

# Students qualify for state Ecomeet

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Tomsic and Sabre Yarbrough. Goodland Team C finished fourth. Team members are Chantel Coates, Miranda Hernandez and Cheyenne Prevatt. The top three teams from each region are invited to the state competition Nov. 1. Also, first and third place team members will receive a small scholarship for their placing at regional Ecomeet. In individual testing events, Prevatt earned first place in the shortgrass prairie test. She also qualified for state to compete in this event as an individual. Mayer tied for second in shortgrass but lost the tiebreak. In the ornithology test, McCracken and Stege-

man tied for first place overall, with McCracken winning the tiebreak. As a result of getting first or second place in testing events at regionals, McCracken, Prevatt and Stegeman will compete against other regional first and second place winners within their test event for more scholarship money. Other finishes inside the top ten in shortgrass prairie were Coates in fifth place, and Stegeman in ninth place. In the ornithology test, Tomsic placed third; Coates, fourth; Prevatt, fifth; Smith, sixth; Mayer, seventh; Whisnant, eighth; and Yarbrough, tenth. In the ornithology event Goodland had ten of the top eleven finishers.

# Legion Riders give \$400

The Colby American Legion Riders—an organization with members from Goodland—raised almost \$400 for the Kansas Special Olympics from efforts during the World's Largest Truck Convoy, one leg of which always begins in Goodland. Riders Director C.W. Hamilton II said 20 riders entered their motorcycles in competition at a bike show held in the parking lot of the Oasis Travel Center that day. Awards were given in each class, plus Best of Show and Athletes' Choice. Jason Johnson of Russell won the

Best of Show and Custom Class; Sondra Barnett of Rexford received the most votes from Special Olympians for her bike; Jim Vap of Colby won the Touring Class; Hamilton, Levant, won the Three-Wheel Class; Larry Jumper of Colby won the Cruiser Class; and Nick Quenzer of Colby the Sport Class. Later that day, a Fun Run began and ended at the Colby Legion Hall. Hamilton said it drew 14 entries. Tim Wancura and Clarence Becker tied for first place, and the prize of \$205 was split between the two. Jody Fenner's

non-winning card was drawn for \$25 in Colby Chamber Bucks. "Although the crowd was small," said Hamilton, "everyone enjoyed themselves at the post. The Colby (American Legion) Auxiliary served the meals. "One thing many of the Riders mentioned after the Convoy parade was how proud they felt... with everyone lined up to watch the parade. They were especially impressed with the people who stopped their cars when the United States flag went by."

# College offers free event on Halloween

Northwest Kansas Technical College will offer a free, safe trick-or-treating environment for kids this Halloween with "Campus Candy" from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31, on the college campus. In addition to trick-or-treating, there will be games, dancing and plenty of candy.

# State marks 'Zombie Preparedness Month'

The unthinkable...the unimaginable...decaying monsters of the undead with a craving for brains. Zombies! Are you prepared for the unexpected? That is the question the Kansas Division of Emergency Management is posing to the public this October during "Zombie Preparedness Month," an emergency preparedness campaign with the theme "If you're prepared for zombies,

you're prepared for anything." Why zombies? "One of our primary missions is to encourage the public to take action and be prepared for whatever disasters may come our way," said Angie Morgan, the department's deputy director. "How do you prepare for a zombie apocalypse?" said Morgan. "You assemble a home emergency kit with all the supplies you need to

survive on your own for a minimum of three days, you make an emergency plan and you practice it with your family so everyone knows what to do. And those are the same preparations you make to be ready for tornadoes, severe storms, floods, fire and any of the other disasters we usually face in Kansas. So, if you're ready for zombies, you're ready for anything."

# Flatlander Festival car, bike, art center and dog winners announced

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Metric ASE-1 Trikes: Gigi Johnson, Englewood, Colo. and Colleen Smith, Goodland. Metric ASE-1 Scooters: Eric Lobbmeyer, Tribune; Curt Goodwin, Goodland; Spencer Smith, Goodland and Craig Quint, Cheyenne Wells, Colo. European E-2 Street: Matt Worley, Fort Collins, Colo.; Larry Pairter, Longmont, Colo. and John Wilkinson, Dodge City. European E-5 Antique: Gary Garrett, Goodland; Curt Goodwin, Goodland and Gilberto Dorantes, Modoc for two entries. European E-6 Touring: Sigi Pflumm, Evergreen Colo.; Paul Turner, Aurora, Kan. and Mark Zimmer, Denver. Best Engine: Gilberto Dorantes, Modoc with a 1961 Matchless G80. Best Paint: Bill Peterson, Frederick, Colo. with a 2006 Boss Hoss DHC-9. Best of Show: Dusty Steerman, Grainfield with a 1991 HD FXR. **Brick Top Cruisers Car Show Results** Winners in the Pre 1949 Class: Marty and Irene Valdez of Pueblo, Colo.; Dennis Wellbrock of Lakewood, Colo.; Ron and Linda Hanstrom of Lakewood, Colo.; Tom and Joanie Gustin of Colorado Springs,

Colo.; Brian Leibovitz of Golden, Colo.; Irene and Chuck Godinez of Pueblo, Colo.; Josh and Kim Schwarz of Colby, Howard Hall of Arvada, Colo.; Rick and Gina Haefner of Colby; Darel Piper of Tribune; J.D. Crabtree of Aurora, Colo.; and Guy Bolen of Wallace. Winners in 1950 - 1964 Class: Marvin Headley of Arvada, Colo.; Bill and Sheila Henry of Littleton, Colo.; Steve Disch of Lakewood, Colo.; Sandy Callahan of Centennial, Colo.; Trent Blythe of Stilwell, Okla.; Jim and Terry Smith of Pueblo, Colo.; Carleton Pelton of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; and Ross Rodenbeck of Colby. Winners in 1965 - 1975 Class: Rex Smith of Goodland; Bruce and Emily Bolen of Bird City; Mike Carlson of Arvada, Colo.; Rick Pelton of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; Nancy and Joe Herman of Thornton, Colo.; Solomon Young of Denver; Ed and Sandy Fields of Bennett, Colo.; Kevin Klockman of Ogallala, Neb.; Don Daleske of Littleton, Colo.; Fred and Coleen Dinkel of Ellis; and Ronnie Kuhl of Littleton, Colo. Winners in 1976 - 1989 Class: Bob Emery of Littleton, Colo.; Edward Higgins of Westminster, Colo.; and Loren McAfee of Bird City. Winners in 1990 - Present Class: Ted Ullman of Windsor, Colo.;

Mary Spainhower of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; Raymond Crossland of Stratton, Colo.; Perry Frey of Goodland; Perry Frey of Goodland; Barbara Troxel of Littleton, Colo.; and Shirley Reiner of Commerce City, Colo. Winners in Trucks 1979 and Older Class: Ray Bates of Parker, Colo.; Marge Smith of Colorado Springs, Colo.; Dennis Pelton of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; Jeff Chalis of Burlington, Colo.; Guy Bolen of Wallace; and Doug Reinke of Imperial, Neb. Winner in Trucks 1980 and Newer Class: Deric Guy of Colby. Winner in Young Cruiser Class: Cory Rucker of McDonald. Specialty Awards Winners: Chop Top owned by Trent Blythe of Stilwell, Okla.; Under the Stars owned by Dennis Welbrock of Lakewood, Colo.; Primed and Ready owned by Beth Pelton of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; Young Guns owned by Bill Rodgers of Denver; 4N2US owned by Larry Lobbmeyer of Greeley, Colo.; Keep on Truckin' owned by Dennis Pelton of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.; Special Interest owned by Dave and Edie Cox of Lakewood, Colo.; Brick Top Garage owned by Dennis Welbrock of Lakewood, Colo.; Light Em Up owned by Nancy and Joe Herman of Thornton, Colo.; Inferno owned by Ray Bates of Parker, Colo.;

Lead Sled owned by Ross and Anna Rodenbeck of Colby; Rat Rod owned by Mark and Angel Gahnstrom of Frederick, Colo.; Survivor owned by Robert Hays of Golden, Colo.; Top Corvett owned by Ben and Ann Margaret Averigg of Englewood, Colo.; Sheriff's Choice owned by Mike Carlson of Arvada, Colo.; Police Chief's Choice owned by Shane Holm of Brewster; Topside Choice owned by Pat and Marge Smith of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Kansasland owned by Bob and Dona Benallo of Arvada, Colo. **Carnegie Center Winners** Elwyn Vatcher was the winner of the Buffalo Patty Bingo at the Flatlander Festival, Saturday, Sept. 29.

The judges were John Garcia, Lulu LaFever and Michael Solomon. The buffalo, Jenny, belonged to the Ken Klemm family. The winners of the Annual People's Choice Photography Contest at the Carnegie Arts Center were: in the people category Glenda Parks and Lance Tedford, in nature Wayne Durham, in landscape Jeris McCombs, in other and still life Elwyn Vatcher, in animal Montana Durham and in elementary photography Matthew Gould. **Scruffy Dog contest** Scruffiest: Abby a terrier mix owned by Amanda Faivre, Goodland. Smallest: Minnie a chihuahua owned by Jerry Thornburg of Neb.

Most Talented: Dink a schnauzer owned by Pat Allaman, Goodland. Best Personality: Piper a shih tzu owned by Joni Guyer, Goodland. Largest: Benny a great dane owned by Missy Salsberry, Lamar, Colo. A Face Only a Mother Could Love: George a yorkie mix owned by Preston Helderman, Goodland. Cutest Adult Dog (1 year or older): Zoe a skipperky owned by Kendall Schulte, Goodland. Cutest Puppy (under 1 year): Minnie a yorkie owned by Wanda Goering, Plainville. Judges Choice: Duke a boxer mix owned by Amanda Frecks, Goodland.

# Salon and boutique has new home!



Diva Salon and Boutique has moved to its new location at 1502 Main Avenue. Diva is an upbeat salon with a passion for helping people look and feel good about themselves, as well as a boutique with handbags, jewelry and clothing. The full-service family salon offers haircuts, hair coloring, nails and more.

A recent addition to the staff is Iris Clemons, who will be offering facials and skin care services. Diva is open Monday through Saturday and after hours by appointment. Business location: 1502 Main, Goodland Business phone: (785) 995-9100

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- Kansans for Life (voted for HCR 5007)
- National Rifle Association & Kansas Rifle Association
- National Federation of Independent Businesses
- Kansas Hospital Association
- Kansas Medical Society
- Kansas Chamber of Commerce
- Kansas Livestock Association
- Kansas Farm Bureau
- Kansas Contractors Association
- Senator Moran
- Senator Roberts
- Congressman Huelskamp

A PROPOSITION to amend section 1 of article 11 of the constitution of the state of Kansas, relating to classification and taxation of watercraft, to be submitted to the electors of the state at the general election to be held on November 6, 2012.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5017

§ 1. System of taxation; classification; exemption. (a) The provisions of this subsection shall govern the assessment and taxation of property on and after January 1, 2013, and each year thereafter. Except as otherwise hereinafter specifically provided, the legislature shall provide for a uniform and equal basis of valuation and rate of taxation of all property subject to taxation. The legislature may provide for the classification and the taxation uniformly as to class of recreational vehicles and watercraft, as defined by the legislature, or may exempt such class from property taxation and impose taxes upon another basis in lieu thereof. The provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to the taxation of motor vehicles, except as otherwise hereinafter specifically provided, mineral products, money, mortgages, notes and other evidence of debt and grain. Property shall be classified into the following classes for the purpose of assessment and assessed at the percentage of value prescribed therefor:

- Class 1 shall consist of real property. Real property shall be further classified into seven subclasses. Such property shall be defined by law for the purpose of subclassification and assessed uniformly as to subclass at the following percentages of value:
    - (1) Real property used for residential purposes including multifamily residential real property and real property necessary to accommodate a residential community of mobile or manufactured homes including the real property upon which such homes are located.....11 1/2%
    - (2) Land devoted to agricultural use which shall be valued upon the basis of its agricultural income or agricultural productivity pursuant to section 12 of article 11 of the constitution.....30%
    - (3) Vacant lots.....12%
    - (4) Real property which is owned and operated by a not-for-profit organization not subject to federal income taxation pursuant to section 501 of the federal internal revenue code, and which is included in this subclass by law.....12%
    - (5) Public utility real property, except railroad real property which shall be assessed at the average rate that all other commercial and industrial property is assessed.....33%
    - (6) Real property used for commercial and industrial purposes and buildings and other improvements located upon land devoted to agricultural use.....25%
    - (7) All other urban and rural real property not otherwise specifically subclassified.....30%
  - Class 2 shall consist of tangible personal property. Such tangible personal property shall be further classified into six subclasses, shall be defined by law for the purpose of subclassification and assessed uniformly as to subclass at the following percentages of value:
    - (1) Mobile homes used for residential purposes.....11 1/2%
    - (2) Mineral leasehold interests except oil leasehold interests the average daily production from which is five barrels or less, and natural gas leasehold interests the average daily production from which is 100 mcf or less, which shall be assessed at 25%.....30%
    - (3) Public utility tangible personal property including inventories thereof, except railroad personal property including inventories thereof, which shall be assessed at the average rate all other commercial and industrial property is assessed.....33%
    - (4) All categories of motor vehicles not defined and specifically valued and taxed pursuant to law enacted prior to January 1, 1985.....30%
    - (5) Commercial and industrial machinery and equipment which, if its economic life is seven years or more, shall be valued at its retail cost when new less seven-year straight-line depreciation, or which, if its economic life is less than seven years, shall be valued at its retail cost when new less straight-line depreciation over its economic life, except that, the value so obtained for such property, notwithstanding its economic life and as long as such property is being used, shall not be less than 20% of the retail cost when new of such property.....25%
    - (6) All other tangible personal property not otherwise specifically classified.....30%
  - (b) All property used exclusively for state, county, municipal, literary, educational, scientific, religious, benevolent and charitable purposes, farm machinery and equipment, merchants' and manufacturers' inventories, other than public utility inventories included in subclass (3) of class 2, livestock, and all household goods and personal effects not used for the production of income, shall be exempted from property taxation.
- Explanatory statement. This amendment would allow the legislature to classify and tax watercraft upon a basis different from other property. A vote for this proposition would permit the legislature to provide for separate classification and taxation of watercraft or to exempt such property from property taxation and impose taxes in lieu thereof. A vote against this proposition would continue the taxation of watercraft in the same manner as all other property.