

Thieves try to steal coins

By Kevin Bottrell
Colby Free Press
kbottrell@nwkansan.com

It took only five minutes for Colby police to track down three men suspected of stealing coins from a sport-utility vehicle outside the 50th annual Colby Collector's Show on Sunday.

Police Chief Randy Jones said police got a call at 5 p.m. from a citizen driving by the Community Building's front parking lot and noticed suspicious activity. He reported seeing two Hispanic men taking luggage cases from a Chevrolet Silverado with a broken window. The caller said the men got into the Chevrolet Trailblazer with Texas tags and left.

Jones said the Silverado belongs to Kenneth Graham, who runs Coin Corner in Grand Island, Neb. He had been loading it after attending the show. The cases contained coins valued at several thousand dollars.

Seven officers, along with Thomas County Sheriff's deputies and Kansas Highway Patrol troopers, started looking for the Trailblazer. Jones said the caller continued to follow the men and update the police on their direction and speed.

A trooper caught up and stopped the men on I-70 about five minutes

after the first call. They had been heading east between the two Colby exits. Three men got out of the car and ran, one north across I-70 and two south into the Colby Implement parking lot. Officers and deputies caught the man who ran north and confiscated the Trailblazer, which was towed to the Law Enforcement Center.

Jones said a witness saw the other two men get picked up by a car, a dirty dark-colored Nissan passenger car, in front of Colby Implement, but police have not been able to find it.

The man who was arrested initially lied about his name, but fingerprints sent to the FBI identified him as John Fredy Prieto, 30. Jones said he declined to talk without a lawyer present.

The police got a search warrant for the Trailblazer and found the four stolen cases inside. The search turned up items from other gun and coin shows around the country. Jones said the department believes nothing was taken from the cases before they were recovered, and the owner will help inventory the contents today.

Jones said the department would like to thank the citizens and the other agencies that assisted. He said the investigation is continuing.

4-H Talent Show results given

The 4-Hers had their 4-H Days and Talent Night on Friday, March 4, at Goodland High School.

Talks and demonstration results
In the junior project talks Jessi Duell and Jade Artzer earned a regional blue. Matthew Nemechek, Hannah Dechant, Trevor Daise and Caleb Duell received blues.

In intermediate project talks Dani Mangus and Ella Ihrig earned a regional blue. Ashley Anders earned an alternate regional blue with Jamie Nemechek earning a blue and Parker Nemechek a red.

In the junior demonstration Truman Hooker earned a regional blue.

In the intermediate demonstration Kaitlyn Daise earned a regional blue.

In senior public speaking Sydney Winston earned a regional blue and Garrett Nemechek the alternate regional blue.

In senior demonstration or illustrated talk Mikail Freeman and Cody Hooker earned a blue.

Talent results
In junior piano Ryan Volk earned a regional blue, Annika Linin a blue and Peri Sieck a red.

In intermediate piano Christopher Berls earned a regional blue with Kinsey Volk the alternate regional blue. Kate Zelfer earned a blue and Kelsey White and Ashley Anderson a red.

In intermediate piano duet Peyton and Powell Sieck earned a regional blue with Amanda and Trent Coon an alternate regional blue.

In junior reading Manten Crow earned a regional blue and Mary Kate Berber an alternate regional blue.

In intermediate reading Ella Ihrig earned a regional blue, Amanda Coon an alternate regional blue and Hannah Eslinger a red.

In junior dance Jessi Duell and Jade Artzer earned a regional blue and Taitem Ketter and Peri Sieck an alternate regional blue.

In intermediate instrumental Nicole Sederstrom earned a red.
In junior vocal solo Ryan Berls earned a regional blue.

In intermediate vocal solo Dani Mangus earned a regional blue and Kate Zelfer an alternate regional blue.

In senior vocal solo Kendra Promise earned a regional blue.

In other talent Mantan Crow and Trent Coon earned a regional blue.

In skits Sunflower 4-H Club earned a regional blue with the Ruleton Eager Beavers the alternate regional blue.

Lifestyle judging

In the junior and intermediate division those participating were Jade Artzer, Mantan Crow, Kaitlyn Daise, Trevor Daise, Hannah Dechant, Caleb Dechant, Jessi Duell, Caleb Duell, Hannah Eslinger, Nathan Gilming, Dillon Gilming, Truman Hooker, Ella Ihrig, Nash Jarrett, Keyley Jarrett, Sarah Johnson, Annika Linin, Dani Mangus, Matthew Nemechek, Parker Nemechek, Jamie Nemechek, Chelsea Phillips, Peyton Sieck, Powell Sieck, Sierra Vandiver, Saige Vandiver, Kinsey Volk, Ryan Volk and Ethan Wolf.

In the senior division those participating were Katelyn Coon, Cody Hooker, Garrett Nemechek, Kendra Promise and Sydney Winston.

Those that earned a regional blue will compete at Regions 4-H Day on Friday, April 1 at Brewster.

Towel fire



The Goodland Fire Department was called to a home at 208 Grand on Monday morning where smoke was coming out the front door. When firemen got the door open a cigarette had started a fire in a towel by the front door. Firemen checked the siding and

the door stoop. The home may have some smoke damage but no water damage as the firemen pulled the towel out the door and put out the fire. It was thought that Erica Austin lived at the home.

Photo by Pat Schiefen/The Goodland Star-News

It's time to check out camps

Although still officially winter, occasional sunny afternoons bring thoughts of spring and summer and may prompt parents to begin exploring summer opportunities for their children.

"A well planned and managed summer camp can provide a safe environment to introduce youth to new experiences and interests," said Pam Van Horn, a Kansas State University Research and Extension 4-H youth development specialist.

"There's more to summer camp than meeting new people, making new friends and trying new activities," said Van Horn, who has more than 25 years experience in planning and managing opportunities for youth.

A summer camp will typically include health-promoting physical activity and opportunities for personal growth that come from community living and building respectful relationships, she said.

Most campers will have an opportunity to practice citizenship such as raising the flag, and learn about earth or environmental science, including the weather, geology, plants and wildlife.

Campers also can grow in responsibility for themselves so as not to miss meals or activities, said Van

Horn, who encouraged parents to do homework in choosing a camp that will be a good fit for their child.

For younger, first-time campers, Van Horn suggested considering a day or partial-day camp in a structured environment similar to a school day. First-time overnight campers may benefit from a first-time - or Rookie Camp - with an abbreviated schedule to introduce children to outdoor life.

For a weekly or residential camp, youth organizations, such as Kansas 4-H, Scouts, school and community groups will have experience in providing successful camp experiences, said Van Horn, who encouraged parents to talk with the parents of their children's friends and ask questions:

- Where is the camp? What transportation will be required to and from camp?
- Is the camp affiliated with a group or organization? Who is responsible for the day-to-day management and operation? How long has the camp been serving youth? And, what is the average age and grade level of their groups?
- What's a typical day at camp like?
- On average, how large are camp groups? What is the ratio of camp-

ers to counselors? What ages are served?

- Are camp groups supervised by youth or adult counselors, or a team with both? How are counselors trained? Supervised? Will a lifeguard be present for water activities? Who provides transportation for off-site activities?
- Does the camp offer a lodge or dormitory? Cabins? Tents?
- Does the camp have access to medical or emergency services? How are emergencies handled?
- Does the camp have an inclement weather or other emergency plan?

Families who are new to camping may want to consider family camp, in which the family attends camp together, said Van Horn, who noted that the Kansas 4-H Center at Rock Springs offers opportunities for families. For dates and information, contact Amada Eilders at aeilders@rocksprings.net or call (785) 257-3221.

For information about Kansas 4-H Camps go to www.Kansas4-H.org.

Classifieds work!
899-2338

matters of record

Cases filed in the U.S. District Bankruptcy Court, 167 United States Courthouse, 401 N. Market Street, Wichita. Definitions: Chapter 7, liquidation, business or personal; Chapter 11, business reorganization; Chapter 12, farmer reorganization; Chapter 13, personal reorganization. Db: doing business as; aka: also known as.

Goodland
Clark, Ronald R., liabilities \$14,418, assets \$920

District Traffic
The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District Court.

December 10: Jairo A. Santis-Hernandez, speeding, \$216.50.

December 13: Hila J. Tunnell, unlawful parking, \$180.50.

December 15: Anthony J. Mordreck, speeding, \$234.25.

corrections

The Goodland Star-News will correct any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at (785) 899-2338 to report errors.

We believe that news should be fair and factual. We want to keep an accurate record and appreciate you calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

STATE-OF-THE-ART
DOLBY DIGITAL
www.goodlandnet.com/movies
Sherman
1203 Main - Phone 899-6100
Tonight 7 PM
Gnome & Juliet 3D (G)
Starts Friday at 7 p.m.:
Just Go With It (PG-13)

Spring Time Flea Market

10x10 space for \$25
One table is included.

Bring what you need to make your own booth.

Buy all day * Sell all day

Food available for purchase.

Spaces are LIMITED! Reservations are recommended.
Call 719-346-5398
If you are interested in selling your items but do not want to attend the flea market, Prairie Family Center will have volunteers avail-

Opens Saturday March 19, 2010
8am-5pm
Located at the Burlington Community Center
340 S 14th Street
Burlington CO, 80807

3rd Annual Goodland Activities Center

3 on 3 Youth Basketball Tournament

April 9th 2011

Goodland, KS

Max Jones Field House

For more info visit:
www.goodlandgac.com

4th Annual GGT, March 19, 2011 at 6pm
Goodland High School Auditorium

Tickets are \$7/adult \$4/13 & under.
Get them early because they go up to \$10 per adult and \$5 per 13 & under at the door.

Talent, Art, & Auction. Fun family event!

Tickets available online:
www.GoodlandsGotTalent.org

Tickets available in person:
Homestead Realty (Main Street Goodland)

Goodland's Got Talent

www.GoodlandsGotTalent.org