



FLAG FOOTBALL— The Cheylin team plays their first outing of the season against the Grinnell/Wheatland team on Thursday afternoon.
Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

Workshop hosted on agritourism held in Stockton

The Solomon Valley Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Area, Inc. is hosting the Solomon Valley Agritourism Workshop on Oct. 9. The workshop begins with registration at 8:30 a.m. at the Rooks County 4-H Building in Stockton.

Agritourism is a method by which farmers can diversify their farm products and supplement their agricultural incomes. It can be thought of as one alternative for improving the incomes and potential economic viability of small farms and rural communities. Common agritourism activities in Kansas include family outings to pick apples or pumpkins; assisting with an authentic cattle drive; relaxing at a winery; or going on a fall hunting trip. If you are interested in

supplementing your income with an agritourism business you are encouraged to attend the workshop.

Ben Allen, Kansas State University, and Sarah Larison, Kansas Department of Commerce, are experts in the field of agritourism. They will be speaking about agritourism in Kansas, regulations, as well as promotion and advertising. Shawna Oliver with Farm Bureau will discuss insurance. A noon meal will be catered. In the afternoon there will be Virtual Tours of Covert Creek Lodge, Pure Prairie, and Poore Farms Labradors, LLC. The final session of the day will be a panel discussion with all the speakers. Vendors will also be available the day of the workshop.

Prior to Oct. 6, a registration fee can be sent to the Solomon Valley Resource Conservation and Development at 320 South Sixth Street, Stockton, KS 67669. The registration fee on the day of the events is an additional \$5. Vendors can call 785-425-6647 to register for display space.

Registration forms are available at www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov/news/events.html, scroll to October, and click on the event or call the number above.

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Public Notices

School bond ballot published

(First published in the *St. Francis Herald* on October 2, 2008 and subsequently on October 9, 2008.)

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 297, CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS (ST. FRANCIS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS)

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 297, Cheyenne County, Kansas (St. Francis Community Schools) (the "District"), has heretofore, pursuant to resolution duly adopted, declared it advisable to construct, furnish and equip a new gymnasium in the District (the "Project") at an estimated cost of \$2,500,000. Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the District that a bond election has been called and will be held on November 4, 2008, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

Shall the following be adopted?

Shall Unified School District No. 297, Cheyenne County, Kansas (St. Francis Community Schools), issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000, to pay the costs to construct, furnish and equip a new gymnasium in the District; all pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 10-101 *et seq.*; K.S.A. 25-2018(f); and K.S.A. 72-6761?

To vote in favor of any question submitted on this ballot, make a cross or a check mark in the square to the left of the word "Yes." To vote against it, make a cross or a check mark in the square to the left of the word "No."

YES

NO

The polls will open at 7:00 o'clock A.M. and will close at 7:00 o'clock P.M., on November 4, 2008, the election day. The voting places in the District, and the area each voting place will serve, will be as follows:

<u>Voters Residing In</u> USD 297	<u>Will Vote At</u> Saint Francis Peace Lutheran Church
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The election will be conducted by the officers and/or persons provided by law for holding elections, and the method of voting will be by ballot. Registered voters are eligible to vote by advance voting ballot upon application to the County Clerk at the address set forth below pursuant to K.S.A. 25-1117 *et seq.*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following additional information is provided by the District with respect to compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 10-120a and K.S.A. 12-6,122. This information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable by the District. Certain portions of this information is based upon projections. No assurances can be given that these projections will be accurate as of the date of issuance of the bonds due to changing market conditions, any changes in assessed valuation of the District, changes in the amount of state financial aid received by the District and other matters unknown or unavailable at this time. The projected rates of property taxation to be used to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds are based upon the current assessed valuation of the District, the assumed principal repayment schedule and the average interest rates from recent bond issues for similar types of financings and the current level of state financial aid the District would receive with respect to the bonds, all as shown below.

Projected Summary of Project Costs

<i>Sources of Funds</i>		<i>Uses of Funds</i>	
Bonds to be Issued	\$2,500,000	Project Costs (including architectural/engineering services)	\$2,490,000
Interest Earnings	<u>25,000</u>	Issuance Expenses (including attorney fees, printing costs, rating agency fees, financial advisor fees, underwriting fees and other miscellaneous expenses)	<u>35,000</u>
Total	\$2,525,000	Total	\$2,525,000

Projected Summary of Bond Issue Repayments

Principal payments over 15 years		Average Interest Rate	4.70%
Total Interest Cost to Maturity	\$1,147,796	Assessed Valuation (2008)	\$32,444,655
Average Annual Principal and Interest Payments	\$243,186		
Portion of Average Annual Principal and Interest Payments from State aid	0		
Portion of Average Annual Principal and Interest Payments from District funds	\$243,186		
Average Annual Property Tax Mill Levy Rate for Principal and Interest Payments			6.25 mills

The election officer conducting the election will be the County Clerk of Cheyenne County, Kansas whose address is Cheyenne County Courthouse, P.O. Box 985, St. Francis, Kansas 67756-0985.

DATED: September 19, 2008.

(Seal) Terry Miller, County Clerk
Cheyenne County, Kansas

Public Notices

Company wants to dump salt water

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NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

RE: Noble Energy Inc. - Application for a permit to authorize the disposal of saltwater into the Ketzner SWD No. 1 Well, located in Township 3 South - Range 38 West Section 9: NW1/4NW1/4 Cheyenne County, Kansas

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomever concerned.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Noble Energy Inc. has filed an application to commence

the disposal of salt water into the Cedar Hills formation at the Ketzner SWD No. 1 well, located in Township 3 South - Range 38 West Section 9: NW1/4NW1/4, Cheyenne County, Kansas, with a maximum operating pressure of 1500 PSIG and a maximum injection rate of 1500 bbls per day.

Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why the grant of the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

Noble Energy Inc.
1625Broadway, Suite 2200
Denver, Colorado 80202
Attention: Jennifer Barnett
(303) 228-4235

Hixon Petition is filed

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

PAULINE L. HIXON, Deceased

Case No. 08-PR-02

NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Joseph Charles Hixon, a/k/a J. C. Hixon, executor of the above entitled Estate of Pauline L. Hixon, deceased, praying for an Order authorizing the private sale of the following described real estate situated in Chey-

enne County, Kansas, to-wit:

Lots Six (6), Seven (7) and Eight (8) in Block Two (2) Park Hill Addition to the City, of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof, with a street address of 419 East First Street, St. Francis, KS 67756.

And for a further Order confirming the private sale thereof to Terry Rieger and Glenda Rieger, husband and wife, for not less than three-fourths (3/4) of the appraised value, with taxes prorated to date of sale, policy of title insurance to be furnished by seller, and with possession to be given upon date of closing which shall be on or before the 31st day of October, 2008; and for a further Order authorizing the executor to pay the costs of the sale including a policy of title insurance and a real estate commission.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before October 17, 2008 at 9:00 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.

Joseph Charles Hixon, a/k/a J.C. Hixon
Petitioner/Executor

Closing of books ordered

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ORDER OF CLOSING BOOKS and NOTICE OF PLACES AND DATES OF REGISTRATION BEFORE GENERAL ELECTION November 4th, 2008

Pursuant to K.S.A.25-2311(c), notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of October, 2008, all registration books for the primary election will close at the end of regular business hours. Registration books will remain closed until the 5th day of November, 2008.

In compliance with the provision of K.S.A. 25-2310, notice is hereby given

that the books for registration of voters will be open during regular business hours at the offices of the County Clerk and the City Clerk in St. Francis and at the First National Bank in Bird City.

A citizen of the United States who is eighteen (18) years of age and upwards or will have attained the age of eighteen (18) years at the next election may register to vote. When a voter has been registered according to law, his or her registration shall continue to be valid until the voter changes their name by marriage, divorce or legal proceedings or changes their residence. Any person may apply to be registered in person or by mail to the Election Officer. Application forms shall be provided by the County Election Officer upon request in person or in writing by an individual applicant. Such applications shall be signed by the applicant under penalty of perjury.

WITNESS MY HAND and seal of my office this 25th day of September, A.D., 2008.

Terry Miller
County Election Officer

Odd Facts

- The youngest pope was 11 years old.
- First novel ever written on a typewriter: Tom Sawyer.
- The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.
- Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.
- The Eisenhower interstate system requires that one mile in every five must be straight. These straight sections are usable as airstrips in times of war or other emergencies.
- The cruise liner, Queen Elizabeth II, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.

'No Hunting' signs available

at the
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785-332-3162
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