

Fair board elects officers for upcoming year

The Cheyenne County Fair Board held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday evening in the commissioners room at the courthouse with 10 board members present.

The first item of business was the election of officers for the upcoming year. By motion and vote of those members present, Dick Bursch was elected president, Nick Ketzner was elected vice president, Ashley Buffington, secretary, and Jenni Cravens, treasurer. Dick said the commissioners had approved the appointment of Sarah Kinzer to the fair board.

At the last meeting, the board decided to pursue re-wiring of the electrical service in Jenkins Hall, the beef barn, and the swine area. President Bursch had been in contact with Stanion Electric to see about pricing materials, which local contractors would then install. Bill Keller with Stanion Electric told Mr. Bursch that Stanion would design a new electric service and donate the materials, along with also designing a new lighting system and the donation of those materials as well. President Bursch wished to publicly acknowledge and thank Mr. Keller and Stanion Electric for

their generous donations.

2013 fair dates/events
The date of the fair for 2013 was discussed by the board. The board discussed dates, and tabled the decision until next month when more information would be available about fair dates from surrounding counties.

Dick asked the board for comments or ideas to help make the fair better. They discussed the demolition derby and the tractor pull, the roping, and other events and scheduling. They decided to switch some events to other evenings. The Tuff Truck event was moved to Thursday evening, providing the county crew believes they would be able to get the arena in shape for the next events. Wednesday was left as roping night, and Friday is open at this time.

The board discussed parking around the arena at Tuff Trucks and derby events. They felt there should be a per-vehicle charge to park next to the arena, so that they could have a little better control of the area, and better accounting of those in attendance.

Vendors
The board discussed the rules regarding outside vendors at the fair. A copy of the current rule had been distributed to

board members at the last meeting. After discussion about the rules as they pertained to vendor competition with the 4-H food stand, it was approved to leave the rule as it is currently written.

Signs
The board discussed the advertising signs that hang on the arena fence. Gary Cooper, board member, said it is a problem to find proper areas to safely store the large, bulky, metal signs. It was suggested that cloth signs, or vinyl signs such as those displayed at the high school, would be much easier to handle and store, and also look attractive. The board agreed that future ad signs for the arena will be required to be vinyl to facilitate easier handling. Current signs will be "grandfathered in" until such time that they deteriorate or need to be replaced.

There were no representatives from the Amusement Authority or the Extension office present, so there were no reports from these groups.

Next meeting
The next meeting of the board will be at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 1, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.



SENIOR STEVEN NELSON dices some onions during Kay O'Brien's Life Skills class to make some home made salad dressing.
Herald staff photo by Nathan Fiala



CHEYENNE COUNTY Development Corporation board members Kary Zwegardt, Karol Lohman and Helen Dobbs met at Captain Hook's in Wheeler for the annual meeting on Thursday, Oct. 4.
Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Descendants hold reunion in Denver

Descendants of Louis and Alvina (Swantusch) Eikenberg met recently at the home of Kelli Githens in Denver for a fun reunion. Louis and Alvina were married in Chicago, Ill., in 1894, and later moved north of Agra, and then to Otis, Colo. They had two sons and eight daughters. Three of their daughters lived in the St. Francis area, Hanna (Henry) Klinzmann, Martha (Art) Lueschen and Emma (Emil) Peter.

Those attending were Lavonne and Delmer Zwegardt, Justin and Janette Abeyta, Blayse, Zoey and Dagon, Dane and Bea Zwegardt,

Dallas Peter, Norma Jean Lunsford, Corinne deHerrera and Nic, Brooke Genovese, Kelli Githens and Carson, Megan Gartland, Michal Kitsmiller, Jeff and Lori Engel, all of the Denver area, Shauna Hausback, Nashville, Sara Adams, Phoenix, Greg and Chris Peter, Houston, Peggy Gross, Wichita, Delores Eikenberg, Haswell, Colo., Kemma Eikenberg, Eads, Colo., Jeannie and Brian Eikenberg, Nick and Jake, Kersey, Colo. Linda Hammann, Omaha, Art and Suzanne Klinzmann, Ft. Collins, and Eddy and Sherry Schultz, St. Francis.

Cattle ranch ranks eighth largest in state

Flying S Ranch, Ryan and Diane Shay, St. Francis, ranked as eighth largest in registering the most Angus beef cattle in Kansas having recorded 321 head of Angus with the American Angus Association during fiscal year 2012, which ended Sept. 30, according to Bryce Schumann, American Angus Association.

Angus breeders across the nation in 2012 registered 315,007 head of Angus cattle. "Our year-end statistics continue to demonstrate strong demand for Angus genetics

and solidify our long-held position as a leader in the beef cattle industry," Mr. Schumann said. "These results underscore our members' commitment to providing genetic solutions to the beef cattle industry."

The American Angus Association, headquartered in Saint Joseph, Mo., is the largest beef registry association in the world in terms of both annual registrations and active members. For more information about the Angus breed go to www.angus.org.

Great Tips

- Remove permanent marker on appliances/counter tops (like store receipt BLUE!) rubbing alcohol on paper towel.

- Whenever I purchase a box of S.O.S pads, I immediately take a pair of scissors and cut each pad into halves. After years of having

to throw away rusted and unused and smelly pads, I finally decided that this would be much more economical. And now a box of S.O.S pads last me indefinitely! In fact, I have noticed that the scissors get sharpened this way!

New board members picked at meeting

By Karen Krien

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The Cheyenne County Development Corporation annual meeting was held Thursday at Captain Hook's in Wheeler.

Karol Lohman presided over the meeting in the absence of Carol Redding, who had resigned at the last meeting.

Three board members needed replacing including Ms. Redding, Mrs. Lohman and Myra Hyde. Four people were nominated: Joe Caldart, Dennis Weeden, Tammi Grice and Bud Erskin. Mr. Weeden received the most votes with Mr. Caldart and Mr. Erskin tying.

Jason Padgett, treasurer, reported that there was \$6,000 in the Corporation's account. Both the St. Francis City Council and Cheyenne County Commissioners had raised the amount of money given to the Corporation. With the additional money, they will be able to employ Helen Dobbs, the Development director, full time.

There were around 20 people attending the meeting. They voted to make the bylaw change in paragraph three from "The board of directors shall consist of at least three persons and not more than seven persons" to "The board of directors shall consist of at least three persons and not more than eight persons which shall include one student from each of the Cheyenne County School Districts. An additional voting position may be appointed by each of the following: the Cheyenne County Commissioners, the Bird City City Council and the St. Francis City Council."

Kim Zwegardt said she thought that the move of adding high school students to the board was "great."

Mrs. Dobbs gave a brief history of her past, then turned to telling what she has been doing since she was hired in February. She had recommended and the board had agreed that the Corporation

join different organizations which would help promote the county. She had attended the National Pheasant Fest in Kansas City and noted that she had distributed more brochures promoting northwest Kansas than had ever been distributed before. Of course, she said, it didn't hurt to have a pheasant on the front of the full-color brochure.

She talked about the Neighborhood Revitalization Tax program. She said it had been sent to the attorney general for signature and when it is signed, it will offer those building or adding on to homes or businesses, a tax refund.

The organization, she said, belongs to several organizations including the Western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance (wKREDA), Pioneer Country Development, Kansas Economic Development Alliance, Northwest Kansas Travel Council and the U.S. Highway 36

Association.

In the future, she would like to develop a brochure featuring just Cheyenne County. Right now, there are a number of pamphlets which are available to be given out and mailed but a brochure would be much more effective in promoting the county.

When Mrs. Dobbs finished her presentation, Mrs. Lohman said that Mrs. Dobbs has already been a great asset to the county.

Kary Meyer, one of those attending the meeting, said there are several people who are interested in organizing a "Heritage Day" for the St. Francis' 125 anniversary. Heritage Day is similar to those held a number of years ago, she explained. There were games, sidewalk sales, German dishes and music. There appeared to be some interest among those attending.

The meeting ended by Mrs. Dobbs handing a variety of door prizes.

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Paige Leach & Joey Snethen

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Oct. 13, 2012

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