preparing for the severe weather

During the months of February

and March, almost two and a half

hours of daylight are gained and

each day the sun climbs higher in

the sky. Typically, the first severe

thunderstorms rumble across the

Tri-State area in late March or

early April. The time to prepare for

severe weather season is rapidly

Forecast Office in Goodland is

offering Basic Storm Spotter

classes at many locations in the

Tri-State area. Classes will begin

in early March and wrap up the

Everyone is invited to attend,

If you would like to assist your

and the classes are free of charge.

local community by becoming a

volunteer storm spotter, or if you

simply want to learn more about

severe weather on the High Plains,

consider attending one of these

classes. Most classes are held in

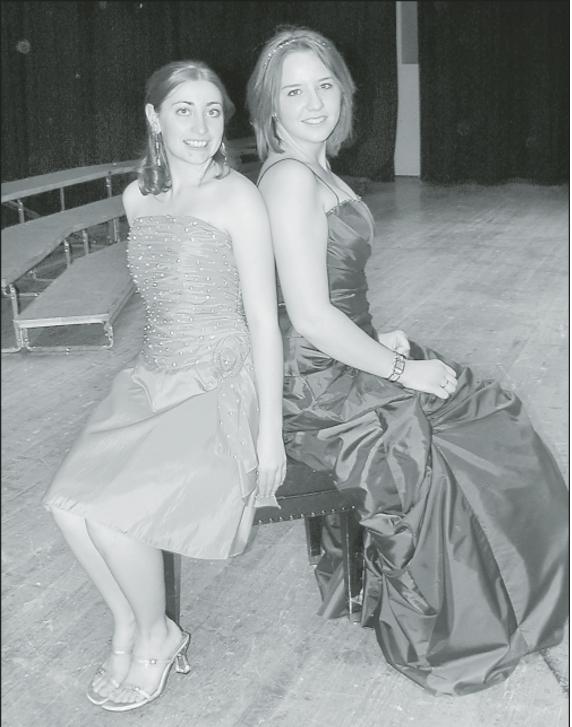
the evening and will last approximately 2 1/4 hours. Topics covered

include a brief discussion of High

season.

approaching.

first week of April.



Back-to-back beauties! Lisa Jones, left, and Reesa Volgamore were two models for the KAY Club's Prom Preview held Wednesday evening at East Campus Auditorium.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

## Preview gives a sneak peak at fashions

By CAROLYN PLOTTS

Parents of Norton Community High School junior and senior girls had a sneak peek at formal fashions Wednesday evening at East Campus Auditorium.

The KAY Club sponsored Prom from Schoen's Bridal World,

Ashley Maybon, Lacey Roe, Mor- Downs.

gan Kauten, Reesa Volgamore, Lisa Jones, Lacy Ellis, Tiffany donated items for door prize draw-Marx, Hannah Mills, Sara Lentz, ings: Shear Magic, Moffet Drug Maggie Nielsen, Gena Myers, Store, Elleven, White Field's Thea Wiseman, Ashley Traxler Coffee House, The Razor's Edge, and Amie Richard.

Preview featuring prom gowns were Andrew Black and Tanner

The formal gowns were pro-Modeling the formal wear were: vided by Schoen's Bridal World,

The following local businesses Bella Sole, Garden Gate Florals, Acting as escorts for the models Etc., Beauti-Control products from Kayla Tacha, Norton Flowers Gifts and Greenhouse and Bella Villa Beauty Salon.

Mirla Coleman.

It's time once again to begin ogy, a discussion of 2006 severe weather events, storm structure County, 6:30 p.m. (MST), EMS and evolution, weather safety and how to report severe weather

Spotter training just around the corner

Those people who attend these classes annually might notice a change in the schedule compared to prior years. Most classes will be held in March this year. In addition, classes will begin at 6:30 p.m. local time for each county.

There are two exceptions. In Kit The National Weather Service Carson and Cheyenne counties in County, 6:30 p.m., Courthouse, Colorado, spotter classes will be held at local schools and be held during regular school hours. Please check the schedule carefully if you wish to attend a class in either of these counties.

> Area spotter classes will be held: • March 5 — Colby, Thomas County, 6:30 p.m., Community

Building • March 6 — Leoti, Wichita

County, 6:30 p.m., Firehouse • March 7 — Hill City, Graham

County, 6:30 p.m., Frontier Stage, 321 E Main St.

• March 8 — Norton, Norton Courtroom County, 6:30 p.m., Prairie Land Electric Co-op, 1101 W High-Plains severe weather climatol- way 36

Building • March 12 — Atwood, Rawlins

• March 9 — Tribune, Greeley

County, 6:30 p.m., Prairie Development Center

 March 13 — St. Francis, Cheyenne County, 6:30 p.m., High School Cafeteria

• March 14 — Goodland, Sherman County, 6:30 p.m. (MDT), National Guard Armory

 March 15 — Oakley, Logan 710 W 2nd

• March 16 — Sharon Springs, Wallace County, 6:30 p.m. (MDT), CAB Building • March 19 — Benkelman, Neb., Dundy County, 6:30 p.m.

Learning Room March 20 — Hoxie, Sheridan County, 6:30 p.m., Bowen Scout

(MDT), High School Distance

House March 22 — Grainfield, Gove

County, 6:30 p.m., 4-H Building March 23 — Trenton, Neb., Hitchcock County, 6:30 p.m.,

 March 27 — McCook, Neb., Red Willow County, 6:30 p.m., Location To Be Determined March 28 — Stratton, Colo.,

Kit Carson County, 12:30 p.m. (MDT), Stratton School. During school hours, public invited

• March 29 — Yuma, Colo., Yuma County, 6:30 p.m. (MDT), Ambulance Barn

 April 2 — Kit Carson, Colo., Cheyenne County, 10 a.m. (MDT), Kit Carson School. During school hours, public invited.

### Nex-Tech scholarships available scholarship/, or through the De-

Incoming freshmen who plan to major in information networking and telecommunications, with an emphasis in computer networking and telecommunications at Fort Hays State University (FHSU), will be eligible for a new scholarship established by Nex-Tech Inc. of Hays with the university's Endowment Association.

The scholarship will be awarded annually beginning with the 2007-2008 academic year.

"FHSU has a long history of providing qualified and motivated employees for our company. Providing assistance to a deserving student is an opportunity for us to reward and further that relationship," said Jeff Wick, chief operating officer of Nex-Tech.

Applications can be made KAY sponsors are Erin Hill and through Feb. 17 on the school's web site at www.secure.fhsu.edu/

partment of Information Networking and Telecommunications.

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### Youth compete in Knights' free-throw competition

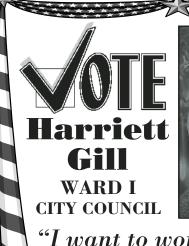
The Knights of Columbus District 44 Free Throw Contest was held Sunday in Phillipsburg

There were 16 girls and 19 boys pating. They were the winners of the local contests from Phillipsburg, Esbon, Norton, Smith Center, and Logan. The winners may advance to the regional competition to be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18 in Tipton.

Winners were:

Boys: Chanse Copple, 10, Mankato; Zachary Duffy, 11, Guide Rock; Kale Terrill, 12, Smith Cenfrom 10-14 years of age particiter; Brock Baxter, 13, Smith Center; and Cody Derr, 14, Phillipsburg.

Girls: Alyssa Hobbleman, 10, Smith Center; Briana Dietz, 11, Lebanon; Samantha Tien, 12, Prairie View; Hallie McCall, 13, Smith Center; and Karsen Means, 14, Phillipsburg.





"I want to work for you!" Paid for by Harriett Gill

Norton Schools

# Staff Spotlight

### Classified Employee



Keri Vanover

Mrs. Keri Vanover is in her seventh year as an employee of USD 211 and is employed as a custodian at NCHS. Mrs. Vanover and her husband, Greg, have five children, all of whom are boys and students in the Norton schools. In her spare time, she likes to ride horses and read. She is also active with her church, 4-H and the BB gun team. Her favorite thing about her job is getting to interact with the students.

### Certified Employee



Kevin Jilka

Mr. Kevin Jilka is in his 28th year as an educator and all of those have been spent in the Norton Schools. Mr. Jilka teaches physical education and math and is a coach at NCHS. He earned his Bachelor's Degree at Fort Hays State University, where he also met his wife, Janet. Mr. Jilka's hobby is golf and more golf. "Helping kids to improve and get better" is what he likes most about his job.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

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