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O'Brates, GCCC hosting Bush

By ANGIE HAFLICH

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When former President George W. Bush visits Garden City today, it is believed he will become the third president to ever visit the community.

Bush is scheduled to attend an invitation-only event at 11 a.m. at the Clarion Inn and Conference Center, 1911 E. Kansas Ave.

While local officials are remaining tight-lipped about the purpose of Bush's visit, locals are reacting to the news with excitement, as it will be only the third time that a sitting or former president has visited Garden City.

Chuck Green, a special agent in charge of the Kansas City field office of the U.S. Secret Service, confirmed that Bush will be flying into Garden City Regional Airport some time today.

According to a copy of an invitation to the event, it's being hosted by Cecil and Frances O'Brate and Garden City Community Col-Neither Cecil O'Brate nor

GCCC President Dr. Herbert Swender returned calls seeking comment about the event. According to a paid advertise-

ment published in Monday's Telegram, Samy's Spirit and Steakhouse, located inside the Clarion Inn, will be closed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. "for a high-volume, private event."

Amro Samy, owner of the Clarion Inn and Samy's, did not return calls seeking comment.

City Manager Matt Allen said that all five city commissioners received invitations to the event.

"They were invited. I would expect them to attend," Allen said. County Administrator Randy



lieves county commissioners also will be attending. "I'm going

Partington be-

to assume the commissioners will be there," Partington said. "I would assume probably most of them, but I'm not sure.

The Telegram also attempted to contact USD 457 Superintendent Dr. Rick Atha to find out if he, other administrators or elected officials of the school district were invited to the event, but he did not return calls seeking comment.

Garden City police Capt. Randy Ralston and Finney County Sheriff Kevin Bascue said both of their agencies are working with

the Secret Service, but directed all other inquiries to Green, who said local law enforcement and emergency responders were prepared in advance of Bush's visit.

"Last week, I came down to Garden City and we kicked off the process by meeting with the police, sheriff's office, fire department and emergency services type support units that we might be using during the visit — meeting with all the people that we may come in contact with in the event that we would need emergency services," Green said, adding that Secret Service agents will provide personal protection to Bush, while local law enforcement will augment his travel detail.

Green could not comment on what route the former president will be taking from the airport to the Clarion Inn.

"Even with the sitting presi-

dent of the United States, we don't talk about our motorcade routes and different things like that, for obvious reasons. However, we make every attempt to minimize any kind of traffic delays with any of our protectees as they're moving through," Green said. "And in a lot of cases, with former presidents, there are no shutdowns at

Green said areas surrounding the venue typically are cordoned off prior to, during and following the event, but that even during private events of this magnitude. there are typically a lot of people gathered.

Because it is an invitation-only event, people will not be allowed inside, Green said.

"And the ones who aren't invited, if they would get in, would

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Local family seeks help with medical expenses

Holcomb family sets up a Go Fund Me account for assistance with costs.

By SCOTT AUST

For more than a year, Shelby and Caitlyn Hanneman have struggled to find answers for Caitlyn's health issues, which have taken them to doctors in Kansas City, Texas and now Arizona.

Since April, Caitlyn has been seeking treatment at Envita Medical Center in Scottsdale, Ariz., a leader in advanced integrative medicine that treats a broad range of conditions using personalized conventional medicine, research-based alternative medicine and homeopathic treatments

"We are working with a team of doctors to treat Caitlyn's Lyme disease and the other bacterial and viral infections," Shelby Hanneman said.

Treatment and travel costs have been high. Insurance has covered some of the expense, but not all of it. As a result,

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The Hanneman family, of Holcomb.

Forecast underestimates state revenue more often than overestimates

By JONATHAN SHORMAN

The Topeka Capital-Journal

TOPEKA - Kansas' official revenue estimate has underestimated the amount of cash flowing to state government far more often than it has provided an overly rosy outlook during its 40-year life.

When officials last week downgraded their estimate of how much revenue the state will take in next year, some lawmakers raised questions about the accuracy of the estimate, which they rely on to set the state's budget.

The estimate, generated twice a year, has caused consternation recently with each new projection seemingly lower than the last. After last week's estimate, Kansas now faces a projected \$800 million gap between revenue and spending next fiscal year, which begins in July.

A Capital-Journal analysis of the Consensus Revenue Estimate since its inception in 1975 shows the CRE was too conservative in anticipating future revenue nearly twice as often as it was too optimistic. The CRE has

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Exploring career opportunities

Charlie Smock of Black Hills Energy hands Garden City Community College freshman Alexis Kantor a card Monday during the job fair in the GCCC Student Center. Businesses from around the community came to recruit and educate students about employment opportunities after graduation.



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