

# Notice published for noxious weed control

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**GENERAL NOTICE TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS**  
The Kansas Noxious Weed Law K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq requires all persons who own or supervise land in Kansas to control and eradicate all weeds declared noxious by legislative action. The weeds declared noxious are: field bindweed, musk thistle, sericea lespedeza, johnson grass, burragweed, Canada thistle, leafy spurge, hoary cress, quack grass, Russian knapweed, kudzu and pignut. Bull thistle is a County Option Noxious Weed/Weeds declared noxious by the Board of County Commissioners of Cheyenne County. Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to every person who owns or supervises land in Cheyenne County that noxious weeds growing or found on such land shall be controlled and eradicated. Control is defined as preventing the production of viable seed and the vegetative spread of the plant. Failure to observe this notice may result in the County:

1. Serving a legal notice requiring control of the noxious weeds within a minimum of five days. Failure to control the noxious weeds within the time period allowed may result in the county treating the noxious weeds at the landowners expense and placing a lien on the property if the bill is not paid within 30 days or,
  2. Filing criminal charges for non compliance. Conviction for non compliance may result in a fine of \$100 per day of non-compliance with a maximum fine of \$1500.
- The public is also hereby notified that it is a violation of the Kansas Noxious Weed Law to barter, sell or give away infested nursery stock or livestock feed unless the feed is fed on the farm where grown or sold to a commercial processor that will destroy the viability of the noxious weed seed. Custom harvesting machines must be labeled with a label provided by the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture and must be free of all weed seed and litter when entering the State and when leaving a field infested with noxious weeds. Additional information may be obtained from the Cheyenne County Noxious Weed Department or by contacting the Kansas Dept. of Agriculture, 109 S.W. 9th, Topeka, KS 66612.

# Beneficiary of estate files petition in court

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

RAYMOND H. LEIBBRANDT, Deceased

Case No. 07-PR-03

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Haddon W. Leibbrandt, a/k/a H. W. Leibbrandt, a beneficiary of Raymond H. Leibbrandt, deceased, praying that: the foreign will of Raymond H. Leibbrandt dated October 31, 1980, be admitted to probate and record in this Court; no administration of the Estate is necessary; the will be construed, and the following Kansas real estate owned by the decedent, situated in Cheyenne County, Kansas:

*An Undivided one-third (1/3) interest in the North Half (N/2) of Section Thirty Six (36), Township Three (3) South, Range Forty-two (42) West of the 6th P.M., containing 320 acres, more or less.*

be assigned in accordance with the terms of the Will.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before April 13, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, in the city of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Haddon W. Leibbrandt, a/k/a H. W. Leibbrandt, Petitioner

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# Petition has been filed in the Lillich estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

OF CASE NO. 07-PR-02

OTTO A. LILLICH, Deceased.

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59  
**NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on March 2, 2007, a petition was filed in this Court by James M. Milliken, executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Otto A. Lillich, deceased, dated July 14, 2004, praying the will filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record; petitioner be appointed as executor,

without bond; petitioner be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before March 30, 2007, at 9:30 A.M., in the District Court, St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within four months from the date of first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

James M. Milliken, Petitioner  
JAMES M. MILLIKEN, CHAR-TERED  
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Attorney for Petitioner

# Emergency system is discussed again

By Karen Krien

The Cheyenne County Commissioners met on Thursday and the 911 emergency system was again on the agenda. No decision was made but the sheriff will call a meeting of the present dispatchers so there will be more information available in the near future.

The duties of the dispatchers, as well as the salaries, were discussed. Commissioner Andy Beikman said that it had been pointed out that dispatchers would make more money than many of the county employees. Sheriff Troy Gardner said that there would be times when nothing was going on but when there was, they needed good, competent people handling the job.

At an earlier meeting, he said that the dispatcher's salary needed to be attractive enough to keep them in the county.

Mr. Beikman said he had spent considerable time trying to think of a service which all people use in the county which a tax could be added to help fund the new 911 system. He didn't think it was fair that landowners share the brunt of the expense. The only thing he could think of was the electricity service. It was noted that the different services in the county would need to cooperate. No decision was made.

When there was "down time" in the dispatcher's office, the sheriff said there would be lots of paperwork, transcribing reports and dispatching calls to different agencies. He said that all calls, when officers go out and emergency runs need to be documented. The dispatcher will need to be able to multi-task.

Sheriff Gardner said several inquiries about the dispatcher duties had been received. Some wanted only part-time work. He said that the part-time workers should be considered as it would cut down in the salary expenses as part-time workers would not be paid benefits. They could also be used to work the different schedules and fill in when there is sickness and other emergencies. However, all would need to be trained.

He said he would like to send

present dispatcher Carol Gamblin to training in April. Sheriff Gardner said that Mrs. Gamblin already knows a lot because of her training in the sheriff's office and was still recommending that she be the dispatch supervisor.

It had been suggested that the dispatch system be under a separate board and not under the sheriff's office. The sheriff said that, to begin with, it wouldn't cost any more for it to be under the sheriff's office but in the future, the commissioners might consider having it be a separate department and would answer to a voluntary board.

**Handicapped driveway**

Three bids for the proposed lengthening and widening of the handicapped driveway were opened. They included: Ben Jerry's Construction, Benkelman, \$13,460; Jensen Construction, St. Francis, \$15,215; and Troy Porter, St. Francis, \$11,043.

Action on the bids was tabled until the commissioners know more about the cost of replacing the front steps of the courthouse.

**Courthouse steps**

Troy Porter, who had put in the courthouse steps, talked about collecting some of the money for the steps construction. Commissioner Beikman said that right now, they needed to see if the county would receive a grant for steps to match the original steps. As far as he was concerned, part of the work was satisfactory but, if the company putting in the steps had to tear out that work, then the county would be paying for it two times.

They talked about the original blue prints of the courthouse that had been found but Greg Kite, who is writing the grant, took the prints with him. Mr. Porter questioned whether or not the steps had been granite because of the way the stone was put in and the brick veneer was placed on top of the step caps.

Because of all the uncertainties, the commissioners decided not to pay Mr. Porter at that time. They noted that if the cost of the steps is

more than the grant, then they will need to go another route in replacing the steps.

**Ambulance report**

Janelle Bowers, ambulance director, presented an ambulance adjustment (write offs) for \$1,087. They was approved.

She reported that Nancy Semler would be writing a grant for a new Bird City ambulance but she was requesting pay for writing it. The commissioners asked that Mrs. Semler attend the next commissioners' meeting to further discuss the matter.

Mrs. Bowers called an executive session to discuss personnel. Returning to regular session, the commissioners agreed to let two people attend a Training Officer One course in Salina.

The commissioners briefly discussed the ambulance which had not been starting every time. Mrs. Bowers said that it has been working.

**Road and bridge report**

Dave Flemming, road and bridge supervisor, said that he had offered Martin Tractor \$90,000 for a dozer for the landfill. However, the offer had not been accepted. The company did offer \$94,000 plus and would pick up half of the costs of a \$3,000 repair. The commissioners said to go ahead with the purchase.

Mr. Flemming had sent a letter to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment concerning the county's intent to use the paper-mache cover at the landfill. The commissioners agreed that this is the best way to keep the trash from blowing as it takes less space than the dirt which is now being used. They were surprised that the Department of Health and Environment had not made the paper-mache covering mandatory to all landfills in the state.

The supervisor said the River Road project south of St. Francis will start on July 9.

The commissioners received a copy of a letter which had been sent to the fair board president concerning executive (closed) sessions and

a copy of the open meetings laws. Commissioner Beikman asked that the county attorney write a letter to all members of the board explaining the law. Commissioner Ernie Ketzner said that he didn't think the fair board was doing anything illegal but a matter of not knowing the law. It was suggested that fair board needs to follow the law.

Mr. Ketzner asked if the school board was video taped? The editor of The Saint Francis Herald said that, at this time, no, it was not being taped but neither was the Cheylin Board of Education. Mr. Beikman said he thought video taping meetings was a good thing.

**In other business**

In other business:

• Justin Barrett, county attorney, was appointed to a two-year term to the Northwest Kansas Community Corrections governing board.

• A letter had been received from Rachel Huffman suggesting that the new emergency building be named after astronaut Ron Evans, who was born in St. Francis. She also suggested that the old space capsule be renovated.

• Mary Morrow, register of deeds, was given permission to attend a meeting in Colby.

• Susan Roelfs, county health nurse, presented the Maternal and Child Health Care Grant to be signed. She also presented the Crisis Risk Management Standard Operation Guide to be signed. She said all 105 Kansas counties will be following the same guide.

• The commissioners talked about getting rid of prairie dogs with the supervisor. Also discussed was the purchase of a new pickup for that department. See related article for more information.

• Attendance at the Airport Authority meetings was discussed as were several other pressing issues at the airport. See related article for more information.

**Next meeting**

The next meeting of the commissioners has been set for 8 a.m. in the commissioners' room in the courthouse on Friday, March 30.

## South of McDonald News By Sandy Binning

Sunday evening and supper guests of Dan and Margie Hubbard were Diane, Lexi, and Dillion Moffett, Steve and Jean Skubal of Leoville, Phyllis Cass of Beaver City, Hal and Becky Antholz and family, Craig and Jerri Antholz and family, Dave and Sylvia Hubbard and family, and George and Dixie Louderbaugh and family.

Lindon and Diane Montgomery traveled to Denver Saturday to visit Diane's niece and husband, Shea and Johnathan Bax. They returned home Sunday.

Bethel Goltl attended the 90th birthday party for Meta Dankenbring Saturday at the Senior Center in Bird City.

Bethel Goltl's niece, Sjonna Hermansson of Wichita, arrived here Friday evening. Bethel and Sjonna attended funeral services for Elizabeth Goodley in Goodland Saturday.

Amy and Mike Waters and family arrived home Friday evening for Spring Break. They are visiting between Bethel Goltl's home and the Doug and Karen Flemming home. Amy also attended her cousin's funeral, Elizabeth Goodley, in Goodland Saturday.

Saturday overnight guests of Bethel Goltl were Sjonna Hermansson, and Barbara and Karyn Rieb of Denver. They all returned home Sunday afternoon.

Saturday supper guests of Tom, Kelly, and Tayten Dewey were Tyler and Kristina Hills and their daughter, Karli. Tom and Paula Crowdis joined them Saturday evening.

Linda Dewey was a weekend guest of her parents, Ote and Ellen Dewey.

Junior and Dee Dewey were Saturday supper guests of Ote and Ellen Dewey.

Tom, Kelly, and Tayten Dewey were Sunday dinner guests of Ote and Ellen Dewey.

Roger and Heather Hubbard and family of Bryant, South Dakota were weekend guests of Roger's parents, Dan and Margie Hubbard.

Rita Officer traveled to Seward Saturday and met Dawn Officer at Ken and Joan Dewey's home. Rita and her grandkids, Kaylyn and Curtis Officer were Saturday overnight guests of Rita's mother, Betty Dewey. They returned home Sun-

day stopping at Randy and Melissa Regiers on the way. The grandkids will be visiting until Thursday.



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