Commissioners discuss handicap driveway

By Karen Krien

Commissioner Andy Beikman said he had been told that the handicap drive on the west side of the courthouse needed improvement. The commissioners, at their Feb. 15 meeting, agreed to see what it would cost to extend and widen the

Commissioner Beikman said older people and/or people with handicaps have trouble getting out because the drive is so narrow that there is not room to get out of the car without stepping on the grass. It is also difficult to back out of the

He suggested that the commissioners look into the cost of a "drive thru" with the handicap drive being extended to make a circle drive that would exit on Benton Street. He also suggested that it be made

Those using the handicap drive can enter the courthouse at the basement level and use the elevator to go to the other floors. There are also handicap door entry pads. However, the narrow drive discourages people from using it.

Maintenance person Carl Williams will get some measurements and Terry Miller, clerk, will see about getting some bids for the work. Bid deadline will be March

Snow removal

For a number of years, there has been little need for snow removal from county roads. However, this year, there has been weeks of snowy conditions and complaints that the county was not clearing private

Commissioner Beikman had talked to the insurance agent, Roxie Neitzel, who said the county was covered while clearing roads and drives. But, if there are a lot of claims, the insurance coverage may need to be reviewed.

The commissioners felt that the first removal of snow should be to the roads and that the county crew didn't have time to open private drives. Commissioner Ernie Ketzner said the county crew used to clear drives when needed. They discussed the fact that some country residents had the equipment to clear drives while others had noth-

Commissioner Ray Lee thought emergency, the county should clear

that person's drive. It was agreed that the crew would do this.

county has a policy that if there is a presented the Community Develbusiness which can remove snow or any other service, the county crew does not interfere.

The matter of snow removal was with the St. Francis Board of Education about bus routes and private drive snow removal.

Records moved

are required to be kept under lock and key. The machines are currently being stored in the history room in the basement of the courthouse. When someone wants to look at the school and census records, the room needs to be unlocked and monitored.

Margaret Bucholtz and Janet Carmen, Cheyenne County Histori- medical director, has been informed cal Society, said the museum on that Medicare wants the write-offs U.S. 36 had an area where the to be referred to as "adjustments." school and census records could be Adjustments of \$1,194 were apsafely stored. Mrs. Bucholtz said it would be convenient for everyone the history room to the museum.

The commissioners thought this would be a good solution for all involved and agreed to the moving of

Noxious weed supervisor report

Dan Schlittenhardt, noxious weed supervisor, had a letter of support for the commissioners to sign. The letter asked that the application for Rozol be extended from March medical technicians. 15 to April 15. Rozol is used in getting rid of prairie dogs.

The commissioners talked about cost sharing for eliminating prairie dogs. Mr. Schlittenhardt said Logan County Commissioners are taking mileage to Denver and round trip ranchers to court because of their prairie dog problems.

a new pickup but, looking at the cost, the commissioners asked that he get another bid so they could compare prices.

In other business In other business

• Tammy Pettijohn and Tracy Winchester-Hillmer, High Plains ing will be held at 8 a.m. on Mental Health, told the commis- Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the courtsioners some of the services pro-

• Sheriff Gardner presented two that, if nothing else, if there is an bids for a pickup but no decision

• Randy Hrabe, executive director of Northwest Kansas Planning Commissioner Beikman said the and Development Commission, opment Building Grant contracts for signature. The contracts are for the dairy being put near Bird City. One contract was for Northwest tabled until after Dave Flemming, Kansas Planning and Development road and bridge supervisor, visits to serve as the grant administrator and the second contract was the State of Kansas Economic Development Grant Agreement (Bird City Dairy Community Develop-The county's voting machines ment Building Grant). The contracts were signed.

Mr. Hrabe then talked about the work provided by the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission, noting that the commission could possibly help with a grant to purchase a generator for the new 911 emergency system.

Jannelle Bowers, emergency

• Director Bowers said she has if they could move the records from had trouble with the one of the ambulances starting even after it had been worked on by Yost Ford-Mercury. She was concerned that the ambulance would be needed for an emergency run and it wouldn't run. The commissioners gave her permission to go to another qualified mechanic.

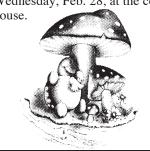
> Mark Mills, emergency medical technician, has taken the necessary training to recertify emergency

• Commissioners agreed to move forward with the new 911 emergency system. See related article.

• Judge Robert Van Allen had asked for assistance in paying for airfare to Reno, Nev., so that he could attend the Judicial College in Mr. Schlittenhardt had a bid for May. The judge received a scholarship for the college and the Kansas Supreme Court will pay for the conference fee, lodging and meals. The commissioners agreed to pay the mileage and airfare.

Next meeting

The next commissioners' meet-



Musicians coming to town The Golden Cords from Union said. "I won't tell you what it is she sic, art and the way God has blessed draws — you will have to come and our lives." College, Lincoln, Neb., will be performing at the Seventh-day see, but many people enjoy watch-Adventist Church, Third and ing her picture unfold before their

DAN SIEGFRIED SCOUTS OUT Keller Pond for the best place to start drilling holes.

He and Grady Brunk made up one of 15 teams that participated in the Cheyenne County

Wildlife Association's annual fishing contest.

Adams streets, St. Francis, on Sat-

urday, March 3. The program, titled

students and their faculty sponsor

that consists of a string quartet, pia-

nist, artist and a student missionary.

They present a program consisting

of classical music and hymns, a

mission story and children's story,

while the artist draws a picture all

during the program. The picture

stavs with the church as a memory

The group is under the direction

of Dr. Tom Shepherd, professor of

religion, who also is the cellist in the

group. Dr. Shepherd says, It is a joy

for the students and me to bring this

program to St. Francis. Our pro-

gram is centered around the theme

We introduce all of our music

The student missionary tells of

"Our artist draws a picture that links to the theme," Dr. Shepherd

her experience overseas in Kenya, Africa, and there is an exciting

with Scripture passages that re-

volve around this theme, he said.

of the soon coming of Jesus.

Bible story for children.

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of the visit of the Golden Cords.

at 5:30 p.m.

The group began touring in 1997 'We Have This Hope," will begin to locations throughout the midwest going both to large cities and small The Golden Cords is a group of towns. Dr. Shepherd notes that they enjoy taking the program to people throughout the midwest.

and friendly," he said. "We like the taking piano, violin, viola or cello fact that we can connect with people lessons may talk with members of both during and after our concert, talking about Union College, mu-

The Golden Cords have traveled

Herald staff photo by Casey McCormick

more widely to Florida, Washington, Oregon, California, British Columbia, Alaska, New York City, Washington, D.C., New England and even Brazil. In May, they will visit Arizona, Nevada and southern California.

Families of small children are "The people are so welcoming welcome at the program. Children the group after the program and can ask to try out their instruments.

Ramblers Club

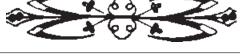
Ramblers Club members met at the home of Dolores Kincheloe on lightful presentation about Laura Wednesday, Feb. 14, for a delicious Ingalls Wilder and played music on Valentine luncheon, co-hosted by Betty Winston and Arlene Walz.

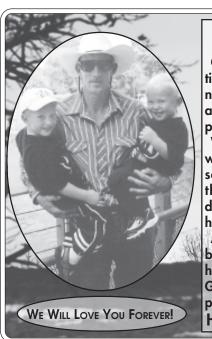
Roll call was answered by "a song sung at my wedding." Elaine with Tobe Zweygardt presenting Kehlbeck gave the library report some of his metal sculptures. about thimbles and salt dips dis-

played by Virginia Cooper. Louanne Isernhagen gave a de-

her violin from that time period. The next meeting will be on

March 14 at the Cheyenne Manor





6/15/64 ~ 2/24/06 God saw that he was getting tired and a cure was not to be. So he put his arms around him and whispered "Come With Me." With tearful eyes we watched him suffer and saw him fade away, although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay.

Tim Baxter

A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands were laid to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us HE ONLY TAKES THE BEST!

United States Government Department of Veterans Affairs astern Colorado Healthcare System Is Competing for Lease Space Eastern Colorado or Western Kansas

The United States Government is seeking to lease clinical, office and related space for use by the Department of Veterans Affairs for the establishment of an Outreach Clinic.

REQUIREMENTS: Square footage must yield approximately 1780 contiguous, occupiable square feet, with a minimum of 7 (5 regular +1 vanaccessible/handicapped +1 for Government Vehicle) on-site parking spaces, inclusive for daily trash pick-up, housekeeping, utilities, life safety, building maintenance and environment of care assurances. Space must be suitable for an efficient layout to meet the following:

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: • Handicapped accessible; IAW, ADA Provide VA with ability to secure medical records, offices/clinic space

Infrastructure to support TI/DSL/ATM data connectivity, VA may con-

 VA specified directional signage, internal and external •Close proximity for routine/plain radiography with reports

Immediate access to imaging, CT, ultra sound, fluoroscopy, laboratory services for STAT testing

DELINEATED AREA: Area is within city limits of a city located in Burlington, CO, Yuma, CO or Goodland, KS

LEASE TERM: Up to 3 years with 7 option years

OCCUPANCY: April 1, 2007 is desirable.

nterested offerors (owners, brokers and their legal representative) should submit information concerning their properties to Mark A. Moriarty, not later than March 3, 2007, at 4:30 p.m. Information should at a minimum, dentify the address site, square footage and estimated cost per square oot. Submit to: Department of Veterans Affairs; Rocky Mountain Regional Contracting Center; ATTN: Mark A. Moriarty; 4100 East Mississippi Ave, Suite 1110; Glendale, CO 80246; Telephone No. (303)691-6544; email: mark.moriarty@va.gov

The Government is limited by law (40 USC 27a, as amended 10/1/81) to

pay no more than the appraised fair market rental value for space. RESPONDENTS ARE ADVISED THAT THE VA ASSUMES NO RESPONSI-BILITY TO AWARD A LEASE BASED UPON RESPONSES TO THIS ADVER-

pre-school children Cheylin School District will be ments are needed and can be made

Free screening for

offering preschool/pre-kindergarten screenings on Tuesday, March 6, for children from birth to school age. These screenings are required for children who will be attending kindergarten next August, but parents are also encourage to bring babies and preschoolers. Hearing, vision, speech and lan-

guage, concepts, and fine and gross motor skills will be screened. Parents are the primary and most influential teachers their children will ever have and these screenings will help parents discover their child's developmental stage and how best to encourage their ever changing skills. They also help the school districts plan and prepare for future students in order to try to offer the best educational experience. The St. Francis School District

offers screenings in the fall of the year while Cheylin offers them in the spring. Thpse unable to attend the fall screening or are new to the county are welcome to bring their child to the Bird City site which will be the Methodist Church. The screenings are free but appointby calling the Cheylin Elementary School secretary at 785-734-2351.

Have questions, call Judy Sager at the same number.

James E. Reeves, DPM Podiatrist/Foot Specialist Reconstructive Surgery Foot & Ankle Injuries For appointments call: **Rawlins County**

> 785-626-3211 Wed., Feb. 21 **Cheyenne County**

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Thurs., Feb. 22

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