



Children in orphanages in Haiti, though carrying buckets, baskets and jugs on their heads, have bad shoes or no shoes. Over 1,000 shoes collected in Goodland will join 1,000 from Lawrence and other donations that will be sent to the orphans and others in Haiti. The three piles in Judy McKee's garage (left)) were about three-fourths of the shoes collected in Goodland.

# Woman's drive piles up shoes for Haitian kids

By Sharon Corcoran

*The Goodland Star-News* Closets around Goodland are cleaner, and poor people in the village of Les Cayas, Haiti, have shoes on their feet.

In fact, the pile of shoes collected in Goodland set the tone for the entire C3 Missions International shoe drive to help people in Haiti.

It all started when University of Kansas junior Jara McKee, daughter of Jim and Judy McKee of Goodland, called her mom asking for some creative ideas to launch a shoe drive at St. Lawrence Catholic Campus Center. She said a classmate had asked her for help.

Joe Fox, son of Mike and Beth Fox, had traveled to Haiti over spring break to help in the construc-

tion of an orphanage in Les Cayes. His parents are founders of C3 Missions.

He returned to Lawrence telling Jara stories of the infected feet of the shoeless Haitian people. Unable to forget the images of poverty, Joe decided to team up with Jara to begin their own shoe drive at the university.

Jara's Mom decided to get involved herself. Judy McKee challenged Goodland churches to "Save Soles" for one week. Then she asked Goodland High School students to let someone else "walk a mile in their shoes."

She asked everyone she could to toss new and slightly used pairs of shoes on her lawn at 323 Harrison. She collected 1,235 pairs from

Goodland and rented a U-Haul to get the shoes to Lawrence, where they joined the nearly 1,000 shoes Jara and her friend gathered with their drive. The shoes then went to Kansas City, where they hopped a flight to Florida to be put in a shipping container. When the crate is full, it will go to Haiti.

"The community's response was overwhelming," Judy said. "People were glad to come throw their unwanted shoes on my front lawn. It was quite a sight. When the shoes filled an entire stall in my garage, I realized I'd have to rent a U-Haul to get them delivered to the Foxes."

McKee said people just drove by and dropped shoes on her lawn and then she took them in the garage and tied them together in pairs.

"I went through yards and yards of string," she said. "I don't even know how much."

The Goodland donations prompted the executive of a famous shoe manufacturing company in California to match them with brand new pairs of tennis shoes in all sizes.

A friend of Mike Fox's had some connection with the shoe company, Judy McKee said, and the story about the Goodland donations got to the executive there. He called Mike and said he would donate as many pairs of new shoes as the drive collected. But she doesn't know the name of the company because they wanted to remain anonymous.

The Foxes, founders of C3 Missions International, heard about the

number of shoes gathered in Goodland and decided to set their goal at 50,000 pairs of shoes, enough to fill one shipping container for the Haitian villages.

Mike Fox said they didn't even know what kind of goal to set, Judy said, before hearing how many shoes were collected in Goodland. "You people set the bar high," he told her.

She said the most common way to support missionary work is with money. Seeing all these shoes and knowing they would be delivered directly to the people in Haiti, she said, prompted a good feeling.

C3 Missions supports 10 orphanages in Thailand and Cambodia, including some in refugee camps, and is spreading to Haiti, where

three orphanages are being built.

The orphans are faced with being overworked in garment factories, sold into various exploitative circles or living off the streets trying to survive with very little, said Mike Fox.

The missions' web site says an orphanage of 30 children in Cambodia can be operated for an entire year for a few thousand U.S. dollars, which includes tuition to a local Christian school. Some of the missions' orphanages for 25-30 children operate on less than \$500 a month, the web site says, and the Les Cayes orphanage will support each child for about \$30 a month.

To make a donation, go to the organization's web site at [www.c3missions.org](http://www.c3missions.org).

# Combine always wins the contest

In a header-to-end contest, the combine always wins.

Only a few scratches were visible on a combine that hit a Goodland woman's car, shattering the back window and denting the hood and trunk.

A 19,000 pound combine in motion is hard to stop.

That's the lesson Tammy Geigle, 42, learned when the header on a combine slid up the trunk of her 1992 Buick Lesabre car and crashed into the rear window.

Kansas Highway Patrol Trooper Joe Green said Geigle was stopped at the light in the westbound lane on U.S. 24 at K-27 about 3 p.m. last Thursday when the bright red combine came up from behind and hit the car.

John McGrath, 69, Goodland, was driving the 1978 International

1480 combine. He told Green he couldn't get the combine stopped in time.

The 1480, Green said, doesn't have brakes, so drivers shift into neutral and coast to a stop.

Green said he didn't issue any tickets for the accident. Geigle was wearing a seat belt.

Since the combine doesn't have a seat belt, McGrath was unbuckled, but neither suffered any injuries.

McGrath drives for Dennis

Shank, who had just purchased the combine from Witzel and Rhea.

He was driving the combine home from the implement store.

The accident shut down westbound traffic on U.S. 24, Green said, but the road was quickly reopened.

The car was towed by Alex's Radiator and Repair. Green said while the vehicle was still working, Geigle didn't want to take any chances. McGrath drove the combine on home.

## Help!

A baby bird was separated from his mother in front of the Sherman Theatre last week. The tiny winged animal was chirping for food, help or just some air conditioning on the hot summer day.

Photo by Kathryn Burke  
The Goodland Star-News



## ANTIQUE AUCTION

By HOMESTEAD REALTY  
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Ben F. Parmer Owner  
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**Location:** At the Happy Hollow Ranch, 10 miles north of Burlington CO. on Hwy 385 to road GG, 4 miles east to road 53, 3 miles north to road KK, 1 mile east. Signs will be posted.

**NOTE:** Ben has decided to sell his collection of antiques along with some misc. equipment & grain bins. This will not be a large sale but some very nice pieces, so please be on time. Most of the items have been kept inside and are in very good condition. Come and enjoy another Fun Auction where everyone has "Satisfaction at the sound of the gavel."

### ANTIQUES

1948 Chevy Thriftmaster 1 ton dually, 6cyl, 4sp, 10' Timpste steel box W/ hoist, 7:00 X 18 tires, new paint, looks & runs like new; White Eagle 3 compartment fuel tank; McCormick-Deereing Thresher, complete W/all endless belts; IH-McCormick Binder; 2 steel wheel dump rakes

### HORSE DRAWN EQUIPMENT & supplies

2-4 wheel wagons; JD steel wheel sickle mower; 2 row McCormick-Deereing cultivator; 6' Fraznel; IH Combine header; McCormick 1 row plow; Heiser saddle, mint condition; 2 Bridles; 2 sets of single harness; 5 horse collars; 20+ hames; 2-3 horse hitchers; 3-Wagon wheels

### EQUIPMENT & BINS

JD 105-10' 3pt tandem disc; JD 3pt post hole digger; JD 8' triple action rear blade; Older JD rod weeder; 3 section 3pt springtooth; 12' yard drag; 8 Jts. 8' irrigation pipe; 3-3000 bu. Columbian grain bins (to be moved) good condition

### MISC. ANTIQUES

12ga single shot shotgun; Winchester Mdl 62-22 hammer action rifle; 2 trunks; 5 implement seats; Ashland pump jack; 8 steel wheels; Ice tongs; Insulators; Egg basket; Cream Separator oil can; 4 wood nail kegs; Stone wheel; 24 bottle Pepsi wood case; Hand sythe; Large glass jars; Small cast iron kettle; Lantern; Skunk hide stretchers; Several traps; Oil cans; Several old bottles; Binder twine; Pipe dog; New pump jack; Chain boomers. Several other small items not listed

This will be a small but **FUN** auction so plan on attending.

**TERMS.** Cash or Check with ID. Everything must be paid for and removed day of sale.

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## correction

An obituary for Ferd Heigert Page 2 of the Tuesday, July 5, edition of *The Goodland Star-News* listed only two surviving sisters. There are four, including Edna Look of Phillipsburg and Anna Anderson of San Simeon, Calif. The omission was due to incorrect information given to the paper.

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