

Alumni reunion will be on June 16

The St. Francis High School alumni reunion will be held on June 16.

Each year, alumni look forward to this event which is held at the high school. It is a time for classmates to catch up with each other and find out what has been going on in their lives since they met five years ago.

Provider receives credentials

Angie Hankins, child care provider at TNT Tots, recently received word from the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition in Washington, D.C.,



Hankins

that she has been awarded a Child Development Associates (CDA) credential. The Child Development Associates is a national credentialing program that awards competency-based credentials to individuals who work with children ages birth to 5 years old.

The candidate for a Child Development Associates credential must have a minimum of 480 hours of experience with children, complete 120 clock hours of formal early childhood education, demonstrate competency in a state approved child care setting, and sign a statement of ethical conduct.

Ms. Hankins has been interested in child care since her first babysitting job when she was 8 years old. She has worked in the child care industry as a nanny and with TNT in the St. Francis since 1997. She was able to complete the Child Development Associates process with the assistance of Smart Start NW Kansas.

Smart Start is a grant funded agency dedicated to providing funding to promote quality early childhood education.

This year's honor classes are 1927, 1932, 1937, 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992 and 1997. Some classmates have already gathered to make tentative plans for the alumni.

Each year, Shirley Zweygardt, alumni reunion coordinator, asks for class representatives to help update the class roster. If the class is having additional activities, she can include it in the letters mailed to out-of-town and honor class alumni on April 1.

"Individual class information can be included with the alumni letter to save postage," Shirley said.

She is asking that the representatives please contact her at 785-332-2286 as soon as possible.



Knitig

Birthday to be celebrated

Estella Knitig will celebrate her 90th birthday Wednesday, Feb. 14. She has recently moved from Goodland to Rapid City, S.D. Her family would like to honor her with a card shower. Address good wishes to 931 Fox Run Drive #107, Rapid City, SD 57701.



ROBERT MORRELL, resident of the month at the Good Samaritan Village, plays pool with Russell Roberts.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Resident enjoys living at the Village

By Karen Krien

Robert Morrell is the February resident of the month at the Good Samaritan Village. He says he likes living at the Village. When the weather warms up, people can see him working around the ground watering plants, and hoeing the garden and flower beds. During the winter, he waters plants in the Village's solarium.

Mr. Morrell was born in 1924 in Yuma County, Colo. He was one of seven children born to Tom and Ivy Morrell. His chores included picking up cow chips to burn for heat and cooking, feeding the hogs, milking cows, and helping with butchering and canning.

During his younger years, he said his grandmother, who he adored, probably made the biggest impression him, teaching him many things.

Some of his memories of his younger years was running wild down to the creek and sledding

down the hill in the winter.

He walked to country school at Liberty in Liberty County. His favorite teacher was Delpha Petersen. Following grade school he attended two years of high school in St. Francis.

He met Eunice Breninger when she was walking home after church. He asked if she needed a ride and that was the start of a romance that turned into marriage. Robert and Eunice were married in 1946 at the Church of Christ in St. Francis. They had one son, George who lives in Goodland. Today, he also has three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Through the years, Mr. Morrell worked in several places including the railroad, county and state departments. The last 30 years of his working career were spent at the elevator in Wheeler.

His hobbies include making and

collecting walking sticks (he has a collection of 300 walking!).

While talking about how he feels about America today, he said that it's wartime which is not a good

thing and there are too many drugs.

One piece of advice he gives young people is to "lay off the drugs, whiskey, cigarettes and go to church."

Art association to host presentation at Hoxie

Western Plains Arts Association will host The Hughes Brothers' presentation, "From Country to Broadway" at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Hoxie High School auditorium. Admission will be by season pass or at the door.

The five brothers from Branson, Mo., deliver a performance including Contemporary Country, Old West, Broadway, Gospel and Spanish music. Musical excellence, energetic choreography and comedy characterize their shows, and their

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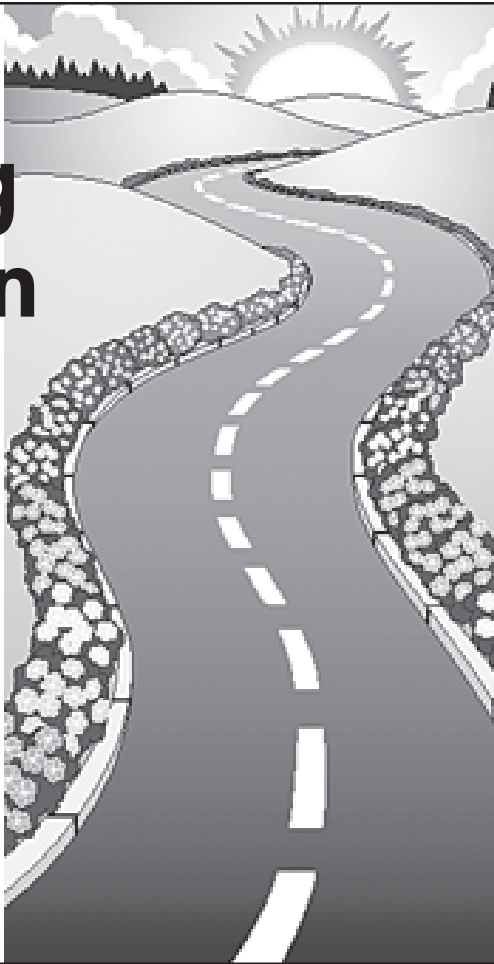
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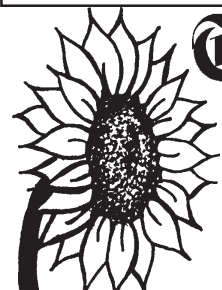
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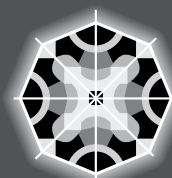


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