*6 St. Francis Herald



Seth and Erik Hart study the mural of county history painted by Janette Evins.

Herald photos by Janette Evins

Appreciation open house enjoyed by many

Over 90 people attended the appreciation open house at the Cheyenne County Museum on Sunday afternoon.

Several person were there that had served all 40 years and many others had been involved for the last 20. These people had built the Historical Society and the museum with a good foundation for younger people to build upon.

Punch and cookies were enjoyed as they browsed around and viewed the changes and new donations that are on display.

There was the opportunity to discuss new projects that are being worked on at the present time and the plans to get the Ye Olde Country Church back into a good condition.

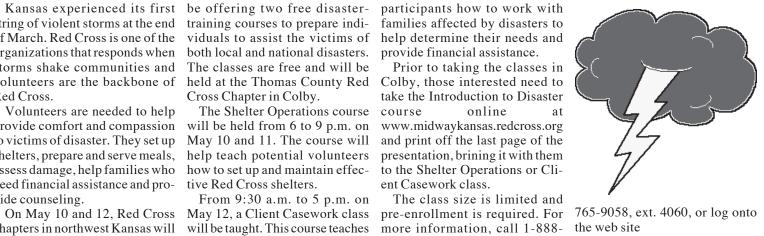
The next meeting will be on 5 p.m. on May 8 at the museum. Tom Keller and Althea LeBow will present a time-line program.



Dee Dorsch and Lucille Rossbach visit with Wilma Lampe as they discuss the volunteers for the museum.

Free disaster training courses scheduled to prepare individuals to assist when needed

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Volunteers help conservation service people

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One volunteer for the St. Francis eryone in it. We hope that national office, Marjorie Peter, has been an volunteer week will motivate oth-Earth Team volunteer since 1996. Once a month she has taken water ent to help our agency and its mislevel readings near her home for a water table study that is being conducted along the Republican River Harold Klaege, state conservabasin. Over the years, she has contributed over 130 hours to this project which will be wrapping up this spring.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Re- Program is available online at sources Conservation Service http://www.nrcs.usda.gov. (NRCS) takes pleasure in recognizing and honoring its Earth Team volunteers during National Volunteer Week, April 15 through April 21.

In Fiscal Year 2006, more than 45,000 Earth Team volunteers nationally donated more than 945,000 hours to conservation. The Earth Team Program, created in 1985, offers all types of opportunities to anyone over the age of 14 who is interested in volunteering and making a positive difference for the nation's natural resources.

Earth Team volunteers help the Natural Resources Conservation Service conservationists provide everything from conservation technical assistance to teaching and generating awareness about conservation through the use of community projects. Volunteers often can be found helping with projects impacting water quality, community beautification, and erosion control. In addition, Earth Team volunteers can work in the Natural Resources Conservation Service offices providing clerical, computer, and writing skills.

We at the Natural Resources Conservation Service are proud of the dedicated volunteers and employees who have committed their

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•The cream of enjoyment in this table experiment. - George life is always impromptu. The chance walk; the unexpected visit; the unpremeditated journey; beauty that constitutes the romantic the unsought conversation or acquaintance. - Fanny Fern

• Happiness is the only sanction at a blank sheet of paper until drops of life; where happiness fails, ex- of blood from on your forehead. istence remains a mad and lamen- Gene Fowler

In Cheyenne County, seven indi- time and talents to conserving and protecting soil, water, and wildlife for their community and evers to volunteer their time and talsion as we continue Helping People Help the Land," said tionist.

Additional information on Natural Resources Conservation Service programs and assistance and the Earth Team Volunteer

- Fun Facts -

Fun facts about volunteering here on earth

Earth Team

• 45,000 volunteers provided time to Natural Resources Conservation Service in 2006.

 996,000 hours were donated in 2006

 Value of volunteer time to the agency in 2006 equals \$17 million.

• Volunteers donated 478 staff years to Natural Resources Conservation Service during Fiscal Year 2006

2006 National Statistics on volunteering

(Based on information provided by Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor)

 61.2 million people volunteered through or for an organization in 2006

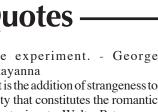
Volunteers spent an average of 52 hours on volunteer activities.

 About 43 percent of volunteers became involved after being asked.



• It is the addition of strangeness to character in art. - Walter Pater

Writing is easy. All yo do is stare



string of violent storms at the end training courses to prepare indiof March. Red Cross is one of the viduals to assist the victims of help determine their needs and organizations that responds when both local and national disasters. provide financial assistance. storms shake communities and volunteers are the backbone of Red Cross.

Volunteers are needed to help provide comfort and compassion to victims of disaster. They set up shelters, prepare and serve meals, assess damage, help families who need financial assistance and provide counseling.

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The classes are free and will be held at the Thomas County Red Cross Chapter in Colby.

The Shelter Operations course will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. on May 10 and 11. The course will and print off the last page of the help teach potential volunteers how to set up and maintain effective Red Cross shelters.

From 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on

families affected by disasters to

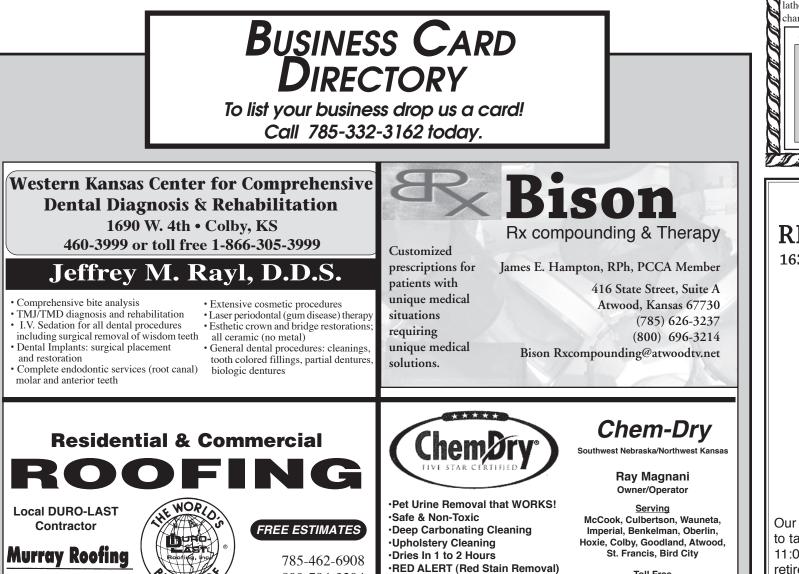
Prior to taking the classes in Colby, those interested need to take the Introduction to Disaster online course at www.midwaykansas.redcross.org

presentation, brining it with them to the Shelter Operations or Client Casework class.

The class size is limited and chapters in northwest Kansas will will be taught. This course teaches more information, call 1-888- the web site

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