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Reader shares view of meeting

On Thursday, June 2, a meeting of the St. Francis Ministerial Association was requested by Jeff activities. All of this is what we tually become capable of more as-Paulsen to communicate some important happenings at the Good Samaritan Village. Due to a poor turnout of ministers as well as the importance of the information, I want to speak out.

No one is asking me to write this letter and if I say anything that is not correct, it is unintentional.

Good news must be shared.

We were given an architect's drawing of the planned basic remodeling of the facility. It will leave only the north wall standing when the construction begins and will add three rooms on the west end of the connecting corridor and two rooms on the east end.

will open up the facility so the kitchen people will no longer have to cart all the meals around the 'back door', using the south entrance. It will free up several rooms in the west wing for residents. It will allow the residents to again have more space for their and many of us want to see it even-

-Letters to the Editor-

thought would happen eventually. However, this plan has been made by the Good Samaritan Society and will be paid for by the insurance money received from the fire. While the entries are still trying to determine the cause of the fire which allows companies to bicker about the exact amounts of liability, enough money has been received to allow for this to all happen at the expense of the Society,

Otherwise, they, the Good Samaritan people, are not trying to give a burned out facility and make us figure out how to make it operational on our own funds. They are going to construct this This will do several things. It plan which will allow us to have a good facility able to help about 35 people, and will be a facility which at that point can operate without much taxpayer help,

Yes, when we receive this facility for \$1, we will have to have some contingency operating funds

sisted living help. That will not be a great burden on anyone.

The plans have been drawn, a contractor has been committed, and we wait for the State of Kansas to simply sign off on plans that have been drawn to meet every requirement. As the state does this, which should happen at ant time, construction will begin immedi-

The third week in June has been the target date. When we see those blue tarps removed and see dust flying, we can all be proud of the commitment of the Good Samaritan people have to leave the people of Cheyenne County a very good, working nursing home.

For many of them and especially for Jeff Paulsen, this is a ministry of helping people in need.

I want to always be part of this ministry and I hope you will want to do the same.

> Norman Morrow St. Francis

Community plays important part

Letter to the Editor:

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What a privilege to live in Chey
Letter to the Editor enne County!

When Stan and I returned to St. gardening, mowing and towing, 36 years, we had no idea what an

First there was the welcome back home, followed by encouragement as we settled in. Later surrounded us: home nursing care, serves recognition for their profes-

Francis after living in Dallas for loaned four-wheel drive vehicles, "taxi" service, meals, banana acts of kindness that have been important part the people of this bread, more food, guest houses, community would play in our rooms, beds, calls, visits, cards, memorials, hugs, tears.

The Cheyenne County medical team, including Dr. Miller, Dr. Allard, Tyler and Kristle Raile and during Stan's illness your support the hospital and clinic staffs, de-

sional care and personal concern.

Our family is humbled by the showered upon us. Our children expressed thankfulness that Stan and I had moved back to family, friends and a community that joined hands to support us in our time of need.

Janet Carman and children

Governor's veto affects Kansas

the Arts affects rural Kansas

of Northwest Kansas you ask? If you've ever attended a Western one of our nine corner counties of Northwest Kansas, it was probably funded in some way through the Kansas Arts Commission. This state funded arts group was the funnel for federal money from the National Endowment for the Arts; regional money from Mid Amerfunding for the Kansas Touring in the past.

ing it, as a free news story and the

only method for other options free

is to reply to the Editor, it is a little

told me if I would come up with

10 (ten) people with ONE to ONE

and One-Half Million Dollars

each, he would talk to them! Now

this is the only time I have heard a

dollar amount! WOW! Of course

it could be a lot larger group of

As a past businessman I really

find it inconceivable that a com-

pany as large as Good Sam was not

disheartening.

Governor Brownback's Veto of in Kansas Touring Program funds. or practical remains to be seen. With a stroke of his pen, Gov. funding is in question, so that left Brownback vetoed funding for our organization in a panic as we the Kansas Arts Commission. start our membership drive for How does that affect the people the 2011-2012 year. What do we

Plains Arts Association show in the best interest of the entire orshows in central locations, rather than so many programs. The Board regrets, that for this year at least, the outlying communities will probably not be able to host a show...either because of demanding technical requirements by the ica Arts Alliance, and Kansas tax larger shows, or poor attendance

Governor Brownback's vision 2011-2012 season! So immediately, the Western is that the Arts will be privately Plains Arts Association lost \$9,000 funded. Whether that is possible

Reader disagrees with front page

for us taxpayers why would Good

Sam want to give it up? Maybe

there are new regulations coming

down the pike from the Govern-

The Mid America Arts Alliance We do hope that our citizens of Northwest Kansas will "step up to the plate" and support the Arts as never before. Please support Western Plains Arts Association (WPAA) with a sponsorship this The Board decided it was in year if you possibly can. Individual memberships are great, ganization to have fewer, larger but it takes the higher levels of support to bring quality programs to Northwest Kansas. Contact your local Western Plains Arts Association representative before July 10 if you can help out at the sponsor level or above. Thanks so much for all your past and future support!

Looking forward to a great

Leona Dickman, Secretary, WPAA

Out here, in the northern corner What many may not realize is of Kansas, cowboys are a regular that Mr. Arness contributed as a

sight. Cattle ranching has been a big part of the tradition and it looks like it will remain "Beef Country" for awhile.

But you don't have to live a couple hours drive from famous Dodge City to have been a fan of James Arness.

From 1955 to 1975 the giantof-a-man (at 6 foot 7 inches) played Marshall Matt Dillon on the television series "Gunsmoke." Mr. Arness left the stage of life recently at the age of 88.

The lead role of the western drama was originally offered to Mr. Arness's good friend John Wayne. Although the "Duke" handed the part to his pal, he did introduce the first episode to the public.

Some other interesting facts about the actor is that he got his big break in the Sci-Fi movie "The Thing" (1951). His size made him a natural to play the oversized monster from outer space. Also he was the older brother of television and film performer Peter Graves.

member of the generation that went to bat when our country most needed them.

His desire was to be a Navy combat pilot in World War II. But a combination of poor eye sight and large stature directed him to the Army. As an Infantryman he stormed the beach in Italy during the invasion at Anzio. A severe leg wound earned him the Purple Heart.

Again, his large size played a

Casey's Comments Casey McCormick

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part as he was the first soldier in his landing craft to exit so the water's depth could be determined. It came to his waist.

"I was honored to have served in the Army for my country," Mr. Arness recounted, "(being in combat) makes you realize how very precious life is."

And what a life it was!

Honor Koll

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ment that they would like us to pay First of all the mill levy given for! Maybe if we looked at conis for this present time, and I was told this is the year to do a new stitutional law where it prohibits government entities from engagre-calculation on farm ground ing in private enterprise, we could to generate more revenue. Don't change our minds! But of course know-this is what I was told at the present president seems to like the courthouse, therefore if this is to privatize, car companies, banks, voted in, by tax time it could be mortgage companies. He would quite different! There is no time limit on this increase, so it can go love for us to help him redistribute the wealth and give cradle to grave on forever? At a city council meeting I attended, I suggested that service in Cheyenne County! Tax money at 1-percent sales and 2.5 maybe a financial group could be mills already goes to the hospital, set up and sell shares to acquire and lease the home out. Mr. Keller

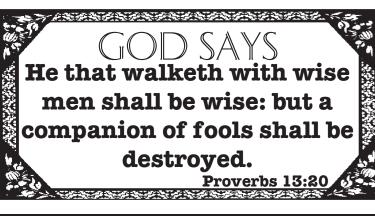
used to promote the County own-called for! If this is such a good deal

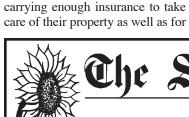
loss of revenue in case of some ca- (I think I read this in the paper I will start by saying that a Rest tastrophe. Am sure the contractor is some time ago) we acquire the rest Home is definitely needed in St also carrying some liability in this home, we could become his poster Francis, but when the Front page is matter. More checking seems to be child, of course we would, (as a county) have to buy out Mr. and Mrs. Knodel to complete the deal. Let us back away for a bit, there is not a big rush to get this done!

One person or the county should never, never ever negotiate a \$15 million deal out of FEAR! If we take a breath or two and look closer, we may find this could become a BIG BLACK HOLE sucking down our tax money-- down the road a piece! For now my vote will be NO!

'God bless America." I guess that may sound a little "hollow" the way a lot of people are trying to tear down our constitution!

Larry B Wilson St. Francis





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