

Summer reading event planned at Oakley's library

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Oakley's library director Joyce Homm is gearing up to host summer reading for children from birth to 12 years.

"The theme is Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales," Homm said. "And the library is packed with animals ready for the summer of fun."

As part of the summer program, Homm said a grant from Midwest Energy and the Friends of the Library is making summer reading available to sponsor a show by San Diego-based Traveling Lantern

Theatre at 10 a.m. on June 22 at the school auditorium.

"Showing will be *The Hobbit*, a grand story of peril, wonder and daring," Homm said. "The cherished tale of a home-loving little Hobbit who finds himself on an adventure he could never have imagined."

Homm said the Traveling Lantern Theatre, now in its 20th year, continues its mission to educate and entertain children, bringing great stories from literature, history and biographies to life for audiences across the United States.

She said the theatre company fol-

lows the model used by quality educators and incorporates interactive participation with the audience into each performance.

"Whether cheering the villain, creating sound effects or playing one of the main characters in the show, children from the audience are provided a hands-on opportunity to share in the experience live theatre," Homm said.

Free to the public and fun for all ages, Homm said the performance is offered as a complement to the 2066 summer reading program.

"Mark your calendar and bring the kids," Homm said.

Police watching seat belt use laws starting today for holiday weekend

More than 130 law enforcement agencies in Kansas will be paying special attention to enforcing the state's seat belt laws during a mobilization that begins May 22 and runs through June 4.

The enforcement/education program "Click It. Or Ticket" was announced by Gov. Kathleen Sebelius and officials of the Kansas Department of Transportation during an event Monday in Topeka.

Also on the program for the announcement event was Tonganoxie native Danni Boatwright, winner of the "Survivor: Guatemala" television program.

Boatwright discussed her own personal brush with a seat belt-related near-tragedy.

Boatwright said she was returning to Kansas from a modeling assignment in Kentucky with a couple of friends, lying in the back seat getting some rest.

Traveling at about 60 mph, the car struck a stationary vehicle. She was thrown forward into the front seat with such force that she suffered a broken collarbone and other injuries.

The driver and front-seat passenger were buckled up and were not injured.

"The car was totally destroyed, and police said if I had been sitting upright without a seat belt, I would have been ejected through the windshield," she recalled. "I learned my lesson that day. I never get in a car without buckling up, even for short trips."

Boatwright also climbed aboard a Seat Belt Convincer to demonstrate the value seat belts provide

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during even low-speed collisions. Convincers are mobile devices purchased by the Kansas Highway Patrol via a KDOT grant program. They are used to educate the public about the importance of seat belt use.

While seat belt use has been slowly increasing over the past few years in Kansas, the state still ranks poorly against other states in seat belt use. Last year, 69 percent of Kansas drivers and passengers were wearing seat belts during observational surveys in the summer.

The national seat belt use rate is 82 percent. Drivers of pickup trucks were less likely than other Kansans to wear seat belts. Last year, the compliance rate was only 52 percent.

Of the 428 individuals killed in traffic crashes in the state last year, 70 percent were unrestrained. An even higher percentage of pickup truck drivers and passengers who were killed in traffic crashes were unrestrained, often because they were ejected from pickup trucks involved in roll-over crashes.

While rollovers can occur in any

kind of passenger vehicle, pickup trucks are twice as likely to rollover as cars because they have a higher center of gravity.

Using a seat belt increases the odds of survival in light trucks by as much as 80 percent in the event of a rollover crash.

Gov. Sebelius, who as Kansas Insurance Commissioner prior to becoming Governor started a program called Click it Crickets, and Transportation Secretary Deb Miller gave their enthusiastic support to the "Click It. Or Ticket" campaign, and thanked the law enforcement community for the aggressive effort officers will be mounting.

While Miller welcomed the reduction in crash-related fatalities that occurred in the last year, she said 428 deaths were still unacceptable.

"Even though there's been a reduction, it's still a number no one can be pleased about."

Miller has made a reduction in crash-related injuries and fatalities a primary goal of state's department of transportation.

Virtual college recruiting efforts underway at University of Missouri

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Students considering attending the University of Missouri are logging onto the Internet and reading online journals featuring tales of sipping coffee at a local hangout and signing a lease on a new apartment.

The blogs are more than sophomore ramblings about college life. They are one of several Web-based recruitment strategies colleges across the country are employing as they attempt to lure tech-savvy high-schoolers to their campuses.

As college admission deadlines loom, high-schoolers are increasingly turning to the Internet for behind-the-scenes insight.

Next to campus visits, according to one study, schools' Internet sites are the most important tool high-school seniors use when evaluating and choosing a college.

Such sites now rank higher than high school visits from campus representatives and direct mailings in importance as recruitment strategies, said Steve Kappler, an executive director at Stamats Inc., a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, firm that provides consulting services to about 100 colleges and universities a year.

The importance of the Web has schools beefing up their Web sites. Calvin College, a Christian school in Grand Rapids, Mich., enables its prospective students to arrange furniture in their residence hall rooms using an online program dubbed the "Dormulator."

North Dakota State University's Web site matches current and potential students with similar interests and encourages the interested students to e-mail questions about life on the Fargo campus.

Providing students a less-edited view of campus life creates challenges for school officials worried that typos or inappropriate material might harm the school's image.

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Ryan Schreiber, junior at University of Missouri-Columbia

But Kappler said the casualness of the blogs is what students find appealing. And he urged schools to leave the blogs unedited unless they contain something "egregious."

That's the approach taken at the University of Missouri-Columbia and Ball State University in Muncie, Ind.

"We wanted them to be authentic," said Nancy Prater, the Web content coordinator at the Indiana school, where the blogs have averaged more than 10,000 visits a day since Christmas break.

"If we got too involved as marketing experts in editing their words, it wouldn't sound right at all. You can't get into that mode when you aren't a student. We would rather have spelling and grammatical errors and have it be authentic than have it be perfect and not authentic."

She said that when she talks to colleagues at conferences, one of the main things keeping people from blogging is the "the fear factor of turning it loose and having it a little less controlled."

But she noted that prospective students already have unedited glimpses of college life, thanks to college networking site Facebook.com and MySpace.com, a popular Web hangout for teens and young adults.

"I think you are a lot better off choosing the people talking about

you," she said. These social networking sites have generated concerns that youth are providing too many personal details about themselves, opening themselves up to victimization from sexual predators.

The sites also have been used to post threats and bully classmates. And some college officials fear employers will be less likely to hire their graduates after reading Web postings about drunken parties.

Michael Stoner, president of mStoner, a Chicago-based consulting firm on university communications and marketing, said providing students' accounts of college life is worth the risk because teenagers place so much importance on what their peers are saying.

Ryan Schreiber, a junior at the University of Missouri-Columbia who is majoring in magazine journalism, is one of the bloggers being entrusted with this task.

"One of the things obviously about student recruitment at any school is the people generally talking to you about the university are selling the school and getting paid to get you to come to the school," said Schreiber, who is from Orange County, Calif.

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WEEKDAYS MAY 23 - MAY 29

	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	Good Morning Kansas	Good Morning America			Martha			The View	Millionaire	News		
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	News Cont'd	Today			Live With Regis and Kelly			Paid Program	Paid Program			
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News Cont'd	News			The Early Show		The 700 Club		The Price Is Right	The Young and the Restless		
K15CG (2)	BBC World	Body Electric	Caillou	Mister Rogers	Beren Bears	Cliff Pup	Big Big World	Dragon Tales	Sesame Street	Teletubbies	Barney-Friends	
ESPN (28)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter		SportsCenter	Varied	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	Fast-break	Baseball Tonight		
USA (37)	Walker, Texas Ranger	JAG			The District		Nash Bridges		Nash Bridges	Walker, Texas Ranger		
TBS (38)	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Saved by Bell	Dawson's Creek		Movie	Varied Programs		Becker	Becker	
WGN (39)	Changing	Believer Voice	Happy Days	Happy Days	Hillbilities	Hillbilities	Rockford Files		Matlock	Magnum, P.I.		
TNT (40)	Angel	Charmed			Charmed		Varied Programs		ER	Judging Amy		
DSC (42)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	American Chopper		American Chopper		Varied Programs			
A&E (47)	Varied Programs			City Confidential			American Justice					
HIST (48)	Varied Programs											
NICK (55)	Grown Up	OddParents	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	Blue's Clues	Backyardigans	Dora the Explorer	Wonder Pets	LazyTown	Miss Spider
DISN (56)	Breakfast Bear	Higglytown	Einsteins	Doodlebops	JoJo's Circus	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	Koala Brothers	Rolie Polie	Doodlebops	Stanley	Rolie Polie
FAM (58)	Kong-Series	Spider-Man	Power Rangers	Power Rangers	The 700 Club	Varied	Living the Life	Gilmore Girls	Varied	Step by Step	Full House	Full House
HALL (60)	New Morning	The Waltons			The Waltons		Little House	Varied	Little House on the Prairie		Diagnosis Murder	

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	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	All My Children	One Life to Live			General Hospital		Judge-Brown	Judge-Brown	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC Wid News
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	News	Inside Edition	Days of our Lives		Passions		The Ellen DeGeneres Show		The Insider	Jeopardy!	News	NBC News
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News	Bold, Beautiful	As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Dr. Phil		Oprah Winfrey	News	CBS News	
K15CG (2)	Reading Rainbow	Lions	Varied Programs			Clifford-Red	Cyber-chase	Arthur	Maya & Miguel	Post-cards	Zoom	Business
ESPN (28)	Varied Programs			1st and 10			NFL Live	Rome-Burning	Around the Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter	
USA (37)	Varied Programs											
TBS (38)	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Steve Harvey	Steve Harvey	Drew Carey	Drew Carey	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Seinfeld	Seinfeld
WGN (39)	News	Varied Programs			Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Moesha	Moesha	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Home Improve.
TNT (40)	Judging Amy	NYPD Blue		Law & Order		Law & Order		Charmed		Charmed		
DSC (42)	Varied Programs	The New Detectives			The FBI Files		48 Hours: Hard Evidence		It Takes a Thief		Cash Cab	Cash Cab
A&E (47)	Varied Programs			City Confidential			American Justice					
HIST (48)	Modern Marvels		Varied Programs									
NICK (55)	Dora the Explorer	Go Diego	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Jimmy Neutron	Jimmy Neutron	OddParents	OddParents	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phantom
DISN (56)	Higglytown	JoJo's Circus	Lilo & Stitch	Whiskers	Varied Programs			Kim Possible	Lizzie McGuire	That's Raven	Zack & Cody	
FAM (58)	Family Matters	Family Matters	Boy Mts. World	Boy Mts. World	Full House	Full House	Grounded-Life	Grounded-Life	Gilmore Girls		7th Heaven	
HALL (60)	Matlock	Matlock			Little House	Varied	Little House on the Prairie		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H

TUESDAY MAY 23

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	News (CC)	Ent. Tonight	Movie: Stephen King's Desperation (2006, Horror) A malevolent entity preys on humans in remote Nevada. <i>Tom Skerritt.</i>			News (CC)		Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel Live (CC)			
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Outrageous	Outrageous	Movie: 10.5: Apocalypse (2006, Suspense) <i>Kim Delaney.</i> (CC)			News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (CC)	Late Night	Late Night	
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	The 41st Annual Academy of Country Music Awards Festivities honor excellence in the recording industry. (Live) (CC)			News (CC)	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Late	Late Late	Late Late	Late Late	Late Late
K15CG (2)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Nova Volcano Under the City (CC) (DVS)	Texas Ranch House (Part 3 of 8)		Frontline Sex Slaves (CC)		BBC World	Monty Python	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)			
ESPN (28)	NBA	Draft Lottery	NBA Basketball: Conference Final Game 1 -- Teams TBA. (Live) (CC)			SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		Fast-break	Baseball Tonight			
USA (37)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: SVU		
TBS (38)	Raymond	Raymond	Friends (CC)	Friends (CC)	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres. PETCO					
WGN (39)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)	Movie: Three Amigos! ** (1986, Comedy) <i>Chevy Chase, Steve Martin.</i> (CC)			WGN News at Nine (CC) (DVS)		Sex and the City	Becker (CC)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)			
TNT (40)	Law & Order: Maritime (CC) (DVS)	Law & Order Embedded	Law & Order Asterisk (CC) (DVS)		Law & Order Hubris (CC) (DVS)		Law & Order Navy (CC) (DVS)	The X-Files Roland (CC)				
DSC (42)	Deadliest Catch: Smoke on the Water	Deadliest Catch: Man vs. Ice	Deadliest Catch: On the Edge (N)		Going Tribal Living With Cannibals (CC)		Dirty Jobs: Least attractive water jobs.	Deadliest Catch: Man vs. Ice				
A&E (47)	Cold Case Files (CC)	Kids Behind Bars (CC)		Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	King of Cars (N)	King of Cars	Crossing Jordan: Prisoner Exchange	Kids Behind Bars (CC)			
HIST (48)	Modern Marvels Survival Technology	Modern Marvels Allied secrets. (CC)		Mega Disasters: Hurricane		Mega Movers: America Moves (CC)		The Shroud of Turin (CC)		Modern Marvels Allied secrets. (CC)		
NICK (55)	OddParents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Zoey 101 (CC)	Full House	Hi-Jinks (CC)	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
DISN (56)	Phil of Future	That's Raven	Movie: Cow Belles (2006) Two teenagers try to save their father's business. (CC)			American Drgn	Even Stevens	Zack & Cody	That's Raven	Phil of Future	Kim Possible	
FAM (58)	7th Heaven The Fine Art of Parenting	Movie: Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory *** (1971) <i>Gene Wilder.</i>		Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club (CC)		Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	
HALL (60)	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Walker, Texas Ranger Survival		Walker, Texas Ranger War Zone (CC)			M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	

WEDNESDAY MAY 24

	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KLBY/ABC (4) (6)	News (CC)	Ent. Tonight	Lost Reckoning (CC)		Lost Jack and Sayid devise a plan to confront the Others and get Walt back. (N)			News (CC)	Nightline (CC)	Jimmy Kimmel Live (N) (CC)		
KSNK/NBC (3) (8)	News	Wheel of Fortune	Dateline NBC To Catch a Predator (N)		Law & Order: Magnificent (CC)		Law & Order: Age of Innocence (CC)		News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (CC)	Late Night	Late Night
KBSL/CBS (12) (11)	News (CC)	Friends (CC)	Dr. Phil Primetime Special	Criminal Minds	CSI: NY Risk (CC)		News (CC)	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Late	Late Late	Late Late	Late Late
K15CG (2)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	In Our Prime	Second Opinion	National Geographic (CC)		American Masters: Aretha Franklin (CC)		BBC World	As Time Goes By	Charlie Rose (N) (CC)		
ESPN (28)	MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced. (Live) (CC)			Baseball Tonight (Live) (CC)		SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		Fast-break	Baseball Tonight			
USA (37)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: SVU		
TBS (38)	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres. PETCO					
WGN (39)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)	Becker (CC)	Becker (CC)	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	WGN News at Nine (CC) (DVS)		Sex and the City	Becker (CC)	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)		
TNT (40)	Law & Order: Ritual (CC) (DVS)	NBA Pregame	NBA Basketball: Playoffs -- Teams TBA. (Live) (CC)			Inside the NBA		Law & Order Access Nation				
DSC (42)	Superships (CC)	MythBusters Shredded Plane	MythBusters Cell phone interference.	Futureweapons High-tech weapons.			MythBusters: test urban legends.	MythBusters Shredded Plane				
A&E (47)	Kids Behind Bars (CC)	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Inked Pilot Las Vegas tattoo artists.	Criss Angel	Criss Angel	Crossing Jordan: Ockham's Razor	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter			
HIST (48)	Modern Marvels Commercial Fishing	Modern Marvels Candy (CC)		Modern Marvels '80s Tech (N) (CC)		Mega Disasters: Hurricane		Modern Marvels Candy (CC)				
NICK (55)	OddParents	Jimmy Neutron	SpongeBob	Just for Kicks	Full House	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince
DISN (56)	Phil of Future	That's Raven	Movie: Hercules *** (1997) Animated. The strongman becomes a Greek hero.			Life With Derek	Even Stevens	Zack & Cody	That's Raven	Phil of Future	Kim Possible	
FAM (58)	7th Heaven Red Socks (CC)	Movie: The Count of Monte Cristo *** 1/2 (2002) A wrongly imprisoned man plots revenge on his betrayers. <i>Jim Caviezel.</i>			The 700 Club (CC)		Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	
HALL (60)	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)		Movie: A Fistful of Dollars *** (1964, Western) The mysterious "Man With No Name" enters a border war.			M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	