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Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Chapter #30317 along with the Boy Scouts, Kansans for Life, Lions Club and local area churches would like to thank the Cheyenne County communities for their outpouring of love and generosity at the Benefit Bake Sale for Nathan Kellner held March 26th, 2006! "Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into

your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 6:38. May God bless each of you with good measure!

Janice - I will never be able to repay you for all you did for me when I had hip surgery and during recovery. I would never have made it without you. You are so special. Thanks so much. Nancy

Thank you Talley's Portraits for your donation to the St. Francis PTA. We appreciate your support of our kids and teachers.

Thanks to everyone who donated money, quilts, pots and pans and any other donation also clothes during the loss of our home, especially thanks to the "Angel" working in back of the Thrift Shop. We love you all, Carroll and Edie Reed

The family of Martha Rath Uplinger wishes to thank all of those people who helped us and

were so kind and gracious to us during this time.

The family of Richard "Pat" Patton wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to everyone who sent cards, brought flowers and food, and offered prayers, hugs and good wishes during his illness and after his passing. Special thanks to Dr. Miller, Nadja, Patrick and the staff at the Cheyenne County Hospital, especially all of Pat's "angels" who were so kind to him and made him feel special to the end. We are so fortunate to live in such a loving community. God bless you all.

I would like to thank everyone who came to visit me, sent cards, calls and who gave us food. Thanks to the hospital staff who helped me with all my shots and the physical therapy staff for doing a good job. Thanks to Gordon Orth, Ron and Marsha and Eldon and Norma for what they all did for me and a big thanks to my dad for all he did for me. Thanks again to all, Marvin.

I would like to thank everyone who called and sent cards while I was in Amarillo, Texas, having hip replacement. Also thanks for the food, visits, calls and help since I am home. A special thanks to my family for the transportation, flowers and loving care. Marie Holzwarth

We want to thank Patrick and the girls for getting us where we needed to be. Also thanks to the hospital nurses and staff who were so good to us. Thanks to Father Meitl and the congregation for faith and continued prayers. This community has shown us overwhelming kindness through food, cards, calls, prayers and concerns. Thanks to our "school family" for understanding and support. Bless you Linda and Janice for everything. Thanks to our "chore boys," we knew our farm was in good hands! Thanks to our great kids who were our life line. Faith never knows where it is being led, but it knows the One who is leading. May God bless each one of you for caring. John and Yvonne Eggers.

Plan announced for animal identification system project

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns has announced the release of an implementation plan that outlines timelines and benchmarks for the establishment of the National Animal Identification System, along with a plan for the initial integration of private and state animal tracking databases with the system.

"Developing an effective animal identification system has been a high priority for U.S. Department of Agriculture and we've made significant strides toward achieving a comprehensive U.S. system," said Mr. Johanns. "We recognize that this represents one of the largest systematic changes ever faced by the livestock industry and we have welcomed suggestions from stakeholders to ensure that we continue to gain momentum. The plan we are releasing will guide our efforts as we continue to work with our state and industry partners to implement a nationwide system."

The implementation plan continues to set an aggressive timeline for ensuring full implementation of the National Animal Identification System by 2009. It establishes benchmarks for incrementally accomplishing the remaining implementation goals to enable the system to be operational by 2007, and to achieve full producer participation by 2009.

Several important components have already been accomplished. These include the development of premises registration systems in each state and the issuance of guidelines for the manufacture and distribution of animal identification numbers. More than 235,000 premises are currently registered.

The Department of Agriculture is also releasing the general technical standards for animal tracking databases that will enable integration of private systems with the national system. Private database owners are invited to submit applications for system evaluation to the Department of Agriculture and offer feedback as the final technical requirements are established.

The department will then enter into cooperative agreements with owners of databases that meet the standards. The application for system evaluation and a draft cooperative agreement are available on the National Animal Identification System web site at www.usda.gov/nais.

By early 2007, the Department of Agriculture expects to have the technology in place, called the Animal Trace Processing System or commonly known as the metadata system, that will allow state and federal animal health officials to query the National Identification System and private databases during a disease investigation. The animal tracking databases will record and store animal movement tracking information for livestock that state and federal animal health officials will query for animals of interest in a disease investigation.

Training sessions will be offered to organizations interested in distributing animal identification number tags as either a tag manager or tag reseller. Two Department of Agriculture-sponsored web conferences about the administration of animal identification number tags and a demonstration of the animal identification number Management System are scheduled for Thursday, April

13 at 1 p.m., and Wednesday, April 26 at 1 p.m., Eastern Time. Details of the web conferences are available on the National Animal Identification System web site.

The Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service is also finalizing \$3 million in funds that will be awarded to a number of states and tribes to conduct field trials to analyze information pertaining to animal identification. Field trials will focus on the evaluation of new technologies for animal identification and automated data collection. The Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service will also fund an economic study focusing on the cost of National Animal Identification System implementation within a state; the development of procedures to measure the performance of identification devices and a bi-state study to develop recommendations regarding livestock exhibitions to achieve compatibility with the national system.

The Animal Plant Health Inspection Service has awarded approximately \$27 million in funds to States and Tribes to advance the national animal identification initiative. This funding has been used primarily for premises identification and registration. The Animal Plant Health Inspection Service is updating a summary report detailing what has been accomplished through previously funded field trials and pilot projects. This report will be made public upon completion.

The National Animal Identification System implementation plan, along with more information about the program, is available at www.usda.gov/nais USDA Newsroom news@usda.gov 202 720-4623

Public Notices

City publishes Fair Housing proclamation

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PROCLAMATION Fair Housing Month City of St. Francis

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States passed the Civil Rights Act of 1968, of which Title VIII declared that the law of the land would now guarantee the rights of equal housing opportunity; and WHEREAS, the City of St. Francis is committed to the mission and intent of Congress to provide fair and equal housing opportunities for all, and today, many realty companies and associations support fair housing laws; and WHEREAS, the Fair Housing groups and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

have, over the years, received thousands of complaints of alleged illegal housing discrimination and found too many that have proved upon investigation to be violations of the fair housing laws;

and WHEREAS, equal housing opportunity is a condition of life in our City that can and should be achieved, I, Scott Schultz, Mayor of the City of St. Francis, on behalf of its citizens, do hereby proclaim the month of April as

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

And express the hope that this year's observance will promote fair housing practices throughout the City of St. Francis.

Dated this 4th day of April 2006

Scott Schultz
Mayor

Notice to creditors published for estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of Case No. 2006-PR-07 ELLSWORTH J. WILKENS, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition dated 3 April 2006, has been filed in this court by Ardene Wilkens, as a surviving heir and as the executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Ellsworth J. Wilkens, deceased, praying for probate of the will, and for the appointment of Ardene Wilkens as Executor of the estate.

You are further advised that the petitioner in this matter has requested administration pursuant to the Kansas Simplified Estates Act,

and if such request is granted the court may not supervise administration of the estate and no further notice of any action of the Personal Representative or other proceedings in the estate will be given except for notice of final settlement of the decedent's estate. Should written objections to simplified administration be filed with the court, the court may order supervised administration to ensue.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited they shall be forever barred.

/s/ Ardene Wilkens

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Expiring contracts need to apply for re-enrollment

U. S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation reminds Conservation Reserve Program participants with contracts expiring on Sept. 30, 2007, that they have until April 14 to apply for re-enrollment and extension. In August 2004, President Bush announced his commitment to re-enroll or extend certain contracts scheduled to expire between 2007 and 2010, and to fully use the Conservation Reserve Program's 39.2 million acre enrollment authority. Commodity Credit Corporation received more than 5,000 comments from the public in response to a Federal Register notice and conducted a public meeting in June.

Beginning in February 2006, Farm Service Agency county offices sent letters to Conservation Reserve Program participants with contracts expiring Sept. 30, 2007. Farm Service Agency notified those contract holders of their contract status and the April 14

deadline to accept the opportunity to extend or re-enroll for the contract length offered. The letters asked contract holders to confirm their interest in a re-enrolled or extended contract subject to a compliance check.

Commodity Credit Corporation ranked the expiring 2007 contracts based on the original Environmental Benefits Index score, adding credit for contracts within national Conservation Reserve Program conservation priority areas. Conservation Reserve Program participants ranking in the adjusted Environmental Benefits Index's top one-fifth can re-enroll their land in a new 10-year contract. For lands with restored wetlands, Commodity Credit Corporation offered the chance for a 15-year contract. Commodity Credit Corporation offered the second one-fifth group the chance for a 5-year extension; the third one-fifth a 4-year extension; the fourth one-fifth a 3-year extension; and the remaining participants a 2-year

extension.

Farm Service Agency county offices are now beginning to notify Conservation Reserve Program participants with contracts expiring in 2008-2010 of their re-enrollment and extension options. The deadline for participants to respond is June 30.

Commodity Credit Corporation also reminded agricultural producers and landowners of the April 14 deadline to submit offers for the Conservation Reserve Program general sign-up, which began March 27. Commodity Credit Corporation will evaluate offers based on cost and the Environmental Benefits Index factors of wildlife, water, soil, air and enduring benefits. Accepted offers will become effective Oct. 1.

Conservation Reserve Program participants voluntarily enroll highly erodible and other fragile cropland in the program through long-term contracts of 10 to 15 years. On the enrolled land, participants plant grasses, trees and other vegetation. In exchange, participants receive annual rental payments and a payment of up to 50 percent of the cost of establishing conservation covers.

For more information on Conservation Reserve Program, contact your local Farm Service Agency office or visit the Web site at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/da/p/cepd/crp.htm>.

Odd Facts

- Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.
- The world's youngest parents were 8 and 9 and lived in China in 1910.
- The youngest pope was 11 years old.
- First novel ever written on a typewriter: Tom Sawyer.
- The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.
- Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.
- The Eisenhower interstate system requires that one mile in every five must be straight. These straight sections are usable as airstrips in times of war or other emergencies.
- The cruise liner, Queen Elizabeth II, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.
- What do bullet proof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser printers all have in common? All invented by women.

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