

Goodland students compete on piano

Eleven Goodland High School students competed at the regional piano contest earlier this month, and six went on to the state piano contest.

The regional contest was Saturday, Feb. 7, at Fort Hays State University. Goodland students received these ratings: Jillian Parker, Ashley Cebula, Lea Shores, Craig Mason, May Davis, Grace

Langness, I; Jessica Lu, Tiffany Thomas, Kayla Rasure, Molly Witzel, Samantha Philbrick, II.

The state piano contest was held Saturday, Feb. 21, at Wichita State University.

The six Goodland students participating received: May Davis, Grace Langness, I; Jillian Parker, Lea Shores, Ashley Cebula, Craig Mason, II.

Ashley Cebula (right) competed in the regional piano contest Saturday, Feb. 7, at Hays. She earned a I rating. Photo by Nancy Shores



public notice

Local Area I Workforce Investment Board Request for Proposals

The Local Area I Workforce Investment Board in Kansas is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) from qualified entities to enter into Contracts to accomplish the following services for the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program:

Administrative Entity
Paymaster Services
Case Management Services (Adult and Dislocated Worker participants)
Bidders may apply for any, or all of these Contracts.

Local Area I is located in the western and central part of Kansas and is comprised of sixty-two counties. An Internet link to a map of the Area, as it relates to the total size of Kansas, can be found at <http://entkdh.state.ks.us/OneStop/ENTMap03.htm>. This area received approximately \$1.2 million dollars for the current program year ending June 30, 2004. The funding available will pay the costs of the administrative entity, paymaster services, participant enrollments, and all case management services.

The Contract Period will be from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2006. If the bidder selected is other than the current Administrative Entity, Paymaster, or Case Manager the July 1, 2004 date may be earlier to allow for a transition period.

Eligible entities for the Administrative Entity Contract, or Case Management Services Contracts may be the following:

1. Postsecondary educational institution;
2. Private, nonprofit organization (includes community-based organizations);
3. Private-for-profit entity;
4. Government agency; or
5. Other interested organization, or entity (such as local chambers of commerce or other business organizations).

Eligible entities for the Paymaster Services Contract must meet the following requirements:

1. Be an established entity with experience providing paymaster or similar services;
2. Have an accounting system to record and execute transactions, and provide auditable reports and accounts;
3. Be able to generate all payments by check;
4. Use Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and follow State and WIA policy requirements;
5. Ensure each person acting on behalf of bidder to handle WIA funds be bonded at a minimum of \$150,000 to protect against loss.

The Request for Proposal package will be available Monday, March 1, 2004. Deadline for receipt of proposals is no later than 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 25, 2004. Proposals received after the stated time will not be considered. The individual named below will be the sole point of contact to obtain the RFP package:

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Ruleton Eager Beavers hold February meeting

"My birthday is in what month?" was what the Ruleton Eager Beavers answered during roll call to start the regular monthly meeting on Saturday, Feb. 14, at the 4-H building.

Aaron Duell called the meeting to order. There were 9 members, 2 leaders and 1 guest present.

The club had three bills and communications. The club received a thank you letter from one of the troops that it had written to earlier. The leaders handed out record book pages for club members' 2004 record books.

Leader Colleen Duell talked about the model meeting, which is coming up in March.

For the program, Adam Duell gave a demonstration on tying fishing lures. Devin Mangus gave a safety talk on tractor safety and general farm safety. For group recreation, Holly Wilkening had the group play balloon volleyball.

Club announcements were: Beef Weigh In is Saturday, 4-H Days is next Friday, starting at 4 p.m. Club members were urged to sign up.

The Ruleton Eager Beavers will meet on the 7th and 14th of March to practice for Model Meeting.

To Make the Best Better was how the Ruleton Eager Beavers adjourned the meeting. Refreshments were supplied by the Winston family.

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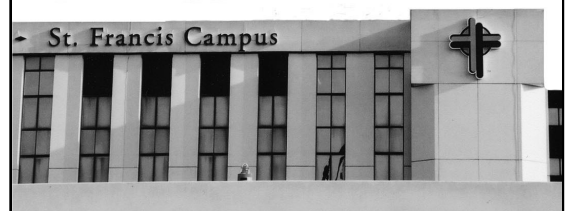
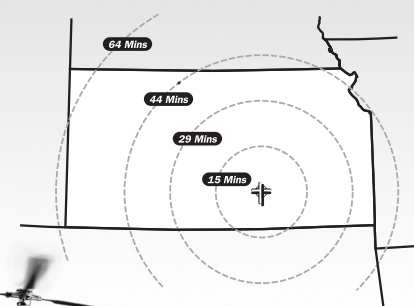
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