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A DAY AT THE ZOO — Shadron Blanka, above, and Garin Cooper, right, along with Briana Vandike, far right, enjoyed holding the goats at ABC Preschool.



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Board seeks tax credits to complete labor room

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Kansas State Income Tax Credits to be used toward the labor and delivery room are accumulating, said the administrator when the Cheyenne County Hospital Board met on Thursday afternoon.

Les Lacy, administrator, said that \$141,700 of the needed \$180,000 had come in and, Kari Gilliland, board member, said she had delivered an envelope with an additional commitment.

Mr. Lacy said letters of support from the board and individuals are still needed. Letters should address the need for this project.

The administrator is also seeking a Community Building and Development grant for the kitchen remodeling project. He asked to confirm that the board was still in agreement to do the remodeling within the facility's existing footprint after their tour of the

building. When the remodeling is done, the hospital's kitchen will be down for three to four months. The board was steadfast in their desire to avoid any addition to the building at this time.

He told the board that he had received a request from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment for an amended budget for the Primary Care Clinic Grant application which had been submitted last month. He said he had complied with the request and said this was a good indication that the hospital was in serious running for the grant.

This grant of \$140,000 will help with charity care, underinsured and uninsured patients. If the grant is received, a case manager position will be put into place and the person will follow up with patients to assist them in being compliant with their plans of care.

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Blood drive held in Sainty May 15

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 15, at the St. Francis Grade School, 307 E. Webster. Sixteen-year-olds can now donate blood but they must have a signed parental consent. Everyone must bring a photo identification.

For an appointment, call 1-800-448-3543. Walk-ins are also welcome but those with appointments will be taken first.

Those coming in to donate blood will receive a free Rock and Roll T-shirt.

For more information, go to the web at www.bloodgiveslife.org.

Students bring home I ratings

St. Francis Community High School was well represented at IA State Music Festival on Saturday in Wichita. Students earned 25 medals for I ratings.

"I was pleased with all the students' performances," said Debbie Fiala, music instructor. "Many hours of practice went into their performances and they did a great job!"

Earning medals were Katelyn Jones, flute solo; Sara Miller, vocal solo; Lauren Zwegardt, vocal solo; and Cara Hunt, vocal solo. The vocal class mixed ensemble also earned medals with their performance for "For the Beauty of the Earth." Members of the ensemble are Andrea Born, Kattie Ford, Heather Hnizdil, Katelyn Jones, Corbin Sherlock, Gavin Smull, Lauren



Jones



Miller



Zwegardt



Hunt

Zwegardt, Kimberly Church, Ada Fong, Cara Hunt, Taylor Kennedy, Jacob Riedel, Kim Voeller, Brooklyn Hnizdil, Amber Smull, Brendan Finley, Robbie Herman, Jodie Hilt, Brandon Keeker, Alyssa Lee and Sarah Trembly.

Other performances at the festival included vocal solos by Katelyn Jones, Gavin Smull, Ada Fong and Alyssa Lee, and instrumental solos by Matt Whitmore

and Corbin Sherlock. Other ensembles performing at the festival were the clarinet trio (Sarah Guthmiller, Ada Fong and Alyssa Lee), and the advance music class girls ensemble. Members of this ensemble are Andrea Born, Cassie Dankenbring, Kattie Ford, Heather Hnizdil, Katelyn Jones, Sara Hiller, Daniele Schmid, Ada Fong, Sarah Guthmiller, Kim Voeller, Brooklyn Hnizdil and Amber Smull.



'LOOK MY BROTHER, the Eye of Uadjit' — Professor Dirk Carlton (Corbin Sherlock) displays the priceless jewel he discovered in Egypt. Gahiji (Gavin Smull), front, and Isis Amun (Lauren Zwegardt) admire the gem. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Students receive honors

Forty-five St. Francis students attended the Fort Hays State University High School Art Exhibition on April 16. Thirty-four of those students received a Certificate of Merit.

Mary Beikman, instructor, said the jurors awarded the certificates based on artistic quality.

While at the University, the students toured the Department of Art. There were demonstrations in various departments. Demonstrations included ceramic, graphic art, sculptures, design and drawing, just to name some.

Jurors were John Thorns Jr., professor and chair emeritus; Kathleen



JACOB RIEDEL was one of 34 students bringing home a certificate at the art exhibition held in Hays. See FORT HAYS on Page 6

Musical mystery presented Sunday, Monday at school

A lecture on an archeological discovery in Egypt comes to an abrupt end when Professor Dirk Carlton is murdered in the middle of his presentation! Thus begins "Oh Horrors! It's Murder," a musical murder mystery/comedy presented by the St. Francis Community High School advanced music class on Sunday and Monday.

Who could have wanted the befuddled Professor Carlton dead? Could it have been his jealous wife, Frances, or could it have been Mrs. Westbrook, the wealthy but angry museum patron? Perhaps it was the mysterious foreigners, Gahiji and

Isis Amun, who were angry that the museum was displaying artifacts taken from their native land, Egypt? Other suspects include the museum curator, Dr. Johanna Vanderveer; Dirk's assistant, Elena Newman; and lawyer Elvira Gray.

Police detective Dana Morrow is called in to solve this tricky case. She will call upon members of the audience to be witnesses, as well as giving them a chance to question the suspects as she reveals the identity of the murderer.

The cast includes Andrea Born, Cassie Dankenbring, Kattie Ford, Heather Hnizdil, Katelyn Jones, Sara Miller, Corbin Sherlock,

Gavin Smull, Lauren Zwegardt, Sarah Guthmiller, Cara Hunt, Kim Voeller, Brooklyn Hnizdil, Amber Smull and Ada Fong. They are directed by Debbie Fiala.

"Oh Horrors! It's Murder!" is produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Englewood, Colo. The play was written by Billy St. John, with music and lyrics by Bill Francour.

The Sunday performance will begin at 3 p.m. (different from the school calendar), and the Monday evening performance will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door. For more information, check the advertisement located in this week's issue of the *Herald*.