



Grace



Marin



McCauley



Schlepp



Trembly

# Road testing to start

This week (June 21-25) the Kansas Department of Transportation will be conducting pavement evaluation tests on portions of K-161, K-25, and U.S. 24 highways in Cheyenne, Rawlins and Thomas counties. The testing will include the use of a pilot car operation to control traffic.

Specifically, these annual surveys called Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD) tests are performed by the agency each year. The survey measures the quality of pavement and certain aspects of deflection upon the roadway.

The department's technicians will be working in 4-mile segments while performing the tests. The traveling public should expect a slight delay - waiting 15 minutes or less - while the survey is underway.

For questions concerning the survey, contact District Three Public Affairs Manager Kristen Brands at (785) 877-3315 or kristenb@ksdot.org.

# Five contestants vie for Cheyenne County title

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The Cheyenne County Young Miss program will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday in the high school auditorium in St. Francis. The audience will be able to enjoy the air-conditioned auditorium as well as the program.

There are five girls vying for the title of Young Miss. They include: Aly Marin, Mikaela Grace, Jalyne McCauley, Aubree Schlepp and Sarah Trembly. All will be seniors at St. Francis Community High School.

"We are planning a full evening of entertainment," said Vickie Cress, chairman.

This year's theme is "Miami Daze." Last year's Young Miss,

Dale Northrup, will make an appearance, entertaining the audience with several numbers including the dance she did for her performing arts selection last year. She will also be giving a reading.

Along with the individual talent numbers performed by the contestants, they will be dressed in evening gowns for the "Poise and Elegance" category.

At 2 p.m. on Saturday, a parade and autograph session will be held on St. Francis' Main Street.

The girls have begun a rigorous routine of activities this week. They are meeting daily for practices, makeup sessions, mock interviews along with special lunches and picnics.

Earlier this week, the contestant

winning the "Academics" category was selected by a separate panel of judges.

The program enables incoming senior girls a chance to develop themselves in the areas of scholastic, interviews, talent, physical fitness and poise.

Following are short biographies and photos of the girls:

**Alyson Marin**  
Aly plans to attend Benedictine College in Atchison where she will major in graphic arts.

For her talent number, Aly will be telling a story, "The Pony Tail" by Robert Munch.

Aly is the daughter of Ed and Anita Marin, St. Francis.

**Mikaela Grace**  
Mikaela plans to attend Stan-

ford in California where she will earn a master's degree in chemical engineering. Then she would like to travel abroad to work.

She will entertain the audience with "The Entertainer" on the piano.

Mikaela is the daughter of Robert and Deborah Grace, St. Francis.

**Jalyne McCauley**  
Jalyne plans to study in the psychological field at Fort Hays State University.

She will be clogging to "Nothing to Lose."

Jalyne is the daughter of Jennifer Cravens, St. Francis, and Randel McCauley, Ulysses.

**Aubree Schlepp**  
Aubree plans to study journal-

ism/fashion journalism at Stephens College in Missouri.

She will be tap dancing to "Singing In The Rain."

Aubree is the daughter of Spencer and Lisa Schlepp, St. Francis.

**Sarah Trembly**  
Sarah said she plans to be successful and follow her own path.

She will be presenting a humorous skit entitled, "Sicky Vicky."

Sarah is the daughter of Carol Trembly, St. Francis, and the late Jim Trembly.

# Group kicks off meetings with book signing

Kim Vogel Sawyer, award-winning Kansas author signed books at St. Francis Community Church following a luncheon June 12. The event kicked off Mugs N Muffins, a Christian fiction book group that will begin meeting in July. Mrs. Sawyer's "Fields of Grace" will be the first book read by the group.

The first meeting of the group will be Saturday, July 10, at 9 a.m. at the St. Francis Community Church. "Fields of Grace" will be discussed at that meeting.

"Book Groups are national phenomena," said Kim Zwegardt, organizer of the event. "There are thousands of groups across the nation where people who love to read meet together to discuss a book they've read. It's a way to connect and share much like the old days get-together's to quilt. You come together around a common interest."

"Christian fiction is growing despite the poor economy. Where it used to be just a book or two and an author or two, there are hundreds of authors writing quality stories in every genre. I want this book group to introduce us to different authors than we might normally read as well as help us to discuss life as 'lived out' by the characters in these books."

Mrs. Sawyer spoke about her publishing journey after the luncheon and then sign books. "Fields of Grace" as well as other books by Mrs. Sawyer were available for purchase.

Kim Sawyer is a Kansas native whose writing won ACFW (American Christian Fiction Writers) Book of the Year in 2009.

"We'll be having other authors come throughout the year to speak about their books," Mrs. Zwegardt concluded.



KIM VOGEL SAWYER signs a copy of her book at a luncheon held at the St. Francis Community Church.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

# Program helps prevent accidents

On May 27, two St. Francis Equity employees, Gail Yonkey and Martin Estrada, attended the Kansas Grain and Feed Association's Elevator Operators Safety School in Colby.

While accidents unfortunately happen in the grain handling industry, St. Francis invests the time and money into educating its employees through numerous training programs each year that provide vital safety information that can possibly prevent injury and death.

The Equity is a part of the Ag Services Safety LLC program. With this program a safety director is on site twice a month providing safety training and compliance di-

rection along with being able to be reached at all times via cell phone and email.

All employees, Karol Lohman, manager, said, are committed to working safe and providing a safe and compliant atmosphere for our customers.

Those attending the safety school received training from association's staff on numerous safety issues including: emergency action planning, bin entry, manlift safety, grain dust explosions, as well as a special update on the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) regulatory agenda from the association's director of member services, Sarah Bowser.

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