

Chamber reviews April promotions, new businesses

By Karen Krien

The upcoming April promotion was among the items discussed when the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce met Friday.

The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for April 10 at the St. Francis Grade School gym. The candy and other treats are being sponsored by Ross Manufacturing, Bracelin Farm and Milliken Law Office.

Bringing new businesses to town and what the community and/or county has to offer a new business or manufacture owner if they were considering coming to the county was discussed at length.

Scott Schultz, St. Francis Mayor, said there are several city-owned pieces of property which could be purchased very inexpensively. Those located to the south side of the city have sewer and water.

Members discussed that Goodland had given a building and, in the end, had put up approximately \$1 million to land the gas-ket business which recently opened. Could St. Francis offer these incentives?

Those at the meeting felt that a committee should be formed to further investigate and see what could be done in case there was a business willing to come to St. Francis, however, no committee nor head was appointed.

Car show

Mr. Schultz, who is also one of the chairmen of the car show which is set for May 8 in St. Francis, updated the Chamber members on the show. He said they are still expecting 120 cars but there could be more. If more show than last year, they may need to expand the lineup of ve-

hicles to in front of the courthouse.

At the last meeting, Mr. Schultz and Chamber members talked about moving the show to the downtown area but it will be held around Sawhill Park again — maybe next year.

Getting those coming to the show to shop the downtown businesses was once again discussed. Mr. Schultz said that several years ago, the Poker Walk had been held and had been fairly successful. He suggested that businesses have promotion coupons offering discounts or prizes for those coming into their businesses. The coupons could be put into the information packets which each person entering the car show is given. Mr. Schultz thought that if each business brought 150 coupons to him or his wife Nancy by April 15, that would be enough for each packet.

In other business

In other business:
• Secretary Gloria Bracelin will be contacting the Car Show, Stearman Fly-In and Christmas committees later this month so planning for these events can get started.

• Randy Dinkel had sent a letter of resignation from the Chamber board and he was replaced by Mike Frewen.

• Paul Rainbolt invited members to come to the legislator's meeting the next morning at the Senior Center.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Chamber has been set for noon on April 2 at Bankwest with food from the Pizza Hut. All members are urged to attend.

Foyer named in honor of resident

Maureen (Stewart) Zimmer was recently honored when the Terrell (Texas) Independent School District board of trustees approved the naming of the foyer of the school's Performing Arts Center after her. The new center will host many significant activities and, each time students and others enter the foyer, they will be looking at a portrait of Mrs. Zimmer.

Mrs. Zimmer was the daughter of Harvey and Dorothy Stewart, long-time residents of St. Francis. She attended St. Francis schools graduating from high school with the class of 1958.

She was an elementary teacher in the Terrell school for 20 years and was known for being active in student and community events. The committee making the selection credited "her energetic and enthusiastic encouragement for young people from all ethnic, cultural, economic and developmentally challenged backgrounds," with making "life far better for our community."

Mrs. Zimmer's sister Sharon Noyce, in a letter sent to The Herald and Mrs. Zimmer's friends and relatives, said that the family and Mrs. Zimmer's long-time friend Verna Miller, attended the performance at the Performing Arts Center when Mrs. Zimmer was honored. Mike Chitty, another long-time friend, spoke for the community.

"Before we begin tonight's show, we want to take a few minutes to honor the memory of someone who made a positive and an endearing difference in the lives of so many in our Terrell community and beyond — I am, of course, speaking of Maureen Zimmer."

He went on to say that saying Mrs. Zimmer was a dedicated Terrell elementary school teacher only scratched the surface in describing the positive impact that she had on school children and the community.

In addition to her teaching responsibilities, people could expect to see her at all manner of student and community events ranging from band competitions and drama performances to athletic contests and church activities.

She often arranged to transport children, at her own expense, to see art exhibits at Dallas and Fort Worth art museums and attend music performances.

"In short, Mrs. Zimmer enriched the lives of her students and all who knew her far outside the walls of the school buildings," he said. "She was truly a patron of the arts, and her devotion to young people was unsurpassed."

"If Maureen were here with us today, she would not want this to be a sad occasion. She would be so proud of this great building and she would be out there in the front center section, probably with several students she would have



FORMER RESIDENT Maureen K. Zimmer was honored to have the foyer of the school's Performing Arts Center named after her.

brought along with her... and she would be cheering us on with every program.

"And she wouldn't want all this fuss made over her either. She'd be saying... 'On with the show!'"

Mrs. Zimmer's portrait hangs in the expansive, all glass, curved,

entrance area that can be used to hold a banquet for 260 people, receptions and art shows.

"I'm so proud of her," Mrs. Noyce said.

Mrs. Zimmer died July 24, 2001, after battling breast cancer for 27 years.

Obituary

Douglas William Seymour

July 10, 1957 - March 6, 2004
Douglas William Seymour, 46, Minneapolis, Kan., died Saturday, March 6, 2004.

Mr. Seymour was born July 10, 1957, in St. Francis. He held two degrees, accounting and computer information systems from Kansas Wesleyan University. He was a computer technician for United Parcel Service.

Survivors include his wife, Julie Pargman Seymour; children, Annie M. Seymour, Abilene, Breanna M. and Brian M. of the home; his mother, Vivian Seymour of Bird City; two brothers, Garry of Bird City and Craig

of Ames, Iowa, nieces and one nephew.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ralph and his sister, Marianne Bressler.

A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 13, at the Bird City Immanuel United Methodist Church. Burial will be at the Bird City Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the children's education fund at First National Bank in Bird City or Knodel Funeral Home, 202 S. Benton, St. Francis, KS 67756.

Honorary pall bearers are Doug Flemming, Dave Flemming, Duane DaPron, Gary Cress and Troy Staats.

The following new books have arrived at the library: *The Sight Of The Stars* by Belya Plain; *Ain't She Sweet* by Susan Elizabeth Phillips; *Capital Crimes* by Stuart Woods; *Ransom* by Danielle Steel; *The Last Juror* by John Grisham; *Holly* by Jude Deveraux; *Truth and Dare* by Jayne Ann Krentz; *Another Man's Son* by Katherine Stone; *Trojan Odyssey* by Clive Cussler; *Hollywood Divorces* by Jackie Collins; *The Conspiracy Club* by Jonathan Kellerman; *Odd Thomas* by Dean Koontz; *Dance With Me* by Luanne Rice; *Crown Jewel* by Fern Michaels; *Divided In Death* by J.D. Robb; *Emma's Secret* by Barbara Taylor Bradford; *Sunny Chandler's Return* by Sandra Brown; *Kate Hannigan* by Catherine Cookson; *The Cat Who Talked Turkey* by Lilian Jackson

Lines from the Library

Braun; *Cape Light* by Thoms Kinkade; *Home Song* by Thomas Kinkade; *A Gathering Place* by Thomas Kinkade; *A New Leaf* by Thomas Kinkade.

The library also has the following

new books in the children's department: *A Day At The Fire Station* by Richard Scarry; *Care Bear's Lucky Day* by Frances Ann Ladd; *Berenstain Bears And The Papa's Day Surprise* by Stan Berenstain;

Lucy's Advice by Charles M. Schultz; *Lose The Blanket*, *Linus* by Charles M. Schultz; *The Berry Big Storm* by Megan Bryant; *The Berry Best Friends Picnic* by Jackie Glassman.

Come & Go
Bridal Shower
for
R.W. Stuart
and
Krista Paul
Sat., March 20
2-4 p.m.
at
The First
Christian Church
St. Francis, KS

The Cliff Dwellers Acting & Singing Society of Wray Present
Over The River
And Through The Woods
By Joe Dipietro
"An hilarious family comedy." -Back Stage
SHOWS - Fri., March 12 & Sat., March 13 • 7:30 p.m.
Sun., March 14 • 2 p.m.
DINNER - Sun., March 14 ONLY • 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Kitzmilller Auditorium - Wray, CO
Tickets are available at the Door or In Advance by calling
970-332-5454 or 970-332-4220

The City of St. Francis
is accepting applications for
SWIMMING POOL LIFEGUARDS
Must be 16 years or older.
Pick-up an application form at the City Office.

HIGH PLAINS ROOSTERS
PHEASANT FOREVER YOUTH DAY
Saturday, March 27
Held at Ringneck Country (Rex & Sandi Murray)
FOR ALL YOUTH 15 AND UNDER!
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Wed., April 7
Cheyenne County
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Thur., April 8
Atwood - A.M.
Colby - P.M.
CSMC, 175 S. Range
462-3332
CMC, 100 E. College Dr.
462-7511
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- 2003 CHEVROLET VENTURE LS All Power, CD, Built in Child Seat, Power Seat & Door, Factory Warranty - \$16,800 NOW Was \$18,995
- 2002 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX SE 35,000 Mi., Spoiler, CD, Very Clean \$10,600 NOW Was \$12,395
- 2000 OLDS ALERO GL Loaded, Spoiler, Sunroof, Auto, CD \$8,300 NOW Was \$9,950
- 2000 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 1500 4wd, 2nd Row Quads, Leather, Very Clean, New Body Style \$16,800 NOW Was \$17,900

Cars (2) Door
2001 Audi TT 180 HP --- Loaded, Heated Seats, Very Sharp ----- \$22,800
1999 Pontiac Grand Am SE --- 4 Cyl., All Power, Spoiler, CD, Loaded ----- \$6,800
1991 Honda Prelude SI --- All Power, Sunroof, Spoiler - Loaded ----- \$3,700
10 IN STOCK TO CHOOSE FROM

Cars (4) Door
2002 Toyota Camry LE --- All Power, Spoiler, CD, Factory Warranty ----- \$14,800
2003 Pontiac Grand Am SE --- Spoiler, Alloy Wheels, CD, V6, Factory Warr, 16,000mi-- \$13,600
2003 Chevrolet Malibu --- V-6, Factory Warr., Power Locks, CD, Very Low Miles- 5774 miles \$10,800
2003 Mitsubishi Galant ES --- All Power, Factory Warr., CD, Auto, 13,000 mi. ----- \$9,300
2001 Pontiac Grand Am --- All Power, Spoiler, Loaded ----- \$6,800
1994 Honda Accord LX --- All Power, Very Clean ----- \$6,200
1999 Nissan Sentra --- All Power, CD, Auto ----- \$3,800
24 MORE TO CHOOSE FROM

Vans
2003 Dodge Grand Caravan SE --- (2) Child Seats, Rear Air, Factory War., 6,814 Mi., \$18,600
2002 Pontiac Montana --- CD Player, Factory Warranty, 22,635 Miles ----- \$16,995
2002 Dodge 3/4 Ton Cargo Van --- White, 23,588 Miles, Factory Warranty, ----- \$12,800
1989 Dodge B150 Van --- 55,309 Actual Miles, Very Clean, Conversion Package ----- \$4,995
11 MORE TO CHOOSE FROM

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2001 Ford Expedition XLT, 5.4 Motor, All Power, Rear Air, 29,012 Miles ----- \$22,800
2002 Buick Rendezvous --- Loaded, CD, All Power, 30,767 Miles ----- \$16,800
2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer LS --- 4wd, All Power, CD, Loaded ----- \$16,800
1998 Toyota 4 Runner SR5 --- V6, 4wd, CD, Sun Roof, All Power, 38,757 Miles ----- \$16,800
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1995 Chevrolet 1500 Silverado Ext Cab --- 4WD, Leather, 350 Auto, Flairside, 62,712 Mi.--- \$11,600
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1996 Ford F-150 --- V6, Reg. Cab, Short Bed, Chrome Rails ----- \$5,800
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