Society's director of operations brings lease agreement back

By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com The Good Samaritan Society's

director of operations was at the Cheyenne County Commissioners' meeting on Wednesday, May 15, with the signed lease agreement. The commissioners also changed the name of the Good Samaritan

Because the nursing home had the name "Village" for over 60 years, the commissioners agreed that the new name for the facility would be Cheyenne County Village. The name change will not be official until July 1.

Randy Fitzgerald, director of operations, brought the lease contract with the Society's official signatures. On July 1, the county will be the owner as \$1 is paid to the Society. With the purchase will come the nursing home and furniture-contents, apartments and some land surrounding the facilities. The home health care building on the northwest of the

Mr. Fitzgerald also had a letter from Cynthia Moegenburg, executive vice president and chief operating officer for the Society, recognizing Jeff Paulsen, a presentation to high school

grounds will remain with the

Village administrator as well as students encouraging them to community and the leaders and at the nursing home. There are all the residents and their families opportunities for keeping people who supported the center over the in the county, he said. past 61 years, especially since the fire in October 2010.

several areas where he would like contracting with an outside including physical therapy and therapists. Not only would he like certified nurse aides.

said he had received some phone that it would be less expensive. calls from some people who were It would benefit both the hospital wanting to put a family member in the nursing home. The nursing home can keep up to 35 patients and, at that time, there were only 30 beds full.

"I know you had staffing issues," Mr. Patton said to Mr. Paulsen.

We could not take any more residents because we are short of certified nurse aides, Mr. Paulsen noted that the hospital offers only said. Our first concern is for the physical therapy. They would still care and safety of the residents.

they had advertised for aides and they are even offering to train to Judy Rockwood, hospital people so they are certified. We administrator, to see what could are paying well over minimum be worked out. Karan Thadani, wage for a certified nurse aid.

the staff and advisory board, the look at the different jobs offered

Physical therapy

Mr. Paulsen said the nursing Mr. Paulsen said there are home and home health had been direction from the commissioners therapy company for physical to be working with the hospital's Dale Patton, commissioner, physical therapy staff but he felt and the nursing home if we could work together, he said.

It would be a win-win situation, Mr. Patton said. The hospital wants revenue and the Village wants to reduce the expense.

Mr. Paulsen said he had talked to the hospital administrator and they seemed to be on board. He need to go outside the hospital for Mr. Paulsen went on to say that occupational and speech therapy.

Mr. Patton said he would talk county attorney, offered to help Mr. Paulsen said he had given wherever he was needed.

IMPROVEMENTS IN BIRD CITY can be seen. Above, Blaine Burns and Russell Jackson, the summer help, are removing paint at the elementary school building. A new look has been added to the Senior Center. On Friday four workers from Colby Canvas installed the new awning that was purchased with a grant from Century II.



Cancer relay set for June 8

Cheyenne County Relay officially begins with the freewill donation supper being served by Jim and Pam Bolen's Hobo Snack Shack. At 6:45, the national anthem

will be sung while the survivors prepare for their victory lap around Sawhill Park, followed by the caregiver lap and the team laps with everyone then going to the band shell.

In the band shell, there will be entertainment, games and competitions followed with the auctioning of the donated baskets. The auction is conducted by Skip, Betty and Robin Petersen of Western Auction.

As the sun begins to set, the

At 6 p.m. on June 8, the 2013 the battle and-or remembering glowing through. those who have lost their battle. This year, survivors will be given during the night reminds walkers a chance to purchase a caregiver of the fight and the despair that a luminary which thanks those who cancer patient faces, but the dawn have been alongside them in their reminds them that there is hope fight. The caregiver luminaries for a new day and that in their will be placed in a caregiver fight, they are never alone," said garden for the event.

> Through the evening, the Shriners Candy Wagon will be the new day, both the teams and the open to purchase refreshments survivors are tired, but they know with proceeds also going to that they are in it together and once

As the evening progresses, dancing with music provided on June 9. by Randy Smestad, disc jockey, and an all-night awareness of the not been contacted, Pat said, Relay as people walk throughout please contact Cara Hunt. If you luminary ceremony will begin the night viewing the names on are interested in forming or being honoring those who are fighting the luminary bags with candles on a team, contact Christy Wurm.

"The darkness and the candles Pat Rose, Relay volunteer.

"At the end of the night and into again, they are not alone."

Breakfast will be served after a teams will be involved in games, short closing message at 6:45 a.m.

If you are a survivor and have

County health department conducts school vaccine clinic May 28, 29, 30

The Cheyenne County Health needed.

vaccines prior to attending camps; prior to school enrollment for kindergarten through 12th grade; and for students leaving for college. This vaccination clinic will help students get vaccinated in a timely manner and have the coverage they need prior to their

busy summer schedules. Time to sign up for the conservation program

FSA will hold a Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) General Signup from May 20 through June 14, 2013. Producers and landowners are urged to take action now in considering the environmental and benefits of CRP. The signup period is only 4 weeks. This may be one of the few opportunities to enroll in General CRP for several years.

Producers and landowners are also encouraged to look into CRP's other enrollment opportunities, including Continuous These programs are open on a continuous, non-competitive basis and provide even further financial opportunities and incentives. Most land that is enrolled under Continuous CRP does not have to meet the Highly Erodible Land (HEL) requirement for General CRP enrollments.

Rental Rates have been updated to represent the higher rental rates in the local area. Rental rates are determined based upon the soil type and the surrounding area's rental rates. Contact your local FSA Office for rental rates in your

The deadline for General CRP Signup is June 14, 2013. Contact your local FSA Office to evaluate your options in enrolling in CRP.

Department will be hosting a needed, please call the Cheyenne mumps, tetanus, and Haemophilus school vaccination clinic from County Health Department at influenzae type b (Hib). Vaccine

public health. It is always better to history. Over the years vaccines

people who receive them and those with whom they come in contact. Vaccines are responsible diseases that were once common diphtheria, pertussis (whooping physicals.

If you are not sure if a vaccine is cough), rubella (German measles), 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on May 785-332-2381 for assistance. eradicated smallpox, one of the 28, 29 and 30. No appointment is Disease prevention is key to most devastating diseases in Students will need up-to-date prevent a disease than to treat it. have prevented countless cases Vaccines can protect both the of infectious diseases and saved literally millions of lives.

The Chevenne County Clinic will also be conducting school for the control of many infectious physicals the week of May 28. Call the clinic at 785-332-2682 to make in this country and around the an appointment for that week. You world, including polio, measles, must have an appointment for the

Help Wanted

Part-time PRN nursing position for RN or LPN at Good Samaritan - Atwood. Competitive wages and benefits. Day and evening shifts. Apply on-line at www.good-sam. com, or contact Shari Horinek or Pam Thomas at 650 Lake Road, Atwood, Ks. 67730. 785-626-9015 EEO



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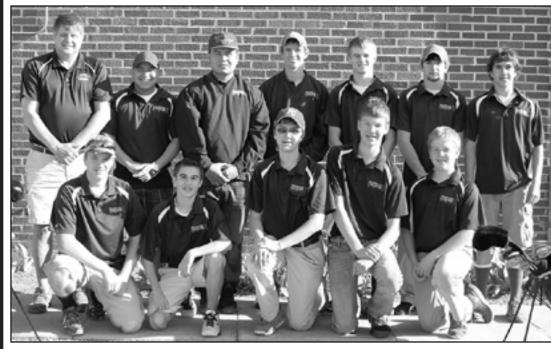
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The St. Francis Herald and Bird City Times will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th.

Ads and copy DEADLINE for the May 30 issue will be Friday, May 24 at 5 p.m.

> Newspapers will be delivered as usual.

Good Luck at State Golf!



Cheylin Golf Team: Front Row (I to r): Shawn Pochop, Derek Vandike, Jacob Brubaker, Connor Hazuka, Ivan Kemp; Back Row: Coach Dennis Hengen, Ruben Razo, Luis Solis, Kenan Reeh, Ty Carmichael, Eddie Frisbie, Casey Vandike

Good Luck at State Track!



Allie Frisbie 300 Meter Hurdles

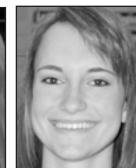
4x400 team



Danea Magnani 4x400 team



Kalin Ritchey 4x400 team



Shayla Hubbard 4x400 team

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