

Accident injures three young people

By Karen Krien

A double four-wheeler accident happened on Wednesday, Aug. 1, south of the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Showgrounds, 1/2 mile north of Roads 29 and K, Bird City.

Derek Morrow, patrol officer, said the call that there had been a rollover accident came about 10:40 p.m. but those involved in the accident were being brought to the Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis in private vehicles.

At the hospital, Jason Barnhart, 24, Aaron Linner, 17, and Alexis Weishapl, 16, were all found to have injuries. Linner remained a patient at the hospital while Barnhart was flown and Weishapl was transported by ambulance to Swedish Medical Hospital in Denver. Linner was released from the hos-

pital on Saturday. He had a back injury but his mother said he is getting better. Weishapl underwent surgery for a compound break to the arm and was released from the hospital on Sunday.

Barnhart was hospitalized with a head injury. A coma was induced and, on Tuesday, he was slowly coming out of the coma. The family is hopeful and doctors are telling them that, while the road to recovery will probably be slow, there is a very good chance that it will be a complete recovery.

In the meantime, he will be hospitalized for several more weeks and will then need to be in rehabilitation for an indefinite time. Since Barnhart has no health insurance, containers for donations are being placed around St. Francis to help with expenses.



FUN AT THE FAIR— Rosalie Ketter supervises her grandchildren, Dylan and Brady Ketzner, while they enjoy a big stick of cotton candy.

Times staff photo by Karen Krien

Ag Talk with Jeanne

By: Jeanne Falk, K-State Multi-County Agronomist

For the past few years, Kansas State University Weed Science Program has been testing various ammonium sulfate (AMS) replacement products for use in glyphosate applications.

Ammonium sulfate is an important addition to glyphosate solutions before application in order to condition hard water and increase absorption by the target weeds. It is important to put the ammonium sulfate in the water before the addition of the herbicide.

Ammonium sulfate conditions the hard water by binding to the impurities in the water, therefore not allowing the glyphosate to bind to these particles. As a result, there is more glyphosate readily available for weed control.

In its dry form, ammonium sulfate works well and is relatively inexpensive, but it can be bulky to handle. Dry ammonium sulfate is added at the rate of 17 pounds per 100 gallons of solution. Liquid ammonium sulfate products are also available and the equivalent use rate is 5 gallons liquid ammonium sulfate per 100 gallons of solution.

In our research, dry and liquid ammonium sulfate have performed equally well. In recent years, many ammonium sulfate replacement products have entered the market, according to Dallas Peterson, K-

State Extension weed scientist. The main selling point of these products is they have lower use rates than liquid ammonium sulfate and are easier to handle than dry ammonium sulfate.

At K-State, we have compared the performance of ammonium sulfate to several of these ammonium sulfate replacement products, using their recommended rates, with glyphosate. In these tests, ammonium sulfate dramatically improved weed control with glyphosate compared to glyphosate alone. In many cases, 8.5 lb dry ammonium sulfate per 100 gallons of solution (2.5 gallons of liquid ammonium sulfate per 100 gallons) provided similar control to the higher recommended rate, but the lower rate of ammonium sulfate may not work as well with hard water or for control of velvetleaf.

Of the ammonium sulfate replacement products, only those products that actually contained ammonium sulfate and were applied at comparable rates provided similar control to ammonium sulfate. None of the commercially available low-rate AMS replacement products worked as well as ammonium sulfate. In fact, weed control from glyphosate with the low-rate ammonium sulfate replacement products (recommended at rates of 1 to 2 quarts per 100 gallons of spray solution) was often no better than weed control with glyphosate alone.

Years Ago

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There is a new blacksmith shop at the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Show. The equipment is mounted and ready for use.

The Cheylin swim team placed fourth at Wray. The 8-and-under mixed freestyle team of Brandi Moore, Brandee Mears, Cassie Cain and Kevin Partch placed first and set a new pool record. Other first place finishes were recorded by Travis Anholz in the breaststroke, Jason Elijah in the 50-yard backstroke and Randy Partch in the 100-yard freestyle.

Barb Knapp is the president of the Beardsley Beavers 4-H Club.

Thresher Princess Mindy Porter will be throwing out the first bundle of wheat to be used in the threshing machines each day.

Those participating in the 4-H computer class include Brandi Moore, Jill Partch, Kevin Partch, Randy Partch and Lindy Luethje

Natalia Louise Russell from West Midlands, England, is a guest of the David Nelsen family. Natalie and Darci Nelsen have been exchanging letters for eight years but this is their first meeting.

Suicide stats increase in the United States

Suicide statistics continue to increase in all areas of the United States, with the number of suicides now exceeding homicides. Many agencies and individuals in northwest Kansas work and/or live with people who are depressed and suicidal, and some who complete the act in spite of the love and support of family, friends and professionals. For many, major mental illness is a component of the problem; for others, the stress of daily living or problems in personal relationships become more than they are able to handle.

Several presentations on stress, depression and suicide are being planned in northwest Kansas including one from 1:30 to 3:30 on Aug. 29, at the Colby Community Building.

Karen Schueler, MS, LCPC and Ken Loos, MS, LMLP, LCP of the Consultation and Education Department of High Plains Mental Health Center will be presenting the stress, depression and suicide programs in Ness City, Quinter and Stockton, along with the Colby meeting. The events are free and open to any agency, family or individual who would like to understand more about the signs and symptoms of suicide, intervention and prevention, as well as coping with the loss of someone through suicide.

For more information about these events, or to arrange a presentation in your area, contact Ms. Schueler or Mr. Loos at High Plains Mental Health Center, Hays office at (785) 628-2871.

Student is recognized for her achievement

Sara Moore of Bird City was one of four members of the Colby Community College track and field teams recently recognized for academic achievement by the National Junior College Athletic Association.

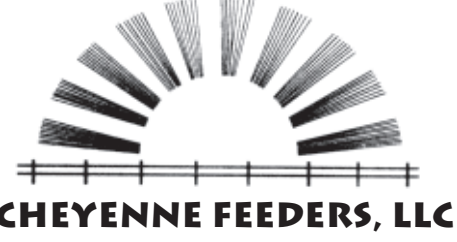
All of the four student athletes earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the spring semester.

The Colby Community College track and field teams are coached by Jeff Becker.



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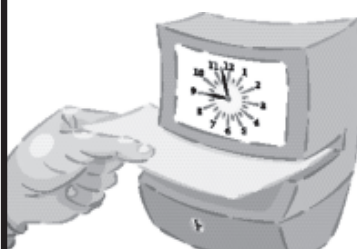
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in observance of Labor Day

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Sept. 5 at 5 p.m.

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