage his or her own water rights, specifically supportive of the concept of water flex accounts.

The policy resolutions adopted by voting delegates in Manhattan are now Kansas Farm Bureau's policy roadmap for agriculture advocacy efforts before local governments, the halls of government in Topeka and Washington, D.C. The resolutions adopted involved input from

county Farm Bureau members.

Montgomery County farmer Richard Felts was elected to a two-year term as vice president of Kansas Farm Bureau. As vice-president, Felts will chair Kansas Farm Bureau's policy-developing farmer and rancher Resolutions Committee.

Re-elected to the Kansas Farm Bureau Board of Directors were Jeff Grossenbacher, Nemaha County, Keith Miller, Barton County and Jim Sipes, Stanton County.

Newly-elected to the KFB Board was Cloud County farmer Stacey Forshee, who will represent Farm Bureau's Fifth geographic district of

northeast-central Kansas. Joe Newland, Wilson County, was elected to a two year term to represent Third district of southeast Kansas. Marieta Hauser, Grant County, was elected to an at-large position on the Board on the capacity as Chair of the Committee of Farm Bureau Women. Hauser will succeed Helen Norris, Sumner County, who is retiring after years of dedicated service to Farm Bureau and agriculture.

The delegates were visited by a number of their elected leaders, who pledged to work closely with the organization on policy issues impacting their families and their operations.

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## State to collect fee on phones

Starting Jan. 1, Kansas will begin collecting a minimal fee on the purchase of all prepaid wireless phones and phone cards.

Kansas lawmakers created the Prepaid Wireless 911 Fee during the 2011 legislative session.

The fee is 1.06 percent of the retail cost for the prepaid phone or calling cards, and will be paid to the retailer at the time of purchase. Customers will not have to file additional paperwork.

The fee applies to the purchase of cellular phones preloaded with a set

dollar amount for minutes or units of air time, or sold with rebates for airtime; calling cards for cellular phones preloaded with a set dollar amount for minutes or units of air time, the recharging of a reusable cellular phone calling card or the recharging of a cellular phone itself with additional minutes or units of air time.

The money collected will be deposited into the 911 State Fund and will help Kansas communities develop emergency dispatch centers. The money will help cover

costs such as purchasing new equipment, upgrading existing systems or license and training fee.

The fund is managed by the Kansas 911 Coordinating Committee.

Retailers will remit the fee to the Kansas Department of Revenue electronically through the department's electronic services link, KSWebTax. Retailers who are not familiar with the new fee and the filing requirements can get additional information on the department's website, [www.ksrevenue.org](http://www.ksrevenue.org).

## matters of record

### Real Estate

The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Sherman County register of deeds.

Michael L. Harrison and Marla K. Harrison quit claim to Michael Lee Harrison and Marla K. Harrison, trustees of the Mike and Marla Harrison Revocable Trust dated October 26, 2011, a tract of land in NW/4 of Sec.29, T8S, R39W, and a tract of land in NW/4 of Sec.29, T8S, R39W.

Brent J. Flanders and Diana L.

Flanders to Jesse Lundquist and Elizabeth Lundquist, a tract of land in SW/4 of Sec.21, T6S, R38W.

Vickie R. White to Barry D. Guyer and Joni R. Guyer, a tract in N/2 of NW/4 of Sec.24, T8S, R40W, described as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Block 1, Sappa Creek Development.

Timothy Poling and Margaret Poling convey and warrant to Richard L. Billinger and Rita M. Billinger, all interest in the N/2 of tract of land in SW/4 and S53 acres of NW/4 of Sec.11, T6S, R40W.

Phyllis J. Dickey and Larry L. Dickey convey and warrant to Larry L. Dickey and Phyllis J. Dickey, the SW/4 of Sec.8, T9S, R39W, and a tract of land in S/2 of SE/4 of Sec.24, T8S, R40W.

Stephen W. Finders, Trustee of the Joan C. Finders Revocable Trust, UTD 3-27-2007, to Ryan J. Hembree and Andrea M. Hembree, the N20' of Lot 8 and all of Lot 9, and S10' of Lot 10, Block 33, Beahm's Addition to City of Goodland.

Shanae Calkins, Zachary T.

Calkins O'Grady and Erika Gonzales convey and warrant to Scott Gilmer and Nancy Gilmer, all of Lot 10, 11 and 12, Block 4, First Addition to City of Goodland.

Jeff Henderson and Anita Henderson convey and warrant to Tyler Henderson and Deanna Henderson, the E/2 of Sec.6, T10S, R41W.

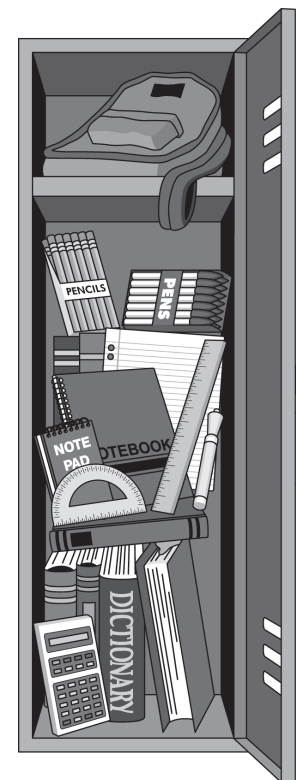
Karlene K. Trachsel to Janna K. Dutton, the S60' of Lot 1, 2 and 3, Block 63, Original Town of Goodland.

## School calendar for Nov. 30-Dec. 6

Goodland High School • Grant Junior High School  
West Elementary School • Central Elementary School



Wednesday: Gold day  
Thursday: Black day  
3:30 p.m.: Girls 8th grade basketball, here, versus Colby  
Girls 7th grade basketball at Colby  
5:30 p.m.: Varsity Wrestling at Oberlin  
Friday: Gold day  
3:45 p.m.: C team Basketball, here, versus Scott City  
5:30 p.m.: Junior Varsity Basketball, here, versus Scott City  
7 p.m.: Varsity Basketball, here, versus Scott City  
Saturday: KMEA High School Honor Concert Band/Vocal at FHSU  
8:30 a.m.: Varsity Wrestling at St. Francis  
9 a.m.: Junior Varsity Wrestling Tournament, here  
Junior High Wrestling GWAC Tourney at Colby  
Monday: Black day  
7th/8th and High School Choir Concert  
3 p.m.: Girls 7th grade basketball at Scott City  
3:30 p.m.: Girls 8th grade basketball, here, versus Scott City  
7 p.m.: Central School Music Program, HS Auditorium  
Tuesday: Gold day  
5:30 p.m.: West School 2nd Grade Music Program



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