



CLOUDS OF DUST were in the air when the action was over at the 2006 demolition derby. The fair derby was one of the biggest derbies in the area. Another big derby is planned for Saturday at the fair.

Another big derby is planned for Saturday at the fair. Herald staff photo by Casey McCormick

Big derby set for Saturday night

By Karen Krien

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The Cheyenne County Fair Demolition Derby is going to be a bigger, better and a more hard-hitting derby than in year's past.

Clay Zimbelman, fair board member and committee head, is excited about the upcoming derby which will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday in front of the grandstand.

"We have had many who called indicating they are planning to attend and it should be a good derby and a big derby," he said, adding that, last year, the fair derby had 10 more cars than most of the other area derbies.

The derby will be a "Hobo" (no weld) derby and rules for the cars are the same as those in surrounding towns.

"If our rules are the same, then drivers can compete in one derby and then get the car back into shape for another derby," Mr. Zimbelman said.

Head judge this year is Ron Neitzel. He will have his crew out on the derby arena. Mr. Neitzel is a

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Danny M. Penn to Kenton L. Allard, et ux, Lots 3, 4 5 and 6 in Block 21 in St. Francis.

Prairie Land Electric Cooperative, Inc. to American Legion, Everett L. Nelson Post No. 352, Inc., Lot 5, Block 37 in Bird City.

Marilyn F. Rhoades, et vir, to Andrew K. Beikman, et ux, a tract in the SE1/4SW1/4 of Sec. 7-4S-39W in Cheyenne County.

Kalee, LLP to Michael C. Workman, et ux, the SE1/4 of Sec. 31-3S-41W in Cheyenne County.

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Rodney McGowan, et ux, to Max D. Fisher, et ux, the NW1/4 of Sec. 1-1S-42W in Cheyenne County.

Krien Family Limited Partnership, L.P. to CR Interest, LLC, Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 in Block 20 in Bird City.

David G. Flemming, et ux, to Jeter A.F. Isely, et ux, the N1/2 of Sec. 36-2S-39W in Cheyenne County.

Randy D. Andrist, et ux, to James G. Davis, et ux, the E1,188' of the E1/2SE1/4 of Sec. 27-4S-39W in Cheyenne County.

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Peter J. Kinen, et ux, and Phillip J. Kinen to Mark D. Cooper, et ux, all of Lots 10, 11 and 12 in Block 22 in St. Francis.

Judy Carol Brenner to Brandon J. Lee, et ux, a tract of land in the SW1/4 of Sec. 11-5S-39W in Cheyenne County.

Benkelman Family Partnership to K and J Banister Farms, LP, the SE1/4 of Sec. 22-2S-37W in Cheyenne County.

judge at other derbies and he has received good reviews.

Mr. Zimbelman said the derby is expected to begin on time with the driver's meeting being held prior to starting time.

Prizes/trophies

The trophies will again be unique and impressive, Mr. Zimbelman said. The first place trophy stands 4-foot tall. It will be on display at NAPA on St. Francis Main Street until the derby on Saturday.

Besides the trophies, prize money will be handed out to the winners. Depending on the number of cars participating, the first place prize money will be \$1,000 with 21 or more cars participating. Second place will be \$700; third, \$500; and fourth, \$250. If there are more cars, prize money goes to \$1,000. If there are 31 more cars or more participating, the first prize will amount to \$1,500.

2006 winners

Placing first was Shane Ripper, Culbertson; Kelley Faylor, second; Brad Faylor, third; and Derek Fromholtz, fourth. The winner of the Mad Dog trophy was Dustin Andrist. Rookie of the Year was Keaton Frewen. Frewen also earned the eighth Bonzai Bob award in memory of Bob Krien.

Mud bog

In between the derby heats, the mud bog will be held. See related article for more information.

Many fair events planned during the day on Saturday

By Karen Krien

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Saturday marks the last day of the fair but also a day packed full of fair activities.

The day will start with the parade at 10 a.m. beginning at the east end of St. Francis' Main Street. A separate parade article is printed elsewhere in this issue.

Mud volleyball action begins at noon. Tina and Kirby Elliott are in charge of the games. They reported that the teams are filling fast. The mud volleyball games are held at the two courts just west of the baseball diamond at the fairgrounds. Mrs. Elliott advises that anyone playing should plan to wear protective coverings on their feet as there are sand-burs.

At 12:30 the open class pet show will start in the small show arena at the fairgrounds. This show has grown from just a few pets to a large, interesting show. Classes will be formed as the pets are entered.

The home-owned carnival will start the engines at 4 p.m. for the last night of rides for another year. They will shut down at midnight.

The barbecue, prepared and served by the Knights of Columbus members, will start at 4:30 and last until 6 p.m. Barbecued beef sandwiches, plus baked beans, potato chips and iced tea will be served and

Western Kansas Farm Credit will have watermelon. The all-you-can-eat meal is a free-will offering but the Knights are suggesting a donation of \$5 per person. Proceeds will be used by the Knights for commu-

nity projects in both Bird City and St. Francis.

The demolition derby and four-wheel all-terrain vehicle (ATV) mud bog contest will start at 7 p.m. in front of the grandstand.

MARSHAL

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right and had a roof for shade in the hot summer sun.



Zwegardt

Mr. Zwegardt said a man had come to the grounds and offered to help. They sent him up to the roof to help put on the tin.

"He put on one sheet and came down," Mr. Zwegardt said, and asked, "'Do you have any ditches to dig?'"

Grandstand entertainment included baseball games and, later, included rodeos and horse and chariot races.

"They were also local guys who brought their horses in," Mr. Zwegardt said. "Most of them weren't very fast but everyone enjoyed it."

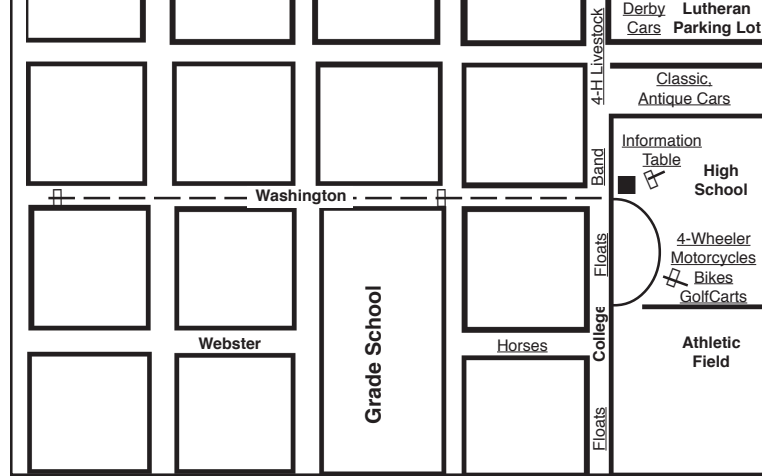
During those first few years of developing the fairgrounds, part of a Foster Lumberyard building was moved to the fairgrounds for a livestock building. Later, the block building was built and named after the home extension leader, Ms. Jenkins.

To help pay for the fairgrounds and buildings, admission was charged for events. Mr. Zwegardt said everyone, even board members, paid to get in.

Mr. Zwegardt has not only stood on the curb and watched the parade but has helped with them and, he and his wife Irene even rode their horses in the parade.

He said he is happy and excited to be the fair marshal this year.

In an earlier articles, Mr. Zwegardt was asked what he enjoyed the most about fair now and he said, "Everything, especially the carnival. It is a place where people can bring their children and they can ride while the parents visit and go to the programs."



Fair parade lineup

PARADE

Continued from Page 1 Chamber of Commerce. Chairman Carla Lampe reported that, for awhile, it looked like the number of floats would be down but, in the last week, the people, organizations and businesses are getting their floats together.

"It should be a great parade," she said.

While people don't have to fill

out an entry form, those people who had floats in the past are planning to have them again this year and there are new floats."

Criteria for judging floats include: 1) Unique theme creation; 2) creative use of material; and 3) originality.

There is a grand champion overall winner and three divisions: Family; Organization/Church; and Commercial.

"You don't have to spend a lot of money to win," Mrs. Lampe said. "Just look at the criteria the judges use for picking the float."

There will be an information table at the top of Washington Street in front of the high school. Those wanting to know where they should line up for the parade should stop by or check out the map printed in this issue of the newspaper. There will also be a parking map available at the school.

Floats are to line up on College Street along the east side in the student parking area. All derby cars are to line up in the Peace Lutheran Church parking lot; bikes, motorcycles, golf carts and ATVs should park in the circle drive in front of the high school gym.

Horses should line up on the east end of Webster Street; classic and antique autos will be located on the drive just north of the high school auditorium, and the 4-H livestock with kids will be behind the Once Again Sound Band east of Larry Forsythe's residence on Washington Street.

"Main Street has lots of shade trees and there are benches but to make sure you are comfortable, bring lawn chairs and lots of water," Mrs. Lampe said.

FAIR

Continued from Page 1 On Thursday evening, the team sorting, barrel racing and team roping will start at 7 p.m. in the grandstand arena.

Gary Cooper, chairman, said there was quite a little interest in the team sorting competition. There will be 10 head of cattle in arena, each with a number. There will be three members on a team and when they cross the start line, a number will be called and the team will have to bring three back in order.

"We are hoping for 10 to 12 teams in the team sorting and 20 to 25 teams in the three-head progressive-on-one roping competition.

Friday evening

Friday evening grandstand entertainment will be the lawn mower races. Mr. Zimbelman, chairman, said he is expecting the competition to be good and a number of racers have already entered. The course will be twisted and have turns. Most of the lawn mowers will be traveling at a top speed of 23 to 24 miles per hour.

In between the heats, there will be four-wheeler exhibition races.

Saturday evening

Saturday evening is the demolition derby. See related article for more information.

Thursday

4-H swine show - 8 a.m.
4-H sheep show - 11 a.m.
4-H Goat show - noon.
Rockeyry judging - 2 p.m.
Team sorting, barrel racing and team roping, grandstand - 7 p.m.

Friday

4-H/FFA beef show - 8 a.m.
Buck calf show - 10 a.m.
Open class cow/calf show - 12:30 p.m.
Round Robin - 2 p.m.
Entries for lawn mower race - 5 p.m.
Premium Sale - 6 p.m.
Lawn mower racing, grandstand - 8 p.m.

See related article for Saturday's fair activities.



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