

## 35 seniors graduate on Sunday

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Thirty-five St. Francis high school seniors will graduate at 2 p.m. on Sunday in the high school gymnasium. Both Cheylin and Idalia seniors will also graduate this weekend with Cheylin seniors graduating at 3 p.m. on Saturday in the Cheylin gymnasium in Bird City. The Idalia graduation ceremony will start at 2 p.m. mountain standard time on Sunday in the Idalia school gymnasium.

### St. Francis

Class president Megan Rice will give the senior talk and Alecia Zimbelman, class vice president, will bid farewell in behalf of the seniors.

The class will sing "Good Times," and the concert band will present "Celebrata."

Pastor J.W. Glidewell, First Baptist Church, will present the message along with the benediction and invocation.

Each year, St. Francis seniors are the recipients of many scholarships provided through local organiza-

tions and individuals as well as those provided by colleges and universities. The scholarships will be awarded by Principal Scott Carmichael and class sponsor Steve Jenkins. The presentation of diplomas will be made by Kelly Gienger, school board president; and Cliff Raile, board member, with the help of Mr. Carmichael.

St. Francis graduating seniors are: Andrea Blair, Melissa Burton, Martin Church, Mindy Cooper, Cameron Fiala, Tyler Finley, Danielle Flemming, Brady Frewen, Maclain Frewen, Sarah Geise, Jordan Gienger, Janae Glidewell, Shaina Gohl, Travis Havel, Amy Hilt, Nathan Ketzner, Benjamin Killingsworth, Brittany Lucas, Aren McAtee, Joel McAtee, Zachery Mills, Amanda Nipps, Adam Peter, Megan Rice, Russell Rogers, Lauren Ross, Brandon Rueb, Arden Schneider, Adrienne Swihart, Miranda Teeters, Anderegg Waite, Levi Weeden, Brennon Wilger, Alecia Zimbelman and Janelle Zwegardt.

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LOVELY IN THEIR LONG DRESSES were Shalyn Zwegardt, left, and Jessica Confer as they performed in the Dance Ranch Mother's Day program on Sunday.

Herald staff photo by Lezlie McCormick

## Residents gather to talk about city street redesign

By Sandy Barnhart

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The St. Francis City Council called a special meeting on Tuesday, May 8, to discuss the condition and redesign of Parkway Drive.

The street has caused considerable

trouble with water running off U.S. 36, Lorraine and College streets. Lawns, backyards, retaining walls and basements have been destroyed.

Fourteen residents on Parkway Drive attended the meeting in hopes of finding a solution to the problem. The council mem-

bers had hired Darin Neufeld, engineer with EBH and Associates, Goodland, to do a study on the street that had cost around \$15,000.

The council noted that the street is not a "quick-fix" situation — just patching or general maintenance was not an answer to

the problem. That was why an engineer was hired to make the study.

The outcome of the study was to lay a 6-foot concrete slab down the middle of the street with asphalt on the sides. The estimated cost for this project would be \$114,617. The other option would be to pour

the whole street in concrete. All concrete would cost at least \$155,000.

Either proposal would allow the water to flow down the middle of the street keeping much of the runoff off residents' lawns and backyards. Normally the cost would be

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## Renewals stay in county

Kansas counties will be allowed to continue processing driver's license renewals in the rural areas.

Jerry Moran, congressman, said that proposed federal regulations governing the 2005 REAL ID Act would allow county treasurers to

offer this service as long as specific security standards were followed. The Act sets uniform security features for licenses and requires a state to verify the identities of an applicant.

This Act is to take effect in May

2008, with a federally granted extension of 19 months. States are not bound to the rules but could lose federal aid if they do not comply.

At one time it was thought this service would be stripped from

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## Family gives memorial

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The St. Francis Board of Education approved the gift of a \$500 per year scholarship from the family of former teacher, Bud Burnham, at the Thursday meeting.



Burnham

Eunice Burnham and her daughters, Jessi, Jenni and Julie, are giving a \$500 scholarship to this a senior this year and each year until the memorial funds run out. At that time, the family ask that they be notified so they can consider giving more to keep the scholarship current.

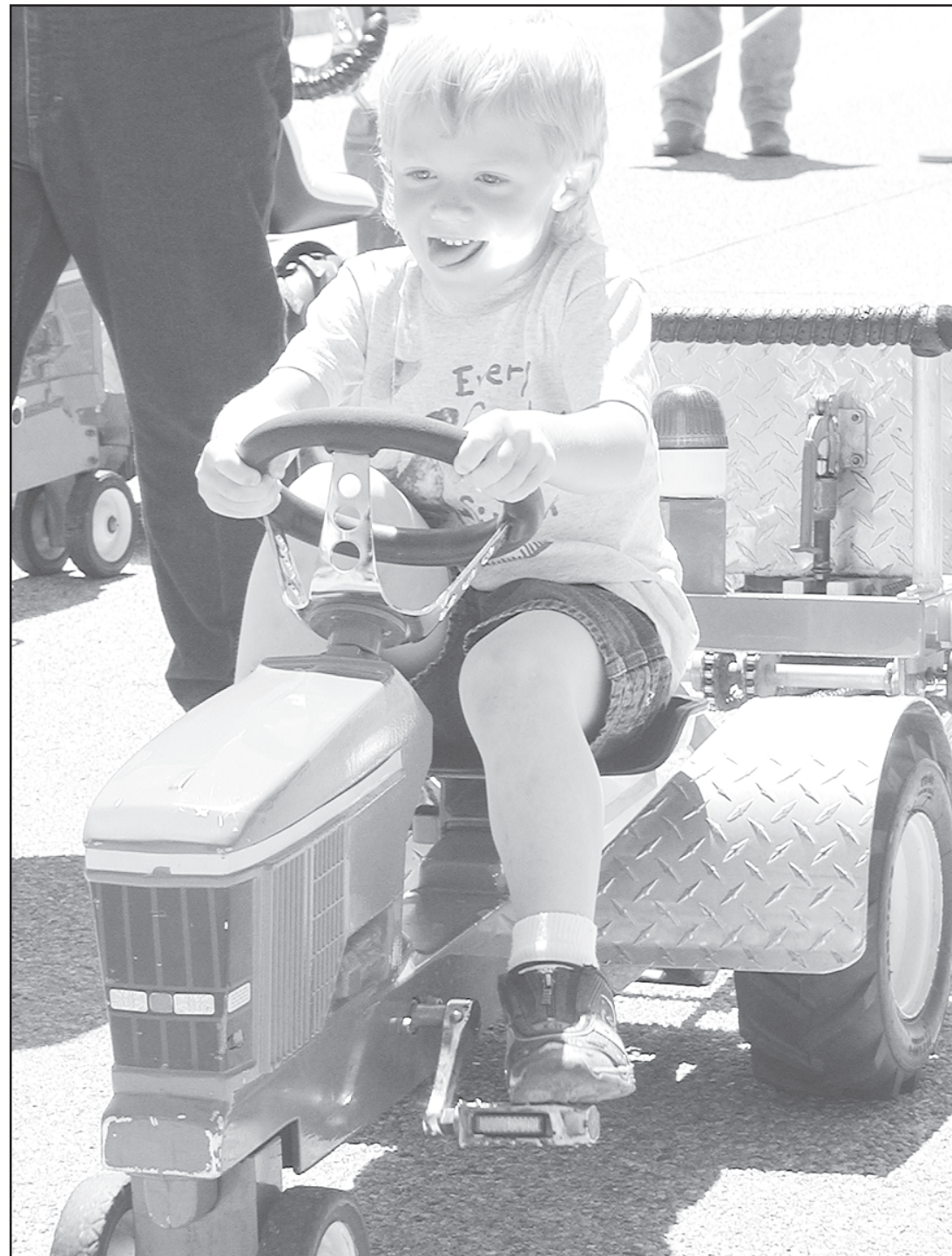
The family asked that the counselor, when selecting candidates for the scholarship, consider those who are involved in athletics and the shop program.

### 38 years teaching

Mr. Burnham came to St. Francis to teach school in 1959 and during the next 38 years, he was a teacher, administrator and coach. Most of his former students might remember him as their industrial arts teacher and their coach.

Mr. Burnham attended elementary and high school in Cheyenne County, graduating with the class of 1954. He went on to attend Trinidad (Colo.) Junior College on a football scholarship, then transferred to Colorado State College (now the University of Northern Colorado) where he earned an undergraduate

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SHADRYON BLANKA was one of the winners in the Kids Pedal Tractor Pull on Saturday. Over 60 kids participated.

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## Regionals are Friday

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Friday is an important day for all tracksters. Members of the St. Francis squad have been practicing all season to earn the right to qualify for State and Friday is the day it happens.

Regional 2A track assignments have been released and the St. Francis Indians will be one of 16 teams to compete at WaKeeney.

"I hope we are peaking at the right time," Coach Tim Lambert said. "I feel pretty good about where we're at.

"We have a good shot at qualifying a number of kids. It's what happens, not what looks good on paper, that counts, though."

Those who finish in the top three positions at each of the 2A Regionals will travel to the state meet the following weekend in Wichita. Also qualifying will be some fourth place finishers with good times.

Several Indians and Lady Indians will have the opportunity to step up at Regionals and qualify to represent St. Francis next weekend.

## Students do well at State

The St. Francis High School Journalism class traveled to Lawrence on May 4 where they competed in State competition.

Brenda Day, instructor, said the students had a great contest.

"We are a team and make each other better," she said.

Those placing were: Amanda

Nipps, second place, Feature Photography; Mac Frewen, second, Infographics; Mindy Cooper, third, Infographics; Addie Swihart, honorable mention, Cutline Writing;

Alecia Zimbelman, honorable mention, Headline Writing; Holly Keller, honorable mention, Newspaper Sports; Megan Rice, Hon-

orable Mention, newspaper Sports;

Cassie Dankenbring, honorable mention, Theme Development and Graphics; Lauren Ross, honorable mention, Theme Development and Graphics; Dara Loyd, honorable mention, Theme Development and Graphics.