

Southeast grabs most bus race prize money

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HUMBOLDT – Southeast High School in Cherokee again defended its position as champion of the annual School Bus Races at Humboldt Speedway on Saturday evening.

The Southeast bus took first in the second feature race of the evening. Southeast also took first place in the Spirit competition, Bus Pull and High School Chariot Race. Southeast was second in the Junior High Chariot Race and won both of its race heats.

Royster Middle School received the second-highest payout at the races, after placing second for Spirit and first place in the Junior High Chariot Race.

The annual School Bus Races are organized by the Chanute Masonic Lodge as a fundraiser for area schools.

This year there were 18 buses competing and a total of \$10,150 was paid.

Southeast received a total of \$3,500 in total prizes and Royster received \$1,600. Neodesha was third-highest with \$1,200.

Humboldt took first place in the first feature race, with Iola Cheer in second and Uniontown in third.

In the second feature, Cherryvale was second place and Neodesha was third. Feature races paid \$300 for first, \$200 for third and \$100 for third.

Heat races paid \$50 for first place, and each bus competed in two heats. Erie and Humboldt also won both their heats. Marmaton Valley High School in Moran and Lincoln Central Elementary School in Cherryvale won one heat each.

Uniontown and Humboldt tied for third place in the Spirit competition, which paid \$1,000 for first, \$750 for second and \$250 for third.

The Chariot Races paid \$750 for first place, \$500 for second and \$250 for third. Neodesha was second in the Senior High Chariot Race and Zion Lutheran School from Independence was third in the Junior High race. Iola, which was third in the Senior High Chariot Race, also won \$100 for Best Dressed.



School bus races

Heavy traffic at the school bus races at Humboldt Speedway.