

By Lezlie Hill

Matt Bandel, fair board member, handed in his resignation when the Cheyenne County Fair Board met Feb. 7. Volunteers Skip and Betty Petersen, and Jeff Raile, who conducted the Premium Sale, and Roger Jensen, who was one of the barbecue workers, also resigned.

He said he would be more than willing to help whoever took over the barbecue by going over when and what items need to be ordered, how many volunteers were needed and all of the other arrangements made each year.

Mr. Bandel has served on the board for eight years.

Also feeling like they needed a break were Mr. Raile, and the Petersens. The Petersens have volunteered their services at the Premium Sale for the last 15 years by doing the auctioning, clerking, writing the

checks to the 4-H'ers and FFA kids, and all the other things that go along with the sale. Mr. Raile started helping with the sale when Fred Sherlock was doing the auctioning 23 years ago.

Ernie Ketzner, board member, said he had talked to Royce Rambat and he would be willing to help out with Premium Sale as far as auctioning and clerking but he did not want to write all the checks.

President Burch spoke with Rodney Shay and he said he would be more than happy to help with the Premium Sale. There was some discus-

sion about the fair board writing the checks however the fair board is not bonded enough to cover the sale.

The matter was tabled until later to check into what it would take to become bonded to handle the sale amount, and to check with the two auctioneers to see what they would be interested in doing.

Mr. Bandel reported that Roger Jensen would not be doing the cooking this year for the barbecue. He, too, felt like he needed a break, so the board would need to find someone to do the cooking.

Vets hall to have new purpose

By Sandy Barnhart

The former Vets hall building which was recently purchased by the city of St. Francis will soon have new

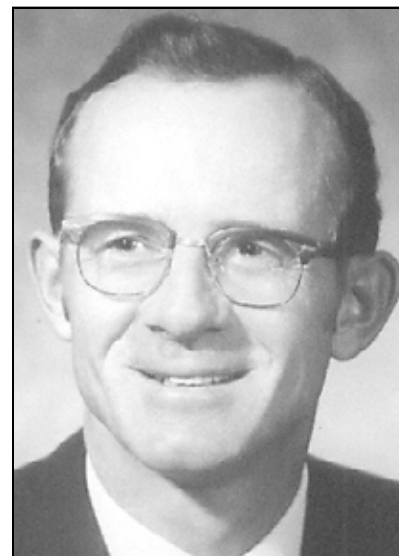
offices within.

At the St. Francis City Council meeting on Feb. 15, councilman Roger Jensen, distributed the pre-

liminary drawings of the new city office building located at 209 E. Washington. He explained that the drawings were not complete and that he had basically worked on the police and clerk's office space. The police department will occupy the east side of the building and will have two offices plus a holding cell. The clerk's department will occupy the west side. The entrance to the building would be on the north side. Both department heads indicated they were satisfied with the drawings.

Councilman Jensen felt if the council approved of the drawings so far, the building would be ready for the city crew to go in and start taking some material out.

Page Gardner has been holding aerobic classes in the back of the Vets hall and the council questioned this activity going on with the crew working in the building. The council directed Clerk Lampe to notify Mrs. Gardner that construction would be beginning and that she would need to find another place for her class as of Feb. 15.



Yonkey

Open house Celebration

An open house celebration is being held from 2-4 p.m. central time Sunday, Feb. 24 to honor Merlyn Yonkey on his 70th birthday. Join the celebration at Tasteful Treasures (two doors east of the post office) in St. Francis.

Cards may be mailed to P.O. Box 42, St. Francis, KS 67756-0042

Club Clips

Cheyenne County Jaycees

The Cheyenne County Jaycees meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. Jan. 17 with the following members present: Bill Ehrman, Jennifer Boyles, Chris Mastin, Iris Mastin and guest Amanda Milne.

The election of officers was not held as planned.

Chris Mastin made a motion to dissolve the Cheyenne County Chapter of the Jaycees and start a new local organization. The motion passed.

There will be a meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 21 at the Tumbleweed Lounge to discuss the organization of the new club. This meeting will be open to the public - anyone interested in participating.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Sorosis Club

The Sorosis Club met Feb. 8 in the home of Rachel Davis. President Barbara Finley opened the meeting by reading an article entitled "Things that only your mother can teach you." Seven members answered roll call.

The lesson was given by Mildred Sperry. She shared two of the sight-seeing trips she took after Chuck took her to visit Bob and his family in October. She reviewed Thomas Jefferson's life while telling about his home and gardens at Monticello. Mildred also visited Popes Creek Plantation where George Washington was born in 1732. She concluded with a poem "You're Getting Old - When."

Following the lesson the hostess served a delicious dessert of home-grown strawberries. The group always enjoys visiting during the social hour.

Storm spotter trainings schedule set

The National Weather Service in Goodland will be conducting storm spotter training across northwest Kansas, far southwest Nebraska and extreme eastern Colorado during March and April. A new and provoking program will soon be underway for storm spotter enthusiasts.

This year's training sessions in the area have been set for April 4 in Sherman County, April 8 in Rawlins County, April 9 in Cheyenne County and April 10 in Dundy County. In Colorado, two training sessions will be held in Yuma County (Wray and Yuma) on April 16 and in Kit Carson County on April 18.

Each year storm spotters have been able to provide valuable information concerning severe storms and tornadoes across the tri-state area. Spotter information is used to verify the need

for severe storm and tornado warnings issued by the Goodland weather service. Trained spotters have been "the eyes and ears" of the National Weather Service for many years. Individuals will have the chance to make a difference and improve the weather services in their area by attending the free session.

Those who cannot attend the storm spotter training in their county can hopefully catch the training in a neighboring county. More information about times and places will be published closer to the time of the training sessions.

Those wanting more information or having questions about the schedule or the agenda for the 2002 spotter classes may contact Scott Mentzer at the National Weather Service in Goodland, 785-899-7119.

City looks at buying baler for recycling center

By Sandy Barnhart

The activity at the recycling center south of the museum is increasing daily. At the Feb. 15 meeting of the St. Francis City Council, councilman Roger Jensen had visited with Eric Hook who takes the recycled items down to the Colby recycling center. Mr. Hook had reported that the trips could be cut down if the recycled material was baled.

Susan Hobrock, Cheyenne County Development coordinator, said that she had talked to Tony Howard, owner of Saintry Super Foods, concerning a baler. Mr. Howard said that through the affiliation of his store, he could get a baler for the center.

He had given Mrs. Hobrock a brochure containing different types of balers ranging in price from \$7,200 to \$8,100. Councilman Rick Kriegh asked Mrs. Hobrock check into which baler would bale the higher density material.

Mrs. Hobrock noted that having a baler would reduce the amount of trips to Colby and would enable the city to keep better track of the tonnage hauled to Colby.

She added that if, at a later date, the city would decide to apply for a grant for a skid loader, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment would take into account the cost of the baler in the grant.

St. Francis News

La Vera Beringer was a guest Friday through Monday of Larry and Brenda Beringer of Sharon Springs. James and Lisa Burk and Clay of Agra couldn't come Saturday due to the bad storm.

Amelia, Jerry Meyer and Alma Beringer of Bethune, Colo., were also dinner guests Sunday of Larry and Brenda.

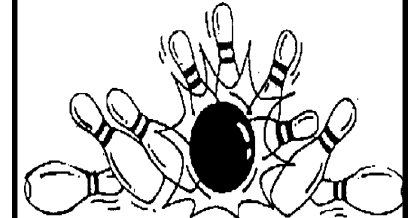
Bowling News

Ladies Nite Out 2/7

Team standings: Troy's Alley Cats 16-4, Wright Carpet 11-9, Jake's Place 11-9, Jersey Maids 9-11, Republican Valley Vet Clinic 9-11, Dundy Ag 9-11, First National Bank 8-12, Dairy King 7-13

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