## Adults, youth take farm safety training

On Friday, 35 participants and eight speakers converged at Cheyenne County Fairgrounds for the "Keeping Your Family Safe on the Farm," an interactive farm safety program. The program was held from 5 to 9 p.m. and was for all ages.

The goal of the program was to help decrease preventable injuries on the farm and in agriculture settings. Throughout the evening the participants reviewed safety habits necessary for daily life on the farm.

The topics included equipment safety, ATV (all terrain vehicles) safety, eye injuries and vision preservation, anhydrous ammonia precautions, keeping aging farmers safe, tips on preparing the teen for farm work, and animal safety. The topics were highlighted with personal stories of farm injuries from several local farmers.

All attendees went away with safety glasses, ear protectors and gloves. The program was funded by a 2013 Kansas Department of Health and Environment Injury Prevention grant and by the St. Francis United Methodist Thrift Store. Other program partners were Cheyenne County Hospital, K-State Research and Extension, American Implement, Vision Source: Dr. Danielle McAtee, Cheyenne County Sheriff's Department, Steve Evert and Roger Zweygardt.

If you missed this event and would like handouts, they will be available at the Cheyenne County Hospital health fair, April 15, 16 and 17. You can also contact Candi Douthit, registered nurse, at 785-332-2104 or cdouthit@ cheyennecountyhospital.com.



STEVE EVERT talked about tractor and farm safety at the 'Keeping Your Family Safe on the Farm' program held Friday at the fairgrounds. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien



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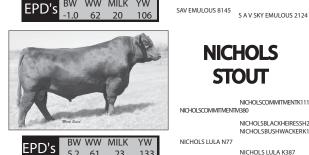
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