

Coalition receives mini-grant for meth prevention program

By Susan Roelfs
The Cheyenne Kids Making A Connection Coalition received a mini-grant from the Kansas Methamphetamine Prevention Project for \$1,060 in order to continue meth prevention efforts in Cheyenne County.

Kids Making A Connection Coalition will use the funding to increase public awareness by providing two educational opportunities for the citizens of Cheyenne County on the problems with meth labs, dump sites

and use of meth that does occur in our community.

The coalition will be providing 2,000 paper tags for distribution to anhydrous ammonia retailer and farmers within the county. The community members will be encouraged to participate in the "Meth Watch" by providing 600 decals for the 300 anhydrous tanks in Cheyenne County.

Local agencies collaborating on this initiative include: Cheyenne County Health Department, Chey-

enne County Law Enforcement, K-state Research Extension of Cheyenne County, and Northwest Kansas Regional Prevention Center.

"The more public education and awareness about the hazards of methamphetamine, the better we as citizens can promote a safe and healthy life style choice in Cheyenne County," said Susan Roelfs, Cheyenne County Health Office nurse. "Funding for the mini-grant was made available through Community Oriented Policing Services."



FRYING HAMBURGER — George Ballinger and Rod Young were busy at the grill during the hamburger feed at the Town Hall meeting.

Times staff photo by Melinda Basnett

Obituaries

Jack Weinstein

Oct. 18, 1928 - April 20, 2006

Jack Weinstein was born on Oct. 18, 1928, to Harry and Lottie (Loyd) Weinstein in Cheyenne County, Kan. He died in the early morning of April 20, 2006, at Good Samaritan Village, after a long and debilitating illness that robbed him of both mind and body, at the age of 77.

His family moved to McMinnville, Ore., in the Dirty 30s. He grew up in Oregon and in his teen years he came to Kansas to work on the farm with sister, Joyce and husband, Floyd Carmichael. Jack moved to Lamar, Mo., to live with his parents in the late 1940s and that is where he met Nancy Nadine Rakestraw.

Jack was drafted into the Army in December of 1950, out of Kansas City. Jack had his basic training at Fort Leonardwood, Mo. He then was sent to Korea where he was a decorated soldier winning the Distinguished Service Cross, among other medals and awards for valor. He returned from Korea in March 1952.

Jack and Nancy were married May 13, 1952, in Bentonville, Ark. To this union five children were born, four boys, Jack, Jerry, Terry and Randy and one daughter, Judy.

Jack was released from active service in August of 1952, then Jack and Nancy moved to Joplin, Mo., where he worked as a truck driver for Tri-State hauling dynamite until the later part of 1953. He and his family moved back and forth from Kansas and Missouri until Jack's father became ill and died in 1958.

The family settled in St. Francis where Jack owned his own trucking company until moving to Colorado in 1965. There he drove for IML Trucking Company. In 1977, Jack started having health problems and moved back to St. Francis to farm with his sister, Joyce. Jack retired from farming in 1998, due to his failing health. Jack and Nancy then traveled the southwest for several years during the winter months.

He was permanently disabled in October of 2004, and became a resident of the Good Samaritan Village

in St. Francis on Jan. 11, 2005, where he remained until his death on April 20, 2006.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother Loyd Weinstein, and sisters, Dolores Weinstein, Wilma Kellison, Imo Cutshall, Joyce Carmichael and Ruth Holden and a grandson, Nicholas Wade Weinstein.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Weinstein of St. Francis; sons, Jack L. Weinstein, St. Francis, Jerry Weinstein, Prescott, Ariz.; Terry and Diana Weinstein, Bird City, Randy and JoAnne Weinstein, Denver.; daughter, Judy and Butch Ewing, St. Francis; nine grandchildren, four step-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

The services were held at the First Christian Church on April 24 officiated by Rev. John Bartlett and military rites followed outside the church. He will be interred at Cheyenne Valley Cemetery, Wheeler.

Jack will be greatly missed by family, friends and all who knew him. They will always remember his happy nature and warm smile. He was the master of witty remarks and was most unpredictable. Even after becoming ill, he could keep you laughing with his stories that came out of nowhere. The voice has been silenced but the memories will remain forever.

Jack: I loved you for 57 years and don't know how I will get along without you. Nancy

In memory of Jack Weinstein "I'm Free"

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me

I took his hand when I heard his call I turned my back and left it all I could not stay another day To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way I've found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh; a kiss, Ah, Yes, these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow.

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me God wanted me now; he set me free.

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Clarence LaVerne Gleason

Nov. 15, 1922 - May 3, 2006

Clarence (Tom) LaVerne Gleason, 83, died Wednesday, May 3, 2006, at the Cheyenne County Hospital. He was born Nov. 15, 1922, on a farm south of Bird City, Kan., to Philander Clark and Cora Idell Gleason. He had six brothers and three sisters. He served in the United States Navy from Nov. 14, 1944, until March 27, 1946.

He married Marvel Lorraine Kemp on July 31, 1943. Tom and Marvel had three children. Son, Monte Gleason, resides in Houston, Texas, with his wife, Carol (Amus). Daughter, Charilyn DeGood, resides in St. Francis, with her husband, Dwen. Daughter, Monica Burwick resides in Lawrence, with her husband, Rick.

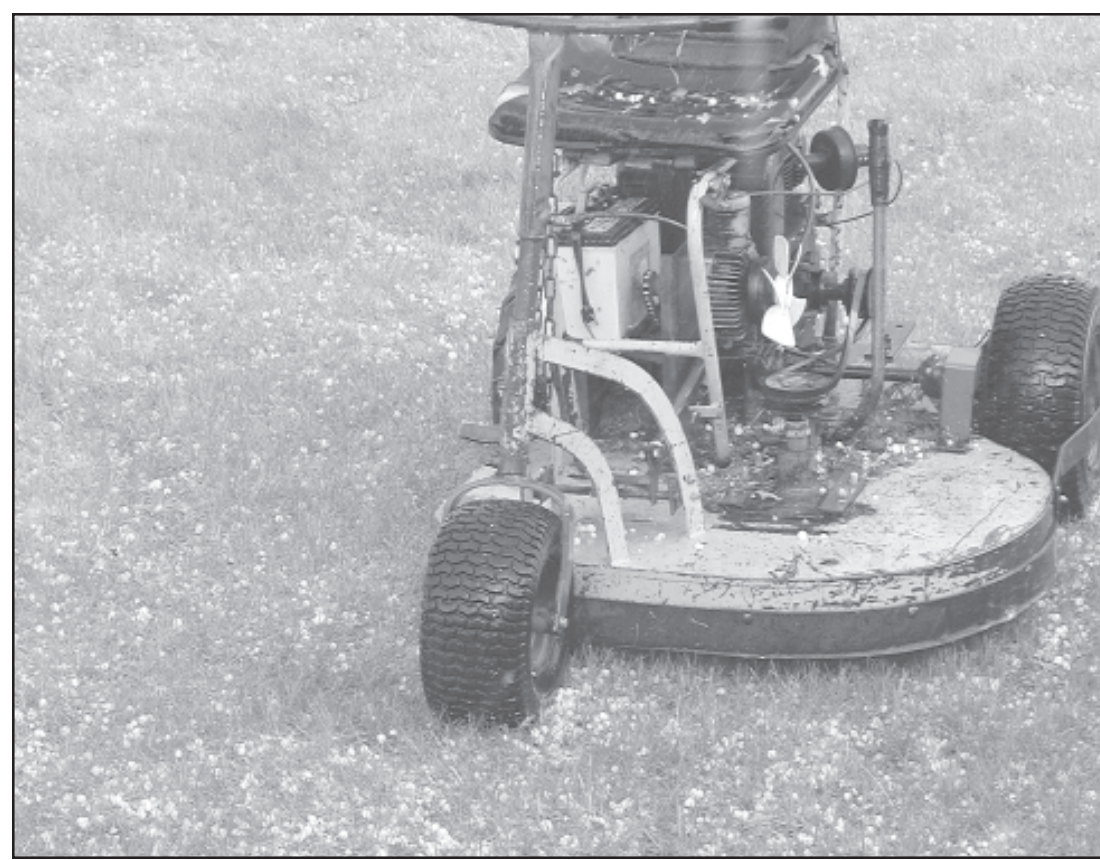
Tom graduated from Bird City High School in May of 1942. Post graduation he served his country in the US Navy for two years, stationed in Japan and Guam. After returning to the states he began farming outside of Bird City. He retired from farming and they moved to St. Francis where he resided until time of death.

Tom is survived by his wife, Marvel; three children and their spouses, nine grandchildren and their spouses, 18 great-grandchildren, two brothers and one sister. Tom truly enjoyed time with his family and will be greatly missed!

Services were held at the First Baptist Church in St. Francis on May 6.

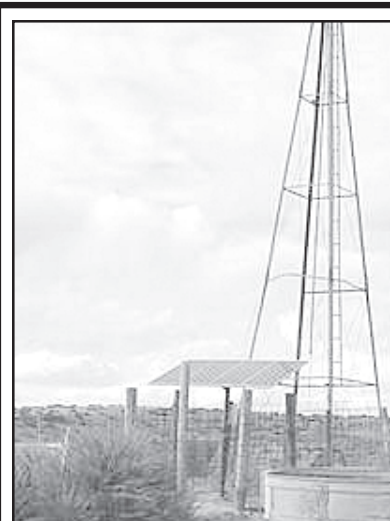
Pallbearers were Jeff Burwick, Trevor Burwick, Matheau Casner, Darris DeGood, Jim Graybeal, Brad Riviere and Derrick Tice.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cheyenne County Hospital or the First Baptist Church of St. Francis.






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FSA defines a beginning farmer/rancher in part as an individual or entity who:

- is an eligible applicant for FSA farm ownership loan assistance
- has operated a farm or ranch for not more than ten (10) years; for a Direct Farm Loan, has participated in the business operations of a farm/ranch for at least three (3) years
- will materially and substantially participate in the operation for the farm
- agrees to participate in FSA's borrower training program
- does not own real farm property directly or indirectly, the aggregate of which does not exceed 30% of the average farm acreage of the farms in the county where the property is located
- does not have adequate resources to obtain conventional credit at the present time

For a direct farm ownership loan, the applicant must have operated or ranched for at least three years.

ADDITIONAL information on the beginning farmer definition and FSA Farm Ownership loan eligibility criteria is available from FSA.


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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION contact the Farm Service Agency, Farm Loan Programs Division at the Sherman County FSA office, telephone number (785) 899-3070 ext. 26.

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