

Registrations being taken unique no-till bus tour

No-till on the Plains is accepting registrations up through July 21 for its Points South No-till Bus Tour which will be held July 27 to July 29. The bus tour is a unique opportunity for attendees to travel along with Dr. Ray Ward, owner of Ward Laboratories of Kearney, Neb., who shares his vast knowledge of continuous no-tillage, soils, and geology throughout the trip. The air-conditioned motor coach tour features a spectrum of soils, climates, and crops.

Brian Lindley, Executive Director of No-till on the Plains, Inc., said, "Producers have asked us for a southern tour, and we have delivered! Our tour format allows participants to ask questions of the experts and get immediate, practical answers. The interaction on the bus is just tremendous. At-

tendees of past tours have told us that these trips have changed their thinking, their farming practices, and their lives."

No-till on the Plains is excited to feature a great slate of several Kansas and Oklahoma producers who have attended past No-till on the Plains events, have taken what they have learned and have applied it on their own farms with a wide diversification of crops.

Excellent farm stops with Tom Cannon at Blackwell, Okla., and Tony Kodesh at Red Rock, Okla., will kick off the tour. These two have been frequent speakers for No-till on the Plains and are making the most of their continuous no-till systems. Both producers are highly approachable and will share their experience with a variety of crops and conditions.

The next stop will be Oklahoma State University where tour attendees will have the opportunity to visit with university professors, Dr. Chad Godsey and Dr. Randy Taylor over supper at The Ranchers Club on the university's campus.

A highlighted stop on day two will be The Noble Foundation at Ardmore, Okla., which assists farmers and ranchers with research and agricultural programs and will be of special interest to those who raise livestock or are interested in grazing.

No-till on the Plains Board of Director Alan Mindemann's continuous no-till operation is the next farm stop at Apache, Okla. No-till producer Jimmy Kinder will also join the group to share with attendees at this stop.

Day three of the tour features two Kansas producers. Ryan Speer of Jacob Farms in Halstead who was featured at the January 2010 No-till on the Plains AIM Symposium will share his knowledge on an assortment of no-till crops. No-till on the Plains Board of Director Joe Swanson at Windom will be the final outstanding producer stop and will relate why he believes 100 percent no-till is the way to go for a variety of reasons.

Past attendee comments include, "The tour was great! This has to be one of the most impacting agricultural educational experiences available; Touring with Ray Ward is like a college course in soils and geology; Great interaction between presenters and people on tour; As a novice no-tiller I learned a lot of new techniques, active research, and practical applications for my farm; Delightful intellectual stimulation by dedicated professionals and progressive forward-thinking no-tillers; Great one-on-one learning and sharing; This is my sixth No-till on the Plains Tour -- I will be back!"

Introducing

Isabel Kay Oestman

Mark, Dessany and Ellie Oestman announce the arrival of the newest member of their family. Isabel Kay Oestman was born Tuesday, June 8, 2010.

Isabel was welcomed into the world by many family and friends including grandparents, Robin and Kathy Wiley of Idalia, Colo., and Terry and Kay Oestman of Eckley, Colo., and great grandparents, Dolores Wiley of St. Francis, Hertha Kelley of St. Francis, and Jim and Dorothy Brophy of Yuma, Colo.



Oestman

Time to plan a float for the county parade

The Cheyenne County Fair Parade is just a month away, Saturday, Aug. 7— Plenty of time to plan an entry, whether it be a float, an individual entry, horses, antique and derby vehicles, just to name a few.

This year's theme is "Cowboy Boots and Country Roots."

"With this theme, people will be able to create amazing floats," said Carla Lampe, parade coordinator.

The parade is organized by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce. The floats will be judged by three people. Criteria for judging floats include: 1) unique theme creation; 2) creative use of material; and 3) originality.

There is a grand champion over-

all winner and three divisions: Family; Organization/Church; and Commercial.

"We are encouraging every individual, family, business and organization to make a float," Mrs. Lampe said.

"People enjoy seeing the kids on bikes, four-wheelers or their own special creative float. They also like the horses, antique vehicles, derby cars and 4-H winners, just to name a few."

There is no pre-registration just show up before the parade at the high school in St. Francis. The map showing the line up for divisions will be printed in the newspaper closer to parade time.

For additional information, contact Mrs. Lampe at 785-332-2145 or 785-332-2913 or Gloria Braccelin, Chamber secretary, at 785-332-2961.

Handy Tips

Flexible vacuum

To get something out of a heat register or under the fridge add an empty paper towel roll or empty gift wrap roll to your vacuum. It can be bent or flattened to get in narrow openings.

Reducing Static Cling

Pin a small safety pin to the seam of your slip and you will not have a clingy skirt or dress. Same thing works with slacks that cling when wearing panty hose. Place pin in seam of slacks and -- voila -- static is gone.

Measuring Cups

Before you pour sticky substances into a measuring cup, fill it with hot water. Dump out the hot water, but don't dry the cup. Next, add your ingredient, such as peanut butter, and watch how easily it comes right out.

Foggy Windshield?

Hate foggy windshields? Buy a chalkboard eraser and keep it in the glove box of your car. When the windows fog, rub with the eraser! Works better than a cloth!



CHEYENNE COUNTY CLINIC won the Community Connections Award. The award along with a \$1,000 check was presented to Les Lacy, hospital administrator, on Tuesday. Bill Wilger hung the sign while Cindy Samuelson and Shawna Blanka handed the checks.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Students Graduate

Northeastern Junior College

Robert L. (RL) Walz of St. Francis was one of more than 400 students recognized during the commencement exercises held this spring at Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colo.

The event, held in the Bank of Colorado Event Center on Northeastern's campus on May 14, drew an estimated crowd of 2,300.

Walz received an associate of applied science degree in production agriculture.

Northeastern is the home to one of the largest agriculture programs in the nation.

RL plans to attend the Univer-

sity of Wyoming this fall.

Pittsburg State University

Ericka Harland of St. Francis graduated with University Scholastic Honors at the completion of the spring 2010 semester at Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg.

University Scholastic Honors are based on the student's cumulative grade point average at the

time of the first baccalaureate graduation. To qualify for University Scholastic Honors, a student must have a cumulative grade point average equal to or greater than 3.9500 for summa cum laude, 3.9000 for magna cum laude, and 3.8500 for cum laude.

Harland graduated magna cum laude with a degree in vocational-technical education.

Come & Go Celebration

for

Roger Jensen's 60th Birthday!

**Saturday, July 24th
7-10 p.m.**

412 E. Spencer Street



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The Governing Body of
St. Francis Recreation Commission

will meet on July 26, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Francis High School Cafeteria for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at the USD 297 superintendent's office and will be available at this meeting.

BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The Proposed Budget Expenditures (below) are the maximum expenditure limits for the budget year.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2008/2009	Current Year Estimated 2009/2010	Proposed Budget Year 2010/2011
General	23,590	36,865	56,000
Totals	23,590	36,865	56,000
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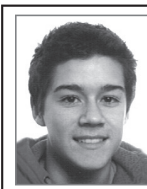
Mila Bandel, RN - County Health Nurse

HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT TODAY!

(for 3, 5 or 10 months)



Anna from Germany, 16 yrs.
Likes skiing, swimming, dancing and art. Anna hopes to join a drama club while in the USA.



Jean from France, 17 yrs.
Loves camping and playing soccer. Jean's dream has been to spend a school year in the USA.

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