Painting close to finish

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ment work. His brother, Gary Schlosser, owner of Schlosser Concrete, supplied the readymix.

The holes are 28 feet deep, Neufeld said, but the crew placed 2-foot metal rings over the openings to raise the top of the base. He said the barrels will end up surrounded by earth, as a new road the city is building just west of the site will be about five feet higher, sloping gradually to the east.

The road, connecting Cherry Street and Business U.S. 24, will be built this summer. Neufeld said workers will begin building up land around the painting site in the next two weeks.

After the crew — including Ron Harding, Chamber of Commerce director, and Wayne Aten, owner of Aten Department Store — smoothed over the top of the holes, each about 3 feet across, they used a fork lift and 2-by-4 wooden boards to set eight bolts and a steel base into each one.

Neufeld said the 24 bolts, three feet long and 1 1/2 inches in diameter, will secure the square steel base, about 1 1/ 2 feet across, to the concrete — which, when dry, can withstand 3,500 pounds of pressure per square inch.

Farris, who has the giant, framed Business U.S. 24, will start welding the summer.

will attach wheels to two of the easel's legs, then use a fork life to pull the 35,000-pound sculpture to the site, less than a mile away.

Meanwhile, the attraction will take up almost every inch of the yard behind Farris' shop. But he said he doesn't

"It's kind of neat," he said.

The day a 100-foot crane lifts the replica into place, Farris said, he will weld the easel legs to the steel base. Neufeld said the painting should stand up to high winds and harsh weather.

He said a structural engineer in Winnipeg, Manitoba, where Cross lives, designed the easel and base.

The Canadian artist plans to paint huge Van Gogh replicas for seven cities around the world. His first two completed paintings from Van Gogh's sunflower series, in Canada and Australia, were erected according to that design, Neufeld said, but he modified it a bit. Instead of welding the steel base to

the easel, he said, he and Farris decided to place the painting, and then do the welding. Neufeld said that way they know the steel base and bolts are lined

Harding said the public will be invited to the raising, and a formal dedipainting sitting behind his shop on cation ceremony will come later this

Student falls from dorm window

LAWRENCE (AP) — A University a.m. He was listed in fair condition afof Kansas student was hospitalized Tuesday after falling out an eighth floor window of a dormitory.

Matthew Ward, a freshman from Kingman, was life flighted to Overland incident, which happened about 1:35 dorm.

ter undergoing surgery.

Ward reportedly had removed the screen from the window in Hashinger Hall, said Lt. Schuyler Bailey of the University of Kansas Police Depart-Park Regional Medical Center after the ment. Ward was a resident of the

Practice makes perfect



Hazen Deeds, a second grader (left), and Ryder Kling, a first grader, used a Gatorade bottle to practice for the 4 x 25 meter relay on Saturday at the high school track. The City-County Recreation program and Kiwanis Club held a free track meet for students in kindergarten through sixth grade. Photo by Rachel Miscall/The Goodland Daily News

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New Antique Warehouse plans to open Saturday

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always be something new."

Acuff said that plans are eventually a year-around Christmas room will be added and she will have her collectible Santas and snowmen for sale.

The warehouse has an area where people can sit down and enjoy coffee, tea, soft drinks or snacks.

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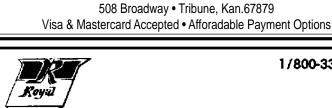
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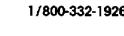
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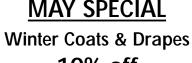
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