

# Kansas distributes \$6.6 million to firefighter's relief fund

Kansas Insurance Commissioner Kathleen Sebelius has announced that Kansas Insurance Department is distributing over \$6.6 million dollars to the Firefighter's Relief Fund this year, representing an increase of over one million dollars from last year's total.

The Firefighters Relief Fund, which is administered each year by the Kansas Insurance Department, is generated by a 2 percent tax on fire and lightning insurance premiums paid in Kansas for the previous calendar year. The money from the Firefighters Relief Fund supports the families of firefighters who

are injured, disabled or killed on the job.

"Firefighters put their lives on the line every time they are called to action," Commissioner Sebelius said.

"This fund is used to assist firefighters and their families when accident or death occur in the line of duty. In light of the past year's events, we are all so much more aware of the dangers firefighters face every day. For me, providing a piece of financial security to the thousands of active and retired Kansas firefighters and their families is an honor, and I am proud that I can have a part in providing these

well-deserved benefits to Firefighters Relief Associations throughout the state," she said.

This year the fund has allotted just over \$200,000 to the Kansas State Firefighters Relief Associations throughout the state," the commissioner said.

"Investing in education to make sure firefighters are best prepared to do their jobs benefits every Kansan."

Cheyenne County will receive the following distributions: Bird City: \$2,898.77; Cheyenne County Rural: \$2,013.09 and St. Francis, \$4,575.05 for a total of \$9,486.91.

## Gauging station placed in county

By Karen Krien

Dave Flemming, county road and bridge supervisor, reports that the U.S. Geological Survey has reactivated a stream gauging station on the South Fork Republican River, about 15 miles southwest of St. Francis and 2 miles downstream of the Colorado-Kansas state line.

The existing stilling well shelter was removed and a new 3-by-5-by-1.5-foot metal shelter was installed near the Bluford Kellner bridge. There is also a wire-weight gauge attached to the guard rail and a vertical face of the downstream side of the bridge over the water.

This stream gauging station will

continuously monitor the water surface elevation, the volume of water flowing in the river and precipitation at this site. Information will be available on the internet on the U.S. Geological Survey website ([www.usgs.gov/](http://www.usgs.gov/)) and will be used by many federal, state and local agencies.

## Public Notices

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS BANKWEST of Kansas, f/k/a BANKWEST

A Kansas banking corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

Keith D. Powell and Angie M. Powell, husband and wife, J. Michael Morris, Trustee Bankruptcy Case No. 01-15051-7, Cheyenne County, Kansas, the unknown devisees, creditors, trustees, successors and assigns of said defendants as may be deceased, and the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors, and assigns of any such deceased persons.

Defendants Case No. 01-CV-23

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS AND ALL OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED NOTICE OF SALE:

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me out of the District Court in the above entitled action, I will on the 20th day of August, 2002, at 10:00 a.m. of such day, at the front door of the Cheyenne County Courthouse in St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder and best bidder for cash in hand, the following described real estate situated in St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, to-wit:

Lot Two (2) in Block Thirty-three (33) in the original town, now City, of St. Francis, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof, together with all improvements.

This above described real estate is taken as the property of the defendants and is directed by said order of sale to be sold and will be sold without appraisal, to satisfy the *in rem* judgment entered in said case, pursuant to order of sale.

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## Did you know?

Q. What separates "60 Minutes," on CBS from every other television show?

A. No theme song

Q. Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what?

A. Their birthplace.

Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers, and laser printers all have in common?

A. All invented by women.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS COMMERCIAL FEDERAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION

PLAINTIFF

vs.

Jana Carpenter, et al., DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me out of the said District Court in the above-entitled action, I will on Tuesday, August 20, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., of said day at the front door of the Courthouse in Cheyenne County, Kansas in the City of St. Francis, offer at public sale and sell to the best bidder for cash in hand, the following described real property:

LOT FIFTEEN (15) IN BLOCK TWENTY-SEVEN (27) IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW CITY OF ST. FRANCIS, KANSAS, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS subject to any redemption rights as provided by law.

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**LEARNING THE ART** — Grandchildren of Harvey and Marilyn Holzwarth, Jared Thomason, left, and Sara Thompson, of Moreno Valley, Calif., are learning the art of Tae Kwon Do and did several demonstrations while they were visiting in St. Francis Herald staff photos by Betty Jean Winston

## Videotape addresses children's stuttering

Stuttering is a frustrating and embarrassing problem for millions of people, but it can be especially tough on elementary school-age stutters.

Now some new help is available for parents, teachers and speech-language pathologists at St. Francis Public Li-

brary in the form of a videotape designed specifically to help school-age children who stutter.

"It's meant to give speech-language pathologists the tools they need to deal with stuttering in this age group, but it also offers good ideas for parents and teachers," said Professor Peter Ramig

of the University of Colorado at Boulder. Professor Ramig is one of five nationally recognized experts appearing in the video produced by the non-profit Stuttering Foundation of America.

The video features students from first through sixth grade, some of

whom talk about their experiences with stuttering. They talk openly about the teasing they face from classmates and how their stuttering sometimes makes them feel about themselves.

"We focus on demonstrating a variety of therapy strategies that are appropriate in working with children who stutter," adds Professor Ramig. He appears in the video along with speech-language pathologists Barry Guitar, Ph.D., of the University of Vermont, Hugo H. Gregory, Ph.D., and June Campbell, M.A., of Northwestern University, and Patricia Zebrowski, Ph.D., of the University of Iowa.

These five experts answer questions about stuttering, refute myths and misconceptions, and present examples of therapy sessions showing how stuttering can be reduced.

"More than three million Americans stutter, yet stuttering remains misunderstood by most people," said Jane Fraser, president of the Stuttering Foundation. "Myths such as believing people who stutter are less intelligent or suffer from psychological problems still persist despite research refuting these erroneous beliefs."

The 38-minute video, entitled Therapy in Action: The School-age Child Who Stutters, is being distributed free of charge to public libraries nationwide.

For more information about obtaining your own copy, contact the Stuttering Foundation of America, P.O. Box 11749, Memphis, TN 38111-0749, or call toll free at 1-800-992-9392.

area include wheat, corn, sorghum, barley, oats, soybeans, sunflowers and flaxseed."

Director Bock said they are mailing planting history letters to owners and operators on Aug. 2. The letter will include a Summary Acreage History Report showing the acreage of covered commodities reported to Farm Service Agency for 1998 through 2001. If the information is correct, producers do not need to take any action. If the information is incorrect, producers will need to provide verifiable documentation of acreage and yields to the Farm

Service Agency office by Aug. 31. Verifiable documentation may include seed receipts, production records and crop insurance records.

"One important thing to note is the fact that only farm owners may make base and yield elections, unless such authority is granted to a designee using a power of attorney, Director Bock said. In addition, we have been informed that all Powers of Attorney with a version date before April 18, 1996 are not valid for any program authorized in the new Farm Bill. This is very significant, so we will also be sending out letters and a new Power of Attorney form to all persons authorizing someone else to sign on an old form. If you would like to get ahead of the game or gain a new authorization," Director Bock said "go online at <http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov> and obtain the new form (Farm Service Agency-211) with a version date of 07-25-02. The new forms are also available in the Farm Service Agency office.

Contact the Farm Service Agency office at (785) 332-2183 if you have any questions.

## Options given for establishing and updating base records

"The 2002 Farm Bill gives farmers and landowners several options for establishing or updating bases," said Angie Bock, Director of the Cheyenne County Farm Service Agency Office. "We are asking producers to review, verify and update their information now so payments can be issued properly this fall."

"The 2002 Farm Bill provides for direct and counter-cyclical payments to be made to eligible producers of covered commodity crops for the 2002 through 2007 crops," Director Bock said. "Covered commodities for our

## State fair promises new competitive exhibits

This September fairgoers can expect to see new competitive exhibits throughout the Kansas State Fair.

"Each year we try to update classes in the departments to match current interests and trends," Debbie Anderson, Competitive Exhibits director, said.

While continuing with previous fair contests, a Junior Section for youth 14 through 187 has been added to the Clothing and Textiles division. Also the Food division will be offering several new areas of competition, yet returning with some special contests including Spam Oven Roasted Turkey Recipe Contest and Martha Gooch's Pasta.

Blue Bunny Ice Cream is sponsoring an ice cream flavoring contests where entrants are encouraged to develop their own ice cream flavor. The Teen Tuesday Cooking Contest is also new to the fair this year. It's being sponsored by Curley's BBQ and is open to teens ages 13 to 19. Each teen will be given space at a table to create their entry at the Domestic Arts Building. Some other new food contests include Cooking with Mr. Dells, the Tupperware Microwave Cooking Contest and the Patriotic Contest.

The Patriotic Contest will allow entrants to show off their patriotism by decorating cakes and cookies with a patriotic theme.

A Super Cow/Calf Show will again take place this year, sponsored by Travalong Trailers with prize money. All entries must be exhibited in pasture condition with no fitting allowed. This contest is open to any Kansas commercial beef producer.

Information for each of these contests and all other contests are available

in the Exhibitor Handbook. Handbooks are online at [www.kansasstatefair.com](http://www.kansasstatefair.com).

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