

Commissioners work on Village lease

By Karen Krien

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The nursing home lease between the county and Good Samaritan Society was again at the top of the Cheyenne County Commissioners' agenda on Friday.

Kari Gilliland, county attorney, said she had been working with Kevin Berens, member of the Good Samaritan Village advisory board, on the wording of the proposed lease. The commissioners had been concerned about the wording in paragraph nine which basically stated that the county, after the Society had handed over the facility for \$1, would give the Society \$200,000 per year for 5 years to be used for capital improvements and to supplement operating funds.

The new wording would give the commissioners the right to review the finances and see how much to budget each year. There would also not be a guaranteed amount.

There was other discussion but no decisions were made other than to send the amended lease back to the Society. The Society wants the county to take over the

facility at the first of the year but there appears to be some major agreements to be made by then.

Neighborhood Revitalization Program

The timeline for getting the Neighborhood Revitalization Program going was discussed. Helen Dobbs, Cheyenne County Development Corporation coordinator, along with Cathy Domsch, Rod Young, Gary Leach, Chad Sheldon and John Deeds, were there to discuss the program.

The Neighborhood Revitalization Program is a tax rebate program on new structures or new additions. Mrs. Dobbs has been working on getting the program ready to present to the attorney general for several months.

She said the earliest the tax rebate program could be put in place would be Aug. 1. After considerable discussion, the commissioners agreed that there would be a public meeting at 9 a.m. on Monday, July 16, in the commissioners' room so the necessary papers could be signed.

Cheyenne County Development Corporation

The proposed budget for the Cheyenne County Development Corporation was discussed. Members of the St. Francis City Council, mayor and city superintendent, along with Mrs. Dobbs and Ms. Redding, talked about how to give the needed funds for the organization. The St. Francis council members said they would try to help as much as possible.

Roger Jensen, council member, suggested that since the St. Francis Chamber had dissolved, maybe dues could be paid to the corporation. No decisions were made other than the money needed to operate the corporation will be considered further.

Hospital budget
Les Lacy, Cheyenne County Hospital administrator, as well as the hospital board consisting of Mike Bandel, Jane Young, Erika Zimelman and Kari Gilliland, presented the hospital's budget request of 12 mills. Last year, the commissioners gave the hospital 11.660 mills or \$440,000. No decision was made.

The commissioners asked Mr. Lacy about the centralized billing system used by the hospital. They all said they had heard many unfavorable comments and wondered just how much the county pays to have the bills sent there. They also said maybe the hospital would be ahead to pay one or two people in the county to take care of billing, rather than send it off.

Mr. Lacy said not all of the hospitals with Great Plains Health Alliance are using the service. He said he would look into the matter.

Sheriff's report
Sheriff Craig Van Allen asked for five minutes executive session to discuss personnel. Upon the return to regular session, Chairman Dale Patton announced no decisions had been made in the session.

The Bird City Law Enforcement Contract was discussed. The commissioners felt a \$1,000 per year increase was within reason. This is less than a 3-percent increase.

In other business

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 - The commissioners signed the ambulance May write offs of \$8,316.
 - The bid from St. Francis Tire and Service, St. Francis, for tires for the newest fire truck was accepted. The amount paid for the tires was not available
 - Dave Flemming, road and bridge supervisor, along with Adam Peter, St. Francis, asked questions about the landfill operator position. Commissioner Andy Beikman, Adam's uncle, excused himself from the meeting while the discussion was held. No decisions were made.
 - A county delinquent tax sale was discussed. No decision was made.

Next meeting
The next regular meeting of the commissioners is set for 8 a.m. on Tuesday, July 31, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.
Editor's note: The above article was taken in part from the unapproved June 29 minutes.



JD and Jordan Hawkins

Couple married in private ceremony

Jordan Lamborn, Kersey, Colo., and Jonathan "JD" Hawkins, formerly of St. Francis, were married in a private ceremony on June 12, 2012, in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Jordan is the daughter of Scott and Joey Lamborn, Kersey. JD is the son of Toni and Lex Landenberger and Bob Hawkins, all of St. Francis.

JD is a Specialist currently serving in the U.S. Army at Fort Carson, Colo., He has just returned from serving nearly a year in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

The couple is making their home at 1980 Diplomat View, Apt. 1823, Colorado Springs, CO 80905. Well wishes can be sent to them at this address.

Moments with Mila

Mila Bandel, County Health Nurse

Keeping Safe in Extreme Heat
Heat is the number one weather-related killer in the United States. When temperatures soar close to or over 100 degrees as well as with humidity leaving you sweltering and sticky, you should be careful to protect both yourself and your loved ones from falling ill due to the heat.

Here are some tips to prevent heat-related illness: • Spend more time indoors, drink plenty of water even if you do not feel thirsty you need to push fluids.

• Avoid caffeinated and alcoholic beverages.

• Wear loose light colored clothing and apply sunscreen throughout the day.

• Schedule outdoor activities carefully - try to schedule activities early in the day or later in the evening.

• Monitor people at high risk for heat illnesses such as; the elderly, children and their pets.

People who are at highest risk are the elderly, the very young, and people with mental illnesses and chronic diseases. Check on family, friends and neighbors without air conditioning, including the elderly who are more vulnerable to falling ill due to the heat. Never leave your child unattended in a vehicle, even with the windows down. Ensure your pets have free access to fresh drinking water and are not suffering due to the heat.

Sunburns should be avoided because it damages the skin. Although the discomfort is usually minor and healing often occurs in about a week, more severe sunburn may require medical attention. Proper sun protection practices such as using sunscreen and wearing appropriate clothing can reduce a person's risk for developing skin cancer.

Heat exhaustions is a milder form of heat-related illness that can develop after several days of

exposure to high temperatures and inadequate or unbalanced replacement of fluids. It is the body's response to an excessive loss of the water and salt contained in sweat.

Those most prone to heat exhaustion are elderly people, people with high blood pressure, and people working or exercising in a hot environment. Some warning signs of heat exhaustion include; heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, and nausea or vomiting.

What should you do to help the heat stroke patient? Cool the patient down with nonalcoholic beverages, take a cool shower, bath or sponge bath, get in an air-conditioned environment, and put cool compresses on the patient or water hose if not close to air-conditioner.

Heat stroke occurs when the body is unable to regulate its temperature. The body's sweating mechanism fails, and the body is unable to cool down. Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not provided. Warning signs of a heat stroke include; red, hot and dry skin; rapid strong pulse; throbbing headache; dizziness, nausea; confusion; unconsciousness.

Call for immediate medical assistance and begin cooling the patient by getting them in a shady area; place in a tub of cool water.

Don't let the heat get the best of you this summer. Beat the heat and keep your cool in the hot weather.

For more information contact the Cheyenne County Health Department at 785-332-2381.

McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

Remember the men's prayer breakfast Saturday morning at 7 a.m. at the Wesleyan Church, Bird City.

Joan Tongish, Eleanor Swihart, and Betty Lewis attended Amelia Banister's 102nd birthday party Sunday afternoon at the Good Samaritan Home in Atwood.

Art, Erika, and Emily Atchison of Eulus, Texas were weekend guests of Karlyne Atchison. They all helped Amelia Banister celebrate her 102nd birthday and Karlyne Atchison's 70th birthday Sunday afternoon at the Good Samaritan Home in Atwood.

Twila Miller was a Saturday evening caller of Marlene Johnson.

Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson called on aunt Vera Kacirek at the Good Samaritan Home in Oberlin

Friday.
Jerry and Betty Knapp visited with Vernon Davis in Kanapolis Thursday. They were weekend guests of Travis Knapp in Hutchison. On their return trip, Jerry and Betty called on Jim Knapp in WaKeeney, and Brenda Knapp in Colby, Sunday.

Honor Roll

New and renewed Times subscriptions: Ruth Rooney, Bird City; Dennis Wright, Bird City; Jamie Miller, Clarksville, Ark.; Bruce Bolen, Bird City; Doug Flemming, Bird City; Herb Bacon, Grand Junction, Colo.; Glenda Hinz, Lakewood, Colo.

St. Francis Auction Market



St. Francis, Kansas

Because the weather is dry and grass is short. The St. Francis Auction Market will be having a sale July 11 and every other week.

We connect buyers with sellers

Contact: Jerry Fortin 785-475-8203

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Leaving The Country Sale!

Diane and Chuck Kribs are leaving the country, so everything must GO.

A unique yard sale will be held on the property on the 7th-8th of July. Not much will be priced, any fair offer will be accepted for most items. Find it, bring it to the front, tell us what you want to pay and take it away. We reserve the right to reject ridiculous offers. Contents of the house, barns and shops, it all goes!!!

Furniture, appliances, tools, sporting goods, pottery kilns, trailers, truck topper, clothing. Whatever isn't marked as a keeper (very little) is fair game.

Place is located 6 miles North of Bird City on Highway 161, ¼ mile East on Road T. Starts at 9 a.m. Both days

Patient-centered surgical consultation and care

Brenda Kopriva, M.D. is now offering surgery consultations at the Trenton Medical Clinic!

General surgeon, Dr. Brenda Kopriva, is now accepting surgical consultation appointments at the Trenton Medical Clinic on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month.

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Specials

Sunday

Chicken Fried Chicken

New Hours coming in July

Breakfast every day till 10:30 a.m.

Lunch

Sunday thru Wednesday 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Fried Chicken on Wednesdays,

starting on the 4th of July

Majestic Service & Truck Stop
510 West Highway 36
St. Francis, Ks.
785.332.2905

Happy 25th Anniversary

Edgar and Dianna Carpenter on July 3rd



There are people that give their time at the drop of a hat and we thank them with all our hearts The McDonald & Bird City firemen did a tremendous job putting out our harvest fire along with Hal and Cort Antholz with their equipment. We also thank the many extras that showed up with a helping hand in one way or the other. Thank you again, Kent and Joan Banister

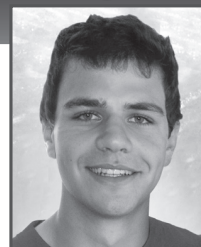
MACHINERY AUCTION August, 2012

JD 9500 Combine - JD 8770 Tractor - Tillage & Planting Equip. - Grain Truck - Tools at Western Auction & Real Estate Auction Lot, St. Francis, Ks Very nice items to sell, well cared for and ready to work! **MACHINERY CONSIGNMENTS WELCOME - DEADLINE JULY 15 FOR PRINTING ON AUCTION FLYER** email robin@westernauctionandrealstate.com

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Betty L. Petersen, Broker

HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT TODAY!

(for 3, 5 or 10 months)



Pierre from France, 17 yrs. Loves the outdoors and playing soccer. Pierre's dream has been to spend time in America learning about our customs.



Elisa from Italy, 16 yrs. Likes to play tennis, swim, and loves to dance. Elisa can't wait to join her host family's activities.

Make this year the most exciting, enriching year ever for you and your family. Welcome a high school student, 15-18 years old, from Italy, France, Norway, Denmark, Spain, Germany, Brazil, Thailand or China as part of your family for a school year (or less) and make an overseas friend for life.

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