



Tranda Ihrig, summer art teacher, (top, left) helped Lacie Cowan cut a tape arm off herself to use for her "sculpture" Friday afternoon during the "Stuck on George Segal" class, part of the Carnegie Arts Center's Summer Art Institute. Morgan Podojil (above, left) helped Elizabeth Wellmann build her ballerina. Ihrig and Cowan (left) tried a blonde curly wig on Cowan's rock star figure while Cowan held a blue wig they put on later.

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## Kids create sculptures with tape, imagination

By Sharon Corcoran  
*The Goodland Star-News*

There was clear tape everywhere, some of it on the rolls, some on the kids and even more of it formed into a rock star, a ballerina, a hippie and a Hawaiian yoga girl.

A tall guy with large feet was still waiting for arms and an identity, but the kids were having a ball. The results are on display at the Carnegie Arts Center through the end of June.

While the rain poured down outside, the center's basement was a body-part-and-costume workshop Friday afternoon. "Stuck on George Segal," a class in the center's Summer Art Institute, explored the figurative sculpture work of artist George Segal, who is known for his sculptures using plaster casts made with medical bandaging.

Tranda Ihrig, an art education student at Emporia State University, taught kids fifth grade and older to

make sculptures by wrapping themselves in clear tape, sticky side out and then sticky side in to form a figure. The figures were built body part by body part, with Ihrig helping the kids to cut a slit in each part to pull it off and then re-taping it together.

The parts were assembled into a person and then dressed. For the heads, they taped over foam store-display heads, rather than their own.

Ihrig, daughter of Lynn and DeeAnn Ihrig of Goodland, said she got the idea from a seminar she attended with a class to glean projects for students when she becomes a teacher.

The figures can be hung outside houses like ghosts, she said, or can be put out in the snow with footprints leading up to them.

The kids were letting their imagination run wild while inventing their characters.

Elizabeth Wellmann was build-

ing a ballerina, while Morgan Podojil was building a Hawaiian yoga girl, whom she named Lilli. Podojil said she is Lilli's yoga master.

Lacie Cowan was having trouble deciding whether to put a blonde or a blue wig on her rock star, who wore a red T-shirt and a red feather boa. She chose blue.

Brooke Lockhart and Chloe Goodwin teamed up on a hippie in a neon, rainbow-colored tie-dyed T-shirt and jeans with a curly yellow wig. But they had to decide which gender to go with on the '70s throw-back character.

Brendan Flodin had a clear-tape figure with long legs and big feet who hadn't yet found his identity. Ihrig said she brought props to help the students along, including coconut bras, leis and assorted wigs.

## Two men arrested for joy ride in Colby after police assist them with car trouble

By Jan Katz Ackerman

*Colby Free Press*

A May 20 joyride resulted in two men, one from Colby and one from Goodland, being charged with multiple crimes.

Wesley L. Phillips, 22, of Colby, and Christopher M. Boster, 26, of Goodland, are accused of taking a 1999 Pontiac owned by Tammy Jurek, a Thomas County resident.

Phillips and Boster are alleged to have taken the car, which had been driven to town by Jurek's son, Eric, about 11:45 p.m. and returned to where it had been parked about 12:30 a.m.

### corrections

A story in the Friday, June 16, *Goodland Star-News*, about the Levi Hayden Memorial Tournament incorrectly identified Burlington as the winner. Scott City beat Burlington 8-3 in the championship game Saturday to win the tournament for the second time in a row. This was due to a reporting error.

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The two joyriders had car trouble and a Colby officer stopped to help them, and later when the car was reported missing, the police knew who to look for.

Phillips has been charged with criminal deprivation of property and driving on a suspended or revoked license for a third offense, both Class A misdemeanors which are punishable by up to one year in the county jail and a fine up to \$2,500. He has also been charged with possession of morphine, a level 4 non person felony punishable by 10 to 42 months in prison and a fine up to \$500,000.

Boster has been also charged with criminal deprivation of property and driving on a suspended or revoked license as a first offense, a

Class B misdemeanor punishable by up to six months in the county jail and a fine up to \$1,000.

Boster is additionally charged with obstruction of official duty for allegedly having run from Cpl. Ron Alexander while the officer was attempting to serve legal process and disobeying a command to stop. That is a level 9 non person felony punishable by five to 17 months in prison and a fine up to \$100,000.

Both Phillips and Boster were arrested and booked into the Thomas County Jail. They had a first appearance in Thomas County District Court on May 22 before Magistrate Judge Richard Ress and both men were released on personal recognizance.

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## Colby man victim, defendant in separate cases

Eric Jurek, 18, is not only the victim in Thomas County court case, he's the defendant in one. He was charged on April 20 with one count each of criminal threat and harassment by telephone.

Jurek, a high school student, is alleged to have called Andrew Boell, a math teacher at Colby High School, on Feb. 17, and threatened to punch him in the face and back in the area of his kidneys.

According to court documents, the criminal threat charge is a level 9 felony, while the phone harassment charge is a Class A non person misdemeanor. Should Jurek be convicted of either of these charges, he'd be sentenced under a set of guidelines different from those of an adult. The penalties could include from nine to 18 months in a juvenile correctional facility and a post-release probation up to 24 months.

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