

Bulletin Board

Holiday hours

The office of The Saint Francis Herald will be closed on Monday, Dec. 24 and Tuesday, Dec. 25 for the Christmas holiday and Monday, Dec. 31 and Tuesday, Jan. 1 for the New Year's holiday.

Ads, copy and pictures deadline for the Dec. 27 issue of the Herald and Times is noon on Friday, Dec. 21, and the deadline for the Jan. 3 issue is noon on Friday, Dec. 28.

Twinderella The Musical

The seventh and eighth grade girls will be presenting *Twinderella the Musical* on Monday. Check ad for time and place.

Christmas in the Country

Christmas in the Country will be held at the Salem Lutheran Church on Saturday, Dec. 22. Check ad for the correct time.

Sagebrush Shootout

The final round of the Sagebrush Shootout basketball tournament will be held on Saturday. The Indians play at 10 a.m. and the Lady Indians at 1:30 p.m. Games will be held in Brewster.

Basketball cancellation

The St. Francis/Rawlins County basketball game which had been changed to Feb. 8 has now been canceled for that date.

ABC Preschool

The ABC Preschool will be serving chili and holding a bake sale on Monday. Check ad for time, menu and prices.

Cheyenne County Hospital Board

The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 27, in the basement of the clinic in St. Francis.

Cheyenne County Commissioners

The commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday in the courthouse.

City Council

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

Hospital board candidates

The Cheyenne County Commissioners are looking for people to serve on the Hospital Board. Check article and ad for addition information and phone number to call.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names beginning with U, X, Y and Z should purchase their car, pickup, motorcycle and motorized bike tags and pay their vehicle personal property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty.

Open house

The Equity will be having an open house on Saturday, Dec. 15, from 8 a.m. to noon. Santa will be there and parents are encouraged to bring their child in for a free photo with Santa.

Kids Wrestling practice

The St. Francis Wrestling Club will have little kids wrestling practices on Mondays from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. for grades kindergarten through third and from 7:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. for grades fourth through sixth. The practices take place at the high school upstairs in the new wrestling room. A practice will be held on Dec. 17. January practices begin on Jan. 7.

Alzheimer's Support Group

The Alzheimer's Support Group will not meet in December.

Food baskets distributed

The Food Pantry coordinator will be distributing Christmas food baskets at the courthouse from 10 to noon on Dec. 15. Those needing a basket should stop by and pick one up. For more information, contact Janet Jensen, 785-332-3326 or 785-332-2145.

On Stage news

On Stage Inc. will be presenting the melodrama "Murder Can Be Habit Forming" on March 15 and 16. All adults and ethnicities are encouraged to audition on Jan. 6. Those wanting to audition can pick up audition material at the St. Francis Public Library. For more information, contact Elaine Kite, Neala Carmichael or Colleen Gardner.

Kansas Day observance

Organizations and clubs are invited to set up displays for the Jan. 29 observance of Kansas Day at the Bird City Legion Hall. The theme is "Rowdy Kansas Day Territory." Please call 785-332-3569 to register your group's display.

Salvation Army Fund campaign

If you would like to make a donation to the Salvation Army Fund you can mail it to PO Box 462, St. Francis, KS 67756 or drop off at the county treasurer's office in the Courthouse. If you would like to ring the bell for any of the locations, contact Dolores at 332-3471 or Rod at 734-2492 or 734-2483.

Prairie Land Food

The pick-up day for Prairie Land Good Paks is Saturday, Dec. 15.

Library Art Gallery

Nativity Scenes will be on display during the month of December at the St. Francis Public Library Art Gallery.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, 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.

Cheyenne County Museum

The Cheyenne County Museum will be open the weekend of 15-16. Saturday's hours will be 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. and Sunday's will be from 1-4 p.m.

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



TIERNAN POLING gets ready for Kids Wrestling during the second practice of the year. Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

System checks necessities

When Medicare patients are admitted to the Cheyenne County Hospital, they will know immediately if the outpatient service will be paid by Medicare.

The hospital recently installed a Medical Necessity Checker system which will check if an Advanced Beneficiary Notice is needed at time of the admission.

An Advanced Beneficiary Notice is a written notice that may be received from providers or physicians before a service is furnished to a Medicare beneficiary informing them that:

- Medicare will probably deny payment for that specific service or item.
- The reason the physician or provider expects Medicare to deny payment.
- The beneficiary will be personally responsible for payment if Medicare denies payment. This notice also provides the beneficiary the opportunity to deny service.

An Advanced Beneficiary Notice protects the Medicare beneficiary from any unexpected cases where Medicare will deny payments. By providing the form, the beneficiary knows upfront the financial impact on them if Medicare does deny payment. This is also an opportunity to choose whether or not to receive the service.

Advanced Beneficiary Notices do not reduce Medicare coverage of services. Even when a beneficiary receives and signs an Advanced Beneficiary Notice, the claim is still submitted to Medicare. Medicare will decide on coverage and payment of claims once it is received. If Medicare denies payment on the claim, the beneficiary becomes financially responsible for the service.

The hospital administrator and staff know the Advanced Beneficiary Notice will take additional time during admission of a patient. If there are any questions, contact

Heidi and Kris at the hospital, 785-332-2104.

There will be a hospital representative at the St. Francis Senior Center at 11:20 p.m. on Thursday to discuss the Advanced beneficiary Notice and the Medical Necessity Checker system.

Surprise party held

Nina Raile and Pat Cook were surprised on Thursday, Nov. 29. Their daughters, Coleen Applegate, Teresa Porter and Monica Geocaris hosted a coffee celebration in honor of their birthdays. The party was held at Main St. Coffee with bars and coffee being served.

Many cards were brought to the birthday ladies and they report more are still coming in daily.

Student news

Kansas State University

Allisha Weeden

Allisha Weeden, a Kansas State University doctoral student, has been recognized with a national award to support her research in nutritional epidemiology.

Weeden is the recipient of the Jean Hankins Nutritional Epidemiology Research Grant from the American Dietetic Association. The award was presented at the association's recent 2007 Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo in Philadelphia.

The grant provides financial support to a doctoral student working on a dissertation in nutritional epidemiology. Recipients must be registered dietitians who are in a doctoral program in nutrition or nutritional epidemiology.

Weeden, who also is a program assistant in K-State's department

of human nutrition, will use the award to support a research project investigating the use of dietary supplements and dietary intake of older adults. The project is being conducted with Valentina Remig, assistant professor of human nutrition at K-State.

"We are specifically looking into whether older Kansans are taking dietary supplements in self-treatment of chronic conditions, as well as the impact dietary supplements have on dietary intake," Ms. Weeden said.

She received her bachelor's degree in food science and industry from State in 2002. She earned a master's in dietetics from the University of Kansas Medical Center in 2004.

She is the daughter of Dennis and Sonja Weeden, St. Francis.



Come & Meet our new Police Chief

Friday, December 14
10 a.m. - noon

See the new
Council Chamber
at City Hall

Rescheduled Come Join the Fun!

ABC Preschool Auction

Thursday, Dec. 20
7 p.m.

St. Francis High School Cafeteria
Chili and Hot Dog Feed
will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Coming In Soon!

1999 F250 S/C XLT 4x4, w/Flatbed, #T0927A CALL!!

2004 F150 Super Cab, Lariat, 5.4L, AT, 4x4, One Owner, Only 24K, #1285	\$22,500
2004 Ranger 3.0L, Only 25K, #07952	\$9,500
2003 F150, Crew Lariat, 4x4, AT, 71K, #C00079	\$18,575
2007 Expedition EL XLT, 5.4L, AT, 6K, #32855	\$33,850
1992 F250, 4x4, Ranch Broke, #83148	\$4,500
1997 F250 Reg. Cab, w/Haybed, 107K, #42531	\$12,500
1990 Lincoln Town Car, 137K, #1234	\$1,300
2003 Grand Marquis Ultimate, One Owner, 69K, #9783	\$11,950
2007 Ford Five Hundred, Dane Pearl, 10K, Loaded, #153870	\$22,000
2006 Freestyle SE, 23K, AT, Dual Air, #4445	\$19,575
2003 Expedition E. Bauer, Fully Loaded, 88K, #58215	\$18,500
2003 Expedition XLT, w/Leather, 80K, #71356	\$15,900
2002 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT, 7.3L, #7222	\$21,025
2005 Explorer Eddie Bauer, 4x4, AT, #6560	\$20,875
2003 Lincoln LS, Fully Loaded, Only 19K, #66400	\$19,500
2004 GMC S/C Long Box, One Owner, Only 32K, #T0181B	\$17,550
2004 F250 Reg. Cab, 4x4, AT, #T0894A	\$10,990
2001 Grand Marquis LS, AT One Owner, #07253A	\$9,500
2000 Windstar SEL, AT, 128K, #T9134	\$6,000
2004 F150 Crew XLT, AT, 5.4L, 69K, #T6894	\$15,900
2007 Explorer XLT, w/Leather, 4x4, AT, 11K, #T9036	\$25,000
1985 E150 Cargo Van XL, AT, 68K, #T3817A	\$2,500
2004 Escape Limited, 4x4, AT, One Owner, #61001A	\$16,300
2004 Ford F150 Ext. Cab, 4 WD, One Owner, #T7948A	\$17,000
2004 Bonneville SE, 3.8L, AT, Silver, 56K, #T9832A	\$11,400
2005 Taurus SE, 3.0L, AT, Gold, 53K, #T6373A	\$9,500
1999 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, 5M, #T4442A	\$10,000
1995 Honda Passport LX, 4x4, AT, #T8205B	\$3,500
2005 F150 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT Only 35K, #T7516	\$21,000
1999 Cadillac Seville STS, V8, AT, 109K, #07457B	\$6,900
2006 F150 S/C Lariat, 4x4, 5.4L, 33K, #T9458A	CALL
1996 Explorer Limited, 4x4, 4.0L, AT, 105K, #T9951A	\$5,750

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SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 34 min.

Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium

Dec. 14, 15 & 16

Comedy, Drama, Kids/
Family and Science
Fiction/Fantasy
Rating: G

Starring: Dustin Hoffman, Natalie Portman,
Jason Bateman, Zachary Mills, Ted Ludzik

Movie Tickets Make Great Stocking Stuffers

CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS
785-332-2747

Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

7th & 8th Grade Girls Musical

Twinderella The Musical

Monday, Dec. 17 ~ 7 p.m.

St. Francis High School Auditorium

Adult - \$3 Student - \$2

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS
785-332-2104

It's Christmas.....

And time for the 2nd annual Christmas Ball sponsored by the Cheyenne County Hospital. They public is invited to join us for the dance at Riverside.

Saturday Dec. 15 8:30 p.m.

Hope to see you there and thank you for your support of the Cheyenne County Hospital and Clinic



Pre Christmas Savings

Prices Effective Dec. 13th - Dec. 17th

Fresh Pomegranets	each \$1.29
Zesty Avocados	2/\$2.00
Rio Star Texas Grapfruit (large size)	each \$.65
Sunkist Oranges or Fuji Apples (large size)	each \$.59
Green Giant Baby Carrots (1 lb bag)	\$.89
Fresh Red Radishes (1 lb Bag)	\$.89
Diamond In-The-Shell Nuts 16 Oz. bag	\$2.99
Sparbo Farm "Grade A" Large Eggs (dozen)	\$1.89
Blue Bunny Sweet Cream Butter 1 lb. quarters	\$2.49
Reser's Seafood Cheeseball	\$2.99
Blue Bunny Sour Cream 16 oz.	\$1.49
Blue Bunny Egg Nog (reg. or lite) quart	\$1.49
Blue Bunny Whipping Cream 1/2 pint	2/\$2.00
Coffeemate Christmas Creamers 32 oz.	2/\$6.00
Blue Bunny Ice Cream Christmas Novelties (Trees, Snowmen, Peppermint & Egg Nog Ice Cream sandwiches)	2/\$5.00
Blue Bunny Peppermint Stix Ice Cream 1/2 gal.	2/\$6.00
Grandma Frey's 24 pre-cut Sugar Cookies Frozen Ready-to-Bake	\$3.49
Grandma Frey's Gourmet Pies (frozen ready to bake Apple, Peach, Strawberry Rhubarb)	\$5.99
Butter Kernel Canned Vegetables	2/\$.88
Wilderness Cherry Pie Filling (21 oz. can)	\$1.99
Farmland Sliced Bacon 1 lb.	2/\$5.00
Farmland Roll Sausage (original frozen 1 lb.)	\$1.09
Harvest of the Sea Shrimp Ring (12 oz. frozen)	\$3.99
Das Dutchman Essenhaus Amish Homestyle Noodles 16 oz. bag	2/\$5.00
UNO Chicago Style Deep Dish Pizza (Frozen Sausage or pepperoni)	\$4.99

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