

Callers and people coming to check out the coyotes gathered as Harold Tygart (left), Tim Stimbert and Thomas Douthit weigh each coyote.

Coyote calling event brings in a team from Maryland

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Cold temperatures at the start could not slow down the FoxPro's Midwest Coyote Calling Event held last weekend in St. Francis.

Teams came from the tri-state area and as far away as Maryland.

Coyote sightings were recorded at 1,162. Of those, 413 animals were laid out at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds.

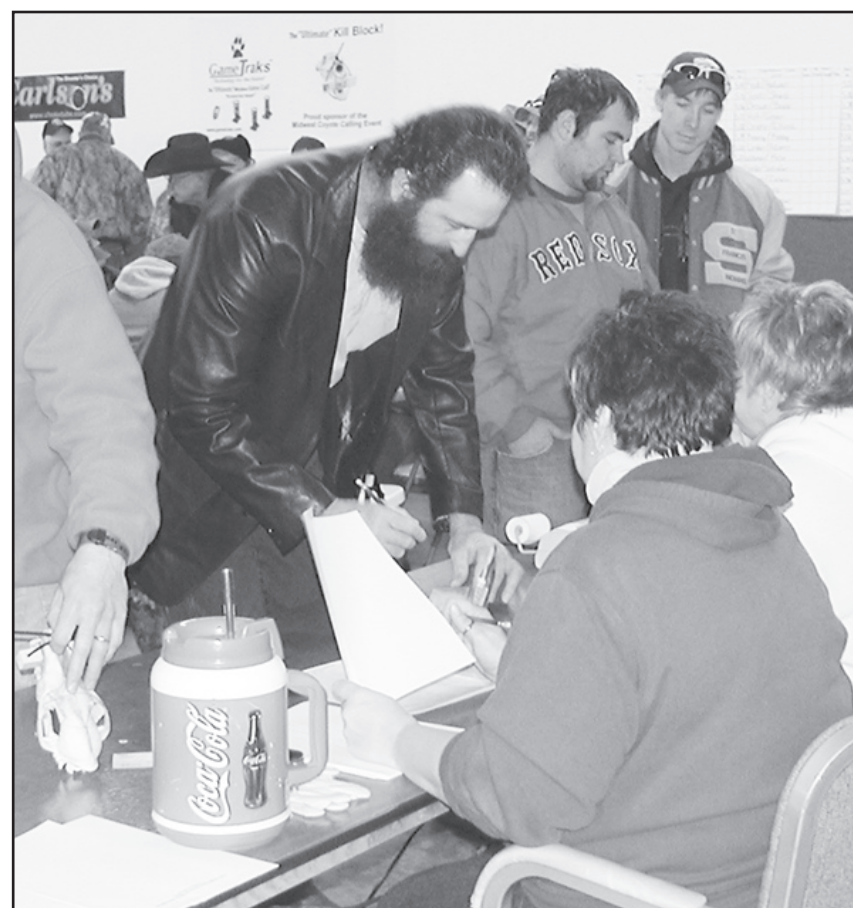
"We had a great turnout," said Brent Rueb who coordinates the contest. Of

the 143 teams that entered the event, 140 checked in on Sunday.

The first place team in the Predator Sniper Class was Nick Petersen and Jeremy Gugelmeyer, from Lamar, Colo., and Dalhart, Texas, who brought in 19 dogs.

In the Sportsman's Warehouse class, local callers placing second were Matt Smull and Lance Long with seven coyotes.

See next week's *Saint Francis Herald* for complete results.



Brent Rueb, coordinator of the FoxPro's Midwest Coyote Calling event, top left, did the announcing of winners. Left to right, clockwise, women callers, Miranda Nemechek signs in while her partner, Channel Peter talks to the signup women, Rose Miller and Jana Carpenter; an unknown caller (left) talks to Jesse Laten, Josh and Peggy Moberly; Pete Kinen, St. Francis, signs in while Trevor Hilt and Drew Zwegardt wait their turn; Tony Howard had a display of knives. Gerald Lauer visits with him.

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