

# Opening of new hotel was expected by first of year

**By Evelyn Ward**  
*Sherman County Historical Society*  
**November 5, 1905:** The brick work of the new hotel will be about finished this week. It is a substantial improvement to the town and fills a long-felt want. Work on the building will be rushed, and by the first of the year, it will be ready for business.  
**November 6, 1905:** Bought 100 Tons of Hay — Perhaps the biggest hay deal that has ever been made between farmers in the county was the one made between Charley Kunz and Lee Conquest last week. Mr. Kunz bought 50 tons of alfalfa and 50 tons of wild hay from Mr. Conquest at \$6.00 per ton, which totals \$600. After the deal was made, Conquest said that he

## today in history

had plenty left.  
These two men own a first class hay press, and all put on the market will be baled. More than 500 tons of hay were put up in Sherman County this season.  
**November 7, 1905:** Poor House To Be Sold — The Land in the Northeast 21-8-41 Will Be Struck Off To Highest Bidder, December 2 — Poor Farm to be Established on Old Fair Grounds — “The poor ye have with you always” is an old saying and full of wisdom, yet it seems that it has remained for Sherman County to produce one conspicuous exception to this rule, for within her

borders no “poor of the earth hide themselves together.”  
The poor farm must and will be sold. That was the unanimous decision of the board of county commissioners and in another place in this paper, it says that the Sherman County poor farm, namely the northeast quarter of section 21, in township 8, south of range 41, will be sold Saturday, Dec. 2, to the highest bidder, either for cash in hand or time will be given on 1/2 of the purchase price.  
The place is regarded as a valuable one, situated as it is, so near to the town of Ruleton, and only about

nine miles from Goodland. The improvements will go with the place. E.J. Dawson rented and operated the poor farm last year and has had good success at farming that land. His lease expires Jan. 1, 1906.  
Owing to the fact that the county poor farm is too far from Goodland, the county seat, it was decided by the county commissioners that it would be better to sell it and utilize the old fair grounds just north of town, 40 acres of ground.  
The fair ground buildings have long since disappeared, and it is proposed to take the money from the sale of the tract near Ruleton to improve the plot of ground near town.  
It is probable that a house and other necessary buildings will be

erected there this winter and a man put in charge who can manage both that place and take care of the county’s property in the city limits such as the courthouse grounds, trees, buildings, etc.  
The inspection of the out-of-town poor farm by the commissioners has always been a rather irksome task, as it always consumes the greater part of the day; a livery team has to be hired, and the expense rolls up when the commissioners think there is no use of it.  
W.A. Sexson, J.W. Klauer and N.E. Albertson, the board of commissioners, are manifesting a great deal of business care in all matters connected with the county, and they have decided to make this change in the management of the county’s

poor interests, which is the proper move in the right direction.  
There is only one inmate of the county poor house, Mrs. Moran, an aged lady.  
The material prosperity of the people of the county was never at the greater flood tide in Sherman’s history.  
A bountiful providence, habits of industry in the people, homes uncumbered and the aggressive spirit of the west, have put our inhabitants away from the pinch of poverty and brought on a sort of cornucopia era.  
*From weekly issues of The Goodland News, provided by the Sherman County Historical Society. Since the paper was published weekly, some items were arbitrarily assigned a date.*

# How can computer users get away from spam, avoid scams?

*Dear Attorney General Kline: I thoroughly enjoy using my computer at home, especially e-mail to keep in touch with family members across the country. But recently I've started receiving more and more junk messages in my inbox that I just don't want. How can I cut back on this unwanted e-mail?*  
Dear Kansas Consumer:  
As more and more people gain computer access, marketers are increasingly using e-mail messages as a way to pitch their products and services. Many consumers just like you find unsolicited commercial e-mail — known as “spam” — time consuming and annoying, while others have lost money to bogus offers that showed up in their e-mail inbox.  
Usually, a spammer buys a list of e-mail addresses from a list broker, who compiles it by “harvesting” the addresses from the Internet. For example, if your e-mail address ap-



**phill kline**

• attorney general

out of this provision, if possible, or not submit your address to any web sites that will not protect it.  
Read and thoroughly understand the entire form before you send your personal information through a web site.  
Use an e-mail filter. Check your e-mail account to see if it provides a tool to filter out potential spam or a way to channel spam into a bulk e-mail folder.  
Consider using two e-mail addresses, one for personal messages and one for chat rooms and news groups. Use a unique e-mail address. Your choice of e-mail addresses may affect the amount of spam you receive. For example, a common name such as “sags” may get more spam than a more unique name like “sa104g51s.”  
It’s a good idea to treat commer-

cial e-mail solicitations the same way you would treat an unsolicited telemarketing sales call. Don’t believe promises from strangers, and greet money making opportunities that arrive at your inbox with skepticism. Most of the time, these are old fashioned scams delivered through the newest technology.  
Some of the most common scam offers likely to arrive by e-mail include chain letters, work-at-home schemes, weight loss claims, credit repair offers, advance fee loan scams and adult entertainment.  
You can send a copy of unwanted or deceptive messages to the Federal Trade Commission at [uce@ftc.gov](mailto:uce@ftc.gov). The unsolicited e-mails stored in this database are used to pursue law enforcement actions against people who send deceptive spam e-mail.  
*Attorney General Phill Kline offers this public service to help you avoid becoming a victim of con-*

*sumer fraud. Although some of the details have been changed, the cases appearing in this column are based on actual complaints or questions.*  
*For further information or to file*

*a complaint, please write Attorney General Phill Kline, Consumer Protection Division, 120 SW 10th Ave., Second Floor, Topeka, Kan. 66612, or call the toll-free Consumer Hotline, 1-800-432-2310.*

# Kansans using more ethanol; more stations offer it

Kansans are using more ethanol in their vehicles, and more stations are set to start offering ethanol-blended fuels in the next year. This is good news for our economy, our environment and our national security, said Gov. Kathleen Sebelius.  
According to the Kansas Department of Revenue, people in the state consumed more than seven times as much ethanol in July and August as during the same two-month period in 2004.

During this those months in 2004, Kansans used 580,000 gallons of ethanol, compared to over 4.3 million gallons during the same period this year.  
“This is welcome news,” the governor said. “Ethanol burns cleaner, and it is made right here in Kansas, which helps both our environment and our economy. Plus it cuts down on the need to import foreign oil, which is good for national security.”  
Kansas is home to seven ethanol

plants that use 65 million bushels of corn and grain sorghum to produce 170 million gallons of ethanol per year. A plant in Phillipsburg is under construction.  
Sebelius encouraged all Kansans to use ethanol in their vehicles.  
“Gasoline with 10 percent ethanol, known as E10, is safe for any gasoline-fueled vehicle,” she said. “E85, which is 85 percent ethanol, can be used in any of the more than six million flexible-fueled vehicles

on the road in the United States today.”  
Of these flexible fuel vehicles, an estimated 80,000 are in Kansas. The state now has seven E85 stations — in Coffeyville, Garnett, Great Bend (2), Hays, Maize and Topeka. To meet growing demand, 20 more E85 stations are slated to open across Kansas in 2006.  
Drivers can find out if their cars can use E85 by visiting [www.e85-fuel.com](http://www.e85-fuel.com).

# matters of record

**Goodland Police**  
The following crimes have been reported to the Goodland Police Department:  
**Sept. 29** — Miranda Johnson reported criminal damage to the windshield of her 1996 Ford at 8 p.m., at 222 W. 15th. Damage valued at \$500. Case remains under investigation.  
**Oct. 1** — August David Steadman, 1803 Cherry, reported a theft at 3 p.m. Case remains under investigation.  
Brenda A. Welch, 1209 Harrison, reported criminal damage at 3:30 p.m. valued at \$500. Case remains under investigation.  
**Oct. 2** — Arrested Matthew L. Rivera, 1609 Caldwell, at 8:09 p.m., on warrant from another jurisdiction. Case referred to county attorney.  
**Oct. 3** — Arrested Jennifer Poole for theft of merchandise valued at

\$8.37 from Wal-Mart, 2160 Commerce at 8:50 p.m. Case referred to city attorney.  
**Oct. 7** — Arrested Kelly Lee Bradford for aggravated assault on Jessica Carol Mosness and criminal damage to property at 1525 Main at 8:12 p.m.. Case referred to county attorney.  
**Oct. 8** — Wendy’s, 2219 Enterprise, reported theft of \$10 at 6:49 p.m. Case referred to county attorney.  
**Oct. 9** — Arrested Shirley Walters for criminal damage of \$160 to property of Mark Wing, 1016 Sherman. Case referred to city attorney.  
**Oct. 10** — Arrested Johanna and Brian Scott for domestic battery at 717 Grand at 8:58 p.m. Case referred to city attorney.  
**Oct. 11** — Orscheln Farm and Home store, 521 E. Hwy. 24, reported criminal damage of \$200 to a door at 12:39 a.m. Case remains

under investigation.  
**Oct. 12** — Damage to city bicycle rack of \$50 at 1622 Arcade was reported at 7 a.m.  
Randal Gausman, 1209 Cherry, reported criminal damage at 7:30 a.m. of \$600 to his vehicle windshield and front quarter panel. Case remains under investigation.  
**Oct. 13** — Arrested John Bourquin, 921 Main, on warrant. Case referred to city attorney.  
**Oct. 14** — Report of sexual battery of Brandit Schutte, 315 Center, at 5 p.m. Case referred to county attorney.  
**Oct. 16** — Arrested Johanna M. Scott, 1502 Sherman, for domestic battery of Brian K. Scott at 5:57 p.m. Case referred to city attorney.  
Nicholas Rasic reported the burglary and theft of a car stereo valued at \$150. Case remains under investigation.  
**Oct. 17** — Telephone harassment

and disorderly conduct reported by Timothy Scheck, 1602 Montana at 8 p.m. Case referred to city attorney.  
Phyllis Long reported a burglary and theft at 4:50 p.m. at 309 E. 5th. Case remains under investigation.  
**Oct. 18** — Arrested Keith S. Kuder, 830 W. Hwy. 24, at 9:45 a.m., on a warrant for another jurisdiction. Case referred to Thomas County.

## Richardson’s Homestead Realty



### New Listing...605 E. 5th St

Truly one of Goodland’s unique homes, this spanish style home offers over 3500 sq. ft. of living space with 2 fireplaces, a formal sunken living room, large dining room and kitchen with hardwood floors, new oak cabinetry and tile countertops and plenty of recessed lighting. Includes 4 bedrooms include large master suite, 3 baths, sunroom, and a fully finished basement complete with pool table. Outside you’ll find a beautifully landscaped yard complete with lighting and sprinkler systems, and block privacy fence. Contact Cynthia Butts for you private showing or visit [www.cynthiabutts.com](http://www.cynthiabutts.com).



### New Listing...202 West 9th St

The perfect first time home...this 4 bedroom and 2 bath home offers hardwood flooring, large kitchen with new cabinetry and appliances included. Full basement offers 2 bedrooms, bath, family room, kitchenette and laundry room. Situated on corner with detached garage. Priced at \$50,000. Contact Cynthia Butts for you private showing or visit [www.cynthiabutts.com](http://www.cynthiabutts.com).



### New Listing...624 East 11th

Looking for a new large home without the large mortgage payment? Take a look at this 5 bedroom, 3 bath home on large corner lot with privacy fenced yard. Inside you’ll find sunny living and dining areas, an open kitchen and breakfast bar, 3 bedrooms including large master bedroom with bath. Finish basement offers 2 additional bedrooms, family room and bath. Includes attached garage with workshop area. Ask Cynthia to show you this home today!



**Terry Richardson**  
899-3093  
[terryr@eaglecom.net](mailto:terryr@eaglecom.net)



**Donna Moore**  
899-6159  
[donnam@eaglecom.net](mailto:donnam@eaglecom.net)



**Cynthia Butts**  
899-3944  
[gldrealtor@yahoo.com](mailto:gldrealtor@yahoo.com)

**RICHARDSON’S HOMESTEAD REALTY, INC.**  
 **1023 Main • Goodland, KS 67735**   
**785-899-2328 or 1-800-974-2426**  
**ORE-MAIL US AT: [homestead@eaglecom.net](mailto:homestead@eaglecom.net)**  
**Visit our website: [www.goodlandksrealestate.com](http://www.goodlandksrealestate.com)**

**Lonny’s Quality Auto Body, Inc.**

is proud to have achieved the

**ASE Blue Seal of Excellence Recognition**

Over the past 30 yrs, our goal has been to provide only the best service for our customers.

**ASE**

**Lonny’s Quality Auto Body, Inc.**

1933 Caldwell – PO Box 547  
Goodland KS 67735  
785-899-6311

Robert Rall, Randy Selbe, Scott Gilmer, Nancy Kear

# Christmas ON US

Contest begins November 10, 2005

Participating businesses will soon be announced.

To be a part of this exciting holiday promotion or for more details contact:

**The Goodland Star-News**  
785-899-2338  
Call Mona or Yvonne