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## Harvest contest ends with winner, first load of wheat

The Harvest Countdown contest in scrip. ended Saturday when Jon Waters delivered the first load of wheat from this year's harvest at 1:49 p.m. to the Wheeler Equity. Mr. land owned by the Ramsey Trust Market. north of Wheeler. The load, having approximately 600 bushels, had a test weight of 60.2 pounds and 13.9 percent moisture.

Having the time the closest to 1:49 p.m. was Shelley Culwell who guessed Saturday at 2:05 p.m., just 16 minutes off the time it was brought in. She submitted her guess at Bella's Market. She the near future. The staff was will receive \$50 in scrip money forced to pick up entries on Frito be spent at the participating day before the first load came in. businesses listed below.

guessing Saturday at 1:30 p.m. contest were Bella's Market, Ma-He was 19 minutes away from the actual time. He placed his State Bank and The Saint Francis guess at Pizza Hut and wins \$30 Herald.

Taking third place and \$20 in scrip was Shawna Blanka, guessing the time on Saturday to be 1:15 p.m., just 34 minutes off. Waters harvested the wheat from She made her guess at Bella's

> We had a lot of participation in the contest this year, said Tim Burr, advertising manager. Especially as the time of harvest got here.

The contest was supposed to last a week longer but, with the early ripening of the wheat, there were rumors that harvest was in

Those businesses participating Dave Fry came in second, in this year's Harvest Countdown iestic Service, Pizza Hut, Western

WHEAT FIELD DAY was spent talking about the wheat crop cooperator, visits with Eddy Schultz, one of the farmers atand the weather. Above, Junior Smull, Sunny Crest Farms tending.

Herald staff photos by Tim Burr

# Children attend 90th birthday party

Wanita Touslee Kroeplin celfriends and family on May 27 in Donna, Ken, Marlin, Royce, Su-Mayville, N.D. Her birthday is san and Kevin, and their families. May 20 but the party was delayed and Karen Krien, could be there to Mayville, ND 58257. help her celebrate.

The party was hosted by her ebrated her 93 birthday with husband, Ed, and his children, Those wishing to send Wanita

until her children, Jim and wife belated birthday cards can address Loretta Touslee, Sue Ella Touslee them to 34 8th Ave. SE, Apt. 306,

## **Decendants** attend reunion in Sainty

Descendants of Alvis and Eliza Phil Hilger, Topeka. Brown gathered on Saturday, June 9 in St. Francis. This family has been in Cheyenne County since 1887.

Donna and Norvin Northrup, and Russell Moore, Roger Moore, Dale Faylor, Dwight and Kim Faylor, Connie Brown and Darin Brown, Cindy and Lyn Wiley, Dustin Wiley and DJ Stout, all of Cheyenne County.

da, Calif.; Joan and Bob Spears, from 1804-1905.

Myra Northrup, Burlington, Colo.; John and Shirley Schuh, Fort Collins, Colo.; Jerry and Verna Brown, Bridgeport, Neb.; Opal and Bob Phillips, Manhattan; and Debra and George Harper, Jean Phyllis Roelfs Weaver, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Stanley and Carol Shafer, Laird, Colo.; Barbara and Calvin Jones, Wray, Colo.; Tom Kerns, who is a great great grandson has done extensive research into the roots Renee Wisdom and Rachel, of this pioneer family the past few Krystal, Sasha and CJ, Costa years. He gave a very interesting Rica; Tom and Cathy Kerns, Orin- presentation about their legacy



JEANNE FALK, area agronomist, welcomed the crowd.

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and has now reached extreme Northwest Kansas. There is some concern that custom crews may not be able to keep up with the harvest, and may be stretched thin

Bud Erskin at the Majestic in St. Francis is operating a private harvest information office for the benefit of local producers and harvesters, and has received several inquiries from both farmers and crews.

Harvest, by coming this early, probably has caused a number of people to adjust plans made months ago. Shirley Zweygardt, the coordinator of the annual alumni banquet to be held this is after a couple of weeks of hard weekend, has had a challenge, work, long hours, and hopefully, and has been able to assemble a little good luck. help to get the job done. Doug

Ross's daughter, Lauren, decided months ago to pick this weekend for her wedding, because "it will be well before harvest, Daddy!". Arrangements have been made, and the father of the bride is expected to escort his lovely daughter down the aisle.

Harvest should be in full swing by this weekend. Trucks will be traveling the roads and highways, lining up at the scales, implement and parts dealers will be supplying repairs and supplies, and lots of lunches and cold drinks will be delivered to the hard working harvesters. Expectations for a good harvest are here.

We should know how good it



## July 15 deadline to certify spring crops

All spring seeded crops need certified at the Farm Service Agency office by July 15. With harvest your GovDelivery subscription fast approaching, the Cheyenne with the Cheyenne County Farm County office would appreciate Service Agency Office, contact it if you could come in to certify Dennis R Mote, County Execubefore you start harvesting if you tive Director at<mailto:at.denhave all your spring crops planted. nis.mote@ks.usda.gov>.dennis. There are quite a few producers mote@ks.usda.gov or 785-332call for an appointment.

For more information on bulletin subjects or details regarding

MANY ATTENDED WHEAT FIELD DAY held on June 6 at the Sunny Crest Farm test plot. This year, those attending enjoyed sitting on benches.



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