



## Storms often bring out the best in people

People around St. Francis are talking about the recent storms. Oldtimers say it is the most snow they have seen for years and it makes for a great start of 2007.

The first storm before Christmas was fun for kids and it made Christmas seem really festive, even though it was work for the city, county and state road crews. However, the second snow storm was a little overwhelming. Never-the-less, road crews were out again, giving up their vacation time.

People needed to get out to feed livestock and the crews were there. Dr. Miller was out making house calls, bless her soul! The ambulance was

called out and crews came to help. People needed groceries and they were delivered. People helping people!!

When it snows this much, it is a helpless feeling to many. People can't go anywhere unless they have 4-wheel drive and tall boots.

Most of the people in Cheyenne County had electricity. If they didn't, the PrairieLand crew was there.

Mother Nature showered us with a blessing of snow which is good for crops and pastures. And, in about six months, everyone will be sweating! Enjoy the weather and snow while it is here.

— Karen Krien



## Tips are shared by representative

Letter to the Editor

As a local representative for AT&T, and in response to the significant winter storm that hit the western Kansas area, I wanted to make a few comments.

The AT&T central offices do have back up power, so many times, depending on facilities serving the customer, phone service may in fact still be available if the power goes out. An important thing for consumers to know, is that most cordless phones will not work, because they typically require power.

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It is a good idea to keep at least one traditional telephone (one that does not require separate power like most cordless phones) in the house in case the power does go out. Now, of course, AT&T can't guarantee that service will always work, but many times it will. For example, my home lost power three separate times in Garden City over the weekend, but I was able to bring up a traditional tele-

phone that I keep in my basement, plug it into a telephone jack and my family was still able to make and receive telephone calls until power was restored.

Thanks to the local power companies for their hard work on restoring power, and to the local news for their coverage of the storm.

Darin Miller  
Director - External Affairs,  
AT&T

## County crew work is appreciated

Letter to the Editor,

It was a wonderful Christmas and New Year's snow that we were blessed with these last two weeks. We have been waiting quite some time for a snow like this!

What a welcome sound (because we could hear the snow plow com-

ing long before we could see it) then to see the county boys coming to plow our road. In places, we have drifts higher than the pickup so you know we had to depend on the county to dig us out. It was awesome to see the snow flying in the air on each side of the snow plow as

it went down the road.

We appreciate the county crew for working on their three holiday days to help the rest of us get out. A job well done.

Stella Draper  
St. Francis

## Casey's Comments

Some historians have referred to President Gerald R. Ford as the "accidental president." Granted it took the exit of both Spiro Agnew and Richard Nixon for Ford to become an unelected president. But his timing was anything but an accident.

I see a parallel between Ford's experience in World War II and when he came to the office.

Ford enlisted in the Naval Reserve at the onset of the war. He had made the rank of Lieutenant when he was assigned to the light aircraft carrier U.S.S. Monterey in May of 1943. His ship participated in many

of the pivotal battles in the South Pacific Theater.

The most perilous point of Ford's and the Monterey's existence came during the typhoon of Dec. 18-19, 1944. The Third Fleet, commanded by Admiral "Bull" Halsey, lost three destroyers and over 800 men during the storm. Aboard the Monterey, a fire started when several planes broke from their ties and slammed into each other.

On the morning of Dec. 18 Ford left his battle station on the bridge. As he did the ship pitched 25 degrees, sending the officer across the deck. He managed to catch the two-inch metal edge of the ship which allowed him to roll and twisted into the catwalk below, narrowly avoiding going overboard.

When Ford became president our

country was in the middle of another terrible storm. The United States was mired in an unpopular war in Vietnam. Racial tensions sparked riots in several cities. Assassinations had taken a president, his brother and Dr. Martin Luther King. In this atmosphere the Watergate scandal further eroded trust in our government.

Into this tempest came President Ford. He brought healing and dignity to the Whitehouse and helped steer a new course for our nation. He was the leader that we needed at a low point in American history.

On Tuesday, Dec. 26, the 38th President of the United States died at the age of 93.



By Casey McCormick

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**GOD SAYS**

**Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.**

**John 14:1-2**

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## News From the Past

**10 years ago - 1996**  
Dance Ranch students are busy preparing to present the Nutcracker.

A new flag for the Cheyenne County Hospital was purchased by the Veterans of Foreign War Auxiliary.

A new phonics program has been developed by Liz Weber, Chapter 1 instructor, at the St. Francis grade school. The program is in its second year at St. Francis and good results are being seen.

A Living Nativity was presented by members of the First Baptist Church during the Christmas season.

Jim Keller of St. Francis is among the players selected to play in the 1997 Kansas Shrine Bowl All-Star football game.

The Indian boys basketball team came home from the Tumbleweed Classic Tournament with the second place trophy. They lost the championship game by two points to Stratton.

St. Francis First National Bank donated \$1,000 to the rest room project in the city park.

Sainty had four champions at the St. Francis Invitational Wrestling Tournament held the first Saturday of December. Placing first were Michael Ochsner at 103 pounds, Scott Jenkins at 135 pounds, Kelly Gabel at 140

pounds and Travis Raile at 152 pounds.

**30 years ago - 1976**  
Named to the Northwest Kansas All-League football team were Roger Button, Tom Hilt and Kelly Gienger.

Returning letter winners for the girls basketball team include Theresa Raile, Jessi Burnham, Kay Zwegardt, Cindy Bengston, Katie Button, Eva Weems, Jenni Burnham and Peggy Peter.

**40 years ago - 1966**  
Homecoming is taking place at the high school. A change in procedure this year will find the crowning of the king and queen immediately following the game instead of at halftime. Candidates include Peggy Fuller, Coleen McGowan, Diane Raile, Sue Sherlock, Judy Touslee, Dwight Nelson, Larry Feikert, Pat Holliman, Larry Cahoj and Mike Hawkins.

Lenard Schlepp was honored last week by the Kansas Soil Conservation Service, receiving a citation for an outstanding performance rating for his work as a soil conservation technician.

Carla Hendricks, a St. Francis senior, has been named a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

The play "Meet Me In St. Louis" will be given at the high school. Among the cast members are Larry Johnston, Ginger Harkins, Debbie Rieb, Myra Northrup, Linda Floyd, Pam Matzke, Roger Jenson, Joe Shoemaker, Sue Garrison, Colleen Thompson, Betty Arnold, Stanley Faulkender, Gene Jennings, Debra Andrist, Bill Keller and Bob Ochsner. The prompter is Kathy Kelly.

**50 years ago - 1956**  
A business transaction involving affiliated lines reached conclusion this week, with Jim Jones, president of Ideal L-P Gas, Inc., announcing the purchase of the Caldwell Gas & electric Company's St. Francis store.

Sheriff Emil Zimbelman reports the St. Francis City Grade School was broken into and an unknown amount of equipment was taken. The burglars entered the building by smashing a window in the band room and then reaching through to open the window. Entry to the principal's office from which the missing articles were taken was by smashing the door window and reaching into open the door.

**75 years ago - 1932**  
The official opening of the St. Francis Library was held on Jan. 1 and 2. Many clubs and church have helped the good ladies of the library with material aid or moral support. The library for the present time is located in one of the basement room at the courthouse which the library board has recently had painted and decorated.

## Manager upset over stolen ribeyes

Letter to the Editor:

On New Year's Day — early a.m. — two packages (15) of ribeye steaks were stolen from the cooler at Riverside Recreation — my cost approximately \$100. I know everyone that was at Riverside that evening and eventually, the truth will come out. Until then, may you

## Letter to the Editor

rot where it's hot!

Parents, did you raise your children to be thieves?

Brenda Nelsen  
St. Francis

P.S. To the driver of the white four-door car, UAP \_\_\_\_\_, what exactly were you doing parked between the cart barns at 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 26?

**Praise the Lord**

**Church of Christ**  
332-2380, Pars. 332-3424  
502 W. Spencer  
Norman Morrow - Minister  
Bible Class 11 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

**United Methodist**  
Church Office 332-2292,  
Church 332-2254,  
512 S. Scott  
Pastor Morita Truman  
Early Bird Service 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Salem Lutheran Church**  
332-3002  
Pastor Chris Farmer  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11 a.m.

**St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church**  
625 S. River • 332-2680  
Fr. Roger Meitl  
Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.  
Weekday Mass 8 a.m.  
Confessions Sat. 4-4:30

**First Christian Church**  
332-2956 • 118 E. Webster  
Sunday School 9:20 a.m.  
Church Service 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. night Bible Study 7 p.m.

**Grace Assembly of God**  
332-2925, Pars. 332-2899  
208 E. 2nd  
Rev. Rob Meyer  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30  
Sunday Eve. Service 6 p.m.

**St. Francis Community Church**  
332-3150  
204 N. Quincy Street  
Pastor: David Butler  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

**Seventh-Day Adventist Church**  
332-2888 • 3rd & Adams  
Pastor Mike Larson  
Sabbath School 9:30  
Morning Worship 10:45

**First Baptist Church**  
2nd & Scott • 332-3921  
J.W. Glidewell, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m.,  
Wed. AWANA Club 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

**Peace Lutheran Church**  
202 N. College  
Pastor Ken Hart  
332-2928 Pars. 332-2312  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.

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