

Photo sought for new calendar

The St. Francis Lions Club is kicking off their annual community calendar sales in July with a contest for the best photograph to be used on the 2010 calendar. The winning photo will be awarded \$25. This year's theme is "The Best of Cheyenne County." Subject matter of the photo should reflect the photographer's image of the best of Cheyenne County.

The photo should be in a landscape format to fit accordingly on the calendar. Photos submitted

must be in print form along with a negative of digital picture disk. Digital pictures should be of high resolution.

Winning photographer must sign a waiver for the use of the photo and will receive credit on the calendar under the photo.

Submit your photo entry to Deb Patton at the Cheyenne County Treasurer's office no later than July 31 (no exceptions). Entry forms will be located in the lobby of the courthouse.

Obituaries

Arthur Theodore (Ted) Zielke

Aug. 9, 1941-June 21, 2009

Cheyenne and Sherman county, Kan., resident Ted Zielke, age 67, died Sunday, June 21, 2009, at the Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis, from injuries he received in an accident on his farm.

He was born Arthur Theodore Zielke, Jr. on Aug. 9, 1941, in St. Francis to Arthur Theodore and Vera (Nicholson) Zielke.

Ted attended and graduated from Goodland High School in 1959. He then attended Fort Hays State University and Kansas State University where he was a member of the Acacia Fraternity.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Goodland, and an Elks member. He served on the church board, the Farm Bureau Board, the Farm Service Agency Board, the Kansas Corn Commission, and the



Zielke

National Grains Council.

On June 6, 1965, Ted was married to Phyllis JoAnn Smith at the Methodist Church in Goodland. Their marriage was blessed with a son, Jeffery Theodore in 1969.

Ted loved farming the land and ranching with his cattle. He will be remembered as a very kind, considerate, and gentle man.

Preceding Ted in death were his parents, and his son Jeff in 1990.

Family members left to cherish his memory are his wife of 44 years, Phyllis, of their home in Cheyenne County, and his brother, Tim and his wife Lenna of Casper, Wyoming.

Funeral services were Thursday June 25, at the First United Methodist Church in Goodland, with Pastor Dustin Petz officiating. Burial followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been established in Ted's name and may be left at or sent to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555

Frances Ellen (Greene) Erickson

Sept. 2, 1916 - June 19, 2009

Frances Ellen (Greene) Erickson, age 92, of McDonald, Kan., died June 19, 2009, at the Rawlins County Hospital after suffering a stroke.

Frances was born Sept. 2, 1916, to Edward and Anna Greene at Hiawatha, Neb. She was the youngest of eight children.

Although all that is left of Hiawatha is a cemetery, her parents ran a store and post office at that time. Hiawatha also included a school and a church. Francis attended school there and her folks boarded the teacher. She said that she could never get away from her teacher.

She attended high school in Benkelman, Neb., south of Hiawatha. She stayed with families and kept house for them during the weeks after school and she returned to her country home on weekends.

Frances graduated in 1934, and seldom missed an alumni banquet. She loved to see all her friends and classmates.

She met and married Axel Erickson in July 1934, and they had four children, Glenn, Wayne, Rick and Kay.

She worked in Benkelman at Ireland Store, the Circle B Motel and Chick's Bakery and Restaurant. Axel and Frances spent their earlier years in Benkelman and six months working in the canneries in Hood River, Ore., and returned to Benkelman.

They moved to Fort Morgan, Colo., in 1966, where Axel became too ill to work due to asthma. Frances worked at a restaurant for a while and then at the Fort Morgan Hospital as a nurses aide and later worked in the obstetric ward with the babies. She said she enjoyed this best. While there, she helped deliver several great-grandchildren of her own. She retired just short of 20 years.

After retiring, Francis moved to McDonald in 1991, where her daughter, Kay and husband, Gail Miller and family lived.

Frances loved to travel, having been able to take a couple of trips with relatives to Ireland and finding cousins there, as her parents both came from Ireland as young adults. She also traveled to the northwest states of Oregon, spending time with sisters in California, also trips to the northeast states and Canada with side trips to Las Vegas and the southeastern states.

She was the one who loved family and enjoyed all of her friends. Frances had accepted the Lord and said she was looking forward to seeing her family and friends again as she was the last of her family.

Survivors include sons, Glenn and wife, Earlene Erickson of Fort Morgan, Wayne and wife,

Kandy Erickson of Brush, Colo., and Rick and wife, Judy Erickson of Fort Morgan, Colo.; daughter, Kay and husband, Gail Miller of McDonald; 17 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren; also numerous nieces, nephews, friends and one sister-in-law, Alma Greene of California.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband, Alex Erickson in 1976; her brothers, Bill and wife, Helen Greene, Joe and wife, Vera Greene and Eddie Greene; sisters; Lorraine and husband, Don Thurley, Marian and husband, Arlo Kellogg, Marguerite and husband, Charley Gehwart, Helen and husband, Eddie McLaughlin and a grandson, Loren Miller.

Funeral services were conducted on June 23 at the Federated Church in McDonald with Pastor Mark Adams and Pastor Paul Fischbach officiating.

Casket bearers included her grandsons: Paul Erickson, David Erickson, Phillip Erickson, Randy Miller, Brian Miller, Jamie Miller, Curt Erickson and Matthew Erickson.

Graveside services and interment were held at the Benkelman Cemetery in Benkelman.

A memorial has been established in her name to Talking Books and may be left at the Williams Funeral Home or sent to the family.



ST. FRANCIS LIONS Club member, Bob Modrell (right), shows a layout for the 2010 community calendar to Casey McCormick at the St. Francis Herald office.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Club is offering calendar

The St. Francis Lions Club will be taking orders for the 2010 community calendar in July. The colorful calendars include those important family dates, so you won't forget that loved one's birthday or anniversary. Many clubs list their meeting dates and times as well.

Proceeds from the sales of the calendar are given back to the community in various forms such as donations to Boy and Girl Scouts, assistance with eye glasses for needy individuals, tuition to the Lions Band Camp, high school scholarships and donations to other community services and needs.

The Lions Club has done some restricting this year, so you may not have the same salesperson as in the past. If you are not contacted by July 15, please call one of the following Lions to place an order: Elmer Kellner, 332-2950; Norman Morrow, 332-3424 or Dick Rohweder 332-2273.

Check classified ad in this issue.

Lost dog brought in by caring family

Her new name is Gracie, but for approximately a month, she had no name and the black and white dog lived in a ditch just north of U.S. 36 living off rainwater and food brought by local residents.

Darla Deeds of Bird City, called Bird City city office to report an abandoned dog. Mrs. Deeds told DeAnza Ambrosier, city clerk, that her son, Adam, had found the dog living in the ditch and was feeding her.

It was apparent to Adam the dog had been dropped off or had wandered from her home, but she would not leave the area. It seemed that she was waiting for her owners to return, but they never did.

Instead of calling the Cheyenne County Sheriff to pick the dog up, Mrs. Ambrosier called her husband, Shannon, and asked if they could take care of the dog.

"I felt sorry for her waiting so long for her owners to come back," said Mrs. Ambrosier.

Mr. Ambrosier was not sure about caring for the dog; however, after 30 minutes he called his wife and told her he went and looked at the dog and thought she was nice, even as he was driving away, the dog started to cry.



FINDING A NEW home. DeAnza Ambrosier plays with her two dogs, Jaxon, and the newly found Gracie (right.)

Herald staff photo by Linda Schneider

At lunch, Mr. Ambrosier picked up his wife and took her to meet Gracie. It was obvious to both of them Gracie wanted to be loved. They left some food and intended to return after work to take her home.

In the meantime, someone had called Deputy Cody Beeson to report the abandoned dog. While Shannon and DeAnza were finishing their workday, Deputy Beeson picked up the dog, with

no dog pound or housing for the animal, he was preparing humanely to dispose of her.

However, this was one lucky dog and Deputy Beeson happened to meet with Craig White, Bird City city maintenance, who told him Shannon and DeAnza Ambrosier were planning to take the dog home.

The deputy called Mr. Ambrosier and arranged for Shannon to pick up the dog at his farm.

The first thing Shannon and DeAnza did was name her "Gracie," because it was by the grace of God she was able to come home with them.

They know they have a lot of work to earn Gracie's trust, but with each passing day, she is becoming more comfortable. Gracie also has a new friend, Jaxon, the family lab who enjoys running around the farm and having dog fun with her.

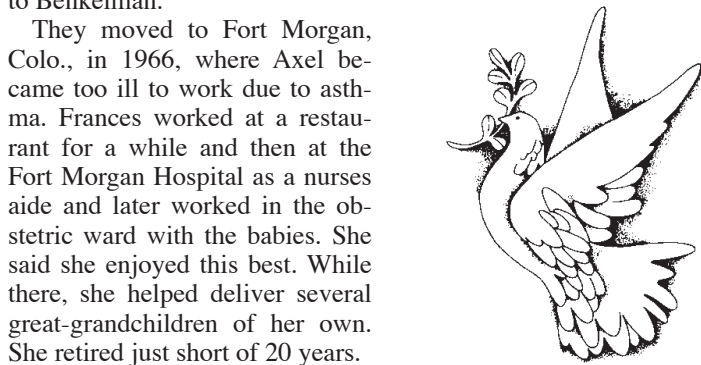
Student News

Kansas State University
Grace Hnizdil and Alecia Zimbelman of St. Francis are among the more than 1,700 students who earned semester honors from Kansas State University for their academic performance during the spring semester.

Students receiving semester honors rank in the top 10 percent of their class within their respective colleges and were enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of graded course work.

University of Nebraska Kearney
Lincoln Pochop, son of Gerard and Anita Pochop of Atwood was among students to earn the dean's academic excellence award in the College of Business and Technology at the University of Nebraska Kearney.

Pochop is a 2008 graduate of Cheylin High School



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The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times will be closed Friday, July 3rd.

Advocate deadline for the July 8th issue will be at noon on Thursday, July 2.



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