

Junior high music closes on high note

The combined seventh and eighth grade band and choir of Grant Junior High presented their final music program of the year to a nearly packed house last Thursday at the high school auditorium.

The band opened the concert with several selections under the direction of Deandra Schields and Tremon Kizer, "Triumphant Spirit," "Chantey Ahoy," "See Jack Slide" and "Greasy Kids Stuff."

When the band was finished, the chairs and music stands were removed and the risers for the choir set up.

The combined choir, under the direction of Randy Berls, sang "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel;" "Laudamus Te" with Kade Sheldon as the soloist, the contest piece which got them a rating; "A Whole New World" with soloists Devin Mangus and Tanner Oharah; "Dansi Na Kuimba;" and "Blowin' In the Wind/America."

Members of the band were flutes, Eryn Topliff, Mindi Keith, Danielle Pettibone and Erica Fenner; clarinets, Renea Reasoner, Kylie Buller and Jerlynn Enfield; saxophones, Courtney Sheldon, Bryan Gray, Lauren Abernathy, BreAnna Nemecheck and Nathan Brady; trumpets Chris Irvin, Michael Klinge, Allen Smith and Kade Sheldon; trombones Ben Davis, Darrick Ihrig and Tanner Oharah; baritone Nelson Bergemann; and percussion Grant Wilkens, Tom Terry, Michael Ledesma, T.J. Freeman and Aren Bell.

Members of the choir were Travis Angelos, Adam Duell, Samantha Erickson, Chelsie Gausman, Patrick Heiter, Hollie Langley, Devin Mangus, Cameron Morris, Linsey Owens, Sandra Redlin, Whitney Schields, Allen Smith, Andrew Taylor, Heather West, Buller, Preston Dautel, Danny



And the band played on

Mindi Keith and Danielle Pettibone (right) played flute in the Grant Junior High band. Renea Reasoner, Kylie Buller and Jerlynn Enfield played clarinets during the final concert of the year last week at the high school auditorium.

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Hachmeister, Jacob Kling, Reasoner, Tanner Smith, Topliff, Hannah West, Hannah Blake, Brennen Clouse, Jessica Bauman, Kirsten Dutton, Gregory Farris,

Erika Gonzales, Shelbi Herl, Zachary Lohr, Talen Martin, Jace Mosbarger, Dallas Price, Alberto Ruiz, Clay Schilling, Keegan Smith, Ryan Taylor, Abernathy,

Ashley Christians, Josh Doke, Nathan Heiter, Andrew Philbrick, Tehnee Ridder, Halli Stone, Forrest Trachsel, Tiffany Wing, Julica Bonsall, Cassie Cooper, Tad Davis,

April Eli, Dennis Fyfe, Robert Gonzales, Rory Kling, Kayla Long, Fernando Martinez, Oharah, Andrew Raile, Rachel Rutherford, Kade Sheldon, Michelle Smith,

Joel Weis, Marisa Acuff, Jennifer Cole, Britney Ford, Holly Kibel, Samantha Raymer, Ren Scherling, Jessica Swager, Callee Warren, Heidi Yonkey and Nathan Cecil.

S&T Telephone promotes two Goodland men

By Tom Betz

The Goodland Star-News
S&T Telephone, in full operation in Goodland and Colby for about 15 months, has announced the promotion of two Goodland men to new positions in the company.

Gary Slough, who has been the Goodland branch manager and marketing director, has been promoted to branches manager and is now responsible for branch offices in Goodland, Colby and Dighton.

In Goodland, Don Newell has been promoted to be branch manager and sales manager.

Slough, who has been with S&T for two years, said his new job will keep him busy, and he will be on the road quite a bit. His main office will continue to be in Goodland.

He said he is working to improve the consistency of service among the branches, working with Pat Mallory in Colby, Melinda Bradstreet in Dighton and Newell in Goodland.

"We put the structure in place about six months ago," Slough said. "Our goal is to bring the best service to our customers in our locations."

In Goodland, Newell said he is hoping to keep up with the technology changes and provide the best service possible for people here.

"What got us here won't get us there," Newell said. "My goal is to make sure everyone taking our service gets the best value for their dollar and the best technology available."

"We are not just a phone service; we are a communications company. Growth moves people into different



Don Newell, new Goodland branch manager for S&T telephone, is a motorcycle enthusiast. He led a Northwest Kansas Bike Association poker run from Goodland to Atwood.

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positions and gives the company an opportunity to continue to improve our system and give us the best people."

"We know there will be bumps," Slough said. "The people will be able to handle the bumps, and with good local people they can get us through."

"We have really good employees and feel confident in their ability."

Newell said his job is to handle the day-to-day decisions in the office in Goodland and the sales for the whole company.

Newell grew up in Wallace County and graduated from Weskan High School in 1979. He drove truck for a few years and then worked for Keith Bracelin at Great Western Tire from 1981-1993.

He got into broadcasting in 1993 when he became the sales manager at KBSL television. He left the television business in 2002 to join S&T.

"I respect my employees and hope they respect me," Newell said.

"I know I need to earn their respect."

His wife, Kim, works for the company and is the pride coordinator. Kim's mother is Eleanor Peter.

Newell said there are 12 employees in the Goodland office plus Gary and him. There are several others who live in Goodland and work at the main office in Brewster.

In May, he said, the Goodland S&T operation had 2,660 phone customers, 1,149 cable television customers and 880 Internet customers.

"We have been pleased with the response," Newell said, "and we want to keep making our base bigger."

"So far we have connected 70 percent of the drops we put in. Businesses have been good to take our service because it is a good value and keeps money in our community."

Newell is a motorcycle enthusiast, and while he says there are lots of good bikes, the Harley Davidson is his favorite.

"I like the sense of relief and freedom to get out on the road," Newell said.

He won the best in class from last

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year at the Flatlander Fall Festival

tors Bureau, the Northwest Kansas Medical Foundation and the Northwest Kansas Bike Association.

He enjoys playing golf when he is not out riding his motorcycle.

Open House

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student of the week



Name: Janae McKee
Parents: Jim and Judy McKee
Grade: Senior
Age: 18

We've nominated this student because: Janae has taken Trigonometry/Precalculus and Calculus this year and has given maximum effort in preparation for these classes. She wants to learn and has a positive attitude. Her efforts this year will pay off for her in the future.

Student Comment: My favorite subjects this year have been calculus and my

Independent study working on our volleyball highlight film. After graduation, I will remember winning State volleyball and all the good times I had with my friends.

Activities involved in at school: Volleyball, Girls Athletic Association, National Honor Society and the secretary for Student Council.

My choice of movies, books, and games: My favorite kind of movies are comical. My favorite kind of books are suspenseful.

After I leave Goodland High School I intend to: attend the University of Kansas and major in business.

And 10 years from now, I think I'll be: I will have achieved my career goals and will be raising a family with my husband.

Favorite Quote: "The reputation of a thousand years can be changed by the conduct of one hour." Japanese Proverb

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