

Stearman bi-planes fly in on Saturday

By Karen Krien
As early as Friday, people in and around St. Francis will begin noticing more than usual activity in the sky as those attending the 22nd annual Stearman Fly-In begin arriving early for the weekend events. Friday evening will find skydivers landing on the high school practice field located on College Street. This is always a colorful sight to see skydiver after skydiver come floating, sometimes soaring, down to the field. If there is inclement weather on Friday, the skydivers jump will be held on Saturday. Many of those attending are coming early so they can be up at sunrise to either participate or watch the hot air balloons fly. Actually, 7 a.m. is the time that the hot air balloons will rise both Saturday and Sunday. The takeoffs depend upon the weather, wind speeds and forecasts. However, the main events start

Saturday morning when Stearman aircraft (World War II vintage open-cockpit, fabric-covered biplanes powered by radial engines) begin landing at the Cheyenne County Airport, located south of U.S. 36. They will be accompanied by a variety of other aircrafts including warbirds and experimentals. During the two-day event, there will be tandem skydives which allows a novice passenger to share a parachute jump with an experienced skydiver. There are usually people waiting in line for their turn to experience the thrill of jumping out of an airplane but on the back of a skydiver who knows what he is doing. Both Stearman rides and tandem skydives are available to the public and sign-up is made at the west hangers at the airport. "Skydiving demonstrations and Stearman flights take place through-

out the day," said Robert Grace, coordinator of the show. The fly-in ends at noon on Sunday. Breakfast and lunch will be served both days on the airport grounds. The Chamber of Commerce is hosting a barbecue in Sawhill Park on Saturday evening beginning at 7 p.m. For those who may need a ride around the airport, the Chamber will have golf carts and experienced drivers who will give rides. There is no admission to the show and there is shade and benches to sit on but people are asked to bring their sunscreen, leashes for their dogs, and, if they plan to be at the airport for most of the day, they might like to bring their lawn chair. For more information about the Stearman Fly-In, log on to: www.stearmanflyin.org or call 785-332-2251.

Fair exhibit building remodel job put on hold

By Leslie Hilt
After weeks of discussion and debate, the members of the Cheyenne County Fair Board decided to put the remodeling of the exhibit building at the fairgrounds on hold. At the Thursday meeting, fair board members again discussed the matter of the fair building remodeling. There had been some interest in putting up money for the project, however, there has not been any money other than a check for \$500 sent from Prairie Land Electric with a letter saying that the money could be used how the board sees fit whether it is upkeep or trophies or whatever. The members decided to set up a committee, Ernie Ketzner and Lacy Reed will head up the committee to start raising money that will go to-

ward the remodeling of the building. Anyone interested can give money to any fair board member. Members on the board are Dick Bursch, Lacy Reed, Wade Krien, John Finley, Ernie Ketzner, Kody Krien, Mark Mills, Jack Hays, Nick Ketzner and Jared Douthit. But, for the present time, the remodeling is at a standstill. **Entertainment** The entertaining group, the Gray Tape Boys could not be scheduled for the fair this year as they were already booked. However, the members thought they would maybe look into trying to set something up for next year. There are some other ideas that are in the works but nothing has been set for Wednesday night of the fair. Mr. Krien has not received the

rules for 4 by 4 pickups for the pickup pull. Mr. Hays will look on the internet for the American Tractor Pull Association to see if maybe there are some rules posted on the website. If nothing can be found the board felt that when the pickup starts to jump, they will be flagged and stopped. **In other business** In other business: • Mr. Mills had been approached about a class wanting to have a dance at the fair building and they wanted to open it up to the whole alumni. After some discussion the board felt that this was still a individual class not a school function and that they would have to leave the deposit and also rent the building. **Next meeting** The next meeting will be July 1.



TONY MEYERS was waiting patiently for the ball to come his way at a recent C-Team practice. Tony is the son of Mike and Nicole Meyers.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Fly flags Monday; flag history told

June 14 marks Flag Day, a time when everyone should fly their flag and take time to remember its history. On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress adopted a very important resolution. The resolution stated, "resolved that the flag of the United States be made of 13 stripes, alternating red and white, that the union be 13 stars white in a blue field representing a new constellation. These historic words informed the world that a new, brave nation had been born and that it was a country where the personal and religious freedom of all citizens would be fully observed. Since then the American flag has been recognized throughout the world as a symbol of man's continuing struggle for freedom. "Our flag is truly the symbol of our national unity," said Connie Miller, president of the VFW Auxiliary. "It speaks of honor and courage, and it serves to remind us that each

new generation must dedicate itself to an undivided allegiance to this country and its high ideals. The flag symbolizing peoples' hopes, sacrifices, struggles and achievements. But, in essence, the flag is exactly what the people make it. Included in each issue of The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times is a flag which people can hang in their homes and businesses. If more flags are needed, stop by The Herald office for another. The flags are free thanks to the people sponsoring them. Check the back of the flag and then be sure to thank those people for making it available.



Motorcycle wreck hospitalizes man

On Wednesday, June 2, at 8:40 p.m., Chris Harris was driving his motorcycle west on Road U when he came up over the crest of a hill and ran into a 1994 Ford truck owned by Willard Pete Gienger. The truck was stopped on the right side of the road, and Mr. Gienger was checking his cattle. Sheriff Eddie Dankenbring said Mr. Harris attempted to brake west of the intersection but let off and tried to steer left. He hit the left rear of Gienger's pickup and ended up in the left ditch a little west of the accident.

Sheriff Dankenbring said the sun could have also caused Mr. Harris to not have seen the truck as quickly as possible. Mr. Harris was taken by air ambulance to Swedish Medical Center in Denver where is recovering from multiple broken bones including a pelvis, thigh, foot and toes. Mr. Harris would appreciate cards and calls to the hospital. His address is Swidish Medical Center, 2525 S. Downing, Room 4272, Denver, CO 80202



TWO TREES were knocked down at the high school Sunday morning.

Herald staff photos by Karen Krien

Trees, lawn damaged

Early Saturday morning, between 4 and 5 a.m., a vehicle drove up on the lawn at the St. Francis Community High School and broke two trees. When the sun came up, the damage was evident. Neighbors heard the commotion and called the power plant which alerted the St. Francis Police De-

partment. Officers have investigated the case and there are three suspects, one adult and two juveniles. The case has been filed with the county attorney's office and charges are pending. Damage was estimated to be over \$750.

Visitors attend Chamber meeting

By Karen Krien
There were several visitors at the Friday St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce meeting. SBC was holding a public viewing of the new DSL equipment which has been installed in the telephone building located across the street from the courthouse on Main Street. Darin Miller, along with Todd Miller, employees, were present at the meeting and then met Chamber members at the building after lunch. The other visitors were Pastor Tony and Chris Christians, the new pastor at the First Christian Church in St. Francis. Because of the installation of the new equipment, Mr. Miller treated all those present at the meeting to lunch. **Habitat for Life** The Habitat for Life group of ap-

proximately 30 people riding bikes will be coming through St. Francis on July 3. The Chamber had been asked to provide a hot meal at suppertime. Gloria Bracelin, Chamber secretary, asked if the Chamber members were agreeable to providing the meal, and, if so, volunteers were needed. Kari Gilliland, Chamber member, volunteered to head the preparation of the meal. Spaghetti with meat and non-meat sauce along with salad, bread and dessert. The bike riders will be staying at the Methodist Church for the night. **Surveys** The Chamber surveys which asked for people's opinion on businesses which they would like to see come to St. Francis. Secretary Bracelin said there had been a few **See CHAMBER on Page 8A**

Harvest contest into second week

There have already been some people predicting the first cutting of wheat in the St. Francis area. Those who want to register their guess should stop by one of the nine businesses and fill out a ticket. There are nine St. Francis businesses sponsoring the contest this year and have entry tickets for anyone wanting to register their guess of the minute, hour and day of the first load of wheat brought into one of the St. Francis or Wheeler elevators. Harvest has already begun in Kansas. There was an early start of harvest in Dodge City area where the weather has been clear, dry and hot, and fields are dry. Wheat har-

vested in that area has shown moisture content to be at 11-15 percent and test weights 54 to 60 pounds were bushel. There are fields of wheat which are beginning to turn in the area and the temperatures and hot winds could bring it to the ripened stage earlier than thought. However, some cool, dreary days could slow it up. There will be three people winning a total of \$100 in scrip money (\$50 first prize, \$35 second prize, and \$15 third prize). The *Herald* is sponsoring the contest but it would not be possible if it were not for the participating business. **See HARVEST on Page 8A**

116 years of railroad history ends with third part

By Marsha Magley
Railroad Part 3

Only by looking through newspapers yellowed with age, whose type is faded just a bit and of a cast long obsolete, can one even begin to understand by what a slow process this ambition was realized. The first definite news is found in the issue of May 20, 1887. "All doubt in regard to the railroad building to Wano has now disappeared. Work will commence at once. It is expected that the road will be pushed to an early completion, and Wano will be connected with the outside world by telegraph and the iron rail.

This announcement is followed by a silence of almost three months, when a rather indefinite report appeared in the August 5th edition: "A Burlington engineer had been in Wano during the past week and caused all the railroad stakes on the south side of town to be pulled up. Numerous reports are in circulation regarding the move, but the most probable is the theory that the road will be built on the north side of town, making a complete belt line around the town."

All hoaxes seem to be killed temporarily by the next story. "an important statement is made that the line from the east will only be ironed to some pint in Rawlins County the present year. Important developments in the railroad field are now daily expected."

It is May of the following year, 1888, before the ominous fear that St. Francis will not be reached by the approaching railroad is dis-

pelled. The Rustler expresses the people's elation: "there is an old adage that blessings never come singly, and if we consider the favors that are being bestowed on us in the way of a favorable season, the immense growth that is taking place in the town, and the certainty of the completion of the railroad to this place, we must come to the conclusion that just now we are a muchly blessed people. Work is being pushed on the railroad at the rate of a mile and a half a day."

On the 5th of July, 1888, *The Rustler* printed an article from the *Lincoln, Nebraska Democrat* that aroused the enthusiasm and excitement of Cheyenne County to fever heat. Triple deck headlines in the *Lincoln* paper read: "*St. Francis is the coming metropolis of northwestern Kansas and eastern Colorado, a town that is destined to eclipse all other towns in western Kansas and Eastern Colorado. St. Francis is the present terminus of the main line to Pueblo and will remain such for probably a year. It will, like Alliance, Holyoke, Holdrege, McCook and a dozen other Burlington points, spring at once into a full-fledged town. After the main line is extended, St. Francis will remain a division point and have located such works and shops as are incidental thereto. Two more projected lines will terminate at St. Francis Thus, at an early day the newborn town will be the common terminus of five confidence deduces for St. Francis the most pronounced success of any town ever established*

in western Kansas or Nebraska."

Beaver Valley (and Missouri) Railroad had leased itself, to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad after the track was completed to one-third mile of the station at St. Francis, even though the railroad grade continued on southwest for another seven miles, yet visible at this writing. On February 15, 1908, the Beaver Valley Railroad Company conveyed, by deed, all of its railroad property and franchise to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy.

Nearly 116 years have passed since then. Though the predicted development of St. Francis into an important division point failed to materialize, the towns in Cheyenne County grew into important shipping points for grains and livestock and became home for an honorable citizenry. When we reflect on the years when the county's ambition was concentrated on the extension of a railroad branchline as far as St. Francis, and of the perfect isolation from the rest of the world which prevailed at that time, we realize the vast strides in progress that have occurred since the first train arrived an connected a bleak frontier county into a commercially successful entity.



87 JOINTS OF 10-INCH irrigation pipe at the Dan Stephens were tied down in a neat pile before the 90 mile per hour wind hit last Saturday night. Mother Nature scattered the pile on top of the adjoining machinery like a bunch of matchsticks. The machinery stopped the pipe from damaging the nearby metal buildings.

Photo courtesy of Rita Stephens

Public Notice

Transient lodging guest tax approved through St. Francis City Council members

St. Francis News

Wanita and Ed Kroeplin were Wednesday through Thursday house guests of Billy and Karen Krien. They were on their way to Finley, N.D., after spending the winter in Donna, Texas. Coming to visit with the Kroeplins on Thursday were Wanita's sister, Angie Lee, Limon, Colo., and Larry and Joanne Eberly, Matheson, Colo.

Larry and Sharon Blanchard of Salida, Colo., had as their dinner guests on May 30, Adelina Walter, Otto Lillich and Helen Peter at the Parkhill Restaurant.

Dinner guests of Helen Peter on June 1 at the Parkhill Restaurant were Arlin and Cindy Wedel of Winsor, Colo.

Dick and Laughyn Cemensky of Bird City and Helen Peter attended the golden anniversary of Pauline and Gilbert Brandt at Imperial, Neb., on Sunday afternoon, June 6. It has been a number of years since Helen has seen her relatives there.

Kirk, Debbie and Kyle Grizzell of Macksville and Travis Grizzell of Hays were guests of Milton and Betty Lampe on Thursday and Saturday night, enroute to and from Laramie, Wyo.

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A CHARTER ORDINANCE EX-EMPTING THE CITY OF ST. FRANCIS, KANSAS, FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 12-1696 TO 12-16101, INCLUSIVE, AND PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE AND ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS ON THE SAME SUBJECT, RELATING TO THE LEVY OF A TRANSIENT GUEST TAX FOR TOURISM AND CONVENTIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNMENT BODY OF THE CITY OF ST. FRANCIS, KANSAS:

Section 1. The City of St. Francis, Kansas, by virtue of the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, hereby elects to exempt itself from and makes inapplicable to it the provisions of K.S.A. 12-1696 to 12-16101, inclusive, and to provide substitute and additional provisions as hereinafter set forth in this ordinance. The referenced provisions are either enactments, or parts thereof, which are applicable to this city, but are not applicable uniformly to all cities.

Section 2. As used in this ordinance, the following words and phrases shall be defined as follows:

(a) 'Person' means an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, joint venture or other association of persons;

(b) 'Hotel or motel' means any structure or building which contains rooms furnished for the purposes of providing lodging, which may or may not also provide meals, entertainment or various other personal services to transient guests, and which is kept, used, maintained, advertised or held out to the public as a place where sleeping accommodations are sought for pay or compensation by transient or permanent guests;

(c) 'Transient guest' means a person who occupies a room in a hotel or motel for not more than 28 consecutive days;

(d) 'Hotel or motel business' means any person engaged in the business of renting, leasing or letting quarters, sleeping accommodations, rooms or a part thereof in connection with any hotel or motel;

(e) 'Tourism' means the practice of touring or traveling for recreation, business or education;

(f) 'Touring' means a trip, excursion or circular journey for business, recreation or education;

(g) 'Bed and breakfast' means any person engaged in offering a sleeping room or rooms, the cost of which includes a breakfast on a regular basis. This may be in their home or in a separate house or dwelling.

Section 3. A transient guest tax shall be levied in the City of St. Francis, Kansas, at a rate of three percent (3%) upon the gross rental receipts derived from or paid by transient guests for lodging or sleeping accommodations, exclusive of charges for incidental services or facilities, in any hotel, motel or bed and breakfast. The percentage and effective date of such tax shall be determined by the Governing Body.

Section 4. The transient guest tax levied pursuant to this ordinance shall be based upon the gross rental receipts collected by any hotel, motel or bed and breakfast business.

Section 5. The tax levied pursuant to this ordinance shall be paid by the consumer or user to the hotel, motel or bed and breakfast business and it shall be the duty of each and every such business to collect from the consumer or user the full amount of any such tax, or an amount equal as nearly possible or practicable to the average equivalent thereto. Each hotel, motel or bed and breakfast business collecting the tax levied thereunder shall be responsible for paying it over to the State Department of Revenue in the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 12-1698, and any amendments thereto, and the State Department of Revenue shall administer and enforce the collection of such tax as provided therein.

Section 6. The tax levied and collected pursuant to Section 3 of this ordinance shall become due and payable in the manner prescribed by K.S.A. 12-1698, and amendments thereto, except that all taxes remaining after the two percent (2%) deduction for expenses of the Department of Revenue in administration and enforcement of the collection thereof shall be remitted to the City of St. Francis, and shall be credited to the 'Tourism and Convention Fund' hereinafter established and shall only be expended out of said fund as hereinafter provided.

Section 7. A 'Tourism and Convention Fund' is hereby established to received disbursements of money from the Secretary of Revenue of the State of Kansas, as provided in subsection (e) of K.S.A. 12-1698.

Section 8. Moneys in the 'Tourism and Convention Fund' shall only be expended as follows:

(a) The Convention and Tourism Bureau hereinafter established shall annually consider all requests for expenditure of transient guest tax funds, and shall prepare a budget of expenditures for each year to be submitted to the Governing Body for its approval and action.

(b) The Governing Body shall consider the expenditures proposed from the Tourism and Convention Fund by the Convention and Tourism Bureau, and shall adopt a budget of such expenditures which may vary from the proposal of the Convention and Tourism Bureau in the discretion of the Governing Body. The Governing Body may at any time seek further advice and recommendations from the convention and Tourism Bureau regarding such expenditures but reserves the exclusive authority to make final decisions on them.

(c) Such funds may be used:

(1) to contract with any agency, organization or group of firms to promote conventions and tourism within the City and its environs;

(2) to provide for the operation, maintenance, expansion or development of City facilities connected with convention and tourism;

(3) to defray the cost of providing municipal services to convention and tourism functions, including police, fire, street department or park and recreation department functions;

(4) to create innovative projects and activities promoting conventions and tourism;

(5) to promote the general economic welfare of the City and its environs, including the attraction of industry.

Tourism Bureau' is hereby established to advise the Governing Body and make recommendations concerning programs and expenditures for conventions and tourism. The Bureau shall consist of three (3) members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. Initially, one member shall be appointed to a term ending June 1, 2005; one member shall be appointed to a term ending June 1, 2006; and one member shall be appointed to a term ending June 1, 2007. Thereafter, at the expiration of the terms of the original members, their successors shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years each and each shall serve until a successor is appointed. Any vacancies in the membership of the Bureau shall be filled by the appointment of a new member as in the case of the original appointment, to fill the unexpired term of the member whose office is vacant.

Section 10. Membership of the Convention and Tourism Bureau shall be as follows:

(a) One from owners, operators or employees of persons engaged in the hotel or motel business within the City, whether such member resides inside or outside the City;

(b) One from owners, operators or employees of person engaged in the retail business within the City, whether such member resides inside or outside the City;

(c) One from the Chamber of Commerce or Economic Development Organization in the City of St. Francis.

In making appointments to the Bureau, the Mayor shall designate which group the appointed member is to represent. The Bureau shall hold regular meetings at a time and place to be established by them, subject to approval of the Governing Body. All meetings shall be open to the public. The Bureau shall elect a chairman and secretary, which shall also be the vice-chairman. No members of the Bureau shall receive any compensation for service thereon. Any member who is absent for three consecutive regular meetings or four meeting within one year with no reasonable excuse shall be deemed to have resigned, and a successor shall be appointed. The reasonableness of the excuse shall be determined by the Governing Body.

Section 11. The City of St. Francis, Kansas shall have authority to contract for the expenditure of moneys from the Tourism and Convention Fund.

Section 12. Interest and penalties for failure to pay or untimely payment of transient guest tax from and after the effective date of this ordinance:

(a) If any taxpayer shall fail to pay the tax levied pursuant to this ordinance, and amendments thereto, at the time required by or under the provisions of this ordinance and amendments thereto, there shall be added to the unpaid balance of the tax, interest and the rate per month prescribed by subsection (a) of K.S.A. 79-2968, and amendments thereto, from the date the tax was due until paid.

(b) If any taxpayer due to negligence or intentional disregard fails to file a return or pay the tax due at the time required by or under the provisions of this ordinance and amendments thereto, there shall be added to the tax a penalty in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the

unpaid balance of tax due.

(c) If any person fails to make a return, or to pay any tax, within sixty (60) days from the date the return or tax was due, except in the case of an extension of time granted by the director, there shall be added to the tax due a penalty equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of such tax.

(d) If any taxpayer, with fraudulent intent, fails to pay any tax or make, render or sign any return, or to supply any information, within the time required by or under the provisions of this ordinance, and amendments thereto, there shall be added to the tax a penalty in the amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the unpaid balance of tax due.

(e) Penalty or interest applied under the provisions of subsections (a) and (d) shall be in addition to the penalty added under any other provisions of this section, but the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) shall be mutually exclusive of each other.

(f) Whenever, in the judgment of the director, the failure of the taxpayer to comply with the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) was due to reasonable causes and not willful neglect, the director may waive or reduce any of the penalties upon making a record of the reasons therefore.

(g) In addition to all other penalties provided by this section, any person who willfully fails to make a return or to pay any tax imposed under this ordinance, and amendments thereto, or who makes a false or fraudulent return, or fails to keep any books or records necessary to determine the accuracy of the persons reports, or who willfully violates any regulations of the secretary of revenue, for the enforcement and administration of the provisions of this ordinance, inclusive, and amendments thereto, or who aids and abets another in attempting to evade the payment of any tax imposed by this ordinance, and amendments thereto, or who violates any other provision of this ordinance, and amendments thereto, shall upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$1,000.00, or be imprisoned in the county jail not less than one month nor more than six months, or be both so fined and imprisoned, in the discretion of the court.

Section 13. This Charter Ordinance shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official City newspaper.

Section 14. This Charter Ordinance shall take effect sixty-one (61) days after final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed, and a referendum is held on the ordinance as provided in Article 13, Section 5(c) (3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case the ordinance shall become effective if approved by a majority vote of the electors voting thereon.

Passed by the Governing Body of the City of St. Francis, not less than two-thirds of the members elected voting in favor thereof, this 8th day of June, 2004.

/s/ Scott Schultz

SCOTT SCHULTZ

Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Mary P. Lampe

MARY P. LAMPE

City Clerk

HARVEST

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nesses: Pizza Hut, Stevens' Kansas Territorial, Saintry Super Foods, Burr Liquor, Windmill Restaurant, St. Francis Equity, Krien Pharmacy, K-Store and The Saint Francis Herald. The scrip money won will need to be spent in these businesses.

Who brought in the first load last year

Last year, the first load of wheat was brought into the Wheeler Equity at 3:40 p.m. on June 23 by Rodney Bracelin and his grandson Cade. It had a test weight of 57 and 13.5 percent moisture.

Five minutes later, Harvey Neitzel brought in a load.

The year before, Harvey and Glen Neitzel brought in the first load to the Wheeler Equity on June 18.

Winning the 2003 contest with

the closest guess was Spencer Schlepp.

The contest allows anyone over 18 years who is not employed at the newspaper or related to someone who is to try to guess when the first load of 2003 wheat will be brought into one of the elevators in St. Francis and Wheeler.

Participants need guess the day, hour and minute of the arrival of the first load that has a moisture content of 13 percent or less. Businesses in the contest are featured this week's *Herald*.

Boxes and entry blanks along with the contest rules are located in participating businesses. Look for the sign in the window and register your guess at the service counters. Be sure to check their merchandise and services while in the business.

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negative comments about some of the existing businesses attitudes but overall, everyone was positive about bringing new businesses to town. Some of the businesses named included Subway and Dollar General.

"The Chamber has been in contact with a gentleman connected with Quiznos," said Secretary Bracelin.

The surveys also showed that people wanted businesses which would carry music, crafts, shoes and clothing, just to name a few.

"It's bad to see so many empty buildings on Main Street," said Arlene Peter, Chamber member.

A committee has been organized to look into promoting St. Francis/Cheyenne County however, the committee has not met and there was nothing to report.

Lodging Tax

The Lodging Tax, which is a tax collected by motel owners and is sent back to the counties from which it was collected to be used for promoting tourism, was approved by the city council. A legal will run as a public notice in

The Saint Francis Herald.

In other business

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•The Stearman Fly-In, which the Chamber helps in several different ways, was discussed. It was noted that Roger Jensen will be preparing the meat for the barbecue on Saturday night and Shay Realty has lined up greeters and golf cars.

Bankwest and the Good Samaritan Village will serve the picnic and the Equity crew will haul tables to the park. Chamber member Vicki Cress announced that rooms were needed to house some of those people flying in. Robert Grace, coordinator of the event, said that some of these people had reserved rooms at the motel last year before leaving town however, the motel changed ownership and, in the shuffle, some of the reservations were not recorded.

•The Chamber is in charge of lining up and directing the Fair Parade, held Aug. 7.

Next meeting

The next Chamber meeting has been set for noon on July 2 at the Dairy King. All Chamber members and guests are urged to attend.