

Moments With Mila

By
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County Health Nurse

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices has come out with the new school year immunization requirements and recommendations. The regulations define immunizations required for any individual who attends school or early childhood programs operated by a school.

ease documented by a licensed physician. Two doses are currently recommended for all ages.

- Haemophilus Influenza type b (HIB) three doses required for children less than 5 years of age in early childhood programs. Total doses needed dependent on the age of the child when doses given.
- Pneumococcal Conjugate (PCV7): four doses required for children less than 5 years of age in early childhood programs. Total doses needed dependent on the age of the child when doses given.
- Hepatitis A; two doses required for children less than 5 years of age in early childhood programs.
- Additional immunizations recommended include:
 - Meningococcal (MCV4): one dose recommended for greater than 11 years of age; this vaccine is not required for school entry. For seniors going off to college, some colleges and universities are requiring this vaccine especially if you will be living in a dormitory on campus. Please check with your college or university for specifics.
 - Human Papillomavirus (HPV):

three doses recommended for females greater than 11 years of age; this vaccine is not required for school entry but highly encouraged.

• Influenza: yearly vaccination recommended for all ages greater than 6 months of age; this vaccine is not required for school entry.

Kansas' childhood immunization rates have been increasing and those improvements have earned the state the recognition of having the second highest increase in immunization rates over the past three years. This gives Kansas kids a healthier start in life and promotes preventative care in Kansas.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's vaccine records, please contact the Cheyenne County Health Department at 332-2381 or the Cheyenne County Clinic at 332-2682. Vaccines are available in both County Health and the Clinic, call to make your appointments for updating childhood vaccinations.

There were 32 at Sunday school. Garrett Hurlburt gave the special number with the help of his family. He gave a neat puppet show.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dodge, Violet Brown, Geneva North and Kitty Jacobs went out for lunch Sunday to help Ray celebrate his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus were pizza, cake and ice cream supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Kock and family Friday to help Noah celebrate his eighth birthday.

Doug and Joel Zuellner of Campbell, Neb., Judy Menke of Lawrence and Jennifer Holmgren of Ellis visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways and attended the funeral of Clarice Ann Brueggeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Rose are moving back to the Beecher community from Grand Junction.

Karen Willard brought Nelson Ekberg home for the weekend. Connie Ekberg spent the weekend with Nelson Ekberg and took Nelson back to Greeley Sunday.

Beecher Island News

By
Bessie
Dent



Friday, Nelson and Jacque visited Corky Neuswanger, Pete Allen and Wilmot E. Klie.

Judy Shively and Crystal Zion were Denver visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Goodman were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Goodman. Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield and Bessie Dent joined them for supper at the Bill Mansfield home.

Garrett Hurlburt spent Sunday night with Caleb Wingfield and Parton Waitman and Emily Shaffner spent Sunday night with Trevor and Ashley Hurlburt.

Catherine Zion visited Ellen Mansfield Sunday afternoon.

Judy Shively visited Carol Whomble Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Randy Perila and family in Westminster.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus spent Wednesday to Friday with Matt and Molly Osmus and Abby.

Sadie Lowder, Lorena Kiser, Violet Brown, Gwen Shaver, Lela McCoy and Catherine Zion enjoyed lunch out Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons visited Laura Pearl Wall Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively visited Charlie Shively Sunday afternoon.

Taya Simmons spent Tuesday with MerryLu Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Homm, Ellen Mansfield and Jo Ellen Goodman were Friday afternoon visitors of Bessie Dent.

Mr. and Mrs. John Willard and family hosted dinner Saturday for Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ekberg, Mr. and Mrs. Kris Jones and Connie Ekberg in honor of Jacque's belated birthday.

Idalia News

By Angela DeLeon
St. John United Church
of Christ News

Men's Bible study is weekly from 7 to 7:30 a.m. on Thursdays at St. John Church. All men are welcome.

Last Sunday Pastor Wright gave the message on Matthew 6: 1-18. Bill Carpenter sang the special "Prayer is the Key to Heaven." The Sunday school continues to collect items for Ronald McDonald House in Denver.

Next Sunday, Josh Snapp will lead the worship service and the Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated for Ashlyn Marie Carpenter, daughter of E.J. and Briar Carpenter.

For more information visit www.KAWS.org and www.KAWS.org/partners.

News Items
If you have a news item to include in the Idalia news, please give Angela De Leon a call at (970) 354-7204, or e-mail jadd_delmire2006@yahoo.com

Prairie Vista Visit
Marlene Miller and Denise will be in Idalia on Wednesday, March 25 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Prairie Vista Cafe. This service is free to all.

Lenton soup suppers
On Wednesday St. John Church will continue its weekly Lenton soup suppers at 6:30 p.m. The program will be, "Why Pray." Families are invited to come at 5 p.m. and listen to the video program. There will be planned activities for children. The community soup supper will be at 6 p.m. followed by a repeat of the adult program. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the meal and take part in the discussion.

Easter egg hunt
Easter eggs are available at the church for members to take and fill with pre-wrapped candy for the Easter egg hunt.

Idalia school news
Idalia High School will be taking grades 9 - 12 to the Career Fair at Liberty School Monday. The fair begins at 8:30 a.m. This will be a great opportunity for students to explore career options that are available to them.

Parent-Teacher conferences for Idalia will be on Friday, March 27. For more information on times call 970-354-7298.

Idalia pre-school has Parent-Teacher conferences on Thursday, March 26 from 4-7 p.m. If more information is needed call Crystal Richards at 970-354-7298.

Lions Club
The Lions Club will have their meeting at Route 36 in Idalia at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 23.

Annual meeting
Y-W Electric 2009 annual meeting will be held on Friday, at the Idalia High School. It will start at 9 a.m. with registration and end at 10 a.m. with the meeting following.

Family and Community Education
The Family and Community Education meeting is scheduled for tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m. The program is the Craft Style Review and the roll call is "What craft would you like to do?"

Bookmobile
The Bookmobile will be in Idalia at 10:45 a.m. on Monday, March 23.

Opportunity coming to tour playas

Interested persons will have an educational opportunity to tour several playas and discuss their role in Kansas on March 30.

Throughout western Kansas there are depressions in the fields which most people call mud holes, pot-holes, or wet spots when it rains. These small wetlands are more commonly known as "playa lakes." These unique depression areas can range in size from a 10th of an acre to 50 acres or more. In western Kansas there are thousands of playa lakes.

The Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams, Inc. (KAWS), the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (KDWP), Playa Lakes Joint Venture (PLJV) and Waconda (Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy) WRAPS

are pleased to offer a unique educational opportunity. You are welcome to join them for breakfast on Monday, March 30, as they tour several playas and benefit from a discussion. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. at the Natural Resources Conservation Service Office located at 915 E. Walnut St., Colby. Send your reservation for this meeting to howell@kaws.org or call 785-425-7325.

There will be several great speakers on hand to provide information about playa lakes and why the area needs these vital wetlands. Bob Tricks, Natural Resources Conservation Service Major Land Resource Area Soils Leader will dig up some soil and talk about the soils and plants in the playas. He will answer many important questions ranging from how playas are formed to why playas are considered to be points of

aquifer recharge.

Josh Williams, a Wildlife Biologist with Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks will discuss the wildlife aspects of playas and any wetland restoration opportunities other than Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) and Continuous sign-up Conservation Reserve Program (CCRP).

Andy Burr, District Conservationist, will speak about the opportunities available for wetland restoration through the Wetlands Reserve Program and the Continuous sign-up Conservation Reserve Program. He will also give some project details about the various playas that we will be touring.

Arthur Gomes, Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams Wetland Coordinator, will be on hand to discuss his role in restoring and protecting wetlands in Kansas and how he

might be of assistance to local land owners.

The Alliance works with local people to create, protect, and restore the state's wetland and stream resources. Organized in 1996, the Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams is a 501(c)3 educational public charity reaching a broad spectrum of individuals, groups, and governments to improve the wetlands and streams they own or control. Over its 12-year span, the organization has helped educate thousands of adults and students about the state's invaluable wetland and stream resources, their condition, and how to protect and improve them. It provides its services through 12 local chapters that cover the entire state.

Public Notices

Notice of planning meeting

Published in The St. Francis Herald, Thursday, March 26, 2009.

NOTICE OF INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING MEETING

TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that Sunflower Electric Power Corporation (Sunflower) seeks input from the public in preparing an Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) to be submitted to Western Area Power Administration (Western) pursuant to Federal Register Vol. 65, No. 62, dated March 30, 2000/ Rules and Regulations Part 905- Energy Planning and Management Program.

The purposes of the IRP are to meet the objectives of the Energy Planning and Management Program (EPAMP) of Section 114 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992

(EPAct) and to extend the long-term firm power resource commitments of Western while supporting customer integrated resource planning; demand-side management (DSM), including energy efficiency, conservation, and load management; and the use of renewable energy.

You are invited to attend a meeting to be held at the Hadley Center, James Room, 204 West 8th Street, Hays, Kansas, on April 13, 2009, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to obtain public input into Sunflower's planning process for new energy resources in order for Sunflower to provide adequate and reliable services to its Members, and its Members' electric consumers. Topics include, but not by limitation, new generating capacity, power purchases, energy conservation and efficiency, cogeneration, heating and cooling applications and renewable resources. In addition, you may submit written comments to Sunflower at the address stated below. All written comments must be received no later than April 30, 2009.

SUNFLOWER ELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION
301 W. 13th Street
Hays, Kansas 67601
(785) 628-2845

Application filed to dispose of saltwater

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BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

RE: Noble Energy, Inc. - Application for a permit to authorize the disposal of saltwater into the Ketzner SWD #1 located in Cheyenne County, Kansas.

TO: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomsoever concerned.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that Noble Energy, Inc. has filed an application to increase maximum injection rate into the Cedar Hills formation at the Ketzner SWD #1, located in the NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 9, Township 3 South, Range 38 West in Cheyenne County, Kansas, from 1500 bbls per day to 3000 bbls per day.

Any persons who object to or protest this application shall be required to file their objections or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulations and must state specific reasons why granting the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas.

All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly.

Noble Energy, Inc.
1625 Broadway, Suite 2200
Denver, CO 80202
Attention: Brittany Rothe
303-228-4032

Invitation for bids at county airport

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INVITATION FOR BIDS
CHEYENNE COUNTY AIRPORT
AUTHORITY
ST. FRANCIS, KANSAS
CHEYENNE COUNTY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
PROJECT NO. 3-20-0077-05/07

Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. local time, on April 8, 2009, at Yost Farm Supply, PO Box 1080, East Highway 36, St. Francis, Kansas 67756 and then publicly opened and read aloud, for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment and performing all work necessary to reconstruct, widen, and light Runway 14R/32L. In general, this work will require the following:

6" CONCRETE PAVEMENT WITH AGGREGATE BASE (26,524 SY); PAVEMENT REMOVAL (18,694 SY); UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION (10,516 CY); RUNWAY LIGHTS (46 EA); 7.5KW REGULATOR; ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS; PAINTING (19,985 SF); SEEDING

Plans, specifications, and bid documents are available for viewing at:
Olsson Associates, 1111 Lincoln Mall, (P.O. Box 84608), Lincoln, Nebraska 68501
Olsson Associates, 701 4th Ave., Ste. 2C, Holdrege, NE 68949
Cheyenne County Municipal Airport, St. Francis, Kansas, 67756
Central Nebraska Plan Service, 4006 W. Redwood Dr., North Platte, NE 69101
Kansas Construction News, 230 Laura St., Ste 101, Wichita, KS 67211

A complete set of plans, specifications and contract documents may be obtained from Olsson Associates at the above Lincoln address for a fee of \$50 (nonrefundable). Questions regarding bids shall be directed to Diane Hofer, P.E., consulting engineer at the above address or phone (402) 474-6311.

Contractors may inspect the project site by arrangement with Grace Flying Services, Inc., located on the airport, PO Box 827, St. Francis, Kansas, 67756, (785) 332-2251.

Contractors bidding shall be pre-qualified by KDOT to construct Portland Cement Concrete Pavement (Work Class G) or as required by the Instructions to Bidders.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid guaranty in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid. The bid guaranty may be a cashier's check, a certified check on a solvent bank or a bid bond made payable to Cheyenne County Airport Authority.

This project is subject to the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended. The Contractor is required to comply with the wage and labor requirements and to pay minimum wages in accordance with the schedule of wage rates established by the United States Department of Labor.

This project is subject to the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation. The Airport Sponsor has established a contract goal of 2.4% participation for small business concerns owned and controlled by qualified disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE). The bidder shall make and document good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A of 49 CFT Part 26, to meet the established goal.

Award of contract is also subject to the following Federal provisions:

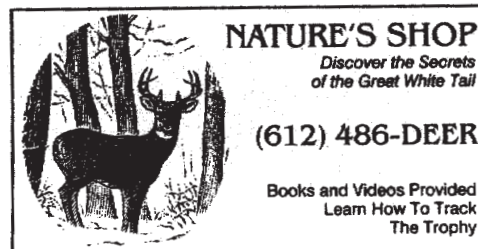
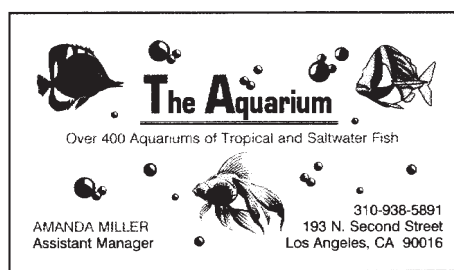
- Executive Order 11246 and DOL Regulation 41 CFR PART 60 - Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity
- DOL Regulation 29 CFR Part 5 - Davis Bacon Act
- DOT Regulation 49 CFR PART 29 - Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace
- DOT Regulation 49 CFR PART 30 - Denial of Public Works Contracts to Suppliers of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Contracts to Suppliers of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors (Foreign Trade Restriction).
- TITLE 49 United States Code, CHAPTER 501 - Buy American Preferences

By: Cheyenne County Airport Authority
St. Francis, Kansas

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