

Scouts kickoff the year looking for new members

Cub Scout signup will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at Cheyenne Bowling Alley.

Cub signup is held each year and those boys interested in joining should bring their parents to the bowling alley.

Scouting, said Mark Scheopner, district coordinator, provides an educational program for boys and young adults to build character, train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship and to develop personal fitness.

Cub Scouting has programs for boys in the first through fifth grades.

The St. Francis troops include the Tigers, who are first graders;

Wolves, second graders; Bears, third graders; Webelos (first year) are fourth graders; fifth graders are the second group of Webelos.

Boys are needed for all levels of Scouts, said Kris Blair, leader.

We are hoping there will be some leaders involved in the troops and some of them can be part of the committee level that helps take care of the pack and unit materials.

As the Cubs reach each level, the work earning badges increases.

"They all dwell on different areas such as God and country and family," Mrs. Blair said.

Each month, Cubs generally

have two regular meetings at the Scout Hut and another meeting where they visit something in the community and see what the community has to offer. A fourth meeting is usually a pack meeting where the whole pack gets together and the boys are presented the awards they have earned.

One of their money-making projects is the popcorn sales which starts after Labor Day. Mrs. Blair said the packaging of the products has changed and should be better for both the Scouts and the customers.

For more information, contact Mrs. Blair at 785-332-3084.



SGT. PATRICK CLIFTON, United States Marine Corp, Buckley Field, Denver, Colo., presents the flag to Eula Harrison Ham, widow of Robert F. Harrison. Nancy Harrison, Susan Hawley and Linda Allen honored their father on the 40th anniversary of his death in 1970.

Obituaries

Glenn Donald Walter
Aug. 14, 1933 - Aug. 22, 2010



Walter

Glenn Donald Walter, 77, of rural Mitchell, Neb., died Sunday, Aug. 22, 2010, at his home. His memorial service was held Aug. 26, at Jones Mortuary in Mitchell with Pastor Juan Espinoza officiating. Inurnment was at the St. Francis Cemetery in St. Francis, Kan., on Aug. 27. A memorial has been established in Glenn's honor to the Mitchell Methodist Church. Online condolences may be left at www.jones-mortuary.com.

Glenn was born in Cheyenne County, St. Francis, on Aug. 14, 1933, to Rudolph and Sophia (Raile) Walter at their farm home. He was baptized in the Zion Evangelical Church in Cheyenne County. He attended the White School for eight grades. He told his grandchildren he was the smartest one in his class...he was the only one in the class for all eight grades. He then attended St. Francis Community High School and graduated in 1951.

On June 15, 1952, he was united in marriage to Merle L. Meyer. They made their home on the family farm until 1954. They moved to Salina where Glenn worked for a construction company on the Smokey Hill Air Force Base.

They moved to Hobbs, N.M., for 3 1/2 years. In 1957, they returned to St. Francis where they lived and worked on the family farm. Glenn

Alvena Ahrens Williams
Sept. 7, 1931 - Aug. 27, 2010.

Alvena Ahrens Williams, Emporia, Kan., died on Aug. 27, 2010.

Alvena Helen Ahrens Williams was born Sept. 7, 1931, in Alamos, Colo., to Alfred and Helen Jussel Ahrens. The oldest child, she grew up in the McCook, Neb., area. She went to grade school in McCook.

She moved to St. Francis, Kan., where she started high school. She met her husband, Lyle F. Williams and was married to him on Aug. 4, 1948, in St. Francis.

They made their home on a farm 7 miles southwest of St. Francis for several years, later moving to a ranch southeast of Goodland. They lived in several places through the years, ending up in Lincoln, Neb., for about 12 years. Moving from there to Emporia in June, 1972, where they have made their home.

Alvena was a housewife working out of the home only one year, working as a maid in the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln. She ran a day care for many years, taking care of over 300 children in her home.

She was a very devoted wife

worked for the Mill and Seed company for two years. He then worked for Topping Construction for 8 years and at the same time he was farming the Walter farm.

In 1966, Glenn moved his family to Fort Collins, Colo., where he became a firefighter. Lt. Glenn Walter retired from the fire department after 13 years following an injury he received during a rescue. Glenn helped create the fire department's first underwater rescue team and the city's pre-fire plan, which outlines procedures for fires in high-rise buildings. He was an engineer, rescue squad operator and firefighter. He was promoted to lieutenant in 1973. At the same time he was a firefighter, he also ran Walter Construction and had the enjoyment of working with his son, Curt.

Glenn and Merle moved to Scottsbluff, Neb., in 1997, and started farming again. Glenn was an individual who was skilled in construction and farming, capable of doing many things as a master craftsman in both wood and metal. He enjoyed working with his son and grandsons on the farm.

Glenn is survived by his wife, Merle; children: Randy (Sherri), Curtis (Cheryl), Peg (Gary) Dietz, Patti (Patrick) McCann; 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; sister, Marjorie (Robert) Miller, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter-in-law, Nancy Walter; and great-grandson, Brandon Walter.

mother, and grandmother who will be missed by all of her loved ones.

Alvena leaves to mourn three daughters and one son: Frances Statler and her husband, Gary, Lincoln, Gail Lewis and husband, Richard, Emporia, Michael Williams and wife, Eileen, Lamont, and Janette Williams of the home; six sisters: Lois Adams, Pratt, Erma Nikkila, Urbana, Mo., Sandra Price, Indianola, Iowa, Susan Barnes, Bremerton, Wash., Carol Allen, Grand Island, Neb., Debra Camargo, Red Bluff, Calif., and one brother, Dwight Ahrens, Bremerton; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, Aug. 31, at the Reading Baptist Church, Reading. The service was conducted by Rev. William B. Kneisly, Blue Stem Baptist Association. Interment was in the Reading Cemetery, Reading.

A memorial has been established with the elevator fund of the Webster Conference Center, Salina, with gifts sent to the funeral home (Roberts-Blue-Barnett Funeral Home, Emporia).

Temperature control discussed again

By Karen Krien
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With the threat of refrigerator and cooling systems failing, thus loosing valuable vaccines and blood supplies, the Cheyenne County Hospital Board, at the Thursday meeting, agreed to purchase a temperature monitoring system.

Reid Raile, internet technician, had researched several different monitors and found what he believed to be the best for the hospital and clinic while also being the least expensive. One of the reasons it was cheaper was because it could be used with some of the hospital's equipment.

The preferred monitor cost \$20,000 with a \$2,000 cost each year for maintenance. It can monitor 30 different sensors including refrigerators, the therapy pool and blood banks, just to name some. Other monitors ranged from \$27,000 to \$33,000.

Jerry Toler, president, said he was concerned about liability issues that could occur without the monitor.

Paying for the monitor was a problem since it had not been budgeted for. Some of the memorial funds had been given to be used specifically for a certain project.

4-H offers something for the whole family

ect. However, there was enough money in the fund without using the specified money to purchase the monitoring system. The board voted to purchase it with memorial funds.

Tax credit

The hospital was recently awarded a tax credit for the purchase of a new CAT scan. The tax credit is for \$300,000 and individuals will receive 63 percent credit for donations in 2010 and 70 percent for 2011 donations on their Kansas income tax.

Les Lacy, hospital administrator, said that the hospital has \$38,500 committed for 2010 and \$28,100 committed for 2011 for a total of \$66,950 to date. This, he said, is 22.3 percent of the total \$300,000.

Flooding and fire marshal

There had been some flooding in the hospital basement during some heavy rain storms. During this time, the Kansas Fire Marshal came for his annual inspection. He found three deficiencies which included: the generator needs to be tested at a higher load capacity; two outlets in the kitchen needed ground fault circuit interrupter receptacles and there were four extension cords being used to help cleanup and drying the flood wa-

ter which should not be used; and, with the flood water, furniture had been moved into the corridor which the marshal named as a deficiency.

The flooding, Mr. Lacy said, came from different areas and did little damage. Bill Wilger, maintenance, will be extending a pipe to take the water away from a window well and a cover had been put over a window well. Both Mr. Lacy and Mr. Wilger thought these changes would prevent further flooding.

The curb and gutter on the east side of the hospital needs to be repaired. However, Mr. Lacy suggested that these repairs should wait as the plan is to replace the curb and gutter with more parking.

Director's report

Jackie John, area director for Great Plains Health Alliance, the company which leases the hospital, reported on the annual Cost Report Workshop, noting that it had been a good educational workshop to attend.

Mrs. John also said the Great Plains Health Alliance held its annual meeting on Monday and

Tuesday. Many of the hospital staff along with some of the board members attended.

In other business

In other business:

• Mr. Lacy said Ryan Murray had resigned and Sarah Yardley, registered technologist, had been hired to fill the position.

• Vicki Callicrate had been hired in the kitchen.

• A community-wide strategic planning will be organized. Mr. Lacy said some of the subjects discussed will be: what is the hospital providing; how to better meet the needs of the people; how to be more efficient, watch spending and the services needed.

• Catherine Uy has resigned from the lab and Tabetha Ketzner has resigned from her position of human resources.

• Mr. Raile gave a report on his internet tech department.

Next meeting

Because of a scheduling problem, the next board meeting was changed from the fourth Thursday to the fourth Tuesday, Sept. 28, in the basement meeting room in the St. Francis Clinic. The starting time of 3 p.m. was unchanged.

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with the intent of helping youth build life skills and interests while also practicing leadership and service, she said.

Making 4-H materials available during back-to-school days also will allow time for families to visit 4-H Clubs and programs in their community and consider projects or other opportunities (such as after-school programs) prior to the beginning of the new 4-H year Oct. 1, Mack said.

More information about educational 4-H programs is available at K-State Research and Extension office at 785-332-3171 and online: www.Kansas4-H.org.

JOHN FABER

120th District Representative

It was an honor and a privilege to have represented the folks of the 120th district for 14 years. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Ward Cassidy and wish him all the best.

I also want to take this opportunity to say that I am proud of what I stood for during my 14 years of service. I never "watered down your whiskey", or "pulled your leg" and tried to do the things that would have the most positive result for our area of the state.

I also want to thank those that stood by me during the campaign and all those that cast their vote, either for or against me. I always knew that it wasn't about me but about the people of the district and their wishes and desires.

Renee and I will move on to new or old things and spend lots more time together, see the grandkids more and enjoy life. Over the next few months, we will clean out my office in Topeka and get ready for the transition to private life.

Again many thanks. God bless all and a fond farewell.

- John Faber



FAIR SECTION CORRECTIONS

Premium Sale

Bumper to Bumper not Republican Valley Auto Supply bought:
Kattie Wurm, Swine, \$500;
Matt Raile, Heifer, \$1,000;
Joel Hill, Sheep, \$650.

Bumper to Bumper also sponsored the belt buckles for all champion livestock winners.

The Saint Francis staff apologizes for these errors and any others not brought to our attention.

Beef Show



Reserve Champion Heifer — Shakotah Blanka