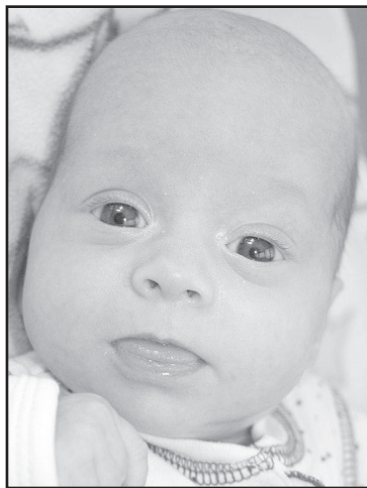


Introducing

Big sister, Madison Paige, would like to announce the birth of her baby sister, Riley Jo. Riley caught the family off guard and arrived early on Sept. 15, at 8:17 a.m. mountain daylight time. She weighed 2 pounds 11 ounces and was 16 1/4-inches long.

Her parents are Brian and Kaycee Siegfried of Goodland. Grandparents are Kelly and Jo Frewen and Dan and Janet Siegfried, all of St. Francis. Great-grandparents include Mary Lee Frewen of St. Francis, Ted and Cleone Hendricks of Arvada, Colo., and Ada Siegfried of Wray, Colo.



Siegfried

Madilyn Rebekah Born arrived at 4:34 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012. She weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and was 19-inches long.

Madilyn is the daughter of Joshua and Laura Born in Montrose, Colo.

Grandparents are Rhonda Born of St. Francis, Michael Born of San Antonio, Texas, and Jim and Judi Greenfield of Montrose. Great-grandparents are Harvey and Phyllis Zwegardt of St. Francis, Pat Born of Manhattan, and the late Charles Born.



Born

Older Students to see change in schedule

St. Francis junior-senior high students will probably see a different schedule next year. At the Thursday, Dec. 13, meeting of the St. Francis Board of Education, Rob Schiltz, superintendent, had two options for the board to review.

Both schedules change the school day to a seven-period day from the current nine-period day, Mr. Schiltz said. The start and end times for the school day remain the same as they currently are.

One schedule considers bringing the sixth grade to the junior-senior high building, and the other leaves the sixth grade at the grade school building. In both cases, he said, the main goal is better use of instructional resources.

Changing to a seven-period day will increase individual class times by nine minutes or 21 per-

cent. Over the period of a school year, this equates to approximately 36 extra days of instruction.

The administration asked for and received the board's consensus to continue working on the draft schedules to see if they will, in fact, work. No decisions can be made on the implementation of the schedules until a "mock enrollment" is completed and any problems are worked out.

In other business

In other business:
• Gift-offers from Nex-Tech Wireless and Republican Valley Auto Supply/Mike Grover in the amount of \$83 and from The Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive in the amount of \$818 designated to the Special Ed department were accepted.

• The board appointed Mary Beth Miller and Ed Marin to the Meet-and-Confer Committee, and Derrick Tice, Mila Bandel, Cory Busse and Mr. Schiltz to the Scholarship Committee.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the school board will be at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 10, in the board room at the high school.

Editor's note: The above article was taken from the unapproved board minutes.

St. John's Lutheran
A Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held on Monday, Dec. 24 at 5:30 Communion will be held on Christmas Day at 10

Christmas in the Barn
Celebrate "Christmas in the Barn" at Steve and Jan Busse's farm, four and a half miles south of Bird City on CR I and 27 Christmas Eve at 6:30
Methodist Church services
The United Methodist Church will hold Christmas Eve services at 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Monday.

Christian Church services
The First Christian Church will have Christmas service at 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

Blood drive
There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 20, at Peace Lutheran Church, St. Francis. The goal is to collect 48 units of whole blood.

Scholarship available
The Vietnam Veterans of America Hays Chapter 939 is announcing they will be awarding three \$500 scholarships for college or trade school. Residents of Cheyenne along with 17 other counties including Rawlins, Sherman, Thomas, Decatur and Norton are eligible.

Application deadline is March 1. Scholarship winners will be announced April 15. For more information, graduating seniors may write to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 939, P.O. Box 1224, Hays, KS 67601. Students may want to contact their school officials for application packets.

Bird City Historical Association

The Bird City Historical Association will not meet on Dec. 14 due to member's medical appointments. The Association will meet on Jan. 11, weather permitting. If in doubt, call 785-734-2750. At that time members with information on family farms are asked to bring copies of their information and copies of photos. The program at that time will be the compiling of information for the "Stewards of the Land."

Salvation Army

The Salvation Army is looking for a representative for Cheyenne County. Those interested can call Dolores Jenik, 332-8810 or the area field consultant, Stephen Burpee, 800-336-4547, extension 389.

County commissioners

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet on Friday, Dec. 28, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.

St. Francis Public Library

The St. Francis public library will be closed on Saturday's in December.

Information needed

To better serve the cattlemen

of Cheyenne County, the sheriff's office is requesting landowners and stockmen provide locations, brands, descriptions and a contact phone number pertaining to livestock in pastures, grazed stock residue and CRP within the county. The officers will compile the contact numbers and locations, giving a copy to the county communications dispatch office to be used when stray livestock are found on the roads. The contact numbers are for officers' use only and will not be provided to the general public. Call the sheriff's office at 785-332-8880.

Show time
Movies at the Cheyenne Theater start at 7:30 p.m. and this time will continue throughout the winter.

St. Francis website
Check out the updated St. Francis website at www.stfranksciskansas.com.

Free popcorn
The Cheyenne Theater Committee is asking, that the first weekend of the month, those attending the movie bring a canned food donation for the Food Pantry and they will receive a free sack of popcorn. Show time is 8 p.m.

Grief Support Group
The Grief Support Group will meet every second and fourth Mondays at 2 p.m. Meeting place is the Immanuel United Methodist Church, 116 E. Fourth, Bird City. For more information, call 785-734-2739.

The group is a confidential support to all who have experi-

enced the loss of a loved one in a safe place of mutual help and comfort.

Narcotics Anonymous
Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held at 104 W Webster/Methodist Education Building on Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. Contact (785) 342-0028.

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week service to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available for women and children within the northwest Kansas area. For information or in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Director of operations unable to attend meeting

By Karen Krien

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The Cheyenne County Commissioners, at the Monday meeting, were supposed to meet with the Good Samaritan Society's director of operations concerning the nursing home lease. However, at the last minute, Randy Fitzgerald, director of operations for the society, had contacted Kari Gilliland, county attorney, saying that he would be unable to be there.

Mrs. Gilliland said she had received the newest lease from the Society but there were still corrections that needed to be made and the wording in Item 15 had changed. The Society had said the commissioners, if they wanted to, could sign the lease as it was but with the understanding the necessary changes would be made. The commissioners agreed that they did not want to sign a lease contract that was not correct.

There were three items that need correcting. The land description which included the nursing home, apartments and home health office had not been verified as the land had not been surveyed. Jeff Paulsen, nursing home administrator, had a drawing which showed that a small section of land which the home health office sets on is all that the Society will keep - that the rest of the land goes with the transfer in the lease.

Item 15 in the lease had been changed to read that the Society (lessor) agreed to furnish all furniture and equipment for the furnishing of bedrooms in the facility. It should read as the "lessee" which is Cheyenne County.

The third item concerned the inventory list, which Mr. Paulsen

said, the Society had asked for and he had sent.

Ernie Ketzner, commissioner, said he had talked to Kody Krien, owner of Krien Pharmacy, who was concerned about the paperwork he had to fill out to be able to furnish their medicines. The commissioners talked about how government regulations are making it almost impossible for many small businesses to operate and there are many small pharmacies that will be in the same position as Mr. Krien. Mr. Paulsen said that the nursing home has no intention of taking meds away from the local pharmacy.

Dale Patton, commissioner, said Ryan Murray, emergency

manager, had said that when the county possession of the nursing home facility, they will need a person trained as a national incident manager to fulfill FEMA regulations.

Tom Keller, who was there as a concerned citizen, said federal regulations are happening everywhere including farming and banking to name some.

Mr. Fitzgerald told Mrs. Gilliland that the commissioners could wait until the first of February to sign the lease. The commissioners figured that it will probably take that much time to find a surveyor and get the land surveyed.

Members approve new street lighting

by Scott E. Knebel

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At the St. Francis City Council meeting on Dec. 10, the purchase of new high efficiency LED street lights that needed replaced on U.S. 36 was approved.

St. Francis city superintendent J.R. Landenberger said that the city had been offered a buy-one-get-one deal on the new lights and said that the city can get 24 new lights that are badly need for cheaper than getting the old-style lighting. The new bulbs would cost \$3,678 for 24 of the one style needed and for the Cobra head like the ones on the highway, the total cost would be \$4,956.

The council had an hour-long discussion on a request by Mark Jenik for replacing a 1,080 square foot approach at Jenik Oil Com-

pany on Main Street. The total cost of the new approach would be \$13,140 in which Mr. Jenik is asking that the city pay \$6,480 of that cost.

The council decided that Mr. Jenik needs to submit a petition for the work to be done and Superintendent Landenberger will meet with Mr. Jenik to discuss the pass-through and drainage issues. The matter was tabled.

In other news, Mr. Landenberger requested funding for \$2,600 for a valve exerciser for use on the city water valves. This unit is used to keep from over torquing valves and keeps them functioning properly. The request was approved.

The next council meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 26.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Dec. 11	44	12	
Dec. 12	63	16	
Dec. 13	60	15	
Dec. 14	41	17	
Dec. 15	51	29	
Dec. 16	44	18	
Dec. 17	57	19	



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Atwood (a.m.) • 626-3211
Colby (p.m.)
CSMC, 175 S. Range
785-462-3332
CMC, 100 E. College Dr.
785-462-7511
Fri., Jan. 11
CSMC at 9 a.m.

Specials
Sunday
Picnic ham, mashed potatoes & red eye gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, stuffing & ice cream
Monday
Fried Chicken
Tuesday
Station Open, Restaurant Closed
Last Minute Christmas Gifts
Lottery Tickets, Gift Certificates, Kansas Travel Items & more
Majestic Service & Truck Stop
510 West Highway 36
St. Francis, Ks.
785.332.2905

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
Customer Appreciation
Friday, Dec. 21 • 1 - 4 p.m.
Stop by Farm Bureau office for Cookies and Hot Apple Cider or Coffee.
Pick up your 2013 Calendars
Farm Bureau Financial Services
102 Washington St. Francis, KS 67756
785-332-3312

First National Bank
Holiday Open House
Thursday, Dec. 20
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Refreshments & Holiday Greetings
201 W. Washington, St. Francis

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 37 min.
Rise of the Guardians
Animated/Family/Adaptation
Fantasy
PG
CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747
Children 12 & Under: \$4 All Others: \$6
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