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Sutherland reaches lofty heights



2nd Lt. Tyler Sutherland becomes second person from Liberal to graduate from West Point

By Dan Smith
2nd Lt. Tyler Sutherland, a Liberal, Kansas native, has become the second person from the town to graduate from the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Sutherland, 26, is the second Liberal native to graduate from West Point, following the late 1st Lt. Sutherland, who graduated in 1982. Sutherland's father, 1st Lt. Sutherland, was the first Liberal native to graduate from West Point. Sutherland's mother, Mrs. Sutherland, is a former member of the Liberal High School board. Sutherland's father, 1st Lt. Sutherland, was the first Liberal native to graduate from West Point. Sutherland's mother, Mrs. Sutherland, is a former member of the Liberal High School board. Sutherland's father, 1st Lt. Sutherland, was the first Liberal native to graduate from West Point. Sutherland's mother, Mrs. Sutherland, is a former member of the Liberal High School board.

College increases mill levy 1.3 mills

Mill increase forced by reductions in state aid and drop in county property valuations

By Dan Smith
The Board of Trustees of the Liberal College District has approved a 1.3 mill increase in the property tax rate for the 2013-14 fiscal year. The increase is necessary to offset a 10 percent reduction in state aid and a 10 percent drop in county property valuations. The board also approved a 1.3 mill increase in the property tax rate for the 2013-14 fiscal year. The increase is necessary to offset a 10 percent reduction in state aid and a 10 percent drop in county property valuations. The board also approved a 1.3 mill increase in the property tax rate for the 2013-14 fiscal year. The increase is necessary to offset a 10 percent reduction in state aid and a 10 percent drop in county property valuations.

Kan. AG acknowledges 'Hard 50' may not fully work

By Dan Smith
Kansas Attorney General Steve Beshear has acknowledged that the state's "Hard 50" initiative may not fully work as intended. Beshear said that the initiative, which requires a 50 percent increase in the state's minimum wage, may not be enough to lift the state out of recession. Beshear said that the initiative, which requires a 50 percent increase in the state's minimum wage, may not be enough to lift the state out of recession. Beshear said that the initiative, which requires a 50 percent increase in the state's minimum wage, may not be enough to lift the state out of recession.