



SLIDER POP BOTTLE COOLER is in working order. However, the WW II shell is a training dummy. Both, along with other items, will be on sale at Bier's building.

SELLS

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has acquired several of the unusual cans.

He went to a sale one day and brought home a trailer filled with cases and cans of oil. I just buy what they have, he said, and then take the cans I want, dump out the oil to be used and sell the other cans. One time, a collector/buyer left the Bier place with a U-haul trailer full of cans.

You'd be surprised, Mr. Bier said, how many people collect filling station memorabilia.

He has learned a lot about the value of these items from friends and collectors as well as having collector books.

Mr. Bier was born and raised on a farm north of St. Francis so he knows his tractors, farm equipment and has some mechanical ability. He has a 1959 Ford and several tractors that he enjoys. He buys and sells tractors occasionally.

His mechanical ability and hard scrubbing brought the old slider pop bottle cooler to life. He said it was filthy, covered with grease and smoke, and had advertising stickers on the lid. It took many hours just to get the stickers off, then some elbow

grease to remove the grime.

Today, it looks like it has been used where the paint has worn off and there are dents in the lid but it works. He had to do a few repairs, including replacing a fan motor and cord and painting the cap collector on the front.

The machine has a removable door on the side which allows someone to fill the pop bottles as well as a cooling section in the bottom for storing extra pop and keeping candy bars cool.

The tall, round filling station pumps are also a rarity. He has several for sale but also has a favorite that he doesn't plan to sell along with a Coca-Cola machine and old-time oil rack complete with cans.

Coming to the Bier's sale will be a step back in history and a great place for people to purchase something they have been looking for. Mr. Bier will be on hand to talk to people, tell them about his collection and what he is selling.

ONE OF TWO ANTIQUE gas pumps on sale at the Bier building west of Valley Street. Follow the signs.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien



Planning committee meets

The Cheyenne County Local Emergency Planning Committee met on Aug. 20 at the St. Francis Emergency Building.

Jannelle Bowers, emergency medical service director, said she was planning to set up a hazardous material training for county emergency medical technicians in late fall or early winter. Both fire departments in the county will also need haz-mat training when dispatched to certain emergency situations.

Colby has a haz-mat team for both emergency medical technicians and firemen through their chemical assist teams. However, said Gary Rogers, emergency management director, the team must be sought through the state. Then the state will deploy them through Colby's haz-mat team if needed in the county for emergency purposes.

Ryan Murray, chairman, said that through the hospital's emergency preparedness plan, a bomb threat plan must be in place. Mr. Rogers questioned white powder (anthrax) incident to be placed in the hospital's plan as well. Mr. Murray said he will look into the plan and made additions as needed to meet the safety aspects.

Mila Bandel, county health nurse, updated members concerning the flu season and H1N1 vaccines and protocols for school and businesses to refer to if the virus becomes very active this fall and winter. She talked about the distribution and funding for the vaccine from the state. She said storage for the vaccine vials would not be a problem in the county. She also discussed the possibility of how to administer the vaccines to community members if designated by the state.

The Center for Disease Control and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, she said, recommend getting flu shots early and that, regardless of how early

individuals receive their seasonal flu shot, they will have protection throughout the duration of the season. Those recommended for the shot include: pregnant women, household contacts and caregivers of infants younger than 6 months of age, all children and young adults' ages 6 months through 24 years of age, healthcare personnel and people 25 to 64 years of age with high-risk medical conditions.

The point of dispensing for the county health bioterrorism/emergency preparedness work plan was discussed. The next point of dispensing meeting will be held on March 4, 2010, as a mock drill. Emergency medical service, hospital and law enforcement will use this drill as an expanded training for each entity.

Sara Houtman, county hospital decontamination trainer, presented the hospital's first receiver decontamination procedures and showed a slide presentation of how it works at the hospital.

Kris Blair suited up to display how the decontamination suit looks while decontaminating a patient. The emergency medical service and fire department need to be trained.

Getting personnel to these trainings was questioned. Dale Patton, county commissioner, asked the group for ideas for incentives to get the training conducted. It was noted that if emergency personnel could have the training during the week and allowed time from their personal job to attend the training instead of using nights and weekends it could be easier to have attendance since the county's emergency personnel is volunteer. This program will continue to be reviewed.

Other items of business.

• It was noted that the airport runway would be closed from Aug. 24 to sometime in October. Much discussion took place regarding

emergency preparedness if needing flight crews, etc., to come in, how the county will respond.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7 a.m. on Oct. 8, at the Cheyenne County Emergency Management building.

Stopping the spread of germs

Illness like the influenza and colds are caused by viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs. The flu and colds usually spread from person to person when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

Stop spreading germs

Take care to:

- Cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough.
- Clean your hands often.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Say home when you are sick and check with a health care provider when needed.
- Practice other good health habits.

Cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough

Cough or sneeze into a tissue and then throw it away. Cover your cough or sneeze if you do not have a tissue. Then, clean your hands, and do so every time you cough or sneeze.

Clean your hands often

When available, wash your hands...with soap and warm water...then rub your hands vigorously together and scrub all surfaces. Wash for 15 to 20 second. It is the soap combined with the scrubbing action that helps dislodge and remove germs.

When soap and water are not available, alcohol-based disposable hand wipes or gel sanitizers may be used. You can find them in most supermarkets and drug-stores. If using a gel, rub the gel in your hands until they are dry. The gel doesn't need water to work; the alcohol in the gel kills germs that cause colds and the flu.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches their eyes, nose or mouth.

Germs can live for a long time

(some can live for 2 hours or more) on surfaces like doorknobs, desks and table.

Stay home when you are sick and check with a health care provider when needed.

When you are sick or have flu symptoms, stay home, get plenty of rest, and check with a health care provider as needed. Your employer may need a doctor's note for an excused absence. Remember: Keeping you distance from others may protect them from getting sick. Common symptoms of the flu include:

- Fever (usually high).
- Headache.
- Extreme tiredness.
- Cough.
- Sore throat.
- Runny or stuffy nose.
- Muscle aches, and
- Nausea, vomiting and diarrhea (much more common among children than adults).



AIRPORT RUNWAY RENOVATIONS are moving right along. Robert Grace, who took the aerial photo said the contractors have removed all the asphalt, piled it up, ground it up and completed the dirt work. They are now reincorporating that ground up asphalt into the dirt as a base for the concrete. The runway is expected to be completed by Oct. 17.

HUNT

Continued from Page 1 during the three days. (See related article.)

Antique shops, GAM Antiques and Collectibles on U.S. 36 and Country Collage are expecting many shoppers. Then there will be the individual yard sale. Maps will be available at the museum, Majestic Service, Hilltop General

Store and at the Northrup lot on South Benton.


There is also food for sale. Doug and Marla Ross will have barbecue beef sandwiches for lunch as well as biscuits and gravy for breakfast. The restaurants including Park Hill, Pizza Hut, Dairy King and Captain Hook's will be open. Stores along the

highway as well as those downtown St. Francis will be selling snacks and food items to travelers.

Those who are not selling need to check out all the vendors on the St. Francis map, then head east down U.S. 36 looking for more treasures and great buys.

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