

Junk art show is new parade event

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The Carnegie Arts Center will hold a "Junk Art Show" — another new event — to display junk artwork made by Sherman County residents, he said. The only requirement is that entries must be made from trash.

Goodwin said the trashy creations can be dropped off at the art center on 12th and Center anytime before Sept. 1. The junk art will be judged on the day of the parade and an awards ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. at the center.

Last year's Junk Parade was a success, Goodwin said, both in the amount of trash collected and the number of people who collected trash and came out to watch the parade.

He said 74,410 pounds of solid waste was collected, 520 tires and four trailers of yard waste. Thirty-six organizations participated, Goodwin said, and there were 54 floats entered. Hundreds of people lined Main Avenue to watch the junk march by and several people went out to the landfill to help unload trailers.

"It was a really neat event," he said,

"and a lot of people came out for it."

Goodwin said he's hoping for the same success, but noted that the parade has to be better organized this year.

Float registration wasn't required last year, he said, so the landfill had no idea how much trash to expect.

Floats must be registered by Sept. 6 this year, Goodwin said, and each float can only hold one type of junk to make it easier to sort at the landfill. Categories include tree limbs and clean lumber, grass clippings and weeds, concrete and brick, scrap metal, construction and demolition and household.

Goodwin said no one has registered a float yet, and if no one is registered by Sept. 6 he will cancel the parade. Registration forms are available at Bankwest, where Goodwin works. He said he has a list of people who have called him saying they have trash that needs to be picked up.

Goodwin said people have asked him whether there is enough trash left in town after last year's parade. He said there's plenty of junk laying around.

"You're blind if you can't see the trash," he said.

Travel center employees expect to see busy weekend

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out the door from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be some moderate traffic Tuesday and Wednesday, but Monday is expected to be the last big day for summer travelers.

"We are only going off trends," Angelos said, "but the trends are saying this weekend should be really good."

Workers at the travel center eight miles west of Goodland are expecting to see over 1,000 people a day this weekend, said Supervisor Julie Crotinger, and that's only the number who will sign the guest book. She estimates only a third of the travelers who pass through sign the book.

"Aside from the July 4th weekend,

this will be the biggest one of the summer," Crotinger said. "From here on out we will see fewer people."

During the summer, the center, which opened in April, saw 400 to 500 people per day sign in on weekdays and 700 to 800 on weekends, Crotinger said. Those numbers are comparable to the old center, which closed down a year and a half ago, Crotinger said, but bus tours haven't been stopping at the new building because it opened too late to be added to their schedules.

Interstate traffic will slow to about 100 people a day in October, she said, and will start picking up again in late April or May. There will be a few pockets of heavy traveling, though, especially around the winter holidays.

Stars get wild at MTV awards show

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as a girl. Moby, who has criticized Eminem's lyrics as misogynistic, was also spoofed in the "Without Me" video.

Taken aback by the boos, Eminem appeared to glance in Moby's direction and said, "I will hit a man with glasses."

The show also featured a climactic appearance by the rock band Guns N' Roses, now down to one original member: singer W. Axl Rose. The band has spent much of the past decade in hibernation.

Rose skittered across the stage singing his 15-year-old anthems, "Welcome to the Jungle" and "Paradise City."

The show's highlights and lowlights came quickly. Springsteen and his E Street Band, singing in the rain outside the American Museum of Natural History, performed "The Rising," a gospel-like song of recovery about the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Host Jimmy Fallon of "Saturday Night Live" followed with a brilliant parody of some of the year's most popular videos from Eminem, Nelly, Avril Lavigne and Enrique Iglesias. He was joined by soul star James Brown (whose name was repeatedly flashed on video screens at Ra-

dio City Music Hall to enlighten oblivious youngsters).

Then Britney Spears appeared and presented a birthday cake to Michael Jackson, saying, "to me, he is the artist of the millennium."

Although Spears mentioned nothing about an award, Jackson clutched an odd trophy of a sparkling musical note and thanked MTV for an honor apparently many, many years in the making.

"When I was a little boy in Indiana, if someone had told me as a musician I would be getting the artist of the millennium award, I wouldn't have believed it," Jackson said.

Fallon quickly made fun of it, saying he had his own artist of the millennium award, "because they're giving them backstage to everyone."

Former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani appeared to a standing ovation to thank artists for their response to Sept. 11. MTV, which usually holds the Video Music Awards after Labor Day, moved the event up this year to distance itself from the anniversary.

Another emotional moment came during MTV's tribute to the group TLC, which lost its most dynamic member, Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes, in a car crash in Honduras in April. After MTV personality Carson Daly announced a \$25,000 scholarship in Lopes' name, surviving group

members Tionne "T-Boz" Watkins and Rozonda "Chilli" Thomas came on stage and cried.

"This is so hard because it's a reality check because there's only two of us up here, and she's so missed," Thomas said. "We know that Lisa's smiling, and we just hope she can be part of us right now."

Pink, who won in the best dance and best female categories for "Get the Party Started," appeared to take her song literally. She rode piggyback to the stage on a friend, and struggled to keep her pants up.

"I'm too drunk for this," she said. Michelle Branch, who later won the viewer's choice award for her song, "Everywhere," tried to top her.

"I think I'm drunker than Pink," she said. "Ha ha ha ha."

No Doubt and the White Stripes also won two awards.

The show had its usual fashion parade: Spears arrived in a black leather outfit with cap, and Jackson wore red with epaulets.

Pink was a Joan Jett lookalike with black hair, tattooed arms and a black-and-green striped dress. Aguilera wore a halter top that barely covered her.

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Library gets three new souped-up computers

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the foundation set. Many Kansas libraries are receiving new computers from Gates this month, she said, including ones in Colby, Bird City and Sharon Springs.

While many northwest Kansas libraries only got one new computer, Warren said, the Goodland and Colby libraries both qualified for two because they each serve over 5,000 people. She said the Goodland library bought a third new computer from the foundation.

Warren said this is the fifth year and final year of the program, and by the end of 2002 Gates will have given libraries in all 50 states new computers. She said the foundation started with the poorest states and worked its way up.

The only things the libraries have to do, Warren said, is promise to let the public use the computers and provide Internet access on them.

Some libraries that serve a popula-

tion that doesn't qualify, she said, had to pay part of the cost of the new equipment.

Warren said people wouldn't be able to just go out and buy one of the computers. She said Gateway designed them for libraries, installing special software, memory and security features. The free package, she said, comes with four training sessions and a year of technical support.

Warren said she went to Manhattan for training before the computers arrived and then a trainer with Gates came here this week to help install the equipment and show the staff how to use the software. The library was closed on Monday and Tuesday during the installation and training.

The library's server won't be installed until October, Warren said, when staff will get more training on how to use it.

This week, she said, library staff has learned how to use the software on the computers.

"Hopefully," she said, "we can tell patrons what's available and give them insight in how to use it."

If not, Warren said, tutorial programs have been installed in the computers to teach people how to use the software up to an advanced level.

People can't send e-mail on the new computers, she said, but can still do that

on the four older computers, which have been moved to a new spot in the library. Word processing programs are still available on the older computers, Warren said.

She said she thinks people will like the new computers.

"It's a souped-up model compared to what we usually buy," she said.

Judge accused of intimidation

SALINA (AP)—A magistrate judge in northwest Kansas has been accused of taking the law into her own hands when she believed a man stole her purse.

The man, Christopher Merklin, insists there was never a purse for him to snatch.

But Magistrate Judge Tamara Lee Zimbelman insists she "had circumstantial evidence" the 21-year-old took it from the Cheyenne Bowl in St. Francis last December.

Enough evidence, authorities said, to take matters into her own hands along with her estranged husband and

a friend, who allegedly stormed into the Merklin home and demanded the purse be returned.

"No one invited them in," Merklin said. "They didn't make it farther than the living room. I came out when I heard cussing and threatening."

Authorities have charged Zimbelman with misdemeanor intimidation, while her husband, Rell Dean Zimbelman, of St. Francis, and Scott Allen Baumfalk, of Kanorado, face misdemeanor counts of criminal trespass and disorderly conduct.

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