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Sprint cars return to speedway Friday

The United Rebel Sprint Series returns to the Decatur County Speedway for the second of time this year for the "First Day of Summer Shootout" at 7 p.m. Friday.

Promoter Rick Salem said the event will feature sprint cars competing in a 25-lap circuit, with the drivers looking to add a ninth name to the list of victors this season.

Children will have the chance to compete in bicycle races at the event. Races will be divided into three age groups, 6 and under, 7 to 10, and 11 and over. Trophies will be awarded to the top three participants in each group.

The Rebels decided to bring back the "chicken chase race," which involves the sprint car drivers, Mr. Salem said.

Mr. Salem organized the chicken race for the first event here, and he said it was a hit with the fans and

the drivers.

He said the drivers will make two laps in their cars, then get out and enter a chicken pen. Drivers will have to catch a chicken and display it to the crowd, then they put the chicken back in the pen and sprint across the finish line.

"I wanted to put on a show again," Mr. Salem said. "We want to get people excited about this track."

Admission is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children ages 6 to 12 and free for children younger than 6. Any child who brings a bike to compete in the races will get in free.

For those who can't attend, Mr. Salem said, the event will be streamed live online at www.racing-boys.com.

For information, go to www.unitedrebelsprintseries.com or call Mr. Salem at (785) 475-7010.

Northwest Tech starts a crime scene program

Northwest Kansas Technical College at Goodland achieved another first when the Kansas Board of Regents approved a Crime Scene Investigation Technology program to begin in August.

The program is the first of its kind in Kansas, with the only other forensic-science program a bachelor's degree at Wichita State University.

The program will be "hands on and high tech," the school says. The curriculum will include training in areas such as fingerprinting, blood spatter, cyber security, drug identification and presenting evidence, among others. Graduates may continue on to a law-enforcement career, pursue entry-level jobs in the field or continue their education.

This program offers an alternative to those pursuing a traditional law-enforcement career. The Kan-

sas Law Enforcement Academy requires students to be at least 21 to attend. The primary option for high-school graduates has been a traditional criminal justice degree, where much of the material will be re-taught in the academy. The Northwest Tech program aims to extend their knowledge beyond what the academy teaches and give graduates an advantage when seeking jobs.

"The advantage of Northwest Tech's CSI program," said Rep. Ward Cassidy, "is that it provides hands-on training to expand (students') skills beyond traditional training. These additional skills could be incredibly valuable to small law enforcement agencies in northwest Kansas."

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Midway News

By Mary Lou Olson

Sympathy is extended to the family of Eva (Barratt) Bryan, 99, who died Saturday at the Decatur County Good Samaritan Center. Services were Tuesday at Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin. The Rev. Paul Babcock officiated and burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, Dennis (Leona) Barratt; five step-daughters, Detta (Elden) Anderson; Helen Jaderborg; Donna (Dick) Kelley; Janice Sauvage, and Cheryl (Wane) Stull; and a brother, Duane (Phyllis) Berry, and their families.

Morning worship services for the Herndon Covenant Church will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin.

Ernie Collard of Wenatchee, Wash., was honored with a party at the home of his son and wife, Paul and Rita Collard, in Atwood on Thursday to honor him on his 86th birthday. Others present were Carolyn Holle, Agra; Jean Ann Wagner, Phillipsburg; Carl and Sandra Antholz, McDonald; Paul and Pat Hanson, Wichita; Duane and Elsie Menken, Fort Morgan, Colo.; Kevin and Mary Holle, Marvin and Mary Ann Holle, Gene and Patti Domsch, Verol and Rosemary Bergling, Orrin and Beth Holle and family, and Marvin and Mary Ann Holle.

Dolores Benda and Eulaine Benda are recuperating from injuries received in falls.

Clae, Jordyn and Kainin McDonald of Colby visited over the

weekend with their grandparents, Chris and Sherri Schmidt.

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