

Gingerbread houses, scenes displayed at arts center

It was beginning to look a lot like Christmas at The Carnegie Arts Center this weekend with the holiday open house, wreaths and trees in the local art exhibit and about 100 tickets sold for the annual Holiday Home Tour.

Ten gingerbread house entries were set up for the contest, but they were not just houses. Many were scenes, which included decorated trees, snowmen, ponds and even a train.

"It went very well," said Center Director Tina Goodwin, "even better than I expected."

People really got enthusiastic about the gingerbread contest, she said, adding that the center will hold it again next year. The 10 houses will be on display through next Friday, and visitors can vote for their favorites by putting donations for the arts center in the boxes for as many houses as they want.

A gingerbread scene, including a house, skating pond and train is by the Deeds family, a house with snowman and tree by Deedi Hoss-Dorn and Hagan Hoss, a house with Spanish tiles made of bubble gum was made by recent Culinary Institute Graduate Ana McClung, and houses were entered by Brianna Salinas, Rebecca Lockhart, Brooke Lockhart, Sarah Johnson, Jenn Van Nostrand, Laura Norris and Pat Allaman.

No edible material was spared in their endeavors, as a variety of candies, cereals, pretzels, marshmallows, icings, chocolate chips, gum,



gingerbread, graham crackers, coconut and even seaweed and sesame seeds were used.

Also in the center is a display of work by local artists. It includes wreaths and small Christmas trees, life-like dolls, wood working, basket weaving and paintings.

Some of the wreaths and the trees are by Christie Rasure, other wreaths and some poinsettia arrangements are Silk Designs by Janet Rumpel, wood turned ornaments are by Mike Mersch, several wood pieces are by George Adelgren, Nantucket Lightship Baskets are by Brigham F. Sloan, walking sticks are by Dr. Richard Whitmore, paintings are by Elwyn Vatcher and life-like dolls are by Dee Ann Ihrig.

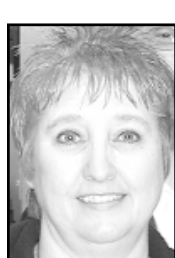


A gingerbread train (above) hauls candy along a pretzel track in a gingerbread scene created by the Deeds family for the Carnegie Arts Center's Gingerbread House Contest. A house by Laura Norris (top, left) features peppermint hearts and Hershey bar doors. See photos of local art at the center on page 7.

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Third and fourth winners claim \$50 prizes in Christmas on Us

With 10 lucky numbers in the ads for Christmas on Us sponsors on Page 3b of Tuesday's *Goodland Star-News*, Diane Scheopner and Roxann Kling were the third and fourth winners to claim \$50 instant prizes in the contest.



Kling



Scheopner

Scheopner claimed her prize on Wednesday with a ticket drawn from McClung's Appliance and Furniture. Excited, she said she would go down and buy some Christmas gifts, but said she was not

sure.

Kling claimed her prize on Wednesday with a ticket drawn from Garcia's Home Furnishings and Appliance. She said she was not sure where she would spend the money either.

Participating merchants have been handing out tickets in the ninth annual "Christmas on Us" promotion, which will spread a total of \$2,500 around to 12 lucky shoppers, since before Thanksgiving.

The contest will end on Saturday,

Dec. 16, when the grand prize of \$1,500 and second prize of \$500 will be given away at 1 p.m. downtown.

Shoppers will have plenty of chances to win the six remaining \$50 "instant prizes" along the way.

Participating businesses hand out one ticket for every \$10 a customer spends, with a limit of 250 tickets per transaction. If you ask at *The Star-News* office, we'll give you one free ticket each week, so no purchase is required to win.

The customer takes half of each ticket and the other half is dropped into tins, which are emptied once a week into a large barrel. The *Star-News* staff pick tickets each week

and tuck the winning numbers in "Christmas on Us" advertisements, which will run every Tuesday.

Winners have four days, until 5 p.m. each Friday, to bring their tickets to *The Star-News* office, 1205 Main, and collect \$50 in scrip, which can be spent at any participating business.

Ten \$50 instant prizes will be given out over four weeks, for a total of \$500. The last winning numbers appear in the Christmas on Us ads on Tuesday, which means shoppers have a chance to win up to \$300 in the next week. All of the \$50 instant winners will be given out.

Participating businesses are Garcia's Home Furnishings and

Appliance, Elliott's, American Communications, Mann's Jewelry, Shores Brothers Auto Supply, Sherman County Farm Bureau, Klip 'n Kurl Salon, McClung's Appliance and Furniture, High Plains Office Supply and *The Star-News*.

It's simple enough, but there are a few rules.

- You must be 18 to participate.
- Employees of participating businesses are not eligible at their workplace, but can collect tickets from other sponsors. *Star-News* employees and their immediate family are not eligible.
- All prizes will be awarded in

scrip, which can be spent only at participating businesses.

• The last day to collect tickets is Friday, Dec. 15.

• Winners must be present at the grand prize drawing and show their winning ticket.

• All winners agree to have their name and photo published. Winners of major prizes must provide their tax identification number, and agree to be interviewed and photographed for publication in the newspaper.

• Be sure to remind the clerk if you're not offered tickets. If that happens, you should get one extra ticket.

Topside Tip-Off continues today at fieldhouse

The 18th annual Topside Tip-Off basketball tournament continues at 2 p.m. today at Max Jones Fieldhouse with a pair of girls' games, one on the main court and the other in the junior high gym.

The winner of Thursday's Ottawa/McCook matchup will face the winner of the Colby/Wray game on the main court, while the losing teams will play in the junior high gym.

The Cowgirls will play around 6 p.m. against either Sharon Springs or Norton, depending on the results of Thursday's games.

"I believe that it is a very competitive field," said Goodland coach Don Smith. "Of course, we would like to finish the week as champions of our own tournament."

"This tournament is going to be really wide open and competitive on the boys side," said Cowboys coach Jon McLean. "There are five teams that could win it. It should be some exciting basketball."

The Cowboys will take the court around 8 tonight, against either Wray or Sharon Springs depending on the results Thursday.

The Cowboys have won the tournament five times, with the last championship two years ago. The Cowgirls have won six times, the last time in 2002.

The girls' championship will be played on the main court around 5 p.m. Saturday with the boys' title game starting around 7. The finals of the S&T Long-Distance Shootout will take place between

the two games.

The all-tournament teams will be announced about 10 minutes after the end of the championship matches. Goodland seniors Nick Angelos and Kaylee Billinger made all-tournament last year.

There will be little rest for Goodland's players after the Tip-Off, as the Cowboys and Cowgirls

will face the Indians of Hays High on the road Tuesday. The girls' game will tip off around 5:30 p.m. Mountain Time with the boys' game starting about two hours later. C-team games will get started at 3:45 p.m.

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Old Fashioned Downtown Christmas Blitz

**Saturday, December 9th
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

- 11 to 2 p.m. Taste of Goodland - Aten's Building
- Home Business Showing - Aten's Building.
- 1:30 Free Movie at the Sherman Theatre (Sunday Also)
- Horse & Carriage Rides ~ Carolers
- Local Artist Showing 1- 4 p.m. - Carnegie Arts Center.

Saturday - December 16th

- Make & Take Craft Morning
10 a.m. to Noon ~ Carnegie Arts Center
- Take time and stop by to see custom decorated Christmas Trees:**
Edward Jones decorated by The Almond Tree Interior & Gifts
American Communications decorated by Prairie Rose Floral
The Insurance Agency decorated by The Almond Tree Interior & Gifts
Sponsored by Goodland Area Chamber of Commerce

Buying ornaments helps homeless animals

The Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter will have a Tree of Hope in the foyer at Western State Bank in Goodland this holiday season.

For a \$5 donation, the shelter will hang an ornament in memory of or in honor of a beloved pet or a loved one.

The donations will help the shelter keep homeless animals warm and fed through the winter. Donations and names for the ornaments will be accepted through Saturday, Dec. 23. Send the donation and information to Box 128, Goodland, Kan. 67735.

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