

90th birthday celebrated



Kroepin

Wanita Touslee Kroepin celebrated an early 90th birthday on Saturday, April 4, at Casa Del Sol, Donna, Texas. Hosted by her husband, Ed, there were friends and family attending the party to enjoy an evening of dancing, eating and visiting. Among those attending were her children and spouses, Jim and Loretta Touslee, Sue Ella Touslee and Karen and Billy Krien.

Harvey and Carol Forsythe, St. Francis, who are wintering in Donna, were also at the party.

Local man dies in head-on crash

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A head-on crash involving a Geo and semi truck pulling a trailer filled with cattle took the life of a Bird City man Tuesday afternoon.

Alan J. Chumley, 47, of Bird City, was headed west on U.S. 36 when he crossed the center line and hit a semi truck head on. The truck was driven by Paul L. Payton Jr., 54, of Big Springs, Neb., and he was not injured.

The accident occurred near milepost 23 which is about 4.5 miles east of Wheeler. Both officers from the Cheyenne County Sheriff's office and Josh McQuitty, Kansas State Highway Patrol,

were on the scene as were emergency medical technicians and firemen.

Traffic was routed around the accident for almost 6 hours while the accident was being worked and the 45 to 50 head of cattle were being loaded into another trailer. Sheriff Craig Van Allen said none of the cattle were injured in the accident.

Both the truck, a 2000 Peterbilt, and car, a 1993 Geo, were taken to Alexis Radiator in Goodland.

A memorial service was held Thursday evening at the United Methodist Church in Bird City with a private gathering of the family following.

Memorial service

A memorial service for Lloyd Fredrickson will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday at the First Christian Church. There is an obituary printed on page 5.

Talent show

A Community Talent Show, sponsored by the St. Francis Parent Teacher Association, is being held at 2 p.m. on Sunday at the grade school gym. Contestants and children under 3 are free. Details and additional ticket prices may be found in the ad in this issue of *The Herald*.

Senior-Junior Promenade

The Senior-Junior Promenade will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday at the high school gym.

St. Francis tract meet

The junior high invitational begins at 2 p.m. on Tuesday.

The high school invitational will be held beginning at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28.

Cemetery District 2

Cemetery District 2 will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Hospital Board

The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, in the clinic basement meeting room in St. Francis.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names beginning with C and D should purchase their car, pickup, motorcycle and motorized bike tags and pay their vehicle personal property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty.

Kahuna Beach Party on Sunday

Kahuna Beach Party, a nostalgic show of the Beach Boys music, is being presented by the Western Plains Arts Association at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Oakley High School auditorium.

All-Terrain Vehicle Youth Riders

All-terrain vehicle youth riders will be at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. They are to bring their vehicle, helmet and safety gear if they have them. A Safety Education program will be given by Roger Zweggardt.

Book sale

There is a book sale at the St. Francis Public Library from Monday, April 20, through Wednesday, May 20. See classified ad.

AARP Drivers Safety Program

Volunteer instructor, Don Keihl, will present the AARP Driver Safety Program from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday at the St. Francis Senior Center. The class size is limited to 30 participants. Call 785-332-3584 or Don at 785-890-6638 to register. The instructor will use a combination of group discussion and video clips for the 8-hour class. The program has

helped million of drivers remain safe on today's roads.

Sisters In Serenity Women's AA

A Sisters In Serenity women's Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at 5 p.m. on Sundays at 585 N. Franklin, City Hall, northwest basement door in Colby. There is a play room for younger children and a quiet space for older children on-site. For more information call (785) 672-3406 or (785) 538-2526.

These meetings are limited to female alcoholics to provide an opportunity for members to share with one another on problems related to drinking patterns and attempts to achieve stable sobriety. They also permit detailed discussion of various elements in the recovery program.

Ladies Spring Luncheon

The Chamber of Commerce's Ladies Spring Luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday at the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall.

Museum's days/hours

The Museum of Cheyenne County is now open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons from 2 to 5 p.m., and on most Sunday afternoons from 2 to 5 p.m.

Open house

Ready for an afternoon out? The Museum of Cheyenne County will be hosting an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 26. There will be fellowship, popcorn from the old theater popper and other surprises. Come for a great afternoon.

Diamond Jubilee

People are asked to keep in mind the Sawhill Park and Band Shell Diamond Jubilee set for May 31 in the park. People are needed to help with entertainment and games. Call Dorothy at 332-2339 or Janet, 332-3569 for more information or to volunteer.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. today (Thursday) 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.

Sappa Valley Shootout

The Sappa Valley Shootout Youth 3-on-3 basketball tournament will be held in Oberlin on Saturday, April 25. Entry fee is

due by Friday.

For more information, visit the website or call Angie Erickson at (785) 322-5338.

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/Alcoholics 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.

Appliance roundup helps families, boots energy hogs

Helping Kansas families cut energy consumption and reduce utility costs is the goal of a new statewide initiative launched by the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation.

The Residential Appliance Replacement Program allows income-eligible homeowners and renters to replace old, energy-hungry and unsafe appliances with new, energy-efficient and environmentally-friendly models.

"Installing energy-efficient appliances is one of the best ways to lower a household's energy costs," said Gary Allsup, executive director. "Kansas Housing is pleased to help families save both energy and money."

Savings from replacing outdated appliances can be substantial. While exact energy use depends on the particular model number, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency estimates that simply replacing a 20-year-old refrigerator with an Energy Star qualified model will save roughly 700 kilowatts of electricity or more annually.

A total of \$4 million in Low-Income Energy Assistance money is available to fund the appliance replacement program. Financial assistance is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The program begins immediately; however, once funding runs out, the program will end.

median income. Income guidelines are as follows:

- One person - \$27,247.
- Two people - \$35,630.
- Three people - \$44,014.
- Four people - \$52,397.

Applications may be picked up at the Cheyenne County Development office in St. Francis or at the Century II office in Bird City. For more information, call Chuck or Diane Kribs, 785-332-3508.

St. Francis News

Betty Jean Winston and Cindy Winston of Ellsworth attended the Nickerson Tennis Tournament on Saturday where J.J. Winston was participating. The Ellsworth High School team finished the day in first place. J.J. was the number one singles player for Ellsworth.

Later that afternoon, J.J., Cindy and Betty Jean traveled to

Sedgwick to the home of Vickie Kern. The Easter gathering included little Arica Kern, and Jerad and Corrine Gugelmeyer, Colby, Logan and Dylan of Lakin.

Betty Jean was in Ellsworth Saturday night at the Dan Winston home before returning to St. Francis on Sunday.



FRED MAGLEY (l) and Larry Forsythe hold up a sign Mr. Magley made for the historic site.

Route 150 years old

The Leavenworth and Pikes Peak Stage Route will be celebrating 150 years since it was established. History buffs should mark their calendars for 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 9, for the celebration.

A program explaining the establishment of the stage route that had its beginning in 1859 will be held at the Ludell schoolhouse which is located 3 miles east of Atwood on U.S. 36, then 4 miles northeast on Rd. 26.

In 1859, the stage route was

the fastest and most convenient way to travel from Leavenworth to Denver. There were 28 stations on the route, one about every 25 to 30 miles. The route ran through the corner of Cheyenne County.

The program will include speakers, Fred Magley of St. Francis, and Jeff Reinert of Atwood. Input by storytellers, poets and other local historians is also encouraged.

Look for more on the history of the stage route in upcoming issues of *The Herald* and *Times*.

ATTENTION LADIES!!!
Spring Salad Luncheon
 Wed., April 22 • 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 First Christian Church Fellowship Hall
 Good Food, Fellowship & Door Prizes
 Tickets • \$5 and can be purchased at First National Bank, BANKWEST or Western State Bank
 Sponsored by the St. Francis Chamber of Commerce

Special
 2008 Mercury Sable Premier, Leather, AT, 19K, #26815

2004 F250 R/C XLT, 4x4, 6.0L, AT, 106K, #T1756A	\$16,000
2002 Explorer XLT, 4x4, AT, 87K, #T6560A	\$8,500
2006 F250 S/C, Lariat, 4x4, AT, 78K, #T1564B	\$22,000
1995 Chevrolet 3500 Silverado, R/C 5M, #T9089C	\$2,500
2008 Impala LS, 6 cyl., FWD, #16970	\$13,000
2006 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT, 77K, #T8009A	\$21,500
2006 F350 Crew, XLT, 4x4 w/Flatbed, #T3721A	\$22,500
2006 F350 XLT, 4x4, 6.0L, #T6207A	\$22,000
1996 Ford Contour, AT, Air, 52K	\$4,600
2004 F350 Crew, XLT, 81K Miles, #T2872B	\$20,000
2006 Ford Five Hundred, leather, loaded, 13K, #32458	\$15,000
2000 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, 7.3L, #T3568A	\$13,500
2008 Fusion SE, 2.3L, AT, 13K, #23423	\$15,500
2007 Focus SE, 4 cyl, FWD, #01355	\$11,000
2001 Chevy S-10, 4x2, 89K, #T6530A	\$6,500
1996 Chevy 1500 Ex Cab, 4x4, cloth, #T2149B	\$6,000
2001 Chevy S-10, 4x2, AT, 89K, #T6530A	\$6,500
2008 Grand Marquis LS, AT, leather, 10K, #62526	\$18,500

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 E. Hwy. 36 St. Francis, KS 67756
 800-524-9678 Bob - Justin - Terry
 785-332-2188 yostford.com

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 2 hr. 1 min.
Knowing
 April 17, 18 & 19
 Action/Adventure, Science Fiction/Fantasy and Thriller
 Lara Robinson, Nicolas Cage, Rose Byrne, Chandler Canterbury, Ben Mendelsohn
 PG-13 for disaster sequences, disturbing images and brief strong language.
CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS
 785-332-2747
 Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

PTA Talent Show
 Sunday, April 19 • 2 p.m.
 Grade School Gym
 Adults — \$5
 Students — \$3
 Contestants and children under 3 free
 PTA members get \$1 off their admission price

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

Wanted:
ATV Youth Riders
April 18, 2009
 Cheyenne County Fairgrounds
 Start Time 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. CST
 Lunch will be provided
 Bring your ATV, helmet and safety gear if you have them. If not please join us and take part in this program.
 Safety education program by Roger Zweggardt
 Pre-register by April 15th to the Cheyenne County Extension Office 785-332-3171
 Program is FREE!!

Check your renewal dates
 - Current Rates -
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 Out-of-State - \$42
Bird City Times
 KS - \$30
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