

Relay starts Friday at 6

Beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, the Cheyenne County Relay for Life will kick off at Sawhill Park. The St. Francis Chamber of Commerce will have a "BBQ In The Park," a free-will donation with all proceeds going to the American Cancer Society. The Cheyenne Shrine Club will have their "Candy Wagon" there to sell drinks, popcorn, cotton candy and snow cones with all proceeds also going to the American Cancer Society.

Come join us at the relay as we "celebrate - remember - fight back!" said Betty Loudon, one of the committee members. We need to remember - those who have suffered with cancer and survived, and those who did not survive.

Survivors are to register with Susie Walz from 6 to 7 p.m. At 6:45 p.m., the opening ceremonies will begin.

The Girl Scouts will raise the flag, there will be a prayer and Cara Hunt will sing the National Anthem. The survivors' lap and

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Schedule of events

6 p.m. St. Francis Chamber of Commerce Relay for Life barbecue (free-will offering).

Shriners' Candy Wagon selling drinks, cotton candy, popcorn, snow cones

6-7 p.m. Cancer survivors register

6:45 p.m. Opening ceremony

Prayer, National Anthem by Cara Hunt.

Balloon release.

Welcome by Pat Rose, Relay chairman.

Survivors' walk.

Caregivers/Family Lap.

Team Lap

7:30 p.m. Entertainment in band

shell including music and dancing.

Welcome by Kim Peach, American Cancer Society Rep., and Pat Rose, local chairman.

Survivor's talk.

Auction of quilt, baskets, etc.

Auction of Theme Baskets

Luminaria Ceremony (dusk).

Last free e-waste collection Tuesday

By Karen Krien

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An e-waste pick up will be held on Tuesday in both St. Francis and Bird City. The Bird City pick up will be held from 10 a.m. to noon at the city shop. From 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., there will be people at the St. Francis recycling center behind the museum on U.S. 36 helping collect e-waste.

This is the last free e-waste pick up for residents, said Roger Jensen, county representative on the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Organization board.

We are urging residents to take advantage of the last free pick up, he said.

While he is not sure just what will be taking place with the e-waste pick up after Tuesday, he said there will be a charge per pound to cover the costs of taking it to Colby where it can be recycled.

The last two years with the free recycling has been a great deal for residents, Mr. Jensen said. A grant had covered the costs of e-waste

recycling but that grant has come to an end.

However, during that two-year period, the eight counties involved with the recycling have brought in 200 tons of e-waste items to the Colby center.

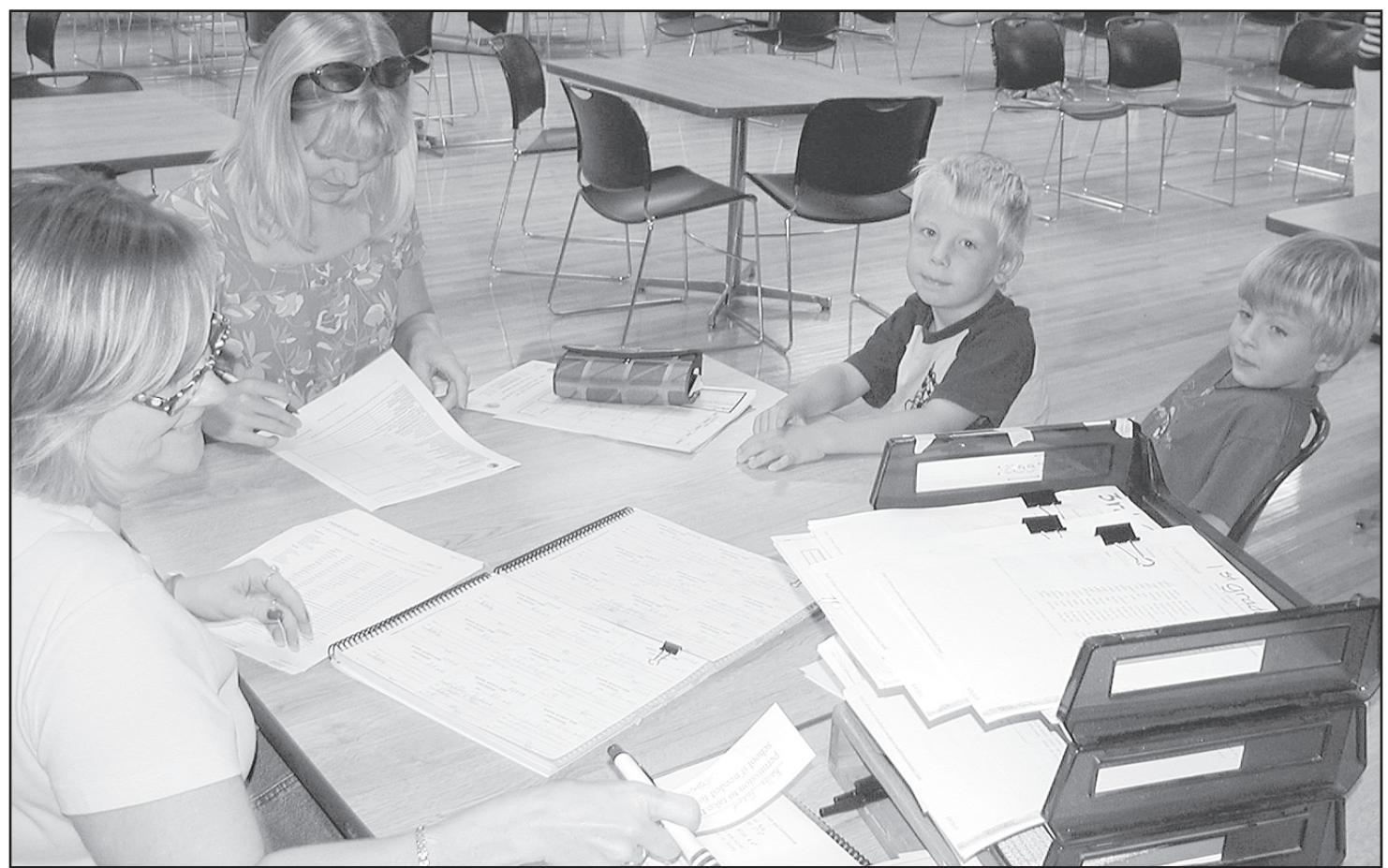
Items taken

For years, people have questioned what to do with their old televisions and radios. Then computers came along and practically every family had a computer which was obsolete by the time it was taken out of the box.

E-waste item pick ups are free to households, government offices and educational institutions located in Cheyenne, Decatur, Gove, Logan, Rawlins, Scott, Sheridan and Thomas counties.

There is a charge for items brought in by businesses, organizations and out-of-region recyclers. The charge is \$5 for computer monitors; \$10 for televisions; \$2 for microwaves or 10-cents a pound per items for all other e-waste items.

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'WHERE DID THE SUMMER GO?' Kallen and Caleb Feikert's mother, Stephanie, center, enrolled them in school on Wednesday. Teri Richard, grade school secretary, helps with the enrollment.

Herald staff photo by Stacy Kaup

Kids enroll, school starts Wednesday

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The St. Francis swimming pool will close Sunday and school will begin on Wednesday, Aug. 25. Fall sports practices began Monday.

School enrollment was held on Aug. 10 and 11. Those missing the enrollment days can come to the school and enroll before school starts.

The number of students enrolling is about 10 less, said Scott Carmichael, principal. However, there could be more students enrolling before school starts. The official enrollment count will be taken on Sept. 20.

The first day of school will be

a short day, beginning at 8:35 and ending at 11:35 a.m. Buses will run but there will be no lunch served. The first full day of school follows on Thursday, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 3:45 p.m. Lunch will be served. The first week of the lunch menu can be found in this issue.

There are several new improvements in the school. The windows on the east side of the high school and the large windows on the west have been replaced, the biology room has been remodeled and there are 20 new computers in the business classroom (the old computers were moved to the tech lab). At the grade school, there is a nice stand of buffalo grass on the playground

and new trees on the north end of the grounds. The playground has been sprayed numerous times to try to eliminate the stickers.

Bus routes have tentatively been set but there could be some changes. Rob Schiltz, superintendent, said those with questions should call the bus garage manager, Sean Straub, 332-8190, or the superintendent's office, 332-8182. This year there is one less bus route.

The PTA and Chamber will sponsor "Meet the Teachers" at 6:30 on Monday, Aug. 30, at the grade school. Parents are encouraged to attend.

The football and volleyball open house will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 27, at the school.

The first high school volleyball game will start at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 31. The Ladies will be competing against Hoxie and Golden Plains at Golden Plains.

On Friday, Sept. 3, the Indians football team will be playing their first game of the season at 7 p.m. on Greene Field, St. Francis, against the Colby Eagles.

Doors will be locked

In an effort to ensure the safety of students and staff, all doors but the main entrance door to the school buildings will be locked after the bell rings. Parents and other people coming to the school need to plan to use the doors closest to the office and then check in at the office.

Local woman begins as rec director

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Penny Gienger officially takes over the position of St. Francis Recreation director in January. However, she has already started working on new programs as well as keeping the programs that kids have been involved in for years. She takes the place of Jolene Dodd who has served as director for the last 9 years.

Mrs. Gienger is planning on expanding programs to include adults.

"I see a lot of potential for people to share their skills with others," she said.

So often, she said, people say there is nothing to do in a small community. Now is the time to take advantage of the upcoming opportunities.

Planned this fall, the rec program will be offering classes in woodworking, blacksmithing, leather tooling and cooking. Check advertisement in this issue for more information. Mrs. Gienger said there have been

people asking about adult sports events such as softball and volleyball activities as well as yoga and weight lifting.

Through the year, there will be information in *The Herald*.

Often activities for kids are held on weekends. Adult classes, she said, will probably be offered in the evenings.

"I'm open for ideas," she said. "and, we always need teachers."

"If you have a skill you would like to share, call me at 785-332-3949."

Kids rec programs coming up include flag football and the summer ball program.

Some of the new ideas for kids programs include cooking and craft classes - maybe even holding classes to make gifts for Christmas.

Mrs. Gienger has a bachelor's degree in education from Kansas State. She and her husband, Kelly, were born and raised in the St. Francis area. They have four children, Gabe, Jordan, Elizabeth and Zack.

New agent assumes duties

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Cheyenne County has a new Extension agent.

Marty Fear has joined the Sunflower District as the livestock specialist and will serve as the county's agent. His first day on the job was Monday, Aug. 9, although he was on the fairgrounds to observe during the fair.

For the last year and one-half, Mr. Fear has served as an agent at Walsh County in Park River, N.D.

Born and raised on a farm and ranch near Sutherland, Neb., Mr. Fear grew up liking to work with animals. He was actively involved in 4-H livestock judging and showing. He came to Kansas to attend Colby Community College where he was a member of the judging team. He went on to Oklahoma State where he received a bachelor's degree in animal science.

He earned a master's degree in agriculture leadership and education from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Mr. Fear and his family raised and sold show lambs and show cattle. He likes working with kids including helping his niece and nephew learning how to show in 4-H.

He would like to see the county 4-H program become larger and stronger and is willing to do



NEW AGENT, Marty Fear, talks to Linda Elfers, assistant agent, about some plans.

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whatever he needs to do to see it grow.

"I welcome ideas," he said.

Not only does he want to be able to work with the 4-H youth, he wants to work with adults, by holding education programs. If someone is interested in a particular program, he asks that they

stop by and talk to him.

Mr. Fear said his door is always open and he is looking forward to meeting residents.

Mr. Fear fills the vacancy left by Joe Leibbrandt in the spring. Since that time, Linda Elfers, agent assistant, has been filling in with the help of Dani Lohman.

Great crowd attends show

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New entertainment at the fair this year was the Amateur Variety Show held Friday night in front of the grandstand.

There had originally been 15 entries but the stage was too small for some of the dance numbers. In the end, there were 13 entries and they kept the grandstand audience entertained throughout the entire evening.

The first place prize of \$150 went to the rock group of Ty Zwegardt, Brock Zwegardt, Gavin Cooper and Logan Whitmore. Second place and \$100 went to Talley Morrow and Lila Whitmore; and third place of \$50 went to Jacquelyn Ketzner, Logan Whitmore and John Butler.

Barb Ewing, 89 years old, was one of the stars of the show as she performed the Charleston dance in a red dress complete with beads.

All the participants were winners as they received tickets to spend at the carnival.

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DOING THE CHARLESTON at the Friday night fair entertainment was Barb Ewing.

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EYE ON THE MARK — Reid Shay is one of the 4-H'ers enrolled in the shooting program. He was practicing before the fair along with the other kids enrolled in the rifle division.
Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Shooting program grows with donations

The 4-H Shooting Sports program continues to grow with 33 kids enrolling in the spring. The number of kids is encouraging for instructors, Francis O'Leary, Rodney Radcliffe, Richard Walters,

Dr. Rebecca Allard, Josh Moberly, and coordinator, Dr. Judy Baxter. There are expenses involved with the shooting program and, although a number of organizations pitch in to help, there is al-

ways more equipment, shells and arrows needed. This year, at the fair, tickets were sold and Jerry White was the winner of a Stogear shotgun.

Jim Engle, with the Great Outdoors Gun Shop, Atwood, sold the gun at cost allowing the 4-H'ers to have more money to spend.

The money raised will be used to purchase T-shirts for the kids in the program and more equipment. With additional money, they will be looking at expanding the rifle

program and silhouette shooting forms.

This year, an "in-house" competition was held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday before the fair. Everyone was a winner as they all received ball caps (even the judges received a cap, Mr. O'Leary said). Winners received medallions.

Look for the shooting sports winners in the After-Fair special section enclosed in the Aug. 26 issue of *The Saint Francis Herald Bird City Times*.



BURNING OFF THE VAPOR PRESSURE — Kevin Kowalczyk with Tedmon Welding was burning off the vapor pressures in the Equity propane tanks Tuesday. New valves will be installed bringing the tanks up to regulations.
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caregivers' laps will follow around Sawhill Park.

Then the relay teams will take the field and have at least one team member walking the track all night. This symbolizes the awful fight for cancer, as the dark night settles in, and they walk toward the dawn, as the sun rises and victory can be won.

Special activities for the team members have been planned throughout the night by Toni Keller and Dana Rose. These events are for registered participants only and might include water balloon volleyball and many other surprises.

Pat Rose, Relay for Life chairman, urges everyone to come down to the park and enjoy the local entertainment in the band shell which should begin just after 7:30. There will be music and dancing, just to name a few of the forms of entertainment.

Kim Peach, the Northwest Kansas American Cancer representative, will welcome the crowd and Pat Rose will introduce the local relay teams responsible for the wonderful evening.

The auction is being coordinated by Betty and Skip Petersen. It features theme baskets and the queen-sized locally-made quilt donated by the Common Thread Quilt Guild. Dorothy Smestead reported that if this quilt was to be sold retail, it would probably be worth \$600.

Come down, said Pat Rose, and bid on this great quilt. All the proceeds go to the Relay for Life.

The quilt is on display in the west window of the United Methodist Thrift Store on Washington Street.

Luminarias

The highlight of the night is the Luminaria Service. The luminarias will be lit at dark and each sack is purchased in honor or in memory of loved ones who have had cancer.

Those wanting to purchase a luminaria can contact any member of the committee, or Tammy Grice, luminaria chairman, 785-332-2910 or Sandy Frisbie, McDonald, 785-538-2419. Luminarias will also be sold on the grounds the evening of the Relay.

Fight back with your donation, Pat Rose said. Call her at 785-332-5348 for more information.



CHECKING THE GUN out was Francis O'Leary, 4-H leader, right. Jerry White, center, won the shotgun given away at the fair. Looking at another gun is Rodney Radcliff, also a leader.

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While the judges were making their decisions, the St. Francis Community Choir entertained the crowd, ending with "You're A Grand Olde Flag" being sung as the Girl Scouts carried in the colors.

The talent show was coordinated by the Music Club with the help of Gary Cooper and the fair board. A stage was dragged out and refurbished for the show and Music Club members were on hand to help contestants and keep the show moving. Robert Bell coordinated the audio for the show.

Ruth Milliken, Music Club member and main coordinator, said she was thrilled with the way the show turned out.

"The crowd was bigger than anticipated and the acts were very good," she said. "I was pleased with the variety."

While the show was deemed a success, it is uncertain what the fair board's plans are for next year. Those having input should contact a board member.

Others participating in the show were: Taylor Rogers, guitar solo; Payton and Reagan Beims, McKayla and Killiam O'Brien, comedy act; Hadleigh Hilt, Matthisen Witzel, Breelyn Brigola, dance; Colton Neitzel, Cutter Neitzel, Brady Dinkel, song and dance act; Cassidy and Jenny Busse, singing duet; Helene Landenberger, yodeling performance; Cody Baxter, dance; and Travis Rogers, Garrett Brunk, Lane Hobrock, Justin Pacheco and Jude Faulkender, air band act.



Birthday celebrated

In honor of Donna Zwegardt's 65th birthday celebration a party was held at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds, given by her sister Dixie and niece, Aisa Burr of Brighton, Colo.

Those attending for lunch, cake or just to visit were the following: the honored guest, Donna and her husband, Norman Zwegardt of Peoria, Ariz.; mother, Thelma Raile; sister, Emma, Danny and Jo Brunswig of Haigler, Neb.; Jim Brunswig of Phoenix, Ariz.; Samantha Beeson of Bird City; Elizabeth Jansonius of Meade; Erin, Julie, Cody and Wylon Stebbins of Kansas City, Mo.; sister, Laura Pugh; brother, Larry, Phyllis and Butch Raile along with Ruby Reasoner of Imperial, Neb.; sister, Linda Breen of Colby; Jeff, Cory, Wyatt, Sebrina and Jayden Raile of Cheyenne, Wyo; George and Marie

Challis of Denver, Colo.; Magdaline Paxton; Gerold and Faye Paxton of Goodland; Dolores Raile; Karla Demitt of Syracuse, who brought the delicious homemade ice cream; Arlie and Dee Archer of McDonald; Sylvia, Marlin, Derek and Jacob Queen; Harvey, Phyllis and Shirley Zwegardt; Rhonda and Andrea Born; Brian, Daniel, Barbara and Randy Holzwarth; Willard and Wanda Gienger; Kathryn McDanel of New Hampshire; Pastor Glenn and Louanne Isernhagen; Merlyn and Ruth Anne Yonkey; Sylvia Raile; Joy Fisher of Kansas City, Mo.; Carol Redding; and anyone which might have been missed. The family was to recognize everyone who attended and braved the heat brought food and gifts and made the afternoon a huge success!

Women attend classes

Two local ladies, Wilma Lampe and ErvaGene DeAragon, were among 28 participants from eight states attending a "Road Scholar" (formerly Elderhostel) program in Greeley, Colo., Aug. 3 through Aug. 8. The program was sponsored by the University of Northern Colorado.

The participants were bused in college vans each day to various study locations and to hear various speakers.

Each evening the group joined many others at the annual Chautauqua held in a huge tent on the Aims Community College Campus. Speakers from many states portrayed famous characters from the past and performed each evening. Benjamin Franklin and Dr. Seuss were some performances especially enjoyed along with an

Elvis Presley impersonator, dancers of the 1920s, etc. About 500 to 600 attended the five evenings of Chautauqua which was free to the public.

The Road Scholars group was treated to a trip to the Rocky Mountain National Park and Estes Park on day with a picnic lunch in the mountains instead of regular classes.

Besides the two St. Francis ladies, Mrs. Lampe and Mrs. DeAragon, Duane Harms of Wichita was the only other Kansan. Other states represented were Colorado, Minnesota, California, Texas, Iowa, Illinois and Mississippi.

A very busy but exciting and educational week was enjoyed by all and the weather cooperated beautifully

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Some of the items considered for e-waste collection are: computers, parts and accessories, printers, scanners, fax machines, copy machines, telephones, cellular phones, answering machines, televisions, stereos, DVD and VCR players, speakers, radios, tape recorders, satellite receivers, toner and ink-jet cartridges, computer games and rechargeable batteries.

If items are heavy, said Roger Jensen, country representative on

the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Organization board, there will be people to help unload them.

Recyclables repaired

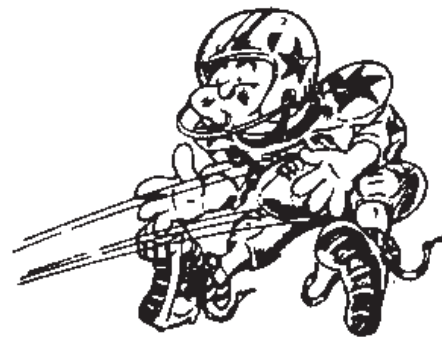
Many of the items brought into the recycling center can be repaired. There is a repairman at the Colby center who has opened up a retail outlet center. There are rebuilt computers, monitors, keyboards, televisions and microwaves, just to name some. Those interested in making a purchase can stop by and check out the items and the great deals.

Upcoming Promotions

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