

Cleveland Chiropractic College

Students are recognized for academi Achievement at the end of a trimester in which a minimum of 12 new credits is taken with a trimester grade point average of 3.40 or higher. Students who meet these criteria are named to the dean's list. R.W. Stuart, a graduate of St. Francis Community High School, is among those named to the dean's list.

Fort Hays State University

Youth Service America awarded \$1,000 to Fort Hays State University in February through the State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Awards. Selected from over 850 applicants, the university will use the grant to fund a service project during National Youth Service Day on April 16. Youth Service America awarded 100 service-learning project grants through the

organization's State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Awards.

Brian Holzwarth, a senior from St. Francis, and Michael Leonard, a junior from Goodland, are among the students in the Home Horticulture course at Fort Hays State University who will work with Hays Lions Club members and city of Hays Park Department personnel in making improvements at Daniel G. Rupp Park in Hays. The Hays Lions Club, which sponsors the park, donated another \$1,000 to the project. The City of Hays Parks Department matched the State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Award and the Lions Club donation with an additional \$2,000 resulting in a \$4,000 project.

Students will be planting trees, painting the shelter house, staining the park sign, picking up litter, and installing a bench and walkway. The event will take place on April 16 at the Daniel G. Rupp Park. A ceremony announcing the National Youth Service Day Project will take place at 10 a.m. that day. The public is invited to attend the ceremony.



PERFORMING AT STATE WRESTLING— Ashley Dowgwilllo, Sheryl Miller, Jade DeGood and Samantha Marin sang the nation anthem at the tournament held in Hays.
Photo courtesy of Doug Ross

Card shower requested

The children and grandchildren of Roberta Graves wish to honor her with a card shower for her 80th birthday on March 12. Please send your greetings to Roberta Graves, 612 S. Benton, St. Francis, KS 67756.



Graves

Club Clips

Lions Club

The St. Francis Lions Club met on Monday, Feb. 23. Lion President O'Leary opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Lion Norman Morrow offered the invocation.

Lion O'Leary passed on the thanks from the individual who had received the new eyeglasses through the club. He was very impressed as he could now read fine print.

The Nominating Committee was named for the upcoming election of officers. Former presidents Wayne Goodell, Norman Morrow, and Marvin Zimbleman will meet Monday, March 1 at 3:00 p.m. to make a selection of nominees for the new officers.

Deputy County Clerk, Deb Lindsten, was on hand to discuss the inventory of handicapped equipment the club maintains at the courthouse. A new wheelchair is needed

that will accommodate larger individuals and several other wheelchairs will require new seats. Lions O'Leary and Morrow will research the cost of the new wheelchair and upgrades. Ms. Lindsten read a list of recent donors of equipment to the club and presented the club with a check in the amount of \$500 that had been collected by selling county address books from their office. The funds raised by the sale of these books are used to upgrade the handicapped equipment. Handicapped equipment is available at the county clerk's office. There is no charge to check out the equipment, but donations are appreciated.

The next Lions Club meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 8 at the Windmill Restaurant. Men and women of all ages interested in becoming a Lion are encouraged to attend.

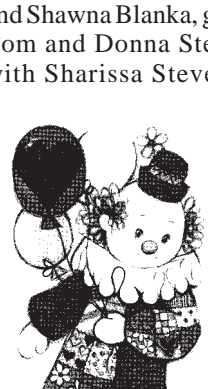


Blanka

First birthday celebrated

Shadryon Blanka celebrated his first birthday on Feb. 23 with a party being held for him that evening plus an additional one on Sunday, Feb. 29, at the home of his great-grandparents, Hurb and Lola Graves. The theme for his party was Spirit and Horses. Pizza was enjoyed plus a cake with horses on it and ice cream.

Helping him celebrate were his brother Shakotah, parents Shawn and Shawna Blanka, grandparents, Tom and Donna Stevens, along with Sharissa Stevens, Mickey Graves and Naomi Holliman. His other grandparents plus aunts and uncles from Wamego and Wichita will celebrate his birthday in March.



St. Francis News

Donna and Norvin Northrup, Charles and Dixie Curry, Tom and Marvel Gleason, Theron and Carolyn Culwell, Dolores and Calvin Raile and June Henderson enjoyed a soup supper with Don and Phyllis Williams in Wheeler Tuesday evening. Dixie Magley and Marvel

Gleason were Thursday afternoon guests of Donna Northrup celebrating Dixie's birthday.

Weekend guest of Billy and Karen Krien was Marilyn Krien of Aurora, Colo. They visited with Bill and Leone Krien and helped Leone celebrate her 85th birthday.

Hay permits issued

The Kansas Department of Transportation has announced that permits will be issued to anyone wanting to harvest hay on Kansas highway right of way.

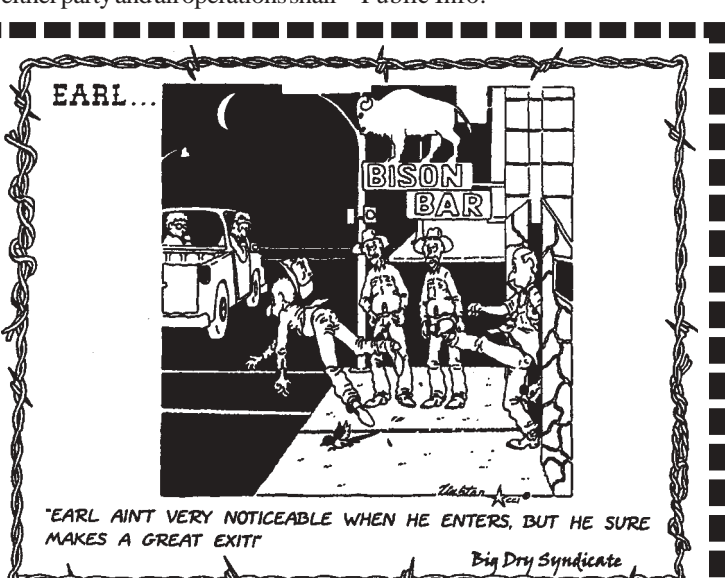
Permit applications are available at any Kansas Department of Transportation office and are good for one year or a specific haying season. Access to any right of way shall be determined by Department officials.

Those with land adjacent to the right of way will be given first priority until March 31. After this date, permits to harvest will be issued in the order in which they are received. Permits can be canceled at any time by either party and all operations shall

be in accord with requirements and guidelines set by the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Any person, firm or corporation wanting to mow or bale hay will need to submit a permit application to the Kansas Department of Transportation office in their area.

For additional information, you can contact the local Department Area office or call the Bureau of Construction and Maintenance in Topeka at 785-296-3576. For more information or a form, go to the Kansas Department of Transportation's internet site at <<http://www.ksdot.org/>>www.ksdot.org, then click on Public Info.



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Obituaries

Guam, Alaska, Germany and Florida. He was promoted to the rank of Colonel in 1983, and separated from active duty in the Air Force in 1987.

He, however, continued Air Force duties in the Reserves until his retirement in 1995. He held positions in the Department of Veterans Affairs in Fresno, Calif., and in Bakersfield from 1987 until 1994 at which time he accepted a position as System Medical Director in the Kern County Mental Health System of Care until the later part of 1997.

In 1999, he began work as a medical consultant to the state of California Department of Social Services, Disability and Adult Program's Division. He served on various boards, including the Alzheimer's Disease Association Board of Directors, and the Kern County Mental Health Board.

He enjoyed participation in the programs of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia and the local chapter of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors.

His confirmation in the Salem Lutheran Church near St. Francis in 1945, was the beginning of a life-long interest in the Christian faith and religious issues and their impact on society and the life of the individual.

Jake died on Feb. 15, 2004, as a result of lung cancer.

Survivors include his wife, Kay; seven children; one brother, Otto Samler of St. Francis; four grandchildren: Kristen and Andrew Doughty, Chelsea Ledford and Nathan Brown; and three sons-in-law: John Doughty, Brian Ledford and Steve Brown.

Jake was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Oscar and William Samler; a sister, Anita Hayne, two infant siblings, and his granddaughter, Melissa Joy Doughty.

Memorial services were held at St. John Lutheran Church on Feb. 20.

Rosa Ann Fiechter

Aug. 3, 1912 - Feb. 19, 2004

Rosa Ann Fiechter, 91, former Goodland, Kan., resident, died Feb. 19, 2004, in Orangeville, Calif.

After her marriage to Leslie E. Fiechter in 1931, they farmed in Sherman County for over 50 years. During the years that Rosa and Leslie lived on a farm near Brewster, she raised two daughters, while cooking for many hired men during harvest time. They lived through the Dust Bowl period of the 1930s, and survived to prosper during the 1940s and 1950s. Several years after the death of her husband, Rosa moved to Orangeville, Calif., to be closer to her daughters and her grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Leslie Earl Fiechter, who died Aug. 7, 1984; three sisters; and a brother.

Surviving family members include her daughter Joyce Dempewolf and her husband, Donald, of Santa Cruz, Calif.; daughter, Leslie McClone and her husband, Bill, of Shingle Springs, Calif.; six grandchildren, Steve Dempewolf and his wife, Kelly, Stuart Dempewolf and his wife, Laurie, and Stan Dempewolf, all of Santa Cruz, Scott McClone and his wife, Carolyn, of Zephyr Cove, Nev., Mark McClone and his wife, Jamie, of Placerville, Calif., Jill Hemington and her husband, Mark, of El Dorado, Calif.; 10 great-grandsons; and two great-granddaughters.

The funeral will be Saturday, March 6, at 11 a.m. mountain time, at Koons Chapel, Goodland, with Pastor Scott Grimshaw officiating. Burial will follow in the Goodland Cemetery.

Friends may share their respects on Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. at Koons Chapel.

Memorials may be designated to the First National Bank Charitable Trust, and may be left at or mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 North Main, Goodland, KS 67735-1555.

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PLEASANT HILL 4-H'ER OF THE MONTH

Laramie Mosley

Laramie has been in 4-H for 2 years. Her favorite project is the Bucket Calf. Laramie feels that 4-H has taught him responsibility for his animals and to work hard getting them ready for the fair.

Trevor Reed

Trevor has been in 4-H for 4 years. His favorite project is Leather. Trevor feels that 4-H has taught him that you can't win at everything you do.