

Light parade's a month away

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The Christmas opening in St. Francis and the annual Light Parade are just a month away but that is 30 days to start planning an entry in the parade.

Sponsored by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce, the plans have been set. Each year, the town opens the Christmas season the day after Thanksgiving.

Stores are open extra hours and are stocked with items for Christmas giving.

The Treasure Hunt, which has been held for so many years, people don't remember when it started, will be held again. The hunt will be held two times during the Christmas season, once on Nov. 23 and again on Dec. 17.

"In other words, if you don't find your matching number on the 23rd, save it to see if there is a match on Dec. 17," said Gloria Bracelin, Chamber secretary.

If the number matches, there will be a prize waiting inside the business. Treasure Hunt numbers are only located in participating businesses.

The highlight of the Christmas opening is the Light Parade. This parade is easy to build a float or entry for. Held at dusk, all that is needed are lights — lots of lights — maybe some music and maybe a theme. People creating and riding the floats say they have a much fun as those standing on the sides of Main Street.

Since there are no advanced entries needed (just show up at the high school), entries can be planned and made on Thanksgiving Day and finished up by dark on Friday. This is a great activity for house guests and families from out-of-town looking for something to do.

There are two rules: 1) The only Santa is the "real" Santa who will be visiting with children at Bankwest following the parade; and 2) throwing candy is not recommended as it is dark and children cannot be seen if they are darting in the street to retrieve candy.

There will be a "People's Choice" award. Voting places will be announced nearer to the Christmas opening. The trophy will be kept by the winner until next year's parade.

People are urged to start planning today.

"The Bracelin family started planning last year after the parade," Mrs. Bracelin said. "See ya there!"

Sainty graduate receives scholarship

Lee Ruben Zimbelman of St. Francis, has received a \$500 scholarship from the Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland. Lee graduated St. Francis Community High School in 2005.

lyst program at the college in August. He has currently been chosen as a member in College's Ambassador Club.



Zimbelman

Veterans memorabilia wanted

The St. Francis Public Library would like to have a display of veterans' pictures or memorabilia's during the month of November. Please share yours. Leave items at the library for hanging or display.

Call 332-2766 for more information.

Benefit dinner

A benefit spaghetti dinner will be held for Johnny Eggers from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday at the St. Joseph Catholic Church parish hall in Bird City. Since he became ill a year ago, Johnny has numerous doctor bills and other expenses.

Memorial golf tournament

The Terry Brenner Memorial Backwards golf tournament will be held on Sunday with breakfast at 10 a.m. and tee off at 11 a.m.

Canner gauge testing

Pressure Canner Gauge Testing will be available in the Cheyenne County Extension Office Oct. 22 through 29. It is a good idea to have your canner gauge checked once a year. All that is needed for the test is your lid and gauge. Please call 785-332-3171 with any questions.

Music practice

The Once Again Sound Band and St. Francis Singers will rehearse tonight (Thursday) at Ruth and Jim Milliken's home, 202 W. Webster, St. Francis. Practice for the band is from 7 to 8 p.m.; singers from 8 to 9 p.m. New members are always welcome. Both groups will be learning Christmas music to perform in St. Francis. Call 785-332-3634 for more information.

Trunk or Treat Sunday

United Methodist Church Trunk or Treat is Sunday at 6 p.m. There will be snacks, games and prizes for the best decorated car, scariest car and best adult costume.

Development annual meeting

The Cheyenne County Development Corporation will hold an annual meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 8, in the new computer lab at the St. Francis Community High School. The public is welcome to

Cemetery Tour

Many people were disappointed that the Eastern Cheyenne County Cemetery Tour was canceled last Sunday because of the weather. The good news is that it will be rescheduled in the spring.

Hospital Guild

The Hospital Guild will meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 5, at the Senior Center. Dr. Melvin Dunn will speak on "Dental Care for the Aged." Hostesses will be Alice Lampe and Eileen Nolan.

Baptist Church Reformation Conference

First Baptist Church, St. Francis, will be hosting a Reformation Weekend Conference, Oct. 26-28. This year's conference theme is The glory of God in the Face of Christ. The speaker for the conference will be Dr. Tom Nettles.

There will be five meetings beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday. For further information, call 332-3921.

Historical Society

Members of the Historical Society are asked to vote in the election on November 13th at 5:30 p.m. at the Museum.

Elmer Kellner reports the following candidates for board positions: President Lea Keller and Milton Lampe; Vice President Janet Carman; Secretary Dee Dorsch; Trustee Debbie Harper and Helene Landenberger (three years); Trustee Marcia Hickert (one year). There will be nominations from the floor.

Fair Board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet at 8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 1, at the commissioner's room.

City Council

The St. Francis City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 6, at the new city hall building.

Board of Education

The next meeting of the St. Francis Board of Education has been moved from Thursday, Nov. 8, to Tuesday, Nov. 13. Because of the time change the meeting will start

at 7:30 p.m. in the library at the high school.

Cheyenne County Hospital Board

The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. today (Thursday) in the basement of the clinic in St. Francis.

Cheyenne County Commissioners

The commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Wheeler Equity meeting

The annual Wheeler Equity stockholders' meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the St. Francis Community High School cafeteria. One director will be elected.

Those planning to attend need to call 785-332-2281 by 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 29, so the staff can plan for the amount of food needed for the meal.

Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission and Pioneer Country Development annual meeting

The Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission and Pioneer Country Development annual meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, Nov. 6, at the Americinn, Cole/Specter Conference Center on I-70 and Highway 281 in Russell. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner being served at 7 p.m., followed by the evening's speaker. All individuals interested in economic development for northwest Kansas are encouraged to attend. For reservations, contact Ruth Deines at (785)421-2151 or email nwkpcd@ruraltel.net by Nov. 2.

Library Art Gallery

Metal works by Bruce Feikert will be on display during the month of October at the St. Francis Public Library Art Gallery. There are about 20 exhibits.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 1, at the county clerk's office. You may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572.

Recovery Today/Narcotics Anonymous

Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

Sainty Serenity Seekers/Alcoholics Anonymous

Sainty Serenity Seekers open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday evening at the United Methodist Educational Building at 104 W. Webster, St. Francis. Call (785) 332-6542 for more information

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. Weekly support groups are available for women and children within the northwest Kansas area. For information or if you are in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624

Weather

Table with columns: Date, High, Low, Prec. Rows: Oct. 16, Oct. 17, Oct. 18, Oct. 19, Oct. 20, Oct. 21, Oct. 22



Imperial Chamber of Commerce Host's its ANNUAL ART & CRAFT FAIR Sat., Nov. 3 ~ 9 a.m.-4 p.m. MT 10th & Wellington Streets ~ Imperial, Neb.

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 39 min. Oct. 26, 27 & 28 The Seeker Action/Adventure, Science Fiction/Fantasy and Adaptation

Heritage Corner Cafe 785-734-2275 ~ 104 W. Bressler ~ Bird City 2nd Anniversary Celebration SPECIALS 16 oz. Milk Shake \$1.95 Oct. 26th 1 Dip Sundae \$1.10 thru Quarter Pounder w/Fries \$3.45 Oct. 31st add Cheese \$3.70

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2006 DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES Published in The St. Francis Herald, St. Francis, Kansas, and the Bird City Times, Bird City Kansas, Thursdays Oct. 25, Nov. 1, and 8, 2007. (44-46) In accordance with 19-547 law general statute 1982 Kansas, the following Personal Property 16/20M Truck tax warrants were returned by the Sheriff of Cheyenne County, KS to my office this October 2007.

WEEKLY SPECIALS Prices Effective Oct. 25 - 30 Dole Premium Bananas 4/\$100 Washington State Cameo Apples 2/\$1.00 Green Giant Baby Carrots (1 lb. bag) 89¢ Red Potatoes (5 lb. bag) \$1.49 Sparboe Farm "Grade A" Lg. Eggs (doz.) \$1.29 Blue Bunny Orange Juice (1/2 gal.) \$2.49 Kraft American Single (16 slices) \$1.99 Oscar Mayer Deli Shaved Meats (9 oz.) 2/\$5.00 Boneless/Skinless Chicken Breasts (2.5 lb. bag) \$4.99 Banquet Crock Pot Classics (46 oz. bag) \$3.99 Wilderness Cherry Pie Filling (21 oz. can) \$1.99 Hormel Chili w/Beans (15 oz. can) \$1.19 GW Granulated Sugar (4 lb. bag) \$1.49 KIDS!! Stop by Halloween Evening to pick-up a FREE TREAT! We'll be open til 8:30 p.m. LAST WEEK to Register for the FREE BRONCO TICKETS. We will Draw on Nov. 1. Tickets include overnight lodging. Order your Thanksgiving Pie Now! To guarantee Delivery of a Great Village Pie from Eustis, Neb., call or stop by the Hilltop to place your order. Choose from: Apple, Berry Medley, Blackberry, Black Cherry, Blueberry, Cherry, Cranapple Nut, Gooseberry, Peach, Pumpking, Raspberry/Peach, Rhubarb, Strawberry Rhubarb. Any Pie for \$10.49! You'll Like Our Selection & Love Our Prices! "The Little Store that Can!" 100% Home-Owned & Always Reasonable Prices! Hilltop General Store 785-332-2277 Hwy. 36 & Benton Street ~ St. Francis Open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. 7 days a week

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CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS 785-332-2104 Cheyenne County Hospital Open House Sunday, November 11 2-4 p.m. CT Meet the New Providers: ~ Dr. Rebecca Allard ~ ~ Tyler Raile, PA-C ~ ~ Kristle Neuhalfen, PA-C ~ Tour the hospital and see the new ambulance entrance, patient room lifts, new equipment and the physical therapy area including the Aquatic Therapy pool. Please come to the main front hospital entrance