

St. Francis senior students perform with honor choir

Three St. Francis Community High School seniors performed with the Northwest District Kansas Honor Choir in Hays on Saturday, Dec. 1.

Andrea Born, Katelyn Jones and Lauren Zwegardt were chosen for the select choir after live auditions were held in Hays in November.

The students rehearsed all day with the 150-voice choir on the campus of Fort Hays State University and performed in concert at 5 p.m. under the direction of Pam Bushouse of Lawrence. Kansas Music Educators Association sponsors the Honor Choir. The three singers are students of Debbie Fiala, music instructor.

Higher honors

Katelyn was awarded a 4-year participant medal at the concert for performing with the choir each of her



Born



Jones



Zwegardt

years in high school. She was recently notified that she has been selected to sing with the 2008 State Honor Choir which performs in Wichita at the State Music Educators Convention on Feb. 28, 29 and March 1.

Still Angels on trees

By Karen Krien

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There are a few more angels left on the Angel Trees located at Bankwest, First National Bank, Owens True Value and *The Herald* office.

Those unable to shop for a gift but would like to help may take money or a check to Jennifer Milne, coordinator, either at her home or at Shay's Realty on Main Street.

Once a person selects a tag and the gift is bought, both the gift and tag should be returned to the place where the tree is located. The date to have the gifts back to the tree is Tuesday, Dec. 18, when the gifts will be picked up. They will be delivered that same evening.

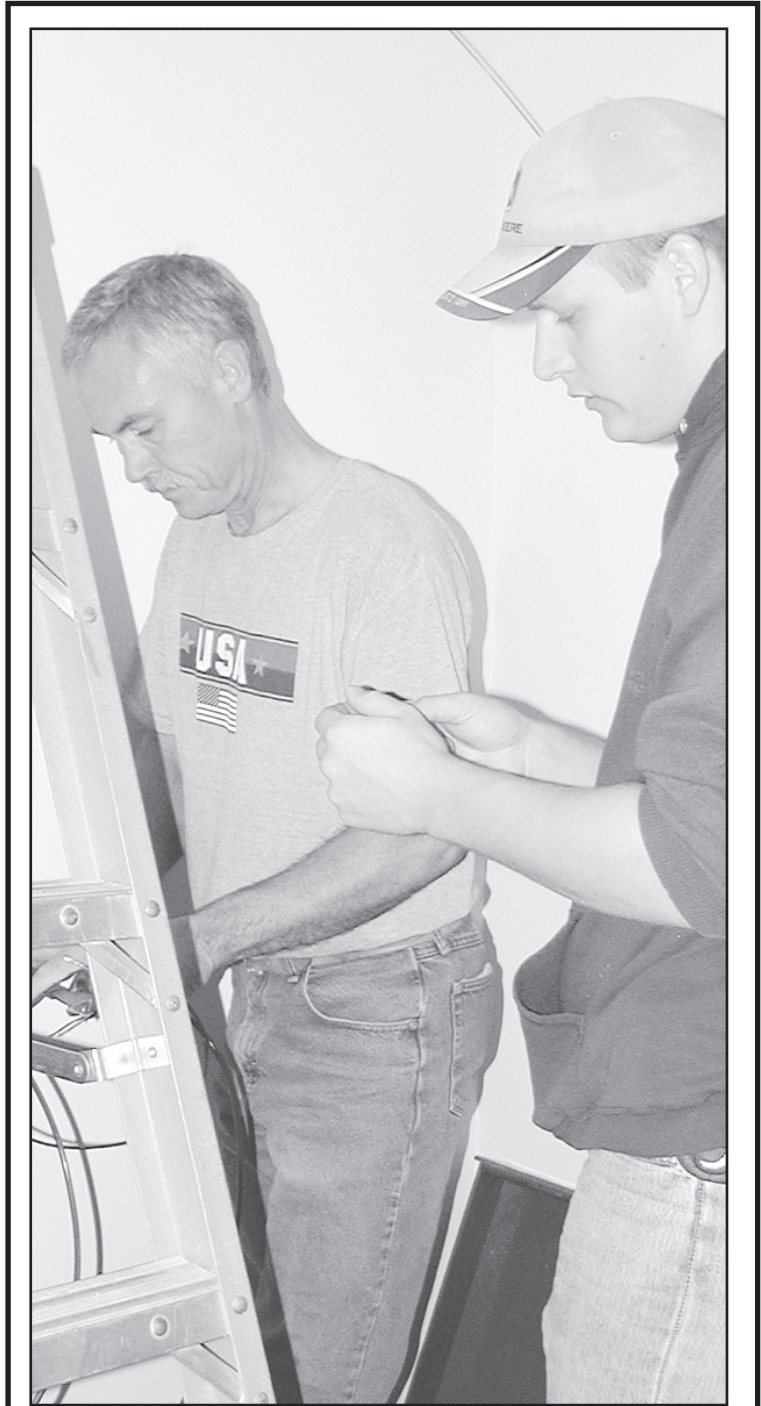
If, for some reason, a person holding an angel cannot bring a gift as planned, please let Mrs. Milne know so that child does not get left out.

Last year, over 35 children received gifts delivered by Santa. These gifts averaged around \$30 each. This year, there are around 50 children who need a visit from Santa.

If someone knows of a family who is having a difficult time making ends meet and could use a little help from Santa, please contact Mrs. Milne at 785-332-2344 or 785-332-2566 or any Association to Benefit Cheyenne County member.

Mrs. Milne said that each year, the Angel Tree has received generous support and members appreciate the help so they can give kids a merrier Christmas.

If more information is needed for sizes, or gift ideas, call Mrs. Milne.



NEW WIRING for the 911 system is being installed by Ron Wieck and Dan Oborney at the courthouse. The new 911 dispatch room will be located in the sheriff's office.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien



GLENN SCHLIEP, one of the city crew, is busy piling and removing snow from Main Street after the storm on Monday. However, by Tuesday, there was more and it snowed most of the day.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Mystery promises laughs

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Be wary if your name is Mary when On Stage, Inc., presents "Murder Can Be Habit-Forming."

The production, directed by Colleen Gardner and Neala Carmichael, is set for March 15 and 16 at the St. Francis Community High School auditorium.

The Reverend Mother Mary Cecilia finds her quiet convent the scene of a murder mystery after a busload of passengers, stranded by a blizzard in upstate New York, make their way to the old mansion, now St. Mary's Convent.

Only an hour earlier, a waitress at the Chat and Chew Diner bus stop was found strangled and hidden under a snow drift. The murder is consistent with the serial killer known as "The Mary Murderer."

Though most of the sisters have been stranded in Buffalo, the four nuns remaining with Reverend Mother Mary Cecilia have the first name Mary, as do two of the women on the bus. To add to the list of potential victims, one passenger is

a flamboyant actress whose television character is named Mary and another is a retired schoolteacher who was formerly... you guessed it... a nun named Mary

The case calls for nine females and seven males. It includes five nuns, one of whom is slightly deficient; a sinister handyman, a jolly bus driver, a tough police detective, a conceited actress, a college professor, a newspaper columnist, two college students and other cast members.

The mystery comedy reveals the very human side of the nuns as they attempt to stay one step ahead of the killer.

Plans are well underway with a melodrama crew in place.

"Now we need enthusiastic audition," said Elaine Kite, On Stage board member.

Auditions will be held Jan 6 at the high school auditorium. Mrs. Carmichael, Mrs. Gardner, John Kite and Susan Brown, Akron, Colo., will be the audition judges.

"All adults and ethnicities are encouraged to audition — no experience is required," Mrs. Kite said.

A percentage of the proceeds from the melodrama will benefit the St. Francis Community High School drama and music departments.

Questions may be directed to Mrs. Gardner, 785-332-2776, Mrs. Carmichael, 785-332-8996, or Mrs. Kite, 785-332-3186.

Useless Facts

- The name Jeep came from the abbreviation used in the army for the "General Purpose" vehicle, G.P.
- The only two days of the year in which there are no professional

sports games (MLB, NBA, NHL, or NFL), are the day before and the day after the Major League All-Star Game.

- Only one person in two billion will live to be 116 or older.
- The mask used by Michael Myers in the original "Halloween" was actually a Captain Kirk mask painted white.

The Cheyenne County Board of Commissioners will be interviewing prospective Chey. Co. Hospital Board candidates.

Those interested in serving on the Hospital Board need to apply at the clerk's office, 785-332-8800, before noon on Nov. 28

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