

Sounds of jazz



The Queen City Jazz Band performed at the Goodland High School auditorium to a crowd of around 150 on Sunday afternoon as the first program in the new season for Western Plains Arts Association. The members of the band include vocalist Wende Harson, Hank Troy on the piano, Rory Thomas on the banjo, Bill Clark on the tuba, John Bartmann on trumpet, Eric Staffeldt on trombone, John Bredenberg on clarinet and Johnny Montangnese on drums. The Denver band plays Dixieland jazz, New Orleans jazz, traditional jazz, classic jazz and ragtime.
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Parents making critical but fixable mistakes

Parents are making five critical but fixable mistakes when using car seats, according to new data released by Safe Kids Worldwide and the General Motors Foundation. Parents can make sure their kids are getting every advantage with a 15-minute-at-home annual checkup. Seventy-three percent of car seats are not being used correctly. Safe Kids analyzed data from more than 100,000 car seat inspections done by certified technicians. Data revealed that progress is being made, but also that parents and caregivers still have some work to do to ensure their children are restrained properly. Five safety steps every parent should take include keeping their children in rear-facing car seats for as long as possible, ideally until age two; selecting the correct seat for the weight, height or age of the child; tightening the harness enough; and knowing when to let kids in the front seat.

Governor Brownback has proclaimed Sunday, Sept. 16, to Saturday, Sept. 22, as Child Passenger Safety Week in Kansas. Every parent is asked to take 15 minutes for an at-home car seat checkup using this checklist.

- Car seat checkup checklist
- Right seat. This is an easy one. Check the label on your car seat to make sure it's appropriate for your child's age, weight and height. Like milk, your car seat has an expiration date.
- Right place. Keep all children in the back seat until they are 13.
- Right direction. You want to keep your child in a rear-facing car seat for as long as possible, usually until around age two. When he or she outgrows the seat, move your child to a forward-facing car seat. Make sure to attach the top tether after you tighten and lock the seat belt or lower anchors. Continue to use a booster seat until your child

properly fits in the seat belt, usually when they are between the ages of eight and 12.

- Inch test. Once your car seat is installed, give it a good shake at the base. Can you move it more than an inch from side to side or front to back? A properly installed seat will not move more than an inch.
- Pinch test. Make sure the harness is tightly buckled and coming from the correct slots (check car seat manual). Now, with the chest clip placed at armpit level, pinch the strap at your child's shoulder. If you are unable to pinch any excess webbing, you're good to go.

The checklist takes only 15 minutes and helps parents ensure their car seat is used properly.

For information on child safety in motor vehicles, call Safe Kids Kansas at (785) 296-0351 or go to www.safekids.org.

Russell to have art review in October to show, sell

The Russell Original Art Review is gearing up for its 44th show from Sunday to Tuesday, Oct. 14 to 16, at the 4-H building in Russell.

Since 1969, the show has given professional and amateur Kansas artists the opportunity to show and sell their works in categories of oil, watercolor, sculpture, ceramics, pastels, photography and computer generated or manipulated original composition.

All professional and amateur

artists 16 years of age and older living in the state of Kansas are eligible. All work must be original and not previously exhibited in an Art Review Show. Entries will be judged only in their own category.

Entries may be brought to the 4-H building from noon to 6 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Sunday to Tuesday, Oct. 7 to 9. There will be no limit on the number of entries.

The show will be open to the pub-

lic from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Saturday, Oct. 12 and 13, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Mountain Time) on Sunday, Oct. 14.

Approximately \$3,200 in non-purchase cash prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the judge.

Inquiries may be made to ROAR, Box 94, Russell, Kan. 67665, by calling Patty Driscoll, (785) 483-4039 or go to www.roarart.org.

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The City of Goodland Electric Department would like to invite the public to an open house celebration for 75 years of continued service at the City Power Plant. The open house will be held on Sunday, September 23rd from 1-4 p.m.. Come down and take a tour of the facility and meet the staff.

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