

The Saint Francis Herald

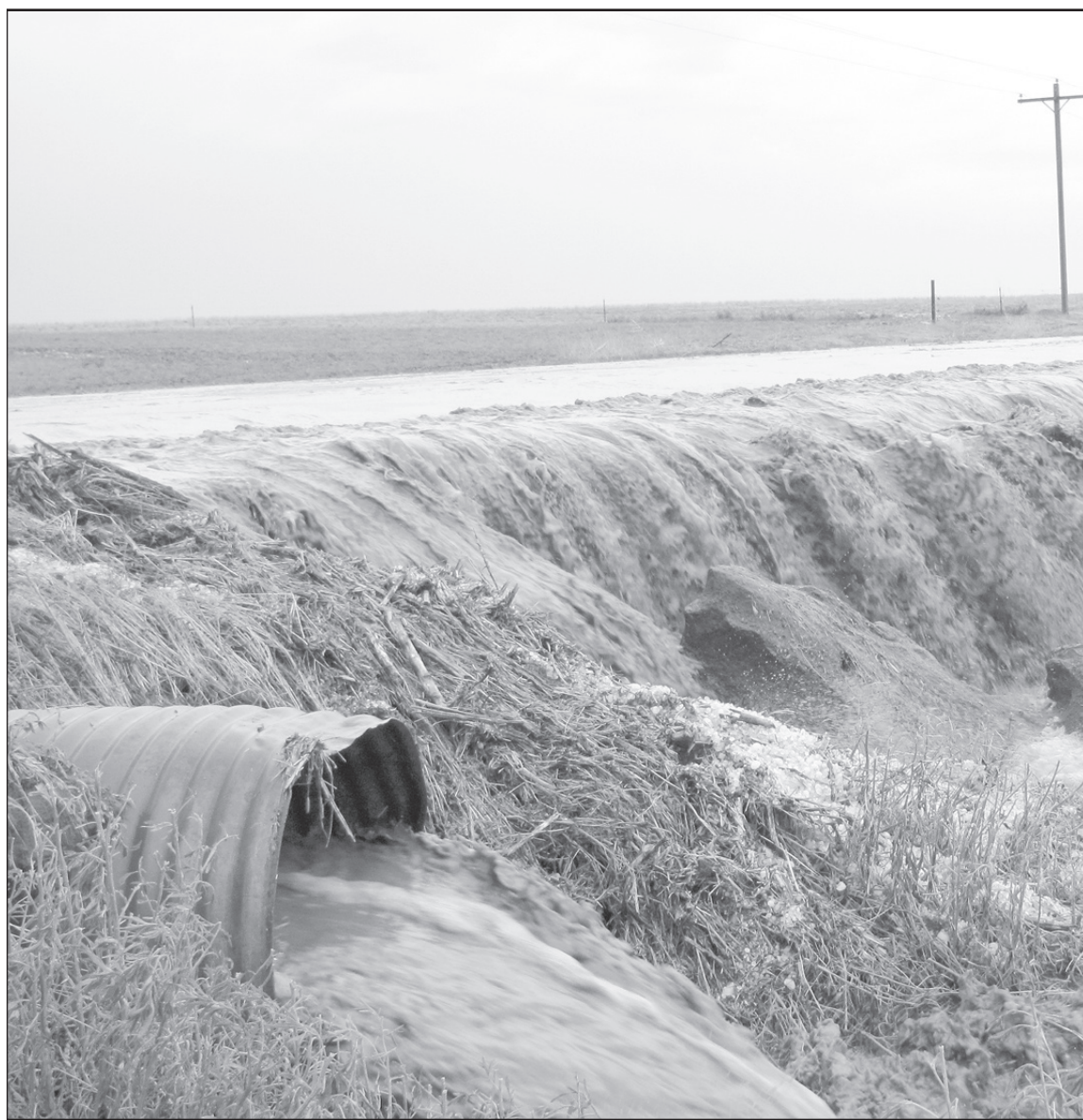
\$1

(Tax included: 73¢ delivered at home)

10 Pages

Thursday, June 23, 2011

127th Year, Number 25



WATER RUSHED OVER the road northwest of town after 3-inches of rain fell in 30 minutes on June 11. Delbert Raile photographed the culverts that could not handle all the water. Above, right, following the rain on Monday, Goodland Greenline's lot in Wheeler looked like a lake.



More rain falls

Severe thunderstorms were forecasted all around St. Francis last week but the town was able to avoid them this time. However, it rained and rained. Kathy Woodcox, weather observer, reported 1.87 inches in a four-day period.

Monday, it rained most of the day, clearing off shortly before the sun went down. In the afternoon, the National Weather Service warned people west of McDonald to Wheeler that half-dollar size hail was headed that way. Fortunately,

that storm did not materialize.

The week before on June 11, farmers northwest of St. Francis had their crops hauled out. Delbert Raile said he had received 3-inches rain in 35 minutes. The photo left show one of the three times the water had gone across his road.

The pastures are green and looking better than they have for awhile. The wheat appears to also be doing well. At the wheat field day on Wednesday, Dr. Jim Shroyer, K-State agronomist, said

the wheat was looking good in the plots but not as good as last year.

The weather service is predicting higher temperatures throughout the rest of the week with a high of 92 on Friday.

Date	High	Low	Prec.
June 14	84	48	
June 15	86	53	
June 16	93	53	.30
June 17	76	53	.28
June 18	80	55	.09
June 19	87	57	.03
June 20	61	57	1.17

Many attend alumni

The St. Francis Community High School alumni banquet along with all the other activities was held Saturday. Many of the honor classes had planned special get-togethers, tours of the winery in Parks and of the school as well as participating in the alumni golf tournament and volleyball games.

Dark clouds gathered in the sky during the day and it looked like rain so the dance in the park was moved to Riverside Recreation. As the afternoon wore on, the clouds moved on and, after a little shower, the sun came out.

The number of alumni attending was down this year. Shirley Zweygardt, corresponding secretary, noted that there could be a number of reasons including the fact that the honor classes are smaller, the economy and the price of gas. However, she said, those attending appeared to be having a great time.

Honor classes this year were 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996 and 2001.

Opal Dayton Seaman was a 75-year graduate and represented the class of 1938. Ilene Ludwig Raile



SUE ELLA TOUSLEE, class of 1966, enjoyed visiting with Eddy and Sherry Schultz, right. Eddy graduated with the class of 1961.

was the only classmate representing the class of 1941.

Shirley said she had received a letter from June Stothard Stellburg, a 1941 graduate, saying that she wanted to come but living in Wisconsin, it was not possible this year.

Mallory Knodel is chairing a committee for the St. Francis Community Foundation to develop a website for the Alumni Association. Mallory circulated fliers at the reunion introducing the site and seeking input from those attending.

The website is www.stfrancis-alumni.org. There would be no cost for an individual to access this site, said Tom Keller, president of the Foundation, and one can determine what personal contact information to share with others.



Figgins

Ketzner

Northrup

Schoenrogge

Four girls vie for county title

By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com

The Cheyenne County Young Miss program will be held on Saturday starting at 7 p.m. in the St. Francis high school auditorium. The theme for the program is "Winter Wonderland."

Four seniors, Christina Schoenrogge, Caitlin Northrup, Kaitlin Figgins and Jacquelyn Ketzner, will be vying for the title of Cheyenne County Young Miss.

These are four very vivacious, young ladies," said Vickie Cress, one of the coordinators.

A grueling week of practice started Sunday. There will be special meals and practice interviews.

On Saturday, a parade down Washington Street will be held at 2 p.m.

Last year's Young Miss, Mikaela Grace, will be entertaining the audience with several numbers during evening program.

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

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

A short bio of each of the candidates follows:

Kaitlin Figgins

Kaitlin plans to attend Colby Community College where she will major in massage therapy and earn a reflexology license. Her goal is to establish her own business.

For her talent number, Kaitlin will sing "Call of Jesus," by Nicole Mullen.

Kaitlin is the daughter of Leeanne Windell, Bird City, and Brad

See TITLE on Page 6



HILT AND HILT LLC is the name of a manure-spreading operation. They have four spreader trucks which is added efficiency. They also have three wheel loaders and a dozer loader allowing them to do dirt work as well as removing trees and foundations.

Owners take over manure-spreading business

By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com

Terry and Sheila Hilt, St. Francis, are the owners of Hilt and Hilt LLC, a manure spreading business. They were co-owners of a spreading business with Don Williams. When he retired at the end of year, they purchased the equip-

ment and established the Hilt and Hilt on Jan. 1.

With four spreader trucks, three wheel loaders and a dozer loader, they are able to do more than spread manure including feedlot and dairy yard cleaning and dirt work. With the dozer, they can remove trees and foundations.

They are able to spread manure on an 80-acre field or pasture in one day. Spreading manure on fields is another way of recycling. It costs a little more than chemical fertilizers but will last four years longer. The organic material has trace minerals with beneficial bacteria and insects, which breaks down

the fertilizer so plants can better utilize it.

Charges vary from the load to the hour, depending upon the job.

They have been in the business for five years and hire four people. For more information, contact Terry at 785-332-0100.

Club holds contest

The St. Francis Lions Club is kicking off their annual community calendar sales this month with a contest for the best photograph to be used on the 2012 calendar. The winning photo will be awarded \$25.

The theme this year is "Hit Me With Your Best Shot!" The subject matter is the photographer's choice. The only requirement is that the photo is taken within the Cheyenne County area.

The photo should be in a landscape format to fit accordingly on the calendar. Photos submitted must be in print form along with a negative or digital picture disk. Digital pictures should be of high resolution.

The winning photographer must sign a waiver for the use of the photo and will receive credit on the calendar under the photo.

Photo entry should be submitted to Deb Patton at the Cheyenne County Treasurer's office no later than July 25 (no exceptions). Entry forms will be located in the lobby of the courthouse.