

# Old bar gets facelift, to open as Captain's Place

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On a sunny day in early August, the turquoise-and-pink building at 16th and Main was buzzing with workers trying to give the old Louies bar a face lift.

"It's going to be different," said Angel Corke, the new manager. "It's going to be fun."

After Louies went out of business the building went back into hands of the owner, Walter Yarbrough. He decided reopen the bar with Corke as manager. Corke said she plans to name the bar Captain's Place after Yarbrough's CB handle, Captain Midnight.

Before they open for business, Corke said, the building has to undergo major work inside and out. After some quick math, she figures that crews have been working on the new bar for three weeks and she thinks they'll be finished by Aug. 15.

Recently, painters began sealing cracks and filling holes on the outside of the building to prepare it for a fresh coat of dark blue. Corke said a crew of six worked on the roof to seal leaks.

Outside renovations will include adding a black sign with a neon green light that reads Captain's Place sometime after the reopening.

She would like to add a beer garden as well, but the rights to the space adjacent to the building are tied up with the former manager of Louies. To add a garden in the back, she said, they would be forced to add an eight-foot privacy fence.

"Maybe eventually we'll get a beer garden," she said.

A quick duck out of the sun brings visitors into the bar where the new, bright appearance continues. Corke said she freehand painted every wall in the front portion of the building with murals of lighthouses and palm trees. She said she has been painting for years, but the freehand was difficult.

The background is a bright blue with a white-and-black striped lighthouse painted from the ceiling to floor on one side and a yellow-and-black striped lighthouse on the other. The walls in between are



Erick Knight (left), working with a subcontractor, helped caulk the outside wall of the new Captain's Place bar in Goodland, last Monday. The crews sealed cracks to prevent leaks and prepare the building for a fresh coat of dark blue paint. Gary Searle (above), with JKP Construction, added sheet rock to the ceiling on the inside of the new bar. Photos by Kathryn Gurfinkel/The Goodland Star-News

decked out with sand and palm trees.

She said she plans to paint palm trees and monkeys in the hallway to the restrooms and murals of geckos and iguanas on the walls inside. Corke said they have put in new ceiling tiles in places and they have replaced much of the bar's tin ceiling with sheet rock.

The dance floor still has tin overhead, but she said they will completely redo the floor. She said there will be strobe lights and black lights on the dance floor.

In the back, one smaller room is devoted to the pool table. Corke said upon opening there will be a new juke box and new dart boards in time for winter league darts.

For a quality sound system, she

said, she has been consulting Kevin Hall, a DJ with Moonlight Entertainment from Goodland. Corke said she got some antique booths for the bar from the Antique Warehouse in Goodland.

The inside offers more than just physical changes. Corke said the drinks will be more affordable and they will have live music and dancing. The band from Goodland Aces and 8's will be one of the first to play at the bar. The band plays southern rock and Top 40 and they have opened up for singer Ty England.

She said they will keep a few televisions in the bar, but instead of the films shown at Louies, they will have news, weather or sports.

"There will be no porn," said

Corke. "There will be no strippers. We want it to be a good place for people to come."

She said the bar will be the only private club in Goodland since they won't sell any food. Patrons will have to buy a \$5 membership to finish out the year and then one for \$10 for next year.

So far, she said, Yarbrough has footed the roughly \$17,000 renovation bill individually and through a small loan from the bank.

Much of the work on the bar has been done through private contractors and friends of the family. Corke said the entire family has pitched in.

"We've all just pulled together to make it work," she said. "I just can't wait to get it open."

## New bar has program to stop drunk driving

Every night, bar patrons get into their cars to drive home, killing someone every 30 minutes and injuring someone every two minutes.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, 1.4 million people were arrested for driving under the influence in 2001 and 17,419 people were killed alcohol-related crashes in 2002.

The new Captain's Place bar has an answer to keep the streets of Goodland free of drunk driving, a shuttle service with a designated driver.

Angel Corke, manager of the new bar, said they plan to have someone on hand to drive customers home after a night of fun. The designated driver will, for less than \$1, take people home within the city of Goodland. Corke said it may cost more for the driver to travel outside of the city.

The customers will be allowed to leave their cars parked at the bar and come pick them up the next day.

## Colorado couple dies in crash on I-70

A Colorado couple was killed Saturday when their sport utility vehicle went into the median on I-70 about five miles west of Goodland, smashed into an embankment and flipped.

Trooper Troy Smith of the Kansas Highway Patrol reported that the 2004 Acura utility vehicle was eastbound near Sherman County Road 14, the Caruso exit, about 11 a.m. when it drifted into the median.

The vehicle became airborne, went under I-70 to the east side of Road 14 and hit an embankment head on. The car flipped onto its roof and came to rest on Road 14.

The driver, David E. Zimmerman, 65, of Cherry Hill Village, Colo., was pronounced dead on the scene. His body was taken to Bateman Funeral Home in


Goodland. His wife, Twila K. Zimmerman, 64, was taken to the Goodland Regional Medical Center, where she later was pronounced dead.

Both were wearing seat belts, the patrol reported.

Alex's Towing removed the vehicle.

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Sherman

1203 Main - Phone 899-6103

Tonight 7:00

The Notebook (PG-13)

Starts Friday 7:00 and 9:00

I, Robot (PG-13)

## matters of record

**Real Estate**

The following real estate transactions were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Rosanne Anderson to Bryce A. and Patricia L. Holloway, Lots 16, 17, 18, Block 29, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

Freda E. Beckius to Raymond L. Bolyard the NW/4, Sec. 3, T6S, R38W.

Roger D. and Illia L. Enfield to Michael C. McGlone a tract of land in the W/2, Sec. 27, T6S, R41W.

Mary V. Schoen quitclaims to Mary V. Schoen, trustee of the Mary V. Schoen trust, Sec. 18, T10, R38; the SW/4, Sec. 14, T9S, R38W; and the NW/4, Sec. 15, T9S, R38W.

## public notice

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff

V.

JOE D. MILLS and PATRICIA A. MILLS; and FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF OMAHA, Defendants.

Civil No. 04-1176-WEB

NOTICE OF SUIT

THE UNITED STATES TO: ALL DEFENDANTS IN THE ABOVE CAPTION HEREOF: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint has been filed in the United States District Court, by the United States, on behalf of the Rural Housing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, by and through the United States Attorney for the District of Kansas, praying for an in rem judgment against Joe D. Mills, on an Assumption Agreement dated January 28, 1994 and a Promissory Note dated January 28, 1994 (Exhibits G and H attached to Plaintiff's Complaint), in the total principal amount of \$43,855.38, with interest to March 26, 2004, of \$4,542.31 plus interest accruing thereafter at the daily rate of \$6.500, and for foreclosure of the real estate mortgages executed on January 28, 1994, covering real property located in Sherman County, Kansas described as:

The South Fifty-four Feet (S 54')

of Lot Seven (7) and the North Fourteen Feet (N 14') of Lot Eight (8), in Block Five (5), in the Kohler First Addition to the City of Goodland, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof.

and you are hereby required to plead to said Complaint on or before September 24, 2004, in said United States District Court at Wichita, Kansas. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Complaint.

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**899-2338**

**Edward's Annual Truckload Fruit & Veggie Sale**

\*\*\*ONE DAY ONLY!\*\*\*

Friday, August 20

"Starting at 7 a.m. sharp till Mid-Afternoon!"

**Sharon Springs**

Colorado Tree ripe Peaches

Colorado Bartlett Pears

Vine - Ripe Tomatoes

Fresh Yellow & White Onions

Super Sweet Onions

Green Beans

Italian Prune Plums

Bi-Color Sweet Corn

Sized Pickles

Slicing Cucumbers

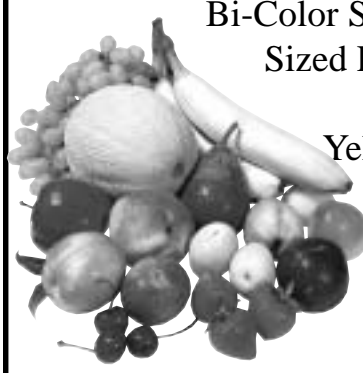
Yellow & Zucchini Squash

Green Cabbage

Boiling, small Potatoes


Chilies

Cantaloupe/Watermelon



One Day Only - Friday August 20

Location: Junction of Hwy. 40 and Hwy. 27,  
**Sharon Springs, Kan.**




**THANK YOU**

Many thanks to my family, the voters and volunteers for all your support during this election period.

I would appreciate your continued support and vote in the General Election, November 2.

**Ralph Ostmeyer**  
State Senate 40th District

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**You are invited**

**Relay for Life**

**of Sherman County**

Friday, Aug. 13

The Sherman County Fairgrounds

Survivor Walk 7 p.m.

Luminaries lit 9 p.m.

Theme Basket Auction

Kiwanis will serve supper