

Bulletin Board

Card shower for 75th birthday

The children of Phyllis Hook are honoring their mother on her 75th birthday by holding a card shower to help her celebrate. Her birthday is Jan. 18.

Address greetings to her at 413 S. Adams, Rt. 2, Box 160, St. Francis, KS 67756.

Music Club to meet

The St. Francis Federated Music Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the home of Beth Maifeld. Louanne Isernhagen, Talley Morrow and Jean Ann Confer will present Music and Life Stories from the life of Antonio Vivaldi.

Kim Zwegardt will give the poetry moment. Hostesses are Betty Orth, Jackie Butler and Beth Maifeld.

Cemetery Board District 2

Cemetery Board, District 2, will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 21, at the commissioner's room in the courthouse.

Free-throw contest

The Knights of Columbus free-throw contest will take place on Sunday. Check sports page for details.

Kansas Day Ceremony

Cheyenne County's 79th Kansas Day Ceremony will be held Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Bird City Legion Hall. Registration opens at 10 a.m. The potluck will begin at 11:30. Leo Oliva, Kansas historian, will present "Rowdy Kansas Territory." Other entertainment will be provided by Cheylin and St. Francis students, The Swingin' Seniors and St. Francis Singers.

School calendar correction

The St. Francis/Cheylin basketball game scheduled for Feb. 12, will be played in St. Francis, not at Cheylin as the calendar states.

Oakley basketball games

The basketball games in Oakley on Friday will all be played in one gym. The starting times are as follows: 3:30: junior varsity girls; 4:10: C-team boys; 4:50: junior varsity boys; 6:30: varsity girls; 8:00 p.m. varsity boys.

Installation of officers

Installation of officers for the Cheyenne County Historical Society will take place at the first quarterly meeting at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Jan 20, at the museum.

All interested residents of Cheyenne County are welcome to attend. The Historical Society encourages anyone interested in history to become a member this year.

Chamber annual meeting

The annual meeting of the St. Francis Chamber of Commerce will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday. If you plan to attend please call the Chamber office (332-2961) by

today (Thursday).

One new board member will be elected to replace Tim Burr.

Equity annual meeting

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the St. Francis Mercantile Equity Exchange will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 15, at the high school cafeteria in St. Francis. The meeting will follow the dinner. Members will elect two directors to serve on the board.

Free seminar

Learn how to secure cash flow to assist your crop insurance and production needs at a free seminar starting at 11:30 a.m. at the St. Francis Equity meeting room on Wednesday, Jan. 23. The speaker is Art Henrickson with Ag Solutions. The seminar is sponsored by the Cheyenne County Farm Bureau.

Lunch will be provided

Please call the office at 785-332-3312 by Jan. 18 to make a reservation.

Free water well testing

The Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group remind people to have their private water wells tested, especially with the recent moisture. The snow and ice may have allowed contaminants to leach into your well. Cheyenne county provides free water well testing for nitrates and bacteria. Please contact the Local Environmental Protection Group office (785) 462-8636 or your local health department.

Commissioners to meet

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Tuesday in the commissioners room at the courthouse.

St. Francis PTA

The St. Francis PTA is seeking individuals to serve on the board for the next two-year term beginning in July. Please contact the Nominating Chair, Leslie Beims at 332-2019, if you are interested.

Nutrient Management School

A Nutrient Management School with special emphasis on nitrogen and phosphorus management in no-till systems will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Friday at the Cheyenne County 4-H building.

The speaker will be Dale Leikam, Kansas State Nutrient management specialist.

Please call to Cheyenne County Extension office for materials. Any changes for weather will be announced on local radio stations.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group

The Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the St. Francis Public Library.

Commodities to be distributed

Reminder: Government surplus commodities will be distributed from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 10, at the St. Francis Co-op community room.

Board of Education

The St. Francis Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Thursday).

Calf management school

A calf management school will be held in St. Francis starting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday at the Cheyenne County 4-H building. Veterinarians, Bob Mortimer and Dale Grotelueschen will be the main speakers.

Reservations are needed by Friday to cover meals and materials. There is no charge.

For more information, call (785) 332-3171.

Windsong Chorus

Chapter U, P.E.O. is sponsoring the Windsong Chorus on Jan. 27 at the high school in St. Francis at 3:30 p.m.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, at the county clerk's office. You may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572.

Recovery Today/Narcotics Anonymous

Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

Sainty Serenity Seekers/Alcoholics Anonymous

Sainty Serenity Seekers open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday evening at the United Methodist Education Building at 104 W. Webster, St. Francis. Call (785) 332-6542 for more information

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour 7-day-a-week services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available for women and children within the northwest Kansas area. For information or if you are in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624



YOUNG BASKETBALL PLAYERS enjoy practice sessions on Monday evenings as they gain skills for the future.

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

Tour company is successful

By Karen Krien

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Ten years ago, Bird City couple, Jim and Cindy Leach, set out on a venture that would become a full-time business instead of a hobby. Today, they are "Jim and Cindy's Tours" out of Wichita.

They have over 10,000 people in their data base who are people who have traveled with them or have requested a tour book. This year, they have 1,100 people signed up for tours. They do five cruises a year plus motor coach tours and fly trips. They will be on tour with customers 160 days this year.

The Leaches have been together since they graduated from Bird City High School. They farmed for the next 30 years, taking time to travel throughout the United States, seeing all 50 state Capitols. They even ventured overseas to Europe, catching the international traveling bug.

In May, the two traveled around

the world on an 11 country, 28-day scouting trip. They stopped in Japan, Korea, China, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Indian, United Arab Emirates, Germany, Poland and the Czech Republic. So far they have been to 43 countries and plan to see 17 more in the next six months.

Now they are ready to take customers traveling, whether it be abroad or in the United States or on a cruise. They do Hawaii and Alaska every year.

Mr. Leach plans the trips and Mrs. Leach books the hotels and attractions. Their goal is to make the trips unique and a pleasant experience.

Quite a few people from Cheyenne County have traveled with them. Several are going on the Broadway Fly trip to New York City in August.

"We love traveling with home-county people," they said.

In July, the Leach's bus will come through Goodland on the

Pacific Northwest tour. People can meet them in Goodland and, after the 16-day tour through 10 states plus Canada, the bus will drop them off in Cheyenne County.

On the Canyonland Tour through Kansas, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and New Mexico starting May 30, the bus can pick travelers up at Goodland and drop them off in Johnson.

"On some of our cruises or fly trips, we can fly you out of Denver," Mr. Leach said. "If you have friends in other areas, we fly people from all parts of the U.S. to meet us for cruises or other trips."

"Or, you can always make the six-hour drive to Wichita and join us from the start!"

See the Jim and Cindy Tours ad in this week's Herald and Times for more information.

A tour book is available at Bankwest, St. Francis, or check the web at www.jctours.com.

Annual Meeting
Wed., Jan. 9, 2008
 7 p.m.
 Two New Board Members Will Be Elected

Riverside Recreation
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2002 Explorer XLT, 4x4, AT, 87K, #T6560A	\$10,500
2004 Ranger, 3.0L, Only 25K, #07952	\$9,450
2003 F-150, Crew Lariat, 4x4, AT, 71K, #C00079	\$17,500
2007 Expedition EL XLT, 5.4L, AT, 6K, #32855	\$31,500
1992 F250, 4x4, Ranch Broke, #83148	\$4,950
1990 Lincoln Town Car, 137K, #1234	\$1,300
2003 Grand Marquis Ultimate, One Owner, 69K, #9783	\$11,175
2006 Freestyle SE, 23K, AT, Dual Air, #4445	\$17,800
2003 Expedition E. Bauer, Fully Loaded, 88K, #58215	\$18,000
2003 Expedition XLT, w/Leather, 80K, #71356	\$14,850
2002 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT, 7.3L, #7222	\$21,000
2004 F250 Reg. Cab, 4x4, AT, #T0894A	\$12,000
2001 Grand Marquis LS, AT One Owner, #07253A	\$9,300
1985 E150 Cargo Van XL, AT, 68K, #T3817A	\$2,500
2004 Escape Limited, 4x4, AT, One Owner, #61001A	\$15,700
2004 Ford F150 Ext. Cab, 4 WD, One Owner, #T7948A	\$16,800
1999 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, 5M, #T4442A	\$10,500
2005 F150 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT Only 35K, #T7516	\$20,500
2006 F150 S/C Lariat, 4x4, 5.4L, 33K, #T9458A	\$24,000
1996 Explorer Limited, 4x4, 4.0L, AT, 105K, #T9951A	\$5,995
2003 Lincoln LS, fully Loaded, #66400	\$18,500
2007 Five Hundred, only 10K Miles, #53870	\$20,000
2003 Ranger, Reg. Cab, XL, 49K, #T0934A	\$7,500
1996 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT, 7.3L, very clean, #T2326A	\$10,500

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SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 51 min.

The Water Horse
Jan. 11, 12 & 13 Action/Adventure, Kids/Family, Science Fiction/Fantasy and Adaptation
 Emily Watson, Ben Chaplin, Alex Etel, David Morrissey, Geraldine Brophy Rating: PG for some action/peril, mild language and brief smoking

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 Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

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The Cheyenne County Hospital and Clinic would like to extend a special thank you to **Dr. David Reed** for his services for the past 3 1/2 years. Dr. Reed will no longer be coming to the Cheyenne County Clinic due to our recent additions to our medical staff.

Flu Vaccines are still Available at the Cheyenne County Clinic. There is no appointment necessary.

January 1-2-3 Sale
 Prices Effective Jan. 10th - Jan. 15th

1 Dollar Items

Hass Avocados	(each)	\$1.00
Sunkist Oranges or Fuji Apples	(each) 2/	\$1.00
Fresh Limes	(each) 3/	\$1.00
Dole Premium Bananas	(each) 4/	\$1.00
Dole Iceberg Lettuce	(per head)	\$1.00
Crisp Red Radishes	(1 lb. bag)	\$1.00
Blue Bunny 1/2 & 1/2 (pint)		\$1.00
Blue Bunny Sour Cream (8 oz. Container)		\$1.00
Kraft Cool Whip (8 oz. regular)		\$1.00
Libby's Canned Fruit (peaches, pears, apricots)		\$1.00

With \$15.00 purchase —
 Sparbo Farm "Grade A" Large Eggs (dozen) \$1.00

2 Dollar Items

Del Monte Canned Vegetables (3 types)	3/	\$2.00
Kraft American Singles (16 slices)		\$2.00
Bear & Wolf Wild Alaskan Pink Salmon (6 oz. can)		\$2.00
Premium Ground Beef (frozen 1 lb. roll 80/20)		\$2.00
Hilltop Select White Bread (16 oz. loaf)	2/	\$2.00
Sara Lee Honey Wheat Bread (20 oz. loaf)		\$2.00
Paradise Valley Creamy Mashed Potatoes	2/	\$2.00
Betty Crocker Cookie Mix (4 types) 15-17 oz.		\$2.00
Dei Fratelli Pizza Sauce (15 oz. can)	2/	\$2.00
Scrubbing Bubbles Bath Cleaner (25 oz. can)		\$2.00
Premium Bath Tissue (4 double rolls)		\$2.00

3 Dollar Items

Amish Potato or Macaroni Salad (mix or match)	2/	\$3.00
Green Giant Frozen Vegetables (16 oz. bags)	2/	\$3.00
Kraft Macaroni & Cheese Dinner (7.5 oz. box)	4/	\$3.00
Tropicana Pure Premium Orange Juice (64 oz. cont.)		\$3.00
Gold Medal or Pillsbury Best Flour (5 lb.)	2/	\$3.00
Super Premium Quilted Paper Towels (jumbo roll)	2/	\$3.00

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