



**AUSTIN PATTON spells the word "elite" to win the Cheyenne County Spelling Bee.** Herald staff photo by Linda Schneider

## Sainty fifth grader wins spelling bee

It was a quick four rounds for the Cheyenne County Spelling Bee held on Feb. 4 in the Cheylin High School gymnasium. Students in grades four through eight from St. Francis and Cheylin competed in the contest.

The winner was St. Francis fifth grader Austin Patton, son of Jami Patton. He correctly spelled the fi-

nal word challenge "elite."

Another St. Francis fifth grader, Jude Faulkender, son of Tye and Amber Faulkender, placed second.

Austin is now qualified to attend the State Spelling Bee at Barton County Community College in Great Bend on March 14.

## Two people arrested after drug lab found

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On Tuesday at about 6 p.m., Cheyenne County Sheriff's officers and Kansas Bureau of Investigation officers uncovered a methamphetamine lab and two people were arrested.

The lab was in the house at 112 W. First Street. Arrested were David Denton, 26, and Kimberly Church, 18, both of St. Francis. They were charged with counts of: manufacturing, possession and the intent to sell methamphetamine, and taken to the Goodland Bastille.

They made their first appearance in Sherman County District

Court on Thursday. A preliminary hearing is set for Friday, Feb. 20, in Cheyenne County District Court. The Church hearing is set for 2 p.m. and the Denton hearing will be 10 a.m.

A cash bond was set at \$250,000 for each defendant. They are still in jail.

Sheriff Craig Van Allen and the KBI hazmat lab processed items on the scene and the hazardous materials were removed. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment officials have checked the residence and it has passed inspection.

Sheriff Van Allen said the case is still under investigation.

## Physician assistant to speak with group

Kristle Raile, physician assistant at the Cheyenne County Clinic, will be the featured guest speaker at the Diabetes Support Group meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 18. Mrs. Raile will be presenting a program on "Diabetes Laboratory Tests - what tests do medical staff members emphasize during a doctor visit with preventative care." Participants will have an opportunity to learn about laboratory values and how they related to diabetes and other health issues.

The meeting will be held in the basement of the Cheyenne County Clinic at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Mrs. Raile, a native of Nebraska attended Wichita State University to obtain her physician assistant degree. She has done numerous preceptor ships throughout the state of Kansas prior to obtaining her degree. She was very familiar with Cheyenne County prior to

her arrival in the fall of 2007 due to a recent preceptorship in Cheyenne County's Clinic. She and her husband, Tyler, who is also a physician assistant at the clinic, enjoy traveling, horseback riding and being outdoors.

For more information regarding the diabetes program, please call Mila Bandel, R.N., county health nurse, at 332-2381.

**Weather**

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Feb. 3	57	22	
Feb. 4	65	21	
Feb. 5	69	22	
Feb. 6	73	25	
Feb. 7	59	24	
Feb. 8	48	37	.49
Feb. 9	56	25	



**90th birthday**  
The family of Ada Siegfried is holding a card shower to help her celebrate her 90th birthday on Feb. 22. Cards may be sent to her in care of Box 843, St. Francis, KS 67756 or to Ada Siegfried c/o Hillcrest Nursing Home, 360 Canyon Ridge Drive, Wray, CO.

**80th birthday**  
Art Krueger is celebrating his 80th birthday on Feb. 12. Birthday greetings will reach him at P.O. Box 901, St. Francis, KS 67756.

**75th anniversary**  
Alvin and Beulah Cox will be celebrating their 75th wedding anniversary on Feb. 12.

Their family is requesting a card shower. Well wishes will reach them at the Good Samaritan Village, 820 S. Denison, St. Francis, KS 67756.

**Trout Fishing contest**  
The Cheyenne County Wildlife trout fishing contest is being held on Sunday, Feb. 15. Registration is from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. at the Wildlife club house, south of St. Francis.

**Basketball vs Cheylin**  
The basketball schedule for Tuesday, Feb. 17 with Cheylin is at follows: 4 p.m. C-team boys; 5:15 p.m. junior varsity boys; 6:30 p.m. varsity girls; 8 p.m. varsity boys.

**AARP meeting**  
AARP will be meeting at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at the St. Francis Senior Center. Pat Confer will be speaking about driving a school bus. Hostess, Gladys Cullum and host, Bud Houtman, are in charge of refreshments. All are welcome to come to the meeting.

**Wrestling time**  
The wrestling Friday in Atwood is set for 6:30 not 6 p.m. as originally planned.

**Board of Education**  
The St. Francis Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Thursday).

**Prairie Land pick up**  
Prairie Land pick up is Feb. 21.

**Valentine's Bake Sale**  
The Valentine's Bake Sale by the Cheylin senior class will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 13, in front of Hometown Market in Bird City. Classified ad in this issue.

**Library Art Gallery**  
Wilma Lampe's 100-year old postcard collection is being featured at the St. Francis Public Library Art Gallery during the month of February.

Anyone who has, or knows of, a collection or a partial collection of interesting items for the Art Gallery is encouraged to call Penny Gienger at 332-3949

**Sports schedule**  
The high school varsity wrestling squad will be in Atwood to meet Rawlins County on Friday.

Kids wrestling will also take place. This will be the final dual for the varsity. The regional tournament will be on Feb. 20 and 21.

The high school varsity basketball teams will host Rawlins County on Friday. There will also be C-team games with Rawlins County. The team will travel to Cheylin on Tuesday, Feb. 17 and Quinter on Friday, Feb. 20.

**Free tax preparation**  
Free tax preparation for young and old, Wednesdays at the St. Francis Public Library from 2 to 5 p.m. and Thursdays at the St. Francis Senior Center again from 2 to 5 p.m. Bring last year's tax return, and your property tax statement which you received last November. Or for an appointment call Rowland Roelfs, (785) 332-3490

**Tax help in Bird City/ St. Francis/McDonald**  
For those 60 and older needing tax help in filing forms in Cheyenne and Rawlins counties, help is available beginning Feb. 3: in Bird City on Tuesday mornings, St. Francis on Tuesday afternoons (1-4) and McDonald on Wednesday mornings. Call Johnene Cheney at (785) 538-2526 for appointment or more information.

**Cheyenne County Wildlife Banquet**  
The Cheyenne County Wildlife banquet will be held on March 27. The location will be the 4-H Building in St. Francis.

**Daffodil Days**  
Daffodils are the official flower of the American Cancer Society. Orders for daffodil's for Daffodil Days may be made between now and Feb. 27 at First National Bank, Bankwest, United Methodist Thrift Store, Main St. Coffee and Owens True Value. For more information call Gloria Bracelin at 332-2757 or Betty Petersen at 332-8990.

**Veterans Affairs**  
Jody Tubs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, at the county clerk's office. People may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572.

**Recovery Today/ Narcotics Anonymous**  
Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

**Sainty Serenity Seekers/Alco-**

**holics Anonymous**  
Sainty Serenity Seekers open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday evening at the United Methodist Education Building at 104 W. Webster, St. Francis. Call (785) 332-6542 for more information

**Northwest Kansas Family Shelter**  
Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week services 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.

**Correction**  
In the Feb. 5 issue of *The Saint Francis Herald* and *Bird City Times*, an article about airport runway stated the land purchased by the Airport Authority was owned by Robert Uplinger. It should have read that the land was owned by Robert Uplinger and his sister Karen Uplinger. Mr. Uplinger added that this property was acquired by their great-grandfather R.M. Jaqua in the 1980s and has been in the family since that time.

## Cheyenne County health fair planned for March 23

The Cheyenne County Hospital, Clinic and Health Departments will be sponsoring the Cheyenne County Spring Health Fair March 23 through March 25 for men and women. They will offer a female exam that includes a breast and pelvic exam with pap smear, the male exam will include a prostate check.

There are two lab exams available, the lab profile will be a Chemistry Panel (with thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH) and Lipid panel (which includes cholesterol, triglycerides, cardiac risk assessment, etc.) and prostate-specific antigen (PSA). The fee is due at time of service and will not be billed to insurance. The fee is also a much reduced price for this health fair.

Lab draws dates, times and locations include March 23, 24, 25, from 7 to 10 a.m. in the St. Francis Cheyenne County Clinic basement. There is no appointment needed but remember to fast for the Chemistry panel lab test which means nothing to eat or drink except water after the evening meal.

In Bird City, draws are from 7 to 10 am on Tuesday, March 24, at the Bird City Clinic - remember no appointment needed and the

need to fast as stated above.

Contact the Cheyenne County Clinic to schedule your exam or if you have additional questions. The number is (785) 332-2682.

Lab results will be available at the Health Fair Exhibit Booths on Thursday, March 26, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Several exhibitors from various services and organizations have already spoken for booth space such as the St. Francis Fire Department and Emergency Medical Service, Farm Workers program, Early Detection Works Program, Parents As Teachers, Hospital's Nu-

tritional Services, County Health, Health Start Home Visitors Program, Social Rehabilitation Services (SRS), Big Brothers and Big Sisters Program of Cheyenne County, Unicare/Healthwave, Regional Prevention Center. More booth space is available.

There will be hands-on learning at this family event. Everyone is encouraged to attend the booth displays. The fair will be held at the St. Francis Grade School gymnasium.

Medical provider(s) on hand for one-on-one lab consultation free of charge.

**SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 35 min.**

**Bride Wars**  
Comedy  
Feb. 13, 14 & 15

Kate Hudson, Anne Hathaway, Candice Bergen, Kristen Johnston, Bryan Greenberg  
PG for suggestive content, language and some rude behavior.

**CHEYENNE THEATER** St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747  
Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

**6th Annual Scott City Quilt Guild Quilt Show**

Friday, February 20th ~ 7-8:30pm  
Saturday, February 21st ~ 9am-4pm

William Carpenter 4-H Building  
Scott County Fair Grounds  
(North of Scott City 1/2 mile east of car wash)

New Ideas, Products and Demonstrations each hour by vendors

**CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL** 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS 785-332-2104

**February Speciality Calendar**

Dr. Rubinowitz	Feb. 3
Dr. Reeves	Feb. 4
Dr. Frankum	Feb. 4 & Feb. 18
Dr. Johnson	Feb. 16
Dr. Warren	Feb. 19 & Feb. 26
Dr. Saba	Feb. 20
Dr. Uymera	Feb. 23 & Feb. 25
MRI	Feb. 2, 9, 16 & 23
Mammogram	Feb. 3 & Feb. 24
Echo cardiograms	Feb. 4, 11, 18 & 25

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