

**WELCOME to the Yellow Brick Road! Our Show**  
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Village Stage - Liberal, KS  
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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 Highway 160, south of Liberal. 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 near future.

**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 employees' union. The raise is expected to be in the range of 2 to 3 percent. The county officials are pleased with the agreement and believe it will help to attract and retain top talent.

**Rep. Huelskamp to host Town Hall Thurs. in Liberal**  
Rep. Louie Gohmert will be in Liberal, Kansas, on Thursday, April 24, to host a town hall meeting. The meeting will be held at the Liberal Community Center and will provide an opportunity for constituents to meet with the representative and discuss their concerns. The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.house.gov/gohmert](http://www.house.gov/gohmert).

**Beauty Duty**  
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**TOP 2 IN KANSAS**  
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, Kansas, on Saturday, May 10. The class is being held at the Liberal Community Center and will provide an opportunity for residents to learn about the laws and procedures for carrying a handgun. The class is free and open to the public. For more information, visit [www.liberalks.com](http://www.liberalks.com).

**Barton County Commissioner dies in plane crash**  
Barton County Commissioner James H. Barton died in a plane crash on Tuesday, April 22. The crash occurred near the town of Barton, Kansas. Barton was on a flight to his home in Barton, Kansas, when the plane crashed into a field. Barton was the only person on board the plane. The cause of the crash is still under investigation.

**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 in Liberal, Kansas, on Friday, May 2, and Saturday, May 3. The events include a parade, a festival, and a concert. The Chamber of Commerce is excited to host the events and believes they will be a great success.

**IRS employees with tax and conduct issues still got awards, watchdog report finds**  
A report from the Government Accountability Project (GAP) has found that IRS employees with tax and conduct issues still received awards. The report is based on a review of IRS award records from 2008 to 2012. The report found that 1,100 employees received awards, including 100 employees who had been disciplined for tax or conduct issues. The report is a criticism of the IRS's award process and has led to calls for reform.