



THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY enjoyed an ice cream social. Those pictured are (l to r) Sydney Busse, Anita Burton, Chris Walden, Justin Miller, Craig Busse and Mandi Walden.

Introducing

Atrinity Jordon Arensdorf

Atrinity Jordon (A.J.) Arensdorf, son of Adam and Amy Arensdorf, was born at 7:55 p.m. on March 12 at the Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis. Rebecca Allard, M.D. attended the birth.

A.J. weighed 7 pounds, 2.2 ounces and was 21-inches long.



Atrinity Jordon Arensdorf



Club Clip

McDonald Town and Country Garden Club

The McDonald Town and Country Garden Club met on Wednesday, March 11, at the McDonald Senior Center. Ten members answered roll call with "my favorite wildflower."

Margie Hubbard opened the meeting with a prayer. The minutes and treasurer's report were presented and accepted. Reports were given by the McDonald Area Development Committee and the Arbor Day meeting which will be held on April 8.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. at the Roadside Park where a blue spruce will be planted. Jim Strine, district forester from Hays, will be present for the planting. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome.

Following the tree planting all will go to the senior center where the fourth and fifth grade Cheylin students will give the program. Posters will be returned to the students and awards will be given.

Members will each bring two dozen cookies for a snack for the students.

Helen Frisbie gave the Growing Green report. She stressed using plants that are adapted to the soil, climate and planting conditions.

Agnes Burk led the lesson "Find Mystic Gypsies" in which she gave tips for planting and growing plants that come from bulbs...daffodils, tulips, day lilies, cannas, glads, iris, dahlias and more.

Margie Hubbard's exhibit was "Luck of the Irish." She used flowers from white geraniums and lavender and purple petunias with a branch of eucalyptus for height, with purple sage and white bacopa for filler. She said "the luck of the Irish" was that the plants did not freeze when the temperature in her greenhouse dropped below freezing.

Co-hostesses were Margie Hubbard and Vera KBC Gacierek.

Widening runway is top of the agenda

Widening the airport runway was at the top of the agenda when the Cheyenne County Airport Authority met on March 12.

President Dave Yost gave a summation of the financial situation. He said that sufficient county funds were available for the matching funds required for the upcoming runway widening project. The best estimate for the cost of widening and installation of new runway lights is \$1.956 million dollars, and the local match will total \$97,800 (5 percent). It was noted that federal matching funds are raised from aviation fuel taxes and taxes on airline tickets, not local tax dollars.

The project will be bid on May 1 and construction could begin as soon as Aug. 17.

In the project, the present runway will be widened from 50 feet to 75 feet with 6 inches of concrete, which will mean that aircraft weighing up to 30,000 pounds will be accommodated. In the future, the runway will be

lengthened to 5,200 feet, from the present 3,150 feet.

Mr. Yost reported that the land acquisition purchase agreement has been signed for the land south of the airport which will be used for the future runway lengthening project.

The Authority discussed parameters for new hangar construction on the airport. Several guidelines were determined. The Airport Authority's engineering firm will be contacted to determine exact sizing and building heights to conform with Federal Aviation Administration's airspace restrictions concerning hangar locations.

Insurance coverage for the airport was discussed, and a committee was established to follow up on questions raised at the meeting.

Those attending the meeting held at Yost Farm Supply were Rick Rogers, Rodney Bracelin, Kody Krien, Mr. Yost, Dave Flemming, Richard Grace and Robert Grace.

Obituary

Robert Anthony Runyan

Sept. 14, 1943 - March 5, 2009

Robert Anthony Runyan was born on Sept. 14, 1943, in San Diego, Calif., to Albert and Dorothy Runyan.

Robert attended school in San Diego, Calif., and entered into the United States Army in 1963. Robert served as a computer expert with the rank of Specialist Six. His tour in the Army led him to serve in Korea, Vietnam and Germany.

In 1984, Robert retired from the Army in Fort Bragg, Fayetteville, N.C. He continued to work with computers and as a civilian, was a computer expert as a logistical specialist with the Federal Civil Service.

Robert had many friends from every walk of life. He was very generous and liked all sports, especially golf.

Robert was married with two children; Carol Jones and Anthony Runyan. Robert lived in Bird City from July 1998, to September 1999, with his cousin, Roy

Troutt. Robert died on March 5, 2009, in Lacey, Wash.

Leaving to mourn him are his children, Carol and Anthony; grandson, Patrick Kunick and granddaughter, Hannah Jones; his aunt, Arlene Mazon, cousins, Roy Troutt and Leo Mazon.

Funeral services were held on March 14 at St. John Lutheran Church, Bird City, with Pastor David Rossbach officiating.

Casket bearers were Larry Henry, Dean Smith, Norman Dorsch, Lee Amsberry, John DaPron and Charles Coleman.

Interment was in the Bird City Cemetery. There was a military graveside service by a Fort Riley Honor Guard.

Arrangements were by Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis.



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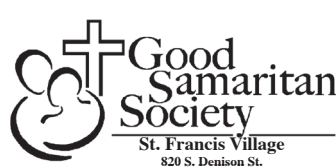
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Lacrosse - March 16, 7:30 p.m., Lacrosse Sale Barn

Colby - March 17, 7:30 p.m., Colby Community College Student Union Room 106, 1255 S. Range Road

Atwood - March 18, 7:30 p.m., Midwest Energy Community Room 303 Main Street

Saint Francis - March 19, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis Public Library, 121 N. Scott Street

(Use North Door)

Hays - March 20, 7:00 p.m., 1232 240th Ave, KSU Ag. Research Center

Sharon Springs - March 23, 7:30 p.m., Community Activities Building CAB on the Fairgrounds

Leoti - March 30 7:30 p.m., Wichita Co. Business Care Center, 102 W. Broadway

(corner of Hwy. 96 & Hwy 25)

Phillipsburg - March 31, 7:30 p.m., KSU extension office 784 6th St. (behind the Chubby Pickle)

Russell - April 6, 7:30 p.m. - 4-H Building (North Room)

Plainville - April 7, 7:00 p.m. - Plainville Sale Barn

Oberlin - April 8, 7:00 p.m., The Gateway Room 3