

THE CITY CREW trims the trees on Main Street (above) as other trees were newly planted (below) Herald staff photos by Tim Burr and Karen Krien



Recycling brought up again

By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com At the Monday commissioners meeting, the matter of recycling was once again brought up.

I am very proud of our county, said Dale Patton, commissioner, for the fact that our county was number two in collecting recyclable items in this area. Yes, Thomas County was number one but it's population is much larger than our county's.

"It is so important that we try to keep out as many recyclable items as possible and save our landfill."

Mr. Patton had the figures for some of the counties concerning the money they had spent at their have lost their landfills.

Cheyenne County spent \$115,981 22 days (11 days for a juvenile and on the landfill. Sheridan County spent \$136,369 and Wichita County, \$192,115. Those no longer having landfills and their costs were: Gove County, \$303,824 and Rawlins County, \$356,008.

the last possible trench and, when it is full, the county will probably need to contract to start transporting trash and the mill levy will go up to cover the costs.

In other business

• The commissioners questioned two vouchers: 1) That it actually cost \$25 to have a vehicle tire fixed at the Equity. They thought that St. landfills. There were also figures Francis Tire and Service charged on what it was costing counties that less. 2) The cost of jail care at the sioners has been set for 8 a.m on Rawlins County Jail for two prison-

12 days for an adult). It was noted that, with the upcoming court costs in conjuntion with last week's death, the cost will increase.

• Dick Bursch, fair board president, contacted Ernie Ketzner, com-The county landfill will soon dig missioner, concerning a 4-H'ers check which hadn't been cashed with the 60-day limit. The commissioners agreed that a new check be

· Sheriff Cody Beeson asked for 10 minutes executive session for an information briefing. No decisions needed to be made when coming

Next meeting

out of the session.

The next meeting of the commis-Tuesday, April 30, in the commis-For instance, he said, last year, ers. The cost was \$805 for a total of sioners' room in the courthouse.

Garden program sponsored

The Cheyenne County Conser-Cheyenne County Home Garden Program to assist county residents grow in their garden.

The objective of the program most produce at the end of the seavation District is sponsoring the is to encourage people to grow son. some of their own fresh produce. Participants will also be required in establishing their own small, to share some of their harvest by 332-2341, extension 101 or go home gardens. Applicants will bringing it into the conservation to our website at www.cheyenbe provided with plans to build office where it will be weighed necountycd.com. Seeds will be a 4- by 8-foot raised bed and 10 and donated to the local food pan- available on a first come, first complimentary packets of seeds to try. There will be a prize awarded served basis. to the participant that donates the

For an application, please stop into the conservation office; call

Aging expo planned for April 26

Aging, it's a natural process. K-State Research and Extension, fullcircle. Pre -registration dead-And if we so choose, the best is

A Full Circle...An Aging Expo will be held on Friday, April 26, in Oakley at the Gateway Fellowship Church Impact Center. sions end at 3:15 p.m.

be offering two tracks – one for the professional who will have the opportunity to obtain continuing education credits, and which come along with aging.

speaking on "Adapting to Life's line is April 19. However, late Challenges" and Karen Ridder, registrations will be accepted. Kansas Humanities Council, but meals cannot be guaranteed. speaking on "Bucket Lists and Looking Back."

Registration is at 9:15 with the ers, each track will have a variety ing disability, or a dietary re-Expo beginning at 9:45. The ses- of other speakers. Topics include striction, please contact Diann intimacy and aging, getting fi-This year they will once again nancially prepared, and building trust in your unit. A special addition to this year's Expo is the at 785-460-4582. Logan County Health Fair.

one for the general public where is recommended and includes and Human Performance at you will gain knowledge about the morning snack and noon Fort Hays State University, the meeting some of life's challenges meal. Registration brochures are Northwest Kansas Area Agency Both tracks will have the op- Kansas Extension offices or on- manities Council are sponsors of portunity to hear Debra Sellers, line at www.northwest.ksu.edu/ this year's event.

For more information or if you have special requirements due In addition to these two speak- to a physical, vision, or hear-Gerstner, K-State Research and Extension Family and Consumer Science agent in Thomas County

K-State Research and Exten-Pre-registration for this event sion, the Department of Health available through all Northwest on Aging, and the Kansas Hu-

Stockholders meeting in Colby

of Colby held its annual stockhold- sas Production Credit Association a total of over \$20 million in cash ers meeting in Colby April 2 with in 1973, and became president in patronage to their customers since 300 stockholders/borrowers pres-

chairman Jim Wasson reported the Farm Credit of Western Kansas voted upon by the membership. board had completed the selection and he was hired as president of the and Brent Phillips of Selden, Tony and interview process and hired cooperative located in Colby, and Horinek of Colby, and David Sex-Randy Wilson, currently senior serving the nine northwest counties son of Weskan were all re-elected vice president of credit, to replace in Kansas. chief executive officer and president, Larry Maxwell, who will retire June 30.

'They had excellent internal candidates for the position, but opened it up to outside candidates as well," Mr. Wasson said. "They reviewed 10 qualified individuals and were very happy to select Randy."

Mr. Wilson started with Farm Credit in 1982 after graduating from Fort Hays State University and has worked at the Colby business for over 30 years. Mr. Max-

1978. In 2001 the Northwest Kansas Production Credit Association Association and the Land Bank. During the director's report, vice and Land Bank merged into the

During the president's report, directors Mr. Maxwell reported the association has grown to \$308 million in again had an excellent year and will pay out a \$2.5 million cash patronage to their member borrowers.

"This is a return of approximately 20 percent of the interest paid at is the son of Roger and Susan May the association" Maxwell said. He of Oberlin.

Farm Credit of Western Kansas well started with Northwest Kan- also said the association has paid the merger of the Production Credit

> Three director positions were to three year terms on the board of

Scholarship

Farm Credit awards a scholaragricultural loan volume, has once ship annually to a high school senior who is the son or daughter of its membership. This year's recipient was Ryan May, a senior at Decatur Community High School. He

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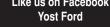
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