

Filing dead line past

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Friday, at noon, marked the deadline for those wanting to file for political office. Terry Miller, election officer, reported that there will be two races in the primary held Aug. 7. Three candidates will be running for the seat of register of deeds and two are running for county commissioner in District 3.

Filing for register of deeds are Shelley Culwell, Jeanne Dunn and Melissa Tabor. Running for commissioner in District 3 are incumbent, Andy Beikman, and Brett Poling.

The seat of commissioner of District 2 is currently held by Dale Patton who has filed as an Independent so will be on the general ballot.

Others who will appear on the general ballot are: Terry Miller, county clerk; Dolores Jenik, county treasurer; Karan Thadani, county attorney; Cody Beeson, sheriff; and Robert Van Allen, magistrate judge, District 15.

All candidates are Republican with the exception of Mr. Patton who is an Independent.



COOLING OFF at the swimming pool on Memorial Day were Alahondro Delacruz, Danile Delacruz, Diego Delacruz and John Aguire.

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Cancer relay walk begins Saturday

Early in the day on Saturday, tents will spring up, food vendor will set up and benches will be placed as people get ready for the Cheyenne County Relay For Life walk.

Starting about 6 p.m. a free-will barbecue will be served. The cancer survivors will be guests of the Relay Committee and should register. The barbecue will be served by Pam and Jim Bolin from their Hobo Snack Shack.

The Shriners will be in the park with their Candy Wagon selling water, pop, popcorn, cotton candy and snow cones. Both vendors will donate all proceeds to the Relay. Everyone is urged to come to the park, enjoy the food and support the Relay For Life.

The opening ceremonies begin at 6:45 with a prayer by Rev. Warren

Cico, and the national anthem sung by Jenny Cravens. Chairman, Pat Rose, will give the welcome. Randy Smestad has donated an evening of music.

At 7 p.m. the Survivors' Walk will begin, with Sally Priest, Bob Gross, Darlene Merklin, Cindy Mitchell and Linda Elfers carrying the Survivor's Banner. The banner proclaims that the survivors are "Celebrating Life!"

The Good Samaritan Village people movers will be pulled by a tractor loaned for the evening by Rob Schiltz. At the end of the first lap, each survivor will be met with a fresh flower donated by RoseMary Bierig, owner of the Classic Rose floral shop. The caregivers will then join up with the survivors for the next lap.

The teams will all be introduced

as they start the next lap and continue with someone from their team on the laps all night. Several high school and junior high teams are expected and activities will be provided all night to keep them going.

The activities in the band shell will begin after the relay walk has started. There will be local entertainment, an introduction of the Relay Committee, a talk by a survivor and caregiver, and of course, the annual auction. Look in the west window of the Methodist Thrift Store to see some of the donated items for the auction.

Please come down and help us raise money for fighting cancer by bidding on these great items, Ms. Rose said.

The highlight of the evening is the luminaria service at dark.

It is a wonderful sight to see 500 to 600 luminarias lit all around the park and band shell, said Betty Loudon, one of the committee. Then to listen to the calling of the names in honor of those who have survived cancer, and those who are memorialized because they did not survive.

On Tuesday evening, the survivors were honored by the committee with a reception at the United Methodist Church. They picked up their Relay shirts they will wear Saturday night, and celebrate all the many birthdays they have had and are still having. Door prizes of flower bouquets were given by Jenny Cravens of Krien's Pharmacy's The Flower Shop. Please contact Pat Rose for any further information at 785-332-5438



SINGING 'Deep, Deep, Deep' in the music group during the first day of Bible School is Amber Manners.

Times staff photo by Norma Martinez

Visitor plans meeting

Congressman Tim Huelskamp will be in St. Francis at 8 a.m. on Friday, June 15, in the courtroom at the courthouse.

Since taking office in January 2011, Congressman Huelskamp has hosted 126 in-person town hall meetings across the Big First District of Kansas. Constituents who attend the meeting will receive a brief update from Congressman Huelskamp and are invited to come share their thoughts and ideas with him.

Constituents with questions about the town halls should contact Congressman Huelskamp's Dodge City office at 620-225-0172 or the Hutchinson office at 620-665-6138.

"The input of Kansans is the most valuable asset I take to Washington so I hope as many Kansans as possible will join me for an upcoming town hall meeting," Congressman Huelskamp said.

Congressman Huelskamp is a freshman representing the First District of Kansas. He serves on the House Budget, Agriculture, and Veterans' Affairs committees, and he is a member of the House Republican Study Committee.

Grass torn up at thresher grounds

The Tri State Engine and Thresher Association needs the community's help to stop the person or persons who continue using their vehicle to tear up the grass and roads on our show grounds.

We try hard to keep our show grounds nice and it seems, when

it rains someone in the community feels they have the right to spin their vehicle wheels and make ruts in the low spots throughout the grounds.

If you know who is doing the damage, ask them to "Please Stop".



SCIENCE PROJECT — Alex Dart and Kaylynn Hendricks are making suspension matter at Bible School. Just as Noah didn't know about how to make the ark, they don't know what they are making.

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