

## Town support beneficial to younger generation

It was freezing cold with a swift north wind blowing but that didn't stop football fans from making the 40-mile trip to Atwood to support the Saintry football team to a victory over the Atwood Buffs.

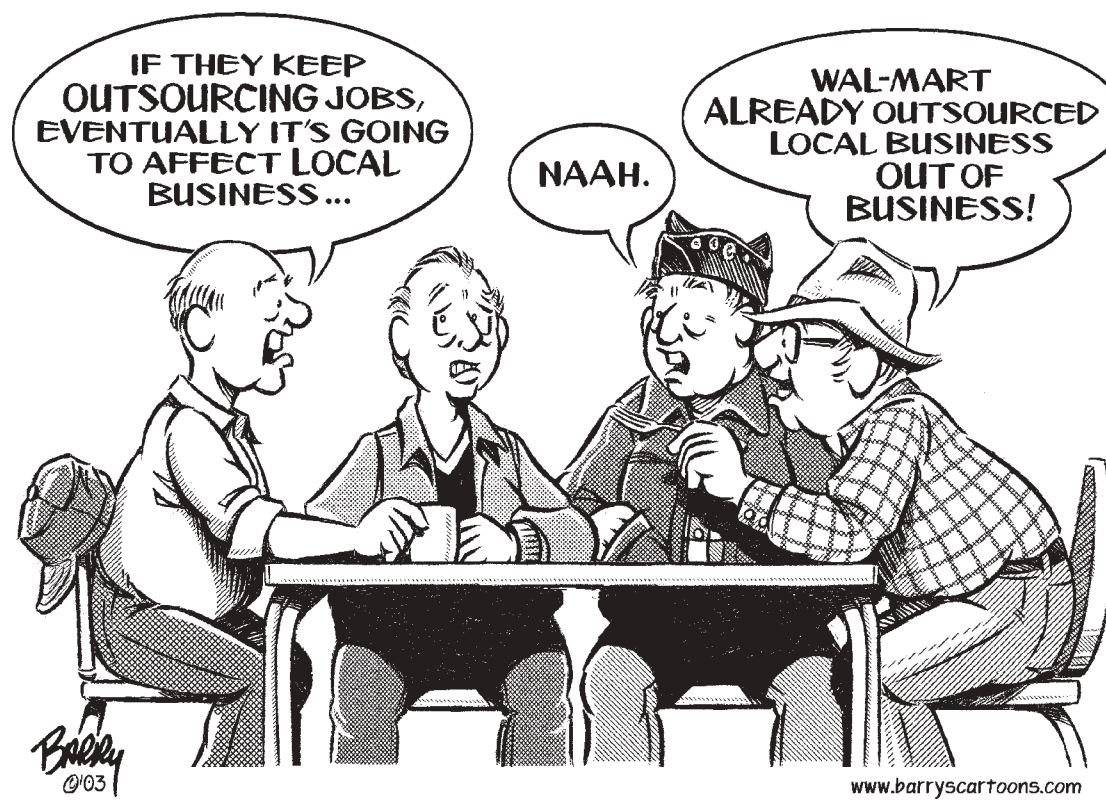
Cars were already lining up around Greene Field on Monday night so fans could have a warm place to watch the bi-district game with Plainville. And, upon winning these fans will be traveling even a further distance to the regional play.

It is always amazing to see the number of fans and family members who turn out for our athletic teams, whether it be football, volleyball, wrestling, basketball or track — they are there! Those

kids have support and know that the town's people care and are behind them. Maybe that is why people coming into the St. Francis schools talk about the nice students.

Community support seems to be so evident in many events which happen around town. The turnout to the Haunted House was good and everyone evidently had a scary time. Organizers of the Craft Fair on Saturday said it was one of the biggest fairs ever. Pancake feeds, bake sales.... the list goes on and on — our people are there.

Three cheers for the people of St. Francis!  
—Karen Krien



## Hangin' With Marge

The Indian Reservation

By Margaret Bucholtz



After spending a week with our children in eastern Kansas, Kurt and I decided that we were going by to visit the Indian Reservation in Pottawatomie County. It was getting late in the evening when we headed north out of Topeka. We saw a glow of light in the horizon and soon we saw the bright colorful lights flashing in a circle around the word "Harrah's." We pulled into the drive and finally found a parking spot in the back of the lot. In the car we counted out the money we would allow and each of us got an equal amount. As we walked toward the bright lights streaming from the building the excitement was mounting.

Inside the door we were met with the crowds of people, rows of the one-armed bandits and that wonderful sound of plink, plink, plink. It took us a little while to find the machines that would take either nickels, dimes or quarters.

Then it took a little longer to find two machines that were not in use. Finally we realized we would have to split up in order to begin to play. I sat down first and put my bill in and pulled the handle. NOTHING, but I still had credits so I kept pulling.

Within about 2 minutes my credits were gone. Not knowing what to do, I remembered that I had heard if you don't win — move to a different machine, so I did. In my move

I spotted Kurt and in a different row but only about one row behind him was an empty place so I sat down.

Again I put a bill in and half way through my credits the lights started blinking on my machine. Trying hard not to act like I didn't know what I was doing I just kept pulling on the handle, but nothing happened. Finally the lady beside me reached over and touched my arm and said, "Just wait and someone will be here to help you."

Feeling guilty that I must have broken the machine I quickly asked her what I had done wrong. She told me that I had won but it was more than the machine would pay out so an attendant would come and give me the money. I used my farm voice to announce it to Kurt on the other aisle and then looked at her and said "This is my first time."

She was very nice and didn't say "I noticed," but just smiled. The attendant arrived and asked me how I wanted paid so I told him I wanted cash. He paid me and quickly I divided it with Kurt and we moved on to the dollar machines.

For the next three hours it didn't matter if I won three quarters or 20, I would push the cash button just so I could hear the sound. People around me would look at me a little strange, but I was having fun. We had won some, lost some, and then finally lost it all so decided to go back to the motel. On the road back I told Kurt we will just think of the money we lost as a donation to the Indians, but the next time we go I have a plan.

I had always thought it was the hustle and bustle of the people and the pretty bright lights that lured me in, but really it is the sound of plink, plink, plink, so the next time I am going to put in a 20, hit the change button, listen to the sound and move to the next one and do the same thing. Then we will cash the tokens in for dollar bills and leave. That way I have the sound I enjoy and all of my money left.

## Outdoors With Chuck

By Chuck Kribs

Its that time of year again, fall crops coming off, a bite in the morning air, leaves turning color.

For many of us, that means that hunting seasons are right around the corner. Shotguns come out of the closet, old boots get cleaned up and

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our bird dogs begin retraining us. According to the wildlife folks, upland bird populations here in the great state of Kansas are up significantly from the past few years. The reports I get in my wanderings from local farmers and other people in the field seem to confirm this. Our neighbor to the north, Nebraska, is experiencing the same good fortune.

Deer populations locally seem to be stable with good counts of both whitetails and muleys being reported. Elk seasons in the mountain states are opening or have opened, and with populations at an all time high, harvests should be good. The US fish and wildlife services, in a recent study, showed that even with elk populations up harvests have not been as high as expected. A factor in the this seemed to be the extensive use of ATV's (four wheelers) Hunters are spending their time riding on roads and trails rather than getting back where the elk are.

It seems to me that hunters "luck" comes in proportion to the amount of work invested. I will be off to do my share of that "work" in the mountains of northern Colorado soon.

We'll let ya know what happens....

**GOD SAYS**  
As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.  
Proverbs 25:25



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## News From the Past

### 10 years ago 1993

The First Christian Church of St. Francis will be honoring John and Bethany Bartlett on Sunday Oct. 10. John will be retiring from the ministry. The Bartletts have served the St. Francis Christian Church and the community for 26 1/2 years, having begun their ministry here on May 15, 1967.

Queen Carly Duquette and King Trevis Ickler were crowned during halftime of the St. Francis Community High School Homecoming game.

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild has ordered a number of magazine subscriptions for the hospital lobby.

St. Francis first place winners in the Punt, Pass and Kick competition held at the high school include Ty Long, Mike Wolters, Mike Dorsch, Tyler Krien, Justin McAtee and Brian Davis.

The Cheyenne County Commissioners voted to purchase two ambulances for the county, one to be kept in St. Francis and one in Bird City.

Henna Hipeli, an exchange student from Finland, is spend-

ing the school year with Elmer and Dorothy Kellner, Nathan and Shalom.

### 20 years ago - 1983

The elementary school art department held a pumpkin decorating contest for grades one through four. Winners include of Best Overall Pumpkin include Jason Youde, Jenny Williams, Travis Milne, Derek Crabtree, Tiffany Jensen, Jason Gardner and John Ham.

The 4-H Achievement Banquet was held and some of the awards include: Friend of 4-H, Bob Alsup, Cheyenne County State Bank; Robert Pianalto Memorial Award, Roxanne Lebow, Doug Waters; Dale Shoemaker Memorial Award, John Love; Paul Gorthy Memorial, Bobby Sharp; Tillie Schlepp Memorial Award, Jason Douthit. John Love, 4-H Council president and Christy Curry, Junior Leader Club vice president presided at the meeting.

The junior class at the high school is presenting "The Beverly Hillbillies." Todd Neitzel is Jed Clampett, Sherri McDuffee is Granny, Crystal Bracelin is Elle Mae, Jethro is Ed Owens and Eric Yonkey is Milburn Drysdale.

Linda Ketzner is now leasing the Bay Cafe from Steve and Audrey Danielski.

As part of his Eagle Scout project, Denis Vandike and the members of FFA (for their B.O.A.C. project) painted fire hydrants around town.

### 35 years ago - 1968

"Happiness is a weekend in St. Francis" is the theme of a big fly-in being held Saturday and Sunday. There will be a full day of entertainment for those coming in. Sunday will feature aircraft displays with many of the new model being shown by major companies and a big air show. There will be bomb dropping, s[to landing contest and 2 cent a pound airplane rides for the public.

The annual Antique Engine and Thresher Show held at the farm of Mrs. Roy Kite northeast of Bird City gets underway Oct. 3 and runs through Saturday.

All receipts from a benefit bazaar and auction on Saturday will go toward the construction of the new St. Francis Catholic Church.

## Vet stories needed for history book

Letter to the Editor:

I'm writing in regard to the Veterans History Book telling about the men and women who have served in the military service in the 20th Century plus 2003. We are asking all veterans, family members or friends to contact us for an information sheet telling what we would like in their story.

We plan to give each veteran a full page including a 3- by 4-inch

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picture and story of about 440 words giving a little history.

The response so far has been good but the deadline is Dec. 31. We have around 1,400 names but need several hundred stories and pictures to make it an interesting book. We don't want just statistics, it should be in story form because we do not

have time to write them. We'll send you a sample story.

Call us at (785) 332-3119 for Milton or Betty Lampe at 250 Birch Street, St. Francis, or contact a Historical Society member. Thank you.

Milton E. Lampe  
St. Francis

**Worship Warms the Heart**

<b>First Christian Church</b> 332-2956 • 118 E. Webster Sunday School 9:20 a.m. Church Service 10:30 a.m. Wed. night Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>United Methodist Church</b> Church Office 332-2292, Church 332-2254, Pars. 332-3170 512 S. Scott Pastor Nel Holmes Early Bird Service 8:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.
<b>Seventh-Day Adventist Church</b> 332-2888 • 3rd & Adams Pastor Jim Martin Sabbath School 9:30 Morning Worship 10:45	<b>First Baptist Church</b> 2nd & Scott • 332-3921 J.W. Glidewell, Pastor Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6:30 p.m., Wednesday prayer service, 6:00 p.m. Wed. AWANA Club 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
<b>Wesleyan Church</b> Hwy 36 • 734-2727 Pastor Scott Baker Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Sunday Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>Clough Valley Baptist Church</b> Pastor Al Davis D. Min. 12 m. west, 6 m. north of SF 332-2506 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. CT Worship 10:00 a.m. CT
<b>Church of Christ</b> 332-2380, Pars. 332-3424 502 W. Spencer Norman Morrow - Minister Bible Class 9 a.m. Morning Worship 10 a.m. Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.	<b>Living Water Fellowship Ministry</b> Pastors: Terry & Tiffany Glasco Downtown Bird City 785-734-2363 Sunday: Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Worship & Word 10 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m. Last Sunday evening of Month: Healing Service 7:30 p.m.
<b>Grace Assembly of God</b> 332-2925, Pars. 332-2899 208 E. 2nd Rev. Rob Meyer Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 Sunday Eve. Service 6 p.m.	<b>St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church</b> 625 S. River • 332-2680 Fr. Beryl Gibson Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m. Weekday Mass 8 a.m. Confessions Sat. 4-4:30
<b>Salem Lutheran Church</b> 332-3002 Pastor Chris Farmer Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.	<b>Peace Lutheran Church</b> 202 N. College 332-2928 Pars. 332-2308 Pastor David Rossbach Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.

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