

# Phone service cost reduced for needy

**By Kathryn Burke**  
*The Goodland Star-News*  
Low-income Goodland residents will have access to a telephone with prepaid service through Best Phone of Wichita, available in the American Communications office.

Best Phone offers service at a reduced cost thanks to the Universal Service Fund, a line item on most phone bills, said Gary Flynn, director of marketing for the company. Telephone companies are required to collect the fee by the Federal Communications Commission, and many pass the charge to customers in a line item, often called "federal universal service fee" or "universal connectivity fee."

The fee helps Best Phone defray part of the cost of delivering discounted service to qualifying consumers.

"The FCC mandated this through the universal service fee fund," said Flynn, "to defray cost for low income and disabled people."

Flynn said they use a formula taking into account the size of family and income. He said their customers at or below 150 percent of the poverty level can save up to \$17.50 per month on phone bills.

"You won't find a better deal,"

Flynn said.

"It gives somebody an option to where they can have service," added Randy Topliff, owner of American Communications.

He said people can come into the office and fill out the application and pay fees for services. The store will handle questions and take care of phone service here.

"We've offered prepaid services before," Topliff said, adding their experience helps them know what to expect from Best Phone.

Flynn said the service has been available in Goodland before, but partnering with American Communications helps Best Phone provide better customer service.

Instead of taking four days for the paperwork to make it Wichita and then four days to come back to the customer, Flynn said, people can just go into American Communications for help.

"I wanted it so we could take care of our customers," Flynn said. "I think we provide excellent customer service."

He said customers can set their phone service up with features like caller identification.

"They can set it up the way they can afford it," he said.

## Valentine royalty crowned



Sherry Helton, activities director at the Sherman County Good Samaritan Center, crowned the center's Valentine king, George Flori (left), and put a cape on the Valentine queen, Dorothy Flori (above), Monday at the center's party.  
Photos by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Star News

### SHERMAN COUNTY KANSAS TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT January 31, 2005

Total Cash in the Treasury as at the above date	\$5,319,919.16
<b>FUND</b>	<b>FUND BALANCE</b>
APPRAISER'S COST	\$76,109.67
AUTO MOTOR SPECIAL	\$3,706.48
BOND & INTEREST	\$125,682.39
NO FUND WARRANTS	\$271.93
COUNTY HEALTH	\$52,412.17
DIRECT ELECTION	\$26,803.14
TRASH HAULING	\$119,284.94
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$508,974.26
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS HEALTH RESERVE	\$140,056.91
GENERAL FUND	\$876,765.31
HOME MAINTENANCE	\$21,128.63
POST CLOSURE ACCT-LANDFIL	\$75,000.00
LOGAN CO FIRE #1-121	\$27.10
LANDFILL EXCAVATION FUND	\$200,000.00
NOXIOUS WEED	\$50,614.22
REGISTER OF DEEDS TECHNOL	\$21,022.88
OUT-DISTRICT TUITION	\$25,482.36
OVER & UNDER	\$56.77
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	\$1,386.60
PROS ATTY (DIVERSION)	\$9,567.97
ROAD AND BRIDGE	\$676,019.12
SALES TAX	\$14,583.64
SC RURAL FIRE DIST #1	\$143,420.29
SHERMAN CO SPILL CONTROL	\$304.70
SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK	\$10,884.13
SOLID WASTE FUND	\$833,115.55
SPEC MACHINERY FUND	\$269,221.74
TORT LIABILITY	\$3,306.46
JAIL COMMISSARY	\$7,647.68
GAME LICENSES	\$101.00
COUNTY ATTORNEY DRUG SEIZURE	\$2,276.07
SECRETARY OF STATE	\$2,368.80
NOXIOUS WEED CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$7,745.16
SPECIAL PRAIRIE DOG	\$10,250.30
SC RFD #1 EQUIP RESERVE	\$181,491.80
GOOD SAM CTR-HEALTH CARE	\$3,843.80
HERITAGE TRUST FUND	\$277.58
SHERIFF DRUG SEIZURE FUND	\$15,875.29
COUNTY HEALTH CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$29,724.53
AUTO MTR STATE/GENERAL	\$112.15
HEALTH CARE SERVICES	\$122,894.62
COUNTY REDEMPTION	\$84,137.33
CURRENT TAX	\$123,951.44
DELINQUENT PERSONAL TAX	\$3,772.87
RECREATIONAL VEHICLE TAX	\$123.37
MOTOR VEHICLE TAX	\$15,227.32
SEVERANCE TAX	\$899.84
ADDED TAX	\$393.96
MICRO LOANS	\$9,768.82
SHERIFF REWARD DONATION FUND	\$34.92
ESCAPED TAX	\$365.76
SCRFD #1 SPECIAL FUND	\$3,083.49
911 TELEPHONE SERVICE	\$92,846.04
SUSPENSE FUND	\$20,084.11
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$74,824.79

TOWNSHIPS	
GRANT/GENERAL	\$0.74
LLANOS/GENERAL	\$831.15
LOGAN/GENERAL	\$0.04
MCPHERSON/GENERAL	\$2,411.62
SHERMANVILLE GENERAL	\$90.87
SHERMANVILLE PRAIRIE DOG	\$0.39
STATELINE/GENERAL	\$0.52
WASHINGTON/GENERAL	\$0.49
PROJECT FUND HOSPITAL BOND	\$224,202.68
COST OF ISSUANCE ACCT HOS	\$0.00
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$5,319,919.16

STATE OF KANSAS  
SHERMAN COUNTY ss.  
  
I do solemnly swear that the above statement is complete, true, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me God.  
/s/ Shelby Miller  
County Treasurer, Sherman County, Kansas

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of February, 2005  
/s/ Janet Rumple  
County Clerk - Notary Public  
My commission expires January, 2009

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## Worship warms the heart



### Calvary Gospel Church

**Pastor:** Rev. Steve Rains  
Fourth & College • 899-3605  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Morning Service: 10:30 am  
Small Group Ministries  
**Wednesday:** Prayer and Worship: 7:00 p.m.  
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.

### Our Lady of Perpetual Help

**Pastor:** Father Norbert Dlabal  
307 W. 13th • 890-7205  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment  
**Mass Schedule:**  
Saturday: 6 pm, Sunday: 10:30 am  
**Spanish Mass:**  
1st & 3rd Sunday: 4 pm

### Sonrise Christian Church

Ninth & Caldwell • 899-5398  
**Minister:**  
**Youth Minister:**  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9:30 am  
Sunday School: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:**  
Junior/Senior High Meeting: 7 pm  
Adult & Children's Classes: 7 pm

### Word of Life

#### Joursquare Church

10th & Clark • 899-5250  
**Pastor:** John Coumerilh  
**Service Schedule:**  
**Sunday:** Worship Celebration  
and Kids' Church: 10:30 am  
First Wednesday: K.W.A.M.!  
Grades 1 through 5: 7 p.m.

### Pleasant Home Church

**Serving the rural community**  
**for over 100 years**  
Rt. 1, Box 180 • 694-2807 • 3190 Road 70  
**Pastor:** Charlie Busch  
694-2242  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 9 am  
Sunday School: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6 pm

### Bible Baptist Church

**Pastor:** Glenn Hermanson  
Fifth & Broadway  
890-7368  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Morning Service: 10 am  
Evening Service: 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Bible Study: 7 pm

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO  
(719) 346-7984  
**Sacrament Meeting:** 10 am  
**Sunday School:** 11:15 am  
**Priesthood/Relief Society:** 12 am

### Iglesia Del Dios Vivo

La Luz Del Mundo  
Spanish Speaking Church  
**Minister:** Esteban Ortiz B.  
1601 Texas • 899-5275  
**Daily Prayer:** Sunday thru  
Saturday: 5 am & 6 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am

### United Methodist Church

**Brewster:**  
**Pastor:**  
Worship Service: 10:45 am CST  
Sunday School: 9:45 am CST  
**Winona:**  
**Minister:** Rev. Bob Winters  
Worship Service: 9 am CST  
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

### First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)  
**Pastor:** John Park Winkler  
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10:30 am  
**Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.  
**Activities:** Junior High & High School Youth Groups,  
Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups,  
Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship  
**Special Notice:** Handicap Accessible, Hearing  
Assistance Equipment and Infant and Toddler  
Nurseries Available

### Kanorado

#### United Methodist Church

**Pastor:** Leonard Cox  
399-2468  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9 am  
Worship Service: 10:15 am

### Church of the Nazarene

**Pastor:** Bob Willis  
Third & Caldwell  
899-2080 or 899-3797  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 10:50 am  
Evening Service: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** Evening Service: 7 pm

### First United Methodist Church

1116 Sherman  
899-3631  
**Pastor:** Rev. Janet Hernandez  
**Saturday:** Informal Worship: 5:30 pm  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:15 am  
Worship Service: 10:30 am

### Goodland Bible Church

109 Willow Road • 899-6400  
**Pastor:** Chad DeJong  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:30 am  
Morning Worship: 10:45 am  
Evening Worship: 6 pm  
**Wednesday:** AWANA (Winter)  
and prayer: 7 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

**Pastor:** John Meckling  
Fifth & Center • 890-3450  
**Sunday:** Sunday School for all ages:  
9:15 am (Child care provided)  
Morning Worship: 10:30 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible study 7 p.m.  
Call church for information  
**Thursday:** Bible study 9:30 a.m.  
Wheatridge Center

### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

13th & Center  
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969  
**Priest:** Father Hal Lycett  
**Holy Eucharist:** 10:00 a.m. Sunday  
10:00 a.m. Thursday  
**Morning Prayer:** 8:00 a.m. Wed. - Sun.  
For emergencies Wed. - Sun. 890-6969  
Sr. Warden for emergencies  
Mon. and Tues. 890-3320

### Grace Fellowship Church

104 E. Hwy 24 • 890-6423  
**Pastor:**  
  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 am  
Worship Service: 11 am

### Seventh Day Adventist Church

1160 Cattletrail  
**Pastor:** Jim Martin  
**Saturday:** Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
Worship Service: 11 am

### Emmanuel Lutheran Church

13th & Sherman • 890-6161  
**Pastor:** Scott Grimshaw  
**Sunday:** Christian eduction/fellowship:  
10:15 a.m.  
Worship Service: 9 am  
**Wednesday:** Confirmation: 6 pm

### Church of Christ

401 Caldwell  
890-6185  
**Sunday:** Bible Study: 9:45 am  
Worship Service: 10:45 am  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 7 pm

## The following sponsors urge YOU to attend your chosen House of Worship this Sabbath:

### Short & Son Trucking

Hwy. 24

### Koons Funeral Chapel

North Main

### Atens Department Store

1103 Main

### Good Samaritan Center

208 W. 2nd

### KLOE/KKCG/KWGB

3023 W. 31

### Bateman Funeral Home

211 E. 11th