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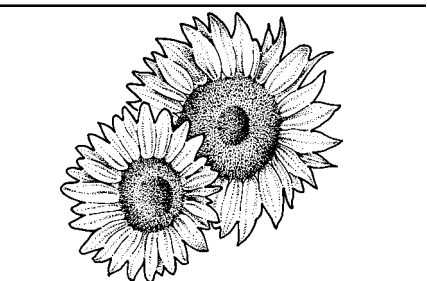


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Congratulations to top athletes of the year



The G Club handed out the awards for top athletes of the year at their banquet on May 15. Honor Roll Athletes (top photo) were Alan Cebula, Taylor Brack, Donald Raymer and Kris Rubio. Raymer won the Ralph Topliff Memorial and Rubio won the Gary Dean Laughlin Memorial. Ric Schlosser

(bottom photo) was named an honorary member of the G Club; Dan Bagnell and A.J. Johnson received the T.J. Hellerud Memorial Scholarship; and Landon West won the Levi Hayden Memorial Scholarship.

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G Club, GAA present annual honors, awards

The Goodland High G Club held its annual awards banquet on May 15, and the Girls Athletic Association held their annual banquet on May 20.

Mark Johnson, head basketball coach at Fort Hays State University, spoke at the boys banquet and Amy (House) Sederstrom, who graduated in 1989, was the speaker for the girls banquet.

Johnson told the boys that being an athlete was being part of a team, and that being in athletics creates a pass for the future because it develops a work ethic and desire to work hard for success; makes you believe that it does not always take talent to do well; develops teamwork and cooperation where you get along, and sacrifice yourself for your teammates; and teach you that you are not always going to be successful, but teaches you how to pick yourself up and go on.

He told the boys to go forward and be enthusiastic and excited about what you do. He told the boys to remember what Larry Brown, former coach of the Philadelphia 76ers said, "Remember you are always being educated."

"Represent yourself, your team and your program always," Johnson said.

Sederstrom told the girls her success in track and field was due to her work ethic, her coaches and her desire to win.

Sederstrom held many Goodland track records when she was in school and did well in her college career at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colo.

"I am still the holder of the discus and shot put records at Goodland High School, and the record holder for the javelin at the University of Northern Colorado," she said.

Today she is office manager at Truck and Tractor Repair of Goodland, wife of Greg Sederstrom, who is a farmer, and mother of Nicole, 5, and Blaine, 3.

"If you have a good work ethic and you go out there and do the best you can; that will carry over into your life no matter what you do," she said.

At the G Club banquet, the special awards were presented to:

- Ric Schlosser, who was named an honorary club member and presented a letter jacket.
- Landon West, winner of the Levi Hayden Memorial Scholarship.
- Donald Raymer, winner of the Ralph Topliff Memorial Scholarship.
- Kris Rubio, winner of the Gary Dean Laughlin Memorial Scholarship.
- Dan Bagnell and A.J. Johnson, winners of the T.J. Hellerud Memorial Scholarships.
- Alan Cebula, Taylor Brack, Raymer and Rubio were named to the G Club Honor Roll.
- Brack was the winner of the G Club scholarship, and named the club member of the year.
- Brack was honored as a 4-year letterman in wrestling and track; Matt Hall four years in tennis; Rubio four years in basketball; and Kyle Schulte in wrestling and tennis.



Jayci Stone



Kendra Billinger



Stephanie Fairbanks



Deanna Livengood

- Seniors honored were Bagnell, Brack, Cebula, Raymer, Rubio, West, Tom Cotter, Matt Hall, Dustin Kling, Kevin Schulte, Kyle Schulte, Brandon Linden and Shawn Weber.

At the Girls Athletic Association banquet, awards were presented to:

- Community supporters Gene and Esther Elliott and Mary and Leonard Elliott were presented the Black and Gold Award.
- Jayci Stone, winner of the Ricky Price Memorial Scholarship, \$150.
- Kendra Billinger, winner of the Darlene Schields Memorial Scholarship.
- Senior plaques and GAA scholarships, Billinger, Ashley Engel, Stephanie Fairbanks, Rebecca Gattshall, Deanna Livengood, Alissa Schields, Stone and Tammy Weeter.
- Honor athlete awards presented to Billinger, Fairbanks, Livengood and Stone.
- Outstanding athlete award to Stone.
- Three sport awards this year, Billinger, Fairbanks, Livengood, Jessica Osborn, Cortney Schields and Stone.



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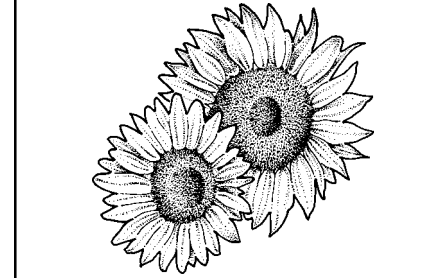
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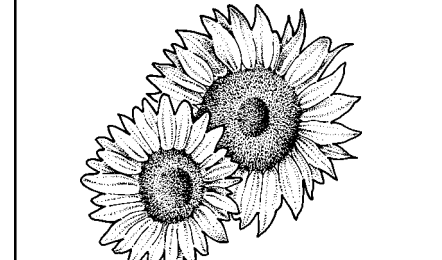
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