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CHERYL LEE, director of the Home Health Department, shows Rick Reeser, Good Samaritan Village administrator, and Tammy Howard, Home Health administrative secretary, the new medication dispenser. Times staff photo by Karen Krien

### **Home Health receives money**

#### By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com Recently, the Good Samaritan a flashing light. Village Home Health in St. Francis received part of a \$1,200 donation medications to be taken at that the patient, one or all of those from the Lucille Stephenson foundation. With the money, they purchased six MedReady automated medication dispensers.

The medication dispensers hold 28 doses of pills or capsules: four doses for seven days; three doses for nine days; two doses for 14 days; or one dose a day for 28 days.

There is an alarm in the dispenser that can be set to go off up to four times a day. When it is time for the automated medicine dispensers not taking their medication patient to take the medicine, the and were excited about having six alarm begins to beep continuously until the medication door is slid open which shuts the alarm off. The patient need not worry about hearing the alarm because it is loud enough and, if sounded long

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If the patient is deaf, the alarm has

time, automatically slide into people answering the call will place. There is no way the patient will be able to take his/her medications before the alarm goes dispenser offers safety to our off. If the patient misses a dose, clients and the elderly," Mrs. Lee the pill dispenser denies access to said. "It also gives reassurance the missed dose.

This is a very useful tool to help are no overdoses or underdoses. provide health care to patients, said Cheryl Lee, director of the St. Francis Home Health department.

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We are so grateful to have people donate money that we can to personnel about home health, use in this way, Mrs. Lee said.

The dispenser can be plugged into a lifeline. If the patient does

enough, becomes rather irritating. not respond to the dispenser, Lifeline is notified. An operator, in turn, calls three designated As the alarm goes off, the numbers previously selected by check on the patient.

"The automated medical to the patient's family as there

It has been found that those having the dispenser have fewer hospital or emergency room The department already had two calls and less side affects from properly.

> For more information on the automated dispenser or to talk contact Mrs. Lee or Tammy Howard at 785-332-3588.

# New queen crowned at noon on July 30

The Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Show, held in Bird City, is just weeks away and the new mystery Thresher Queen has been selected. Her identity will not be revealed until noon on Thursday, July 30, in front of the grandstand at the show.

The new queen was born in Nebraska and now lives in Chevenne County. She grew up on a farm comprised of cattle, hogs, chickens and milk cows.

Cobs that she carried were used for the cook stove and heater. Later, she carried the ashes out.

Evenings were spent around the table with the kerosene-burning lamp furnishing light for studying, reading and playing games.

She remembers the Dust Bowl Days. Hard work, she said, was required of all family member which contributed to their way of life.

Are there any guesses on who the 2009 queen is? Check next week's Times and Herald for more clues. Last year's queen was Mildred

Wright. She will crown the new queen and her doll will go on display in the case of queens at the Eggers' Building on the show grounds.



**New Thresher Queen** 



SUMMER VOLLEYBALL – Sunday night the younger players were defeated by the older group. Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

## Library receives new books

the McDonald Library including Kingsbury; Lavender Morning Celebration by Fern Michaels; Your Heart Belongs To Me by Harlan Coben; Rebecca's Promise Dean Koontz; Just After Sunset by by Jerry Eicker; Rebecca's Return Stephen King; A Killing Frost by by Jerry Eicher; First Family Hannah Alexander; Promises In by David Baldacci; Rewriting Death by J.D. Robb; One Day At A Monday by Jodi Thomas; The Inn *Time* by Danielle Steel; *Night and At Eagle Point* by Sheryl Woods; Day by Robert B. Parker; Fireside Just Take My Heart by Mary

There are several new books at Maeve Binchy; Take One by Karen by Patricia Cornwell; Mr. and Miss by Jude Deveraux; Long Lost by by Susan Wiggs; Heart And Soul by Higgins Clark; Portrait of a Killer

Anonymous by Fern Michaels; Loitering With Intent by Stuart Woods; Vision In White by Nora Roberts; The 8th Confession by James Patterson; When Joy Came To Stay by Karen Kingsbury; Matters Of The Heart by Danielle Steel; Relentless by Dean Koontz.



**Upcoming Promotions** 

JUNIOR HIGH CHEER SQUAD – The young ladies are preparing to support the junior high athletic teams throughout the school year. Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of CITY OF BIRD CITY will meet on the 3rd day of August , 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall for the purpose of ng and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds

Detailed budget information is available at City Hall, Bird City and will be available at this hearing BUDGET SUMMARY Proposed Budget 2010 Expenditures and Amount of Current Year Estimate for 2009 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2010 budget

Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation

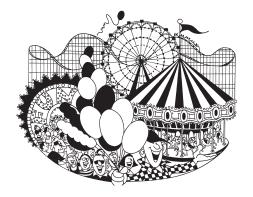
	Prior Year Actual for 2008		Current Year Estimate for 2009		Proposed Budget for 2010		
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FUND	Expenditures	Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Tax Rate*	Expenditures		49.192
General	216,535	43.113	281,892	43.214	299,555	112,761	49.192
Debt Service					0.011	0.000	2 709
LIBRARY	6,720	3.591	9,326	3.600	9,741	8,500	3.708
Special Highway	4,180		22,000		25,000		
Special Park & Recreation	1,180		1,296		1,769		
Solid Waste	5,837		10,000		10,000		
Water & Sewer	136,971		216,746		251,300		
Non-Budgeted Funds	35,506						
Totals	406,929	46.704	541,260	46.814	597,365	121,261	52.900
Less: Transfers	60,000		60,000		108,600		
Net Expenditure	346,929		481,260	]	488,765		
Total Tax Levied	110,561	1	110,561	1	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	2,367,280	1	2,361,830	1	2,292,244		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
January 1,	2007		2008	_	2009	_	
G.O. Bonds	0	]	0	]	0		
Revenue Bonds	0	]	0	]	0		
Other	0		474,925		532,302		
Lease Purchase Principal	0		0		0	]	
Total	0		474,925		532,302		
*Tax rates are expressed in	mills	_		-			
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For more information contact Casey McCormick at: The Saint Francis Herald P.O. Box 1050, St. Francis, KS 67756 • 785-332-3162

## **Cheyenne County Fair**

Aug. 5 - Aug. 8, 2009

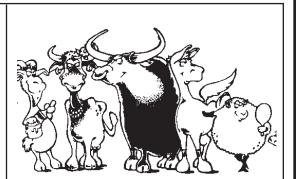
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