

Firemen's Ball tickets go on sale

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, people living in St. Francis will see the flashing lights and hear the fire truck siren as the firemen sell tickets to the Firemen's Ball set for March 28 at Riverside Recreation.

This annual event raises money for many things including the scholarships given to graduating seniors, supplies for students given during Fire Prevention Week, water to take to fires, fire extinguishers and smoke detectors given at the Ball. They are

also planning on making a donation to help with the new emergency building which is being built with a KAN STEP grant and volunteer labor.

People not planning to go to the ball can still purchase tickets as a donation to the firemen.

The St. Francis Fire Department has 18 volunteer fire fighters. There are three rural fire trucks and two city fire trucks along with a fire rescue vehicle which carries the Jaw of Life.

Village to begin remodeling soon

By Karen Krien

At the end of April, major remodeling will begin in the east-west residents' rooms at the Good Samaritan Village, St. Francis.

"We are expecting to get final approval of all contracts around the first of April and begin construction in late April," said Rick Reeser, Village administrator.

The plan is to work on two rooms at a time, converting one to a private room and the other remaining, a semi-private room, both with a bathroom in between. "The downside to this remodeling is the noise, construction mess and reduction in number of residents we can have here," Mr. Reeser said.

Starting immediately, the Village staff will not be admitting any new residents and will be decreasing down to 43 beds from the current 51 beds. When the construction is completed, the staff will begin increasing residents to 48.

"We regret not meeting the lo-

cal community needs during this time, but these rooms and residents need this remodeling," he said.

The construction will involve only two rooms at a time and the work will be done between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

"We will be protecting the residents by blocking off the work in the rooms and often keeping the doors closed," Mr. Reeser said.

For most of the rooms, the remodeling only affects the windows and one wall separating the two rooms.

"We can do this work by having the construction workers use the window to move most of the building materials and tools in and out, thus not having a major impact on the day-to-day living in the Village," he said.

The administrator said that he is not sure how long it will take to remodel each pair of rooms, but it is hoped that the entire project will be done by the end of the year.

While residents will enjoy the rest rooms and other remodeling of the rooms, they will have the comfort of a new air conditioning and heating system.

"I have opted for the upscale heating and air conditioning system that is healthier for all occupants," he said, noting that the new system cleans the air several times a day.

The new system is also easier to control for the employees.

The administrator asks that people be patient while the project is going on. If there are any questions or concerns, he asks that calls be made to him at the Village, 785-332-2531.



Graves

Reception to be held

A going-away reception for Roberta Graves will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, April 15, in the fellowship hall of the United Methodist Church.

Her new address will be Apt. 222, 10695 W. 17th Ave., Lakewood, CO 80215. The phone number is 720-379-6025.

Open house set

Northwest Kansas Technical College, Goodland, plans an open house from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 11. Those interested are welcome to attend.

Those attending can take a campus tour, as well as view a classic car show, see program exhibits, or take part in a free-throw contest. There will be a free barbecue from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. mountain time.

Information sessions will also be held on enrollment including student housing and financial aid such as scholarships, grants and loans.

Contact the school toll free at 1-800-316-4127 or view their website at www.nwktc.edu.



VOLUNTEERS gathered to work on the new emergency building Saturday. The building is being put up with a KAN STEP grant funding the materials but it will take volunteer manpower to complete the job. The building is to be completed by March.

Herald staff photo by Casey McCormick

Students do well on assessment tests

The last set of preliminary Kansas Assessment results for reading at St. Francis junior/senior high school that will count toward this year's Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), showed the seventh and eighth grade students doing very well.

The 2006-2007 eighth grade class finished the reading test on Wednesday, March 28, posting outstanding scores. Of the eighth grade students, 95.7 percent achieved scores of "meets standard" or above.

"Amazingly, 11 of 23 eighth grade students who were tested scored in the highest possible category of 'exemplary,' and eight scored in the second to highest category of 'exceeds standard,'" said Rob Schiltz, assistant superintendent.

Students scoring exemplary were: Garrett Figgins, Brendan Finley, Mikaela Grace, Christina Hilt, Shayla Hilt, Brooks Hobrock, Brett Lampe, Alyssa Lee, Aly Marin, Aubree Schlepp

and Cody Sherlock.

"This is an outstanding accomplishment by the eighth grade class and their reading teacher, Lisa Gibson—something they should be very proud of," he said.

The seventh graders in Marti Schlittenhardt's English classes have now completed the 2007 Kansas Assessment for reading.

"The students did a fantastic job with 95.8 percent of them scoring 'meets standard' or above," Mr. Schiltz said.

According to Kansas law, 73.7 percent of the students tested in the

junior/senior high school must score at "meets standard" or above in order to achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). With St. Francis juniors already scoring in the 95 percent range, St. Francis students are well on their way to meeting the Adequate Yearly Progress goal for this year.

In addition to the overall class's accomplishment, seven of this year's seventh graders deserve spe-

cial recognition for scoring in the highest category possible, "exemplary," on the assessment. Those students are: Allison Grice, Ross Nicklos, Caitlin Northrup, Isaac Schiltz, Christina Schoenrogge, Matthew Tygart and Logan Whitmore.

"Congratulations to these students and to the entire class for your hard work and achievement," Mr. Schiltz concluded.

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