sandwich at the picnic? Many people may think first of

mayonnaise as the offending food, but the creamy sandwich/salad dressing is typically made with vinegar or lemon juice, which are both acidic ingredients that deter bacterial growth.

The more likely culprit, particularly in hot weather, is the meat, poultry, eggs or fish in a salad that has been left unrefrigerated.

A two-hour rule before discarding, rather than eating, perishable foods allowed to stand at room temperature is suggested. On hot days where the temperature is 90 degrees For above, perishable food should be discarded after one hour

without refrigeration. Summer heat and humidity can encourage bacterial growth on food. Here are 12 tips to keep food safe at picnics and parties:

- Wash hands before and after handling raw or cooked foods. If no water is available, use towelettes or a hand sanitizer.
- Plan quantities of perishable food for expected guests to minimize leftovers that could spoil.
- Use separate coolers for raw foods; cooked foods; and bever-
- Use plenty of ice or freezer packs. A full cooler will typically hold its temperature better than one that is not full.
- the picnic. • Transport coolers in the air-
- than the trunk or truck bed.
- Keep coolers out of direct sunlight, covered with a blanket.
- Use separate utensils, plates and platters for raw foods and cooked
 - Pack a food thermometer, and

test meats and poultry for doneness: hamburgers should be cooked to 160 degrees F; steaks or roasts to

145 degrees for medium rare or 160 • Pack coolers with perishable degrees F for medium; 165 degrees foods shortly before leaving for is recommended for poultry, and fish should flake with a fork.

- conditioned passenger area, rather under cool running water before eating them.
 - Wash melon skins under cool as not to transfer naturally occurring bacteria from the soil that may be on a melon grown on a vine and

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touching the ground.

Home Time

• Keep children and pets away from a hot grill. Place the grill away from flammable materials, including buildings or a tent.

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School enhances learning

College in Goodland launched an "iPad Initiative" on Thursday as students arrived on campus. All incoming students received an iPad as part of the new iTunes University program, which allows

new teaching methods. The faculty,

which has had training in advanced

technologies, will integrate the new tools into their classrooms. "We are trying to stay ahead of the learning curve," said Dr. Ed Mills, president of Northwest Tech, "and want to put the tools in the hands of

our students that will enhance their learning opportunities. "We feel with this new technology, we will be able to reduce the cost of textbooks, since some of

them will be available electroni-

The Northwest Kansas Technical cally,'

Northwest Tech is one of the first campuses in Kansas to offer this technology for its students. The iPod provided a great tool for receiving information, Dr. Mills said, but the iPad will give students the opportunity to hook into classroom learning. The iPad also gives students an opportunity to know what's going on around campus.

Every student at Northwest Tech will always be connected through campus e-mail and calendar subscriptions, the president said.



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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARINGS

LYON TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY

2010

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations.

2009

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Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	3,056	5.408	3,350	6.023	3,350	2,987	6.176
Road	17,559	29.104	20,000	31.823	20,000	15,000	31.012
TOTALS	20,615	34.512	23,350	37.846	23,350	17,987	37.188
Total Tax Levied	17,787		17,839		17,987		
Valuation	515,387		471,351		483,680		

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills. Trustee — Gerry McKenna

Clerk — Grea Miller Treasurer — Home of Lawrence Carter

There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

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OBERLIN TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits

of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations. 2010 2009 Proposed Budget 2011

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Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	
General	1,450		9,500	1.571	9,500	1,897	1.617	
Road	23,023	14.442	31,600	11.423	31,600	13,500	11.511	
Spec Road			11,250	2.000	11,250	2,346	2.000	
TOTALS	24,473	14.442	52,350	14.994	52,350	17,743	15.128	
Total Tax Levied	17,478		17,589		17,743	•		
Valuation	1,210,204		1,173,117		1,172,806			

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills. Trustee — Mike Coleman

Treasurer — Home of Gene Morford Clerk — Ron Brvan *Special Road Levy authorized to increase the 2010 Budget.

OLIVE TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits

of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations. Proposed Budget 2011

Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	
General	1,010		8,000		9,000			G
Road	15,620	14.658	17,000	16.008	22,750	20,145	26.576	R
TOTALS	16,630	14.658	25,000	16.008	31,750	20,145	26.576	
Total Tax Levied	12,392		12,475		20,145			
Valuation	845,404		779,288		758,023			

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills.

There is NO Debt Service for this Township. Home of Denise Abbey Clerk — Brian Simonsson

Trustee — Tyler Witt

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations.

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Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	3,842	3.060	7,000	5.284	11,900	11,017	11.159
Road	25,948	22.291	28,500	23.295	30,000	28,000	29.024
Spec Road	10,498	5.000	13,000	5.000	483		
TOTALS	40,288	30.351	48,500	33.579	42,383	39,017	40.183
Total Tax Levied	33,935		34,056		39,017		
Valuation	1,542,373		965,439	•	987,238	•	

PLEASANT VALLEY TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills. Trustee — Kenneth Carter

There is NO Debt Service for this Township. Home of Jerry Foster

Clerk — Lawrence Jennings

PRAIRIE DOG TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits

of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations. Proposed Budget 2011

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Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	3,135	1.330	6,250	1.668	7,000	3,000	1.295
Road	55,510	14.685	51,000	15.238	51,000	35,980	15.535
Spec Road		5.000	20,500	5.000	25,000	11,581	5.000
TOTALS	58,645	21.015	77,750	21.906	83,000	50,561	21.830
Total Tax Levied	80,498		38,811		50,561		
Valuation	3 830 /1/	.,,	1 771 883		2 316 002		

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills. There is NO Debt Service for this Township. Treasurer — Home of Betty Hickert **Special road Levy authorized to increase the 2010 Budget.

ROOSEVELT TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations.

	2009		2010		Proposed Budget 2011		
Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	1,737	1.858	6,500	1.961	6,500	1,735	2.195
Road	19,194	14.363	19,000	15.630	19,500	11,000	13.918
Special Mach	2,400						
TOTALS	23,331	16.221	25,500	17.591	26,000	12,735	16.113
Total Tax Levied	16,940		12,380		12,735		
Valuation	1 044 246		703 707		700 322		

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills. Trustee — Randy Leska

Treasurer — Home of Terry Rush

There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

SAPPA TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations.

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_	Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*	
_	General	1,029	3.550	7,250	2.293	8,000	1,498	2.455	
_	Road	11,528	13.166	15,000	15.522	15,000	10,000	16.388	
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_	TOTALS	12,557	16.716	22,250	17.815	23,000	11,498	18.843	
-	Total Tax Levied	11,427		11,477	•	11,498		, and the second	
_	Valuation	602 502		644 263		610 101		,	

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills.

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Trustee — Phil Wurm

Trustee — Paul Shields

There is NO Debt Service for this Township. Treasurer — Home of Rod Bryan Clerk — Richard Anderson

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY

There is NO Debt Service for this Township.

Clerk — Brad Uehlin

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits

of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations. 2010 Proposed Budget 2011

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Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	683	3.236	9,300	2.833	10,000	1,298	3.305
Road	13,670	15.450	14,000	16.830	14,000	7,000	17.826
TOTALS	14,353	18.686	23,300	19.663	24,000	8,298	21.131
Total Tax Levied	9,676		8,295		8,298		
Valuation	517,981		421,866		392,693		

Treasurer -

SUMMIT TOWNSHIP BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax to establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget. Estimated Tax Rate* is subject to slight change depending on the final assessed valuations.

	2009	2009		2010		Proposed Budget 2011	
Fund	Prior Year Actual Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Current Year Est. of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	760	4.115	10,000	4.869	10,000	2,609	5.814
Road	11,967	19.985	20,500	21.487	20,500	10,000	22.283
TOTALS	12,727	24.100	30,500	26.356	30,500	12,609	28.097
Total Tax Levied	12,059		12,266		12,609		
Valuation	500,381		465,400		448,775		

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills. Trustee — Monte Moore

There is NO Debt Service for this Township. Treasurer — Home of Paul Tally Clerk — Brad Marcuson

Home of Larry Roe

NOTE: Tax Rates are expressed in mills and that means per thousand dollars worth of valuation.

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