

Local families help suffering children

Local Families Joining Global, Year-Round Effort to Help 8 Million Suffering Children—While Teaching Lessons in Generosity

U.S. kids have no time to waste helping bring joy to millions of needy boys and girls this holiday season.

“Sending hope to hurting children worldwide is a full-time, year-round effort that requires the contagious compassion of St. Francis families, right now!” said JaNelle Glidewell, Operation Christmas Child drop-off site coordinator.

Operation Christmas Child, the world’s largest Christmas project, is calling on local kids, families, churches, businesses, schools and community groups to fill shoe boxes full of gifts for children overseas who are suffering from disease, famine, war, terrorism and natural disaster.

“My shoe box gift might be the only gift a child has ever received,” said Mrs. Glidewell. She said is enthusiastic to pack shoe box gifts.

“A shoe box can make a difference. It lets children know that someone really does care about them.”

Operation Christmas Child, a project of international Christian relief and evangelism organization Samaritan’s Purse, headed by Franklin Graham, has collected and hand-delivered more than 68 million shoe box gifts to hurting kids in some 130 coun-

tries since 1993. “This is a wonderful chance to teach children in this country about generosity and compassion, and bring hope and joy to hurting children in other countries,” said Beth Armes, regional director for Operation Christmas Child.

Why now? Months before the holiday season
Although National Collection Week is Nov. 16-23, Operation Christmas Child is not limited to just one week a year or during the holiday season.

It is a year-round project, Mrs. Glidewell said, requiring months of organization and preparation to reach millions of kids around the world. Volunteers and shoe box gifts are needed during all seasons to help spread Christmas cheer and the spirit of giving that lasts all year long.

How to help
Preparing is one of the first steps in organizing Operation Christmas Child. Families, churches, community groups, and businesses are needed to take part in making shoe box gifts for needy children.

The shoe boxes can be filled with toys, necessity items, school supplies, candy and a letter of encouragement.

For more information on how to participate in Operation Christmas Child, call (785) 332-3921 or visit www.samaritanspurse.org.

Volleyball outings make for busy week

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Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday volleyball outings made for a busy week for the junior varsity team, especially since the matches were all on the road. The final outcome of the week shows one win (Idalia) and six losses (Decatur Community (2), Wray, Norton, Rawlins County and Hoxie).

The only Tuesday match was against Decatur Community with a loss of 8-25, 16-25. Cheylin and St. Francis did not play a junior varsity match that evening.

“The junior varsity young Lady Indians got off to a very slow start and against Oberlin this is almost always the prelude to a loss,” Coach Jeff Olofson said. “We served well, missing no serves, the problem was that we serve received so poorly we rarely got to serve.”

“I know the young ladies are frustrated because they know they can perform better in all areas of the game. The good news is that we will play Oberlin again on Saturday and we have a chance to play up to our potential.”

vs Wray 17-25, 19-25
Thursday night the Ladies made the trip to Wray and played the home team in the first match. The final scores were 17-25, 19-25.

“The junior varsity got off to a glacial start,” Coach Olofson said. “The score in the first set got to 2-13 before we really

started to play. That is nearly an insurmountable score but we played well enough to make it a good set.

“In the second set we played much better but Wray had a server that ran off strings of points.

“Again we played well enough to make it a good game but not well enough to win.”

vs Idalia 25-17, 25-8.
“The second match against Idalia was the best we have played all season,” Coach Olofson said. “We served, passed, set and hit well.

“For the young ladies, making a couple of good plays usually leads to more good plays and this was true tonight. Every girl contributed to the victory and that is also important.”

Oberlin Tournament
“It was not a very good day for any of the young Lady Indians,” Coach Jeff Olofson said. “As the scores indicate we were very consistent.

“The young ladies did not quit they just never found the right combination of things to help win.

“We have a week of practice to work on the things we struggled with Saturday. Oberlin’s junior varsity won the tournament.”

Match scores include: vs Oberlin 8-25, 8-25; vs Norton 14-25, 21-25; vs Hoxie 10-25, 10-25 and vs Rawlins County 22-25, 23-25.



A GROUP of people from St. Francis entertained at the Good Samaritan Village barbecue held on Sunday night. Those pictured are Sandy Bandel, Louanne Isernhagen, Dr. Ron Maifeld, Beth Maifeld, Connie Paulsen, Janet Carman, Stan Carman and Glenn Isernhagen.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

County roads discussed at meeting

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Numbering unnamed county roads was discussed at the Thursday Cheyenne County Commissioners’ meeting.

Bruce Webb, county appraiser, joined Gary Rogers, emergency manager, to discuss numbering roads that have not been named. The roads in question were reviewed and the commissioners agreed to let Mr. Webb and Mr. Rogers name the roads as they saw fit. Roads unnamed are in the northern part of the county and some are short roads leading to dead ends.

Mr. Webb talked about mapping the urban parcels. He said the cost would be \$13,000.

He also discussed purchasing a plotter for printing the maps. The plotter would cost approximately \$5,000.

The commissioners said if his budget could withstand the purchases, then he could buy the plotter. Later, Mr. Webb said he would not buy the plotter at this time.

Letters reviewed
Letters from Cheyenne County Development Corporation were reviewed.

Chuck Kribs, co-director, at the last meeting, had asked the clerk to compose a letter, using county letterhead, that would serve as a cover letter to be placed in packets given to prospective businesses. The commissioners signed the letter.

Mr. Kribs also asked if the commissioners or county clerk would write a letter showing interest in a new business. The commissioners felt this was the Development Corporation’s area of expertise and that the directors or Development Corporation Board should compose the letter.

Purchase approved
The commissioners reviewed a letter from the Cheylin Recreation Commission. The letter asked for the purchase of two aluminum benches which would replace the

remaining two wooden benches at the Bird City swimming pool. They will be purchased from Ross Manufacturing of St. Francis at a total cost of \$550. The commissioners approved using \$550 from the Special Parks and Recreation Fund to purchase the two benches.

License approved
Justin McAtee, St. Francis, asked for approval of a Cereal Malt Beverage License. The license would allow Mr. McAtee’s partnership to sell 3.2-percent beer. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the license.

Attorney Kari Gilliland noted Cheyenne County didn’t have a resolution dealing with the sale of alcohol within the county, but she is currently working on one.

Agreement signed
Emergency Manager Rogers presented a user agreement that needed signed. The user agreement is between Cheyenne County and the Kansas Department of Transportation so that the hospital, dispatch, Mr. Rogers, and the emergency medical service can use the 800 MHz digital P25 tower. The agreement was signed.

Executive session
Jannelle Bowers, emergency medical service director, again asked for 10 minutes of executive session to discuss financial matters of the third party. Coming out of session, Ernie Ketzner, chairman, announced no decision would be made.

In other business
In other business:
• A warrant to Corporate Plan in the amount of \$35,380 was reviewed. The warrant had been paid between the last meeting and the current meeting.
• Marj Peter and Deb Patton, treasurer’s department, were approved to attend a motor vehicle training in Colby on Oct. 6. The treasurer’s office will close from noon until 1 p.m. that day.
• Treasurer Dolores Jenik was

given permission to attend a motor vehicle training in Salina on Oct. 9.

• A contract was signed for the Cheyenne County Health Department which will allow Cheyenne County to receive \$4,998 toward the response to H1N1, the swine flu.

Next meeting
The next commissioners’ meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, in the commissioners’ room in the courthouse.

Editor’s note: The above article was taken from the unapproved commissioners’ minutes.

Junior varsity football boys go undefeated

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St. Francis scored 20 points in the second quarter of a shortened football game to seal their fifth victory of the season. The final score was St. Francis 28 and Norton 8 with the games being called with 2:39 remaining in the second quarter due to lightning.

“We played well defensively after their first couple of drives,” Coach Devin Dinkel said. “We caused several fumbles.”

The first St. Francis score came with a kick-off return in the first quarter. Cody Killingsworth raced 72 yards to the end zone and Ty Zwegardt was successful with a two-point conversion attempt.

At the end of one quarter the score stood Norton 8, St. Francis 8.

It was during the second period that St. Francis added three touchdowns including a 7-yard run by Zwegardt, a 9-yard pass from Brett Lampe to Zach Gienger and a 9-yard run by Killingsworth. Zwegardt added two after-touchdown points following the final touchdown.

“Offensively we moved the ball well mixing in a couple of successful passes,” Coach Dinkel said. “It would have been nice for the game to go all four quarters so that we could have gotten all the kids onto the field to reward them for the efforts in practice.”

CRP!

The USDA has announced that one of their policy options is to drop CRP enrollment by 8 million acres nationwide. As a sportsman, I am against this action. If you agree you can make your feelings known by emailing: CRPcomments@tecinc.com and www.regulations.gov. Comments are due by October 19.

Chuck Kribs

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