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Second annual Art Festival to be held on Saturday

By Shawna Macy

SES students will have the opportunity to show their artistic talents during the Southeast of Saline Art Festival. The art show will be held Saturday, Jan. 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria and the auxiliary gym.

There will be art from every student taking an art class. A group of performing artists and visual artists will also be there. High school art teacher Mr. Kurt Krehbiel will be hosting the event along with the art club.

"I think that this is going to be a fun experience for the students, it will help them appreciate art from other perspectives and other artists," Krehbiel said.

"Don't bother bringing your check book, the art isn't for sale. This festival is for the enjoyment and fun that the arts provide us," Krehbiel said.

There will be a lunch of soup and

sandwiches and you will be able to catch every performance.

Krehbiel will be demonstrating the art of raku firing with the assistance of some of the art students.

The visual artists that will be there are Brad Anderson of Salina, ceramics; Dr. Dale Cole of Salina, Photography; Dr. Gene Fleharty of Hays, Waterfowl decoy carving; Meleta Forsberg of Roxbury, watercolor painting; Brian Holdsworth of Lindsborg, metal forging; Carol Long of St. John, ceramics; Cecil & Lindsey McKenzie of Emporia, blown glass; Kelly Montgomery of Marquette, pen and ink drawing; Frank Nichols of Hays, printmaking; Ed Pogue of Lindsborg, sculpture; and Jerry Thomas of Manhattan, oil painting.

There will also be performing artists. They are Julianne Davis of Lindsborg, 4NOW of Gypsum, our very own Don Wagner with Bill Burrows of Bennington; Pat Bhlmaier with another one of our teachers, Bill Olson, from Downs and Lindsborg; Jerry Thomas, Anne Zimmerman of Salina, Rojean Loucks of Salina, Dr. Dale Cole of Salina, and a raku firing demonstration by the SES Art Club.



High school art teacher Mr. Kurt Krehbiel fires raku during his ceramics class. The art department will host its annual art festival this Saturday. (Photo by Erica Flores)

Sophomores attend TWIST

By Sylvia Sawyer

The majority of the sophomore girls from Southeast attended the Teen Women in Science and Technology (TWIST) conference on Jan. 7.

TWIST was a motivational time for high school girls to think about what they wanted to do after graduation. Girls were told science and technology were fields that were beginning to more open to women. This is for the better, said keynote speaker Suzanne E. Franks, Ph.D.

"Women can do whatever a man can do in the fields of science and technology, and excel!" said Franks.

After the keynote address, the girls attended sessions that informed them on possible career choices that

they had selected beforehand. Some of the classes included Optometry, Medical Lab Technician, Veterinary Medicine, Choosing a Career, and Exploring the Internet.

After the classes, the girls had an opportunity to speak to potential college representatives during the Exhibit Hall period. Most of the large colleges in Kansas were there, including several local colleges. There were a few different exhibitors, however. The Army, EBC Radio and Girl Scouts were there as well.

Tony's Pizza provided a free lunch to the girls and lecturers. Girl Scouts had an array of free cookies for desert.

This was the eighth year that Kansas State University-Salina has hosted this career fair.

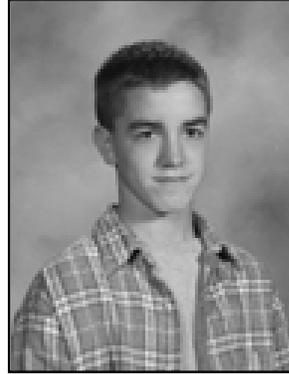
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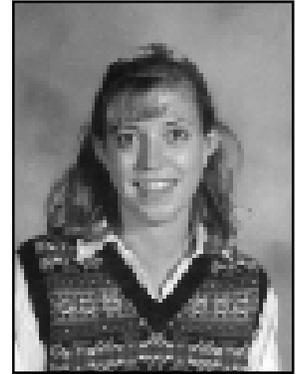
*Nathan Bachamp:
To get on the honor roll.
I'm going to start doing
my homework.*



*Jayme Sauber:
To keep my room clean.
Instead of throwing my
clothes on my floor, I'll put
them in the laundry room.*



*Adam Stephenson:
To avoid getting beat up by
Dustin Foresberg before
wrestling practice. I don't
know.*



*Karen Leiker:
Procrastinate less. I
haven't decided yet.*



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Editor's note: This cartoon was an assignment made by student teacher Mr. Brian Johnson in American Government class. The creators of this cartoon are Derik Unruh and Justin Verhoeff. For more information on the student teachers that taught at Southeast last semester, see page 6.

School officials rightly enforce no-tolerance policy

By Tammi Verhoeff

A boy's body sprawls out on the concrete, and teenagers run for their lives. Never before had these students ever



imagined that their school would be put on the map for one of the worst s c h o o l shootings in our nation's history.

Sound familiar? If so, it's not surprising. In the past seven years,

there have been 17 school shootings in the United States alone. School officials across the nation have responded to the violence with a new no-tolerance policy.

Southeast of Saline and other schools across the nation have now developed a policy that protects the students, faculty and school from any other 'mishaps' that may occur. A few weeks

ago, Principal Monte Couchman orchestrated discussions in all secondary classrooms concerning the SES violence and harassment policy.

The discussions were a wise move on Couchman's part. After all, several students at SES have been suspended this year for brandishing weapons or writing threatening letters. The rest of the student body must know that action must and will be taken if they harass or threaten someone.

Couchman's fifth block discussion of violence and harassment last month was met with some serious thought, but also with raised eyebrows and jokes.

Those who laughed and made jokes about that session probably think as the Columbine community thought before their incident: "It won't happen here. The administration is just overreacting." Some students have even argued that we are a small school where everybody knows everybody, and therefore teachers and administrators should consider a student's background and tone

of voice before turning in a student. But that reaction would create too much risk. Most likely, Columbine administrators would have recommended that approach two years ago also.

The current rules concerning threats and harassment (which are stated on pages 16 and 17 of the student handbook and have not changed for several years) are absolutely necessary in keeping the peace and safety alive at our school.

When making a joke, we must think before we speak, and any threat that is delivered in our direction must be taken seriously.

The administration cannot turn their backs on threatening events, and are taking necessary and life-saving precautions when they set boundaries for the students.

We may think we're safe and we don't need to worry, because nothing happens here, but don't you think Columbine thought the same thing?

Some people's personalities annoy others

By Sylvia Sawyer

Some people bother me. Not all people, but certain types seem to get under my skin.

One type of person that needs to change are the ditzes. Most of the time, all these people are concerned about is their



social status. In class, they act as if they don't even know the alphabet. They giggle incoherently, making themselves look like fools.

The part about them that is most irritating is the fact that they usually are the most popular among teachers, as well as students. Because they are so "cute," they can practically get away with murder. Also, these people usually can fall

into the "loose" category as well. They drape themselves over each other and innocent by-standers, making those of us that don't fall into this category ill to our stomachs.

Another type of person that drives me nuts would have to be the egotistic jerks.

These are usually the people that are superior in everything that they do. They play all of the sports, are in all the clubs, and excel scholastically. These are the people that others should look to for guidance and example, yet they have a terrible attitude toward those they see as "below" them. These are the people that you see jumping at any chance to show off and gain more recognition from their peers.

The last type of person that I will analyze would have to be the people that don't care. Usually these people come to school when they want to, never do anything that they don't like doing and enjoy breaking the rules. You see these

people making distractions in classes, tearing up things in the hallways and neglecting their studies. Most of the time, these people continue to act the way they do, because they can get away with it. Teachers, fellow students and parents only offer a slap on the wrist as a form of punishment (or none at all), and therefore these troublemakers continue their offensive actions.

By writing this article, I didn't want to sound like a hypocrite. I admit, I have many faults myself, and I'm sure that I drive someone to the brink of madness. I merely want to state a point. These may be stereotypes, but a lot of people from our school fit into them quite well. These are, of course, personality types. Some people can fit into one type of personality, and yet be a decent person underneath. If you notice some of these symptoms of yourself, then I have achieved my goal. Awareness is the key to making a better living environment for all types of people.

AUGUSTINE PARADES TO SCHOOL IN LIMO

By Shawna Macy

Driving! Ah! The magic word. Teens can't wait to own a car, and Kyle Augustine was no different. Well, maybe he was a little different. When it was time to buy a "new" car, Augustine chose a limo.

Augustine didn't always have a limo; in fact, until recently he drove an 88 Oldsmobile Cutlass Sierra, but four weeks before Christmas, a trip to Kansas City helped him find the car of his dreams.

A black limo was his pick.

Augustine said that the limo is quite fun to have around.

"I can hold up to nine people legally, but I always have the trunk space," Augustine said.

Augustine said the limo gets a lot of attention.

"When I go out cruising, I go to friends' houses, around South and of course on Fe. People give me a lot of different reactions; I get everything from smiles to glares," Augustine said.



Sophomore Kyle Augustine poses with his limo. Augustine acquired the limo four weeks before Christmas and has driven it to school ever since. (Photo by Amber Byarlay)

With driving a limo comes changes, though.

"I have to take corners a lot wider, go slower and I have to keep the windows down to see better," Augustine said.

Gas is another thing to keep in mind.

"It costs me \$20 a week to fill it up," Augustine said.

Augustine said he'd had offers to recuperate some of those costs, however.

"I've had a lot of offers for people to pay me to drive them around. I'll probably charge \$50 to \$75 per hour with a minimum of two hours," Augustine said.

Though he hasn't made any money with it yet, he likes the limo and recommends that others get one.

"It's a lot of fun, but I wouldn't recommend getting

black, due to all the dust," Augustine said.

Though Augustine likes almost everything about his limo, one big question remains unanswered.

"All my friends say that the limo is a babe magnet. I'm not so sure...yet!" he said.

Graphic Arts students busy painting downstairs hallway

By Andrea Keeler

With the ending of the semester, they came charging down the stairwells, through the hall and into the shop. The tension was high, and the stress level rising. No, the grade cards hadn't come out. It was Mr. Scott Emme's Graphic Arts I and II students hurriedly trying to finish their projects.

"The class is all about graphics, which is a visual form of communication outside the written work," Emme said.

Enrollment has been steady in the past few years, maintaining between 10 and 15 students per semester. The class takes place in the first semester during block one. There are two groups involved. Those taking their first year (Graphic Arts I) are learning the basic materials and processes for developing a graphic print as industry would. The second-time students (Graphic Arts II) have a different aspect to study.

"They learn to apply graphics to as many different areas of everyday life as possible. And they also see its applications in real life," Emme said.

In fact, Matt Petersen, chose to take

Graphic Arts II this semester. He was a Graphic Arts I student last semester.

"I needed to fill up my schedule and it sounded like a cool class to take," Petersen said.

Projects for Graphics I included: print for t-shirt, two color t-shirt design, print on plastic, memo pads, business cards, greeting cards and playing cards.

Graphics II projects were: two color t-shirt design, cylinder print, computerized memo pads and wall and sign prints.

Student reasons for taking the class varied.

"You get to make cool things and there is no homework," Nikki Messersmith said. She also decided to take a second round of this course.

"I took the first class and I liked it so much that I took it this year," Derik Unruh, a Graphic Arts II student last semester, said.

"You get to make stuff and there's no homework. There's also no lectures," Jeremy Petty, also a Graphic Arts II student last semester, said.



Graphic Arts II student Derik Unruh works on painting the shop hallway in the basement. The class is working on putting signs on the walls to help direct people to classrooms and restrooms. (Photo by Andrea Keeler)

Southeast teachers reminisce about student teaching days

By Tammi Verhoeff and Shawna Macy

Mistakes, they're only human. We've all experienced major bloopers before, some more drastic than others. Teachers were all beginners once and have all made mistakes or observations about life in their student teaching.

Following are some of the accounts of some Southeast of Saline's teachers' and administrator's student teaching experiences.

Principal Monte Couchman:

As a student teacher at Manhattan High School, one of the classes I taught was speech. Early on in my teaching of this speech class, we had students do a demonstration speech, showing the audience how to do something.

One particular female student was a typical 'punk rocker'—black leather clothes, metal jewelry, nose ring, painted spiked hair, etc. She decided that for her demonstration speech, she would show the class how to give yourself a tattoo—and she did it!

She showed how to open the skin with a razor, how to insert the ink, and create a picture on HER ANKLE AS SHE SPOKE! In addition, she showed the class three other self-created tattoos! This was a memorable demonstration speech!

Kendall Lynn:

I was a student teacher in Junction City dealing with ninth graders and it was the first day. I was left alone with the class. A student got up and said he was not feeling well and asked to go the bathroom.

On his way across the room he passed out and fell to the floor. I was not sure what to do so I had another student go get the teacher next door.

It was scary because the kid's eyes rolled back in his head. In the end it turned out okay, because the kid was all right. He was not eating because he was trying to get ready for wrestling.

Don Wagner:

My student teaching experience was rather different, since I was teaching under a gal who herself was a first-year teacher and was having problems. I took over her classes, and got along really well with the kids most of the time.

However, I learned a big lesson about the use of sarcasm. I was reading essays from a class, which was supposed to be college bound seniors, and I came across an essay that was really poorly written.

I had a good working relationship with this student, I thought. As a joke/reprimand for the poor quality, I wrote: "And you call yourself college material?"

The girl took immediate offense, burst out in tears, and ran from the room crying. After her friends held a pow-wow around the sobbing girl, the guys stomped back into the room and threatened to beat me up. I told them to back off and sit down, and held a conference with the girl in which I tried to explain my intent within the sarcastic remark.

She finally understood that I was critiquing the product, not her, and we are still pretty good friends today.

However, I learned how powerful teacher comments can be, and since then have tried to temper my tone to address the paper and not cast reflections on the person. I don't always succeed, but I do try to keep my sarcastic edge under control.

Brad Edwards:

I was observing in a Kindergarten class at Emporia, when a little boy walked by me crying. I asked him what was the matter, but he wouldn't answer. Then, his little friend walked up and said that he knew why he was upset.

When I asked, he said the other little boy was playing with his dad's guns the night before and was worried about getting in trouble. It's nice when kids are at an age where they are willing to share. We were able to call his parents, so they could talk to him.

I was student teaching in the third grade at Butcher School, on campus at Emporia State University. There was a little boy who was constantly off task, visiting, out of his seat and just generally misbehaving. One day, I was tired of the disruptions, so I set him in the hall.

A few minutes later, I looked out into the hall to notice that he was playing with a small car as he drove it along a ledge. I went out and took the car away, hoping to make this an unpleasant experience.

About five minutes later, I saw other student teachers go by him, several stopping to give him a hug.

Then, another group of two, then four, then three, all of them seemed to stop by and give him attention.

That was the last time I sent him into the hall, and I set down with my supervisor to work on a better plan. I believe to this day that this boy could make an enjoyable moment out of any situation. I learned to make sure that the discipline would have a better effect.

Rex Cooper:

I student taught at Wakeeney High School but lived in Hays. I had to carpool every day with some buddies of mine. I had some interesting student teacher experiences, but I can't repeat them to the student body.

Scott Emme:

I student taught at Lacrosse High School. There weren't any interesting experiences except for the fact that I had to make a mad dash after school for track practice, a 45-minute drive back to Ft. Hays State University every day.

Todd Baird:

While student teaching at Salina South, a freshman girl wearing all leather, including leather biking gloves, complete with studs, told me to go stick a Time magazine up my ... you-know-what! (Yikes!)

Keith Lane:

I student taught at Cootsa—go Indians! I taught the class something that was wrong, and the teacher had to correct it later. That was embarrassing. More embarrassing, though, was the time I lost a wrestling match to one of my students who just happened to be a girl.

Pat Haxton:

Oh my gosh, that was the most stressful experience I've ever encountered. The supervising teacher was only there with me for one day, and then I was left alone with the kids.

And then, when I was coaching track, there was this kid screwing around in the shot put pit. He ended up getting hit in the shoulder with a shot put and I had to deal with his parents and the principal. I'm telling you it was so stressful, I don't like talking about it.

As you can clearly see, teachers aren't as perfect as they make themselves out to be. They all have their bad experiences and, as you can tell, they all have made mistakes a time or two.



Four student teachers join Southeast family, gain

By Amber Byarlay and Andrea Keeler

The joys and agonies of student teaching can be quite numerous, and this school year four student teachers have had the opportunity to learn about teaching at Southeast of Saline.

The four student teachers, Miss Theresa Reinke, Miss Jaime Klein, Miss Lindsay Morgan and Mr. Brian Johnson taught in the areas of music, physical education, art and Social Sciences.

Another student teacher, Miss Kathleen Rytych, will begin her student teaching experience in English on Jan. 31.

With the exception of Rytych, all of them finished their teaching before or right after Christmas break. The *Trojournal* decided to ask these aspiring teachers about their experiences at SES and what they discovered about the art of teaching.

Theresa Reinke

For Reinke, student teaching held some unexpected occurrences. The most unusual for Reinke, however, happened on her very first day at Southeast.

"Having pick up lines thrown at me the first day I walked in by a particular senior," Reinke said of what came to be her most interesting experience.



Reinke observed Mr. Bill and Mrs. Susan Tuzicka's music classes. With Mrs. Tuzicka, Reinke worked with kindergarten through sixth grades. With Mr. Tuzicka, she had junior high, freshmen, mixed chorus and madrigals.

Reinke was here throughout the first semester, spending about eight weeks with each of the Tuzickas.

Reinke chose to student teach at Southeast because she felt the music departments were good.

"It was one of the better music programs around Lindsborg. The fact that both the Tuzickas were Bethany graduates also influenced me," Reinke said.

Reinke felt she had learned a lot based on her experiences here.

"I was able to apply all of the things I learned in class to situations, so I learned a lot about myself and my teaching style," Reinke said.

There were a few awkward situations,

Reinke admitted, though the students were respectful.

"At times, I felt torn between being a student and a teacher, so sometimes it was awkward," Reinke said.

The worst thing, though, happened enroute to Southeast one day.

"The worst thing was getting a speeding ticket on the way to school one day," Reinke said.

The feeling of accomplishment after her student teaching was done left Reinke eager to encounter the future. She currently has one semester left to finish at Bethany. She then would like to find a job teaching elementary music.

"I'd like to stay in midwest Kansas," Reinke said. "I have a lot of connections as well as people to talk to here."

"I really appreciate everyone — all the students and teachers — that helped me mature into a better teacher."

Jaime Klein

Klein, a student from Kansas Wesleyan University, student taught physical education classes for 12 weeks. Six of the weeks she spent teaching the elementary classes of Mr. Wade Caselman; the other six weeks she taught the junior and senior high school classes of Mr. Pat Haxton. Klein found no difficulty in handling the different classes.

"The students at Southeast treated me with respect; I never ran into any problems," Klein said.

South-east was a first choice for Klein when it came time to decide where she would like to teach.

"We were able to put down our first and second choices, and Southeast was my first choice because I had been out there before and I met Mr. Caselman and we got along well. I also liked the facilities and the idea of staying in one building the whole time," Klein said.

During her tenure at Southeast, Klein had a few interesting incidents, one of which was evacuating the school with a fire alarm.

"During my eighth grade PE class, the fire alarm got knocked and we evacuated the entire school. It's humorous now, but it wasn't at the time," Klein said.

Despite the fire-alarm incident, Klein



said that her experience at SES was a positive one and she hopes to continue teaching in the future.

"I think that eventually, down the road, I will be teaching; right now I'm open to teaching anywhere — in or out of state," Klein said.

Currently, though, Klein is back in the classroom — as a student. "Right now I'm back in school; I'll graduate in May and then I'm planning to go to graduate school to work on getting my masters. If that doesn't work, then I'll look for a teaching job," Klein said.

So what wisdom did Klein gather from her student teaching experience at Southeast?

"I learned that as long as you have patience and keep a sense of humor, the day will go just fine," Klein said. "No matter how bad one day might have been, the next day is going to be totally different."

Lindsay Morgan



For Morgan, who taught with Mr. Kurt Krehbiel (high school art) and Mrs. Kathy Gregory (elementary art), student teaching was an experience that she hopes will put her on the way to working for a major com-

pany.

Morgan will finish classes at Bethany next semester. She then plans to pursue a degree in graphic arts. Morgan is currently looking for graduate schools, such as Fort Hays and the University of Kansas, with graphic arts in their curriculum. She is not currently planning on substitute teaching.

"My ideal job, I know I'm dreaming big now," Morgan said, "would have to be working for a major company, like Nike, designing logos or something in that area."

If Morgan was going to pursue teaching, she would be looking for a school like Southeast.

"I would want to teach in a 3A, country setting school, somewhere in Kansas," Morgan said.

In fact, Morgan got to choose which school she went to. The students were given three schools to choose from and as long as no one else wanted the same school, they got it.

"I observed in a Marquette school and

knowledge of their future careers

I wanted to go to a little bigger school," Morgan said. "I liked the staff and teachers (at Southeast). It seemed like a pretty well-rounded school."

Morgan said that while she was at Southeast she was treated with the utmost respect – although there were a few times when the joke was on her.

"In Ceramics class, while I was teaching, I was trying to show them how to make a whistle. I couldn't get mine to work, but some of the students had theirs working. They teased me and didn't let me forget about it for awhile," Morgan said.

Brian Johnson

Johnson, also a student from Kansas Wesleyan, taught Mr. Rex Cooper's second and seventh hour American Government classes and Mr. Todd Baird's third and fifth hour American History classes for 12 weeks. Like his fellow student teachers, Johnson found the students at Southeast to be receptive and polite, but unlike the other student teachers, Johnson did not choose the school where he would teach.



"You could request a specific school, but I didn't. I decided to let them (the education professors at Kansas Wesleyan) send me to wherever," Johnson said. The professors decided on Southeast because of its willingness to accept a student teacher in Johnson's area of study.

Johnson said that while teaching at SES, nothing stuck out

as being the most memorable event of his student teaching experience, but that there were a lot of smaller things that made it interesting.

"Student teaching was quite an experience. One thing that sticks out in my mind is the first day of school when the students were there. I didn't know what to expect and it was the first experience I'd had with all of the students I would be teaching," Johnson said.

Johnson hopes to have a repeat first day in the near future but until then, he plans to substitute in Salina.

"Right now I'm substituting at schools in Salina. So far I've subbed at South Middle School, and it went well; I enjoyed it. I hope to find a teaching job before next year. I want to stay in Kansas, but outside of that, where I teach doesn't matter to me – I think that I will have to be open and go wherever I can get a job. I'd be happy as long as I stayed in the state," Johnson said.

Johnson feels that his student teaching was a valuable experience and that it taught him more about teaching than he ever imagined. In fact, Johnson no longer looks at teaching in the light that he once did.

"I learned that teaching is a lot more work than I expected. I knew it was hard, but I didn't realize how much work and effort goes into it. It takes a lot of planning and thinking ahead," Johnson said. "Now that I know what teachers go through, I wish I could go back and do school again – I'd try a lot harder."

While the most difficult part of Johnson's student teaching was the worrying he did when teaching, simply meeting the students made the experience worth the time it required.

"Wondering if I was a complete idiot or if I was doing something worthwhile was one of the worst aspects of student teaching," Johnson said. "Getting to know everybody, all of the students, was one of the best."

Southeast to host League Honor Band

By Amanda Penn

SES band director Mr. Bill Olson has recently selected fifteen band members for League Honor Band.

"In order to choose which band members were selected, I had a list of the top players in the band, and it also depended on how many openings were still

left in the honor band," Olson said.

League Honor Band will be held at Southeast this year on Feb. 7. This is the first year that SES has hosted it.

The guest conductor is William McMosley from Kansas Wesleyan. Prior to the honor band's performance, a guest group will be performing which will be the Bill Burrows Band.

"I think it will be a good time for the members, directors and the audience. I don't think there should be any problems," Olson said.

Olson has done much preparation for the honor band. He's helped McMosley select the music to play, sent the music out to all the schools and arranged a meal for everyone for the evening of the performance. Elisabeth Myers, Susie Green, Heather Koffman, Nina Roos, Rianna Crable, Christina Leduc, Jesse Hanson, Erin Petigean, Sara Prater, Jacob Will, Evan Diaz, Jathan Show, Dustin Forsberg, Sean Wilcox and Zach Vernon were the students selected for the Honor Band.



BAND TRIP TO CALIFORNIA SLATED FOR SPRING BREAK

By Ashley Mueller

We're off to see the wizard, the wonderful wizard of Oz. Well, not exactly. There will be no Emerald City when SES Band takes their Spring Break trip, but the group will see the sunny beaches of California.

"We'll be basing out of Los Angeles. We'll visit Disneyland, Universal Studios, Catalina Island and ride on a glass bottom boat," band director Bill Olson said.

The six-day, five-night trip will include two performances. One will be at Disneyland during Disney Magic Music Days and the other at Universal Studios.

The cost of the trip is \$540 per student.

"The total cost of the trip is around \$40,000, about \$540 per student," Olson said. Most of this money is coming from fundraisers, but the Board of Education did contribute \$6,000."

Olson, along with parent sponsors Mr. Allen and Mrs. Elaine Prater, Mr. Kurt Krager and Mrs. Chris, Mr. Dan and Mrs. Sandra Petitjean, Mr. Brian Schmitt and Mrs. Joanie Pope-Schmidt, Mr. Doug and Mrs. Rhonda Bethe and Mrs. Carolyn Baschamp, will share the bus ride to California with about 70 band members.

"We'll have two buses, fully equipped with the latest comforts, including televisions. I feel bus trips are team builders because you all are sharing the same lousy, long bus ride. It brings groups closer," Olson said.

Olson sees the trip as a rewarding experience.

"I think this is very educational for the students. Some may not ever have the chance to go out of the state of Kansas, to see the ocean or the coast. It's a reward for musical accomplishments from the last few years," Olson said.

Forensics team entering promising season

By Ashley Mueller

Forensics coach Mr. Terry Anderson has high hopes for the 2000 forensics team. With seven returning state qualifiers, things look promising.

"I think everyone will do well. Our seniors are almost all state qualifiers, so we have high hopes. I expect the team to do well," Anderson said.

Scholars' Bowl prepares for final lap

By Amber Byarlay

The Southeast of Saline Scholars' Bowl team is preparing to make its final lap before competing at the state meet. Before advancing to state, the team must first qualify at the Regional meet on Thursday, Feb. 3 at Southeast. And Southeast coach, Mr. Bob Sauber, feels that his team is ready.

"We have a good strong team this year and I expect to be successful at Regionals and advance to the state tournament," Sauber said.

The varsity team was in action on Saturday, Jan. 15 when they competed at Council Grove. The team's overall record was 5-1; after losing in the quarterfinal round, the team failed to place. Team members who went were Adam Smith, Dustin Kruse, Nick Sparacino, Mike Pope and Ben Ryan.

The varsity team was scheduled to compete at the Lincoln meet on Monday, Jan. 3, but due to poor weather conditions, the meet was canceled.

On Saturday, Jan. 8 Southeast hosted its thirteenth annual varsity Scholars' Bowl meet.

"I thought the meet went really well. We had 24 teams competing with schools that ranged in size from 5A to 1A," Sauber said.

Bennington earned the first place medal with a record of 8-0 and was followed by Lincoln (6-2), Beloit (7-1) and Council Grove (6-2).

Thursday, Jan. 13 sent the junior varsity team to Junction City. Team members who competed in Junction City were Lindsey Shirack, Jayme Sauber, Joe Sparacino and Roy Riffel. Their record was 3-3; they qualified for the quarterfinals, but didn't go any further.

The team's next meet will be the League meet on Monday, Jan. 31 at Russell.

Although there are several new freshmen and six returning seniors, a roster is not yet complete.

"Generally a lot of people sign up for forensics, but end up not competing, or only going to one meet. So, I usually wait until we're a few meets into the season to make up a roster," Anderson said.

Returning state-level acts from last

year are Nick Sparacino and Darcy Reese, Jacob Wrench and Sparacino, Michelle Wilson and Leslie Thompson, Candice Brochar and Angela Wilson.

"This makes for a good team. I hope to have a few state champions," Anderson said.

Forensics officially begins Jan. 29 at Smoky Valley.

Southeast to welcome golf to sports program

By Amanda Penn

A new challenge awaits ex-track coach, Mr. Bill Gies. Instead of coaching hurlers he will be coaching chippers as he takes over the new golf program this spring.

Gies is excited about this new opportunity.

"I have always wanted to coach golf. My father was one of the men that built the course at Scott City, so I have a really strong desire to also build a golf program," Gies said.

Golf practice starts on Feb. 28 for the 16 boys and three girls waiting to get started.

The school board agreed to start the new program after a fall survey showed adequate interest in the sport to field a team.

The golf team will have several practice sites. Initially, some suggested creating a three-hole course on the SES back lot, but Gies said it's unlikely that participants will practice here much.

Hopefully they will practice in Salina at the Salina Municipal Course, the Elks Country Club, The Salina Country Club and Riverbend.

Southeast doesn't plan to provide

transportation to get to practice, Gies said.

"We will try to utilize the area here as we are able, but as of now the players will get to practice on their own," Gies said.

Players will be responsible not only for transportation but also for providing their own clubs, shoes and golf balls.

"Hopefully, we will be able to have

varsity golf bags and tournament golf balls at some time in the future," Gies said.

Gies doesn't know how well the players will compete this year but his main goal is for the participants to learn the game and have fun.

"I hope we can have fun and learn to be good golfers. One of the challenges will be to learn the rules, especially the etiquette of the game," Gies said.

The members of the 2000 golf team that have expressed interest so far are the following: Matt Peterson, Mitchel Lacy, Jesse Thomp-

son, Adam Smith, Derik Unruh, Brandon Pourier, Eric Tweedy, Mark Troutfetter, Cliff Fowles, Candice Broshar, Jason Brady, Brandon Harrod, Jim Scheibmeir, Jacob Will, Alex Harbin, Terry Kinsler, Rachel Latham, Cara Ade and Dustin Kruse.



Future golfer Candice Broshar demonstrates her swing for the camera. This will be the first year that the Southeast sports program will feature golf. (Photo by Erica Flores)

Seven juniors selected to receive leadership training

By Ashley Mueller

Seven junior class members will receive Leadership training after getting accepted into Junior Leadership Salina 2000.

Martha Bethe, Angela Myers, Casey Noonan, Adam

Smith, Emily Stein, Stephanie Swanson and Mark Troutfetter will go to their first session Feb. 7 and "graduate" on May 3.

"Junior Leadership is based on the Senior Leadership program and promotes

leadership in the community and helps give students a better feel for leadership," high school counselor Mrs. Judy White said.

The event is sponsored by the Salina Area Chamber of Commerce and has the fol-

lowing objectives: to develop knowledge about the community; develop and encourage use of personal leadership skills; and stimulate interest in becoming involved in community activities and assuming leadership roles.

Lunch room serves Kansas-themed menu

By Amber Byarlay

"A step from the past – into the future." That is the theme for this year's Kansas School Lunch Week.

The week began on Monday, Jan. 24 and will continue until Friday, Jan. 28. In celebration, the school food service has scheduled menus with some new items.

The menu will include the following: Monday – pizza, Tuesday – chicken fajita, Wednesday – cheeseburger, Thursday – SES famous chili and Friday – chicken nuggets. The state of Kansas designed and sent the menus to Southeast. They are intended to promote Kansas agriculture and knowledge of Kansas products.

Differences in the entrees include a different type of chicken in the fajitas and applekuchen in place of the cinnamon rolls served with chili. The applekuchen is similar to a coffeecake with apple pie filling.

Head cook, Mrs. Carol Clark, said she felt the celebratory week is going well.

"I think that the week is going well. We are trying out a couple of new recipes this week and I hope that the students are enjoying the changes," Clark said.

All Proceeds go to Band Trip

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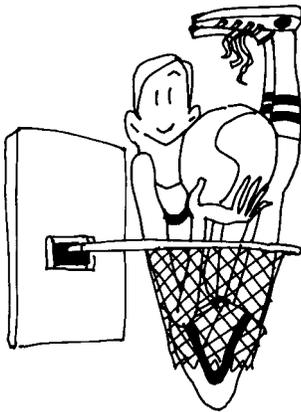
Basketball

Girls:

Chapman	48-53
Concordia	30-49
Minneapolis	38-42
Abilene	38-40
Russell	51-43
Chapman	36-52
Beloit	41-50
Ellsworth	59-42
Girls' record	2-6

Boys:

Chapman	50-70
Concordia	48-65
Minneapolis	48-64
Belleville	29-67
Abilene	58-43
Russell	48-62
Chapman	39-63
Beloit	54-66
Salina Invitational Trny.	
South	37-62
Sacred Heart	56-46
Concordia	32-47
Ellsworth	45-54
Boys' Record	2-9



Wrestling

Ellsworth	9-69
Lincoln Tournament	2nd
Beliot	25-51
Minneapolis	7th

Trojans looking for a repeat victory

By Charly Bloom

Southeast of Saline Trojans will meet the struggling Sacred Heart Knights again Tuesday Feb. 1 at Sacred Heart. When the met last Friday, the Trojans downed the Knights 56-46 at the Salina Invitational Tournament (SIT).

Coach Dee Kolzow expects the Knights to be seeking revenge, but he's optimistic that the Trojans can again handle the Knights.

Senior forward Thomas Stein was a lethal weapon at the SIT against the Knights, scoring nearly every time he touched the ball and tallying a massive 27 points on the evening.

"Thomas had an outstanding tournament; he did a great job," Kolzow said.

Stein finished among the tournaments leading scorers and rebounders. His .724 shooting percentage in the SIT (21 of 29) ranks him fifth all time in the event's 21-year history. For his team leadership and effort, Stein received the most inspirational player award at the SIT.

"I felt overwhelmed. I've never gotten an award like this one before," Stein said.

Starters for the Sacred Heart game were Stein, Mark Troutfetter, Chaid

Schwarz, Adam Ptacek and Cole Eilders.

The Trojans made just enough free throws to keep themselves alive during the Knight's late rally.

"We need to be more consistent throughout the game," Kolzow said.

The top scorer of the night was Stein with 27 points. Other scorers include Troutfetter with nine, Schwarz with seven, Ptacek with five, Eilders with four and Terry Kinsler with four.

The Trojans also had 35 rebounds on the night; Stein had 13 of them.

Southeast placed sixth in the tournament, dropping games to Salina South and Concordia.

"I think we played well during the SIT, but there are still some things that we need to work on," Kolzow said.

On Saturday Jan. 23, the Trojans lost to the Concordia Panthers 32-47.

"We played well, but we needed to be more consistent on offense," Kolzow said.

The starters included Stein, Eilders, Troutfetter, Ptacek and Schwarz.

"Although we only shot 24 percent from the field, I thought we played well," Kolzow said.

The top scorer of the game was again Stein with 16. Other scorers include Eilders with seven, Troutfetter with six, Casey Noonan with two and Ptacek with one. There were also 31 rebounds, Stein with 14.

Tuesday's game against Ellsworth was hard fought but the Trojans lost 45-54.

"We didn't start out with enough intensity but had a great third quarter. Four of the regular starters fouled out and Chaid never touched the floor because of a sprained ankle," Kolzow said.



Southeast guard Adam Ptacek tries to penetrate Beloit's defense during a recent home game. (Photo by Amber Byarlay)

Lady Trojans continue Invitational play tonight

Tonight the Southeast of Saline girls will continue to play in the Southeast Invitational Tournament. Southeast played Salina South last night, but results were too late for publication.

The Trojans were seeded fifth, and South was seeded fourth.

The girl's team has been off since Jan. 18 when they defeated Ellsworth 59-42, improving their record to 3-6.

In the game, they shot ahead with important contributions from high scorers Heidi Ptacek with 19 points, Chelsie Schwarz with 13 and Anne Johnson with 11.

Three point shooters in the game consisted of Schwarz and Emily Eilders, both with one and Johnson with two.

Schwarz and Ptacek were the lead scorers in the Beloit game also. Schwarz had 13 and Ptacek, 11. That game they lost 50-41.

The rest of the month's scores include losses to Abilene (38-40) and Chapman-52-36. SES defeated Russell 51-43 on Jan. 7.



Heidi Ptacek posts up against a taller Beloit opponent on Jan. 14. (Photo by Amber Byarlay)

Wrestlers prepare for Regional Tournament

By Tammi Verhoeff

Southeast of Saline hosted a wrestling triangular with Remington and Hesston on Jan. 25. Southeast was able

to pull away from Hesston, but was unable to match up against Remington.

"The team has made a lot of improvements, they are working hard in practice. Our intensity is a lot better than it was two months ago," assistant coach Pat Haxton said.

Southeast wrestling has grown in numbers since last year, with only two weight classes open.

The Trojans are seeing a lot more action and a lot more team points.

The seniors are leading the team with a good heads on their shoulders.

"The main reason we're improving is the work of the seniors. They come to practice everyday with an understanding that we need to boost our intensity. They work really well with the underclassmen," Haxton said.

"We are doing exceptionally well this year. The freshman are showing major potential for future years," senior Justin Verhoeff said.

The wrestlers may be working hard, but they'll have their work cut out for them at the Regional Tournament Feb. 18 and 19.

"We're going to have a very, very, tough regional," Haxton said. "We have to face Ellsworth, Beloit, Minneapolis and Lincoln. We may have one of the toughest regional's in the state."

Senior Dustin Forsberg was named KSAL's athlete of the week. You can find his picture and interview at www.KSAL.com.

"If everyone keeps improving, who knows what'll happen next," sophomore AJ Teal said.



Southeast cheerleaders Crystal Gregory, Meladee Garst and Stephanie Tinkler show their school spirit during the Beloit game. (Photo by Amber Byarlay)

Teen Trust members attend TASK conference in Wichita

By Charly Bloom

Every 13 seconds, someone dies from tobacco use, and second-hand smoke kills some 50,000 Americans each year, making it the third leading cause of death. Even so, everyday 3,000 young people become regular smokers and 33 percent of these people who become regular smokers will die of a smoking related disease.

This is why the Teens Against Smoking in Kansas (TASK) Youth Summit met in Wichita, Kansas on Jan. 15 and 16 to structure activities and a plan called "Youth Empowerment."

The objective of this group was planning the Smoke-Free Teens Are Rising (STAR) rally held in Topeka on Feb. 3.

There will be approximately 30 students from Southeast going to the STAR rally.

The STAR rally will be a student-run rally with three different groups: Communication, Policy and Community Actions.

These groups have numerous responsibilities. The communication group is working on getting TASK advertised throughout the state, the policy has written letters to the legislature and the community actions group is responsible for getting out in the community and getting teen smoking stopped.

SES students who attended the Jan. 15 TASK Youth Summit were Martha Bethe, Kyle Clifford and Tammi Verhoeff. Mr. Terry Anderson accompanied this group as their sponsor.

There were 10 schools represented from all over the state and approximately 30 students who attended.

Sponsors of this retreat include The Kansas Department of Health and Environment, The Tobacco Use Prevention and the Kansas Smokeless Kids Initiate Inc.

Dr. Fred Bradley from Kansas State University's department of education met with the sponsors and students and offered them many words of encouragement.



Southeast of Saline Teen Trust members listen to ideas at their TASK conference in Wichita. (Photo by Terry Anderson)

FCCLA gears up for regional competition

By Ashley Mueller

This fall you could have watched Jayme Sauber and Ashley Mueller run a two-mile race or watched Emily Stein dance at the football games. Now, you can watch them attempt to run and dance their way into District Office on Feb. 3 in Newton.

Also on Feb. 3, one junior and two senior Parliamentary Procedure teams will compete to determine who goes to State in April. Mueller will compete in an individual event, Interpersonal Communication.

Angela Wilson and Stein will be competing for positions on

the State Peer Power Team.

In addition to competing and running for office, SES FCCLA will retire

three officers: Amy Giersch, District President; Michelle Wilson, District G Vice President of STAR Events; and Stein, District G Vice President of Public Relations.

FCCLA is gearing up for Valentines Day by ordering new items and balloon styles. These can be viewed through display cases throughout the building.

The group is also looking forward to a Special Olympics concession stand here on Feb. 26. Events begin around 9 am and conclude about 3 pm.

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