

# RECOGNIZED

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The first thing he found was his property was not as big as he had brought. With the REA poles and city wells that lay on his land it has restricted his improvements.

He presented the council with abstracts and showed that of the three city wells one was not in the right place.

He had visited with Superintendent J.R. Landenberger and was told that it would not be practical for the city to provide water for him.

Attorney Mike Day reported that he had received a letter on Friday from Attorney Kevin Berens, but the council had not had time to review it thoroughly.

Mr. Schoenrogge asked that they get to him in a timely manner so he can start getting his fences put up and buying his cattle. When offered a time of six weeks to look into matters he said, "That is too long."

"We want to be good neighbors and get along, but we also have to protect our city's water sources," Attorney Day said, "We (the council) represent our taxpayers and our city."

The wells have been there for at least 50 years.

## Liquor sales

The council had been asked to look at the possibilities of having Sunday liquor sales. Attorney Mike Day explained that the city has the options of opting in or opting out. This would mean cereal malt beverage and alcohol could be served on holidays and Sundays except for Easter, Christmas and Thanksgiving.

The city would adopt an ordinance and then the taxpayers could petition against it. Then it would be voted on.

After discussing the topic it was voted by the board to not have Sunday liquor sells.

## KanStep

Councilman Dale Weeks reported the "Sneak Peak" held on Feb. 2 at the St. Francis Emergency Service Building was a success.

Tom Keller had showed a time line video of the building project at the Sneak Peak and at the council meeting. The video went from the ground breaking to what is done now. Visitors enjoyed

watching the video and touring the building.

Volunteers, new and old, continue to come and each is helping in some way.

At least 50 percent of the sheet rock has been put up and the workers were planning on starting to mud this week.

Bills presented were from Sam's Electric for \$2,673 and to Rasure Lumber for \$6,626.

## Memorial benches

Kathy Bandel was unable to be present at this meeting, but will be at the next one to discuss the Royce and Joyce Wiley Memorial. The family wants to put benches in Sawhill Park.

The lease between the city and the county for Sawhill Park was renewed in 1957 for a 50-year term. The council is checking historical status to see if they can place the benches.

They will contact Greg Kite, Wichita, and see what the status of the park is and what is involved in being a historical site.

## Superintendent report

Superintendent Landenberger reported that fire alarm specialist from WaKeeney had given the bid for a fire alarm system at the power plant. The bid was about \$14,680 for all of the equipment and installation. There will be an annual cost of \$400 for maintaining. The board approved the purchase.

Other items in the superintendent's report:

- The city bought 500 kilowatts from Oberlin in the month of January.

- He is still getting bids for the theater heating and air conditioning system.

## Executive session

At the end of the meeting, the council went into executive sessions. Mayor Scott Schultz, Deborah Farlan, police chief; and Mr. Day asked for the session to discuss personnel; Mr. Day also wanted to discuss legal issues. No decisions were made.

# BOOK

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no need to worry as, in the Bible, Gen. 8:1, God remembered Noah and all the animals.

Mrs. Legere said her sons, Chase and Miles, inspired her to write the book. When Chase was 5-years-old, he would spot a herd of antelope in New Mexico and called them "cantaloupe."

Mrs. Legere then developed the book in 1999 which is written at a level that captures the imaginations of children. She entered it into the Southwest Writers Workshop annual nationwide contest. The manuscript was awarded second place by a judge from Harper Collins Books.

"Usually the first place books get published but since mine came in second, I sent it to several other publishers with no response," she said. "Then the book sat in my desk for several years while we moved and were busy with other things."

Her biggest issue was finding an illustrator.

"The fact that it placed in a contest gave me the encouragement to pursue publishing," she said.

Last spring, she was visiting with one of the moms who had a child on Chase's baseball team. She was talking about finding something for her daughter to do over the summer while she was home from K-State.

"Her daughter was an illustrator, and, at that moment, I knew it was time to work on this project again."

Aubrey Klein drew most of the summer.

"She came up with some awesome pictures," Mrs. Legere said. Then Mrs. Legere went to Leather's Publishing, a self-publishing firm in Leawood. The staff helped her find a printer, get quotes, lay it out and get it ready to publish. They also helped her

get the book on Amazon and other internet book websites.

"It's been an amazing but fun learning experience," she said.

At this time, Mrs. Legere says she has no other books in the works but noted that, maybe her boys will inspire her to write something else soon.

A 1983 graduate of St. Francis Community High School, Mrs. Legere went on to graduate from Colby Community College, then Fort Hays State University. She is a Jazzercise instructor and lives in overland Park with her husband, Shawn, and two sons. She is the daughter of Betty Jean Winston, St. Francis.

The book is available at bookstores, on Amazon.com, and Barnes & Noble.com.

# COOKIES

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Through the cookie program, girls manage inventory, set goals, learn money management, and develop marketing skills. Essentially, the girls run their own business. The entire troop sets a goal and follows a plan leading toward that goal.

The troop uses funds from the cookie activity to fund a service project or to plan for an exciting trip.

Those who didn't have a chance to buy cookies can still get some at the scout's booth sales on Feb. 25 at St. Francis Super's from 4 to 7 p.m. or on Feb. 29 in front of K-Store from 4 to 7 p.m.



# SALE

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community business owners and buyers.

"The community businesses do their best to support all organizations, and believe 4-H is important," Mr. Weeks said.

However, he wanted to point out that they are buying the premium at the fair sale, not the project.

"The kids with livestock projects have the opportunity to sell the livestock projects at market value to help cover even more of their costs," said Mr. Weeks. "The kids that participate in other types of projects do not have this ability to recover

their costs."

He said he wants to help kids in all projects, including those who cannot afford livestock, and believes all participants deserve the same support.

Nevertheless, some board members at the meeting disagreed, arguing that taking on the responsibility of raising livestock requires a significant amount more time, therefore, they should be rewarded accordingly through the sale. Then it was also noted that the 4-H kids should not be in 4-H strictly to make money.

Joe Leibbrandt, Cheyenne County extension agent, who was at the

Thursday night meeting, had attended the 4-H Council meeting in January and said there was no consensus on how to do the sale. He thought that it might be a good idea to survey the buyers to see what they wanted, but to keep in mind to do what is best for the 4-H program.

Ryan McAtee, board member, added that he had attended several 4-H club meetings and members agreed that the premium at the sale is a "gift" from the businessmen and the board needs to do what is best for the businessmen. Mr. Weeks said that keeping the sale the same will allow the businesses to support more 4-H'ers on the same budget. He added that 4-H clubs in other counties would enjoy the opportunities offered here in Cheyenne County.

Then it was argued that some exhibitors spend a significant amount of money to purchase their livestock.

"It should be the parent's job to teach finances, not the buyers," said Megan Douthit-Downey, board member. "If kids want to spend more on their projects in the beginning, it's not the buyers' responsibility to make up for that loss."

It was decided that the number of buyers was up by at least 12 from previous years, not including the businesses that purchased more than one project.

"We cannot tell the buyers how to spend their money," Nick Ketzner, board member, added.

But, Erika Zimbelman responded that the numbers don't show that buyers are spending more money on projects that take more time.

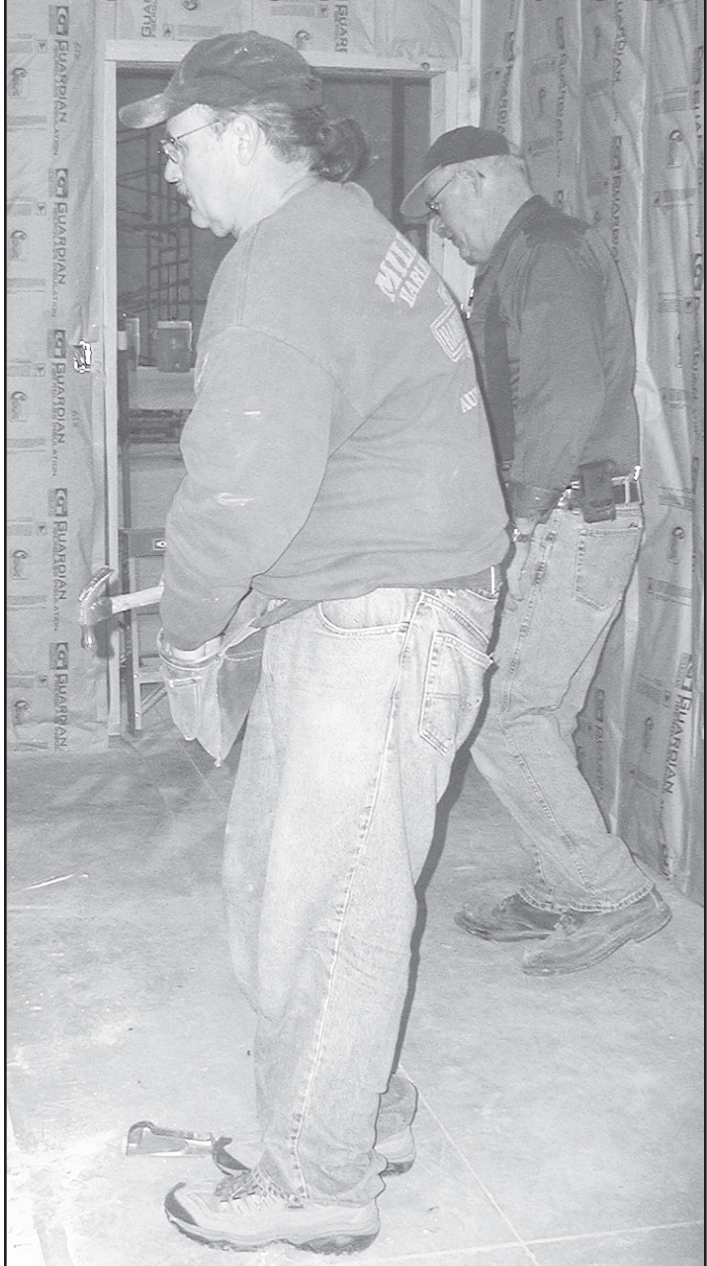
Brian Hobrock, who, at one time, was new to the community with two children enrolled in 4-H, was appreciative of the buyers support. His opinion was that if the sale is changed, the county will lose 4-H kids and buyers.

After a lengthy discussion, Mark Mills moved to accept the Sale Committee's recommendation to keep the sale the same, and Mr. McAtee second the motion. The final vote was seven in favor and three against. The motion was carried, allowing the Premium Sale for the 2008 fair, to remain the same.

Mrs. Reed recommended adding social security numbers and addresses to the entry forms and rearranging how pictures are taken.

Board members, Mr. Bursch and Gary Cooper, recommended adding a second, 6-foot entrance door to run the hogs through the sale barn to avoid "the bottleneck" problems. The additional door would assist during the hog shows.

# Work continues



WORK ON THE emergency building is on going as the building must be finished by March 15. Scott Schultz, front, and Sam Miller are nailing up sheet rock.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

# WIN

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end of two weeks, those having hands they thought would win were brought in to *The Herald* office.

"There was so much success, we plan to hold the game next year," said Casey McCormick, Herald/Times advertising manager.

Those businesses participating in the game were: Owens True Value, Schultz's, Krien Pharmacy, Goodell Greenhouse and Floral, Hilltop General Store, L & L Liquor, Video Connection, Donna's Gift Palace and *The Saint Francis Herald*.

# Watch For:



## WORKING WOMAN SECTION

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# Coming Soon:



## Soil

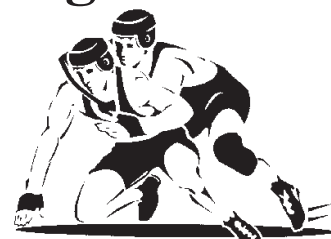
## Conservation

This section will feature the Conservation Award Winner in Cheyenne County.

BANKER'S AWARD DINNER  
FEB. 28TH

# WRESTLING AND BASKETBALL

Pages of support and congratulations featuring boys and girls basketball and wrestling season



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This program is designed to help Kansas crop and livestock producers learn about the structure, availability, and appropriate use of Adjusted Gross Revenue-Lite combined with other RMA risk management tools.

- Update from USDA Risk Management Agency
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