



THE TOSS!! Seniors gave a joyous toss of the hats following graduation service.

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Seniors graduate



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Thirty-five St. Francis seniors graduated on Sunday in the high school gymnasium.

Megan Rice, class president, talked about the yellow brick road from the *Wizard of Oz*.

Referring to "If I only had a brain," she noted that the wisdom acquired in St. Francis will help guide the senior's words, actions and choices made in daily life.

"If I only had courage" - yes, it will take courage to leave home, school and community as, now, they will be interviewing for new jobs, entering new classrooms and meeting new people.

"If I only had a heart." She talked about the people who have forgiven and encouraged the seniors.

Megan bid her classmates to follow the yellow brick road, to speak slowly, use kind words and remember that this town will always be a home.

"And, remember the words of the



Rice



Zimbelman

classic rock band America, which said, 'Oz didn't give anything to the Tin Man that he didn't already have,' she concluded.

"Classmates, congratulations!! We have made it!" said Alecia Zimbelman, class vice president, in her farewell talk.

In behalf of the seniors, she thanked the community, school administration and teachers, family and parents for being there for them.

Some feel sadness in leaving the community and school, she said. Others are happy, excited to branch out into life's next new
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Many receive scholarships

St. Francis students receive many dollars in scholarships each year. This year was no exception.

Two students, Alecia Zimbelman and Russell Rogers, received \$3,000 in Greene Memorial Scholarship funds while Lauren Ross, Nathan Ketzner, Addie Swihart, Danielle Flemming, Megan Rice, Amy Hilt, Shaina Gohl, Brittany Lucas, Amanda Nipps, Mac Frewen, Zach Mills, Brennon Wilger and Jordan Gienger received \$1,500 each.

Local and College Scholarships

Andrea Blair: Colby Community College Academic, \$400, Band and Vocal Tuition and Books; Cheyenne County Young Miss Award, \$50; St. Francis Firemen Scholarship, \$250.
Melissa Burton: Work.

Martin Church: United States Marines.

Mindy Cooper: Colby Community College Academic, \$400; Pete Henry Scholarship, \$750; Cheyenne County Young Miss Award, \$275; Pauline Wagner Memorial Scholarship, \$200; Cheyenne County Cruisers, \$500.

Cameron Fiala: Tyler Finley: Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1528 and It's Ladies Auxiliary, \$300.

Danielle Flemming: Fort Hays State University Bronze Award, \$400; Award of Excellence in Allied Health, \$500; Peter Henry Scholarship, \$1,000; Walter and Lucille Stephenson Scholarship, \$500.
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LETTERS PAINTED IN RED! Manager Lauren Ross, right, and Corbin Sherlock paint letters letting people know the rules at the pool.

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Swim pool opens Monday

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School is out and kids are ready to head for the swimming pool. The pool will open at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, May 28. The swimming pool is open seven days a week with special hours on Saturdays which is also private party night.

Pool hours Sundays through Fridays will be 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. On Saturdays, the pool will

open at 1:30 and close at 5:30 p.m. Lap swimming will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Midnight swims for those 14 years of age and older will be held on Thursdays from 10 p.m. until midnight.

Private parties may be scheduled on Saturday nights. Call the pool 332-3410 for more information. The Swimming Pool Committee

made up of Bruce Swihart, Natalie Rogers, Margaret Poling and Larry Finley, community members; Carla Lampe, city council member, and J.R. Landenberger, city superintendent.

Pool manager Lauren Ross reminds parents that those children under 4 years of age are admitted free but, they must be accompanied by a person who is 14 or older.
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Team heads to State meet

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Several Indians won the right to attend the 2A State Track Meet in Wichita on Friday and Saturday. Going from St. Francis will be six

tracksters in individual events including Sidnee Crabtree in the shot put, Lauren Ross in the 400-meter dash, Rice in the 300-meter hurdles for the girls and Levi Weeden in both the discus and javelin. AJ

McAtee and Ted Crabtree in the pole vault and Joel McAtee in the long jump.

Coach Tim Lambert will also be taking two girls relay teams. The
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Grant received for steps

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Terry Miller, county clerk, reported Monday that the Kansas State Historical Society has awarded Cheyenne County a Heritage Trust Fund Grant of \$78,384 to replace the steps on the courthouse. The steps will be replaced with limestone, the same material which was originally used when the courthouse was built in 1924.

The estimated cost of the project is \$97,000. The county will pay the

remaining \$18,616. The cost for the county will be less than it would have been to run concrete steps.

Greg Kite, former St. Francis resident and the person who was responsible for trying to restore the steps back to their original state, said there were 68 grants submitted and only 19 were funded.

At the Jan. 31 commissioners' meeting, Mr. Kite presented the possible plans which would allow the courthouse steps to be replaced with limestone. He had told the commis-

sioners that, by writing for a grant, it would be a "win-win deal" as the county would pay only what it would cost to replace the steps with cement. But, the end product would be limestone and would be restoring the historical landmark back to the original materials.

"It (the courthouse) is a beautiful show piece," he said. "The building appears much the same as when constructed in 1924. It has excellent integrity and over all appearance. The
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Village has new trainee

The Good Samaritan Village nursing home, St. Francis, has a new administrator in training.

Rick Reeser, administrator, officially welcomed Connie Morris, St. Francis to the Administrator-in-Training program. Mrs. Morris will complete a four- to six-month internship at the Village.

During this time she will be required to complete several courses through the Cowley County Community College, be assessed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and will seek a nationally recognized Adult Care Home Admin-
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ADMINISTRATOR IN TRAINING, Connie Morris, right, goes over a patient's records with Janet Siefried, director of nursing.

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