



VILLAGE PARTY HELD - Daughter, Vickie Callicrate, and grandson, Teegan Callicrate help Alberta Calnon enjoy being named June Resident of the Month at the Good Samaritan Village. Cathy Loop, Activities Director, holds the mike.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Party enjoyed at Village for June Resident of the Month

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The June resident of the month at the Good Samaritan Village in St. Francis is Alberta Calnon. Mrs. Calnon has been living at the Village for over a year.

A party was held Thursday and Alberta was interviewed, a video of pictures taken during her lifetime was shown, and cookies and punch were served. Her daughter, Vickie, grandson, Teegan, friends and relatives, along with the Village staff, were there to honor her.

She was born Annie Alberta to Albert and Alice (Davis) Wilkens on Dec. 19, 1922, in Bird City. She and her two older sisters, Nina and Louise, grew up on a farm north of McDonald. They attended country school 7 miles north of town. About that same time, her husband-to-be, Swede, was going to country school 7 miles south of McDonald.

When the Calnons were interviewed on their 65th wedding anniversary, she said that she had her eye on Swede for a long time and, Swede said he thought Alberta was pretty sweet. However, Swede's friend liked her but Alberta didn't treat him very nice.

Swede said he didn't want to be treated like that and Alber-

ta said she just didn't like his friend.

They eventually got together, went to the prom and had a good time.

Mrs. Calnon graduated from McDonald High School, then went on to Parks Business School in Denver.

They were both only 19 years old when they were married on Oct. 31, 1942, in McDonald. Their first home was on the Calnon ranch south of McDonald.

They described the house as a "shack." They carried water and burned corn cobs.

The Japanese had bombed Pearl Harbor and, in 1944, Swede was drafted. During that time, she helped on the farm. When he was transferred to Seattle, Wash., Alberta went out to be with him but he was gone much of the day. Bored, she got a job waiting tables.

"The tips were good," she said.

When Mr. Calnon returned from the Navy, they moved to St. Francis and started their own farming and cattle operation south of St. Francis. They both worked hard in the fields and in the barn.

The highlight of their life came in 1952, when their only child, Vicki, was born in St. Francis.

In 1960, they turned to raising racing greyhounds. Mrs. Calnon said that the dog money kept them in food at home.

She and Swede, through the years, enjoyed friends and playing cards. Mrs. Calnon cooked at stags and at the Vet's Club.

She also liked to read, work crossword puzzles, sew and being with the farm animals. She said she sewed for many people, making all of Vickie's clothes and some of Swede's shirts. At the party on Thursday, Alberta said that she could probably still sew today if she practiced.

Through the years, she raised a big garden and canned but, she said, that was a "must" in those hard years.

Their two grandsons, Tyler, who died in 1996, and Teegan, were a great joy in the Calnon's lives and they were able to spend time with them.

Swede died in March 2008. Mrs. Calnon has a little trouble hearing today but still has the ability to "tell it like it is" making her an interesting and enjoyable resident to have at the Village.

Open house
There will be an open house at the St. Francis Emergency Building on US 36 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday. There will be tours and refreshments.

Horse Show rescheduled
Cheyenne County Spring Horse Show has been rescheduled to this Sunday at 10 a.m., at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds. For questions please call Julie Brunk at 785-332-3156

Office closed
The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times offices will be closed on Friday, July 3 in observance of the Fourth of July.

Volleyball Skills Camp
A volleyball skills camp presented by Coach Talley Morrow and Coach Jeff Olofson will be held from June 22 to June 25. Students in grades 5 through 8 will meet in the morning and high school students will meet at night. Check ad for times and additional details.

Dangers of Secondhand Smoke
A discussion meeting on the dangers of secondhand smoke and the creation of an educational toolkit will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 25, at the Peace Lutheran Church, 202 North College, St. Francis. Meal will be provided.

The meeting is to improve the health of St. Francis residents and other Kansans.

Hospital Board
The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 25.

Fair Board
In July, the Fair Board will not be meeting until Thursday, July 16, at the fairgrounds.

City Council
The St. Francis City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the city hall building.

Board of Education
The St. Francis Board of Education will meet at 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 30, at the high school library for ending the fiscal year business.

Library closings
The library will be closed on Thursday and Friday for automating at the library.

AWANA Bible Story Hour Starts
AWANA Bible Story Hour runs from 10 to 11 a.m. in the bandshell park. First graders and older students are welcome.

Library Art Gallery
The St. Francis Public Library Art Gallery is featuring the work of the St. Francis high school journalism department.

Tag deadline
All residents with last names beginning with H and I should purchase their car, pickup, motorcycle and motorized bike tags and pay their vehicle personal property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty.

Sisters In Serenity Women's AA

A Sisters In Serenity women's Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at 5 p.m. on Sundays at 585 N. Franklin, City Hall, northwest basement door in Colby. There is a play room for younger children and a quiet space for older children on-site. For more information call (785) 672-3406 or (785) 538-2526.

These meetings are limited to female alcoholics to provide an opportunity for members to share with one another on problems related to drinking patterns and attempts to achieve stable sobriety. They also permit detailed discussion of various elements in the recovery program.

Veterans Affairs
Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. today (Thursday) at the county clerk's office. People may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572.

Police Report

May 16, 2009-June 3, 2009

May 16: Report of transient being verbally abusive towards staff at the K-Store. Individual was contacted and ordered to leave the store

May 17: Report of a suspicious odor in 400 block of North Scott. No hazardous materials were found.

May 18: At approximately 12:30 p.m. Officers responded to a domestic battery call at the 500 block of East Jackson. The victim was transported to the Cheyenne County Hospital and the suspect fled the scene. The suspect later turned himself in at the St. Francis Police Department and was arrested for domestic battery.

May 18: Report of a suspicious vehicle on East Fourth Street.

May 18: Dog at large at the corner of Benton and Jackson. Owner was contacted and the dog was taken home.

May 19: Car stop at U.S. 36 and College, headlight out. Driver was given verbal warning.

May 20: Report of harassment at Keller Pond. Upon arrival the parties had left the area and could not be contacted.

May 21: Car stop, tail light out. Driver was given warning.

May 23: Report of possible driving under the influence of alcohol near the K-Store.

May 24: Minor in possession of alcohol. Individual was released to parents and issued a citation.

May 25: Dog at large. Dog was taken to the pound until its owners could be located.

May 30: Report of customer

becoming verbally and physically abusive at Sainty Supers. The store did not wish to press charges, the individual was asked to leave the store.

May 30: Car stop, failed to dim headlights when approaching oncoming traffic. Driver was subsequently arrested for driving under the influence and transporting an open container.

June 2: Two car accident at Jackson and College streets. No injuries were reported.

June 3: Car stop at Scott and Third, failure to turn on headlights, warning issued.

June 3: Car stop at College and North, taillight out. Warning issued.

Warnings are issued

The St. Francis Police Department conducted the Memorial Day "Click it or Ticket" campaign from May 18 through May 31. During that time, warnings were issued for failing to use passenger/child safety restraints.

"Please remember to buckle up not just yourself, but any other passengers and children in your vehicle," said Antonio Rodriguez, officer.

Those having questions regarding Kansas laws that pertain to passenger/child safety restraint use, please don't hesitate to contact the St. Francis Police Department at 785-332-3385

SHOWTIME: 8 p.m. 1 hr. 45 min.

Night at the Museum 2

June 19, 20 & 21 Action/Adventure, Comedy, Kids/Family and Sequel

Ben Stiller, Amy Adams, Owen Wilson, Hank Azaria, Robin Williams PG for mild action and brief language.

CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747

Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

St. Francis Emergency Building
U.S. Hwy 36

Open House
Saturday, June 20
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Tours and Refreshments

Home of the Cheyenne County Firemen, Cheyenne County EMTs and Cheyenne County Emergency Management Coordinator.

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS 785-332-2104

Dr. Gustaffon will be replacing Dr. Warren and will be available to see patients at the Cheyenne County Hospital in the near future. Dr. Curtis will also be seeing patients on a regular basis.

If you would like more information, please contact Amelia at 785-332-2104

The Uptown Meat Market and Deli
(In Downtown St. Francis)

Welcome Alumni, Friends and Neighbors

On Saturday, June 20th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. stop by the Uptown Meat Market & Deli for lunch. We'll be serving Callicrate All-Natural Burgers & Brats with chips, side salad, cookie and drink for only \$6.50

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2006 F250 S/C, Lariat, 4x4, AT, 78K, #T1564B	\$22,000
1995 Chevrolet 3500 Silverado, R/C 5M, #T9089C	\$2,500
1997 F150 S/C, 4x2, AT, Air, #T1755B	\$6,000
2006 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, AT, 77K, #T8009A	\$21,500
2006 F350 Crew, XLT, 4x4 w/Flatbed, #T3721A	\$22,500
2006 F350 XLT, 4x4, 6.0L, #T6207A	\$22,000
2001 Taurus SE, Cloth, AT, 84K, #8772B	\$5,500
2008 Mercury Sable Prem., leather, AT, 19K, #26815	\$19,000
1996 Ford Contour, AT, Air, 52K	\$4,600
1992 Lincoln Town Car, auto, cloth, #T6560M	\$1,995
2006 Freestyle SEL, leather, FWD, 45k, #T7748A	\$14,500
2000 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, 7.3L, #T3568A	\$13,500
2008 Fusion SE, 2.3L, AT, 13K, #23423	\$15,500
1999 F250 S/C XLT, 4x4, Auto, #T6353B	\$9,995
2007 Focus SE, 4 cyl, FWD, #01355	\$11,000
1996 Chevy 1500 Ex Cab, 4x4, cloth, #T2149B	\$6,000
2007 Taurus SE, AT, 3.0L, #22770	\$11,250
1997 F150 XLT, 4x4, Reg. Cab, #5721C	\$5,500
2008 Grand Marquis LS, AT, leather, 10K, #62526	\$18,500
1999 Crown Vic, Cloth, AC, AT, #53870B	\$7,500
2004 F350 Crew, XLT, 81K Miles, #T2149B	\$20,000
2006 Mountaineer AWD, V-6, leather, #32458A	\$14,000
2006 F150 Crew Lariat, 4x4, Cover, 46K, #T6185A	\$26,000
2000 Toyota Tucoma, 4x2, air, extended cab, #T6207C	\$8,500
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