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Authorities find man's body under Massoni Bridge on Road T

Seward County deputies and firefighters pull a body placed in a rescue basket from under the Massoni Bridge around 3:00 p.m. Thursday. The body was discovered by a passerby around 2:30 p.m. Thursday. According to a report released by Seward County Undersheriff Ernie Mares, the body was that of a 30-year-old man from Lincoln County who died from a self-inflicted gun shot wound to the head. "The name of the subject is being withheld pending notification to family members," Mares said. "Foul play is not suspected at this time and the death is being investigated by law enforcement. The body was found about half way down the embankment of the run under the bridge. 12

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New small businesses looking at Liberal

By ROBERT PIERCE
Leader & Times

In an effort to help boost the city's economic development, the city commissioners recently voted to loan the Owners Oils-based vending firm, Royal Attractions, $10,000 to help them with some paperwork and more.

Tuesday, Liberal Economic Development Director Jeff Peyton told the commissioners that the Seward County Commission and the USD No. 480 Board of Education had signed off on the effort and others being made to bring business to town.

"Royal Attractions is new to the Royal Attractions some smaller companies have come to town," he said.

To list of companies are expanding their workforce," he said. One of the things that we are going

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Students share truancy stories at school board meeting

By RACHEL COLEMAN
Leader & Times

People rarely describe truancy court as a fun place to be, but that's exactly the order expressed at Monday night's USD No. 480 school board meeting when Judge Tim Pauley and prosecutor Jessica Rodriguez, Liberal Police director Stephen Lord and three of the truancy officers presented an update to the board. The state of the truancy program in Liberal is the latest topics the agenda could.

Sarah Rodriguez, a senior at LHS, stated that the truancy program and her case worker Kala McCroskey helped her stay responsible.

"My senior experience has been great," he said. "The truancy program helped me take responsibility to and out of school. Last semester, I had Dr. Pauley and I wouldn't get close to me and Ms. Lincoln before classes to life now."

Case worker Will Fowler brought former inmate Braden Garcia, currently in the truancy program, to the meeting. Garcia shared that his experience in the truancy program turned his attitude about school around.

"I have learned to be motivated by myself," Garcia said. "I have also learned that I really like the outdoors," he said with a smile. "I'm more responsible for myself and I'm a better younger brother with his homework so he won't get behind like I did."

Fowler described working with

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Doctor brings 2 new lasers to Liberal

Dr. Rana Rana treats a patient with the Sciton Contour Laser machine in her office. The machine is used for hair removal, sun damaged and aging skin, scar revision and fissures treatments. 12

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College to offer music theater camps in June and July
Seward County Community College/Area Technical School will offer a music theater camp for middle, high school and college students. The Seward County Community College Performance will present two sessions: June 10 and July 24-27. During the June 10 session, students will perform "Annie." During the July 22-27 session, students will perform "Cinderella."
Each session is $400 and includes snacks, lodging, recreation, production materials and a camp T-Shirt. For information, contact Alison Bridges Chambers, 620-417-1462 or alisonbridges.chambers@sccc.edu
SIGN UP NOW
4-H announces Summer Fun program, kicks off with fishing at Arkalon
Sign-ups for the Summer Fun Thursday program for 2013 has begun. Each Thursday from June 13 through July 25, the Seward County Extension Office offers a free activity for youth ages 5-13.
The program starts on June 13 with fishing at Arkalon Park Ponds.
Pre-registration for children by coming by the Extension Office. Participation forms are available on line at: www.sewardcountyks.edu on the first page. For more information or with questions, contact Tanya Pfi Rosasco, 4-H program assistant, at 6245634.
THURSDAY, JUNE 13
College's honor society taking orders for graduation bouquets
Phi Theta Kappa, the honor society at Seward County Community College/Area Technical School, is taking prepaid orders for graduation floral bouquets. The bouquets would also be a wonderful Mother's Day gift.
The prepaid rose bouquets are $20 for a half-dozen and $35 for a full dozen and could be ordered in red, yellow, white or pink.
Phi Theta Kappa is also taking orders for pinchcorsages for $25 for a half-dozen and $30 for a full dozen. To place an advance order, call 620-417-1453.
Proceeds from the fundraiser will allow members in Phi Theta Kappa to continue to plan and implement community-serving projects on campus and within the community.
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