Quilters help tornado victims

By Sharon Corcoran

slcorcoran@nwkansas.com If Prairie Piecemakers weren't such a perfect name for a quilt guild, they might have to consider the Busy Beavers.

The 10 members of the guild have been making quilts to donate to Kansas Highway Patrol troopers to give to children stranded after an accident and a quilt for the first baby of the year



at the Goodland and St. Francis hospitals.

But the women still managed to make a few more quilts than needed, so the guild decided to donate quilts to victims of the tornado at Chapman, a town along I-70 about 10 miles west of Junction City.

Member Carol Tupper sent three quilts from the guild to Chapman with her daughter, Ronda Henry of Junction City, after Henry came to a Harper family reunion in Goodland this weekend. One of the employees at the bank where Henry works lives in Chapman and lost her home when the town was hit by a tornado "We had started making quilts for

the patrol cars," Tupper said, "and had more than we needed, so we decided to give some to Chapman."

The group's members, Tupper, Cora House, Joan Reid, Glenda Garrett, Cheryl Traub, Debbie Fixsen, Dixie Chatfield, Freda House and



One of the quilts made by members of the Prairie Piecemakers Quilt Guild and donated to victims of the Chapman tornado has pictures of bears with a honey jar on it. The other two are one with dinosaurs and one made of denim scraps. Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Star-News

cis, meet once a month at the Rock House, 326 E. Sixth. They also meet the fourth Saturday of each month at Wheat Ridge Acres to work on of projects we're working on," she

'We encourage each other to get projects done," Tupper said.

Ridge, she said, adding the residents something different. seem to enjoy the company.

"They check in and see what kind said, "and visit a while."

Flatlander Fall Festival every two Any interested women are wel- years, and this would have been the town throughout the summer.

Bonnie McQuillen, from St. Fran- come to join the group at Wheat year, but Tupper said they are doing

"We'll display quilts in various businesses," she said, "so be on the lookout for them."

Fixsen displayed some quilts at The guild has a quilt show at the the library, Tupper said, and others will display at locations around

Tomatoes face diseases

Two common leaf-spot diseases that start showing up on tomato plants around this part of the year.



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Septoria leaf spot and early blight both are characterized by brown spots on the leaves. Septoria leaf spot usually appears earlier than early blight and produces small dark

Spots made by early blight are much larger and often have a distorted "target" pattern of concentric circles. Heavily infected leaves will eventually turn yellow Older leaves are more sus-

ceptible than younger ones, so these diseases often start at the bottom of the plant and work upward.

Mulching and caging or staking help keep plants off the ground. This makes the plants less vulnerable because air circulation is better and foliage dries quicker than in plants allowed to sprawl. Mulching helps prevent water splashing and carrying of disease spores to the plant.

In some years, tomatoes will develop these diseases even when all the recommendations are followed. In such cases, fungicides can help. Plants usually become sus-

ceptible when the tomato fruit

is about the size of a walnut. Chlorothalonil is a good choice for fruiting plants because it has a 0-day waiting period, meaning fruit can be harvested once the spray is dry. Chlorothalonil can be found

in products such as Fertilome Broad-Spectrum Fungicide, Ortho Garden Disease Control, GardenTech Daconil and others.

When applying, be sure to cover both upper and lower leaf surfaces. Reapply fungicide if rain removes it.

Be sure to start protecting plants when the disease is first seen. It is virtually impossible to stop on heavily infected plants

Good communication essential to avoid shared custody conflicts as early as pos-

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tween all adults

involved is vital,

and a willingness

to work together

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Dear Plain Sense: I am recently divorced and my children will be spending part of the summer with their father, in another town. I hear about other families who have a lot of conflict over this. What can I do to make this a good situation for

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Planning ahead is important. Often the anxiety involved comes from not knowing what is going to happen, so parents need to be sharing summer plans

their children.

Children's feelings about visitations vary depending on their relationship with the non-custodial

interests in how they want to spend tion time. their time. Younger children tend to eagerly anticipate the visit, and should be sent off with encouragement and a smile.

As children get older, they may resent having to leave their friends during the summer and other activities such as sports, in which they are involved in their community.

It is very important for parents to recognize this change in attitude as their children get older, parent, as well as their own personal and to flexible in regards to visita-

When the young visitor arrives, the non-custodial parent and family should allow some time for the communication regarding adjustment to the new surroundings, household rules and expectations. Parents should also encourage their child to keep regular contact with manager, Prevention, Education the other parent through phone calls, letters and e-mails.

Summer visitations don't have to be a time of dread if parents maintain a working relationship with not be considered a replacement for each other in regards to the child.

And children can relax and enjoy their time with both parents when they are included in plans, and feel encouraged and accepted.

Contributed by Karen Schueler, and Outreach Department of High Plains Mental Health Center. The views expressed here are those of the individual writer and should seeking professional help.

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District Traffic

The following fines have been Court. All ages are at the time of

panille, 36, Moncy, Pa., \$126 for speeding, 85/70.

Stefan Coldea, 47, Portland, Ore., \$166 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations, no

May 18: Johnny Couch, 32, Emporia, \$126 for speeding, 85/70.

May 19: Nicholas J. Gautreaux, 24, Oklahoma City, \$120 for speeding, 84/70.

May 20: Jami J. Anderson, 26, Colorado Springs, \$183 for speeding, 93/70.

Daniel F. Brousseau, 59, Wilmington, Del., \$192 for speeding,

May 21: Jason C. Baker, 28, paid in the Sherman County District Golden, Colo., \$174 for speeding,

Brian James Bradley, 46, Aurora, parking. May 17: Christopher J. Cam- Colo., \$166 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations, not paying Unified Carrier fees.

Clayton D. Donnell, 43, Bartlesville, Okla., \$96 for speeding,

Earl W. Greer, 60, Marthaville, La., \$126 for not stopping at a stop

May 22: Carl F. Corvin Jr., 23, Ellsworth, S.D., \$138 for speed-

Elizabeth J. Edwards, 54, Colby, \$150 for speeding, found guilty in a bench trial.

Whitney E. Green, 16, Atwood, \$120 for speeding, 79/65.

May 23: Christopher B. Ewing, 20, Nevada, Mo., \$126 for speed-

Derek L. Glover, 28, Calhan, Colo., \$174 for speeding, 92/70.

May 24: Jarrod R. Bailey, 27, speeding, 88/70. Keene, Texas, \$132 for improper

James B. Broadhurst, 37, Kan- 85/70. sas City, Mo., \$126 for speeding,

May 25: David A. Blalock, 37, Thornton, Colo., \$366 for driving Poplar Bluff, Mo., \$144 for imwhile suspended, first conviction.

May 26: Nickolas R. Brachtenbach, 21, Joliet, Mont., \$144 for

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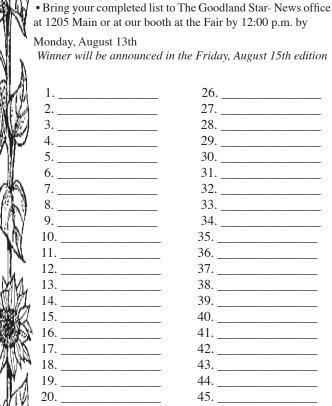
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