4-H'ers compete in Goodland

enne County 4-H'ers participated in the 4-H Shotgun Shoot held on Sunday at the Sherman County Fairgrounds in Goodland.

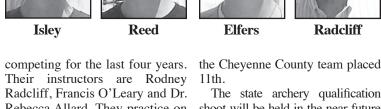




The shoot determined which 4-H'ers would go on to the state competition.

The county 4-H'ers were Bradey Hansen and Cateline Isely in the senior division, and Dallas Reed and Emily Elfers in the junior division. Bradey, with a total score of 79; Cateline, 57; and Dallas, 68, will be competing at state. Emily, even though she had a score of 57, did not make the state cutoff.





Thursdays throughout the year, as weather permits. Last year, there were six placers Reed, Laramie Jenkins, Valerie Wurm, Emily Elfers and Dallas



Radcliff

The state archery qualification Rebecca Allard. They practice on shoot will be held in the near future but, as of Tuesday, the date and place was still undetermined.

State competition for the shotgun at the state shotgun shooting. They shooting sports will be held on included Bradey Hansen, Trevor Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Ark Valley Gun Club, Valley Center. The state archery contest will be held on Saturday, Oct. 6, at the Capital City



NEW TEACHER and assistant high school football coach Seth Swihart talks to a studentathlete at the first morning practice on Monday, Aug. 13.

Lightning strike causes large fire

By Kevin Bottrell

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Emergency Coordinator Ryan Murray issued a release late last week, saying that according to aerial estimates and reports from landowners, the northern Wallace County. Sherman Colby, Oakley, Cheyenne County, one area. was started by lightning - is one of the biggest in the history of the

Though the exact location of the lighting strike is unknown at this time, based on wind speed and direction, James said the strike was likely somewhere around Sherman County Roads 50 and 25, on the northwestern side of the burn area.

Wind and dry conditions helped spread the fire quickly. It burned around seven sections of the T-Bar Ranch as well as sections owned by other landowners. James said the ground was mainly Conservation few fields of crop stubble.

Wednesday night and continued American Red Cross. to burn through the night. It County and the northwest corner of Logan County.

James said firefighting units more discs owned by area farmers were brought out to help control the fire. Crop Production Services, Frontier Ag and Helena Chemicals all provided tankers. James said at one time there were as many as thirty vehicles hauling water around the fire. A command post was set up at the intersection of County Roads 25 and 57.

assistance from The Sherman James said. County Sheriff's Office, Sherman County Emergency Management, Kansas Wildlife and Parks Department, Logan

The fire started around 5 p.m. National Weather Service and the

got far enough east to enter the dropped a load of water on the fire. southwestern corner of Thomas James said nobody knows who the plane belonged to, and the first he knew of it was when it flew over his head. Unfortunately, he said, fire burned some 15,000 acres in and tankers were dispatched the blast from the plane's propeller southern Sherman County and from Weskan, Logan County, actually helped the fire flare up in house is on Friday at 7 p.m. in the

County Fire Chief Brian James said Brewster, Kanorado and Wallace Ambulances were standing by in he has been told the fire - which County departments. Three or several locations, but no one was hurt in the fire, James said, aside from one firefighter's cut hand. The only real problem of the night was communication. James said the radio repeater kept going down, which made it difficult to coordinate firefighting units. However, Murray brought down some 800 megahertz

> "Everyone from

the scene at 3:30 a.m. Thursday morning.

Volleyball starts next Tuesday Tuesday, Aug. 28, 4 p.m. -Saturday, Sept. 29, 9 a.m. vs. Hoxie and Golden Plains at Oberlin Invitational. St. Francis student athletes

> Tuesday, Sept. 4, 4:30 p.m. - vs. Oberlin and Colby at Colby.

RETURNING VOLLEYBALL COACH Talley Morrow talks to her squad during drills on the

Thursday, Sept. 6, 5 p.m. - vs. Wauneta/Palisade at home.

Saturday, Sept. 8, 9 a.m. - Gove County tournament at Grinnell/ Grainfield.

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 4 p.m. - vs. Atwood, Dighton and Sharon

Springs at Sharon Springs. Saturday, Sept. 15, 9 a.m. -

coach. Returning letter winners are Oakley tournament. Thursday, Sept. 20, 4 p.m. - vs.

Benkelman and Imperial at home. Tuesday, Sept. 25, 4:30 p.m. - vs. Cheylin and Oberlin in Oberlin.

Saturday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m. -St. Francis quad (vs. Dighton, Holyoke, Hayes Center,

Benkelman). Tuesday, Oct. 9, 4 p.m. - vs. Triplains, Leoti and Sharon

Springs at Sharon Springs. Saturday, Oct. 13, 10 a.m. Northwest Kansas League

Tournament at Oakley. Saturday, Oct. 20 - Substate

Volleyball. Friday, Oct. 26 Volleyball.

Saturday, Oct. 27 - State Volleyball.

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There was also one plane that

radios, which helped.

all the The firefighters also received departments worked great together,"

James said the firefighters cleared

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THE CLASSIC ROSE FLORIST

first day of practice last week.

By Nathan Fiala

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started school on Tuesday but have

already been practicing for over a

week. The Lady Indians volleyball

squad is short on older players but

have a strong pool to select from

that played at a junior varsity or

junior high level and they look to

improve upon last season's 2-19

record. Talley Morrow returns to

the head coach position this year

with Jeff Olofson as the assistant

seniors Laura Brunk and Clarice

Neitzel, junior Aly Schlepp, and

Roster

Seniors: Laura Brunk and

Juniors: Aly Schlepp, Randee

Sophomores: McKayla Taylor,

Justice Wiley, Echo Jones, Ashlee

Orth, Dallas Reed and Kyla

Emily Elfers, CarolEve Harris,

McKenzie Taylor, Journey

Lee, Kylie Sherlock, Alexis

Frink, Kayla Reed and Sydney

Schedule

house in high school gym.

Friday, Aug. 24, 7 p.m. - Open

Freshmen: Hannah Stafford,

Grover and Bailey Merklin.

The volleyball and football open

sophomore Justice Wiley.

high school gym.

Clarice Neitzel.

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