



**DONNANORTHROP** displays a set of dishes in her antique store. The store will be celebrating its anniversary on July 6.  
*Herald staff photo by Karen Krien*

# Antique store owner to celebrate 35th anniversary

**By Karen Krien**  
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Donna Northrup, owner of Country Collage Antiques, will celebrate 35 years of business on July 6. During the day, she is offering discounts on a store full of antiques and collectibles. The shop, located at 1465 Rd. 15, St. Francis, was when she and her husband, Norvin, moved to town.

Her first shop was located 14 miles northwest of St. Francis. On the farm, there was a small, empty wash house. She began going to auctions and, in a short time, she had filled the little shop. Sitting near K-27, she not only had the local people coming to the shop but also attracted travelers. I never dreamed, she said, that I'd still be selling antiques 35 years later. It has been fun – an adventure – I have learned so much and made many friends.

She participates in the U.S. 36 Treasure Hunt each year. Each year, there are two couples from Tennessee who start in St. Francis and travel east, enjoying the show. And, each year, they make one of their first stops at the antique shop. The antique business, she said, isn't as good as it has been in the past. She figures that the economy and gas prices have discouraged people from traveling. High gas prices have kept Mrs. Northrup at home. I used to go to

auctions, she said, but about two years ago, I decided it just cost too much money and the out-of-state competitors were willing to pay the higher prices. In order to keep her inventory up, she buys locally from estates and individuals. While she has many beautiful and useful items in the shop, she said that people can get by without them. Today, she sees the younger generation enjoying items that were used in the 40s and 50s including dishes and linens. Recently, there was a young woman who wanted some avocado Pyrex dishes in the shop. She was thrilled when she got them for her birthday. There are people who don't want to give "used" items for gifts, she said, but there are those who appreciate things from yesteryear. Mrs. Northrup has never ventured on the internet to sell her antiques. I don't do Ebay she

said. I like to sell "face to face." I have had customers buying from me since I began. People are urged to stop by on Wednesday, July 6, and check out the shop that is full but tastefully arranged. People can browse for hours, looking in antique cupboards and hutches for delicate china and crystal as well as search the shelves and corners. While they are there, they can pick up some nice pieces for a big discount.

**Death Notice**  
Velma Case, 93, of Benkelman, Neb., died June 17, 2011. Services were held June 24 with burial in Benkelman beside her husband.

**Offices closed on Monday, July 4**  
The deadline for ads, pictures and stories for the July 7 issue of The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times will be at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 5, as the offices will be closed on the Fourth of July. The newspapers will be published and delivered one day late that week.

**Help needed**  
Fair time is fast approaching and a number of volunteers are still needed to run the booths and rides at the Cheyenne County Fair. Please call DeEtta Knorr at 785-332-2551 or 785-332-4073, if you can help in any way.

**Library schedule**  
The St. Francis Public Library will be closed on Saturday, July 2, and Monday, July 4, in honor of Independence Day.

**Board of Education**  
The St. Francis Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 14.

**Fair board**  
The fair board will meeting on Thursday, July 7, at the fair grounds.

**Veterans Affairs**  
Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 7, at the county clerk's office. People may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

**Triathlon scheduled for Fourth of July**  
The Sainty Sharks are hosting a triathlon on Monday, July 4 starting at the St. Francis swimming pool. All entries are due by July 1. For more information call Margaret Poling at (785) 772-7374.

**County**

**Commissioners**  
The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. Thursday, June 30, in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

**Camps being held**  
Volleyball camps are being held at the high school this week.

**Narcotics Anonymous**  
Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held at 104 W Webster/Methodist Education Building on Sunday nights at 8

p.m. and Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. Contact (785) 342-0028.

**Northwest Kansas Family Shelter**  
Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week service 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 in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

# Variety show planned for fair

The Amateur Variety Show at the Cheyenne County Fair was deemed a success last year and is expected to be even bigger and better this year.

Held Friday night of the fair (Aug. 5), the St. Francis Music Club will once again be coordinating the event. They are offering \$350 in prizes with \$200 for first; \$100, second; and \$50, third. In this week's *Herald* and *Times*, there is an ad which will allow people more convenience in entering the variety show.

The show is held in front of the grandstand starting at 7 p.m. There is a portable stage which measures 12- by 28-feet. Props will be limited to items the participant is wearing and one additional prop for the



performance. Each act is limited to 1 1/2 -2 minutes. Each participant is limited to one entry (single, group or instrumental).

If recordings are used, they will need to be a CD and it is necessary to indicate how many plug ins will be required. There will not be a piano available.

Last year, there were 15 entries. The winners were: first place, the rock group comprised of Ty Zwegyardt, Brock Zwegyardt, Gavin Cooper and Logan Whitmore; second prize went to Talley Morrow and Lila Whitmore; third place, Jacquelyn Ketzner, Logan Whitmore and Jonathan Butler.

Check out the ad in this issue. For more information, contact Ruth Milliken at 785-332-3421.

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**SHOWTIME: 8 p.m. 2 hr. 10 min.**

## X-Men

**July 1, 2 & 3**

**James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender, Jennifer Lawrence, Rose Byrne, January Jones, Kevin Bacon**

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785-332-2747**

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**Weather**

Date	H	L	P
June 21	78	49	
June 22	85	54	
June 23	88	59	
June 24	90	62	
June 25	93	66	
June 26	95	60	
June 27	80	55	

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**Rawlins County Health Center**  
785-626-3211

**Wed., July 20**  
Cheyenne County Hospital - P.M.  
210 W. 1st • 332-2104

**Thurs., July 21**  
Atwood (a.m.) • 626-3211  
Colby (p.m.)  
CSMC, 175 S. Range  
462-3332

CMC, 100 E. College Dr.  
462-7511

**Fri., July 22**  
CSMC at 9 a.m.

**Asset Management**

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**Friday**  
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**Sunday**  
Chicken Fettucine

**Monday**  
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**Tuesday**  
Fried Chicken

Restaurant closed on Monday, July 4th.  
Truck stop will be open.

Majestic Service & Truck Stop

510 West Highway 36  
St. Francis, Ks.  
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The Fort Hays State University Kansas Small Business Development Center (KS-BDC) seeks a Business Consultant for the Bird City Outreach Center.

If you value small businesses, enjoy working with the public, and have strong business knowledge & skills, then consider joining the FHSU KSBDC team. The Business Consultant will provide counseling and training to existing and prospective business owners from the Outreach Center in Bird City, in cooperation with the regional center office in Hays. The position requires frequent day travel for on-site business assistance to the northwest counties and occasional overnight travel.

There is tremendous opportunity for personal and professional growth. Final candidate will have consented to and successfully completed a criminal background check. A complete position description can be found at <http://bigcat.fhsu.edu/positions/admn.php>. FHSU is an AA/EEO Employer.

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## Last Public Meeting Community Input for Action will be discussed

Website with information is [www.krhw.net](http://www.krhw.net)

### Thursday, July 13

Serving lunch at 11:40 Meeting starts at Noon and will last one hour.

RSVP to hospital 785/332-2104 or Tom Keller email: [tomekeller48@gmail.com](mailto:tomekeller48@gmail.com)  
Riverside Recreation, St. Francis