

Making a scary animal from wood



Ten elementary-aged kids gathered around two tables at the Carnegie Arts Center to design a scary animal out of wood using paint and glued on pieces. The program was part of the Saturday Elementary Art Classes at Carnegie. Shirley Houston was the instructor. Photos by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star News



A city used for training facility for fire, rescue

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There's a new city in Kansas. It has buildings, streets, and cars, but not people. The only permanent residents are dummies, and I mean that literally. What in the world am I talking about? I'm referring to a new training facility in rural Kansas which is very important to the future of our state - in fact, it can literally help save lives.

This new training facility is known as Crisis City. Crisis City Training Center is a state-of-the-art complex designed to provide training for first responders, emergency management, and the military. It was created under the leadership of the state's Adjutant General and the

Division of Emergency Management to enhance the state's capacity to respond to disasters and defend against terrorism threats.

Crisis City opened in 2009. Crisis City is described as a "multi-use fully functional training complex for local, state, and federal responders, emergency management professionals, public and private industry safety professionals, as well as military operations in support of civil authorities."

In practice, it is a 159-acre site with a classroom building, temporary housing and several training venues. "When we train, we train for real," said Crisis City exercise specialist Brian Darnell.

For example, there is a railroad venue consisting of an actual, full-size train engine (donated by Burlington Northern Santa Fe), two

boxcars, a hopper car, high pressure and low pressure tank car, and a passenger car. Of course, this is a great place for practicing a derailment scenario involving hazardous materials.

Another is a collapsed structure venue. Essentially, this consists of rubble such as one might find after a tornado or earthquake. There are piles of concrete, steel girders and cars. It looks like ground zero. This is for training dealing with obstructed passageways requiring various breaching or shoring methods to be used during search and rescue as well as K-9 search and heavy equipment lifting operations.

Another venue is the technical rescue tower. This tower stands five stories high and simulates a high rise structure with an elevator shaft designed for rope rescues as well

as law enforcement and military operations.

Then there is the pipeline safety venue, which simulates natural gas or propane leaks as well as other hazardous liquids and chemicals that are transferred by pipeline and offloaded onto tank trucks. The Kansas Pipeline Association has helped fund this part of the facility.

The urban village venue seemed kind of creepy to me. It is a collection of buildings of various shapes and sizes, including streets, power lines, gas pumps, and office facilities with computers and cubicles inside them. This is used for search, rescue and extraction operations as well as what is referred to as "close quarters battle or active shooter scenarios." It made me appreciate how brave our soldiers must be to go into such a setting.

Other venues are under development, including an agricultural setting for tractor rollovers, grain bin rescues, or for other farm and ranch related injuries. "We want to make an impact for volunteer firemen or neighbors who come help a farmer in trouble," Brian said.

Long-term plans call for a confined space or trench rescue venue, an aircraft fuselage, wide area search venue, an interactive law enforcement simulator, and more. About 15 crash dummies add their element to the rescue scenarios. The main building at Crisis City houses offices, classrooms and an observation tower. Barracks can house more than 400 personnel in training. The grounds also include space for the unmanned aircraft systems that are being worked on at Kansas State University - Salina.

Crisis City Training Center is centrally located in the state, situated southeast of Salina and near the Salina Airport and the National Guard training facility. The mailing address for Crisis City is actually Lindsborg, but it is located near the rural community of Smolan, population 216 people. Now, that's rural.

It's time to leave the newest city in Kansas, known as Crisis City. We salute the Adjutant General and Kansas Division of Emergency Management for making this facility available, and we especially commend the first responders, emergency management, and military who are making a difference by putting their lives on the line in crisis.

matters of record

Municipal Court

These are cases decided by the Goodland Municipal Court:

Aug. 8: Colby P. Poage, trespass at swimming pool, fined \$110.

Aug. 28: Lina K. Zinn, disobey traffic control device, \$135.

Aug. 31: James John Franke-Webb, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, fined \$135.

Sept. 10: Taryn N. Bedore, disobey traffic control device, \$135. Anabel Cano, parking left wheels to curb, fined \$105.

Elaine Reiter, theft, fined \$160.

Sept. 12: Mark W. Abbott, battery-simple, fined \$260.

Billy Gene Bentley, theft of lost or mislaid property, fined \$160.

Thomas C. Farr, disorderly conduct, fined \$160.

Jonathan C. Hilty, disobey traffic control - red light, fined \$135.

Joyce L. Rivera, theft, fined \$60.

Gilbert E. Rupp, failure to yield at stop or yield sign, fined \$135.

Mitchell James Unger, dog at large, fined \$180.

Goodland Police

The following incidents have been reported to the Goodland Police Department:

Aug. 23 - 6:01 p.m., 1104 E. 13th St., Tyler Hilton reported a burglary and theft. Case remains under in-

vestigation.

Aug. 25 - 7:21 p.m., 204 W. 11th St., Rex Smith reported a theft. Case remains under investigation.

7:25 p.m., 504 E. 10th St., Yvette Walden reported battery and disorderly conduct. Case referred to county attorney.

8:56 p.m., 1819 Cherry Ave., arrested Mark William Abbott and Joseph Michael Bradley on battery and disorderly conduct.

Aug. 27 - 7:06 a.m., 723 W Hwy 24, arrested Joseph Rohn for burglary, theft and obstruction of legal process. Case referred to county attorney.

7:36 a.m. 208 W 2nd Cindy Becvar reported criminal damage. Case remains under investigation.

2:41 p.m., 2160 Commerce Road, arrested Joseph Adam Rohn for forgery, theft and criminal use of a financial card. Case referred to county attorney.

2:47 p.m. 320 W 11th St., Travis Foster report arson. Case remains under investigation.

Aug. 28 - 11:31 a.m., 204 W. 11th St., Service Oil reported a theft. Case remains under investigation.

Aug. 30 - 6:44 a.m., 1505 Center Ave., Tara Kay Powell reported criminal damage to property.

2:36 p.m., 408 W 7th St., Monica Ann O'Brien reported a theft. Case remains under investigation.

3:10 p.m., 2810 Commerce Rd.,

Diane Lair reported a theft. Case remains under investigation.

Aug. 31 - 10:28 a.m., 204 W 11th St., Crop Production Services reported a theft. Case remains under investigation.

Sept. 1 - 10:44 a.m. 1819 Cherry Ave., arrested Joyce Lucille Rivera. Case referred to city attorney.

Sherman County Bastille

The following people were booked into the Sherman County Bastille:

Oct. 10: Alicia Wynne, 18, Goodland, was arrested by city police for obstruction.

Oct. 11: Dion Gaston, 42, Coffeyville, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for criminal threat and harassment by phone.

Oct. 14: Sean Beeker, 32, Dayton, Ohio, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for disorderly conduct.

Oct. 15: Steven Rossi, 32, was arrested by city police for possession of stolen property.

Oct. 16: Fannie Ssebanakitta, 68, Goodland, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for battery.

Oct. 17: Ernest Brown, 34 Holcomb, was arrested on a bench warrant by a sheriff's deputy.

Randall Ray, 47, Goodland, was arrested by city police for driving under the influence and driving while suspended x2.

Oct. 18: Donna Love, 42, Goodland, was arrested by state trooper for driving while suspended and a warrant for another jurisdiction..

Oct. 20: Justin Beckner, 32, Goodland, was arrested by city police for giving false alarm, disorderly conduct and criminal trespass.

Rusty Robinson, 28, Goodland, was arrested by city police for driving under the influence and driving while suspended.

Oct. 25: Joseph Bondell, 21, Goodland, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for criminal threat and battery.

Benjamin Wood, 31, Goodland, was arrested by sheriff's deputy for aggravated battery, aggravated assault, endangering a child and criminal trespass.

corrections

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Mystery book talk at library

Marilyn Klaus, a lecturer with religious studies and African and African American studies at University of Kansas at Lawrence, will lead a discussion of "Shroud for a Nightingale" by P.D. James at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 15, at the Goodland Public Library, 812 Broadway.

This is the fourth and final book in a four-part "Today's Mysteries" series. Two student nurses lie dead, the great hospital nursing

school of Nightingale House is shadowed in terror, and it's up to Adam Daghiesh of Scotland Yard to unmask the killer.

The Talk About Literature in Kansas book discussion series is provided by the Kansas Humanities Council.

To check out books and for more information about the reading series, call the library at (785) 899-5461 or www.goodlandlibrary.org.

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by Sherman County, Kansas at 813 Broadway in Goodland, Kansas for the construction of:

RENOVATION OF 1006 CENTER STREET BUILDING SHERMAN COUNTY AMBULANCE / RURAL FIRE

Until 10:00 A.M. on Wednesday the 31st day of October, 2012 at which time the Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud.

Copies of the Drawings, and other contract documents are on file and available for public inspection at the Sherman County County Clerks Office, 813 Broadway, Goodland, Kansas 67735, Telephone No. 785/ 890-4806, Fax No. 785/ 890-4809; and BG Consultants, Inc., 4806 Vue Du Lac Place, Manhattan, Kansas 66503, Telephone No. 785/ 537-7448 x 1104, Fax No. 785/ 537-8793, Email: dan@bgcons.com.

A complete set of the Contract Documents may be obtained by a prospective bidder by sending a cash payment of Sixty-Three Dollars (\$63.00) along with a written request for a said set of Documents addressed to: BG CONSULTANTS, INC., 4806 VUE DU LAC PLACE, MANHATTAN, KANSAS 66503. This is a non-refundable plan deposit to cover the cost of plan and specification reproductions. The Contract Documents are also available, in PDF format, for FREE download upon request. Please email request for electronic files to Dan Hall at dan@bgcons.com.

The amount of Bid Security to be furnished by each Bidder is stated in the Instructions to Bidders. The Bidder to whom a contract is awarded will be required to furnish acceptable Performance and statutory Bonds. A Bidder may withdraw any Bid he has submitted at any time prior to the hour for the closing of the Bids provided the request for withdrawal is signed in a manner identical with the Bid being withdrawn. No withdrawal or modification will be permitted after the hour designated for closing Bids. No Bidder may withdraw his proposed Bid for a period of Thirty (30) days after the date and hour set for the opening of Bids.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all Bids, to waive formalities in considering Bids and to accept the Bid which in its opinion is the best Bid.

Principal Items of Work Are:

Renovation of Existing Building approximately 132'-6" x 144'-4" in size Demolition, Concrete Replacement, Windows and Doors, Overhead Sectional Doors, Interior Partitions and Finishes, HVAC Systems, Plumbing, Electrical

Classifieds work! 899-2338

GRMC Auxiliary
Homemade
Soups
& Desserts
Soup Luncheon
Saturday, Nov. 3 • 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
Tickets: \$6
(Available at GRMC Gift Shop or from any Volunteer)

**Fall Festival
and Turkey Dinner**
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church
13th & Sherman, Goodland
Sunday, Nov. 4 from 4-6:30 p.m.
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