

Scholarship deadlines near; many colleges plan events

Scholarships and information from many schools and programs is available at the Colby High School Career Center. Below is a list of scholarships and other information available at the center for students.

Bethany College is hosting "Swede Friday" on Friday April 16. For information, call 1-800-826-2281.

A representative from the University of Kansas will visit Colby High School from 1:45-2:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 20. Students are encouraged to stop by the Commons Area and visit with the representative.

The deadline for the Marvin B. Stark Memorial Scholarship is May 3. For more information, stop by the

Colby High School Career Center.

Applications are available for the Phoebe E. Harkins Memorial Scholarship. Deadline is May 3. For information, stop by the Colby High School Career Center.

The W. Frank Barton School of Business at Wichita State University has two scholarships available up to \$44,000. Contact the Career Center for more information or Dr. Jim Clark at (316) 978-3200 or Sharon Mock at (316) 978-3000.

Log-in instructions access Tuitions.com can be found on the bulletin board outside the Career Center.

Visit www.scholarships.com/ counselors to conduct a free scholarship search.

The Highland Community College football program is looking for several responsible individuals who would be able to help with various duties involved during the day and practice session activities. They are looking for individuals who love the game of football and enjoy being around the football atmosphere such as the coaching staff personnel and players. They can offer individuals a scholarship to cover the cost of their books and tuition for the 2004-2005 academic year. Applications can be picked up at the school's career center or by calling (785) 442-6045.

University of Kansas Honors Program information and applications can be obtained in the career

center or by calling the university at (785) 864-4225 or by e-mail at honors@ukans.edu. Application deadline is April 15, 2004.

The University of Kansas is offering Freshman Summer Institute to help with the transition from high school to college from June 6-July 2 or July 5-30. Application deadline is April 14.

For information, contact Tamara L. Durham at FSI@ksu.edu or (785) 864-2834.

Goodland Elks Lodge #1528 is offering a Legacy Scholarship to a senior who has a parent, step-parent, grandparent or step-grandparent that is an Elk member. Also, a Most Valuable Student Scholarship, for this scholarship the student

does not need to have any affiliation to an Elk member. Both application forms can be obtained through the Internet at scholarships@elks.org, stop by the Elks Lodge in Goodland or the CHS Career Center.

Estes Park Center-YMCA of the Rockies is looking for seasonal employees. Must be 18 years old. Check out <http://www.ymcarockies.org>.

Center for Cultural Interchange information is available at the Career Center at 460-5330.

Hays Academy of Hair Design is looking for students interested in Hair Design. Contact the Career Center at 460-5330 or call Erin Garrison at (785) 628-6624.

Johnson and Wales University is

accepting applications or campus visits are available to one of their universities in Providence, North Miami or Denver. For information go to <http://www.jwu.edu> or go to the career center.

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture has many scholarship opportunities available. Call the admissions office at 1-800-328-7847 or go to the CHS Career Center.

The Kansas Board of Regents has two scholarship programs available for the 2004-2005 school year. One is for the Kansas Nursing Student, the other is for vocational education. For information go to <http://www.kansasregents.com> or the career center for an application.

Judge awards \$5.25 million in damages in gas explosion trial

WICHITA (AP) — A judge on Thursday awarded \$5.25 million in punitive damages to two Hutchinson businesses destroyed during the first of a series of natural gas eruptions in 2001.

A Sedgwick County jury in February awarded more than \$1.7 mil-

lion to the businesses to be paid equally by Tulsa, Okla.-based ONEOK Inc., and Mid-Continent Marketing Center Inc., an affiliated marketing subsidiary. After two days of deliberations, the jury also awarded punitive damages against Mid-Continent, but Judge James

Fleetwood determined the amount of those damages.

State geologists and investigators have said the explosions were caused by natural gas that leaked from an underground storage cavern owned by ONEOK. They say the gas traveled from the Yaggy

storage field seven miles northwest of Hutchinson, erupting from old brine wells beneath the city. The blasts destroyed several buildings and killed two people.

The explosion and fire on Jan. 17, 2001, destroyed the Woody's Furniture and Decor Party Supplies

buildings on the first day of the eruptions.

The businesses' lawsuit was one of more than a dozen.

Another explosion at a mobile home park the day after the downtown fire killed a couple whose survivors reached an out-of-court

settlement with ONEOK.

The largest lawsuit is scheduled for trial this summer in Reno County. It is a class-action lawsuit brought on behalf of all businesses and property owners in the county and seeks \$350 million in damages for loss of business and property.

Johnson County leads state in growth

TOPEKA (AP) — A population trend continued in Kansas, with urban counties gaining residents while many rural counties, especially in the western part of the state, saw dwindling numbers, according to the latest Census Bureau estimate.

The estimate of population change from July 1, 2002, to July 1, 2003, was released Thursday. It showed Johnson County led the state in actual growth and as a percentage of growth.

The county population increased from 476,009 to 486,515 — a 2.2 percent boost. At the bottom was Ness County, which went from 3,285 to 3,158 — a drop of 3.9 percent.

For the same period, the Kansas population grew 0.4 percent from

2,711,769 to 2,723,507 — ranking 42nd nationally for the one-year period. Of the 105 counties, 28 saw a population growth, while the rest either remained unchanged or lost people.

There were exceptions to the declining rural population. Ford County ranked second statewide as a percentage of increase, going from 32,431 to 33,012, an 1.8 percent jump.

"Maybe we are second in the state because everybody else is slowing down," said Mike Gurneeg, Dodge City planning director.

Gurneeg said the only thing that could explain the increase is more people being hired by the beef industry, which is the area's major employer.

Also, Pottawatomie County near

Manhattan grew 1.5 percent from 18,429 to 18,714, while Jackson County near Topeka grew 1.3 percent from 12,844 to 13,017.

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The Arts & Inspiration Center of Colby is providing volunteer training for all those who are interested in volunteering for the Arts & Inspiration Center. Training will be held on **April 16th, 2004 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** The training will be at the First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. 4th, Colby, KS.

If interested please contact Rhonda Riedel (cell) 785-673-3149

This Center is for individuals in the earlier stages of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and extends the opportunity for those with memory loss to share thoughts, philosophy, creations and enjoyment through the avenue of the arts. The Center brings opportunities for the caregiver to take much needed time for themselves to be refreshed.

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