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2 minor injuries in 3-vehicle crash
By CHRIS HANCOCK
A traffic accident involving three vehicles on Tuesday morning resulted in two minor injuries and property damage. The crash occurred on Highway 160, south of Liberal, at the intersection of 160th and 161st streets. The vehicles involved were a 2012 Ford Focus, a 2011 Chevrolet Malibu, and a 2010 Ford Taurus. The driver of the Ford Focus was injured and taken to the hospital. The driver of the Chevrolet Malibu was also injured and taken to the hospital. The driver of the Ford Taurus was not injured. The cause of the crash is still under investigation.

City approves parking lot sale
By CHRIS HANCOCK
The Liberal City Council has approved the sale of a parking lot located on the east side of town. The lot is currently owned by the city and is being sold to a private developer. The sale is expected to generate revenue for the city and will allow the developer to build a new parking lot for a nearby business. The sale is scheduled to take place in the next few weeks.

County employees see slight raise
By ROBERT BICE
County employees will receive a slight raise in their salaries for the upcoming year. The raise is the result of a collective bargaining agreement between the county and the union representing the employees. The raise is expected to be around 3 percent. The county officials are pleased with the agreement and hope it will help to attract and retain top talent.

Beauty Duty
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Rep. Huelskamp to host Town Hall Thurs. in Liberal
Rep. Louie Gohmert will be in Liberal, KS on Thursday, April 24th, to host a town hall meeting. The meeting will be held at the Barton County Courthouse. Rep. Gohmert will be joined by other members of the House of Representatives. The meeting is open to the public and will provide an opportunity for constituents to voice their concerns and ask questions of their representatives.

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Liberal High School improves in popular magazine's state and national high school rankings with high marks for advanced placement options
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Concealed carry handgun class set for Sat., May 10
A handgun concealed carry class is being held in Liberal, KS on Saturday, May 10th. The class is being held at the Barton County Courthouse. The class is open to anyone who is at least 21 years old and a resident of the state of Kansas. The class will cover the basics of handgun safety and the legal requirements for carrying a handgun. The cost of the class is \$50. For more information, contact the Barton County Sheriff's Office.

Committee announces 2014 events for Cinco de Mayo
The Liberal Chamber of Commerce has announced the 2014 events for Cinco de Mayo. The events will be held on Friday, May 5th, and Saturday, May 6th. The events include a parade, a concert, and a fireworks display. The Chamber of Commerce is excited to celebrate the Mexican holiday and hopes to attract a large crowd of people to the events.

Barton County Commissioner dies in plane crash
Barton County Commissioner James H. Hinkle died in a plane crash on Tuesday, April 22nd. The crash occurred near the town of Liberal, KS. Commissioner Hinkle was on a private plane when it crashed. The cause of the crash is still under investigation. Commissioner Hinkle was a member of the Barton County Board of Commissioners and was serving his second term. He was a well-known and respected member of the community.

IRS employees with tax and conduct issues still got awards, watchdog report finds
A report from the Government Accountability Office (GAO) has found that IRS employees with tax and conduct issues still received awards. The report is the result of a review of IRS awards from 2008 to 2012. The report found that 1,100 employees received awards, but 100 of those employees had been disciplined for tax or conduct issues. The GAO is calling for the IRS to improve its award process and to ensure that awards are only given to employees who are deserving.