Brewster students experience the arts

By Jan Katz Ackerman Colby Free Press

Keeping music students exposed to the performing arts is a top priority for one Brewster School teacher and she took 28 students to Denver earlier this week to do just that.

Alice Collett has taught kindergarten through grade 12 music for the past four years. Having grown up on the East Coast, Collett decided to share her love for fine arts with her students.

Collett took students from grades 6 to 12 to Disney's production of "The Lion King" at Temple Buell Theatre in Denver.

"We are trying to get students involved in fine arts," Collett said. "They look forward to it every vear.'

Prior to Collett becoming the music instructor, only one professional production was attended by students of Brewster School. That took place in 1998, when a field trip

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> Alice Collett. Brewster teacher

to Denver allowed students to see transportation. "Les Miserable."

her music students have traveled learning process" she wants her stuextensively to see performances dents to have. such as "Phantom of the Opera" in Denver; "South Pacific" in Garden City; "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" in Goodland; and to Wichita for the European percussion group called Stomp.

Sunday's trip was sponsored by the Brewster Women's Beta Study Group, as well as student organized fundraisers.

The school district furnished the

Collett said taking the students to In the past four years, Collett and fine arts performances is a "life

> "It's a different level of performance so they can see what choices they have," she said.

> Megan Allen, senior at Brewster High School, said she enjoyed the field trip.

"It was a lot of fun and I liked it," she said.

performers with real sets."

A member of the band playing

South Dakota man dies in accident

on Interstate 70.

According to a report from the Kansas Highway Patrol, the acci-

dent took place at 5:30 a.m. about Williams overcorrected, causing seatbelt.

The truck came to rest on its top

Williams was ejected from the

clarinet, Allen said the experiences of going to professional shows has created a love for fine arts which she will carry over to her adulthood.

also enjoyed the performance.

A vocal student and band member playing saxophone, McKee said while she would go again on a field trip she was uncertain whether she would attend professional shows as an adult.

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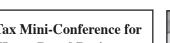
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2006 Peterbilt semi he was driv-

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"It was important to me to see real

Seventh grader Brenna McKee

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