Sports Goodland Slammers softball wins state

By Samantha Siruta

Team manager The Goodland Slammers 14 and Under softball team defeated a team from Manhattan to claim the championship title at the state tournament in Topeka on July 13 to 15.

The team was coached by Joy Braun and Mike Vandiver. Players were Jordan Siruta, Faith Bierrman, Saige Vandiver, Kelsey White, Kaitlynn Raile, Desi Schippers, Kylee Martin, Alexi Vasquez, Grace Cole, Kat Boyington and Makayla Schartz.

Due to lack of entries in the Silver division of state, the girls were put in the Gold division of the 14 and under bracket. Although they lost their first two games on Saturday to the Pink Panthers, 0-9, and the Neon Crush, 0-15, the girls were determined not to give up.

After the first two losses, the girls were moved into an eight-team single-elimination bracket in the Silver division. They came back for

eliminating the Monsters from the tournament.

The girls then played again on Sunday with a 10:30 a.m. start time against, none other than the Colby a championship win there. Saturday Sweet Thunder team. They crushed Sweet Thunder 6-1, advancing to the championship game that afternoon. They faced the tough Optimist Aftershock from Manhattan, but the girls had their bats going and kept up the defense to win, giving the Goodland Slammers the championship title.

The girls have had a lot of wins under their belts going into the state tournament. Their first tournament of the season was in Hays on June cleaned house with a 10-5 to win the 9 and 10. The girls went 3-1 on the weekend, taking second with a 0-5 loss against Great Bend Quicksilver. They defeated McCook Stealerz 11-3, the Dodge City Monsters 4-2, and Hays Heat 4-3.

a third game on Saturday with a 7-3 Russell on June 16-17, but the tourwin over the Dodge City Monsters, nament was cancelled due to rain.

The girls played in their second tournament of the season at the Dodge City Tent City tournament June 23 and 24, coming away with opened up with pool play and the Slammers defeated Dodge City Storm 14-1 in the first game, then taking the win in game two against the Dodge City Dusters 11-6. Game three also gave the girls a 13-4 win over SW Thunder. Bracket play began Sunday. The Slammers had a first round bye and defeated Dodge City Storm 12-2, thus moving them on the championship game against the Dodge City Dusters, where they championship.

What an amazing season, and what a great way for it to end! We would like to thank all of the Goodland Softball Club booster club sponsors. Without you, these They were scheduled to play in tournaments wouldn't be possible.



The Goodland Slammers softball team posed with their medals from the state tournament on July 13 to 15 in Topeka.

College athletics growing



Jim Haigler (second from left) and his wife Jan (third from left), the first season-pass holders for Northwest Tech athletic events, admired the new paint job on the floor of the college's gym. The Haiglers were recognized for their support of the college at a press conference Tuesday. College

Imel, Moore win golf tournament

Sixteen teams competed in the 35th annual Sweet Sue Golf Tournament on July 14 and 15 at Sugar Hills Golf Course.

Marilyn Imel and Joyce Moore were the winners of the Championship Shoot Out and declared 2012 Sweet Sues.

In the first flight, Connie Livengood and Jessica Osborne got first place. Joan Hamison and Leslie Focke placed second and Tiffany Middleton and Shelly Kenfield placed third.

In the second flight, Ramona Livengood and Cheryl Patterson placed first. Lana Mireles and Julie Huddleston placed second and Amy Cebula and Samantha Raymer placed third.

In the third flight, Marylin Imel and Joyce Moore placed first. Cora House and Eunice Pickett placed second and Mary Ann Elliott and Michelle Douglas placed third.

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President Ed Mills said the passes will cost \$100 and include admission to basketball, wrestling, soccer, rodeo and more. With the new athletic programs, Mills said, the college intends to build campus life that is unique among technical colleges.

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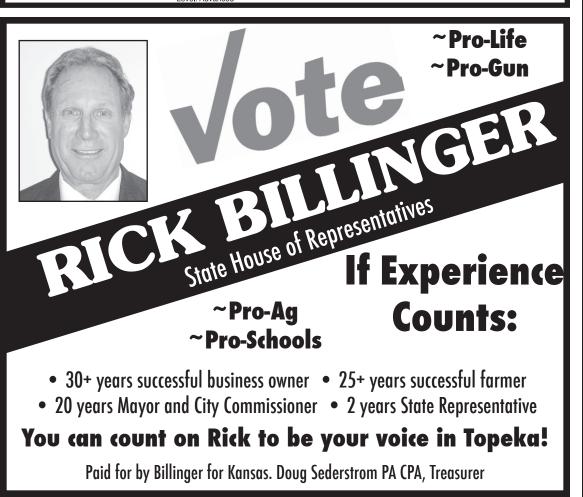
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