

Opinion

People dig deep within to help those in need

Times are tough! The economy is terrible! Who has money to give? Well, believe it or not, there are lots of people who dig deep into their pockets and find a little bit and from now until the first of the year, there are several different places for giving.

Reva Pownell reported that over the weekend, she and her helpers delivered around 1 ton of food in Thanksgiving baskets. These baskets were distributed in St. Francis, Bird City, Wheeler and the rural areas — wherever there was a need. And, the food in those baskets was donated along with money for turkeys, milk, margarine and eggs — all the things which help make a Thanksgiving dinner and a little bit extra to be eaten the next day or two.

Christmas is coming and the Food Pantry shelves at the courthouse are almost bare. Time to restock. The Lawn Ridge 4-H'ers will be helping by going door to door on Saturday picking up items. Keep in mind to not give "old, out-of-date" items but food items that will help make someone's Christmas a little brighter — and, if there are no items on the shelf, give money.

The Salvation Army will have kettles located on St. Francis' Main Street and there will undoubtedly be

nickles, dimes, quarters and dollars making their way into these kettles. This money will go to help people in need throughout the year.

There are also the Angel Trees. Each year, trees are hung with the names, ages and sex of children in the community. People take a name and buy a \$25 or more gift(s) for that child. Right before Christmas, the gifts are delivered by Santa so believing children will know that they were remembered. Look for the trees and pick an angel.

Another way of giving will bring money back to the hospital. Cheyenne County has been granted another time around to benefit in the state tax credit program. It is about time to pay taxes and people can pay 70 percent of their state taxes to the hospital and it will stay in the county instead of going to Topeka. These people who participate will actually have a say in how their tax dollars are being spent.

Yes, times are tough and the economy is terrible but there are still caring people who find a little bit to give to help someone else who is less fortunate than them. It's also Christmas time — a time of giving — a time when people praise the birth of the Lord — a time of loving thy neighbor. It is a great time of year!

— Karen Krien



Hangin' Out With Marge

Words of Thanksgiving

By Margaret Bucholtz



Wishing you all a very Happy and safe Thanksgiving!

Here are the words that I made out of the word Thanksgiving. These are just some things I want to remember this Thanksgiving Day.

T- Thankful, for all of my family and friends.

H- Happy, for my health because without it I would not be able to enjoy life.

A- Appreciative, for my community, job, and spouse.

N- Need, for not having all I want as

then I wouldn't appreciate what I have.

K- Kindness, remembering the kindness that I have received from others.

S- Service Men and Women, thankful for the service men that have put their lives on hold to keep us safe.

G- Grateful, that I have been blessed with good parents, children and grandchildren in my lifetime.

I- Impressions-that I will strive to leave good impressions for others.

V- Visions, that the visions that I

have will be the kind that make me a better person.

I- Improvement that I can always work to improve myself.

N- Nature, to always remember the beauty in nature.

G- Giving, giving doesn't always mean gifts; the most treasured gift is the giving of yourself.

Think about the word Thanksgiving and use your own words. Then have yourself a great day.

News From the Past

15 years ago - 1987
Sarah Ochsner, Cheyenne County Junior Miss, will be at Belleville High School this week to compete in the Kansas Junior Miss State Finals.

John G. Knodel, a recent graduate of Dallas Institute of Funeral Service, is now associated with Kramer chapel of St. Francis.

Zimbelman Motors is celebrating 25 years in business. In September 1962, Bob Zimbelman opened Zimbelman Motor Company on the corner of Washington and Benton. They carried a line of Chevrolets and Oldsmobiles and employed one salesman, a bookkeeper and a parts man and three mechanics. Bob's son Ron, became a partner in 1975 and is now the corporation manager.

The Cheyenne County Hospital has some new heart monitors some of which were purchased with money in memory of Lydia Schlittenhardt. They now have two stationary and two telemetry units.

The St. Francis Music Club is sponsoring a piano concert featuring former resident, Larry Walz. Proceeds from the concert will be donated to the new St. Francis Public Library in honor of Larry's mother, Lois Walz.

20 years ago - 1982
Work on the medical clinic in St. Francis has progressed rapidly in the past few weeks as Tri-State Lumber workers took advantage of good weather. The shake roofing is on, the water line in, curb and parking areas paved and work on the sewer line in progressing.

The St. Francis City Council approved the purchase of six live traps to catch some of the skunks roaming around the city at night.

Among the Gymkhana winners at Laird, Colo., were Shawna Stevens, Tammy Cress, Mike Ketter, Shannon Stevens and Wade Krien.

25 years ago - 1977
A group of 15 college students from Bartlettville Wesleyan College in Oklahoma journeyed to St. Francis to help the local Wesleyan Church high school group work on the St. Francis Youth Center.

More than 400 people were at the Extension Home Unit (EHU) sponsored International Luncheon. Cheyenne County units include Farmerettes, Bird City Town and Country, Better Homes, Jolly Janes, Kanred, River Valley, Happy Homemakers and South Fork.

35 years ago - 1967
Dr. Tim Poling opened his office for the practice of General Dentistry in St. Francis on Oct. 16. The office is at 200 West Washington.

The Citizen State Bank in St. Francis is now operating in the new banking quarters.

A familiar figure of St. Francis retailing in years gone by is back home again, and you will find him busily working at the main desk at the Chamber of Commerce office. He is Harold Crouse, former creamery operator here and drug store partner in Benkelman. The Chamber headquarters was moved to its new location in the basement of the Citizens State Bank.

The Bay Cafe on West Highway 36 has reopened following a remodeling program.

Thomas Damrow has accepted a call to the Zion Lutheran Church in St. Francis.

Honor Roll

New and renewed Herald subscriptions: Ryan Northrup, Desoto; Eva Edmonds, Woodburn, Ore.; Darrin Ross, Wichita; Carl Frodine, Wheat Ridge, Colo.; Gary Pittman, St. Francis; Jerry Waters, Bethesda, Md.; Doug Sloper, Carpenter, Wyo.; Roger Douthit, St. Francis; Judy Daniel, Gresham, Ore.; Marjorie Hickert, Bird City; Martin Busse, Bird City; Todd Sherlock, Leawood; Marilyn Schmale, Garden City; Royce Kehlbeck, Bird City; Jill Dodd, Manhattan.

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Box tops collected to raise funds

Letter to the editor:
This year, St. Francis Elementary School students are raising money to purchase educational materiel for their school. The St. Francis PTA is asking community members to help our school earn cash through a fundraising program from General Mills called Box Tops for Education. This successful program has already contributed nearly \$70 million to America schools since the launch of the program in 1996.

The St. Francis Elementary School students have already started collecting box tops from hundreds of partici-

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pating General Mills and Pillsbury products and have taken them to school. Participating products include General Mills Big G cereals, Betty Crocker products, Pillsbury frozen and refrigerated products, Green Giant products and many more. A full list can be seen at <http://www.boxtops4education.com>

Our school gets 10 cents for each box top we redeem. The students at St. Francis Elementary School have started a classroom collecting contest to see which class can collect the most box top coupons. As a community member wanting to participate, you can either give your box tops to the students and allow them to count those towards their Elementary School and drop them in the main drop box located outside the school office.

The deadline for this contest is Friday, March 14. The box top coupons can all add up for our school to purchase educational material. Thank you for supporting our school and making a difference for the children in our community. Please help spread the word and remind your family and friends to help collect Box Tops for Education coupons.

Thank you for your cooperation,
Mila Bandel
St. Francis PTA Treasurer

Signs of the Times

- On a plumber's truck: "We repair what your husband fixed."
- At a towing company: "We don't charge an arm and a leg. We want tows."
- In a nonsmoking area: "If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action"
- At an Optometrist's office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."
- On a taxidermist's window: "We really know our stuff."
- On a fence: "Salesmen welcome! Dog food is expensive."
- At a car dealership: "The best way to get back on your

- feet — miss a car payment."
- Outside a muffler shop: "No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."
- In a veterinarian's waiting room: "Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"
- In the front yard of a funeral home: "Drive carefully. We'll wait."

GOD SAYS

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever.

— Psalms 136:1

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