

Members prepare for the county fair

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The Cheyenne County Fair is just three months away and the fair board has been meeting monthly trying to get everything lined up. For several months, the board has been talking about a petting zoo but there seems to be obstacles with the biggest being a place to put it and people to man it.

Gary Cooper, fair board member, said he had presented the plan to the St. Francis senior citizens but there didn't seem to be much interest in helping watch animals and children when the zoo was open. Several of the board members said they had heard nothing but positive comments. Randy Dinkel, Mill and Seed, said he would be glad to order in animals if they would tell him what then need. Dick Bursch, president, said he was sure they could get several baby calves and pigs and surely someone would have some puppies.

The board's main concern was making sure the animals and children were safe.

Finding a place on the grounds where the zoo could be held was also a problem. The board felt like the north end of Jenkins Hall would be a good space but members were unsure where to take the animals when the zoo was not open to the public.

The matter of the petting zoo was tabled until the next meeting. In the meantime, board members will be talking to other people to see what might be the consensus of the public and see if there will be some volunteers to help with the zoo. If anyone has ideas or input on the zoo, contact a board member.

Derby plans

Clay Zimelman said the demolition derby plans were coming along. See related article.

Kid's Rodeo

Mr. Cooper reported on the Kids' Rodeo. He said there will need to be a scale for weighing in kids for the Muttin' Bustin' event. The rules will be kids, kindergarten age to 60 pounds.

People have been contacted about livestock, some of the supplies have been ordered and the admission has been set for \$5 per person.

Friday activities

The lawnmower races and four-wheel races will be held on Friday night of the fair. Mr. Zimelman asked that someone on the board take charge of the activities on Friday. Jared Douthit volunteered.

Next meeting

The next regular meeting of the board will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 5, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.



NATIONAL MUSIC CLUB Week is celebrated with a number of activities. The sixth grade boys ensemble practices for their performance at the Music Contest. Back row: (l to r) Chase Krien, Erik Hart, Scott Warren, Jake Baxter, Derek Queen, Mason Schiltz, Logan Lampe, Leinin Ferro; front row: Wyatt Landenberger, Tyler Lee, Lane Hoffman, Jacob Butler, Gatien Cooper and Austin White.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

National Music Week is celebrated

National Music Week, sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs is being celebrated this week. The St. Francis Music Club recognizes the week with a variety of events throughout the week.

This year's theme is "Music Lifts All of Our Spirits World Wide."

In honor of National Music Week, the fifth and sixth grade music students are taking part in a

"music contest" at the high school on Wednesday. Students prepare and present vocal, keyboard and instrumental solos for a panel of judges.

Those serving as judges are: Teresa Porter, Carol Ross and Talley Morrow - vocal solos; Ruth Milliken, Betty Orth and Raedell Winston - keyboard solos; Crissy Cooks, Margaret Poling, Kari Gililand and Helene Landenberger -

band solos.

Assistants are Lila Whitmore, Dana Keller, Julie Wolters and Lynette Nolan.

Students were evaluated and given a rating along with suggestions for improvement. Vocal and keyboard students are under the direction of Jean Ann Confer. Fifth and sixth grade instrumental solos are under the direction of Debbie Fiala.

Other events coinciding with National Music Week included: the piano/guitar recital on Sunday which featured the students of Lila Whitmore, Sandy Bandel, Ruth Milliken, Natalie Knodel

and Tema Trumbo; the Advanced Music Class performed "oh, Horrors, It's Murder!" on Sunday and Monday. This coming Sunday, May 11, Teresa Porter's annual Dance Ranch recital will be held at the high school.

"This special week gives us an opportunity to focus the attention of all America on music as a dynamic means of communication between people and a satisfying channel of personal expression," said Mrs. Confer. "The association knows the importance of music in the live of the nation and asks that everyone participate in this great week of celebration."

Congressman's staff to be in area May 14

Congressman Jerry Moran said his staff will be in Rawlins, Cheyenne and Sherman counties to hold local office hours on Wednesday, May 14.

Mitchell Hall, District representative, will be available to answer questions and concerns of area residents. Anyone who has questions, comments or is experiencing difficulties with federal agencies is encouraged to attend.

The local office hours for Wednesday are as follows:

Cheyenne County
The Bird City office will open at 11 a.m. in the city hall conference room, 111 E. Bressler. At 12:30, Mr. Hall will be in the commissioners'

room in the courthouse, 322 W. Washington.

Rawlins County
The office will open at 8 a.m. in the courtroom of the courthouse at 607 Main. At 9:30 a.m., Mr. Hall will be at the city office, 504 Ottawa.

Sherman County
The Kanorado office will open at 1:30 p.m. mountain daylight time, at the senior center, 212 Main. In Goodland, the office will open at 3 p.m. mountain daylight time, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse, 813 Broadway.

For more information, contact Mr. Moran's Hays District Office at (785) 628-6401.

Two classes offered for demolition derby

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The demolition derby at the Cheyenne County Fair is one of the biggest crowd drawing events, not only at the fair, but in the surrounding area. This year's fair will have two classes: welded and hobo.

Dick Bursch, president of the fair board, said he had heard a number of people commenting favorably on the new plans.

Clay Zimelman said the demolition derby plans were coming along. Several members said they had heard there were drivers who were planning on bringing more than one car so they could drive in both the welded and the hobo classes.

At a previous meeting, the board had agreed to sell advanced general admission passes for grandstand seating. Those buying these passes will be given a wrist band.

"This will take care of the long lines that night," said Lacy Reed, fair board member.

There will not be any advanced

ticket sales for the pit area.

The board talked about the pit area and was concerned about the younger kids running around unsupervised during the derby. The board will continue to enforce that the parents or a supervising adult be with kids 16 and under while they are in that area.

The pit area is a dangerous place for young people to be unsupervised. It was also noted that the board can't be too careful when it comes to dealing with liability issues.

For more information on the demolition derby, talk to Mr. Zimelman or any fair board member.

Weather

Date	High	Low	Prec.
April 29	82	45	
April 30	86	45	
May 1	56	36	
May 2	40	28	.07
May 3	58	30	
May 4	70	42	
May 5	77	47	

Reading program set

The St. Francis Public Library staff will be promoting children reading again this summer. Pat Leibbrandt, librarian, said Aubree Schleppe will be teaching the Summer Fun Session. Enrollment at the St. Francis Public Library will start at 10 a.m. on May 22.

Aubree has planned a program full of activities and fun for two different age division: ages 3 through 5 (not yet in kindergarten); and kindergarten through third grade.

This year's theme is "Catch The Reading Book."

The sessions will begin in June with all days and times available when sign up begins.

Librarian Leibbrandt noted that the sessions are free to all children. Class sizes are limited to around 10 children each. If a parent misses the Tuesday enrollment, they can enroll later.

Summer Library Reading program

The Summer Library Reading program will start on May 27 or anytime after. Children reading 10 books each will be eligible to win a prize. For more information, call the library at 785-332-3292.

Baby Shower

For Jessica and Carter Matthies

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Saturday, May 10
2 p.m.

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