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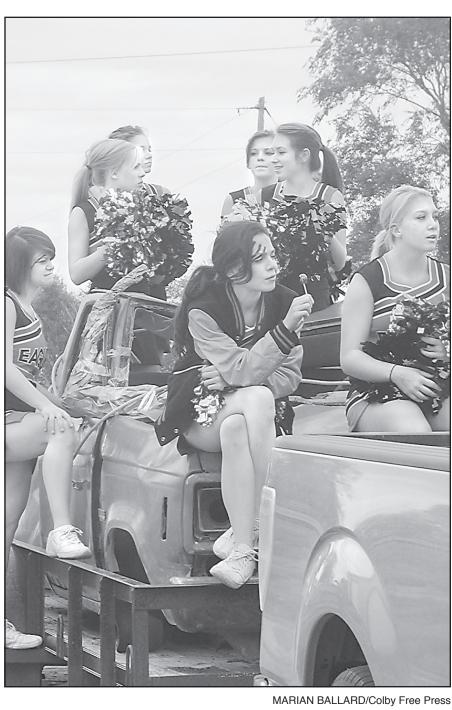
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Colby holds Homecoming activities

The Colby High marching band (above) marched in the Homecoming Parade down Franklin Avenue on Friday. The freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes each had their own float to show class pride. The high school cheerleaders (left) waited on their float, which included a truck demolished at the bonfire Thursday night, for the parade to start. Other entries included the candidates for King and Queen, the high school dancers and the Boosters Club. Seniors Beau Brown and Gabby Browne (below) were crowned King and Queen Friday night after the football game at Dennen Field. Last year's Homecoming king, Konnor Kriss, and queen, Brenna McKee, crowned this year's winners.



KAYLA CORNETT/Colby Free Press

Colby woman leads police on chase in Goodland

land hospital Sunday night after a Colby woman fled from a state trooper and crashed her car into a fence on U.S. 24 near Cherry Ave. in Goodland.

for the Kansas Highway Patrol in Hays, man said there was minor damage to the the northeast corner of the intersection. said the driver, Shanna Rae Smith, 26, of city car. Colby, had been involved in a domestic dispute in the Goodland Walmart parking troopers in pursuit. Hileman said troopers man said officers discovered three chility as towed away by Alex's Radiator and lot just after 10 p.m. Goodland police and clocked her at 95 mph in a 40 mph zone. dren in the car. An ambulance was called Auto Repair.

in a white 2002 Chevrolet Malibu.

on K-27. When Trooper Perry Frey at-

she tried to north onto Cherry, but turned dren had been restrained, he said. tempted to stop her, she fled, turning east too wide, driving up over the curb and

Smith continued east on U.S. 24 with car, disabling it. Smith was arrested. Hile- the fire department checked it over, then

Three children were taken to the Good- state troopers arrived as she was leaving Eyewitnesses reported she was driving to take the kids to Goodland Regional erratically, nearly striking vehicles going Medical Center, but Hileman said there County jail on charges of felony fleeing Hileman said the woman turned north the opposite direction. After about a mile, were no major injuries. None of the chil-

The car was leaking antifreeze and Tod Hileman, public resource officer on U.S. 24 and striking a police car. Hile-crashing into a fence by the flag pole on some smoke was coming from the engine, he said, but there was no fire. Once the car The crash smashed in the front of the had been searched by police and troopers,

Smith was booked into the Sherman and attempting to elude law enforcement. driving under the influence, reckless driving, criminal damage to property, aggravated battery, two counts of aggravated battery on a law enforcement officer with a vehicle and three counts of endangering a child, plus traffic charges including speeding 95 in a 40 zone and running a

State closes Colby pawn shop

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The owners of C-M Gun & Pawn in Colby say they hope to be back in business this week after the store was seized Tuesday by state tax officials.

The Kansas Department of Revenue had seized the business with the help of Thomas County Sheriff's deputies because it owed \$32,249 in state sales taxes. Jeannine Koranda, spokeswoman for the department, said that there are four unsatisfied sales-tax warrants for the business dating to Janu-

Co-owner Cindy Shubert disputed how the de- See "SHOP," Page 2

partment arrived at the figure which it claims she and her husband Michael owe. She said they have a lawyer helping them reopen the business at 320 N. Franklin Ave., which was sealed by the Revenue Department last week.

The Shuberts' assets would normally be auctioned off to pay the taxes, Koranda said, but this time they were given to their bank because it has a

lien on the shop already. "That isn't how it's normally handled but in this case the bank had first rights," she said.

The Shubert's bank accounts and personal property were seized by the department along with cash

Paper carrier wins award

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A Brewster boy's love of toys helped him to earn recognition as

"I was overwhelmed when I

heard that I won the contest," said Jimmy Baldwin. "I haven't really won a lot in my life."

Jimmy is a fifth grader at the Lawrence Virtual School, an on-

line unit of the Lawrence School

District in eastern Kansas, and a

carrier for the Colby Free Press.

Begins," placed in the top four for cided to get going with the story." the Kansas Authors Club's 2012

Youth Writing Contest. He won the contest by writing "fan fiction," where an author builds on the plot of a television show, movie or comic book they like. Jimmy said he's a big fan of "Bionicle," a group of action figures made by Lego which come accompanied by their own books,

movies and video games. Jimmy has pictures of several of the plastic "action figures" he built himself, and after the series

His short story, "The Legend was discontinued, he said, "I de-

He said he decided to write his own back story for each of the six main characters in the original

"I just thought that I should tell the origins of all six of the heroes," he said. "I made most of this up myself."

He took the main villain from

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