

# League tournament here Saturday



By Betty Jean Winston

The St. Francis high school gym is the place to be on Saturday if you want to see some of the best wrestling in the state of Kansas. Finals are expected to begin around 4 p.m. The schedule shows that the opening round will begin at 9:30 a.m. This will be followed by the championship semi-finals, first round of consolation bracket, second round of consolation bracket and the championship finals (first, second, third and fourth place) A number of the highest ranked wrestlers in the state will be participating in the 42nd annual Northwest Kansas League wrestling tournament.

It is important for the mat men to not only help win the team title but to earn an individual championship. The tough competition enables wrestlers to gauge their effectiveness and make needed adjustment before regionals on Feb. 21. Northwest Kansas League teams include Atwood, Colby, Goodland, Hoxie, Oakley, Oberlin, Quinter and St. Francis. A league bar is given for the championship. "I think it is the highest caliber league tournament in the state," St. Francis coach, Larry Gabel said. "It should be an outstanding tournament."

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# Council moves on with sewer project

By Sandy Barnhart

The St. Francis City Council is on a deadline to complete work on the city's sewer pond project. At the Jan. 21 meeting, City attorney Mike Day explained that the grant agreement resolution was basically a 12-page agreement between the city and federal government outlining the procedure for distributing the \$400,000 in grant money. The council approved for Clerk Mary Lampe to open a separate account for the project.

It was also noted that requirements for the grant would include that no more than \$500,000 could be kept in the account for a long period of time and the city could not earn interest off the grant money. The city will also be required to file quarterly accounting reports throughout the project. Superintendent Landenberger noted that Thaniel Monaco of Miller and Associates of McCook

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# New councilman takes oath, filling seat until May

By Sandy Barnhart

Before the St. Francis City Council meeting opened on Jan. 21, Dale Weeks recited his oath and affirmation of councilman. Councilman Weeks will finish Rick Krieh's term which ends in May 2003. The meeting then opened with Councilman Roger Jensen's absence.

First on the agenda was the progress of the cement floor at the recycling center. Mayor Scott Schultz noted that the floor was around one-third done with the cold weather slowing up the progress. Superintendent J.R. Landenberger said that the electrical upgrade for the baler was complete. The recycling center has been closed during the pouring of the floor and will reopen as soon as the project has been completed.

Wireless internet Superintendent Landenberger noted that the tower which is to be erected behind the city office is in. The tower should make the city's internet more reliable. It was also noted that at the present time

there are 77 internet hook-ups. Mayor Schultz noted that he had been approached by an individual questioning why they had not been hooked-up yet. After some research it was found that the individual by signing his name to the survey list had assumed he was on the sign-up list. Those individuals signing the survey list need to call

the city office to be put on a sign-up list. Clerk's report Krien addition - Clerk Lampe informed the council that Ron Krien had approached her concerning the naming of the streets in the property south of town. He also asked why, in the agreement, did it still not stipulate

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ENTERTAINING RESIDENTS at the Good Samaritan Village were children from the Head Start school. The children appeared to be enjoying singing as much as the residents enjoyed watching them. Pictured (far left) were Alexis Frink and Kylie Sherlock; front row: Tasha Ritchey, Alex Miller and CarolEve Harris.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien



LUTHERAN MEN'S GROUP has been gathering to help others in the community. Last week, they spent several evenings painting the Food Pantry at the courthouse. Pictured above are: (l to r) Cliff Raile, Perry Keller (front), and Keith Dankenbring. Left: Tobe Zweggardt applies paint to the wall.

Herald staff photos by Karen Krien



# Sainty Lutheran men want to help others

By Karen Krien

The Peace Lutheran Church men's group organized about three months ago and since then have been doing some larger projects and a few smaller projects in the community. Keith Dankenbring, one of the members, reported that it had been a long time since the church had organized such a group and they felt like it was time. "We wanted to 'live' our Christianity," Mr. Dankenbring said. Since organizing, the larger projects completed by the group has been putting the covering on the Good Samaritan Village's new greenhouse

and last week, they painted the walls and floors of the Food Pantry at the courthouse. They also helped pack up food items to be moved to the new area and built a covering for an unsightly lavatory. They are open for suggestions of community projects as well as helping the elderly and handicapped. Those helping on the Food Pantry project were: Milton Lampe, Tobe Zweggardt, Keith Dankenbring, Perry Keller, Bill Ehrman, Tom Bandel, Art Krueger, Ervin Hilt, Martin Hilt, Cliff Raile and Shannon Grover.

# Two Sainty girls winners in contest

St. Francis Elementary School sixth graders participated in the state PTA Citizenship Essay Contest. Each student wrote an essay using this year's theme: "Kansas Is Special To Me Because..." The local judges chose Andrea Holzwarth's essay as the first place entry. Sarah Guthmiller was the second place winner. Both girls, as their reward, will serve as Pages in the State House in Topeka on April 11. Each year, the local winner's essay is sent to the state to compete with the essays of other sixth graders. Many times in the years past, the winning essay from St. Francis has placed in the top five. This year, Andrea's essay was awarded third place honors. Andrea will be recognized at the Kansas State PTA Convention on April 25 in Olathe. Both Andrea's and Sarah's essays follow:

**Kansas is special to me because....**

By Andrea Holzwarth

Have you ever looked some Kansan in the eye and wondered why they think Kansas is special? Well,

I'm a Kansan, so I will tell you why Kansas is special to me. One reason it is special to me is because in rural Kansas I can get a better education than I could in a city. My teacher can go 1-on-1 with me. Another reason Kansas is special to me is I can breathe clean air. While the Hayman Fire was aflame in Colorado, here in Kansas I was breathing great, brisk, fresh air. The last reason would be that people are friendly to each other. They care about you. When my father died, my community in Kansas was so caring. They brought food and gifts. That is why Kansas is special to me. Life sure is great here in Kansas!

**Kansas Is Special To Me Because....**

By Sarah Guthmiller

Do you want to know why Kansas is special to me? Well if you do, here I go. The people in Kansas are really nice to people walking down the street or in a grocery store by just

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# Temperatures jump from 8 degrees to 74

Temperatures varied greatly during the past week with the low being 8 degrees (the wind chill was recorded below zero) and a balmy high of 74 degree on Monday. However, there was only a trace of moisture recorded by Kathy Woodcox, weather observer. In the Decision Weather forecast, the rest of the week is supposed to warm up on Friday and Saturday and then temperatures may drop on

Sunday and Monday, warming only to 40 degrees on Tuesday. There could be some snow on Sunday.

Date	High	Low	Prec
Jan. 21	27	13	
Jan. 22	12	8	
Jan. 23	42	11	T
Jan. 24	50	12	
Jan. 25	53	12	
Jan. 26	44	16	
Jan. 27	74	33	



# Saintly athlete to compete abroad

By Karen Krien

Ashley Holzwarth, St. Francis Community High School junior and member of the volleyball team, will be traveling on to Australia this summer to compete with the Kansas team in the Down Under International Games.

Ashley had thought the trip would be fun and having the opportunity to compete in an international volleyball tournament as well as competing in beach-ball volleyball would be even better. Her mother Lisa Holzwarth encouraged her to see if she would be eligible, noting that this was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

When the announcement came from the Kansas coach Pat Dorshorst of Oberlin that she had been accepted, Ashley said she was so excited! "I can't wait to go!" she said.

The 13-day trip will begin on July 9 when she will fly out of Kansas City to Los Angeles and then make the 14-hour flight on to Sydney, Australia. The team will spend four days and three nights in Sydney where they will see the city on a sight-seeing tour which will include the famous Sydney Harbor, the Harbor Bridge, the Rocks area and have photo opportunities at the Sydney Opera House. They will ride the world's steepest train, explore the Blue Mountains and will enjoy a boat cruise to Home Bush, the site of the 2000 Olympics. In that time, they, of course, will spend some time practicing.

On the sixth day, they will transfer to the Gold Coast, Queensland. On the Gold Coast, Ashley and her teammates will have the opportunity to play in a competitive volleyball tournament, interact with the local people,



**ASHLEY HOLZWARTH warmed up for a volleyball game last fall. She will be playing volleyball in Australia in July.**

Herald photo by Betty Jean Winston

visit popular attractions, explore a new culture and experience the native plant and animal life unique to Australia. Ashley noted that, while she is there, it will be the winter season, however, the temperatures are 70 degrees and above.

While the trip will be fun, it is also going to cost over \$3,000 and Ashley, even though she works hard at her job at Parkhill Restaurant, will not be able to earn that much money by July. In an effort to raise the needed money, there will be several fundraisers including one to be held at the Northwest Kansas League Wrestling Tournament on Saturday.

Ashley reports that she likes school and especially likes participating in sports, going out for volleyball, basketball and track. As a senior next year, she still has time to change her mind but she is pretty sure that she wants to further her education in sports medicine or health and human resources.

As she said, she is excited about going and just being a part of the Kansas team.

## AARP

AARP will be meeting at the senior citizen center at 2:30 p.m. on Feb. 10. Please note change of date and time.

## Card shower

Neva Loomis of Goodland will celebrate her 80th birthday Sunday, Feb. 16. All friends and relatives are welcome to mark the occasion by sending cards to her at 521 West 8th Street, No. 1, Goodland, KS 67735.

Her children and spouses are Roger and Lynelle Loomis of Las Vegas and Rick and Linda Rogers of St. Francis. Her grandchildren are Shawn Rogers of Denver and Dallas Friedli of Herington.

Born Feb. 16, 1923, the honoree married Edwin Loomis on Feb. 7, 1943. He is deceased.

## Hospital Guild

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild will meet at 2 p.m. Monday at the senior citizens center. The program will be Rachael Keller on Drug and Alcohol. Hostesses are Wilma Lampe and Margaret Shay.

## Commissioners - date change

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 30 instead of their regular meeting day on the last day of the month.

## Fair Board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, in the commissioner's room in the courthouse.

## City Council

The St. Francis City Council will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the city building.

## Vet rep in St. Francis

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 6 at the county clerk's office to assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims work. If you are unable to contact Ms. Tubbs in St. Francis, you may contact the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday. That phone number is (785) 462-3572.

## Agronomy meetings

Brian Olson, Multi-County Extension Agronomist, has announced the following meetings and registrations dates. Register by calling Mr. Olson or Sally Patten at 785-462-6281.

- Irrigation School, two-day event, City Limits, Colby; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 4 and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 5. Contact Donna Lamm at 785-462-7574 by Jan. 31.

Basically everything you ever wanted to know about irrigation will be discussed.

- Basics of Precision Agriculture, 4-H Building, Hill City, Feb. 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. call Leanne Coxbill at 785-421-3411 or Mr. Olson by Feb. 16.

This school is being held to explain the basics of precision agriculture to producers who are interested in getting started with or getting more out of their precision ag equipment.

- Soil and Nutrient Management, 4-H Building, Hoxie, Feb. 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., register with Mr. Olson of Ms. Patten

Ag clientele can learn about new nutrient requirements for crops developed by K-State along with learning about soil structure and composition.

## 'Circus' coming to Oberlin

The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission is having a circus at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, at the Oberlin Civic Center Gateway. The arena will house the professional "Bungling Brothers" paper mache' circus animals from Norton.

While viewing the animals, Richard Renner, the "Vodvil Clown" will entertain in a Slapstick Circus show. Roving performances will feature him as a silent unicycling clown or in comic roles, all performed on stilts,

including Grandma Walker, a 10-foot octogenarian, and Stilt Chamberlain, a one-man basketball team.

Admission is by season ticket or at the door. The performance will be funded in part by the Kansas Arts Commission, National Endowment for the Arts and the Dane Hansen Foundation. For details, call Mary at (785) 475-3329 or Ella, (785) 475-3557.

## Hospice Service

Hospice Services Inc., has information available about end-of-life

care, advance care planning, and other related topics. Hospice Service, Inc. is available to provide programs for groups and organizations. For more information, please 800-315-5122.

## Alcoholics Anonymous/Al-Anon date change

Alcoholic Anonymous and Al-Anon open meeting, held at 8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Methodist Educational Building, upstairs. Contact 332-2168 or 332-2078.

# OATH

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late that galvanized buildings would be allowed in the development area if the city so choose to annex the site.

Mr. Krien and other property owners was asked to sign an agreement that they would not object to annexation if and when the city decided to annex the property. City then agreed to lay out the sewer system to the south boundaries of the city which also is next to Krien's land. The site is not in city limits and the city is not certain when or if the property will be annexed. The city code at the present time states that buildings inside city limits must be colored. The council feels that if the site is ever annexed in, those buildings (galvanized) already there would be "grandfathered" in.

Until the property is annexed Mr. Krien if free to put up whatever type of buildings and name the streets whatever he wants. If the property is ever annexed in, it will then be up to that council as to what kind of buildings are put up and what the streets will be named.

- Swimming Pool Committee - Clerk Lampe asked if the council would want her to set up a separate account for a new pool. It was noted that at the present time there were four members on the committee and it was the hopes of having at least one more to complete the committee. Once the committee is complete they then can look into different options of raising funds and possibly setting up a tax-exempt account. The council did note that they were looking at possibly a 10-year project.

## Superintendent report

Superintendent Landenberger told the council that the 2003 F150 4x4 Ford pickup that the council approved at a previous meeting would be delivered the end of February.

- The price of a trash truck which is in the 2003 budget has increased by approximately \$20,000. The company was up to demonstrate the truck. The city has the option of purchasing the demo truck at a reduced price, but then the company will not take the old truck as a trade-in. Superintendent Landenberger noted that he had an offer for the old truck. The council requested that he ask for sealed bids for the new trash truck from at least two different companies.

## Attorney report

Attorney Mike Day informed the council that the hearing for the Erva Gene DeAragon property is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Feb. 11 in District court.

## Police report

Chief of Police Jason Ryan pre-

sented the council with several bids for a police vehicle. Chief Ryan noted that he was considering either a Ford Expedition or Dodge Durango. After some discussion it was the consensus of the council and Chief Ryan to look more at the purchase of the Ford Expedition. There is a Ford dealer in town and not a Dodge dealer therefore working on a Ford would be more convenient. It was also the consensus of the council that Chief Ryan ask for sealed bids on the vehicles to be submitted before the next meeting. Chief Ryan did not feel it necessary to advertise for the bids, but would rather contact the businesses personally. The council agreed to let Chief Ryan contact the businesses.

## Other business

- The council was informed by Classic Cable that the expanded basic package price will raise from \$22.03 to \$24. The limited basics package will not increase, but remain at \$15.95. The company will now offer digital service at a \$2 a month fee.

- Approved was the county/city emergency building agreement. The agreement is renewed annually between the county and city and allows the county to keep fire trucks in the city's building for \$200 a month.

# SEWER

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planned on attending the next council meeting and would try to make every other meeting to update the council on the progress of the sewer ponds. He also said that Mr. Monaco would be taking bore samples at the site for the ponds. The study will cost between \$3,000 and \$4,000 which will come out of the general funds, but then will be reimbursed with grant funds.

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# For the Record

## Sheriff's department

- 7 vehicle inspections were made.
- 31 Subpoenas delivered.
- 14 Summons delivered.
- 3 Orders to appear delivered.
- 4 Wage Garnishments made.
- 1 Writ of general execution.
- 21 Speeding tickets issued.
- 5 Warnings for speeding issued.
- 2 Cattle-out calls.
- Jan. 13: Troy Torrence, St. Francis, was driving a 1985 Toyota pickup on the old Wheeler Road 1.5 miles east of St. Francis when he lost control. Minor injuries were reported and the vehicle was totaled.
- Jan. 15: Officer transported prisoner to dentist in St. Francis, they took prisoner back to Sherman County Bastille.
- Jan. 16: Tom Herring had cattle out south of Benkelman.
- Jan. 16: Officer investigated of gas odor going up K-27 to Haigler. Later it was discovered there was a theft of shed and two gas tanks taken from Roads D and 17 going to Colorado.
- Jan. 17: Officer assisted Bird City Police Chief with investigation of someone shooting a gun inside the Bird City city limits.
- Jan. 18: Micheal Sager of Bird

- City, driving a 1971 Chevelle, collided with a car carrier and suburban being pulled by Michael Gilliland of Bird City driving a Ford pickup on county Roads A and 25. No injuries were reported and over \$500 damage.
- Jan. 19: Officer investigated a report of Yaks out at Roads A and 35.
- Jan. 20: Pam Johnson, Bird City, driving a 1996 Buick, was struck at the intersection of Burr Ave. and Fifth Street in Bird City, by Chris Cisneros of Bird City, driving a 1998 Ford pickup. No injuries were reported and there was over \$500 in damage.
- Jan. 21: From 5:05 a.m. until 5:20 p.m., officers control traffic for tractor trailer which lost control and laid over on its side. Kansas highway patrol worked the accident. The truck was driven by John Southard of Fort Lupton, Colo. Minor injuries were sustained and there was over \$500 in damage.
- Jan. 21: Officer served a protection order on a St. Francis resident.
- Jan. 23: Officers and drug dog visited the preschool class.
- Jan. 23: A meth awareness class was held at the high school.
- Jan. 24: Officers and drug dog visited the preschool.

# TOURNEY

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"The league is very balanced. Hoxie and Colby are especially strong with other teams also having some quality wrestlers.

"I just hope that we are healthy, as we had several wrestlers sick at Hays."

Last year Goodland won the meet with 140 points, with Hoxie coming in a very close second with 139 points, Oakley was third at 129. St. Francis placed seventh.

Of the Indians returning to do battle again this year, Derek Ross was the top Indian finisher placing second at 160 pounds. Also competing will be Travis Hilt, who placed third, and Dallas Walz, who placed fourth.

The Jan. 23 rankings by the Kansas Wrestling Coaches Association named the following league wrestlers.

- Cooper, sixth
- Oakley: 112: Levi Younkin, second; 125: Shawn Kuhlman, sixth; 152: Cody Younkin, fifth; 171: Bobby Dennis, first;
- Oberlin: 130: Matt Coleman, fourth; 135: Kenyon Badsky, Oberlin, second; 140: chance Harmon, fourth
- Quinter: no ranked wrestlers
- St. Francis: 112: Dylan Loyd, third; 160: Derek Ross, fifth; 215: Dallas Walz, sixth
- As a team, Hoxie is ranked first in 3-2-1A with Oakley fourth. Goodland is ranked second in 4A and Colby, sixth.
- With all of these outstanding wrestlers, the competition is expected to be fierce.

## Cost-Share Funds Available

The Cheyenne Co. Conservation District announces sign up for the Water Resources Cost-Share Program and the Non-Point Source Pollution Cost-Share Program. Applications will be taken at the Conservation Office, January 21 - 31.

**The following practices are eligible for cost-share assistance:** Diversions, Cross-Fencing, Field and Feedlot Windbreaks, Irrigation Water Conveyance Pipeline, Livestock Pipelines, Wells and Tanks, Spring Developments, Terraces, Range Seeding, Sprinkler Irrigation Systems Upgrades, Livestock Waste Control Facilities, Abandoned Well Plugging and Septic System Upgrades.

Cost-share assistance rate is 50-70%. All applications will be reviewed and ranked by the District Board of Supervisors and funded according to priorities recommended by the Kansas Water Plan. Work may not be started until notified by the Conservation District Board. Deadline to complete work is May 31.

**If you are interested, please contact our office on West Highway 36 in St. Francis or call 785-332-2341.**

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- Feb. 12 - Dr. Reeves - Podiatrist
- Feb. 18 - Mammo
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- Feb. 27 - Dr. Warren - Cardiologist

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