

Fair board says 'no' to barbecue

By Lezlie McCormick

For many years, the Cheyenne County Fair has hosted a barbecue but, next year that tradition will come to an end.

The Cheyenne County Fair Board members, at the Thursday meeting, voted to not have a free-will barbecue. They said the free-will barbecue takes a lot of people to put it on and there are fewer members on the board to do the work. The members felt like they had so many other things going on during the fair and, not having the barbecue would allow them to be get ready for the demolition derby.

There was a lot of discussion before members voted to allow vendors to sell on the fairgrounds. Of course, they would come in for a fee. A committee was formed to see what other fairs are charging and what the rules and guidelines are.

Clay Zimbelman, fair board member, had done some checking on the lawn mower races including some of the national rules and regulations. Mr. Zimbelman said that the committee would get together and write up the rules for the January meeting.

Gary Cooper, board member, suggested having a team penning and roping on one of the nights. There is the Kid's Ranch Rodeo, Adult Ranch Rodeo and a team penning/roping. It was suggested to combine two of the events.

The board voted to not accept payment from Eddie Brunk for the extended maintenance on the grounds he did before the gymkhana and club calf sale.

President Dick Bursch reminded the members that the benches still need to be put away. Jared Douthit and Mr. Zimbelman said they would see that the benches were put away.

The board's Christmas supper will be Nov. 29 at Diamond R Bar and Grill.

The members were all encouraged to attend the 4-H Achievement Banquet on Sunday.

Those present at the meeting Thursday night were Dick Bursch, Ernie Ketzner, Mike Hansen, Erika Lehman, Clay Zimbelman, Megan Douthit, Gary Cooper, Nick Ketzner, Lacy Reed and Jared Douthit.

Colorado man killed in accident

By Karen Krien

It was Nov. 1, the day of Brett Files' 24th birthday. He took his 4 x 4 Artic Cat for a ride on a country road. When he didn't come back, his family and a friend went looking and found him 12 hours later at Cheyenne County Road 1, southwest of St. Francis. They called 911 shortly after midnight on Nov. 2. In that rural area, when 911 is dialed, it reaches a Yuma County, Colo., dispatcher. The dispatcher contacted Cheyenne County Sheriff officers, Craig Van Allen and Derek Mor-

row, arrived at the scene and it was apparent that Files was dead.

The officers reported that Files had failed to make a corner. The 4-wheeler was turned on its right side and was on top of a barbed wire fence. Files was found a short distance away.

Emergency medical technicians along with Rev. Morita Truman, family advocate, were also called on the scene.

Funeral services were held on Monday at 10 at the Burlington Community Center with burial in Fairview Cemetery, Burlington.



JENEVA NORTHRUP was one of the voters at the polls on Tuesday. Election staff, Dolores Kincheloe, left, and Betty

Louden verifies Mrs. Northrup's name and address.

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COMPUTERIZED VOTING — Mary Rath, one of the election personnel, helped Robyn Raile with the voting machine.

Commissioner for Bird City District 1 elected

By Karen Krien

The election has come and gone. As in all elections, there were some winners and some losers. There was only one race in Cheyenne County and that was in Bird City, District 1, where Ernie Ketzner won the seat on the commissioner board. He will take over after the first of the year.

Election officer, Terry Miller, reported the turn out of voters was good with 53 percent of the registered voters casting their ballots.

In Cheyenne County, Jim Barnett won the governor race and Phil Kline will be the Attorney General for another year.

Incumbent John Faber will serve the 120th District as representative. He won over his opponent Bob Seavey. Jerry Morran, the U.S. House of Representatives, 1st District, was also re-elected.

Following is how the people of Cheyenne County voted:

Cheyenne County Commissioner District 1
Gary Brubaker (R) 131
Ernie Ketzner (D) 194
US House of Representatives, 1st District
Sylvester Cain (Ref) 17
John Doll (D) 144

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Reps look for office in courthouse

The talk about moving National Resource Conservation Service and Farm Service Agency offices out of the county continues. This matter brought members of the Cheyenne County Conservation District to talk to the commissioners about a courthouse office.

Roger Orth, Randy Rueb and Jeanne Dunn, all representing the

Conservation District, attended the Tuesday, Oct. 31, meeting of the Cheyenne County Commissioners.

They first thanked the commissioners for the funding for the Conservation District then went on to explain that the state is proposing to close offices across the state. Cheyenne County offices are among those listed for closing and they will

be merged with surrounding counties.

With the closing, the Conservation District will lose its office which is now located with the National Resources Conservation Service. Those present were asking if there would be a space in the courthouse for the office?

Sheriff Troy Gardner was present

at the meeting. He said that the now vacant sheriff's office in the courthouse will most likely be used as a 911 center in the near future.

Both the ambulance barn and emergency preparedness office will be vacant once the new building is complete. These building were mentioned as possible sites.

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Pantry has new director

By Karen Krien

The Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays are just around the corner and it a time when many people struggle to feed their family.

This year, Janet Jensen, St. Francis, has taken over the position of coordinator for the Food Pantry. She replaces Candi Douthit who had been the coordinator for over a year.

"I am amazed at how many people really do need help and I was glad that I could help provide them with food," Mrs. Jensen said.

Mrs. Jensen said the shelves are filling up but there are still a number of items needed before the holidays arrive. Besides the usual food items that fill the box, there is a need for staples such as flour and sugar and perishable items. Since the perishables cannot be left in the bin at the grocery store, people wanting to give may leave some cash or a check at St. Francis Super's or at First National Bank where there is a Food Pantry account.

The food baskets for Thanksgiving will be delivered on Nov. 18 and 19 so families will have the food in time to prepare a Thanksgiving dinner. There will also be many other items in the baskets including cereal, dinners-in-a-box such as maca-



JANET JENSEN, new coordinator for the Food Pantry, has been busy putting donated canned goods on the shelves.

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roni and cheese or Hamburger Helper, canned fruits and vegetables, just to name some.

"If anyone knows of a family or person who could use a little help anytime, especially during the holi-

days, please call me," Mrs. Jensen said.

She understands that many people feel bad about asking for help but she said that every call and even
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Band plays in Sainty

TurpinTyme Ragsters ragtime band will appear at the St. Francis Community High School auditorium at 3 p.m. on Sunday, sponsored by Western Plains Arts Association. Admission will be by Western Plains Arts Association season pass or at the door.

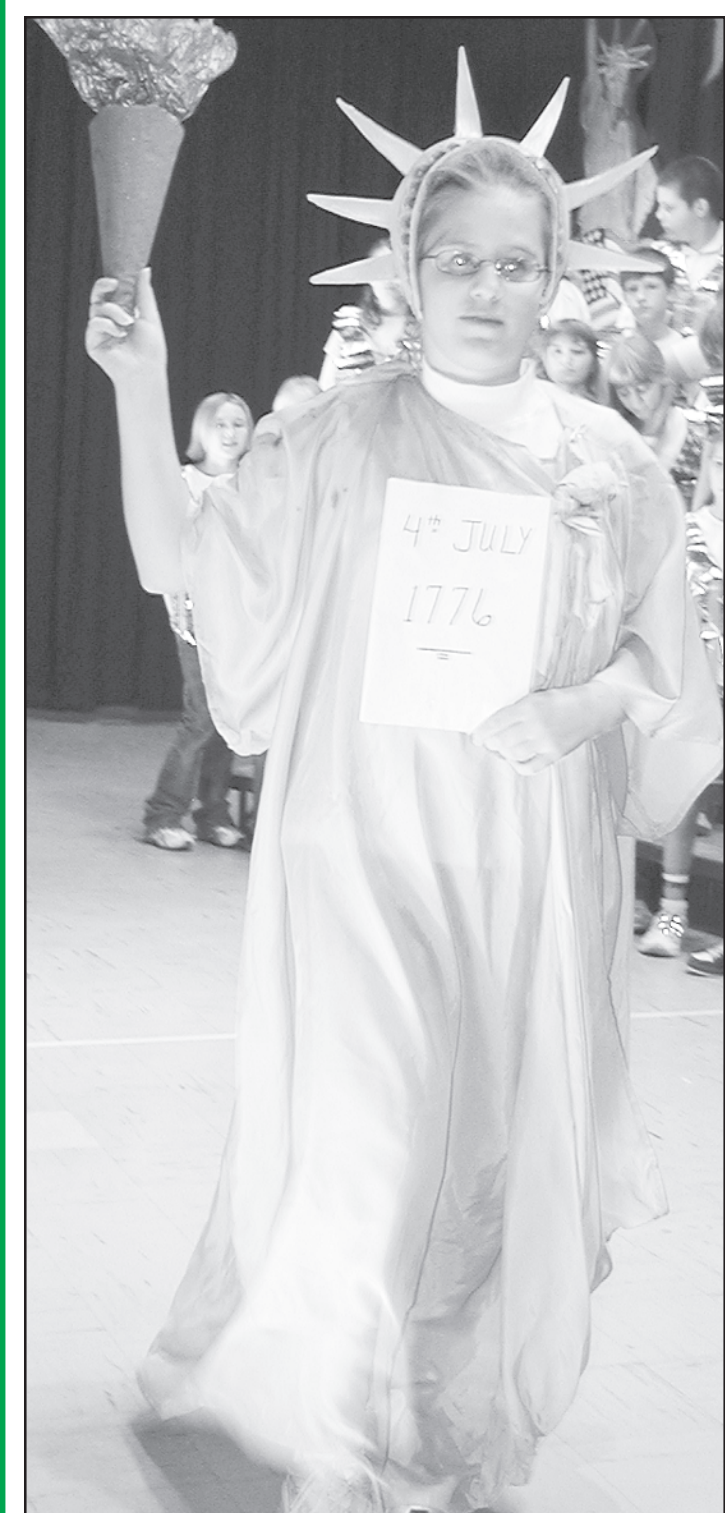
This seven-piece ragtime band performs diverse songs from the ragtime era of the turn of the century. Reminding their audience of the days of concerts in the park, they include historical information and humor with authentic music.

This program is resented in part by the Kansas Touring Program of the Kansas Arts Commission, a state agency, and National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

Weather

Weather in the St. Francis area has warmed up a little after some chilly, damp days last week.

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Oct. 31	67	21	
Nov. 1	38	19	
Nov. 2	44	18	
Nov. 3	54	21	
Nov. 4	66	29	
Nov. 5	69	39	
Nov. 6	67	39	



STATUE OF LIBERTY was portrayed by Christina Harris in the grade school musical tribute to Veteran Day.

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