

# Grassland program sign-up date told

"Recently, the Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) availability was announced and applications will be taken anytime at the United States Department of Agriculture Service Centers," said Harold L. Klaege, state conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Salina. However, for this funding period, the cutoff date has been set for Aug. 1, and those applications submitted by that date will be evaluated and ranked for funding.

"If producers are interested, I would suggest they stop in at their local Service Center and visit with the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Agency (NRCS) or Farm Service Agency (FSA) staffs about the 'nuts and bolts' of the program," Conservation Klaege said. If the Grassland Reserve Program fits into their farming operation, then producers should submit an application.

Grassland Reserve program is a voluntary program that helps landowners and operators restore and conserve grassland, including rangeland and pastureland, and certain other lands, by protecting those grasslands most at risk from conversion to cropland or non-ag

uses. The program emphasizes support for grazing operations, plant and animal biodiversity, and grassland and land containing shrubs and forbs under the greatest threat of conversion.

If you need more information about Grassland Reserve Program, please contact your local Service Center, listed in the telephone book under U.S. Department of Agriculture, or your local conservation district. Information also is available on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov> and <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/GRP/default1.htm>.

## Honor Roll

New and renewed Times subscriptions: Helen Brubaker, Bird City; Jim Leach, Wichita; Walter Roesener, Bird City; Luella Resco, Clyde; Stacey Hazuka, Bird City; R.W. Sager, Bird City; Joe Hoffer, Des Moines, Iowa.

Darwin DaPron, Bird City; Hollis DaPron, Bird City; Dan Sowers, Bird City; Peg Thompson, Wheat Ridge, Colo.; Lee Beeson, Bird City; Jean M. Cook, Stark.



Mr. and Mrs. Gleason

## Couple to celebrate 60th wedding anniversary

The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Tom and Marvel Gleason would like you to help them celebrate their 60th wed-

ding anniversary on July 31 with a card shower.

Cards may be sent to P.O. Box 266, St. Francis, KS 67756.

## Country school resides at the Thresher Show

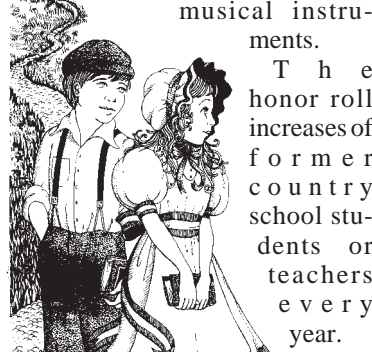
The Highland Country School house now resides on the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher site and is a historic example of an early rural school. It is hosted by Rosemary Powell, Marsha Magley and Dorothy Mast during the show and will be open from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. for activities and visitation.

Each morning of the show, except Sunday, from 10 a.m. until noon there will be a historical, hands on craft project offered for students of the fourth, fifth or sixth grade level that enroll before the show. The class will be limited to eight. To enroll call Mrs. Mast at 734-2750. Supplies will be furnished but only those who enroll will be offered a free pass to the show. The project will take at least two mornings to complete.

All students and adults are wel-

come to come and watch the fun and learn a part of history.

An old fashioned literary will be held at the school house Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Bring poems, stories, recitations or play



musical instruments. The honor roll increases of country school students or teachers every year.

Free relay: 9-and-10 girls (fifth) and 17-and-older boys (second)  
Medley relay: 11-and-12 boys (fourth).

(Editors note: After last week's Freedom Insert in the newspapers, it came to our attention that more needed to be said. Following are several articles and additional names that were inadvertently missing from the names of service men from this area.)

### Richard L. Boswell

By Casey McCormick

Richard L. Boswell, Bird City, retired as a Master Gunnery Sgt. E-8 in 1975. Retired is a funny word for Marines since most uttered the words "former Marine." He served his country during and before the Vietnam War, receiving numerous commendations.



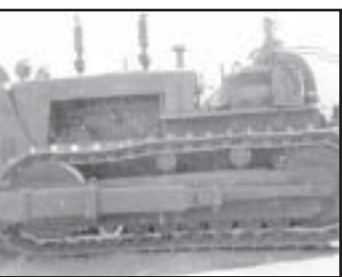
Boswell

However, one of the most important awards this service man said he received was a "military wife" Gwen and two children; Michael and Stephanie.

"I liked that my kids were disciplined from it (military life)," Boswell said.

"Family must gear for the corp's plan, we always had to have a car ready to go at a moment's notice," Mrs. Boswell said.

"It was good duty but it was tough on my family," the Master Gunnery said.



Chumley on equipment

### Ralph Chumley

Marine Ralph Chumley, of "Dog Company," 7th Engineers, 3rd Marine Division, represented this country during the Korean War.

"It was a 'police action' but at least we could shoot the people in front of us, that's more than I can say for our guys still in Iraq," he said.

Chumley served with a variety of men from all over the nation. He remembers the differences of "East Coast" guys from as close as New York to New Jersey. He was with

Marines from every point in the United States. And if asked, who would he serve with again?

"I'm proud to have served with all the guys I was with, but I'd tell you if I had to go on the front lines again, I'd like those Indians with me," he said, referring to the native Americans he met along the way.

"If possible I would like to 're-up' again in a year. If they'll take me at 70 I'll go."

### Kenneth Voeller

By Karen Krien

Kenneth Voeller, St. Francis, served in the 1st Cavalry Division, having been drafted in August, 1942. He completed his basic training in Little Rock, Ark., where they learned the ways of jungle survival and eventually ended up in El Paso, Texas.

At that time, the Army still had some mules and horses but was changing over to a more mobile type of transportation. It was time to be shipped out but the U.S. found that Australia would not allow the animals to be shipped to their country so the mules were left in Texas and Voeller drove a truck.

A series of stops from Australia eventually led his division to Japan.

Mr. Voeller reported when he returned to the United States, the people in his division were asked if they wanted to join the reserves and not one volunteered. This was unusual as there were generally at least one joining.

A year after returning to the states, his division was sent a booklet showing where they had gone, articles and pictures. Today, he values that book and reported that few people have such a book.

### Other Servicemen Names

Alvin Bandel, Navy, 1944-52  
Donald Boardman, WWII  
Walter Brown, Army, Korea  
Clifford Duncan, WWII  
Dale Duncan, WWII  
Glenn Duncan, WWII  
Edward Keller, Army Vet Corps, 1942-44

Albert Hancock, WWI  
John Hancock, WWII  
John L. Hancock, Vietnam  
Cecil Nelsen, Army  
Dwayne Nelsen, Navy  
Edwin Dale Nelsen, Air Force  
Delbert Nelsen, Navy  
Howard Ochsner, Air Force, 1942-44

Gilbert Ochsner, Army, 1942-44  
Bernard Roelfs, Air Force, Korea

## Swim team has last meet before championship

The Bird City swim team had their final meet before the championship meet in Lexington, Neb.

On Saturday, July 12 the team traveled to Benkelman, Neb. for the league qualifying competition. The top three placing times for individual events are needed to advance. Those who did not place in the top three have their times sent in and the next seven fastest times across the league will be invited to compete in Lexington on July 19.

Individual results:

Long free: Stephanie Busse (second), Ethan Young (sixth), Jessidith Smith (sixth), Taylor Leibbrandt (second), Forrest Burr (fourth), Caleb Baker (fourth), Ty Carmichael (fifth),

Brandi Moore (first), Whitney Churchwell (fourth) and Dawn Miller (second).

Butterfly: Stephanie Busse (second), Brandi Moore (first), Jacquelyn Ketzner (seventh), Tina Sager (third), Craig Busse (fifth), Tia Sager (fifth), Taylor Leibbrandt (third) and Alexis Weishapl (fifth).

Backstroke: Stephanie Busse (second), Hayley Young (first), Whitney Churchwell (fourth), Kori Underwood (second), Ethan Young (sixth), Dawn Miller (fourth), Tia Sager (second), Tina Sager (fifth) and Caleb Baker (second).

Breaststroke: Forrest Burr (fourth), Tia Sager (second), Jessie Smith (sixth), Caleb Baker (second),

Whitney Churchwell (third), Dawn Miller (second), Ethan Young (fifth) and Tina Sager (third).

Short free: Stephanie Busse (second), Brandi Moore (first), Caleb Baker (sixth), Dawn Miller (second), Hayley Young (first), Tina Sager (fifth) and Kori Underwood (third).

Individual medley: Stephanie Busse (first), Sydney Busse (sixth), Whitney Churchwell (first), Brandi Moore (first), Tia Sager (second), Taylor Leibbrandt (third) and Kori Underwood (first).

Relay results:

## Business Directory

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### NOTICE OF HEARING 2003-2004 BUDGET

The governing body of Cheyenne Unified School District #103 will meet on the 11th day of August, 2003 at 6:45 P.M., at USD #103 Board of Education Conference Room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information (including budget profile) is available at Cheyenne USD 103 District Office and will be available at this hearing.

The Amount of 2003 Tax to be Levied and Expenditures (published below) establish the maximum limits of the 2003-2004 Budget. The "Est. Tax Rate" in the far right column, shown for comparative purposes, is subject to slight change depending on final assessed valuation.

Code 99 Line	2001-2002 Actual		2002-2003 Actual		PROPOSED BUDGET 2003-2004		
	Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Expenditures (5)	Amount of 2003 Tax to be Levied (6)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)
OPERATING							
General	06	1,502,334	20,000	1,558,721	20,000	1,534,394	341,098 20.000
Supplemental General (LOB)	08	146,118	4,563	150,000	8,187	202,100	149,125 8.198
SPECIAL REVENUE							
Adult Education	10	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Adult Supplemental Education	12	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Bilingual Education	14	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Capital Outlay	16	214,482	4,000	8,283	4,000	481,278	72,776 4.000
Driver Training	18	3,152	0	433	0	1,488	0 0.000
Extraordinary School Program	22	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Food Service	24	70,304	0	68,825	0	76,625	0 0.000
Professional Development	26	875	0	265	0	500	0 0.000
Parent Education Program	28	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Summer School	29	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Special Education	30	80,756	0	142,860	0	158,312	0 0.000
Technology Education	31	18,538	0	18,000	0	18,000	0 0.000
Transportation	32	105,538	0	98,588	0	98,588	0 0.000
Vocational Education	34	39,358	0	40,866	0	43,000	0 0.000
Area Vocational School	36	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Special Liability Expense Fund	42	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
School Retirement	44	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	45	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Special Reserve Fund	47	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Federal Funds	07	35,454	0	42,738	0	57,113	0 0.000
Gifts and Grants	35	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000

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Contingency Reserve	53	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Textbook & Student Material Revolving	55	3,862	0	2,714	0	0	0 0.000
DEBT SERVICE							
Bond and Interest #1	62	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Bond and Interest #2	63	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
No-Fund Warrant	66	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Special Assessment	87	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Temporary Note	68	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
COOPERATIVES**							
Special Education	78	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
TOTAL USD EXPENDITURES	100	2,218,771	28,563	2,131,491	32,187	2,554,798	562,999 32.198
Less: Transfers	105	235,860	0	324,887	0	217,000	0 0.000
NET USD EXPENDITURES	110	1,982,911	0	1,806,604	0	2,337,798	0 0.000
TOTAL USD TAXES LEVIED	115	503,065	0	517,580	0	562,999	0 0.000
OTHER							
Historical Museum	80	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Public Library Board	82	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Public Library Board Employees Benefits	83	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
Recreation Commission	84	22,855	1,000	22,800	1,000	22,500	22,748 1.250
Rec Comm Emp Benefits & Spec Limb	86	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0 0.000
TOTAL OTHER	120	22,855	1,000	22,800	1,000	22,800	22,748 1.250
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	125	525,920	0	540,380	0	585,798	0 0.000
Assessed Valuation - General Fund	128	\$17,273,154	0	\$17,309,795	0	\$17,054,888	0 0.000
Assessed Valuation - All Other Funds	130	\$18,401,518	0	\$18,454,620	0	\$18,193,978	0 0.000
Outstanding Indebtedness July 1		2001	2002	2003			
General Obligation Bonds	135	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Capital Outlay Bonds	140	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Temporary Note	145	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
No-Fund Warrant	150	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
Lease Purchase Principal	153	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000
TOTAL USD DEBT	155	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.000

\*\* Tax Rates are Expressed in Mills  
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