



Cancer relay begins at 6 on Friday

Beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, the Cheyenne County Relay for Life will kick off at Sawhill Park. A free-will donation barbecue will be served by Pam and Jim Bolin out of their Hobo Snack Shack.

The Cheyenne Shrine Club members will have their Candy Wagon in the park supplying drinks, cotton candy, popcorn and snow cones. All proceeds from both groups will be donated to the

American Cancer Society for the county's Relay for Life.

Everyone is urged to join us at the park as we celebrate, remember and fight back, said Betty Loudon, one of the committee members. We need to remember those who have suffered with cancer and survived and honor those who did not.

Survivors are to register with Susie Walz at the Shrine pavilion from 5:30 to 6:30. At 7 p.m., opening ceremonies will begin followed by the survivor's lap, then the caregiver's lap, and the teams then begin walking around the park. The teams will have at least one member walking the track all night, past midnight and on to the dawn.

This symbolizes, Mrs. Loudon said, the awful fight with cancer, as the dark night settles in, and

they walk toward the dawn, as the sun rises and victory over cancer can be won.

Cara Hunt will sing the national anthem. Toni Keller, Nikki Rose and Dale Rose are helping with games and entertainment for the team members during the evening and night.

Because of the extreme heat, said Pat Rose, coordinator, there

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Schedule of Events

6 p.m. Hobo Snack Shack free-will barbecue.

Shriners' Candy Wagon selling drinks, cotton candy, popcorn, snow cones

7 p.m. Opening ceremonies. National anthem by Cara Hunt; welcome by Pat Rose,

chairman; survivors' walk; caregivers/family lap; team laps.

7:30 p.m.: Entertainment in band shell; survivors' talk; auction of donated baskets and items.

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GETTING READY FOR THE FAIR is lots of work. Susie Walz, right, and her helper, Skyler Williams, are painting fences around the carnival rides.

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People show concern about tax question

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There were two meetings last week that ended up with people talking about the Good Samaritan Village and what people will be voting on in the upcoming election on Aug. 2. The first was at the Kansas Rural Health Works meeting on Wednesday, and the second was the county commissioners meeting on Friday.

In short, the two commissioners, Dale Patton and Ernie Ketzner, at the Friday Cheyenne County Commissioners' meeting agreed that having the Good Samaritan Village nursing home was a must in the county. Mr. Patton went as far as to say he was voting "yes" to the question on the ballot. It should be noted that Andy Beikman, the third commissioner, was unable to attend.

The ballot reads "Shall the county of Cheyenne County levy a tax not to exceed 6 mills for a home for the aged?" In the resolution which ran the same time in May 19 Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times, essentially, it gives the commissioners control to make the best decisions for the county.

Voting for this proposal, said Kari Gilliland, county attorney, is a vote for having long term care in the county.

The vote has nothing to do with ownership or building on.

As Les Lacy, hospital adminis-

trator said, several times, all the vote does (If it is approved) is removes the barrier. At this time, the Good Samaritan Society needs to know if the county residents are interested in supporting a nursing home in the area that is not supported by the county.

The society's representative, Randy Fitzgerald, had earlier given the commissioners a sample lease but it was only a sample, Mrs. Gilliland pointed out and it did not have Cheyenne County or Good Samaritan Village listed. The commissioners were not in favor of signing this lease but, with a positive response from the public, they would be able to negotiate as to whether or not the county would take ownership of the facility.

A "yes" vote at the Aug. 2 election, Tom Keller said, is the first step in obtaining control of long-term care in the county.

Terry Miller, county election officer, said he didn't understand why there were questions now as it had been clearly published two months ago.

A question asked was: it has been said that the Village made money in May so, why does the Good Samaritan Society want to relinquish ownership? Mr. Fitzgerald had stated earlier, that the society was not interested in owning a nursing home in the rural areas.

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COMBINE UNLOADS GRAIN into a waiting truck. The wheat was harvested southwest of St. Francis.

Wheat harvest winds down after a week of rainy weather

Wheat harvest is winding down in Cheyenne County. For over a week, there had been rain and high humidity but when the rain stopped last week, it warmed up. Temperatures shot up to the 100-degree mark and the harvest moved into full swing.

After several weeks of waiting, the harvest crews quickly cut wheat in the area and have moved out.

Dale Weeks, Wheeler Equity manager, said the rain had caused the test weights to drop from 62 to 56 pounds. Most

farmers were pleased with the yields but some were disappointed because of mosaic found in the fields.

Shirley Zweygardt, St. Francis Equity, said she had heard farmers reporting yields of anywhere from 30 to the low 90 bushels per acres.

Wheeler Equity has been shipping wheat out by rail cars and is waiting on more cars. St. Francis Equity has also been shipping out by rail so still has room for more wheat.



ROUNDING THE POLE was Shadryon Blanka. He was a participant in the 4-H horse show held at the fairgrounds on Sunday.

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