

Engine rebuild shown

New this year at the car show was the engine rebuild. Winners, Mac Frewen, Teryn Richard, Sheree Klie and Tim Aaron, were taught by Bryan Herrich. Mr. Herrich teaches automotive mechanics at North Platte Community High School.

Mac and Teryn are students at St. Francis Community High School. Both said they were glad to have the opportunity to rebuild the engine.

Teryn thought it was fun and a good experience. She said she had helped her dad with bits and pieces of mechanic work but it was never that detailed.

"I found I can do anything I can set my mind to," she said. "We can all learn a lot if someone teaches us."

"I had never seen the inside of an engine," Mac said.

He said he had overhauled go-cart engines but the engine was nothing like this.

"I think it will be a great start if I ever decide to work on an engine," he said.

This was the first year for the engine makeover and it may be the first of many more makeovers.



NEW AT THE CAR SHOW this year was engine rebuild. Mac Frewen, left, and Teryn Richard, right, won the event. Both are St. Francis Community High School students and taught by Bryan Herrich, middle.
Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

County students earn scholarships

Students from Cheylin High School and St. Francis Community High School will be receiving scholarships from the Pete Henry Foundation. The Foundation is giving 148 scholarships this year.

This is the third year that the foundation is giving renewable scholarships. This year the renewable scholarships are for \$1500 for each semester for either four or eight semesters.

The Pete Henry Scholarship was created through the generosity of Pete Henry who was a farmer for many years in the Brewster area. Pete had an inquiring mind and knew the value of hard work, thrift and good management.

Those Cheylin/St. Francis students receiving scholarships this year are:

- \$2000 Vocational/Technical School or College; Adam Peter, St. Francis, and Lucius White, Cheylin,
- \$1500 to attend a college or

university; Aubrey Kehlbeck, Cheylin,

- \$1000 to attend a college or university; Danielle Flemming, St. Francis, Shaina Gohl, St. Francis, Amy Hilt, St. Francis, Terrence Jensen, Cheylin, Joshua Johnson, Cheylin, Amanda Nipps, St. Francis, Lauren Ross, St. Francis, Adrienne Swihart, St. Francis, Alecia Zimbelman, St. Francis, Janelle Zweygardt, St. Francis,

- \$750 to attend a college or university; Zaiba Ahmed, Cheylin, Mindy Cooper, St. Francis, Sarah Geise, St. Francis, Janae Glidwell, St. Francis, Travis Havel, St. Francis, Nathan Ketzner, St. Francis, Arthur Killingsworth, St. Francis, Aaron Linner, Cheylin, Brittany Lucas, St. Francis, Joel McAtee, St. Francis, Jessica Marshall, Cheylin, Russell Rogers, St. Francis, Brandon Rueb, St. Francis, and Levi Weeden, St. Francis.

Two students named Governor's Scholars

Aubrey Kehlbeck of Cheylin High School and Alecia Zimbelman of St. Francis Community High School have been named Governor's Scholars.

At the invitation of Governor Kathleen Sebelius, they were selected to attend the 24th annual Governor's Scholars Award Program on May 6 in Topeka.

The recognition ceremony honors the top academic 1 percent of Kansas high school seniors.

"These young Kansans have shown serious dedication to their studies and strong commitment to



Zimbelman



Kehlbeck

their goals," Governor Sebelius said. "I want to commend each of them, along with their families, teachers and mentors who have supported their efforts along the way. They should be very proud."

Extension Notes

Smokers, don't take a break when gardening

Smokers beware: keep your hands to yourselves when outdoors

If you're trying to be a considerate smoker and take your habit outdoors, don't touch the plants - even the weeds.

If you're gardening and take a break to use a tobacco product, use soapy water to wash hands thoroughly before getting back to the green thumb work, said Ward Upham, horticulturist with Kansas State University Research and Extension.

These rules may seem anti-tobacco. What they address, however, is the health of plants that range from tomatoes to marigolds, he said. At is-

sue is a disease called tobacco mosaic virus.

"As with any virus, once tobacco mosaic infects a plant, you might as well pull up the plant, bag it and throw it away," he said. "The best you can do is try to keep its infection from spreading, and sanitation is about the only weapon we have."

"That might sound like no big deal in a state with no tobacco farming. But, tobacco mosaic gets shipped into every U.S. state daily, because tobacco products commonly contain the virus."

Just handling those products can make anyone a carrier, he said. In turn, one touch from a carrier can pass the

disease along.

University scientists in the U.S. tobacco states have found the virus can survive on unwashed hands for hours. It can survive on contaminated clothing for about two years, on wood benches for as long as eight years and in dried plant material (cigarette tobacco) for up to 50 years.

The virus can persist on exposed tools, in contaminated soil and on contaminated plants' seed.

Tobacco mosaic became the world's first identified (described) plant virus in the mid 1800s. Since then, scientists have found these virus infections worldwide in more than 150 types of non-woody plants, including many vegetables, flowers and weeds.

"In Kansas, it causes the most economic problems in tomato plants," Mr. Upham said. "But, it also can attack such widely varying garden staples as peppers, eggplants, potatoes and spinach. It can affect the petunia, snapdragon, phlox and delphinium. Almost any vegetable in the cucurbit family is at risk."

Symptoms of the virus-caused disease can vary from plant type to plant type, he said.

Generally, though, they include mottled leaf colors, distorted or downward-curling leaf growth, and overall stunted plant growth. In vegetables, they may also include various kinds of fruit discolorations and either poor quality or lost production.

Three additional actions can reduce the odds for the virus infection: 1) Shop for seeds or plant varieties that are resistant to the disease; 2) Plant tomatoes away from other susceptible crops; and 3) Keep herbaceous plants' growing sites well weeded.

Many of the weeds in the nightshade, amaranth and goosefoot families can serve as a virus host, he explained.

"Most of all, though, don't introduce the tobacco mosaic virus into your own landscape by just smoking and then forgetting to wash your hands," Mr. Upham said. "That would be such a careless waste."

St. Francis News

A 75th birthday party and supper was held Saturday evening for Walter Forsythe.

Enjoying the celebration were Amelia Henderson, Ron and Bernice Wieck and Chaisley of St. Francis, Joe and Dixie Kliesen, Reegan, Taige and

Jarrett of Wright, Gabe and Shanda Williams, Lexie and Hailey of Arkansas City; Dave and Arlene Merklin of Benkelman, Neb., Johnny and Diana Nichols of Goodland, Trevor Henderson of Goodland and Freddie and Diana Stasser of St. Francis

Congrats Uncle Nathan!
~ Love Taylor

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is now accepting applications for the **Director** position. Large Center Director qualifications are required as listed in the Rules and Regulations of Child Care Licensing #7.702.52. These may be found at <http://www.cdhs.state.co.us/policies.htm>
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~ From your family

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Offices will be closed on May 28th.
The newspaper will be delivered a day later.

Bird City Benefit Dinner
Sloppy Joes, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Relishes, Desserts, Coffee/Tea
To assist tornado victims in Cheyenne County
Thursday, May 24
Sellable Rummage Sale: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Dinner: 5-6:30 p.m.
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