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Welcome home alumni

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The week of the St. Francis high school alumni celebration has arrived. Most former graduates won't be arriving until Friday and many of the class chairmen have planned gatherings for Friday night and some on Saturday. Registration for the banquet and dance will be held starting at 5 p.m.

Between 5 and 6 p.m., there will be music in the gym including the "Fight" song bringing the alum-

nus to their feet. The Once Again Sound Band and Neala Carmichael will be playing. During this time, there will be lots of visiting. Tom Keller, class of 1966, will be giving the welcome. The winners of the golf tournament will also be announced.

The banquet follows the photo shots. After the banquet, people are invited to come back to the gym for more visiting. A dance with music provided by Scott King will be held at Riverside

Recreation starting at 9 a.m.

Shirley Zwegardt, corresponding secretary, reported on Monday that reservations are still coming in. The reservation includes the evening meal on Saturday along with the dance at Riverside Recreation.

Classmates have planned gatherings, some starting on Friday and ending on Sunday morning with brunch and church services. Some class chairmen said they were waiting until classmates ar-

rived to see what they would like to do. Look elsewhere in this issue for a schedule of honor class activities.

Golf tourney

Saturday morning, a golf tournament is planned at Riverside Recreation. This is the third year for the nine-hole, four-person scramble.

Registration is \$20 per golfer and the money can be sent with the reservations but Shirley would appreciate separate checks. Peo-

ple can also register the morning of the tournament between 8 and 8:30 a.m. Tee off will be around 9 a.m. and the tourney should finish around noon.

There will be prizes for designated holes and they will be awarded in the gym that evening prior to the banquet.

Other events

Other events planned in conjunction with the alumni celebration include a brat lunch at the Cheyenne County Museum on

U.S. 36 from noon to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

On Friday from 4 to 6 p.m., there will be an art walk, "Draggin' Main—A New Twist. People are urged to come downtown for art, live music, food and drink while visiting with old friends in town. Maps and the schedule will be located at the St. Francis Library.

For more information, contact Shirley at 785-332-2286 or e-mail her at sfchsalumni@hotmail.com.

Harvest begins

By Tim Burr

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The first load of wheat for the 2012 harvest was delivered to a Cheyenne County grain facility on Saturday. (See Harvest Countdown results elsewhere in this paper.) Producers have been watching the crop mature at a rapid, and very early pace. Normally, farmers expect to begin harvest toward the end of June.

Many believe that this is the earliest in June that wheat may have been harvested in the county.

Managers of county grain facilities and local producers' expectations are that this will be a good harvest, although a lack of moisture this spring and some disease pressure, has lowered estimates. At this time, there has been little storm or hail damage reported.

Sean Cravens, manager of Frontier Ag in Bird City, stated that they had been moving grain in preparation of the harvest. Frontier received their first loads late in the day Saturday.

Shirley Zwegardt at the St.



Francis Equity said they also had been preparing for the harvest by moving grain as transportation allowed. The Equity received their first load on Sunday afternoon.

Doug Ross of Bartlett Grain said they had been preparing for, and were looking forward to a good harvest. Dale Weeks of the Wheeler Equity felt that harvest, now that it has started, will come on hard and fast.

The quality of the early loads received has been good, with moistures acceptable and test weights over 60 pounds per bushel. The grain dealers caution that it is too early to judge the overall crop quality, but are encouraged by the early loads.

Harvest continues all the way from near the Oklahoma border, See HARVEST on Page 9

First load arrives!!



FIRST LOAD on Saturday brought the Harvest Countdown contest to an end with Shelley Cullwell winning. See Page 9. Jon Waters brought the wheat to the Wheeler Equity. Dale Weeks, manager is unloading. Herald staff photo by Tim Burr



VOLUNTEER FIREMEN put this fire out Monday evening. The fire was located 7 miles west and 1 mile south of St. Francis on land belonging to Kip Wiese. They were called to put it out again the following day when the wind came up. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Art walk features art, live music, food, visiting

Friday, between 4 and 6 p.m. will find St. Francis' Main Street busy with live music, original art work and booths. Many of the St. Francis Community High School alumni will be in town and the Draggin' Main art walk will give them an opportunity to see what is happening in St. Francis along with visiting with friends.

Snacks and drinks will be served by local organizations. Maps and schedules are available at the St. Francis Public Library and Donna's Gift Palace.

Some of the businesses will stay open later to accommodate alumni and others. "Madagascar," a family-friendly movie, will begin at 8 p.m. so children will have a place to be entertained while their parents are enjoying the different alumni events.

From 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Main Street will be closed to traffic from Adams to Scott streets.

Artists and musicians are listed below at the different locations.

Bankwest

121 W. Washington

Artist--Peggy Moberly

4-4:30--Sarah and Lila Whitmore.

4:30-5--Silver and Strings-Lila Whitmore and Talley Morrow.

5-5:30--Althea Lebow and Dr. Ron Maifeld.

5:30-6--Ronda Miller, poet.

6-7--Helene Landenberger.

Jason's Computer Services

113 W. Washington

Artist--Jennifer Padgett

4-5--Phil Crawford.

5-6--Randy Smestad and students

6-6:30--Ronda Miller, poet.

St. Francis Library

121 N. Scott

Artist--Richard Cram



BILLY PERKINSON gets his saddle ready to display in the art walk on Friday. Billy is showing at First National Bank.

Herald photo by Janet Carman

4-4:40--Claudia Bunker, harp.

4:40-5--Bonnie Cram and Ione Slattery, songs with guitar.

5-5:40--Claudia Bunker, harp.

5:40-6--Mike and Ione Slattery, Irish songs with guitar.

6-6:40--Claudia Bunker, harp.

6:40-7--Ronda Miller, poet.

Cuppa Joe Espresso

216 W. Washington

Artists--Kim and Kary Zwegardt, Samantha Beeson

4-4:45-9ine Foot Squirrel-Joe Caldert and sons.

4:45-5:30--Once Again Sound

Band.

5:30-6:45--Ty and Brock Zwegardt, Logan Whitmore.

First National Bank

201 W. Washington

Artist--Billy Perkinson

4-4:45--Debbie Fiala.

4:45-5:30--Neala Carmichael.

5:30-6--Jean Ann Confer, Jenna and Jessica Confer.

6-6:30--Prairie Chicks-Lila Whitmore and Louanne Isernhagen.

6:30-7--Peace Lutheran Women's Chorus.