

Kids learn compass reading, first aid, shooting

Volunteers teach skills; sponsors provide gifts

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Scott Gilmer taught trapping; Mike Hopper, Goodland's wildlife conservation officer, calling; Randy Raile, archery; Steve Evert, an emergency medical technician, first aid; Jim Kennedy, muzzle loading; Rick Stramel, compass and mapping; and Dan Zerr of Pheasants Forever in Colby brought equipment and several helpers to teach shotgun skills, including Benny Young, Colby's wildlife officer, and Thad Hahn.

Crissy Conger led the girls, and Ken Klemm, Francis O'Leary, Michael Doren, David Berens and Terry Thatcher the boys. Barb Disney and Lori Juleson helped with registration. Others helping out included Duell and Scott Jarrett of Pheasants Forever, Stan Purvis, Richard Walters and Melvin Crow.

The crowd had grilled buffalo burgers and hot dogs with baked beans, chips, cookies and soda for lunch. And each of the kids took home a free T-shirt that says, "I Survived Youth Skills Day," two caps, magnets, key chains, pens, a Frisbee, a can insulator and a "Pocket Guide to Kansas Threatened and Endangered Species."

Other kids at the event included Jessi Geist, Emily Klemm, Jessica Klemm, Robbyn Juleson, Bracelyn Redlin, Teryn Linnville, Taylor Archibald, Adrienne West, Austin Klemm, Adam Duell, David Murray, Zachary Prine, Tanar Fairchild, Christian Flanders, Schulyer McIlroy, Lee Prine, Tyler Freeman, Nolan Ray, Jaron Ragles, Garrett Geist, Jason Cowan, Josh Dorn, Aaron Luckert, Daniel Henderson, Cody Berens, Michael Boeve, Tyler Sharp, Sloan Ruhs, Shawn Reiter, Kayler Rietcheck, Seth Stamel, Rubin Lazaro, Wyatt Werth, Max Haverfield, Jesse Cooper, Todd Snethen, Dax Ruhs, Colton Cooper, Kaleb Keith, Brendan Fulcher, Mac Purvis, Ian Bonsall, Chris Bustillos, Austin Ray, Connor Gray, Dustin Juleson, Spencer Smith, Cooper Slough, Conner Simpson, Layton Werth, Jacob Schnabel, Reed Bellamy and Brook Redlin.

Donations came from Bellamy Farms, Dennis Shoff, Pheasants Forever, Bob's Wildlife Taxidermy, the Kansas State Troopers Association, the Sherman County attorney, Great American Outdoor Trails (radio program), the Buffalo Guys, Kansas Wildlife and Parks, Just Ponds and More, Dr. Kenneth Austin, Dan Brenner Ford, Orscheln's, S&T Communications, Frontier Equity, Rasure Lumber, Lonny's Quality Auto Body, Aquila Natural Gas, Goodland Coca Cola, Cheyenne County Wildlife Association, Sherman County, Unruh Family Chiropractic, Cowboy Loop, Bankwest and Seamhead Sports.

The Colby Youth Skills Day is planned for Saturday, Sept. 10. Call Benny Young at 785-462-7602 for information.



Adrienne West held a jacket around Jessi Geist during the girls group's lesson in first aid at the Youth Skills Day. The girls were learning how to lift an injured person using a jacket. Helping (clock-

wise from West) were Taylor Archibald, Robbyn Juleson, Teryn Linnville, Bracelyn Redlin and Emily Klemm.

Photo by Sharon Corcoran/The Goodland Star-News

Returning soldiers and their families need time to adjust to changes

Many families will go through the experience of a family member being absent for several months as a result of a military commitment, whether they be a reservist or a full-time soldier.

After the rejoicing of a safe return, getting back to "normal" becomes the next task. There is some level of stress for everyone involved, due to the changes that have taken place and concerns for how life will be now. Such stress is normal, and adjustment takes some time.



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For couples, especially those who have been married only a short time, getting back together may feel a little awkward at first. Both have spent those past months on their own and have become less depen-

dent on each other.

There are little things that may need some fine-tuning for the relationship to run smoothly again. So don't rush things; take time to get to know each other once more.

Communication is vital, about both the military experience as well as what went on at home. If the relationship becomes strained, help is

available through professional counselors.

Very young children may not appear as welcoming as their dad or mom is expecting, but this is normal. A few months can seem like a lifetime to a child. They adjust to their parent's absence and will also quickly adjust to having them around again.

Don't expect the same behavior as before because this is not the same child of a few months ago. They grow not only physically, but also emotionally and socially. Be

patient and take it slowly during the readjustment time.

Most people experience some let down after the initial celebration of homecoming, but soon life settles back to normal. For some, the let down continues and can include long periods of depression, feelings of anxiety, mood swings, strong feelings of anger or guilt and other difficulties.

Professional help is then needed and can be accessed through the military as well as the local ministry, family physician and mental

health services.

Contributed by Karen Beery, manager, Consultation and Education Department. The views expressed here are those of the individual writer and should not be considered a replacement for seeking professional help.

Mail questions to High Plains Mental Health Center, Plain Sense, Consultation and Education Department, 208 E. Seventh, Hays, Kan. 67601. Internet site: www.highplainsmentalhealth.com.

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District Traffic

The following fines were paid in the Sherman County District Court: **May 27** — Javed Khan, 53, Wichita, \$345 for speeding. Whitney P. Lewis, 20, Boulder, Colo., \$126 for speeding. **May 31** — Monica L. Johnston, 29, Columbia, Mo., \$144 for speeding. George G. Tuttle, 38, Orange, Calif., \$150 for improper parking. Eric L. Neeley, 30, Piggott, Ark., \$132 for speeding. Nicholas J. Tadrzynski, 27, Edwards, Colo., \$120 for speeding. Armin Mujkanovic, 21, St. Louis, Mo., \$100 for over weight limit on wheels and axles. Todd J. Kuhlman, 32, Oakley, \$420 for speeding. Stuart D. Turnbow, 23, Goodland, \$138 for improper parking. Judith M. Suhr, 25, New Boston, Mo., \$135 for over weight limit on wheels and axles.

Byron B. Bashline, 62, Kit-tanwing, Pa., \$138 for speeding. Derek R. Derossett, 24, High-lands Ranch, Colo., \$126 for speed-ing. Holly B. Harvin, 25, Keystone, Colo., \$159 for speeding. Clayton Lopez, 23, Riverdale, Mo., \$360 for driving under suspen-sion and \$66 for speeding. Sithu M. Myint, 22, Golden, Colo., \$168 for speeding. Hilarie M. Thompson, 20, Fort Collins, Colo., \$126 for speeding. Cynthia N. Martin, 25, Thornton, Colo., \$144 for speeding. Jeffrey S. Kannel, 20, Laguna Niguel, Calif., \$138 for speeding. Melanie Lund, 21, Layton, Utah, \$132 for speeding. **June 1** — Brianna L. Brown, 23, Wichita, \$168 for speeding.

Gus Martinez-Tepozotian, 17, Houston, Texas, \$120 for no license and \$66 for speeding. **June 2** — Kay L. Swartz, 44, Goodland, \$120 for unlawful acts with a vehicle. Jerry R. Birkes, 24, Oklahoma City, \$132 for speeding. Amir Cohen, 51, Boulder, Colo., \$231 for speeding. Eliza B. Lyon, 20, Essex, Conn., \$204 for speeding. Rebecca R. Holman, 22, Um-boldt, Neb., \$204 for speeding. Luc I. Dang, 42, Halton City, Texas, \$120 for improper driv-ing. Janice M. Reed, 58, Aurora, Colo., \$126 for speeding. **June 3** — Kevin D. Koller, 27, Elizabeth, Colo., \$168 for speed-ing. Craig J. Denton, 51, Avon, Colo., \$240 for speeding.

Timothy A. Foren, 51, Bountiful, Utah, \$120 for speeding. Erin C. Frustaci, 21, Northglenn, Colo., \$120 for speeding. Steven D. Lawson, 49, Neosho, Md., \$184 for over weight limit on wheels and axles. Kevin B. Hatley, 28, Aurora, Colo., \$168 for speeding. **June 6** — Cody L. Combee, 26, Pueblo West, Colo., \$126 for speed-ing. Anthony P. Calderone, 40, Las Vegas, Nev., \$10 for no seat belt. Brian K. Smith, 37, Evansville, Ind., \$168 for speeding, \$138 for speeding and \$60 for no license.

Wallace County Schools has the following openings for 2005-2006 school term:

Junior High head volleyball coach; Junior High assistant volleyball coach; Junior High head girls basketball coach; Junior High assistant girls basketball coach; High School assistant volleyball coach; High School head girls basketball coach; Junior High Scholars' Bowl coach; one of two Senior Class sponsors; one of two Junior Class sponsors, Sophomore Class sponsor; High school cheerleader sponsor and High school Student Council sponsor.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please call Bruce Bolen or Val Poe in the USD 241 District Office at 785-852-4252. Positions will remain open until filled.

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Notorious 'Fleagle Gang' Fingerprint ends nationwide '20s manhunt

True crime from the roaring 20s, "The Fleagle Gang, Betrayed by a finger-print," begins with a brazen daylight bank robbery of the First National Bank in Lamar, Colo. on May 23, 1928. Four men are dead, and the robbers escaped.

The author Tom (N.T.) Betz, editor of *The Goodland Star-News*, has spent a lifetime in journalism and on the Great Plains.

"The Fleagle Gang" details the robbery/murder case which hinges on a single fingerprint found on a murdered Dighton, Kan., doctor's car. The fledgling FBI and new boss J. Edgar



First National Bank of Lamar in 1928

Hoover play a crucial role in turning the fingerprint into solid evidence used to find, arrest and convict members of the Fleagle Gang. The FBI credits the Fleagle case as being the first time a single fingerprint was used to identify and convict criminals. The book includes over 100 photos and maps taken from court files and places where the gang robbed banks.

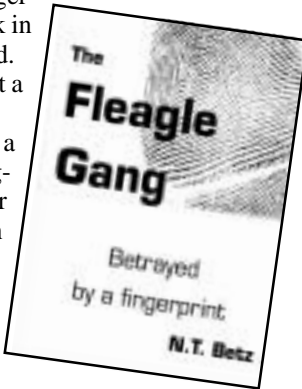
A U.S. Navy journalist and a graduate of the University of Colorado, Betz started his career deliver-ing papers for his family's newspaper in Lamar, Colo., winning the first of numerous journalism awards as a teenager.

The Fleagle Gang robbed banks and trains in Larned, Kinsley, Marysville, Ottawa and McPherson Kan., Lamar, Colo., Eugene, Ore., Pittsburg, Calif. and countless others of over \$1 million in the 10 years they operated.

Three gang members — Ralph Fleagle, George Abshire and Howard Royston — were "jerked up" at the Colorado Penitentiary a little over two years after committing the Colorado bank robbery. The fourth, Jake Fleagle, was shot on a train in Branson, Mo. in Oct. 1930.

"The Fleagle Gang" is available at the **Big Timbers Museum** in Lamar, Colo., the **Lane County Museum** in Dighton, Ks., the **Fick Fossil and History Museum** in Oakley, Ks., the **Finney County Museum** in Garden City, Ks., and the **High Plains Museum** in Goodland, Ks. It is available on-line from the publisher **Authorhouse.com**, Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble and other major book stores.

Check out "The Fleagle Gang" web site at: **nwkansas.com/home/fleaglegang.**



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