



PARENTS OF KINDERGARTEN students met with Shirley Swihart, teacher, at a PTA Meet the Teachers gathering Monday evening. Pictured seated are (l to r) Kelly Doyle, Tracy Neitzel, Sharon Van Allen and Blake Feikert. Herald staff photos by Karen Krien

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sixth graders. She is still teaching business in the junior-senior high school.

She said that she found she really enjoyed working with the younger students.

Mr. Schiltz said the goal is to have all students know computer basics including power point by the time they leave the sixth grade. When they enter high school, they will be able to implement other more complicated computer uses.

Mrs. Dinkel has a computer room in the grade school and Mrs. Nolan has a science lab.

Changes in junior-senior high school

There are a few changes in the junior-senior high school.

Dennis Friedrichs is the new industrial technology and physics teacher, along with teaching junior high tech lab.

Teri Chase and Valerie Clark are paraprofessionals in the special education department at the high school.

Fall sports

With all the academics worked out for the time being, the students and staff are looking forward to the fall sports season. A football/volleyball open house will start at 7 p.m. in the high school gym on Friday. The admission is a bottle of water. Bottled water is always a need during sporting events.

The Lady Indians' first volleyball meet will be held at 4 p.m.



MEET THE TEACHERS Monday met ice cream for everyone. Jim and Ruth Milliken dipped up ice cream for Keagan Landenberger and Kylie Sherlock.

on Tuesday at Hoxie. The Sainty football team will play Colby on their home field on Friday evening. Game time is 7 p.m.

Homecoming week

Homecoming week will start on Monday, Sept. 15, with the seniors painting the streets. The Homecoming queen and king will be crowned at a special assembly

Friday afternoon, Sept. 19.

The junior high volleyball and football teams will have their first chance to play on Thursday, Sept. 4, in Oberlin.

Students, coaches and staff appreciate community support and look forward to seeing lots of people in the bleachers.

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Dorothy Smestad, member of the Band Shell Committee, presented an update of the first Band Shell Committee meeting. Mrs. Smestad said, "you could cry a flood of tears when you look in the back of this beautiful band shell and all that needs to be done."

She felt that the minimum cost would be over \$100,000 before it could be restored back to the original state. Those on the committee are Carl and Kate Jenkins, Robin Petersen, and Dave and Deb Flemming. Margaret Bucholtz was to be on this committee, but asked to be removed.

Police Report

Chief Shane Guggenmos gave his report. Some of the equipment needed for the city police department has been purchased. They are also looking for one more officer.

Properly Clean-up

Jackie Jones, who lives in Georgia, has been contacted about property on North Adams. She is hoping she can sell the property.

The Snider Zuege letters have been sent to all of the relatives about burning the property and what the costs will be. Also contacted were the neighbors around the property. They plan the burn this fall.

Howard White said has sold his property to Mr. Gene Voeller.

Criminal proceeding were served to Linfred Oster. Mr. Oster has said he will clean up the property.

The Craig Peter house has 45 days to clean up that property. Also Kenny Richers and Larry Forsythe have 45 days.

The house belonging to Kami Miller is being looked at to determine what can be done with that property.

Charter Ordinance 2002-1

The Charter Ordinance 2002-1 is to be repealed. This ordinance pertains to the open meeting law. There has to be four of the five council members present in order to reach a decision. The new ordinance will state that three out of the five members have to be there. It will also allow two council people to travel to meetings together.

Streets

For several weeks the council members have been concerned with the chipping of the curbs on the north side of Main Street. After careful observation they have found 28 sections that are 6-foot long that need to be replaced.

The council discuss just replacing

the curbs however Ordinance- 477 that was passed Aug. 6, 1996, states that both the curb and gutter need to be replaced.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent J.R. Landenberger, reported that Chris Miller will look at the specifications for a fence at the sewer ponds while he is in St. Francis. The present fence cannot be repaired.

Other matters included:

- The swimming pool will be painted this fall and a new filter put in.
- The city crew will be doing some crack filling on streets.
- The superintendent ask for per-

mission to buy a bucket truck

Building Permits

Building permits were approved for Stan Wahrman to build a garage and Pete Davis to put up a fence.

Attorney Report

Attorney Mike Day will draft an easement for the Kody Krien property. This will allow the city access to the utilities and pipe lines.

Councilwoman Carla Lampe reported that Karla Mills had called with concerns that the city might close the alley between Spencer and First streets. The council said they will keep the alley open for access and trash pickup.

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the rising price of electricity by installing a financially feasible personal power system. He also found that there are grants available.

Produced by Freetricity, his wind turbine is attached to a pole inside a building on his property. Barely seen, it is lowering his electricity bill and, at times, eliminating the costs. If there is excess, it is sold back to Prairie Land Electric.

The average home uses 1,200 kilowatt hours of electricity each month and the customer pays for the kilowatt hours used.

In an average wind speed of 12-miles per hour for 6 hours a day, each system wind turbine can produce from 100 to 700 kilowatt hours, depending on the system selected.

There are three different systems available.

- The 12-volt system with a battery controller and 1,100 watt inverter costs only \$1,399.
- The 12-volt system with battery controller and 2,300 watt inverter is priced at \$1,699.
- The 2.5 kilowatt grid-tie system with inverter is \$3,620.

The systems have an inverter which is plugged into one of the electrical circuits in the garage. This inverter changes the 12 volts DC into the 110 volts AC needed to power electrical outlets on that circuit. This way, there isn't a negative power.

A 12-volt system is powerful enough to run a washer and dryer, central air conditioning and central heating plus much more.

He figures, that with the wind

turbine, his electricity bill will average around \$25 a month compared to \$85. He has air conditioning, a 220 pump and electrical appliances including an electric water heater. He said that the grid-tie system will supply one-half to three-fourths of the electricity needed in his home.

On the plains of Kansas and Colorado, he said, there is constant wind. With the E2D Wind Master, there is a reliable and powerful renewable energy source which is captured into an affordable and highly productive electrical generating system.

When Mr. Reeser became a distributor for the company, he established Electric Power Systems LLC. He is the distributor for the eight counties in northwestern Kansas and eastern Colorado to Highway 25.

He has several distributors working under him and expects more. The company accepts checks and credit cards. There are also technicians who assist with installation and advice when working with the electric company.

With a college degree in physics science, Mr. Reeser understands the workings and calculations of turbine-wind power. He is excited at the prospect of supplying a product which is easily accessible, easy to install and is affordable. He said that he expects his Wind Master to pay for its self in savings in 4.5 years.

Mr. Reeser and his wife Laura live east of St. Francis (about halfway between St. Francis and Wheeler) on U.S. 36. For more information, people can call him at 785-332-3997.

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