



# Law Enforcement Center

After months and months of planning and going up to vote in April 2012, the new Cloud County Law Enforcement Center had a ceremonial ground breaking on September 17th. The new jail is to be located in Concordia's North Development off of Union Road.

The Cloud County Commissioners and the Public Building Commission signed paperwork for Zahner Hansen Construction Group, Inc. out of Brentwood, Tennessee to commence construction on the proposed jail. The \$4.5 million facility is to have 80 beds, full jail support facilities, and accommodate future expansion.

The new jail will be compliant with Federal & State requirements, including following ACA guidelines, so that the proposed jail may house city, state, or federal prisoners.

The project will create more jobs, not only when the facility is complete, but

also during the construction stage..

There is a projected ten month timeline for the construction project.

[Click here to listen to comments at the ground breaking.](#)



*The proposed facility rendering, which includes 80 beds, full jail support facilities, and Sheriff's Office.*

## Enterprise Park

The dirt work around highway 81 and north of college drive has caused a lot of stir. There have been many entertaining rumors about what is going on out there!

As we have been planning, the site will be a park with commercial facilities around a body of water for



**Dirt work at Enterprise Park!**

flood control. The dams will take another 2 to 4 months for environmental studies to be complete, 4 to 6 months to obtain state permits, and 2 to 3 months for contract letting, which sets the start date between June and October 2013.

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## Calendar:

### City Commission :

October 3rd

October 17th

November 7th

November 21st

December 5th

December 19th

### Library Board:

October 2nd

November 6th

December 4th

### Housing Authority:

October 9th

November 14th

December 12th

### City Hall Closed:

November 22nd—23rd

December 24th —25th

## Dedicating the Tennis Courts



Steven Mitchell, CHS tennis coach, speaking on September 22nd to the crowd. The tennis courts were dedicated to his father, Coach Jack Mitchell.

On a perfect tennis playing day, the CHS tennis courts underwent a dedication ceremony for the late Mr. Jack Mitchell. As City Manager Larry Uri professed, "Today is a unique dedication. Usually we are here for the new building, but today we are here for the person (Jack Mitchell)."

There were around 70 people at the dedication, family, former tennis players, former woodwork-ing students, and friends. For a man of very few words, no one ever questioned his love or dedication to his students, players, and the sport. Many shared funny and touching stories about Coach Mitchell.

He will truly be missed.



## Top Ten Thanksgiving Day Foods

Most likely, you've been planning your Thanksgiving Day meal for a little while now. However, every year the issue surfaces of what to make and how much to serve, as the number of guests change, along with their eating habits. And do you want a fridge full of leftovers? (hmmm.... Yummy!)

If you're not sure which food what to do, here is a Top 10 list of Thanksgiving must-haves.

1. Stuffing / Dressing
2. Turkey
3. Mashed Potatoes
4. Ham
5. Cranberry Sauce
6. Pumpkin Pie
7. Rolls / Bread

8. Sweet Potatoes
9. Green Bean Casserole
10. Turducken

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.  
~Albert Camus



## The Brown Grand Theatre

The Brown Grand Theatre opened in September 17, 1907 with New York's Joseph M. Gaites Company's performance of the musical play *The Vanderbilt Cup*. Since that opening night, the theatre has undergone one aesthetic restoration and 105 years of shifts. Now our beautiful historic landmark needs another type of restoration, one that can keep the live performances coming. The issue is the 105 year old truss work that needs updated in order maintain the safety of the performers.

There are many ways to be active in the restoration of the theatre: volunteer for fundraising and/or deconstruction, go to events, promote the theatre and build hype about it.

I have had the pleasure of performing on that beautiful stage three times. It would be hard to imagine no more performers being able to feel the exhilaration of performing on the Brown Grand's stage. Please help to keep our cultural, wonderful landmark!

This HALLOWEEN, if you find yourself in need of a scary movie or a few, check out this list from

Entertainment Weekly.

Click on the link to the right!!

But be prepared to SCREAM!



# How to stay safe when shopping on Black Friday

**Step 1:** Shoppers often begin lining up outside hours before a store opens. If you are one of them, be aware of the people around you. Pay special attention when entering the store because this is often when accidents occur. In 2008, a crowd of about 2,000 shoppers waited outside a New York Wal-Mart store prior to its opening. When the doors opened, the crowd surged, pushed down the doors, and trampled an employee to death.

**Step 2:** If any mob-type behavior develops outside or inside the store, gather your shopping party and quickly leave the area. Is getting a



low price really worth sacrificing your life?

**Step 3:** Bring a cell phone on the shopping trip. If an emergency situation develops, call the police.

**Step 4:** Keep your shopping party close and be prepared to defend them or vacate the scene together if something bad begins happening.

**Step 5:** Once you have paid for your merchandise and are exiting the store for the parking lot, be alert. Thieves often follow shoppers to their cars or wait for them in the parking area. Stay alert until arriving safe at home.

## Thank you Residents of Concordia!

It's no news that our summer of 2012 was a dry & hot one. Our six wells worked very hard to keep up with our demands.

Thank you to the residents of Concordia for voluntarily conserving water. Without your conservation efforts, our water issue would have resulted in a much different situation.

There are so many wonderful people here that are so willing to help out and for that we are very thankful!!

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## Christmas Trivia!

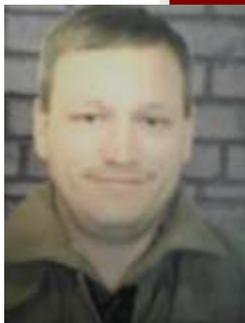
1. Where is the world's largest Christmas tree?
2. What is the first name of Scrooge?
3. Who once stole Christmas?
4. Who was the author of *A Christmas Carol*?
5. Who was the star of the movie titled *White Christmas*?
6. The Christmas Island in the Pacific Ocean is fairly popular. Where's the other Christmas Island?
7. Which was the last US state to declare an official holiday for Christmas?
8. When is Santa Claus's, i.e. St. Nicholas', birthday?
9. Which of the following is not the name of one of Santa's reindeer - Dasher, Donner, Doppler and Dancer?
10. We all know about the tradition of hanging stockings for gifts. Which country uses shoes instead of socks for the same purpose?

May your stuffing be tasty  
 May your turkey plump,  
 May your potatoes and gravy  
 Have nary a lump.  
 May your yams be delicious  
 And your pies take the prize,  
 And may your Thanksgiving dinner  
 Stay off your thighs!  
 Anonymous

## New Employee!!

Eric Voss will be starting on October 29th as our Fire Chief. He has been the Fire Chief in Fairbury, NE for the past 8 years. Previously he was the Fire Chief at Halstead, KS for 2 years and a fire captain here in Concordia!

Welcome back!!



**Check out the Big Brothers Big Sisters Big Color Big Fun Run!!! The 5K Run/Walk will be on Sat., October 13th!**

**[Click here for details!!](#)**

Answers on page 4!



MANAGEMENT TEAM

- Larry Uri, City Manager
- Stacey Crum, City Clerk
- Amber Farha, Finance Director
- Chris Edin, Police Chief
- Eric Voss, Fire Chief
- Chad Buckley, Utilities Director
- Bruno Rehbein, Building Inspector
- Ron Copple, Public Works Director
- Tom Gennette, Recreation Director



*Marsha Wentz, Charles Johnson, Lyle Pounds, Tim Parker, Gary Fraser,  
Commissioner Commissioner Mayor Commissioner Commissioner*

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- Kelsey Larson - October 18
- Trask Breault - October 29
- Brad Swihart - November 1
- Forrest Daniels - November 3
- John Christensen - November 4
- Aubrey Thoman—November 9
- Jeff Roberts - November 22



- Devin Anderson - November 25
- Michael Copple - December 2
- Jim Metro - December 9
- Clint Novak - December 16
- Heather Acheson - December 16
- Justin Davis - December 28
- William White - December 31

**Updated Meter Count:**

**1031 changed**

**86 to go**

**Awesome job guys!!**



Those who don't believe, don't receive!  
(Santa Claus)

**Top 3 Reasons to believe in Santa Claus!!**

- 1. Those cookies and milk get eaten and drank by somebody... yes Santa!**
- 2. The North American Aerospace Defense Command (Norad) They track Santa's progress every year!**
- 3. It just feels good to believe in the spirit of giving. I could not imagine a world without it!**

Congratulations!!



Olivia left, Lillian right

**Christmas Trivia Answers**

1. King's Canyon National Park, California
2. Ebenezer
3. The Grinch
4. Charles Dickens
5. Bing Crosby
6. Indian Ocean
7. Oklahoma
8. December 5th
9. Doppler
10. The Netherlands

Thea McMillan and her husband Ryan are proud to announce the arrival of Olivia Ann and Lillian Colleen. They were born on September 20th, 2012 with Olivia Ann at 5 pounds, 12 ounces and Lillian Colleen at 5 pounds, 13 ounces. Olivia Ann was 17.75 inches in length and Lillian Colleen was 18.5 inches in length.

