

Carhops gather to reminisce

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The girls said the owners of the A&W before Mann made them pay for baby mugs that disappeared.

Mann told about the time when some Vo-Tech students stole a bunch of their root beer mugs. The next day, two boxes of mugs showed up on drive-in's doorstep. She said they cleaned them up and used them, but they later found out the students had stolen the mugs from the A&W in Colby to replace the ones missing here.

A video camera was pointed at everyone present and they were supposed to give their maiden and married name and where they lived. Mann said at the last get-together she didn't get all of the girls' married names. She sent one of the invitations this time to the woman's maiden name and the town she lives in, and she got it.

Some of the girls kidded each other about who they were married to this time.

"Why did you make us peel them potatoes?" Marilyn Elliott Bliss asked. "Now they don't even bother."

Mann recalled that one of the girls took bug spray and used it like deodorant and said she was ready for her date after work.

"We didn't really have a closing time," she said, "just when the last car left."

"I don't care if (the girls) got dates; just get some one to fill in."

All of the former car hops remember dumping stuff either on the customers or themselves.

Maxine Howard of Tribune recalled forgetting to turn off the lights before locking up, so she got on a car while another girl drove and unscrewed all the light bulbs.

Patty Mann Lorry remembered the black bugs getting into their teased and hair sprayed stiff hairdos and how much fun it was to get them out.

Before the affair was over, the women all toasted Mann as the best boss they ever had.



Members of the Three Ring Circus disguised themselves as the band ZZ Top from Texas as part of their "Musical Memory" show Saturday at the Max Jones

Fieldhouse for the Sherman County Alumni Association assembly. The band played the ZZ Top song "Sharp Dressed Man."

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Talking, dancing spark reunion

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Starting at 10 a.m., a band from Wichita called Three-Ring Circus, with 12 members and three women singers, did music from the 1950s, '60s, '70s and '80s.

Schildts said even with the fans going, with 1,500 people, it got hot in the field house. The Goodland Ambassadors served a barbecue lunch at Gulick Park followed by a concert of alumni including Darin Richardson and Jessica Kannady.

There were almost fifty different class parties around town. Some had pitched large tents at the park.

Saturday night, a dance at the fairgrounds featured Aces and 8s doing country, Pomeroy (with alumnus David Fairbanks) with contemporary rock and Three-Ring Circus again playing oldies.

Schildts said the dance was packed. Everyone was even glad to see the rain.

"Everyone had a good time," Schildts said. "All in all, everything went well."

Engineers report good news on roadbeds

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He said the asphalt was four to six inches thick, and that the worst area was in the intersection on the north end at Eighth Street.

"We found a good layer 24 to 30 inches below," Neufeld said. "We found good bearing strength, and that gives us a good base to start with."

"After the asphalt is removed, how much do we have to do?" Commissioner Mitch Tiede said.

Neufeld said they will do a subgrade modification, cutting out a about 10 inches of dirt and then rolling the milled asphalt, mixed with fly ash, back in before laying the concrete.

"We need to make sure we keep that good layer," Neufeld said.

Commissioner Mitch Tiede asked if there were any soft spots that might have to be dug out deeper. Neufeld said based on the findings, he didn't think so. He said he probably would recommend proceeding with the subgrade modification as planned.

Commission Chairman Kevin Rasure asked what the next step is.

"We will get the design finished up and to you so we can go to the state for the field check," Neufeld said. The department has to check the plans since the county is using state and federal money on the Road 14 job.

Tiede asked if the state would want to see the core results.

"Somebody in the depths of the Eisenhower Building (in Topeka) may want to see it," Neufeld said. "We have it available if they want to see it."

Jerol DeBoer, engineer and owner of Penco Engineering of Plainville, was at the meeting to get an agreement signed for the design work on Eight Street and County Road 16. Rasure said he would like to have an update.

DeBoer said he had met with Curt Way, county public works manager, in June, and had core sampled old U.S. 24 and Eighth Street in July.

"We are in the process of analyzing them and writing our report,"

DeBoer said. "There are two areas where we cored (on old U.S. 24) where they are not as good, but not totally bad."

"We cored on Eighth, and that appears to have a pretty good base."

Tiede said after the question was raised at the last meeting he had checked and the agreement on the design work says the county will get plans before the work starts. Rasure asked why Tiede was explaining the contract rather than the engineer.

"They will provide one set of preliminary plans," he said, "the recommendations and options to let us decide what we are going to do."

"Why are you telling me and not Jerol (DeBoer)?" Rasure asked.

"Because you asked me at the last meeting," Tiede said.

"We are paying Jerol," Rasure said.

"I said I would check," Tiede said.

"That is our standard Kansas Department of Transportation contract," DeBoer added. "It is like the field check work we submit to them. In this case, there will not be a field check because it will be with you guys."

"I think the preliminary plans are like what Darin (Neufeld) did this morning," Tiede said, "and he makes recommendations we agree to."

"We may not need a big set of plans on this," DeBoer said, "if we are only going to do a mill and overlay. There is no reason to spend a lot of money."

"Will there be enough information for a contractor to bid?" Tiede asked.

"I will get you everything as soon as I can, and will bring a core report along with the recommendations,"

DeBoer said. "You are the ones making the decisions. I am not going to be out there making decisions."

Rasure asked about a sentence in the agreement saying the plans would be provided upon completion of the project.

DeBoer said he did not have a problem with the county changing or scratching that part of the sentence.

"We know what we are going to do on Eighth," DeBoer said. "Do a subgrade mod and overlay. The worst part of Eighth is the asphalt. The base is good in most places."

"That is the second good news of the morning," Tiede said.

"We can do a three-inch overlay over the 33 miles of old U.S. 24 for about \$4.8 million," DeBoer said. "With the inspection contract, it will be over \$5 million."

Rasure asked about the figures that were used in the public presentation on raising the sales tax to pay for the road improvements.

"Did you have any input in the estimate or was that all Curt Way?" Rasure asked.

"I think he used an asphalt company estimate," DeBoer said. "We did not have any input."

Thomas asked about a couple of bad spots on old U.S. 24.

DeBoer said there were two places where there are about eight inches of pavement.

"The worst places are east of Edison and over by County Road 5," he said.

DeBoer said they would probably recommend profile milling those and putting in a deeper overlay.

"What do you do with the chip

seal when you mill it off?" Thomas asked.

"We put it back in," DeBoer said. "About an inch in the base."

Rasure asked about the timetable.

"We will have a recommendation for you by the end of the month," DeBoer said. "If it appears as just a mill and overlay, we don't have to have a full set of plans and it will cost about half what we estimated. It could be ready to go to bid by mid-November."

"If we stay with the plan and not dig out those two places (on old U.S. 24) we might be able to get by on the price we estimated," Thomas said.

"It will depend on what the cost of oil," DeBoer said, "and what the contractors think it will be in the spring."

Turning to County Road 16, DeBoer said that would take longer. While both old U.S. 24 and Eighth Street were built as state highways, Road 16 is an unimproved gravel road.

"This need to be surveyed and drainage improved, and then put in the asphalt," DeBoer said.

"Have you talked to Kyle Railroad?" Rasure asked.

"I haven't talked to them on this," DeBoer said. "I know what they have done in places where we have done projects. I haven't talked to them about this specific location."

Tiede made the motion to accept the contract with Penco for Eighth and Road 16, with a change in paragraph two on the plans. The motion passed unanimously.

The commissioners will meet again at 8 a.m. today in the commission room on the main floor of the Sherman County courthouse, 813 Broadway.

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Clues Across

- Amateur radio operators
- Lip action
- Swedish rock group
- Lined up in this formation
- Claw on a bird of prey
- Flutie
- TV clicker (with extra "L")
- Troche
- Adirondack mount
- After B (spell out)
- Naked
- Plural of 5 across
- To soften berries
- A Christmas song
- Principal ethnic group of China
- Veterans' battleground
- Parts of pencils
- Attached at the base
- Pen point
- A.K.A. The Common Market (abbr.)
- Someone with a promising future
- Governed by fate
- Islands west of Spain
- Large division of geological time
- La Brea pits
- A French abbot
- Elysium
- White and yellow pages
- Created
- Hybrid teas
- Political unity (Span.)
- Spoiled child
- Dix and von Bismarck
- Highway entrance

Clues Down

- Stringed instrument
- Defined space
- Mamas
- A student who studies excessively (Brit.)


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