

# CHECKS

Continued from Page 1

were to be checked. Rules change a little most years and Lacy Reed, fair board member, said even goats did not have to be checked this year.

Megan Downey, board member, said she had shown horses at many shows and state shows were the only time that she had to have a health certificate. Otherwise, she had shown many other places and never had to have a vet check.

Also, in the fair book, superintendents are told to report any signs of sickness in animals. Several members of the board said they were confident that the superintendents were familiar enough with the animals and would spot a disease if it were

present. Joe Leibbrandt, county Extension agent, reinforced the fact that the superintendents were very familiar with animal diseases.

Dick Bursch, president, said he would talk to a vet or two and see what their opinion was. One of the board members said Dr. Judy Baxter was generally around when animals were checked in.

### 4-H money raiser

The 4-H shooting sports directors would like to have a shooting range in a gooseneck trailer during the fair. The event would be a money raiser to be used for supplies.

Mr. Bursch had checked with the insurance agent and it was specified that the guns were

never to be left unattended and be locked up somewhere else when the game was not open. They assumed the adult sponsors would be in charge.

The county agent, who brought the matter to the board, said that those teaching the shooting sports classes emphasize safety.

### Grounds workday

There were several board members concerned with the conditions of the grounds. Mrs. Downey said there was so much trash around the 4-H building. The building has been rented out several times in May and the 4-H Livestock show is also being held at the end of May.

There are some repairs that need to be made and mowing to be done. Andy Beikman and Roger Orth are doing part of the weed spraying.

The board scheduled a work day starting at 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 8.

### Arena conditions

Mr. Cooper said the county had pulled in the dirt from the edges of the arena to help fill up the middle so there wasn't such a mud bog. There will be sand brought in later.

### In other business

- The electricity for the new Christian Church ice cream building was discussed. The line will be put underground. The building is to the south of the Methodist Church funnel cake stand. It is large enough so there will be some seating.

- Mr. Bursch noted that Stanion Electric had sent a new flag for the fairgrounds.

- Vendors are already calling to rent a booth in Jenkins Hall. The board said the booths would go for \$30 again this year but, the large fan will be moved to the rear of the building.

- The Master Gardeners in the county are planning on planting pots of flowers so they will be in bloom for the fair. They will place them near doorways and around the carnival area. They are hoping that it will be an addition to the grounds.

- The grand marshal for the parade was decided and the name revealed right before the fair.

- Alumni from both Cheylin/Bird City and St. Francis will soon be returning for reunions. The board will be making some brochures to let them know a fund is being established to collect money to be used for the fair. Donations will be tax deductible.

- Caretakers for the grounds and building during the fair are still needed. Anyone interested in the job should contact a board member. Several suggestions were made during the meeting.

### 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.



A HAYRACK RIDE found the Rebekah members having lots of fun. Pictured, left to right, are Fred Magley, Pat Confer, Elsie Cook, Dot Hill, Mary Ruth Burkett and Vicki Cress. Following the ride, the members enjoyed a cabbage roll supper and meeting.

# PICKUPS

Continued from Page 1

family members, Dale Henderson was responsible for the paint job and Pat Percell did the upholstery.

The pickup was bought in St. Francis. Mr. Smestad said that, it then went to the 49th state (Alaska) for 15 years but, is now back home in St. Francis. He said he drove the pickup to work most of the time he was in Alaska.

Mr. Smestad and his wife Dorothy lived in Ketchikan,

Alaska, where they were members of the Ketchikan Car Club. He said, surprisingly, there were a number of antique cars in the state.

Last year, the owner of a 1949 Ford drove to Alaska from Pennsylvania. He had a picture taken of the Smestad 49 pickup taken beside his Ford. The Pennsylvania resident was also a writer and told Mr. Smestad that he plans to put the picture in his book.

Mr. Smestad is also the owner of a 1955 Chevy pickup, also painted blue. His son Ken, who lives in Portland, owns a 1959 Ford.

Mr. Smestad was based in Alaska when he was in the Air Force.

"I loved the beauty of the state," he said, adding that he also liked the hunting and fishing.

After being discharged, he went back to his home state, North Dakota, where he married Dorothy. They had two sons.

He was working at the post office and asked to be transferred to Anchorage and was granted the transfer. Later he was transferred to Ketchikan where he was a building maintenance mechanic for the post office. They spent 36 years in the state.

Several years ago, Mrs. Smestad moved back to live in her grandfather's house which she had inherited. Mr. Smestad arrived in August 2007 following his retirement.

Old vehicles aren't the only restoration projects he enjoys. He is in the process of restoring a 1800 hump-back trunk which has family ties. When he is finished, it will have the place of honor in a built-in wall hutch, which he is also planning to construct.

He encourage everyone to stop by the show and enjoy looking at all the old vehicles. He is looking forward to people stopping by his 1949 and 1955 pickups and he will be glad to talk to them about their history.

# SHOW

Continued from Page 1 of the show."

### Quilts, Coke cooler

During the awards, three quilts, made by Deborah Farland, Dorothy Smestad and Mary Nicklos, will be given away. Also given away will be a refrigerated Coca-Cola cooler.

### Food

There will be several organizations selling food throughout the day. The St. Francis senior citizens will be selling pancakes, biscuits and gravy, ham, eggs and cinnamon from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the senior center. Across the street north of the park, the St. Francis Community Church will be selling breakfast. At noon, the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce will furnish hamburgers

"Join us for a day of fun in the park," Mr. Schultz said.



# Resolution drawn up for county 911 dispatch board

By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com

The county attorney presented a rough draft for the 911 dispatch board when the Cheyenne County Commissioners met on Thursday.

The commissioners, especially Andy Beikman, were wondering if, by him serving on the board and the commission, it would be a conflict of interest.

Justin Barrett, attorney, did not think there was a conflict. However, he did think that a resolution for the 911 dispatch board was a good thing to have.

He said the resolution would deal with replacement of board members, and with money that might be accumulated in the years. Mr. Barrett also talked about the two cities sharing some of the expenses

of the service.

Mr. Beikman said he felt that there should be a Bird City representative on the board. When the board was organized, it was the consensus that, since the sheriff is the law enforcement in Bird City, then he was also their representative. Since then, there has been some questions raised as to why no Bird City people were serving.

They will look into what other towns and counties give to maintain the 911 dispatch. Mr. Barrett will give the rough draft to the county's 911 dispatch director, Carol Gamblin, and to the city attorney, Mike Day.

The matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

### Domestic violence

Carol Redding, Northwest Kansas Domestic Violence, said the county gives \$750 each year. She told about the organization and how it helped adults and children who are abused. Ms. Redding is a volunteer but she noted there is an advocate in Colby who works for the organization.

In the past, the donation for this organization came from the county attorney's diversion fund. Justin Barrett, attorney, agreed to continue the donation, noting that it is a good service.

### County attorney's report

Mr. Barrett had reviewed an oil and gas lease from Interzone Energy. He felt that the terms were legal and the lease will be signed at the next meeting.

He said that he would be giving two-\$500 scholarships to a graduating senior from St. Francis and Cheylin. The money will come from the diversion fund.

### Vouchers questioned

Vouchers the commissioners questioned were: 16436 for \$1,662; to Justin Barrett, state vs Randy Johnson, St. Francis; 16433 for

\$70, to Natalie Rogers for weather training cookies; 16444 for \$220 to Steve Nolan for mileage to training; 16453 for \$33 to Deb Smith, mileage; 16456 for \$132 to Cathy Graf, mileage; 16460 for \$263 to Bonnie Zweygardt, Holiday Inn Express for class; 16488 for \$79.40 to Cynthia Poling, March 2005, for coat (ambulance memorial fund).

Mr. Barrett explained voucher 16436 was submitted as he had been appointed by the court to represent Mr. Johnson and this was not included in county attorney's duties. He also noted that there will be additional bills coming in on this case.

### Road and bridge report

In the road and bridge department report, Dave Flemming, supervisor, told the commissioners what work had been done in the county. They also discussed gas usage and costs, along with repairs on the scraper.

He plans to chip seal the cemetery road June 9 and 10. He is still looking for chips. It takes 170 yards of chip seal to do the job.

Mr. Flemming went through the annual report.

### In other business:

- The commissioners donated \$1,500 to help with flooring at the St. Francis Emergency Building. They had agreed to the donation earlier but the check had never been written.

- Wage agreements for Jon Lanz, sheriff's officer, and Jennifer Padgett, 911 dispatcher, were signed. They both have just returned from school.

# 911

Continued from Page 1

Mr. Rogers said.

"I can't believe we are just sitting and waiting," said Janelle Bowers, emergency medical service director.

There would be the cost of putting in the phone line plus \$30 to \$40 each month. The city can also have a radio put in and it would be a one-time fee of around \$1,500.

Mr. Rogers said he thought the phone line would be the best but, said he guessed that was up to the city council.

Natalie Knodel, city council member and member of the 911 dispatch board, said she would take the information back to the city council which would be meeting Tuesday (May 6).

# New Weight. New Health. New You!

Now, there is hope. Hays Medical Center's Bariatric Surgery Program may help you attain a more healthy body weight and other long-term health benefits.

An August 2007 New England Journal of Medicine report says obesity is associated with increased mortality. The life expectancy of severely overweight persons is reduced by an estimated 5-20 years.

Bariatric surgery can lead to long-term weight loss and decreased mortality due to weight-related complications. The health benefits of bariatric surgery may include:

- Significant weight loss
- Lower cholesterol
- Lower blood pressure
- Improvement of Type II diabetes
- Improvement of cardiovascular health
- Relief of sleep apnea
- Relief of digestive problems
- Decreased joint pain
- Improved mobility
- Improved self image

### Reclaim your life and your health.

To find out if bariatric surgery is right for you, talk to your primary care physician or call 785-623-5945 today.



**BARIATRIC SURGERY**

At Hays Medical Center

2220 Canterbury Drive - Hays

785-623-5945

www.haysmed.com

*You've struggled with severe weight problems for years.*

*You've tried all the diets, but nothing seems to work.*

*Now with weight loss surgery there is hope for you to reclaim your life.*



**Dr. Zurab Tsereteli**  
Bariatric Surgeon

## COMPARE OUR CD RATES.

Bank issued, FDIC-insured to \$100,000

<b>1-year</b>
Minimum deposit \$5,000
<b>3.30% APY*</b>
<b>3-year</b>
Minimum deposit \$5,000
<b>4.00% APY*</b>
<b>5-year</b>
Minimum deposit \$5,000
<b>4.40% APY*</b>
Minimum deposit \$5,000

\*Annual Percentage Yield (APY), effective 5/2/08. Certificates of Deposit (CDs) are federally insured up to \$100,000 (principal and interest accrued but not yet paid) per issuing institution. CDs are also federally insured up to \$250,000 (principal and interest accrued but not yet paid) in qualified retirement accounts per issuing institution. Subject to availability and price change. CD values may decline in a rising interest rate environment, and the market value may fluctuate if sold prior to maturity. The amount received from the sale of a CD at current market value may be more than, less than or equal to the amount initially invested. FDIC insurance does not cover losses in market value in these instances. Early withdrawal may not be permitted. Yields quoted are net of all commissions. You pay no additional commissions, annual fees or periodic charges. The estate feature allows heirs to redeem the CDs upon the death of an owner at face value plus interest earned, subject to limitations. CDs require the distribution of interest and do not allow interest to compound. CDs offered through Edward Jones are issued by banks and thrifts nationwide. \$5,000 minimum investment per issuing institution. All CDs sold by Edward Jones are registered with the Depository Trust Corp. (DTC).

### Call or stop by today.

**Kris Yost**

Financial Advisor

114 East 11th

P.O. Box 647

Goodland, KS 67735

Otc. 785-899-3611

800-755-4596

kris.yost@edwardjones.com

www.edwardjones.com

**Edward Jones**

MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING