

Over 100 cars expected at show

By Karen Krien

The fourth "Saturday in the Park" Car Show will be held Saturday around Sawhill Park in downtown St. Francis. Over 100 unique and refurbished cars, pickups, trucks and motorcycles will be polished and lined up for people to view. Owners will be on hand to talk to the people as well as talk "car show" with the many other people showing.

Registration will be held from 8 a.m. to noon. The "Show and Shine" will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants attending the show are asked to pick up voting ballots at the registration desk and vote for their favorite. There are 11 different categories and the ballot asks for three votes in each category including: A) Antique; B) Street Rod Pre 1949; C) Cars 1950s) D) Cars

1960s; E) Cars 1970s; F) Cars 1980-present) G) Under 21 (this is a new category for those participants under 21 years); H) Pickups; I) Motorcycles: Asians; J) Motorcycles: European; and K) Motorcycles: American.

Those coming just to see the show also need to vote for the "People's Choice." Ballots can be picked up at the registration table.

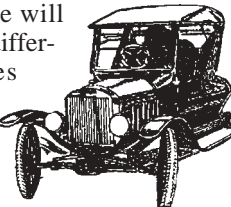
A plaque will be given to the winner.

Scott Schultz, chairman of the Show Committee, at the first of the week said there were over 65 actual pre-entries but there are many other people who have contacted him with plans to be at the show. He also noted that the motels have been booked full on Saturday for over a month.

"We are expecting a large crowd and

know that everyone will enjoy the show and different activities planned," Mr. Schultz said.

People are asked to not bring their dogs, skate boards or bicycles to the show. See CARS on Page 8A



Wildlife group explains funding intentions

By Karen Krien

Three members of the Cheyenne County Wildlife Board explained what the club's intentions were as far as helping fix up the exhibit buildings at the fairgrounds in St. Francis.

Hal Sager, Tim Stimbart and Gordon Ross, all Wildlife board members, told the commissioners at the Friday meeting that there had obviously been some misunderstandings and misinformation at prior commissioner meetings. Mr. Sager said that they wanted the commissioners to know where they (the organization) stood.

First of all, the organization did not plan to furnish all the materials but they did want to help. The members had started a fund for Wildlife member projects.

In prior meetings, the matter of

servicing alcohol had been brought up and Mr. Sager said that they would be willing to give funds to help with the remodeling whether alcohol could be served or not.

The commissioners said they had tabled the matter because they still had questions and, now that members of the Wildlife organization were present, maybe these questions could be answered. The commissioners said that the county attorney was also supposed to bring some answers but he wasn't at the meeting.

The members said they were not against remodeling or helping with the remodeling but they wanted to know what the plans for remodeling were. They wanted to know what the commissioners were going to do about the upkeep of the building.

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Goodwill pick up set for May 15

The Goodwill drive, sponsored by the Lions Club, will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 15.

Milton Lampe, co-chairman of the drive, reported that the Goodwill truck no longer comes to St. Francis but the club members realized there was a need to collect items for Goodwill. So, all items which are picked up will be taken to Garden City by Lions members.

People are asked to donate only good, usable clothing and small appliances. They should be placed in

plastic sacks or boxes on the curb by 9 a.m. that morning and Lions members along with the Boy Scouts will be picking them up.

For those who live in the country or miss the pick up on May 15, Mr. Lampe said there will be a horse trailer parked beside his house at 250 Birch and items may be put in the trailer. He also plans to have the trailer parked at the house a week prior to the pick-up date.

For more information, contact any Lions Club member.



DALE NORTHRUP had some help from Dad, David Northrup, after she received her Boer goat from Larry Wilson. It will be a 4-H project.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Many events planned

A number of activities for those showing cars, their families and people just wanting to participate, have been planned for Saturday. As owners register for the show, they will be given a packet of information, coupons and sales which may lure the show contestants and their families to shop the downtown businesses. There are also several contests planned including the "Stuff the Car," "Engine Blowup," "Chicken Drop," "Poker Walk" and Kid's Peddle Tractor Pull.

In the grade school playground across the street from the park, the remote control cars will be in action.

The "Stuff the Car" contest will begin at 10 a.m. near the flag at the park. Teams are asked to register (must have a name), there is no age limit and the winner will be the team having the most people stuffed into the car.

The same car will be used as the "Blow Up Car." At 3 p.m., the car

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Alert!!

At the Tuesday night St. Francis City Council meeting, Troy Gardner, police chief, said there were multiple reports of lug nuts being loosened and/or stolen from vehicles.

"Citizens need to be sure to check their vehicle's wheels for any tampering," he said. "This could obviously lead to a very dangerous situation."

Anyone having information on this crime should report it to the police.

Extension Council presents budget

By Karen Krien

It will soon be time for the county's 2005 budgets to be reviewed and set. Members of the Cheyenne County Extension Council and the area director presented the Council's proposed budget to the Cheyenne County Commissioners at the Friday meeting.

Members of the Cheyenne County Extension Council, Perry Keller, Randy Rueb, Treva Henry, Mary Shahan, Judy Sager and director Tye Faulkender, as well as Dan

O'Brien, area director, handed the commissioners the Council's budget for next year. The group asked that the commissioners set aside \$65,000 in the budget for the Extension Council.

Last year, the Council had requested \$72,000 from the county but had received only \$56,520 but this year, they had hired Extension Director Faulkender and would need additional funds.

Commissioner Tim Raile was concerned about the cash balance

but it was explained that this money is kept in case of an emergency such as replacing equipment, repairs, an illness which would require hiring an extra person or any other unexpected costs.

The commissioners told the group that they were pleased with the detailed proposed budget—that in year's past, they had asked for this same type of report but had never received it.

Mr. Keller said they felt that they had hired a good person and a lot of

the problems seen in the last three years would be solved.

County Development report

Susan Hobrock, coordinator for the Cheyenne County Development Corporation, asked that the commissioners sign Resolution 04-03 and 04-04. The resolutions pertained to economic development and support within Cheyenne County. The resolutions were signed. The commissioners also signed a letter of support for the Northwest Kansas Regional

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5-year proposed plan reviewed

By Karen Krien

The matter of county roads and their maintenance is always a concern of the commissioners and, at the Friday meeting, they were interested in the 5-year plan for roads and bridges as well as the grading of the roads.

Dave Flemming, road and bridge supervisor, said Kansas Department of Transportation personnel had traveled the county and said it was time to update the 5-year construction program for fiscal years 2005 through 2009. If the county has the plan in place, the Department of Transportation will pay for 80-percent of the costs in most cases.

The supervisor presented the proposed year plan to the commissioners which included: 2004—a bridge and changing the road 12.5 miles west and 6.5 miles south of St. Francis. The project is already underway with the bridge costing \$137,000 (federal

funds will take care of \$126,000) and the road costing \$189,000 (federal funds are \$174,000).

In 2006, there will be grading and a bridge replaced .5 mile north and .5 mile west of St. Francis. Better known as the "Olofson Bridge," the project will cost \$251,000 with federal funds covering \$173,000.

In 2007, the plan shows overlaying the oil and extending the oil 1.25 miles on the River Road southwest of St. Francis. The cost is \$320,000 with federal funds picking up \$294,000.

In 2009, the supervisor is considering replacing the Kay Runzel bridge west of St. Francis but the preliminary engineering will need to be done to see if it meets the requirements to receive federal funds.

Supervisor Flemming was still concerned about the county roads people have started using as a detour. See PLAN on Page 8A

Internet scam involves two Sainty people

By Karen Krien

An internet-related scam has hit St. Francis along with Colby, Norton, McCook and Wray. The sheriff is asking everyone who goes into a chat room, especially the Yahoo chat room, not give out personal information such as credit card numbers, pin numbers and personal identification including social security number and address.

Sheriff Eddie Dankenbring and Jeff Moser, deputy, with the help of Carol Gamblin, dispatcher, have helped uncover two incidents in St. Francis which were using innocent residents as middle men to supposedly ship

new, many of them expensive, goods to Nigeria.

Deputy Moser said the sheriff's office had received a complaint from the St. Francis person receiving the packages by UPS and through the mail on April 12. Officials said the goods in the packages had been paid for by credit card.

On April 22, officers received a similar report from a different person. This person had also been on the Yahoo chat line but this time, the person on the other line was proposing romantic interests and wanted to move to St. Francis within the next six months. The

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SHAYLA HILT one of the St. Francis Grade School fifth graders, participated in a field trip sponsored by the Soil Conservation Service. Herald staff photo by Sandy Barnhart

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and please be careful while pushing baby strollers as the people bringing their vehicles to the show have spent numerous hours and many dollars on their show pieces and do not want to go home with scratches or dents.

Lunch will be provided by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce and prepared by Roger Jensen and Don Gilliland. During the lunch hour, the KC Connection Quartet, part of the Sweet Adelines, will be entertaining in the band shell. The sophomore class will also be selling rolls, coffee and hot chocolate from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

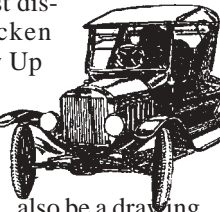
Voting ballots are due at the registration desk at 2:30 p.m. The awards ceremony will start at 4 p.m. At that time, the announcements of winners for items, early

entry, longest distance, Chicken Bingo, Blow Up car and Stuff the Car will be announced. There will also be a drawing for a restored gas pump. Winners must be present to win.

Following the awards ceremony at about 5 p.m., there will be a parade of the show vehicles down Main Street and up to the Good Samaritan Village.

That evening from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., the Fireman's Ball will be held at Riverside Recreation.

The show will be an excellent opportunity for people in St. Francis and from around the area to see these restored vehicles and reminisce about when they were the latest wheels on the street.



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suspect asked that he start sending some of his "stuff" to victim's house and wanted the address. The victim thought he was joking but gave a friend's address.

A week later, the friend received a package. Instead of personal items like the victim had assumed would arrive, the package was filled with brand new items and the victim was asked to send the package to Nigeria using an enclosed shipping label. It was later discovered that the shipping label had been purchased with a fraudulent credit card.

In fact, all of the goods have been purchased with fraudulent credit cards. They come from places of businesses such as Newport News, Music Today, Columbia House, King Size, Lane Bryant, Coldwater Creek, Pro Activ Solution, Jessica London and La Redoute (a French company). Items include: video game players and games, shoes, expensive clothing, socks, CDs and DVDs.

The Cheyenne County Sheriff's office has \$1,858 in goods they are holding. UPS is holding two packages totaling \$850 and \$276 which had been mailed from St. Francis using the fraudulent shipping labels.

The UPS investigators are looking into the cases and Fed-Ex has been alerted.

Sheriff Dankenbring said he and Deputy Moser had checked with Cheyenne Pharmacy Plus which also handles the mailing of UPS packages. Jackie Evatt, employee, said that there are numerous papers which need to be filled out to get a package ready to send to Nigeria. It would take more than just a shipping label.

Deputy Moser said there were links to Pennsylvania, New York or Illinois. All phone numbers had been disconnected and the credit card, which was stolen had belonged to a person in Pennsylvania. It is possible that the goods never reach Nigeria but are intercepted at a certain point.

Sheriff Dankenbring said that

video game players, DVDs and VCRs are not compatible to the electrical currents in Nigeria so would not work in that country.

There are also numerous fictitious names used in the Yahoo chat room but those names revealed by the people in St. Francis included "Coolwude" and "tope4u."

Investigators have narrowed the head of the scam coming from the east coast but they will be hard to track down. UPS officials have also determined that there is no Nigeria address which is printed on the labels. People can no longer ship goods overseas with a credit card but need cash instead especially if the packages are going to Nigeria.

"Just be careful who you give any information to and, if you haven't done so, get your social security number off your driver's license — checks already have your address and with your social security number, criminals have all they need to get your money," Sheriff Dankenbring said.

When using your credit card on the internet, be sure it is a legitimate site. There are false store fronts. All these people need is a credit card number and the spending is the credit card's limit and the person whose name is on the card will have a big bill to pay.

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since K-161 has been closed. He said there is a lot of truck traffic on those roads. The commissioners said it was up to the sheriff to stop some of those trucks which are cutting across and there are signs so the drivers know they are on roads specifically used for county residents and trucks which are

traveling to or from a location in the county.

He also said there were some areas where trucks with well digging outfits have torn up the road. The commissioners discussed the taxes that these wells brought it. Terry Miller, county clerk, said a recent update of wells by the appraisers found a num-

ber of wells not previously recorded and they will probably bring in \$12,399 net taxes which the county had not received last year.

The commissioners OKed the purchase of a used New Holland disk mower from Demi Shahan for \$1,000.

The commissioners were concerned about the county roads and insisted that the county crew, when grading the road, made three passes down the road — first pulling the dirt up from both sides of the roads and then, going down the middle to smooth it out. They were also con-

cerned about the widths of roads and wanted all highly-traveled roads to be 24-foot wide. The commissioners felt that this work needed to be done in the months before the weeds and grass started growing along the sides of the roads and if people in the country thought the county wasn't moving fast enough on getting roads graded, they should come to talk to the commissioners.

Ron Krien, commissioner, said he still had some low spots where water was collecting after the rain. The supervisor said the crew was working on these areas as they occur.

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Tim Raile, commissioner, said that the commissioners do not micro manage the fair board (the fair board sets the fees and rules for renting buildings on the grounds) but also noted that everyone (commissioners and fair board members) needed to be on the same line.

Again, the members of the Wildlife organization emphasized that liquor was not the issue.

Commissioner Raile asked if, when the fair board/commissioners do decide to remodel, could they come to the Cheyenne County Wildlife members and ask for funds.

"Yes, we are still part of Cheyenne County and we want to help," Mr. Sager said.

"I think if plans are made, there are a lot of people and organizations who will help — there are a lot of 4-H'ers who have gone through there."

Ron Krien, commissioner, added that there are a lot of questions about little things that still need to be worked out.

It was Commissioner Raile's feeling that remodeling the building was one issue while the matter of alcohol on the premises was another issue.

Everyone present agreed that getting the fair building back into good shape was the main concern and, just like the trees and scholarships the Wildlife organization plant and give, there is no guarantee that the trees will go nor the scholarships will be used to the full benefit.

The Wildlife board members ended by saying that, even if they gave money to help with the remodeling, they did not expect special privileges — they just wanted to help by donating money.

The building at the fair grounds will be put on the next meeting agenda.

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will have most of the oil and water drained from the motor and people can buy chances on when they think the car's engine will cease to roar.

The Chamber is sponsoring the Poker Walk and contestants can pick up their game sheet from 8 a.m. to noon. Many of the St. Francis businesses will have cards which participants can draw from. The person with the best poker hand will win a prize. The poker hands are due at the Chamber table at 2:30 p.m.

New at the show this year will be the Kid's Peddle Tractor Pull held downtown in front of Milliken's Law Office with registration beginning at

12:30 p.m. Children from 4 to 12 may enter. There is no entry fee and the tractors and sleds are furnished. Participants and winners of the contests will win a prize and will be eligible to compete in the Kansas State Fair Kid's Peddle Tractor Pull.

Chicken Bingo starts at 2 p.m. and the object of the contest is to guess where the chicken will relieve itself on the huge bingo card set inside the band shell.

"We have planned a full day from early morning to the Fireman's Ball that night," Scott Schultz, coordinator, said. "However, we could not have done it without the many volunteers and Cruisers Car members."

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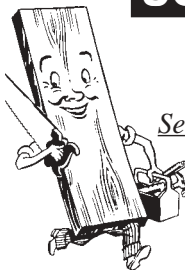
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