

Fifteen of the county girls compete for Junior Miss

By Karen Krien

The Junior Miss program has been set for 7 p.m. on June 22 in the St. Francis Community High School auditorium. There are 15 girls from St. Francis and Cheylin vying for the title of 2003 Cheyenne County Junior Miss.

Contestants this year are: Tara Neitzel, Jill Zumbahlen, Vanessa Wieck, Kelly Garner, Jennifer Weems, Samantha Coates, Joy Zumbahlen, Amanda Poore, Brooke Kibel, January Fiedler, Samantha Jensen, Heather Culwell, Kari Gienger, Jessica Flemming and Heidi Rohweder.

The girls have already begun working on their talent numbers, had mock interviews and a makeup session.

"The program's goal is to honor young women who excel in scholastics, interview, talent, poise and fitness," said Vicki Cress, coordinator. "It also encourages the girl to continue on the path of excellence by completing their college education."

Each year, The St. Francis Herald features the girls with a picture and brief review of honors, talent and ambitions. Since there are 15 contestants, the first eight (Neitzel, Zumbahlen, Wieck, Garner, Weems, Coates, Zumbahlen and Poore) were featured last week with the other seven featured this week.

Brooke Kibel

Brooke Kibel plans to attend Kansas University where she will work toward earning a degree in orthopedic surgery.

She is a class officer, has been on the honor roll, was a prom server, football cheerleader, on the pom pon squad and was also the co-captain and All-Star Pom member; was in band, vocal, speech, yearbook, Desktop, drama, FCA, on the volleyball and track team; was a grade school aide, a member of Luther League, Quill and Scroll, and attended regional journalism. She also works at the hospital in St. Francis.

Her hobbies include dancing, being a lifeguard, swimming, and hanging with friends and family.

The daughter of Dorothy Semler, Brooke has also selected her mother as the personality of today and lists Mother Teresa as her personality of the past.

For her talent number, Brooke will be dancing to "Live Your Dreams."

January Fiedler

Following graduation from St. Francis Community High School,

January Fiedler plans to attend Fort Hays State University where she will major in elementary education.

Honors and activities include being a member of the band, in advanced music plays and attending regional and state music festivals. She is a member of the pom pon team, is active in church activities, a member of the volleyball and track teams and is a wrestling cheerleader.

Hobbies include being a member of the swim team, playing volleyball, running track and dancing.

Her personality of today is President George W. Bush. Her favorite book is "The Giver."

The daughter of Charlene Fiedler and William Fiedler, January plans to perform a tap dance for her talent number.

Samantha Jensen

Samantha Jensen wants to enter the field of physical therapy and plans to get her degree at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. She plays basketball, volleyball and is in track for the Cheylin Cougars. She is a member of FFA, FCCLA and the Catholic Youth Organization. She is also in band and

choir. When she has time, she enjoys horseback riding, track, swimming, reading and singing.

Her favorite book is "Weep No More, My Lady" by Mary Higgins Clark and her favorite television show is "Friends."

The daughter of Debi Jensen and Rob Jensen, Samantha will present a vocal solo as her talent number.

Heather Culwell

Heather Culwell plans to be a paralegal following graduation from high school, attending Kansas University.

She has been active during her high school years as a member of the volleyball, basketball and track teams and also played Junior Olympic Volleyball. She is a member of the United Methodist Youth Fellowship, participates in Dance Ranch as both a teacher and student; is on the pom pon squad, pom captain, a cheerleader, member of FCA, in drama, speech and was an honor guard. She attended regional and state journalism.

Hobbies include dancing, swimming and playing volleyball. She is also a lifeguard.

Her personality of the past is Abraham Lincoln and her personality of today is Teresa Porter.

The daughter of Terry and Shelly Culwell, she will dance to "Razzle, Dazzle."

Kari Gienger

Kari Gienger would like to enter the field of graphic design and plans to get

her education from Fort Hays State University.

She has been a class officer, a member of 4-H and 4-H Junior Leaders, on the high honor roll, earned an attendance award, was an Earth Team volunteer, prom server, honor guard and a member of the band, earning a band letter.

Her hobbies include talking to friends on the internet and playing the flute.

Her personality of today is Teena McDanel and her personality of the past is Mother Teresa.

The daughter of Tony and Joan Gienger, Kari will present the flute solo "Andantino."

Jessica Flemming

Jessica plans to be a physical therapist, earning her degree at the University of Nebraska, Kearney.

During her high school years, she has played basketball and volleyball; placed at regional journalism and also went to state journalism. She is in yearbook, a member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, FCA and has done community service.

Her hobbies include playing sports, being with friends and family, collecting picture frames, listening to music, playing with puppies, shopping, singing and taking pictures.

Her favorite television program is "Friends," and favorite novel is "White Oleander."

The daughter of Larry and Christie Flemming, she will be giving the read-

ing "Sites of Washington, D.C." for her talent number.

Heidi Rohweder

Following graduation, Heidi Rohweder plans to attend Fort Hays State University where she will study forensic science.

During her high school years, she has played volleyball, been a wrestling cheerleader, a member of the pom pon squad, FCA, was the January Student of the Month, preschool Sunday school teacher, student representative for technology, co-editor of the yearbook, was on the dance team, and in band where she earned a I rating on her flute solo. She was a prom server and on the high honor roll. She is a checker at Saintry Super Foods and a volunteer at the Good Samaritan Village.

Her hobbies include dancing, volleyball, cheerleading, playing the flute, reading, listening to music, chatting online, photography and hanging out with friends.

Her favorite television show is "CSI" and favorite novel is "The House on Hope Street" by Danielle Steele.

The daughter of Dick and Michele Rohweder, Heidi will be performing the flute solo "Valse Chromatique."



Kibel



Fiedler



Jensen



Gienger



Rohweder



Culwell



Flemming

Obituary

Carolyn Kay Query

March 20, 1945 - June 4, 2002

Carolyn "Kay" Query was born March 20, 1945, in St. Francis, Kan. She was born to Robert "Bob" and Ada Connert. She died June 4, 2002, at the Cheyenne County Hospital, St. Francis at the age of 57.

Kay attended Mt. Hope country school located north of Bird City. It was during those school days she traveled to and from school on a horse until she graduated from the eighth grade. She graduated from Bird City High School in 1963.

Shortly after graduation, she worked at the St. Francis Co-op as a bookkeeper.

On Nov. 5, 1965, Kay was united in marriage to her high school sweetheart, Roland Query in Bird City. To this union, one daughter, Sheila was born. Kay was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, friend and neighbor.

Kay was lovingly referred to as Roland's "hired girl" as she was involved in every aspect of their farm. From tilling the soil, changing irrigation water, mowing the farmstead, pull-

ing fertilizer tanks, to pruning her roses, she truly loved the "country life." It was a personal joke between Kay and Roland even after they converted from flood to sprinkler irrigation, "who" was going to open and shut off gates. Many family and friends recall always seeing Kay and Roland together in their day-to-day activities. Everyone you talk to, says, "where you saw one, you saw the other."

Kay was caring, loving, giving, thoughtful and willing to help anyone at anytime. She was always asking "how are you" in her concern for others and truly meaning it. Friends and acquaintances could always count on a sincere "thank you" for the simplest of gestures.

She enjoyed having company stop by for a visit. She loved to cook and was always ready to prepare a meal on a moments notice. One of her favorite things was trying a new and improved recipe. She had a way of making company "feel right at home."

Kay enjoyed going to craft fairs, antiquing and shopping in general. As Roland would say, if she went into a

store, she usually came out with something. Most often, it was a gift for someone.

Kay was instrumental in organizing family "get-togethers." She didn't need a holiday or special occasion to have a good time. Relatives remember shooting fireworks in the middle of winter.

Some very special people in Grandma Kay's life were her granddaughters, Regan and Tatum. Grandma looked forward to having "the girls" come to stay on the farm. Some of her highlights were having tea parties outdoors with powdered sugar and strawberries, making "hamburger" cookies, painting Regan's nails and putting on lipstick and shopping for her "girls."

In recent years, Kay and Roland enjoyed taking cruises together to different places including Alaska, Panama Canal, St. Thomas, Tahiti, New Zealand and Australia.

She will be sadly missed by her husband, Roland; daughter, Sheila and husband, Paul Forrester; granddaughters, Regan and Tatum, all of Salina; mother, Ada Connert of Bird City; sister, Cathy and husband, Darrel Busby of Oakland, Iowa; and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral service was held June 8 at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City. Officiants were Pastors James Strasen, Hays and Doug Mason, Bird City. The music, *The Lord's Prayer* and *Safe In The Arms Of Jesus* were sung by Johanna Mason. The congregational hymn included, *How Great Thou Art*. The organist was Kathy Banister.

Honorary pallbearers were Karen Flemming, Brenda Loker, Treva Marshall, Darlene Vyzourek, Janis Williams and Linda Martin.

Casket bearers were Doug Flemming, Kermit Bear, Dick Short, Joe Kramer, John Williams and Arlie Archer.

Interment was in the Bird City Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Knodel Funeral Home of St. Francis.

Memorials may be made to Hospice and/or the Cheyenne County Hospital.

American Legion plays two doubleheaders

The St. Francis American Legion team has played two doubleheaders in the opening days of the season. On Wednesday, June 5 they competed with Colby and on Saturday, June 8 Goodland and Colby.

"The St. Francis team is going to be very good," Coach Bud Rice said. "We are trying to use young pitchers so by tournament time we have a pitching staff."

Colby outscored St. Francis 8-6 and 15-1.

"The first game of the season with Colby was very good," Coach Rice said. Ty Long started as the St. Francis pitcher and went five strong innings. Travis Hilt threw two good innings of

relief. We played fairly well for our first game.

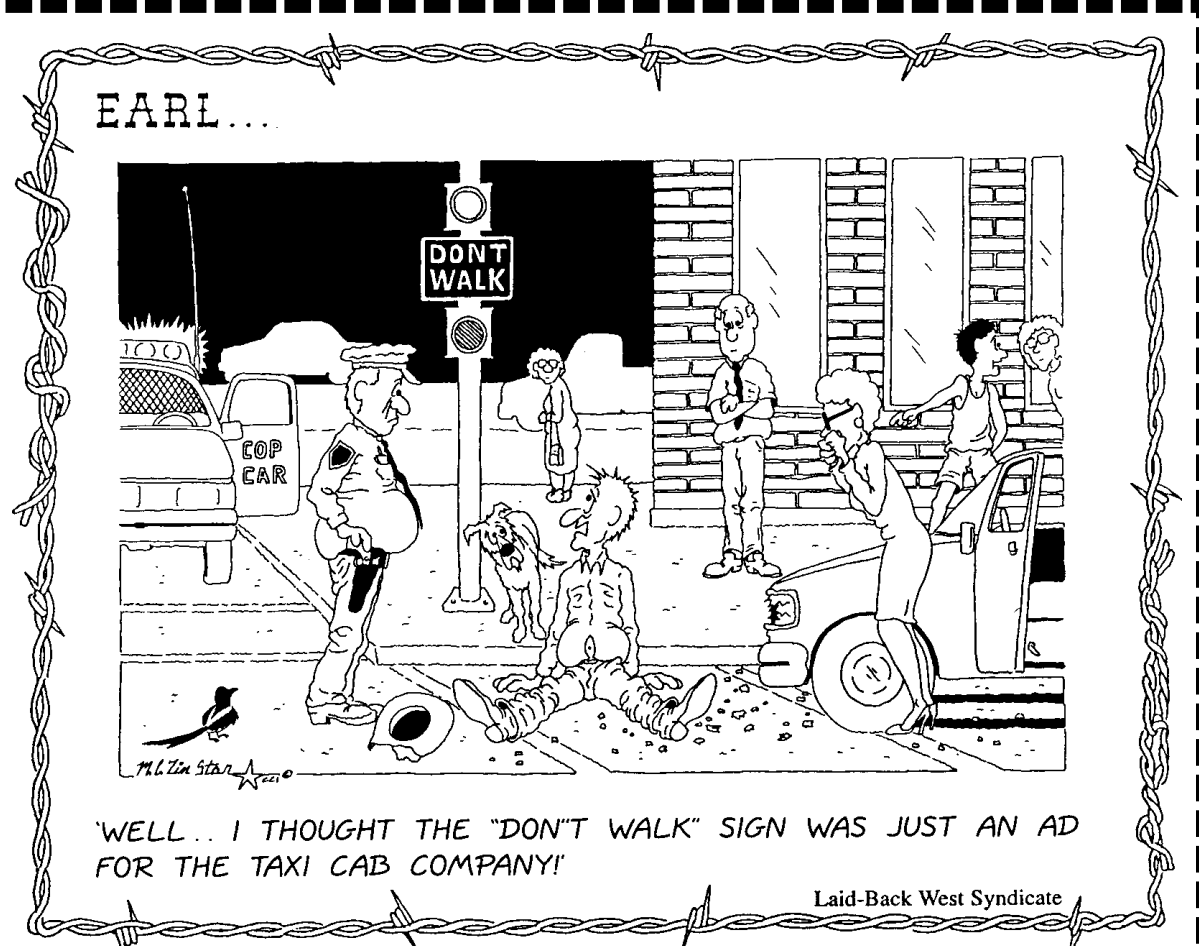
"In the second game, Hilt started as pitcher and worked 3 1/3 innings before leaving with a sore arm. He was relieved by Ben Swihart and Darren Workman.

"On Saturday at Goodland, Cole Weems started against Goodland and was relieved by Jonathan Roelfs and Cale Rieger. Goodland was the victor 23-3

"In the second game against Colby Cale started and was relieved by Swihart and Long." Colby was the victor in this game 21-8.

Game canceled

The American Legion game with Franktown has been canceled.



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