

A toy car lover's dream...



Jeff "Goof" Urban, Norton, showed Christina Binkley, a reporter with the *Wall Street Journal*, his collection of Hot Wheels cars. Ms. Binkley was in the area this weekend for the Hot Wheels 100th Anniversary event in Speed. She heard about Mr. Urban and his collection of approximately 8,000 toy cars and plans to feature him in *The Journal*.

— Telegram photo by Veronica Monier

Farm agency to celebrate 20 years of conservation

Farm Service Agency offices in northwest Kansas will host an event on Aug. 29 at 9:30 a.m. to celebrate the 20th year of the Conservation Reserve Program, the premier soil conservation program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The public is invited to attend the celebration schedule to be held four miles west and four miles south of Colby, beginning at the Ken and Sheila Frahm farmstead located at the intersection of Thomas County Highway 415 and Road TH O. Signs will be posted.

The tour will include stops at land owned by Claude Herren, Harvey Kistler, Barton Farms and Allied Family Farm. In addition to the Farm Service Agency, the Conservation Reserve Program celebration is being co-sponsored by other conservation partners including: Pheasants Forever, Playa Lakes Joint Venture, Kansas Wildlife and Parks, Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams, Natural

Resources Conservation Service and the Colby School District.

The celebration is being centrally located to give the public all over northwest Kansas easy access to the event. Counties include Cheyenne, Decatur, Ellis, Gove, Graham, Logan, Norton, Rawlins, Rooks, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas, Trego and Wallace. A bus tour with four stops covering six CRP practices will be followed by a free catered lunch of smoked brisket.

The event is expected to conclude by 1:30 p.m. To insure enough buses and food are available, those planning to attend are asked to preregister by Aug. 22 by e-mailing kimberly.jones@ks.

usda.gov, or by calling the Thomas County FSA Office (785) 462-7671, ext. 204.

Congressman Jerry Moran has been invited, and Bill Fuller, Kansas Farm Service Agency executive director, will attend. Local Kansas legislators are also being extended an invitation.

"We hope farmers and ranchers of northwest Kansas can attend this event prior to wheat planting and fall harvest to visit successes of the CRP and to view with their congressional and state representatives concerning issues of importance to them," said Mike Campbell, Farm Service Agency director for northwest Kansas.

'Ragsters' set to perform in Oberlin

The Turpin Tyme Ragsters, a seven-piece ragtime music ensemble based in Kansas City, will perform in the band shell in Oberlin City Park at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 20.

Before the concert, the Last Indian Raid Museum of Oberlin will provide grilled hamburgers for a donation beginning at 6 p.m. at the park.

This is a season ticket event. Single event tickets will be available in the park for \$10 for adults, \$5 for students grades 1-12. A special family ticket for this one event will be available at \$15 per family of school aged children.

For details, call Ella Betts, (785) 475-3557 or Mary Henzel, (785) 475-3329.

Small town Kansas gets big city service

HAYS, Kansas July 2006 — Nex-Tech Wireless technicians have been working overtime to add four new cell sites within the Nex-Tech Wireless coverage area within the last few months to bring the total number of towers to 128.

Nex-Tech Wireless users in Bogue, Nickerson, Kanona and Beeler now have the added benefit of new cell sites that will improve coverage and in-building signal strength. The Bogue tower will also provide additional coverage for Nex-Tech Wireless customers traveling between Hill City and Stockton. The Kanona site located near Oberlin will cover Highway 36 between Oberlin and Norcatour.

The Beeler site will provide additional coverage in rural areas of Ness County. The new towers are part of Nex-Tech Wireless' commitment to offer rural customers in Kansas the best wireless coverage available.

"At Nex-Tech Wireless we believe outstanding coverage and state-of-the-art technology is not just for the big cities. That is why we are committed to improving cellular coverage for the residents of central and western Kansas," stated Johnie Johnson, CEO and General Manager, Nex-Tech Wireless.

The newly constructed towers are equipped with CDMA technology which offers enhanced phone

and technology including improved voice and call quality, longer battery life for phones, and a larger selection of phones with capabilities including camera options, text messaging, downloadable ring tones and games. Residents living in the Bogue, Nickerson, Kanona or Beeler areas or those who at frequently travel between Hill City and Stockton or on Highway 36 between Oberlin and Norcatour who would like to take advantage of the new CDMA cell sites are encouraged to visit Nex-Tech Wireless.

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