

Dogs put on great show

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together.

As the time ticked away, the tension started to build.

"I'm getting the jitters," said Becky Mitchek, who helped Demi lead Sophie across the stage. Eckhardt said Demi was warming up to Sophie, and would most likely do a great job.

"We're hoping that Demi doesn't cry," she said. "That will take away a little of the flair."

The showing didn't go as well as Eckhardt hoped, though, as tears started rolling down Demi's face right as she and Sophie walked in front of the judges.

"Demi had a little stage fright," she said, noting that the competition was starting to look tougher.

"There's quite a few scruffy ones," she said. "I don't know."

The song "Who Let the Dogs Out," played in the background as the judges decided the winners. Things started looking bleak for Sophie, as she wasn't one of the dogs the judges called out for a second look.

All hope was dashed when the announcer said "Peanut" was the scruffiest dog.

"Just total devastation," Eckhardt said when asked for her reaction. Sophie panted and Demi giggled.

Evelyn Hernandez, a judge, said later that Sophie was "too cute."

"She had a good personality," Hernandez said, "but she wasn't scruffy enough."

The judge refused to comment further: "I don't want to be stepping on any paws."

Eckhardt said this isn't the last the scruffy dog contest has seen of Sophie, though.

"We'll be back next year," she said, "scruffier than ever."

Winners of the Scruffy Dog Contest:

Largest: Magnus, owner John Peden

Smallest: Blitz, owner Dan Brenner

Scruffiest: Peanut, owner "the Hearon girls"

Most talented: Binky, owner Lori Juleson

A face only a mother can love: Noley, owner Sue Barker

Cutest adult: Zuiler, owner Andy Kear

Cutest puppy: Native, owner Amanda Mayfield

Judge's choice: Gizmo, owner Connie Cochran

U.S. faces upheaval in Asia

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are feared with the onset of winter.

There is also the risk of upheaval in former Soviet republics in central Asia, where America has friends but border disputes are heating up and extremism is taking root.

Another indirect consequence, one with a more hopeful outcome, would be the advance of peace in the Mideast. Moderate Arab states pledge cooperation in the U.S. anti-terrorism campaign but want the Bush administration do more to get Israel and the Palestinians back to the negotiating table.

Such effects, bad and good, could occur regardless of whether the U.S.-led crackdown defeats the al-Qaida terrorist network and its leader Osama bin Laden, who has been operating in Afghanistan under the cover of the Taliban.

"It's a little like a billiard table trying to figure out exactly how it might happen," Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said this week. "The balls career around for a while."

But "the end result, we would hope, would be a situation where the al-Qaida is heaved out and the people in the Taliban who think that it's good for them and good for the world to harbor terrorists ... lose, and lose seriously."

The United States also faces difficult decisions on how to weigh in on the conflict between the Taliban, which has rebuffed President Bush's demand to hand over bin Laden and controls about 90 percent of the rugged, mountainous nation, and the rebel Northern Alliance.

The alliance could be helpful in finding bin Laden or even upending the Taliban if that becomes America's goal. But the alliance doesn't represent the majority ethnic group in Afghanistan, which would make it difficult for the rebels to gain control, and Pakistan opposes it.

Creating instability in five former Soviet republics north of Afghanistan could be just as problematic for America, said Fiona Hill, an expert on Russia and Central Asian affairs at Brookings Institution.

The U.S. has not placed a priority on furthering relations with nations such as Uzbekistan and Tajikistan, yet they may be key allies in a region where other states are not always eager to side with Americans, Hill says.



Lori Juleson had Binky, a poodle, do tricks for the judges at the Scruffy Dog Contest on Saturday. Binky won the "most talented" category.

Photo by Rachel Miscal/The Goodland Daily News

Flu vaccination encouraged for high-priority groups

The flu soon will arrive in Kansas, and the Sherman County Health Department wants to make sure that individuals from certain "high-priority" groups get vaccinated.

"We want to get the word out for this coming flu season that people who are most vulnerable to experiencing serious, sometimes life-threatening complications from influenza receive their immunization," said Dorendo Harrel RN, Adm.

Production of flu vaccine has been delayed this year. Availability is expected to be limited through October, although more vaccine will be available than in previous years.

It is important that people at high risk of serious complications from flu or those who take care of these high-risk people and can spread infection to them are first to get the available vaccine.

Schedule for Flu Clinics

Goodland Senior Center
October 9, 2001 — 1:30 - 4:30 P.M.
October 16, 2001 — 1:30 - 4:30 P.M.
For persons 65 years of age or older, spouses or caregiver
Need to have Medicare Parts A and B-bring your card
No Medicare-\$ 10.

Kanorado, Senior Center

October 16, 2001 — 9:00 - 11:30 A.M.

For persons 65 years of age or older, spouses or caregiver
Need to have Medicare Parts A and B-bring your card
No Medicare-\$10.

Sherman County Health Department- For persons at high risk only
October 12, 200 1 -walk-in clinic
8:00 - 11:30 A.M.
1:30 - 4:30 P.M.
October 19, 2001-walk-in clinic
8:00 - 11:30 A.M.
1:30 - 4:30 P.M.
\$10.

County sets tipping fee

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tipping fee has been considered for some time to help defray the cost of operating and equipping the site.

Commissioner Tiede made the motion to approve the tipping fee at \$32 per ton to go into effect in January. Commissioner Kevin Rasure seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Commissioner Chuck Frankenfeld was absent.

Butts also had questions about what can and cannot be hauled to the landfill. He said he has taken some items to the landfill and was told they cannot accept those items.

The commissioners suggested Butts make a list of items he has had trouble with and give it to Way to determine how the items need to be handled.

Way presented the commissioners with the Sherman County portion of the solid waste five-year plan for their approval. The commissioners approved the plan, which will be submitted as part of the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development regional plan, which is to be completed by November.

Rasure made a motion to approve the library contract with the city in the amount of \$14,000 for next year. Tiede seconded and it passed unanimously. The county supports the city library so county residents can use it.

Terry Ballard, county appraiser, and Crystal Linsner, computer manager, met with the commissioners about purchasing a color laser printer for the appraiser's office.

The commissioners reviewed the bids, and Rasure asked Linsner to check into several questions. The commissioners gave permission to proceed with the purchase after the questions were answered. The cost of \$1,300 is to come out of the Courthouse General computer capital outlay fund.

Linsner asked what is to be taken out of the computer capital outlay fund.

The commissioners suggested a memo be sent to all department heads asking them to list their computer needs for the next 12 to 18 months, and for Linsner to list needs for the central system.

Ballard said he has asked the bill to Lockwood Co. be withheld from payment at this time because he is still having troubles printing the information from the compact disks they produced. The commissioners agreed to delay the payment.

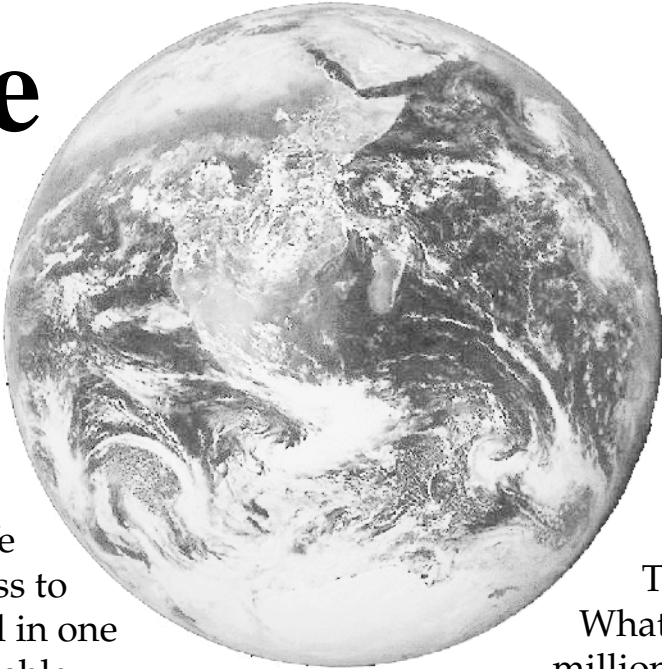
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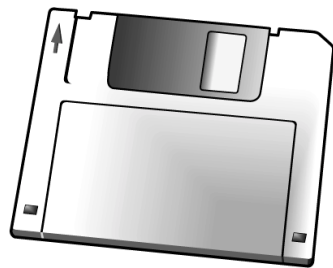
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