

City could market retirement advantages

A round-table discussion brought several community voices to the Sherman County Economic Development Council meeting Tuesday. Ron and Betty Barkley and Gail Walter visited the council to suggest ways to bring people to Goodland. “We’d like to see a population increase,” said Ron Barkley, adding that advertisement geared to the retirement community might be a way to bring people here. He said after meeting with a few people, the three sat down and brainstormed ideas to draw people to town. He suggested the council

consider marketing Goodland as a great place to retire. “We have an ideal location for retirement,” he said, adding the town has the services to offer retired people. “I think there’s a lot of things we can do to draw retirees.” Barkley suggested advertising to people in Colorado, California and Florida to come here for retirement. One reason he suggested Florida, he said, was people hit by hurricanes are reluctant to rebuild and get hit again. He noted Goodland is relatively hurricane-free. Barkley said the economic ad-

vantages to living here versus the cost of living elsewhere could attract people, too. He said our generally mild weather is a bonus for Goodland, with temperatures not getting too cold and hardly ever breaking 100 degrees. “I think you have a very viable perspective,” said Chairman John Garcia. “Anything we can do to attract people into our community is good for everyone.” “It does good to see people involved,” said board member Don Newell. “Economic development isn’t just for people in this room. It

comes from everybody and everybody’s ideas.” The board asked Walter and the Barkleys to participate in video testimonials for the new economic development web site. The testimonials would be five-to-seven-minute spots geared towards people interested in retiring here. “We’re eager to help in any way that we can,” Barkley said. “We’d like to see something take off,” Walters added. “We’re pretty passionate about it,” said Newell. “We like it and we think we have a lot to offer.”

Land plan could bring new families to city

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Thirteen houses are still up for sale. In other business, board members:
• Heard a report from Donna Price, director of the Convention and Visitor’s Bureau. She said for the bureau, she has put together a calendar of events and motel and restaurant guides for Goodland to be available in her office. She recently was featured in a Smoky Hills Public Radio interview about the big Vincent Van

Gogh painting. She said the interviewer asked her about unique businesses and she passed on information about the Antique Mall. Astory about the business, she said, will be on air soon. She got a call from a newspaper in Manhattan about destinations for spring break. She said the article ran with a picture of the Van Gogh painting. Price told the board an area farmer wants to have a corn maze this fall to attract tourists. She said the visitor’s bureau is joining the Gigantic Giveaway promotion,

which gives prizes to Kansans who travel 100 or more miles from home this summer. The travelers with the best pictures of their vacation win trips to different places across the state. Price said the visitor’s bureau has entered to donate a getaway prize to Goodland. She said next week, the Northwest Kansas Travel Council, a group made up of visitor’s bureau, economic development and Chamber members from 18 counties in northwest Kansas, will hold their monthly meeting here and board members are welcome to sit in. She

said the visitors could stay after the programs to answer economic development questions, too.
• Were reminded of the citywide clean-up, April 2, 16 and 23. Garcia encouraged members to sign up to help out by calling Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce manager Courtney Warden, Clouse, Arlo Hansen or Christie Rasure.
• Were asked to attend a meeting with the chief of staff for U.S. Sen Sam Brownback, Rob Wafinger. Garcia said he will be in town on Thursday, March 31, and would like to talk to city leaders.

Architect may look at hospital’s use of building space

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structural changes, move walls.” Board member Larry McCants said he had gone to a conference in Tucson, Ariz., to learn about the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. It was all about quality, he said, and gives a “dashboard” approach for board members. It’s not that expensive, he said, and it fine tunes the whole opera-

tion. It costs \$6,000 for the survey, Jolly said. The commission has been around for decades, he said. It provides a survey that is voluntary; hospitals do not have to be accredited. But, he said, hospitals accredited by the commission have a preferred status — for years it has been the “Good Housekeeping seal” for health care. Besides that, he said, Medicare certification is automatic with the

commission’s accreditation. If not accredited by the commission, he said, hospitals are surveyed by the state for Medicare and Medicaid. The commission goes into depth, he said, looking at the organizational links between different parts of a hospital. It looks at how the hospital meets individual standards, he said, and then how it works with those together. When the survey is done, Jolly

said, the commission looks at how the hospital is meeting standards and gives it a score; 100 is perfect. The hospital has to meet a minimum to be accredited. The commission is one standard-setting body, Jolly said; the hospital will probably look at others before deciding. “We have to determine whether there are advantages worth going forward,” he said.

public notice

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF BILL BARRETT CORPORATION FOR AN ORDER APPROVING ITS INTENT TO DRILL THE HELMAN 8-24 HORIZONTAL WELL IN SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

DOCKET NO. _____
OPERATOR NO. _____

NOTICE OF PENDING APPLICATION

THE STATE CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS TO: ALL Oil and Gas Producers, Royalty Owners, Landowners and all persons whosoever concerned.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Bill Barrett Corporation has filed and there is pending an Application with the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas pursuant to the K.A.R. 82-3-103a requesting an order approving the Notice of Intent for the drilling of a horizontal well known as the Helman 8-24 well in Sherman County, Kansas.

You are further notified that the

Helman 8-24 well surface location is 2,232i from the North line and 400i from the East line of Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 40 West, and that the bottom hole location of said well will be 1,188i from the North line and 1,951i from the East line of said Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 40 West. The said well will be drilled to and completed in the Niobrara formation within the Helman Spacing Unit which comprises all of said Section 24.

You are further notified that unless a written protest is received by the State Corporation Commission within fifteen (15) days after publication of this Notice, the Application will be granted administratively following said fifteen (15) day period. Any such protest should be mailed to the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas, Conservation Division, 130 S. Market, Room 2078, Wichita, Kansas 67202 and to the Applicant at the address below.

All parties in any way interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and govern themselves accordingly.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS FILED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF THE KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONNA LEE HARBERT, Deceased
Case No. 05PR08

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED

You are hereby notified that on the 15 day of March, 2005, a petition was filed in this Court by Barbara Ann Carlson, a devisee and legatee and personal representative named in the Last Will and Testament of Donna Lee Harbert, dated May 25, 2000, praying the Foreign Will filed with the Petition be admitted to

probate and record; that petitioner be appointed as the executor, without bond; and that petitioner be granted Letters Testamentary herein.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 8th day of April, 2005, at 10:00 o’clock A.M., in the District Court of Sherman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Barbara Ann Carlson, Petitioner

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New company leases city’s Wolak building

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Troy Robinson, vice president, and Karen Murphy, will make the formal announcement at Howard Johnson’s at 9 a.m., after the city commission meeting. The city commission voted to end the lease with Aircraft Seal and Gasket at a special meeting on March 3, giving the company 30 days to comply with the terms of the lease. Garcia said he talked to Roy Dixon, project manger for Aircraft Seal and Gasket, who said the com-

pany expects to be out by the middle of April. Garcia said the new lease will not become effective until Aircraft Seal and Gasket has cleared the building. The new company is advertising for full-time employees. Applications can be picked up at Garcia’s Furniture, 114 Main, and mailed back to the Hays office: Adronics/ELROB Mfg. Corp., 608 E. 13th St., Hays, Kan. 67601. Representatives from the firm will be at the Sherman County Economic Development office, 1208 Main, from 8-12 a.m. on April 18-19.

City proclaims April citywide Clean-up Month

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the south K-27 project and authorize City Manager Ron Pickman to sign a deed for the Kansas Department of Transportation.
• Approve a temporary easement for the highway work on K-27.
• Approve bids for delivery of rock for the street sealing program and for mowing weeds on private property.
• Approve two appointments to

the board of building appeals.
• Review the utility charge-off list.
• Hear from Pickman about a League of Kansas Municipalities training session on municipal finance. The commission meets at 5 p.m. upstairs in the City Administration Building, 204 W. 11th. The city office closes at 4 p.m., and the front door will be locked. To get into the building, push the button beside the main doors.

First graders lighten up spring with songs, comedy skits, jokes

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Amber Chaffman, Mason Fritz, Calliste Garrett, Rheagan Hageman, Sarah Johnson, Shelby Johnson, Kaitlyn Laue, Makayla Loya, Chandler Pettibone, Libby Poitras, Katelyn Seeger, Janessa Selbe, John Snyder, Kacey Troyer, Zachary Walls and Samantha Zupko. In McLean’s class: Luke Avila, Natalia Barrera, Cienna Brannick, Grace Cole, Ussiel Gallegos, Janell Grammon, Hunter Harkins, Hendrich, Mario Lazo, José Ledesma, Sismai Lopez, Marco Magana, Jovanna Nuñez, Bianca Olivas, Aubrey Pershall, Jacob Stasser, Takoda Turner, Saige Vandiver and Wilson.

In Gray’s class: Ethan Black, Cheyanne Bowers, Marissa Bustillos, Alinexis Castillo-Lozano, Tristan Cooper, Tanner Gastinea, Lindsey Geeseka, Genaro Herrera, Andrew House, Sebastian Linnell, Dani Mangus, Yidam Mendoza, Giovany Rascon, Braxton Redlin, Austin Shelley, Kelbey Smith, Ruby Smith and Alyssa Wear. In Thompson’s class: Koal Artzer, Savannah Bassett, Draven Buchanan, Alec Gonzales, Gough, Austin Hernandez, Taitem Jones, Cole Knitig, Sasha Medrano, Mallory O’Brien, Jade Petracich, Kaitlyn Raile, Mary Schnabel, Jordan Siruta, Tobi Steggall, Teryn Thompson, Dayne Webring and Sophia Williams.

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Adronics/Elrob is accepting applications for full-time shift, M-F, 7-3:30 p.m. **Applications can be picked up at Garcia’s Furniture Store**, 1114 Main St., Goodland, and mailed back to Adronics/Elrob Mfg. Corp., 608 E. 13th Street, Hays, Kan. 67601, (tel. 785-625-3000).

There will be an Adronics/Elrob representative at Economic Development Office, 1208 Main, Goodland, Kan. on Monday, April 18 and Tuesday, April 19, 2005 from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. to answer any questions or concerns. E.O.E.

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