

Sharks do well at championship meet

The Sharks were in good condition and ready to go as they went to the Championship Swim Meet in Lexington, Neb. Twenty-two teams had 522 qualifiers for 133 events. The Sharks sent 36 swimmers and placed sixth with 894 points in the championship meet.

"The swimmers were on time for their races in the ready area and we only had one swimmer almost miss an event," Coach Margaret Poling said.

"I appreciate all the help I got from parents in the base camp, even after the heat started pounding down on the tents without breeze ventilation.

"The year has gone quickly and we've learned a lot and have had some great improvements. I hope everyone had a good experience." Team awards will be announced next week.

The following results were recorded:

Cassidy Busse: 10-and-under 100 medley relay, seventh.

Brianna Cooks: 14-and-under 100 medley relay, eighth; 13-14 50 butterfly, seventh; open 200 free relay, sixth; open 100 free relay, third.

Cassie Cooks: 10-and-under 100 medley relay, seventh; 10-and-under 100 free relay, fifth

Crissy Cooks: 30-and-over 50 freestyle, fourth; 30-and-over 25 backstroke, second; open 200 free relay, sixth; 30-and-over 25 breaststroke, third; 30-and-over 100 individual medley, third; open 100 free relay, third.

Mandi Cooks: 14-and-under 100 medley relay, eighth; open 200 free relay, sixth.

Emily Elfers: 14-and-under 100 medley relay, eighth; open 200 free relay, sixth; open 100 free relay, third.

Alexis Frink: 14-and-under 100 medley relay, eighth; open 100 free relay, third.

Christina Frink: 10-and under 100 free relay, fifth.

Emma Johnson: 18-and-under 25 backstroke, seventh.

Danielle Frink: 12-and-under 100 free relay, eighth.

Lauren Johnson: 10-and-under 100 medley relay, seventh; 9-10 50 freestyle, eighth; 9-10 25 backstroke, sixth; 10-and under 100 free relay, fifth.

Lindsey Johnson: 10-and-under 100 medley relay, seventh; 10-and under 100 free relay, fifth.

Elee Krien: 14-and under 100 free relay, eighth;

Margi Poling: 30-and-over 25 breaststroke, eighth.

Audrey Meyer: 14-and under 100 free relay, eighth.

Lyden Lampe: 14-and under 100 free relay, eighth.

Shadryon Blanka: eight-and-under 100 medley relay, first; eight-and-under 25 butterfly,

second; eight-and-under 25 backstroke, fifth; 10-and under 200 free relay, third; eight-and-under 25 freestyle, third; eight-and-under 100 free relay, first.

Ben Busse: eight-and-under 100 medley relay, first; 12-and-under 100 medley relay, sixth; eight-and-under 100 free relay, first; 18-and-under 100 free relay, sixth;

Tate Busse: 12-and-under 100 medley relay, sixth; 14-and-under 200 free relay, third; 11-12 50 breaststroke, fifth; 11-12 50 freestyle, fifth; 11-12 100 individual medley, third; 14-and under 100 free relay, third.

Garin Cooper: 12-and-under 100 medley relay, sixth; 10-and under 200 free relay, third; 10-and under 100 free relay, fourth; 18-and-under 100 free relay, sixth.

Kaleb Frink: 15-18 200 freestyle, sixth; 18-and-under 100 medley relay, third; 15-18 50 butterfly, sixth; open 200 free relay, seventh; 18-and-under 100 free relay, sixth.

Seth Hilt: eight-and-under 100 medley relay, first; 10-and under 200 free relay, third; 10-and under 100 free relay, fourth.

Wyatt Hilt: 10-and under 200 free relay, third; 10-and under 100 free relay, fourth.

Adam Krien: eight-and-under 25 butterfly, first; eight-and-under 25 backstroke, second; eight-and-under 100 individual medley, first; eight-and-under 100 free relay, first.

KC Krien: 9-10 butterfly, second; 14-and-under 200 free relay, third; long free relay, third; 9-10 25 freestyle, fourth; 25 freestyle, fourth; 9-10 100 individual medley, first; 10-and under 100 free relay, fourth.

Logan Lampe: 18-and-under 100 free relay, third; 15-18 50 butterfly, seventh; 15-18 50 backstroke, eighth; open 200 free relay, seventh; 18-and-under 100 free relay, sixth.

Luke Lampe: 12-and-under

100 medley relay, sixth; 11-12 50 butterfly, fourth; open 200 free relay, seventh; 14-and-under 100 free relay, third.

Aaron White: eight-and-under 100 medley relay, first; open 200 free relay, seventh; eight-and-under 25 breaststroke, second; eight-and-under 100 individual medley, second; eight-and-under 100 free relay, first.

Matthew White: 18-and-under 100 free relay, third; 13-14 50 butterfly, fifth; 13-14 50 backstroke, fifth; 14-and-under 200 free relay, third; 13-14 50 breaststroke, seventh; 14-and under 100 free relay, third.

Zachery White: 18-and-under 100 free relay, third; 13-14 50 butterfly, fourth; 13-14 50 backstroke, sixth; 14-and-under 200 free relay, third; 13-14 50 breaststroke, seventh; 13-14 50 freestyle, seventh; 14-and under 100 free relay, third.



NORTHWEST KANSAS REGIONAL junior golf tournament was held in Ellis on July 18. Brady Dinkel (left) and Karly Bandel qualified to participate by placing at an earlier tourney.

Two St. Francis golfers place at regional event

Karly Bandel and Brady Dinkel of St. Francis qualified to participate in the Northwest Kansas Regional junior golf tournament which was held in Ellis on Monday, July 18. Karly and Brady qualified by placing in

the top three in other Northwest Kansas junior golf tournaments throughout the summer.

Karly placed first in the 8-9-year-old girls division. Brady finished fourth overall in the 8-9 year old boys division

Introducing

Henzley Addison Matthies
Breelyn, Makaila and Carter are introducing their new sister, Henzley Addison Matthies, born in Wray, Colo., on June 24, 2011. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 20 1/4 inches in length. Parents are Brad and Jessica Matthies of St. Francis. Grandparents are Gene and Ann Matthies of Burlington, Colo., Rob Webb of St. Francis and Kay Kisner of Wichita. Great-grandparents are Leonard and Shirley Matthies of Burlington and Pete and June Lauer of Sterling, Colo.



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Lindsey Johnson: 10-and-under 100 medley relay, seventh; 10-and under 100 free relay, fifth.
Elee Krien: 14-and under 100 free relay, eighth;
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Lyden Lampe: 14-and under 100 free relay, eighth.
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Walters

Birthday celebrated

The family of Alma Walter requests a card shower in honor of her 94th birthday.

Cards may be sent to her at: Alma Walter, 707 Wheatridge Circle Apt. 123, Goodland, KS 67735



Club Clip

The Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1528

The Auxiliary of the VFW Post 1528 met on July 17 at the city hall in St. Francis.

There were five members present: Connie Rooney, Marlys Poulignot, Ruth Moore, Dot Hill and Wanda Dowdy.

A communication was read. There was a lot of communication from the department meeting that Connie had attended in Salina.

For a fun and sharing time, President Rooney gave each one a page to fill out so they could find out what the members true colors are.

They were to rate the words that best or least describe the group. They would use the number four for the word that best described them, the number three for the next best word that described them, number one for the word that least described them and number two for the next least liked.

There were five rows of words with four columns. These words were bold, responsible, show feelings, curious, competitive, sensible, dramatic, problem solver: adventurous, respects authority, sensitive, investigative, likes excitement, follows rules, loving, independent worker, skillful,

dependable, romantic or values intelligence.

After they filled in the numbers, they were to add up all the columns to see which color was the members true color attributes. The four colors were orange, gold, blue and green.

Then the members were given a sheet showing what each of these attributes would mean and what the strong points were in these attributes. Then there was a sheet showing factors creating stress for each of the color groups. And then there was a page for each color showing the contributions to the organization, leadership style, preferred work environment and potential pitfalls. This was really enlightening for everyone as they examined these pages, and contemplated the club's True Colors.

Anyone who is eligible to be a part of the Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, is welcome to join the group as they meet to serve veterans. The usual meeting time is the third Monday of each month at the city hall in St. Francis at 1:30 p.m.

Members encourage people to meet with them and give ideas for the next year.

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STATE OF KANSAS
BUDGET FORM USD-A
2011-2012

USD # 297

NOTICE OF HEARING 2011-2012 BUDGET

The governing body of Unified School District 297 will meet on the 11th day of August, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at 100 S. College Street for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information (including budget profile) is available at the USD 297 superintendent's office and will be available at this hearing.

The Amount of 2011 Tax to be Levied and Expenditures (published below) establish the maximum limits of the 2011-2012 Budget. The "Est. Tax Rate" in the far right column, shown for comparative purposes, is subject to slight change depending on final assessed valuation.


Code 99 Line	2009-2010 Actual		2010-2011 Actual		PROPOSED BUDGET 2011-2012			
	Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Expenditures (5)	Amount of 2011 Tax to be Levied (6)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)	
OPERATING								
General	06	2,252,738	20,000	2,202,752	20,000	2,325,078	523,408	20,000
Supplemental General (LOB)	08	373,910	11,074	548,441	15,628	788,634	456,629	16,062
SPECIAL REVENUE								
Adult Education	10	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Adult Supplemental Education	12	0		0		0		
Bilingual Education	14	0		0		0		
Virtual Education	15	0		0		0		
Capital Outlay	16	255,931	3,952	311,395	4,000	1,450,000	113,714	4,000
Driver Training	18	22,412		20,848		36,000		
Extraordinary School Program	22	0		0		0		
Food Service	24	260,972		262,021		370,000		
Professional Development	26	6,966		7,853		25,000		
Parent Education Program	28	0		0		0		
Summer School	29	0		0		0		
Special Education	30	266,246		260,135		440,000		
Vocational Education	34	36,927		41,722		50,000		
Special Liability Expense Fund	42	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
School Retirement	44	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	45	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Reserve Fund	47	0		0		0		
Federal Funds	07	105,946		93,921		110,949		
Gifts and Grants	35	0		0		0		
At Risk (4Yr Old)	11	0		0		0		
Cost of Living	33	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
At Risk (K-12)	13	152,000		160,989		220,000		
Declining Enrollment	19	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000

Fund—Continued	Code 99 Line	2009-2010 Actual		2010-2011 Actual		PROPOSED BUDGET 2011-2012		
		Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Expenditures (5)	Amount of 2011 Tax to be Levied (6)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)
KPERS Special Retirement Contribution	51	143,501		124,088		235,767		
Contingency Reserve	53	17,085		18,200				
Textbook & Student Material Revolving	55	18,074		14,776				
Activity Fund	56	0		30,772				
Tuition Reimbursement Fund	57	0		0				
DEBT SERVICE								
Bond and Interest #1	62	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Bond and Interest #2	63	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	66	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Assessment	67	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Temporary Note	68	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
COOPERATIVES**								
Special Education	78	0		0		0		
TOTAL USD EXPENDITURES	100	3,912,708	35.026	4,087,883	39.628	6,051,428	1,093,751	40.062
Less: Transfers	105	521,233	xxxxxx	625,809	xxxxxx	716,000	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
NET USD EXPENDITURES	110	3,391,475	xxxxxx	3,472,074	xxxxxx	5,335,428	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
TOTAL USD TAXES LEVIED	115	1,203,376	xxxxxx	1,010,214	xxxxxx	1,093,751	xxxxxxx	xxxxxxx
OTHER								
Historical Museum	80	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board	82	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	83	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Recreation Commission	84	37,026	1.000	21,652	1.000	60,000	28,429	1.000
Rec Comm Emp Benefits & Spec Liab	86	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
TOTAL OTHER	120	37,026	1.000	21,652	1.000	60,000	28,429	1.000
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	125	1,239,015		1,036,847		1,122,180		
Assessed Valuation - General Fund	128	\$33,392,915		\$24,373,569		\$26,170,384		
Assessed Valuation - All Other Funds	130	\$35,639,406		\$26,632,502		\$28,428,617		
Outstanding Indebtedness, July 1		2009		2010		2011		
General Obligation Bonds	135	0		0		0		
Capital Outlay Bonds	140	0		0		0		
Temporary Note	145	0		0		0		
No-Fund Warrant	150	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	153	0		0		0		
TOTAL USD DEBT	155	0		0		0		


* Tax rates are expressed in Mills
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thought to ponder....Why does the last piece of ice always stick to the bottom of the cup?



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