

Dogs search buildings for bombs Thursday

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Smee said. "I told him I could make some calls, but was not sure if any dogs were available. Clouse told me he wanted to have the dogs do a search to make sure there was not a bomb and to reassure everyone the college was safe."

Smee said he called the Highway Patrol, and officials said they would try to send out a couple of dogs, but were not sure they could get their airplane off the ground because of the storm.

"I was surprised when I got a call about an hour later saying they had gotten off the ground and would be here in about an hour," Smee said. "It worked out well and they did a great job. They agreed it was the proper call to check the college."

Smee called Fort Riley and the Emergency Ordinance Disposal people said they could not come out. He asked about dogs, and was directed to the post provost marshal, the office which handles fort security.

"I called that office and talked to Staff Sgt. Clarence Franklin, who said they would bring three dogs," Smee said. "I later got a call saying they would have to turn back because we did not have the proper authorization."

"After a few more phone calls, we got the permission and Sgt. Franklin said they were heading back to Goodland and would be here in about 2 1/2 hours.

Smee said in the past he has called for help from Fort Riley and been told they could not come, so he was pleased they were able to help this



Students stood out in the cold Thursday night as Kansas Highway Patrol dogs searched the Northwest Kansas Technical College

dorm rooms for a potential bomb or evidence of bomb-making equipment.

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time.

Trooper Joe Green met the Highway Patrol plane at Renner Field and drove Lt. Kyle Moomau and

Tech Trooper J.T. O'Grady to the college with their dogs.

Smee said he explained the situation to Lt. Moomau and the two

laid out a plan to search all the buildings.

Smee coordinated the search from the administration building,

and the patrol dogs with escorts started by searching the student dorms, and then moved on to search eight other buildings. The Fort

Riley troops and two dogs arrived about an hour later.

The army dogs searched the administration, auto mechanics, electrical and carpentry and welding buildings and the library.

When the first Fort Riley dog searched the electrical and carpentry building, there was a "partial" hit, Smee said. To check, the second Fort Riley dog was brought in, but the results were negative. Chaffin accompanied he Highway Patrol dogs, making sure doors were unlocked to make a thorough search.

Assisting from the college were Brenda Chatfield, director of instruction services; Jeff Dinkel, maintenance supervisor; Buddy Plotz, dorm director; and Bob Buchannan, a maintenance man.

Handling the Fort Riley dogs were Staff Sgt. Michael McGann, Sgt. Corey McDonald and Sgt. Kevin Cameron.

Police officers helping were Cary Amos and Frankie Hays. Trooper Josh McQuitty escorted the patrol pilot who flew the crew from Topeka.

Smee said the search was completed about 10 p.m., and the dog teams headed home by 11 p.m.

"I hope we do find out who did this," Smee said. "We expect the cost of this to be several thousand dollars, and it could be over \$10,000. If we do find someone, we would certainly be asking for restitution."

Chaffin said the lost day would be made up by holding classes on Thursday, Dec. 21, scheduled to be a snow day and the start of the Christmas break.

Woman reaches agreement with court

By Pat Schiefen

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A woman facing charges of felony theft for allegedly stealing around \$10,000 from the Sherman County Stock Car Racing Association will serve a year on probation under a plea bargain agreed to last month.

Kimberly Davis plead guilty Monday, Nov. 13, to a charge of misdemeanor theft. She was sentenced to 30 days in jail, which was suspended, and placed on supervised probation.

She will need to pay restitution of \$2,000, a probation fee of \$25 and court costs of \$128, said Magistrate Judge John Cahoj.

Davis was represented by Jeff Mason from Vignery and Mason, while Sherman County Attorney

Bonnie Selby represented the state.

Alex West, president of the racing association, said at a preliminary hearing Tuesday, Oct. 17, that the first irregularity he found was that Davis had written checks for supplies before the 2005 season amounting to \$400-500. West said he talked to her and her husband and they agreed that the money was not for supplies and that they would pay it back.

About halfway through the 2005 racing season, West said, the amount of money collected for the gate was short about \$1,156. Selby asked West if he had asked Davis about it since she had access to the money. He said she indicated the money went to pay lap counters, and ambulance and fire volunteers on standby.

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ends in 2009. Projects would be selected from the pool based on the availability of federal money the state receives each year.

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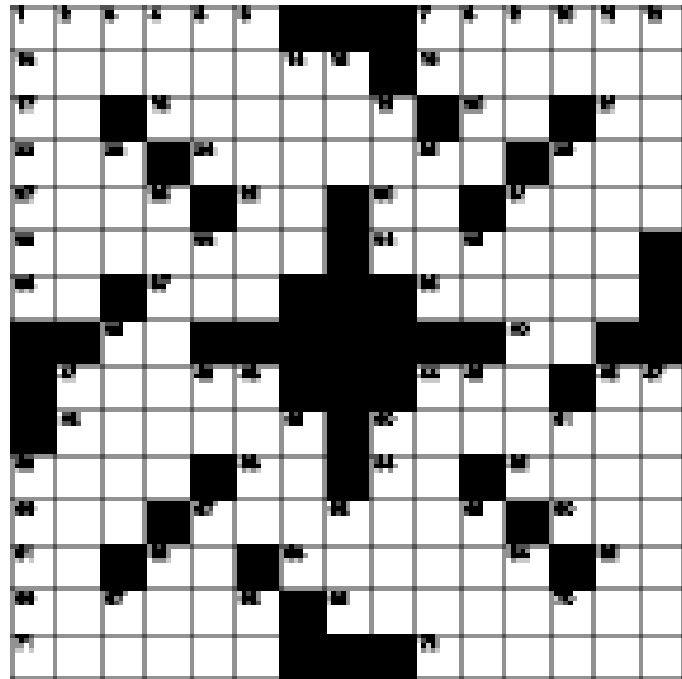


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- Unbound
- Castor and Pollux
- Synthetic rubber
- Transferred property
- Expression of sympathy
- Finger cymbal
- Libyan dinar (abbr.)
- Of I
- Point midway between W and SW
- Air cavities within a bone
- A large body of water
- Portuguese nurses
- District Attorney (abbr.)
- Krypton
- Narrow gap between peaks
- Rechristens
- Similar to metaphor
- Spanish for in or at
- Male parent
- Fathers
- Doctor
- Morning
- Bush: gaultheria shallon
- Sports implement
- Palladium (abbr.)
- NW American state
- More strict
- Brews
- 12th Greek letter
- , denotes past
- Small marshbird
- Walt's stock symbol
- Apprehended by the senses
- Thousand cubic feet (abbr.)
- Overdose (abbr.)
- Cerium
- Work ridiculing vice or folly
- Indicates position
- Clings to other fish or ships
- House
- Crumbled away
- Principle dish of a meal

CLUES DOWN

- Oblivious to
- Reporters
- Toward
- Inches per minute (abbr.)
- Geological times
- In a way, mocked
- Gadolinium
- Snake-like fish
- student, learns healing
- Potato state
- One that inflicts vengeance
- Cognitive contents
- Grandmothers
- European money
- Requests
- Pale
- Greek goddess of discord
- NW state capital
- Loins of lamb
- Looters
- Milliampere
- E
- Female equines
- More monolithic
- Silver
- Capital of Togo
- When you retire
- Early multimedia
- A fine closely woven cotton fabric
- Person selected without consent
- Avowed females
- 1954-77 Alliance opposing communism
- Read-only memory
- Regard with devotion
- Being dried and withered
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