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weather

Thursday

Today

report

10:30 a.m.

 Sunset, 6:30 p.m. Saturday

Sunrise, 6:43 a.m.

Sunset, 6:29 p.m.

Midday Conditions

 Soil temperature 64 degrees Humidity 34 percent

- Sky sunny
- Winds north 19-26 mph • Barometer 30.34 inches
- and rising • Record High today 94° (1942)
- Record Low today 19° (1985)

Last 24 Hours* High Wednesday

Low Wednesday Precipitation none 0.38 This month 16.42 Year to date Below normal 0.53 inches

The Topside Forecast

Today: Sunny with a high near 73, winds breezy out of the south at 5 to 30 mph and a low around 44. Saturday: Sunny with a high near 80, winds breezy out of the south at 10-30 and a low around 50.

Extended Forecast

Sunday: Sunny with a high near 85 and a low around 55. Monday: Sunny with a high near 84 and a low around 54. Tuesday: Mostly sunny and breezy with a high near 81 and a low around 52.

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25th car show breaks 200 mark

By Tom Betz

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For the first time in several years the cars were lined up in the middle of the street as well as the sides streets as more than 200 cars registered for the 25th Annual Brick Top Cruisers Flatlander Car Show.

The official total was 204 cars for the show nearly 40 more cars than the 166 from last year.

Brick Top Cruiser club members said it was a great car show and everything went smoothly. It was the car show's first time to hold the Saturday night and Sunday events at the Goodland Elks and that seemed to work out well.

Throngs of people checked out the many cars on Main, and the Kanas National Guard added to the excitement with the display of Dale Earnhardt, Jrs No.88 NASCAR on the lot at Kansasland Tire. The National Guard let people take photos, took photos to be displayed on-line and handed out hundreds of special No. 88 posters with the car sponsored in part by the National

The third annual Valve Cover Races were held Saturday afternoon in front of Central Elementary and this year included a Young Cruisers Class. A total of 41 valve covers designed from some wild imaginations were registered for the races.

Some of the races were very close and required several reruns to determine the winner. In one case it actually took a photo-finish to



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Dylon Smith carries his winning valve cover back after taking the Saturday afternoon at Central Elementary as part of the 25th Annual championship race in the Youth Division of the competition held Brick Top Cruisers Flatlander Car Show.

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determine the winner.

Riley "Petey" Stewart of Goodland and Patrick Colletti of Pueblo.

The youth class included several The young valve cover winners young girls, and at least one – Stewwere Dylan Smith of Colorado, art-was in the top three, and came close to taking the first prize.

In the Stock Class Scott Hilbrink defeating defending champion

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of Colby was the winner with Merl Richard Westfahl of Colby who Miller of Imperial, Neb., second and was second. Dave Harfst of Arvada. Maria Wagner of Colby third. Colo. was third.

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loc<u>αl</u> markets

10:30 a.m.

Wheat - \$6.69 bushel Posted county price — \$6.68 Corn — \$6.08 bushel Posted county price — Milo — \$5.59 bushel Soybeans — \$11.06 bushel Posted county price — \$11.47 Millet — \$5 hundredweight

Sunflowers Oil current crop — \$31.80 cwt.

Confection — no bid Pinto beans — \$28 (Markets by Scoular Grain, Sun Opta,

Frontier Ag and 21st Century Bean.

These may not be closing figures.)

inside

today

Run for the Championship in the Youth Valve Cover Division between Dylon Smith (left) and Riley 'Petey' Stewart in the Youth Class at the Third Annual Valve Cover races held on Saturday. Smith won the race.



Miller won the Custom Class

Championship run in the Outlaw Division was between Robert Gittinger of Kismet and Richard Westfahl of Colby with his Mouse Transit. Gittinger was the winner with his vavle cover with a carburetor on the front and a handle on the back to help steering.

Hospital Foundation moving ahead on capital campaign; sale of community tax credits

nt.betz@nwkansas.com The Northwest Kansas Hospital Area Foundation is moving ahead on the capital campaign and is beginning to collect the pledges on the tax credits for the dialysis unit.

Dale Schields, hospital human services director and foundation board member, reported on the recent foundation meeting and progress on the ongoing projects.

He reported on the capital campaign the foundation has more than \$300,000 pledged. He said the hospital employees are nearing the \$90,000 level and the auxiliary has done \$35,000. He said most of the foundation board and hospital board have pledged contributions. He said he was sure some of the new members would be contacted about the project.

He said the cost to date is \$81,000, and the foundation is about ready to start the public portion of the

On the community tax credits Schields said they had \$135,000 pledged to apply for the tax credits and were approved for \$246,000. He said the initial pledges have been contacted to get the tax credits and

month. He said of the remaining tax credits of \$111,000 he thought about \$50,000 had been spoken for, and he had a call about another \$30,000. He said that would leave a little more than \$30,000, and the foundation would be able to provide the money to the hospital for the dialysis clinic.

Schields said he is about \$7,000 from closing the books on the Slice of Life, and if the final pieces come in the foundation should have made about \$67,000 on the event this year. He said that is a great total for the foundation.

He said the foundation met on Thursday and there were only men at the meeting. He said the presentation was by a man about an online purchasing program.

He said when people use the shopping site they can get cash back, and then can donate a portion of the cash to the hospital. He said it is minimal administration for the program and is considering opening it to the hospital employees as a new benefit.

Schields said Rae Stewart has

been named to the foundation board.

He said she is from Brewster and

will give the foundation a presence

Schields said the foundation board is asking about having a hospital board member as a liaison. He said in the past the hospital board had asked him to act as the liaison, but the foundation board would like to have a hospital board member.

Eckhardt asked if there was a board member who would like to do that.

Schields said the foundation meets at noon on the fourth Thursday of each month, and it usually goes for an hour. He said with the number of new hospital board members it might be good to give them some time to get some experience and then see if one is interested in

being the foundation liaison. Lynn Hoelting, director of the Goodland Family Health Clinic, said they did the foundation liaison when he was on the hospital board, and felt it was good for the foundation. He said it was good, and agreed the hospital board members have a lot of stuff on their plate at

We need to work hand and glove with the foundation," he said, "especially with his large size capital campaign."

City cleanup crews to cover entire town begins on Monday

By Tom Betz

nt.betz@nwkansas.com City crews will spread out and begin the Second Annual Citywide Cleanup on Monday with plans to cover all the town by Friday.

Simon said the crews will start at 7 a.m. on Monday in the southwest corner of town at 17th and Cattletrail and work their way across the town.

He said one crew will be doing the side streets going east and west and the other crew will be going north and south. He said the crews will be doing both sides of the streets and the alleys.

The plan is for the city crews to work Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. doing the cleanup, Simon said.

He said the city crews will be going door to door and picking up items that are set out on the curb

or in the alley. Simon is asking people to separate items to be hauled off to the transfer station into at least three piles. One pile would be all steel

or metal items including electronic items. A second pile would be construction and debris items such as concrete or painted wood with or without nails. A third pile

would be furniture items. He said people who have spe-Public Works Director Rich cial pickups can call the city office at 899-4500. The things he is thinking about are refrigerators, air conditioners and freezers that need to have the refrigerant

removed. 'If we know it is going to be a big pile of tree limbs we can ar-

range the equipment," he said. Tires would be a separate item, and Simon said it is not necessary to call the city office for any special pickup. Simon said the city will pick up tires from homeown-

ers, but not from businesses. Mayor John Garcia said he was glad the city staff was taking this on again this year, and hopes to be able to get out and help one day. He participated last year and said it was a great experience.

The city will not pickup household hazardous waste items.



Cowgirls fifth at Ulysses

Cowgirl Kristi Stasser hits a second shot at the Ulysses tournament on Tuesday. The Cowgirls finished fifth, and have a busy schedule ahead pointing to regionals in Syracuse. See photo, story on Page 9.



to get the hospital the money this in Thomas County.