



CONSTRUCTION IS well underway on the double unit apartments at the Bird City Senior Living complex.

Times staff photo by Tim Burr

Golf tournament set for Sept. 1 in St. Francis

The Cheyenne County Hospital and Clinic golf tournament is set for Saturday, Sept. 1, at Riverside Recreation west of St. Francis.

As in year's past, said Stacy Kaup, clinic manager and organizer of the tournament, there are wonderful prizes as well as terrific silent-auction items. Now is the time to sign up to play.

Lunch will be served after the tournament. Teams are four-person teams. The registration cost includes player gift bags, lunch and 18 holes of golf. In addition, there is the possibility of hole prizes and the fun of the silent auction.

Something new this year, Mrs. Kaup said, Health One has donated an entry into the

tournament. Those interested in playing and would like a chance for the donated spots, please call Stacy at Cheyenne County Clinic to find out how to "win" a free entry.

Again this year, Golfsmith is helping sponsor this event, as well as numerous local vendors. Come out and support this great event, Mrs. Kaup said.

Last year's tournament champion flight results included: First place: Bredan Gross, Craig Boggio, Darren Workman and Rod Lampe; second place: Matt Wilson, Drew Flemming, Ted Crabtree, A.J. McAtee; third place: Matt Smull, Dustin Gilliland, Tom Smull and Brett Petersen.



MARIE HOLZWARTH and Gerald Wright read aloud at the Rough Writers reading in St. Francis.



Federal assistance to help pay electricity bills

Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) Secretary Phyllis Gilmore said the federally funded Low Income Energy Assistance Program, administered by the department will provide a supplemental benefit to help with summer utility bills to those already participating in the program.

The payments are made to the participants' utility providers, not to beneficiaries.

"The summer heat can take an incredible - sometimes fatal - toll on our most vulnerable populations - the elderly, disabled and struggling families," said Secretary Gilmore. "This supplemental payment will help beneficiaries pay their bills, to keep them safe and comfortable during periods of temperature extremes."

The Low Income Energy

Assistance Program provides an annual payment to help qualifying households pay winter heating bills. Individuals with disabilities, elderly persons, and families with children are the primary groups assisted. In the winter of 2012, nearly 54,000 Kansas households received an average benefit of \$182.

This year, funding is available to provide an additional payment to the utility providers on behalf of participant households for energy costs incurred during the heat of summer.

This is not a new application period; individuals who applied and received the benefit during the regular application period will automatically be issued a supplemental benefit of approximately \$340, bringing the average benefit for the year to over \$522.

Writers read at church

About 30 people gathered Sunday afternoon, Aug. 5, at the Old Country Church for an hour of listening to some Rough Writers, a local group of writers, and other writers from the community read their creative works or memoirs. Marsha Magley surprised her sister, Shirley Watson, by serving birthday cake and ice cream to celebrate Shirley's 75th birthday.

Readers included Gerald Wright and Ethan Young of Bird City; Jessica Turner of McDonald; and Marsha Magley, Dianna Padgett, Marie Holzwarth and Joy Fisher of St. Francis. Pastor David and Lucille Rossbach also read selections from *Memories & Musings*, a book of writings by residents of the Good Samaritan Village.

The Rough Writers have been gathering monthly during the school year since September 2007. Their primary purpose is to encourage each other "to write and to keep on writing." Some also assist with monthly writing workshops at the Good Samaritan Village. Recently they published the book *Memories & Musings*, available through the Cheyenne County Historical Society.

These quarterly readings at the old church, located near the Cheyenne County Museum on U.S. 36, are sponsored by the Historical Society. The Rough Writers plan to host more such readings, on a quarterly basis. Call 332-8903 if interested in doing a reading or joining the Rough Writers.

U.S. 36 Treasure Hunt begins again on Sept. 14

By Karen Krien

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People are gathering their items and making plans for the 400-mile long yard sale held along U.S. 36 from the Colorado border to the Missouri border.

The U.S. Treasure Hunt will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 14, 15 and 16.

The county map of vendors will soon be put together and will be published on the web site, www.ushwy36.com. Those people wanting to be on the vendor site

map need to pick up an application at the extension office in the basement of the courthouse.

The application must be turned into Linda Elfers, P.O. Box 134, St. Francis with \$5. For more information, Mrs. Elfers can be reached at 785-332-5155 or e-mail her at lelfers@ksu.edu. The deadline is Aug. 29.

Look for more information on the Treasure Hunt in upcoming issues of *The Herald* and the *Times*.

South of McDonald *By Sandy Binning*

Linda Dewey was a weekend guest of her parents, Ote and Ellen Dewey.

On Saturday, Ellen and Linda Dewey, Tom and Kelly Dewey and children attended the Bill Kogl Family Reunion in Bird City at the home of Bill and Debbie Malone.

Ed and Elaine Kogl of Commerce City were Saturday overnight guests of Ote and Ellen Dewey.

Lynn and Rita Officer, Mark and Marilee Gundlach and children, and Michael and Erin Officer and children traveled to Colorado Springs Monday. They visited the Garden of the

Gods and Santa's workshop at the North Pole.

Ratha Lea Loker joined the Gundlach family for Thursday lunch and Friday evening for supper after they had returned from Colorado. The Micheal Officers and the Gundlachs returned to their homes Saturday afternoon.

George and Kathy Banister attended the wedding reception for Mike and Rita Boles at Oakley Saturday afternoon.



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Notice of Budget Hearing

The governing body of CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS will meet on the 30th day of August, 2012 at 9:00 A.M., at the County Courthouse for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at the COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE and will be available at this hearing.

Budget Summary

Proposed Budget 2013 Expenditures and the Amount of 2012 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2013 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual for 2011		Current Year Estimate 2012		Proposed Budget for 2013		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Current Year Estimate of Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Amount of 2012 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	3,038,960	52.055	3,869,044	54.667	3,531,497	2,571,405	69.247
Road and Bridge	1,146,728	22.966	1,109,245	21.121	1,208,400	901,333	24.273
Bridge Building	8,714	1.323	75,650	0.583	68,000	20,851	0.562
Noxious Weed	37,808	0.714	32,839	0.709	39,042	30,956	0.834
Hospital	511,767	5.461	837,000	11.660	819,716	373,070	10.047
Special Alcohol	3,827		3,000		5,600		
Special Parks & Recreation	543		1,100		8,282		
Health Grants	47,629		28,000		50,000		
Prairie Dog	3,263		7,600		10,826		
Non-Budgeted Funds - A	243,985						
Non-Budgeted Funds - B	13,587						
Non-Budgeted Funds - C	162,115						
Non-Budgeted Funds - D	1,500						
Totals	5,220,426	82.519	5,963,478	88.720	5,741,363	3,897,615	104.963
Less: Transfers	304,979		230,895		301,000		
Net Expenditures	4,915,447		5,732,583		5,440,363		
Total Tax Levied	2,960,790		3,347,960				
Assessed Valuation	35,788,169		37,738,307		37,133,627		
Outstanding Indebtedness, January 1							
	2011		2012		2013		
GO Bonds	0		0		0		
Lease-Purchase	0		0		0		
Total	0		0		0		

Terry Miller
Clerk



Please Join

U. S. SENATOR PAT ROBERTS

Roberts holds Cheyenne County Townhall Meeting

Friday, August 17, 2012

Cuppa Joe Espresso,
216 Washington, St. Francis
3:15 pm CT

Senator Roberts will answer questions and listen to the concerns of Kansans. With questions, please contact Senator Roberts' Topeka Office at 785-295-2745.

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