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**PROM NIGHT** at the St. Francis Community High School was held Saturday evening. Ty Zweygardt, left, and his date, Kelci Wright, were having a good time but, maybe not as much fun as the girls above, Aly Marin, left, and Tilyn Bell.

*Herald staff photos by Lezlie McCormick*

## Drama camp planned

On Stage, Inc. Board members and guests met recently to put plans into action for a Kidz Drama Camp.

The camp for children, first through sixth grades, is scheduled for June 12 through June 16 with a performance the evening of the 16th. All camp activities will be held at the high school in St. Francis.

Final registration, with parents in attendance, will be held on Sunday from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by camp activities from 2 to 3:30; and Monday through Thursday activities from 9 to 11:30 a.m., with the Thursday evening performance at 7 p.m.

A delightful short musical entitled "i Monster" written by Michelle Uyemura of Wray, Colo., will be the focus of the camp with emphasis on imagination, characterization, musical numbers, choreography, costuming and staging.

The board is excited to have Jean Ann Confer, Sandy Smull and Teresa Porter as part of the team. Their experience and creativity in all areas is greatly appreciated.

Registration forms are going out this week to all students in grades one through six in the St. Francis Grade School. If your child is not enrolled in St. Francis, you may contact Carol Ross at Ross Manufacturing in St. Francis at 332-3012, for registration forms and information.

The registration fee for the camp is \$15 per child which includes a camp T-shirt with a monster logo, supplies and treats. The registration fee is due at the time of registration this week.

Through the generosity of a local patron of the arts, On Stage, Inc., is offering six \$15 scholarships to the Kidz Drama Camp



**SHREK AND THE MONSTER** greeted the grade school children while they were eating lunch on Monday. Scott Carmichael and Carol Ross were encouraging children to participate in the drama camp.

*Herald photo by Krisi Guthmiller*

for participants who might need financial assistance for the registration fee. For further information regarding the scholarships, contact Carol Ross at 332-3012.

Volunteers in all areas will be

needed. Those who would like to be a Monster Mom, Monster Dad, Monster Big Brother or Sister, Monster Manager, Monster Dancer or Monster Coolie Maker, contact Neala Carmichael at 332-8996.



**HEAVY SNOW** started Thursday afternoon and continued through the night.

*Herald staff photo by Karen Krien*

## Snow storm causes havoc

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A spring snow storm moved into the St. Francis area on Thursday and turned into a blizzard. By 6 p.m., the National Weather Service reported 4-inches of snow had fallen and it continued to fall throughout the night.

The forecast was for rain and snow with high wind speeds. It started with rain on Thursday which turned to little snow pellets. By the afternoon, large snow flakes were falling and the wind was blowing with gusts reaching 55 miles per hour.

Ryan Murray, emergency manager, said the county emergency operations center was activated late that afternoon. The St. Francis

firemen, sheriff department officers and emergency medical technicians were sent to accidents west and north of St. Francis. The officers were also rescuing stranded motorists where they were brought to town to motels.

In Bird City, the firemen and emergency medical technicians opened the Methodist Church to stranded travelers.

In town, St. Francis residents knew that there was a lot of snow but, in the country, it was total whietout in areas. Sheriff Craig Van Allen reported around 20 trucks and cars were stranded because of the zero visibility. U.S. 36 was blocked because of two trucks that had jack knifed and K-161 was also blocked with vehicles.

On K-27 north of St. Francis, a loaded semi with 37 cows slid off the road and down a steep ditch. The truck was driven by Terry Skeen, 58, of Midwest City, Okla. Two other trucks collided on that highway because they were unable to see the other until it was too late.

Fireman Matt Smull was among the last fireman in and reported it took 2.5 hours to go about 4 miles because of the visibility.

Highways in the area were finally closed after state highway officials were contacted by Mr. Murray, who told them of the dangers in having them open. Only state officials have the authority to close highways and obviously

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## Candy and prizes at Easter Egg hunt

There will be candy, prizes and the Easter Bunny at the Easter Egg Hunt set for 11:30 a.m. on Saturday in the St. Francis Grade School gym. Children should bring their baskets to collect the candy and prizes.

Be sure to bring a camera as there will be opportunities for parents to take their child's pic-

ture with the Easter Bunny.

There will be five age divisions: 1-year-olds; 2-year-olds; 3-year-olds; 4- and 5-year-olds; and 6-, 7- and 8-year-olds.

The Easter Egg Hunt is sponsored by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce, Ross Manufacturing, Ken Bracelin Farm and Milliken Law Office.

