

4-H kids compete in sheep show

Sherman County held their Spring Swine and Sheep Show May 12 at the Sherman County fairgrounds. Participants came from the following towns: Goodland, Colby, Ludell, Utica, Brewster, Sharon Springs, Bird City, St. Francis, Scott City, Weskan, Winona and Burlington, Colo.

In Sheep Showmanship, the winners in the three categories were:

Senior division — Tammy Weeter of Goodland, champion, and Chandra Klotz of Colby, reserve champion.

Intermediate division — Kassie Weinland of Sharon Springs, champion, and Emily Carney of Brewster, reserve champion.

Junior division — Matea Huelsman of Ludell, champion and Kate Hagans of Utica, reserve champion.

In the Market Lamb show, the winners were:

The overall champions for the

sheep show were Brandon Mazanec of Colby, grand champion; and Klotz of Colby, grand reserve champion.

Hamp class — Weeter of Goodland, champion, and MaKayla Franz of Burlington, Colo., reserve champion.

Suffolk class — Brandon Mazanec of Colby, champion, and Franz, reserve champion.

Cross breed class — Klotz of Colby, champion, and Franz of Burlington, reserve champion.

Ewe class — Klotz of Colby, champion, and Lindsay Custer of Goodland, reserve champion.

Swine Showmanship:

Senior division — Ashley Carpenter of Colby, champion, and Klotz of Colby, reserve champion.

Intermediate division — Amy Carpenter of Brewster, champion, and Brandon Cowan of Goodland, reserve champion.

Junior division — Ryan Taylor of Goodland, champion, and Derek McKinney of Weskan, reserve champion.

The overall champions for the swine show were Carpenter of Brewster, grand champion; and Lausch of Scott City, grand reserve champion.

Duroc class — Taylor of Goodland, champion, and Tiana Lausch of Scott City, reserve champion.

Hamp class — Carpenter of Brewster, champion, and Chance Schilling of Edson, reserve champion.

Cross breed class, Lausch of Scott City, champion, and Taylor Brack of Goodland, reserve champion.

Other participants from Sherman County were Kendra Brack, Brian Coon, Amber and Jace Cowan, Adam Duell, Michael Hall, Jake Kling, Clay Schilling and Aaron and Garrett Smith.

Killer halts appeals, is prepared to die

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execution when the Justice Department announced in early May that nearly 4,500 pages and 11 CDs of FBI material had been found that should have been given to his attorneys before his 1997 trial. Ashcroft ordered the execution delayed to give the defense time to review the material.

A week ago, attorneys for McVeigh, a Gulf War veteran, began an aggressive campaign to delay the execution a second time, alleging in a court brief that the government committed a "fraud upon the court" by withholding documents.

On Wednesday, U.S. District Judge

Richard Matsch denied McVeigh's request, saying it was clear he was "the instrument of death and destruction" in the bombing, the worst act of terrorism on U.S. soil.

His attorneys appealed Thursday, but the three-judge panel ruled that McVeigh "utterly failed to demonstrate substantial grounds" why he should not be put to death.

The attorneys acknowledged that nothing in the FBI documents proves McVeigh is innocent.

In the book, "American Terrorist: Timothy McVeigh & the Oklahoma City Bombing," McVeigh admitted he carried out the attack to avenge government raids at the Branch Davidian

compound at Waco, Texas, and the cabin of white separatist Randy Weaver at Ruby Ridge, Idaho.

McVeigh also said he has chosen his last words: "I am the master of my fate," an excerpt from William Ernest Henley's 19th-century poem "Invictus."

Nigh said Thursday that McVeigh allowed his appeals to be renewed because he wanted to try to prove the FBI committed fraud by withholding the material. He said he didn't try to talk McVeigh out of his decision because "his mind was resolved."

In a statement, Ashcroft said: "Timothy McVeigh is responsible for the brutal murder of 168 people, including 19 children, and he will now be brought to justice."

Stephen Jones, who represented McVeigh at trial, said McVeigh prohibited his lawyers from pursuing other suspects before the trial and insisted on managing his own defense.

Jones said he was saddened by the court's refusal to delay the execution, set for 8 a.m. EDT Monday.

"I believe he has humanity, and I think the death penalty is inappropriate," Jones said.

Mayor rides across Kansas

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Memorial Day weekend, though, she rode her bike to Colby on Saturday and over to Burlington on Sunday.

During the week, she's rode about 15 miles either in the morning or evening. Then on Saturdays and Sundays, she's rode to Burlington and back.

The main goal of the biking event is to have fun, get some exercise and enjoy the beauty of Kansas, organizers say.

"I just go and enjoy the sights and sounds," Estes said. "It's fun. You just really meet up with some neat people." She said it's not a race and she goes at her own pace.

Estes plans to start out around 6 or 6:30 a.m. each morning, as she has in past years.

"I try to get up and ride when it's as cool as possible," she said.

She usually arrives at each day's destination about mid-afternoon.

There are medics and mechanics available for the bicyclists, Estes said, but she hasn't had any health or bike problems in the past.

She said some people who are younger than she is have had heat strokes on the trip, but she's never had leg cramps or even a blister.

Estes said she gets her bike serviced before she goes and has the repairman put stop-leak in the tires.

The humidity doesn't bother her, she said. Most of the gyms are air conditioned and there is plenty of air as you ride.

She said the bicyclists are to check in and out at each town so that organizers will know if someone doesn't show up.

She said the first year she went on the ride, it was overwhelming when she walked into a gym full of people and wondered where she would sleep.

"But pretty soon," she said, "you just throw out your bedroll."



Mayor Hazel Estes took a spin on her bike down a Kanorado street Thursday evening. She will start out Saturday on a week-long bike ride across Kansas.

Photo by Janet Craft/The Goodland Daily News

She said one man told her he had never slept in a room full of strangers before.

"Don't worry," another man told him, "by the time we get to the end of the Biking Across Kansas, we won't be strangers anymore."

On Thursday, the three routes will unite in Sedan and on Friday all the rid-

ers will ride together down historic Route 66 to Oswego. Then on Saturday, the final day of the trip, they will travel to the Missouri line and then back to Galena, in far southeast Kansas, for a celebration picnic at noon.

"Then after that," Estes said, "everybody picks up their luggage and goes home."

Cool, soggy summer expected

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — They can't say exactly why, but forecasters are predicting a wet and slightly cooler summer for Kansas, most of Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska.

The next few days are expected to be dry and warmer in most of the region. But the overall pattern of

weather that's cooler and wetter than normal is expected to continue through August for Kansas, north and western Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska, according to the Climate Prediction Center operated by the National Weather Service in Camp Springs, Md.

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