

Former resident honored

Leslie (Jones) Carlholm, former St. Francis resident, now of Imperial, Neb., was recently honored by the Center for Rural Affairs' of Lyons. Ms. Carlholm, with the Center for rural Affairs' Rural Enterprise Assistance Project, was recognized with the Friend of the Year award.

In an article which appeared in the Ag/Business section of *The Imperial Republican*, Ms. Carlholm is the Key Accounts/Community Development director for the city of Imperial.

She was recognized for her long-standing commitment to the program at a special award banquet held in Kearney on the eve of the Center for Rural Affairs' annual MarketPlace conference.

The Rural Enterprise Assistance Project is the Center for Rural Affairs' small business development program that offers business training, technical assistance, loans and networking across rural Nebraska.

The program's Friend of the Year award was created to recognize an individual or an organization that demonstrates outstanding support for Rural Enterprise Assistance Project and exceptional dedication to small business development in rural Nebraska.

Nancy Flock, the program's Business specialist, said "Leslie is very supportive of Rural Enterprise Assistance Project and sends referrals to them. She helped the program facilitate of-

vice hours in 2008 and 2009.

Ms. Flock added "Leslie is always willing to help Rural Enterprise Assistance program in that ever way she can and is a superb contact in Chase County.

Ms. Carlholm said she has had "some interaction" with the program since she started working for the city in 2004, but more so in the last several years.

She is especially enthusiastic about "Rural Enterprise Assistance Project actively working in the community assisting the aspiring entrepreneurs and especially appreciate their efforts to provide this assistance to the growing Hispanic community.

At present a Spanish business plan writing class is being held, Ms. Carlholm noted.

Rural Enterprise Assistance Project activities take place in a number of places around Imperial when needed, including the city council chambers or the Lied Imperial Public Library after hours.

She said the Center for Rural Affairs is a great organization and "pretty easy to work with." She wanted to stress that the award she received really belongs to the Imperial community.

Obituaries

Bob L. Wieck

Jan. 1, 1934 - May 20, 2010

Lifelong Sherman and Cheyenne County, Kan., resident Bob L. Wieck, 76, died Thursday, May 20, 2010, at his residence in rural Sherman County.

He was born Jan. 1, 1934, in Cheyenne County, the son of William Riley and Elizabeth LeAnn (Wickwar) Wieck. He attended Pleasant Ridge country school and graduated from St. Francis Community High School in 1953.

On June 20, 1954, he and Shirley Johnson were married at St. Francis, and they made their home in Sherman County, where he was a farmer and a contractor.

He was a member of Lawn Ridge Methodist Church in Cheyenne County and Goodland Elks Lodge 1528.

Preceding him in death were his parents; two brothers, Lorence Wieck and Don Wieck; sister, Barbara Raile; brothers-in-law, Ruben Zweggardt, Chuck Pelphrey, Don Hawkins, and Wayne Gattshall; sisters-in-law Betty Wieck and Marvel Pelphrey.

Surviving family includes wife, Shirley Wieck of rural Sherman

County; two sons, Randy Wieck and his wife, Charlene of St. Francis; Keith Wieck of Goodland; daughter Shelly Bellamy and her husband, Brian of Sharon Springs; six grandchildren, Ericka Wieck, Melody Renzelman, Courtney Wieck and his wife, Elisabeth, Mandy Hill and her husband, Josh, Lexi Pfannenstiel and her husband, Shannon, Kinsey Bellamy; four great-grandchildren, Tristan Archer, Heather Dulany Dylan Dulany, Faith Dulany; two brothers, Melvin Wieck and his wife, Rena of Arvada, Colo.; Bill Wieck and his wife, Margie of Deer Trail, Colo.; and sister, Betty Zweggardt of Parker, Colo.

The funeral was Tuesday, May 25, at Koons Chapel in Goodland, with Pastor Dave Rauch officiating. Burial followed in the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials may be designated to Hospice Services of Sherman County, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.

Raquel Ann Brunswig

Jan. 24, 1935 - May 20, 2010

Raquel Ann Brunswig was born to Samuel and Emma Brunswig on Jan. 24, 1935. Although she was born with cerebral palsy, Raquel's life was a true inspiration to her family and her many friends.

Raquel grew up on a farm in the northwest corner of Kansas. She and her mom were constant companions in church, 4-H, family, and community activities. Raquel loved to knit and crochet and made many gifts for others.

She enjoyed the many sessions of summer camp at Camp Hope in the Colorado mountains. Her favorite adventure in her life was to ride in an airplane. Best of all, her special times and drives were with her great friend, Hope.

Raquel had an interest in listening to music and funny stories, and was continually learning and repeating Bible verses. Her reputation was her extended knowledge of songs. She always knew every word to every song that was suggested. Not only that, she loved to sing the songs. Her giggle and laugh were contagious.

Since her mother's death, Raquel has lived in assisted living in St. Francis and Goodland, and Brush and Fort Collins, Colo.

Her continued faith in God and the power of prayer has been a shining star to those whose lives were touched in knowing her.

Raquel died on May 20, 2010.

Raquel's family includes: brothers, Charles (Cathy) and Ronald (Cheryl); sister, Connie Lane (George); nephews, Carl (Julie), Mike (Lori), Paul (Kyung OK), Scott (Marcia) and Jeff (Trisha); nieces Jodi Kidneigh and Lori Kidneigh; seven great-nephews and seven great-nieces.

Raquel always had appreciation for all the goodness in her life.

The family expresses great gratitude for the loving attention by the personnel at Good Samaritan through the many years, and to the compassionate caretakers of Pathways Hospice. She was blessed with happiness and joy in knowing them.

Interment will be in Bird City on May 28. A memorial service will be held at the Fort Collins Good Samaritan Chapel on June 1 at 1 p.m. A reception will follow.

Memorials to cerebral palsy or the Pathway Hospice may be sent in care of Bohlander Funeral Home.

Summer activities at library

Summer reading

The summer reading program at the St. Francis Public Library is an exciting time for students and keeps them busy and reading through the summer.

Young people in kindergarten through sixth grade who can read on their own may come to the library and sign up for the program. Signup will begin on Monday, June 7, and will end on July 30.

Prizes are given after every 10 books are read. The top readers will receive special prizes.

Every week, a drawing will be held for a treat at the Dairy King.

"We hope by giving prizes and treats, that it will be an incentive for young people to continue reading during the summer," said Pat Leibbrandt, librarian.

All students are encouraged to have fun by reading throughout the summer.

"See you at the library!"

Library Splash

"Make a Splash -- Read" is the theme for summer activities at the St. Francis Public Library.

Many things have been planned, said Pat Leibbrandt, librarian, so that it will be an exciting summer.

Children will have the opportunity to do crafts, snacks and many other activities.

Penny Gienger will be the summer fun sessions coordinator. Children, ages 3 through third grade, are urged to come for some fun.

Sessions will be held on Tuesdays starting June 8 and will be held for six weeks.

Sign up started at the public library on Thursday, May 20. Library hours are 10:30 to 5:30.

"You must enroll this free program to attend," Mrs. Leibbrandt said.

If there are any questions, call Mrs. Gienger, 332-3949, or the library, 332-3292.



AMUSEMENT AUTHORITY WORKERS - Susie and Greg Walz are painting the Ferris wheel cogs.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Help needed at fair grounds

By Karen Krien

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It is just 10 weeks until the Cheyenne County Fair opens and it could take all of that time before the Amusement Authority is ready for the carnival to open.

This is a year where there is a lot to do and a lot of expenses, said Greg Walz, Amusement Authority member.

The Authority members have been trying to work for the last few months (they meet at the fairgrounds on Thursday evenings) but it has been cold and/or wet.

Thursday, there were a few members working but they are those who are always working.

"We need help," said De Etta Knorr, member.

Before a ride is ready for the fair, it is checked to see that it

is running properly. Sometimes there are repairs to the motors, chains, seats or game booths.

This year, Mr. Walz said there are a number of repairs. The train motor has already been overhauled but the merry-go-round and Ferris wheel needs motor repairs.

The Ferris wheel cogs needed replacing. For 12 of them, it cost \$2,200 and they still needed to be painted to protect them from the elements and make them look better. That was what Susie Walz was working on Thursday evening.

The Authority members plan to run cement under part of the game booths when the weather warms up.

By the end of July, there is a great deal of painting to be done. It isn't painting which takes a lot of skill, work or time. There

is painting for anyone who can use a 2-in paint brush. There are fences, game booths, and rides which need painting.

This year, the swing and octopus rides need new covers on the seats. The material has arrived but someone needs to put it on.

With all the rain, there is constant mowing. Trees need to be sprayed and trunks wrapped.

The Authority members and other volunteers meet at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, weather permitting. Even if the weather isn't too good, there may be work that can be done inside.

The carnival is made possible with volunteer help. Volunteers don't have to work any set time. If they can work one evening, that helps. Just show up, said Mrs. Walz.

Alumni activities planned

By Karen Krien

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St. Francis Community High School alumni will soon be arriving in town for the 53rd reunion.

This year, the celebration is held on Saturday, June 19, with many of the honor classes having additional parties on Friday and Sunday.

Shirley Zweggardt, corresponding secretary, reported reservations have started coming in for the Saturday evening meal. Reservation deadline is Monday, June 14. People can send in their reservations or, if it is getting late, they can call in and pick up their tickets on Saturday evening.

The \$20 collected for each reservation not only pays for the meal but is also used to help pur-

chase items for the Saintry schools and community.

"We have been able to make some sizable donations back to the school and to the St. Francis community through the years," Ms. Zweggardt said.

New this year will be entertainment in Sawhill Park. Disc jockey, Roy Elfers, will have music for all classes in the band shell from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.

People, alumni and residents wanting to visit with alumni are urged to bring their lawn chairs for a pleasant evening in the park. People will also be able to dance inside the band shell.

Honor classes this year are 1935, 19340, 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995 and 2000.

Registration will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. Saturday then everyone is to meet in the gym. This is a good time to visit with graduates and friends from other classes. Each honor class will have a designated area (years are posted on the gym walls) and a class photo will be taken by a professional photographer and by The Saint Francis Herald staff.

The alumni banquet will be served in the school cafeteria. Again, many of the honor classes have made plans for meetings following the meal.

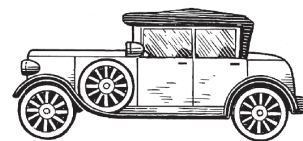
Look for the class plans in an upcoming issue of The Herald or for more information, contact Shirley at 785-332-2286 or e-mail her at sfchsalumni@hotmail.com.

Car show gives donations

The Saturday in the Park Car Show was held May 8 and the attendance was excellent. After all the bills were paid, club members donated to the following:

- Five scholarships for Cheyenne County graduating seniors.
- The city of St. Francis to help purchase two flags.
- St. Francis Girl Scouts.
- St. Francis Boy Scouts.
- Cheyenne County Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

The car show is held the second Saturday in May in downtown St. Francis.



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Pool Number: 332-3410

Regular Pool Hours:
Sunday-Saturday: 1:30 - 5:30
Sun., Mon., Wed., Fri., 7 - 9 p.m.
 (Saturday Evenings - Private Parties. Call Information.)

Pool Manager: Crissy Cooks
Lifeguards: Shania Gohl, Andrea Holzwarth, Christina Hillt, Shayla Hillt, Mikaela Grace, Matt Whitmore and Aly Marin.

Lap Swimming: \$1 daily or Lap Pass \$40
Monday-Friday: 6:30-7:30 a.m.

Swimming Lessons
 Reg. Lessons: Session I: June 7 - June 18
 Session II: July 12 - July 23
 Time: Level 5 - 9:15-9:45 a.m.
 Level 4 - 9:50-10:15 a.m.
 Level 3 - 10:20-10:55 a.m.
 Level 2 - 11-11:30 a.m.
 Level 1 - 11:35-Noon
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 Every Other Thursday: 10 p.m.-Midnight.

Fees: 5 & under free
 \$1.50 Admission
Season Passes:
 Single \$55 - Family \$125
Punch Cards:
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 Private parties - Saturday nights 7-9 p.m. \$65

For questions or to purchase passes, call or stop by!