



Talent needed for show

The Cheyenne County Fair is only two months away and it is time to be thinking about the Aug. 5 Friday night grandstand variety show.

Last year was the first for the variety show and it was deemed a success. The fair board decided to ask the Music Club to plan and organize the show again this year.

The community has not attended lots of the events planned for the Friday evening entertainment, said Raedell Winston, one of the committee. However, with the work of the Music Club Committee, the show was well attended and the entertainment was great.

The committee, comprised of Ms. Winston, Ruth Milliken and Margaret Poling, had lots of concerns.

"Could we get people to attend," she said.

Then, when the night came,

the show could not start on time because there was a long line of people still waiting to purchase tickets.

People came, the talent was performed and, although the grandstand was filled, it was not packed.

This year, Ms. Winston said, we have upped the prize money to \$200 for first, \$100 for second, and \$50 for third.

The committee is expecting more entertainment by many of the talented people in the area.

"Don't be left out this year," she said. "'We've Got Talent' is the theme for the show and now is the time to start getting ready for the show!"

For more information, contact Mrs. Milliken, 785-332-3421; Ms. Winston, 785-332-4391 or Mrs. Poling, 785-332-2326.



NEARING THE EDGE was Cheyenne Yardley, one of the young swimmers on the Sainty Sharks swim team.

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Wheat plot tour set



The Cheyenne County wheat plot tour will be held starting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15. The plot, belonging to Junior, Tom and Matt Smull, is located south of Wheeler on K-27, Rd. 1.

We will discuss 20 varieties, including SY Gold and Cedar, said Jeanne Falk, K-State multi-county agronomist. These are new releases from Syngenta and WestBred.

There is also a seeding rate study in the plots this year, with TAM 111 and seeding rates of 35 to 75 pounds per acre. Discussing the strengths and weaknesses of varieties and their fit for this area will be Jim Shroyer, K-State wheat specialist.

We will also have a presentation by Alan Schlegel, K-State agronomist at the K-State Research Center at Tribune. He will be discussing crop rotations with wheat and can answer questions about no-till wheat. Mr. Schlegel has several long-term studies with crop rotations and various tillage methods.

Supper will follow at Goodland Greenline at Wheeler. It will be sponsored by the Cheyenne County grain dealers and beverages for the plot tour are sponsored by the Kansas Wheat Alliance.

Finally, Ms. Falk said, please feel free to stop by the plots at any time to look. There are plot plans in the mailbox!

Questions can be directed to the extension office at 332-3171.



PACKING UP - Joyce Faulkender has retired from teaching first grade. After 27 years, she has boxes of supplies.

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First grade teacher retires after 27 years

By Karen Krien

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Joyce Faulkender wrapped 27 years of teaching when she turned in her resignation at a recent St. Francis Board of Education meeting.

Mrs. Faulkender has been a teacher, psychologist, cook and nurse for first graders since she began teaching at the elementary school. She found that a little rubbing alcohol, a band aid and a Tums will cure almost anything.

"I will miss the hugs and smiles from the children," she said.

However, she might not miss the first and last two weeks of school. To begin with, both the teacher and the students are a little nervous when school begins.

The first two weeks, she said, are teaching students the rules, there are tears and big adjustments. The last two weeks of school finds the students wanting to be out. They are thinking about the summer and the swimming pool.

"I hated to see them go," she said.

Mrs. Faulkender was born and raised in St. Francis. After high school graduation, she went on to Fort Hays State University where, in 1971, she graduated with a de-

gree in early childhood education.

That same year, she returned to St. Francis to teach kindergarten. I was so excited, she said. I was teaching in the same classroom that I had attended kindergarten in. However, in December, she found out she was pregnant and, after finishing the year out, she was out of a job.

A year and a half later, she began teaching ABC Preschool in the Methodist Church Educational Building. For nine years, she taught 3- to 5-year-olds their colors, ABCs and how to get along with each other.

When she had the opportunity to come back to the elementary, she turned the school over to Shirley Swihart.

I always knew my calling was early childhood education but I never would have dreamed the joys teaching brought into my life, she said. It has been such a pleasure and privilege to be a part of so many kids' lives.

There were some fun times and kids were always saying something funny. Then there were times when she would comfort the student who had a tragedy in their family or something had happened

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Foundation receives \$1,240 from staff

The St Francis Community Foundation has entered the third stage of its donation drive for the Senior Living for Cheyenne County fund. Funds were established by both community foundations in the county, Bird City Century II Development Foundation and the St Francis Community Foundation, shortly after the fire temporarily closed the Good Samaritan Village.

In the startup phase prior to Dec. 31, the foundation received \$38,560 in 18 donations. An impressive donation of \$25,000 was made in this initial drive by an out-of-town St Francis Community High School alumnus.

The second phase was initiated prior to Valentine's Day, with the theme "Giving for Living." Hearts are displayed on the windows and doors of many businesses and homes in St Francis.

The focus of this campaign was to provide a visible symbol of our community's support for the return of Good Samaritan Village residents and staff to our community. Everyone was encouraged to donate and display a heart. Donations from \$5 to \$3,000 were received. These donations totaled

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THE STOPALONG THE ROAD (STAR) Service Committee at Good Samaritan Village has collected funds donated by the staff for the Senior Living Fund in the amount of \$1,240.66. Deb Gohl, Village staff member, wrote a check to the foundation. Foundation president, Tom Keller, accepted the check.

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KEVIN MORGAN begins detailing the outside of a car.

Detailing business opens on River St.

By Karen Krien

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A new business has opened in St. Francis and is offering services throughout the county.

Kevin Morgan has opened In The Details, a detail shop and will be cleaning the interior and exterior of vehicles as well as cleaning engines. The shop is located at 405 S. River from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday. He encourages people to call him at 785-332-4268.

Mr. Morgan has 15 years of detailing experience. He provides all equipment as well as everything from the wax and upholstery cleaner to the conditioners.

"I want the finished product to look as new as it can," he said. "Every job is our best job!"

He plans to "give back" to the Bird City and St. Francis communities by donating a percent of the proceeds to seniors, schools and cities.

Mr. Morgan was raised in Goodland and has lived the last 3 years in Cheyenne County.