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- L&T staff report

The Soroptimist Club of Liberal is proud to announce there are two contestants running for the Five State Fair Queen, which will be crowned at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 27, at the Liberal Raceway at the Seward County Fairgrounds. A get-acquainted party was hosted in their honor Tuesday at the Depot.



The money raised from this contest is all used for scholarships for students from this area and is tax deductible. The contestants are as follows:

ALYSSA TATRO

Alyssa is the daughter of Tracey Tatro and Larry Martin and is a Senior at Liberal High School. She enjoys softball, basketball and other fun and challenging physical activities as well as cooking and baking and writing poetry.

Alyssa has enjoyed taking teen leadership and business management classes. She plans to attend two nights a week of extra classes to obtain early graduation in December. Alyssa plans

to attend Seward County Community College/Area Technical School for two years to accomplish her basics, then transfer to Kansas University and major in psychology.

While at Liberal High School, Alyssa has been involved in Key Club, Student Council, Future Business Leaders of America and National Honor Society. She has been involved with Kids Inc. and works for Adventure Bay Water Park. She is licensed in CPR and First Aid.

Alyssa writes poetry to express her feelings. She enjoys cooking and baking to experience the satisfaction on her family's and friends' faces.



Alyssa has entered the Five State Fair Queen competition to contribute to the community and perfect her communication skills as well as the scholarship opportunities.

Alyssa will be having a garage sale, bake sale and dinners.

CHEYENNE HOLDER

Cheyenne Holder is the daughter of Ruthy and Ike Grinstead. Cheyenne is 2012 graduate of Southwestern Heights. Cheyenne will be a sophomore attending Seward County Community College Area Technical School in the fall. She is currently enrolled in the fall semester.

After graduating from SCCC/ATS in the Spring, Cheyenne plans to attend K-State with the intent of majoring in animal science.

Cheyenne is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and a member of the SPEC club, Students Pursuing Education Careers. She enjoys volunteering for local 4-H clubs and assisting with any extra things the Extension office needs.

Cheyenne has been horseback riding for as long as she can remember and recently purchased a barrel racing horse named Charlie. She and Charlie have participated in barrel racing events. She enjoys going to the gym and lifting weights as well as running to stay in shape and to become a healthier person.

She likes to fill her free time making homemade crafts. She likes to find old things around the barn and paint them or add finishing touches to make it into something beautiful and usually uses to decorate the house.

Her friends and family are very important to her, and she knows without them, she would not have the blessings she has or would not be the person she is today.

Cheyenne has cleaned kennels at the Liberal Animal Hospital for the past four years and has been working up front as a vet assistant since August of 2012.

When asked, "Why are you entering the Five State Fair Queen Contest?" Cheyenne said that she has participated in 4-H for seven years and watched the young ladies compete, eventually win and come to hand out the award ribbons at the fair shows and has always wanted to be a part of that.

"4-H has always been a big part of my life and now that I am too old to participate in the shows, I would like to still be included in the fair, helping out wherever they need me and giving back whatever I can in appreciation for all that our community has done for me," she said.

"I am hoping to sell homemade cobblers, cheesecakes and beaded barb wire crosses. I would also like to have a car wash during Bazaar Days. I am hoping to have some type of dinner

which would include a silent auction or a single item to be auctioned off. I enjoy face painting and will incorporate that into each of my fundraising events," she added.

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