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College, LHS team up to offer

College Goal Sunday

Volunteers help students find financial aid this weekend at Liberal High School

By RACHEL COLEMAN
• Leader & Times

Recently News can't locate, but hey pretty sure that, without College Goal Sunday, they would not have made it to college sooner.

"I didn't know what I needed to do to get help for college, where to do it. But Seward County Community College/Area Technical School freshman recalled. "I knew it had to do with money, but I didn't understand how money worked."

What Hayes did know, as he finished his senior year at Liberal High School, was that "It was time to go to college." Hayes' mother, Mr. Gladys Joseph realize that much money?

News would have to rely on scholarships and

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Want to start a small business?

• SBA staff report

The Kansas Small Business Development Center is hosting the "Steps to Small Business Success" class from 6 to 9 Tuesday in Room 104 (DP 2 and 3) in the Student Activities Building at Seward County Community College/Area Technical School at 2801 N. Kansas in Liberal.

The Small Business Development Center consultant provides an overview of small business starting information and resources for statistical information.

• Questions answered include:

• Is my business idea feasible?
• What are the pros and cons of being self-employed?
• How do I get started?

The Small Business Seminar fee for this seminar, however, pre-registration is requested in order to prepare handout materials.

Drop off, email or fax to sadie.shaw@scccc.edu or call 620-624-1831 to register. The Small Business Center at 2801 N. Kansas Ave., Liberal, KS 67901-1127. Forms can also be emailed to sadie.shaw@scccc.edu for more information. 620-624-1831 ext. 8

County approves landfill upgrades

By ROBERT PRICE
• Leader & Times

Seward County commissioners approved the purchase of two dozers for the county landfill Tuesday night.

The first was a five engine decommissioned by the chief Mike Bess. Landfill superintendent Butch Thompson said the dozer is necessary due to the loss of an engine in one dozer, landfill workers

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Musical drama 'Godspell' opens Thursday at LHS

By ELIZ GRIFFIN
• Leader & Times

For most first-time directors, the project they're undertaking rather than a little nervous, especially if their first project is a well-known musical.

But for Liberal High School drama teacher Cara Spencer, however, it's not only not a daunting experience but made her even more determined to succeed with the school's production of "Godspell."

"I have very high expectations of myself no matter what I'm doing, whether I've done it before or not so I expect it to be very good," she said. "I would've never my first time

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2013 Miss Kansas voted No. 1 for People's Choice Award at Miss America Pageant, and

Theresa Vail will be in town for 2014 Miss Liberal Pageant

• Special to the Leader & Times

Theresa Vail will be coming to Liberal to participate in Miss Liberal Pageant 2014.

Vail was crowned Miss Kansas 2013 on June 8, 2013, at the Miss Kansas Pageant in Pratt.

She was crowned Miss Greenwich City 2 pageant Queen and won a Top 10 Finalist Award at the Miss America Pageant September in Atlantic City, NJ.

"Vail's platform issue is 'Empowering Women through Entrepreneurship and Providing Opportunity.'"

She is currently a senior at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas, where she has homeschooled. She is earning a 3.75 GPA and majoring in Chinese.

Vail is a member of the Kansas Army National Guard where she was 17th and she is an expert marksman in the Army National Guard. She is a Distinguished Honor Graduate at the Army School of Ordnance. She was Distinguished Honor Graduate at her 10 weeks at mechanics school, and she coordinated and ran an eligible military

The idea developed an Empowerment Project for women and has consistently raised funds for the Kansas Army National Guard Foundation of the Heroes Award.

Other honors include: National Society of Leadership and Success, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Club and KSU Transit Club. Theresa has also completed 10 hours towards her private pilot

Theresa is one of nine children. She states "She is not a position for selfish motives, but one of selfless giving. It's about representing the Miss Liberal Pageant and the Miss Kansas Pageant."

Vail will be pursuing her doctoral oregon doctorate degree and will serve as a dietetic for the Army.

Photo courtesy Theresa Vail
Vail's photo shows the sign she holds for the Miss America Pageant. Vail is a senior at Kansas State University in Manhattan. She will be coming to Liberal for the Miss Liberal Pageant on March 1. Vail is one of nine children. She is a member of Kansas State Army National Guard and Southwest Basic Training.

Senator declares Kan. 'religious liberties protection' bill dead

By JOHN HANNAH
• AP Statehouse Writer

TOPEKA — An embattled measure proposed that would ensure police are barred for chaplains of a state's Senate committee assigned to review the measure.

Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Jeff King, R-Independence, Thursday ordered Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Jeff King, R-Independence, Thursday ordered the chaplains every prayer for a bipartisan Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Jeff King, R-Independence, Thursday ordered the chaplains every prayer for a bipartisan

providing legal protections for people and organizations refusing for religious reasons to provide goods and services to gay and lesbian couples. The measure, Senate Bill Republican, said he will have hearings on whether Kansas needs to enact religious liberty protections in case the federal government rules that the state's gay-marriage

The House approved a bill last week to prevent Kansas state and municipalities from penalizing discrimination against individuals, groups and businesses who their religious beliefs. The measure would allow exemptions to accommodations and employment benefits related to weddings, such as renting a reception hall or photographer's services, if doing so would violate a religious or moral belief. The measure was introduced after Kansas was in

Senate leaders already had said the bill would not pass their chamber, but King said Tuesday that his committee wasn't even taking it up.

He said that wedding House Bill 2453 and King, an Independence Republican, refusing to the measure by tomorrow.

King said he's not drafting a narrower alternative. He said he'd have hearings on

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