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# **County fair activities** continue through Saturday

### By Karen Krien

evident. Grandstand activities are every night throughout the fair Wednesday spent months preparing their livestock and other projects, will know the outcome of

their labors and most will have at least one Dick Bursch, president. The Cheyenne County Fair has begun. (they can only have two) at the Premium Friday.

"The fair board and many volunteers through Saturday. The 4-H'ers, who have have been working days and evenings evening. (See related article.) getting the equipment, buildings and arena ready for the fair activities," said on Wednesday evening was Ann

The lights and sounds of the carnival are Sale which is slated to start at 5:45 p.m. on best fairs area with some of the best exhibits, best entertainment and the best parade." The home-owned carnival is open every

Zimmerman. Wife of former Bird City resi-"As usual, we are expecting one of the dent Dexter Eggers, Ms. Zimmerman sings a collection of country-folk music, some of which she has written. The fair board had ended up with no entertainment on Wednesday night. Ms. Zimmerman was suggested The grandstand entertainment at 7 p.m. and lucky for the board and the people at-See FAIR on Page 8

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## Authority seeks change in airport ownership

### **Bv Karen Krien**

Cheyenne County Commissioners, county leases the airport until 2029. a member of the Airport Authority Board talked about the grant for airport improvements, the airport's Krien and Jane Brubaker (Tim Raile master plan and having the city of St. was unable to attend the meeting) Francis give the airport back to the pass a resolution that the ownership county.

Ron Louden, Airport Authority Board member, reported that the grant proceedings for improvements on the airport were moving faster than the Authority had anticipated. The grant, which will pay 95 percent of the improvements with the county paying the other 5 percent, will help bring the airport up to requirements, especially for Francis' hands. medical planes coming in.

Mr. Louden said that it may be cil (St. Francis)?" she asked. possible to install some of the needed equipment such as the beacon before the airport's master plan is completed. However, the committee working on the project (comand Ken Krien) was informed that county. in the near future, the Federal FFA Aviation will ask that the ownership of the airport and the governing

body (county commissioners) be the At the Friday meeting of the same. At the present time, the

> The Airport Authority Board asked that commissioners Ron of the airport be transferred from the city of St. Francis to the county.

> Commissioner Brubaker had asked Terry Miller, county clerk, to contact other towns in the area and found that, in most counties, the larger city in the county owned the airport. She said as far as she was concerned, she would just as soon leave the airport in the city of St.

"Have you talked to the city coun-

Mr. Louden said that they were waiting for the commissioners approval before approaching the council but he had talked to several city council members who had no probprised of Mr. Louden, Dave Yost lem in giving the airport to the

> Commissioner Krien said that he didn't think that there would be a See AUTHORITY on Page 8

VOTER ED SCHAUER signed his name before voting Tuesday morning. Others pictured on the left are: Twila Kramer, Bonnie Armknecht, Anabelle Rueb and Dawn Fry. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

## Voter results are in; races settled

### By Karen Krien

Election results are in and the winners of several local, Federal and State races have been told as the people cast their votes Tuesday.

There were three local races in the offices of sheriff, commissioners, District 2 and 3 and one race in the state for magistrate judge.

The winner of the magistrate ticket was Robert Van Allen. He District 2, was Ray Lee. Others

lot running against Jolene Dodd, Democrat.

In the sheriff's race, incumbent Eddie Dankenbring won over awinneroverincumbentRonKrien. Chuck Kribs and Gary Morris. Sheriff Dankenbring is a Republican and Mary Morrow, register of deeds; there were no Democrats listed on the ballot.

judge position on the Republican number of votes for commissioner, Democrat.

will be on the general election bal- listed on the ballot were Ron Fabor, Republican, were was de-Louden, Kelly Morris and John Finley.

In District 3, Andy Beikman was Others running unopposed were: Terry Miller, county clerk; Dolores Jenik, treasurer, all Republicans; Coming out with the winning and Jolene Dodd, magistrate judge,

In the House incumbent John didates:

clared the winner over Doug Sebelius. In the general election, he will face Democrat Bob Strevey.

Winner in the Senate was Ralph Ostmeyer, Republican, over Dan Rasure. He will run against Democrat Tim Peterson in the general election.

The following tells the number of votes collected by each of the can-

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Bill Fuller — 2004 Fair Parade Marshal

## **St. Francis man** is Grand Marshal

### **By Karen Krien**

Bill Fuller, St. Francis, has been selected as the Cheyenne County Fair Parade Grand Marshal. The fair board announced their selection several weeks ago.

Mr. Fuller has lived in Cheyenne County most of his life and, for years, when he worked for Rudy Rieb, an implement dealer, he drove a truck in the parade.

"I didn't know what a great parade we (Cheyenne County) had

until I was able to just sit back and enjoy it," Mr. Fuller said.

After that, he has always attended the fair parade and other activities at the fairgrounds.

He has a 1950 Ford pickup that he often talks one of his daughters or grandchildren into driving through the parade. Several years ago, he had a 1930 Model A Ford truck which was in the parade.

This year, he will be riding in the See MARSHAL on Page 8

## **Demo derby set** for Saturday night

### By Karen Krien

Once again on Saturday evening of the fair, the demolition derby drivers will be revving their motors, anxiously awaiting the wave of the flag which will begin the derby. Action begins at 7 p.m. in front of the grandstand in St. Francis.

There will be five places awarded

top two per heat (except slop), two slop heats and the heat flag. The first prize winner will take home \$1,000 based on a 20 car participation. Plaques will be awarded to all heat and main event winners (except slop).

prize money plus money given to the

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## **Remote-controlled** planes fly this week

flying radio controlled model airplanes will start arriving at the Forsythe said. Cheyenne County Airport for the annual flying meet.

Organized by Larry Forsythe, St. Francis, this will be the fifth year for the meet which is officially held Friday and Saturday each year during the county fair.

This year, there are a number of the model planes equipped

As early as Thursday, people with lights for night flying. ying radio controlled model "This a neat sight," Mr.

There is no admission and kids and adults interested in learning to fly or just enjoy watching the miniature planes are encouraged to stop by.

"If you have one, bring a plane and join us," Mr. Forsythe said. For more information call Mr. Forsythe at 785-332-3205.



LOOKIN' PRETTY - Allyson Northrup, daughter of David and Aimee Northrup, modeled her outfit at the Public Style Revue Monday night.

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available for that night only.

It should be noted that there was

a mix-up on the grandstand enter-

tainment on Thursday and Friday

evenings. On Thursday, the Antique

Tractor and 4x4 Pickup Pull will be

held starting at 7 p.m. On Friday, the

Kid's Ranch Rodeo will begin at 7

A brief schedule of Thursday and

Friday fair activities are listed.

4-H swine show - 8 a.m.

Thursday:

problem with the city council transferring ownership.

Commissioner Brubaker said that sometimes council members say one thing and then when it comes to the meetings, they do another. She rec-

ommended that the Airport Authority Committee contact the city and also run the resolution by the county attorney to see if everything was correct.

> "We need to maintain and upgrade the airport. We want to make sure that

FAIR

### Open class judging - 11 a.m. Rocketry Conference judging - 2 tending the terrific show, she was p.m.

Antique Tractor Pull, grandstand 7 p.m.

- Friday
- 4-H/FFA beef show 8 a.m.
- Kid's Ranch Rodeo, grandstand
- See related article for the Satur-

## Books can be picked up at the courthouse, St. Francis and Bird City banks and The Saint Francis Herald office.

Premium sale - 5:45 p.m.

7 p.m.

day fair activities. Fair Special Sections and Fair

4-H sheep show - 11 a.m. MARSHAL

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parade in Bettye Winston's convertible. He has come a long way from the trucks he drove in the parade.

Mr. Fuller and his wife Belva had three daughters. Some of the girls were 4-H'ers for a short time but not for long. However, several years ago when the Lawn Ridge 4-H Clubhouse needed work (the Fullers lived in the Lawn Ridge area for years) and they just couldn't get the volunteer labor to finish the job, Mr. Fuller took it upon himself to finish it by hiring contractor Leon Merklin and his crew. The outside of the building looked so nice but the sign was in poor shape so

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John L. Finley (R)

Gary Morris (R)

Ray Lee (R)

Local offices

**Commissioner District 2** 

## -he hired someone to paint the sign. Mr. Fuller has not only supported

Mr. Fuller served in the Army in the European Theater. When he came back home from the service, he worked at several jobs before settling on the farm south of St. Francis in the early 1950s. Mrs. Fuller died several years ago. They had three daughters Linda, Peggy and Rita.

the medical airplane can keep coming in," Mr. Louden said.

The commissioners said if the city agrees, then the county will take over the ownership.

### Ambulance secretary

The commissioners again discussed the ambulance billing secretary's pay. The secretary, Janelle Bowers, has been working for an hourly wage but, at the Friday meeting, the commissioners decided to pay her 128 hours per month, working a four-day week. She will receive additional pay for ambulance runs. **Road and bridge** 

### Dave Flemming, road and bridge supervisor, said the county had received \$50,000 reimbursement for on the Wiley Bridge/road work. The new bridge and road are located southwest of St. Francis.

Supervisor Flemming talked about replacing a bridge north of St. Francis. No decision will be made until the commissioners go with the supervisor to look at the bridge on Aug. 16. In other business

In other business:

 County attorney Kevin Berens stopped in to see if the commissioners had any questions. He had nothing on the agenda to report.

He said there had been some interest shown in the county attorney position. There is no one running for the county position, however, there may be someone wanting to run as a writein. He confirmed that the salary budgeted is \$24,000, plus \$7,800 parttime secretary and the room in the basement will be available as an office. Benefits will be offered.

· Jack Eldridge, county auditor, answered questions about the proposed budget. They talked about the landfill and, if it were closed, how much would it cost to transfer trash. Also about acquiring adjoining land. It was noted that the landfill has 12 to 15 years life. Mr. Eldridge recommended that the supervisor be contacted to see how the trash is being covered.

· Janelle Bowers, ambulance department bookkeeper, presented the write-off sheet of ambulance bills. Write-offs were \$8,246 and, it was noted that the ambulance service brought in \$11,840 for the month.

 SheriffEddie Dankenbring asked for executive session. When they came out of the session, he announced that he had fired the undersheriff with his last day being July 15. The sheriff said he would probably be hiring someone else in the future.

## Former residents rally; seek money for theater seats

## By Karen Krien

The Cheyenne Theater has been needing seats for years and, in recent years, the Theater Committee thought they had some but they turned out to be not the kind they wanted. In the last few months, they have turned to serious looking and found some very nice seats seats which would be comfortable. However, they are going to cost around \$24,000 and that was not replacing the seats in the balcony which are used only when the crowd overflows the lower seating area.

Unfortunately, there wasn't enough money to purchase the theater seats. Residents, farmers and businessmen are struggling to make ends meet and there isn't the extra cash.

But, fortunately for St. Francis and the Cheyenne Theater, there were some former residents to picked up the ball and start it rolling.

Headed by Penny Raile, now of West Hollywood, Calif., and Monica Raile Geocaris, Wilmette, Ill., they recruited Darrell Busby, Oakland, Iowa; Frewen, Dallas; Jim Hardt, Ashland, Ore.; Bill Keller, Pratt; Jan Schlittenhardt Morgan, Hawaii; Doug Rieb, Fort Collins, Colo.; Bob Sperry, Richmond, Va.; and Gail Wellman, Denver; to help raise money for the seats.

In a letter sent to St. Francis Community High School Alumni, years 1940 to 1989, it said, "The theater was a big part of our childhood and it provided one of the few places we could go on a weekend night. Many of you remember your first kiss in the balcony (or the dip), and a sneak past the Roshongs without paying.<sup>3</sup>

The letter goes on to tell how the current seats are the original seats, and, now they are worn, the springs are broken and they are generally uncomfortable.

Anyone who has gone to the movies at the Theater will testify that, no matter how good

We

will

donate

thing but enhance it. Ms. Raile wrote, "when I saw the article in The Saint Francis *Herald* about the need to raise money for new seats, I thought how difficult this was going

to be for a community that is eco- and materials. Murals were nomically dependent on the welfare of the farmer."

The ladies contacted Robert Grace, who is a member of the Theater Committee, and, he, along with Bill Keller are working with Tom Keller who arranged that donations for the theater seats can be run through a 501(c)(3)that the First National Bank has so donations will be tax deductible.

Along with the letter sent to alumni is a second sheet picturing the Cheyenne Theater and boxes that people can check for the amount of money donated. The first box is the "Star Wars" donation of \$1,500; second is "Sound of Music" donation of \$600; "Love Story," \$300; "Blue Hawaii," \$150; "Caddyshack," \$50; and "Pennies From Heaven," \$1 Dennis Busby, Shawnee; Jim to \$25. Or, there is a box where the donor can create their own movie and the amount given. There is also a place where donations can be made in memory of a loved one.

In weeks to come, there will be a "clip" ad where subscribers of The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times can clip, mark the box and send the check to First National Bank Charitable Trust, in care of Cheyenne Theater - Seat enough so everyone can enjoy Fund; P.O. Box 517, St. Francis, KS 67756.

It should be noted that donations will be accepted by anyone who cares about maintaining the few of you were even able to theater and purchasing seats to sit on.

### Theater owned by city

The city of St. Francis took over the theater after a group of residents raised \$6,000 to purchase the theater building and contents and then gave it to the city. The Cheyenne Theater opened in 1992. It began renovation in 1988 with the help of volunteers who the movie, the seat does any- donated many hours of their time



painted on the walls, seats were cleaned and carpet runners were installed. Through the years, a new perforated screen was installed along with four speakers behind the screen and surround-sound speakers mounted on the walls. In recent months, a new "platter" which feeds the film into the projector and rewinds the film has been installed as well as a new carpet in the lobby and walkway, the bathrooms have been painted and the floors tiled.

The movies are current and the cost is \$4 per adult and \$2 \$3 per child (depending on the age). There is even a senior citizens rate of \$3. Movies are shown on weekends unless there is a popular movie that deserves an extra evening or two. In most years during the Christmas season, a special movie is shown for the children as a treat for them and a time when parents can do some extra Christmas shopping.

Because of the low prices, there is not a lot of cash flow and certainly not enough to purchase the seats. But, as Kelly Frewen, Theater Committee member said, the goal is to keep the prices low movies.

However, the city is picking up the "slack" on the utility and maintenance costs

The committee was discussing raising prices in order to purchase the seats but with the drive of these true-blue St. Francis supporters, it may not be necessary to raise the price of tickets at this time.

Mr. Frewen said he had been informed that \$2,000 has already come in and they will be working on a thermometer to let people know how the Theater Seat Fund is progressing.

for every new car or truck sold during the month of July to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 6491 for their new building.



Board in Colby.

the Lawn Ridge 4-H Club but has been a member of the Lawn Ridge and St. Francis Community High School boards as well as being on the Kansas State Farm Management

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VOTES

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164

**District 15 Position 1** 

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751

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Committeewoman

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Jack Burr (R), Goodland. 714 **District Magistrate Judge** 

## DERBY

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"Bonzai" Bobby Krien plaque for the driver who is the "crowd pleaser." This driver is determined by Bobby Krien's family. There will also be a Rookie Plaque awarded.

"We plan to have a good derby with lots of action and the winners will get some good money," said Wade Krien, Derby Committee.

He noted that the Compact Car division will be held again this year. Also that "heat flag" will be placed in the center of the action — the car knocking it down first receives \$25. Each year, the demolition derby, held the last night of the Cheyenne County Fair, fills the grandstand as people gather to watch the excitement. The pit area is also crowded

with drivers and crew members along with people watching. Pit passes are more expensive and identification must be worn at all times. Parents should also be cautioned to know where their children are at all times during the derby and they should never be left unattended.

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<b>1996 Ford Econoline Conversion Van,</b> green/gold, leather, all the power equip., 5.8 engine, TV/VCR, 58,000. #P5521A	\$9,995
5.6 engine, 1 (7 ( en, 56,000) (1 55211)	• •

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