

Couple to wed May 17

Mary Alexa Traffas and Aaron Charles House, both of Kearney, Neb., announce their engagement. The wedding will be May 17 in Kearney.

Mary, the daughter of Patricia Dorsch Traffas, Overland Park, and Vincent, Traffas, D.V.M., Smith Center, is completing her education in early childhood development. Mary is the granddaughter of Norman and Mary Dorsch of Bird City.

Aaron, son of Gary House, Kearney, and the late Jocelyn House, is a licensed funeral director at Horner-Lieske-Horner Mor-



House - Traffas

tuary in Kearney. Aaron attended the University of Kearney and graduated from Kansas City, Kansas, Community College.

They plan to make their home in Kearney.

New program set at Goodland VoTech

Officials at Northwest Kansas Technical College have announced the addition of the computer graphics technology program to the, now, 14-program curriculum at the Goodland tech college. According to the Northwest Kansas Tech College president Kenneth Clouse, students are being accepted for enrollment for classes this fall.

Computer graphics technology is a comprehensive study of computer software utilized in desktop publishing and web page design. Students in the 1400-hour curriculum gain knowledge and skills in a variety of software. Layout, typography, and design basics are also covered. The web page design portion of the program is in response to a global marketplace and the subse-

quent need for businesses of all sizes to compete in the field of electronic commerce. As with all Northwest Kansas Tech College departments, the new 10-month program will include classroom theory and actual hands-on experiences. Students can also take advantage of 200 clock hours of occupational experience built into the curriculum.

After months of planning and research, the college received approval for the addition of computer graphic technology from the Kansas Board of Regents this fall and is now in the process of securing an instructor and equipping the classroom and lab. The first class will commence on Monday, Aug. 18.

Bird City Times Forecast Jan 29th - Feb 4th

Wed 39/20	Normal High 43	Sunrise 7:58 to 7:53am
	Normal Low 17	Sunset 6:03 to 6:10pm
Thu 42/25	Temperatures will be warming up this week as the jet stream heads to the north. Temperatures on Saturday will be topping out in the middle 60s. All of that warm air will eventually need to be replaced by cold air from the north. When the temperature deviates so far from normal something big has to happen to bring temperatures back in line. During the summer we have big rain and thunderstorm events. During the winter the change usually comes on the heels of a snowstorm. The weather on Sunday and Monday will bear watching for one of those storms.	
Fri 58/30		
Sat 63/50		
Sun 32/18		
Mon 33/15		
Tue 40/18		

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Bulletin Board

AARP

AARP will be meeting at the St. Francis Senior Citizen Center at 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 10. Please note change of date and time.

Card shower

Neva Loomis of Goodland will celebrate her 80th birthday Sunday, Feb. 16. All friends and relatives are welcome to mark the occasion by sending cards to her at 521 West 8th Street, No. 1, Goodland, KS 67735.

Her children and spouses are Roger and Lynelle Loomis of Las Vegas and Rick and Linda Rogers of St. Francis. Her grandchildren are Shawn Rogers of Denver and Dallas Friedli of Herington.

Born Feb. 16, 1923, the honoree married Edwin Loomis on Feb. 7, 1943. He is deceased.

Hospital Guild

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild will meet at 2 p.m. Monday at the senior citizens center. The program will be Rachael Keller on Drug and Alcohol. Hostesses are Wilma Lampe and Margaret Shay.

Cheyenne County Commissioners/date change

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 30 instead of their regular meeting day on the last day of the month. They meet in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Fair Board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, in the commissioner's room in the courthouse.

Vet rep in St. Francis

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 6 at the county clerk's office to assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims work. If you are unable to contact Ms. Tubbs in St. Francis, you may contact the of-

ice in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday. That phone number is (785) 462-3572.

Agronomy meetings

Brian Olson, Multi-County Extension Agronomist, has announced the following meetings and registrations dates. Register by calling Mr. Olson or Sally Patten at 785-462-6281.

- Basics of Precision Agriculture, 4-H Building, Hill City, Feb. 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. call Leanne Coxbill at 785-421-3411 or Mr. Olson by Feb. 16.

This school is being held to explain the basics of precision agriculture to producers who are interested in getting started with or getting more out of their precision ag equipment.

- Soil and Nutrient Management, 4-H Building, Hoxie, Feb. 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., register with Mr. Olson of Ms. Patten

Ag clientele can learn about new nutrient requirements for crops developed by K-State along with learning about soil structure and composition.

'Circus' coming to Oberlin

The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission is having a circus at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, at the Oberlin Civic Center Gateway. The arena will house the professional "Bungling Brothers" paper mache' circus animals from Norton.

Roving performances will feature him as a silent unicycling clown or in comic roles, all performed on stilts, including Grandma Walker, a 10-foot octogenarian, and Stilt Chamberlain, a one-man basketball team.

Admission is by season ticket or at the door. The performance will be funded in part by the Kansas Arts Commission, National Endowment for the Arts and the Dane Hansen Foundation. For details, call Mary at (785) 475-3329 or Ella, (785) 475-3557.

Hospice Service

Hospice Services Inc., has information available about end-of-life care, advance care planning, and other related topics. Hospice Service, Inc. is available to provide programs for groups and organizations. For more information, please 800-315-5122.

Alcoholics Anonymous

/AI-Anon date change
 Alcoholic Anonymous and AI-Anon open meeting, held at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Methodist Educational Building, upstairs. Contact 332-2168 or 332-2078.

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available for women and children within the northwest Kansas area. Call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Need a Helping Hand

The Cheyenne County Helping Hands Coalition can help. Call the SRS office at (785) 332-2021.

For the Record

Sheriff's department

7 vehicle inspections were made.
 31 Subpoenas delivered.
 14 Summons delivered.
 3 Orders to appear delivered.
 4 Wage Garnishments made.
 1 Writ of general execution.
 21 Speeding tickets issued.
 5 Warnings for speeding issued.
 2 Cattle-out calls.

Jan. 13: Troy Torrence, St. Francis, was driving a 1985 Toyota pickup on the old Wheeler Road 1.5 miles east of St. Francis when he lost control. Minor injuries were reported and the vehicle was totaled.

Jan. 15: Officer transported prisoner to dentist in St. Francis, they took prisoner back to Sherman County Bastille.

Jan. 16: Tom Herring had cattle out south of Benkelman.

Jan. 16: Officer investigated of gas odor going up K-27 to Haigler. Later it was discovered there was a theft of shed and two gas tanks taken from Roads D and 17 going to Colorado.

Jan. 17: Officer assisted Bird City Police Chief with investigation of someone shooting a gun inside the Bird City city limits.

Jan. 18: Micheal Sager of Bird City, driving a 1971 Chevelle, col-

lided with a car carrier and sububan being pulled by Michael Gilliland of Bird City driving a Ford pickup on county Roads A and 25. No injuries were reported and over \$500 damage.

Jan. 19: Officer investigated a report of Yaks out at Roads A and 35.

Jan. 20: Pam Johnson, Bird City, driving a 1996 Buick, was struck at the intersection of Burr Ave. and Fifth Street in Bird City, by Chris Cisneros of Bird City, driving a 1998 Ford pickup. No injuries were reported and there was over \$500 in damage.

Jan. 21: From 5:05 a.m. until 5:20 p.m., officers control traffic for tractor trailer which lost control and laid over on its side. Kansas highway patrol worked the accident. The truck was driven by John Southard of Fort Lupton, Colo. Minor injuries were sustained and there was over \$500 in damage.

Jan. 21: Officer served a protection order on a St. Francis resident.

Jan. 23: Officers and drug dog visited the preschool class.

Jan. 23: A meth awareness class was held at the high school.

Jan. 24: Officers and drug dog visited the preschool.

Student News

Colby Community College

One hundred ninety-three students earned their place on Colby Community College fall semester honor rolls according to the college registrar.

The president's honor roll includes only students with a perfect 4.0 grade point average while the dean's list names students with a grade point averages of 3.75 to 3.99.

Students honored from Cheylin and St. Francis include:

President's honor roll: Jordan Sowers, Bird City; Brandee Mears, McDonald; and Jamie Dunn, Brian Holzwarth, Jared Sowers and Michael Wolters, all of St. Francis.

Dean's honor roll: Ana Douthit, Jody Gienger and Amy Rice, all of St. Francis.

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DATE FROM JAN. 1, 2002		DATE TO DEC. 31, 2002		
BALANCE	DEPOSITS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE	
As of 1-02			as of 12-31-02	
GENERAL	103,201.31	167,355.84	177,540.88	93,016.27
WATER	188,925.79	141,976.30	127,540.06	203,362.03
SOLID WASTE	9,487.22	5,317.20	5,275.55	9,528.87
EQUIPMENT	10,000.00	5,000.00	none	15,000.00
LIBRARY	NONE	5,564.94	5,523.00	41.94
SPEC. PARKS	5,659.62	1,358.06	2,151.61	4,866.07
SPEC. HWY	6,221.32	14,260.47	11,902.28	8,579.51
EMP. BEN.	15,387.99	NONE	15,387.99	NONE
TOTALS	338,883.25	340,832.81	345,321.37	334,394.69
OUTSTANDING DEBT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2002				
OTHER OBLIGATION/LIABILITIES				
		Street Paving	\$3,972.78	

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- Feb. 4 - Dr. Rubinowitz - Oncology
- Feb. 4 - Dr. McDonald - Urology
- Feb. 5 - Dr. Perry - Pulmonologist
- Feb. 6 - Dr. Warren - Cardiologist
- Feb. 10 - Osteoporosis
- Feb. 12 - Dr. Reeves - Podiatrist
- Feb. 18 - Mammo
- Feb. 20 - Dr. Warren - Cardiologist
- Feb. 26 - Dr. Uyemura - Ophthalmologist
- Feb. 27 - Dr. Warren - Cardiologist

CT's Each Monday
 Ultrasound Each Wednesday

Diabetic Support Group Meeting
 Thurs., Jan. 30 • 6-7 p.m.
 Senior Center Meeting Room
TOPIC: Nutrition
SPEAKER: Brandie Ihrig R.D.
 Diabetics, family and friends of diabetics are encouraged to attend