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County fair begins!!



By Karen Krien

The 2007 Cheyenne County Fair has begun.

"Our fair is the best fair in the tri-state area, said Dick Bursch, fair board president.

"We have put together some of the best shows for all four nights of the fair, said Clay Zimbelman, fair board member.

The 4-H and open class displays, projects and livestock are already at the fairgrounds and most have been judged. The home-owned carnival is running and children can hardly wait to climb on the octopus or the airplanes.

Fair board members have spent several hot days getting the grounds ready for the fair. The members of the Amusement Au-

thority have spent months getting equipment ready and painted, and stocking the prize booth. The carnival opens at 7 p.m. each evening and 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The key is, the carnival is run by volunteers.

The 4-H'ers, who have spent months preparing their livestock and other projects, can relax and enjoy the fair although, many will still be seen carrying water and cleaning up the livestock areas and others will be working in the food booths found in the 4-H building. On Friday, starting at 6, they will bring in a little money when the Premium Sale begins in the small indoor arena.

The judging of 4-H Fashion See FAIR on Page 7

Saturday marks demo derby day

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Saturday night should be one of the biggest demolition derbies in the area.

With both the super weld and hobo (no weld) classes and a guaranteed \$1,000 first-prize in both classes, Clay Zimbelman, head of the Derby Committee, is expecting around 40 entries at the Cheyenne County Fair Derby. To accommodate the huge crowd, the board is bringing in extra seating. Action begins at 7 p.m. in front of

the grandstand on the fairgrounds in St. Francis.

"There will be some really good competition this year," Mr. Zimbelman said.

With the super weld, he said, there will be more hard hitting and the action will last longer.

Rules for the super-weld class allows cars to be built stronger. They can also be repaired and used again and again until there is so much damage that they cannot be repaired. The super weld See DERBY on Page 7

Expect big parade Saturday morning

The Cheyenne County Parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday in St. Francis. The theme this year is "Another Day In Paradise."

Early in the morning, Main Street will be blocked off at Benton Street down to River Street. There are to be no vehicles parked in front of businesses in that four-block area. People can park in front of the courthouse and the park.

For safety, said Carla Lampe, one of the parade coordinators, we are asking people not to go onto Main Street until the pa-

rade has ended and the cones removed.

Parade marshals this year are Willard and Bonnie Busby, St. Francis. They will be riding being the cheerleaders, who will be carrying the banner, and the pom pon squad.

The parade is once again being organized by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Lampe reported that, for awhile, it looked like the number of floats would be down but, in the last week, the people, organizations and businesses are See PARADE on Page 7

Election settles several positions

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The primary election is over. There were three local races which were decided before the general election arrived.

Scott Showalter, candidate for District Court Judge, District 15, division 2, won over Kevin Berens and Andrea Wyrick. All of the candidates were Republicans.

Dolores Jenik will continue as the treasurer. She won over Carl Jenkins by 297 votes.

There were three candidates running for sheriff. In the end, incumbent Craig Van Allen won over David Warren and Philip Wolters.

Steve Orth was running a write-in campaign to have his name listed on the general ballot for District Magistrate Judge. He lacked the required 99 write-ins.

The voting turnout was poor to average. Terry Miller, election officer, reported 160 voters had cast their ballots in the advanced voting booth before the election and 40 ballots had been sent out.

In the county, of the 1,455 registered Republicans, there were 678 voting or 47 percent; and, of the 294 registered Democrats, there

were 96 casting votes or 33 percent.

The general election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Following are the results of the election in Cheyenne County:

Sheriff	
Craig Van Allen (R)	475
Phillip J. Walters (R)	64
David Warren (R)	280
Treasurer	
Dolores Jenik (R)	557
Carl Jenkins (R)	260
District Court Judge, 15th District, division 2	
Kevin Berens (R)	488
Scott Showalter (R)	263
Andrea Wyrick (R)	72
Magistrate Judge, 15th District, 1st position	
Robert Van Allen (R)	700
Steve Orth (D) Write-in	51
Clerk	
Terry Miller (R)	776
Commissioner 2nd District	
Ray Lee (R)	196
Commissioner 3rd District	
Andrew Beikman (R)	309
Register of Deeds	
Mary Morrow (R)	738
County Attorney	
Kari Milliken Gilliland (R)	770
Township Trustee Wano 1	
Roger Moore (R)	177



Matthison Witzel, left, and Reagan Beims were among those participating in the 4-H Style Revue on Monday. Reagan was



one of the winners in her leopard-print coat which she made. Also pictured is Jylian Laten Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Courthouse steps go back to architect's drawing board

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The commissioners were given three options in repairing the courthouse steps when they met Thursday, July 31. They chose option three.

Eric Johnson, architect with Campbell and Johnson, said the commissioners were at a turning point. They had, as he saw it, three options: 1) drop the project; 2) pursue the way it was started; or 3) modify the plans to fit the original construction.

If they were to drop the project,

the steps would remain closed.

Also attending the meeting were Linus Schamber and Len Schamber of Schamber Historical Preservation; and Paul Underwood, Mid-Continental Restoration.

When the project had been put out for bids earlier, the bids had come in over the grant limit and there was a problem getting reasonable bids for other areas.

Linus said their company was interested in bidding on the project but not with the plan now in place. They wanted to start from a point of total restoration. This

would meet the Kansas Historical Society's requirements but there was a problem with the budget.

"The full restoration will cost more money because there is more construction work," he said.

We are not, he said, interested in doing the original plan because there are too many complications — It is not a good road to go because, he said, in the end there will be additional problems.

We are different, he said. There aren't too many people who want to do historical and preservation See STEPS on Page 7



Willard and Bonnie Busby

Couple shares honor

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A St. Francis couple who donated many years to 4-H and Extension has been selected to be the Cheyenne County Fair Parade Marshals.

Willard and Bonnie Busby will be leading the parade which will be held Saturday starting at 10 a.m. on St. Francis' Main Street. See HONOR on Page 7

20-year old found dead

Travis John Havel, 20, died instantly early Wednesday morning, July 30, of a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Mr. Havel was found at 209 S. Denison, St. Francis.



Havel

He was born Dec. 9, 1987, in Imperial, Neb. He went through the St. Francis schools graduating with the class of 2007.

His parents are Sharon Havel, Benkelman, and Brian Havel, Parks, Neb.

The funeral service was held Monday at the First Christian Church, St. Francis.



VOTING SPIRIT — Elmer Kellner wore his voting hat on Tuesday. Pat Confer, left, and Carolyn Culwell help him sign in.

Herald staff photo by Betty Jean Winston

Township Trustee Wano 2		U.S. Senator		Ralph Ostmeier (R) 667	
Fred Magley (R)	306	Pat Rogers (R)	724	State Representative 120th District	
Precinct Committeeman Wano 2		Lee Jones (D)	25	John Faber (R)	772
Ryan Shay (R)	270	Jim Slattery (D)	78	Robert Strevey (D)	75
Precinct Committeeman Wano 2		U.S. Representative 1st District		District Court Judge 15th District, Division 1	
Diane Shay (R)	269	Jerry Moran (R)	752	Glenn Schiffner (R) 592	
		James Bordonaro (D)	65	State Senator, 40th District	