



**BIRTHDAYS BEING CELEBRATED** at the St. Francis Senior Center starting from the left: **Charlsie Rogers, Bernice Zweygardt, Bernice Bandel, Van Burrus, Nola Burrus, Fred Gemaehlich, Maurice Blume, Coy DeGood, Mildred Rogers and Bobbi Pooreman.**  
*Herald staff photo by Sandy Barnhart*

## Seniors honored at dinner

Kyle Buffington, Toni Rice, Jonathan Roelfs and Dillan Zweygardt, along with other seniors from northwest Kansas, were recognized as Kansas Honor Scholars at a dinner and awards program in Oakley April 19.

Each year the University of Kansas, and its alumni, recognize students that qualify academically by ranking in the top 10 percent of their senior class.

The scholars received a certificate and a special edition of The American Heritage Dictionary to commemorate their achievement.

Mike and Brenda Day were the Cheyenne County alumni coordinators.



**FOUR ST. FRANCIS SENIORS** were recently honored at a scholarship dinner and awards program. Pictured left to right: **Brenda Day, Toni Rice, Dillan Zweygardt, Jonathan Roelfs, Kyle Buffington and Mike Day.**  
*Photo courtesy of Darci Zweygardt*

## Outdoors With Chuck

**By Chuck Kribs**  
Twice this year, I have seen hunters go down with health problems, one fatally. Hunters love to hunt and sometimes forget that they aren't as young as they used to be. Going into the field requires a lot more exertion than some folks realize. It pays to

work on physical conditioning to prepare for every season. Take off a few pounds (or more), do a lot of walking, preferably carrying weight equal to your gear, and wear good boots. You will enjoy each day in the field more and come home safely.

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## Couple plans wedding



**Kriegh—McAtee**

Rick and Deanna Kriegh of Fort Morgan, Colo., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Linn Kriegh, to Brock Allen McAtee, son of Farrell and Becky McAtee, St. Francis.

The bride-elect graduated from St. Francis Community High School and is currently attending Fort Hays State University. She will graduate in May of 2005 with a bachelor's degree in biology.

The prospective bridegroom also graduated from St. Francis Community High School. He is currently attending Fort Hays State University where he will graduate in May of 2005 with a bachelor's degree in industrial

technology.

Danielle is the granddaughter of Dan and Dottie Stang of Hayes Center, Neb., and Jinx Kriegh of Minneapolis.

Brock is the grandson of Hazel Douthit of St. Francis, and Vic and Loma McAtee of Lyons.

The couple is planning a July 31 wedding at the United Methodist Church, St. Francis.

## This is the Place

**By Carol Redding**  
**Cheyenne County Development Member**

Here's another idea to think about for Cheyenne County.

Niche markets are abundant and GROWING nationwide. Many people will pay double the usual price to get naturally or organically grown food products. Free-range chickens and beef. Organic and natural dairy products (surely there's a market for cheese that tastes like yucca blossoms! Here's part of the ad: "Only briefly in the spring, healthful, natural, yucca-flavored dairy cheese. Homemade; available only once a year, so get your order in NOW!")

Another idea — meat goats are very desirable in eastern cities. Think of the benefits of raising goats in our county. How about raising angora goats and selling their wool?

Did you know there's now a demand for wool from organically raised sheep?

Or do you think you could handle getting \$7 per bushel for organically grown wheat, white or the usual tan? And Cheyenne County could mill it special, market it locally, by mail and internet.

Cheyenne County has so much to offer. Think about what could be done to bring jobs and families to our area.

The Cheyenne County Development Corporation is always eager to hear your ideas, and will help wherever it can. Contact the coordinator, Susan Hobrock, at the office in the lower level of the courthouse, or call her at (785) 332-3508, or (888) 735-2444.



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Senior pictures will be sponsored by parents or businesses for \$30 each or three for \$75.

**Travis Hilt**  
*I plan to attend Northwest Kansas Vocational College to study electrical.*

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**Parents: Terry Hilt & Lezlie Hilt**

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