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of Roman Nose who was shot leading a charge on the island. The original monument had three stones that made the obelisk that stood on a large base. However the monument was set on a grassy area near the Arickaree when the great flood of Memorial Day in 1935 washed out the area, carrying the top away, never to be found.

At temporary top was placed on the base, which was recovered and moved safely to higher ground, north of the river basin. The top was made of wood and stucco and remained until it was recently removed so the new obelisk could take its place.

Beecher Island is an easy drive from St. Francis. Go 22 miles west on U.S. 36 then turn north on County Road LL for about eight and a half miles. The Beecher Island Association is planning a dedication of the new memorial at their annual Beecher Island Reunion on Sept. 16 and 17.



ORIGINAL MONUMENT — This photo was taken when the second monument was erected. The top of the original monument was washed away in the flood of 1935.

Photo courtesy of the Cheyenne County Museum

RELAY

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sell bottled water, pop, popcorn, cotton candy and snow cones. The Lions Club will be serving breakfast at 6 a.m. Sunday morning, again for a free-of-charge. All proceeds from all three organizations will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

There are many sponsors for this event. The generosity of these sponsors make funds available to American Cancer Society for necessary research, education, advocacy and service. Take time to show appreciation to those listed on the back of the T-shirts worn by team members.

A part of the fun is the campsites which are set up by the Relay teams. Team walkers will be on the track around the park from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., as they walk toward the dawn of a new breakthrough in cancer research.

Activities have been planned by the Relay teams to encourage participation throughout the evening. "Midnight Madness" will start at midnight, with fun for all ages. There will be "Crazy Laps," and "Spotlight Awards."

At 7 p.m. Saturday the Relay will have the opening ceremony with Pastor Morita Truman giving a prayer. The Boy Scouts will do a flag ceremony, and Katlyn Jones will sing the National Anthem. The first lap of the Relay will be walked by cancer survivors, the second lap will include the survivor's families and caregivers. The teams will follow and will keep someone from each team walking all night.

After the Survivors Laps, activities will begin in the band shell. The "Locks of Love" hair cuts will be given by Denise Andrist from Girlfriends and Guys Too, and her crew. Wigs for survivors can be made from any 10 inches or more donation of hair, and they anticipate at least five people will come forth to donate. Call Ericka Wieck at 332-3553 for additional information concern-

ing Locks of Love.

An auction of donated items will be going on in the band shell, merchandise to be laid out on tables for viewing. The Petersens from Western Auction and Real Estate have volunteered to do the auction.

The highlight of the evening will be the impressive luminaria ceremony, which will start at 9 p.m. The luminarias will be lit all along the sidewalks and band shell by local cancer survivors. They will remain burning throughout the remainder of the night in remembrance of those who have lost their battle to cancer and as a reminder of HOPE, honoring survivors.

A Powerpoint presentation will be given on a large screen in the band shell with all the names of the survivors and those who have lost their battle to cancer for whom luminarias have been purchased. To purchase luminaria, contact Deb Lindsten, Relay Chairman, at the courthouse or Deb Patton, Luminaria Chairman.

Jennifer Van Eaton, Community

Income Development Specialist of the American Cancer Society, will be talking about the "Wall of Hope," which is a huge banner which will be signed by people all across the nation in support of continued government spending for cancer research. There will be a banner to be signed locally, and it, too, will be sent to Washington for a mass request for continued cancer research. See related article about the banner.

There will be a 6:30 a.m. closing and special recognitions. For further information about the Relay, please call Ms. Lindsten at (785) 332-2022 or (785) 332-8800.

"We encourage the community to come down to Sawhill and share in the activities," Ms. Lindsten said. "There have been some new and fun activities planned for the seventh annual American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. We will be remembering those who have lost their battle to cancer and celebrating the lives of those who are survivors and give us hope. It will be a wonderful community event. Hope to see you there."

OUTAGE

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\$190; in Goodland, \$327; in Oakley, \$431; in Oberlin, \$423; and in Sharon Springs, \$386.

Invoices coming in for building project

The third invoice from Community Development Block Grant was submitted for payment for the KanStep emergency building. There was discussion about the bids for building materials which will be opened on Aug. 24.

The bids are slow to come in and some of the contractors have called with questions about submitting the bills. Prices are going up and there is an increase in freight, both of which are a great concern. Most companies will guarantee their prices for no more than 30 days, with one not giving any guarantee, it is hard to give a bid.

Mayor Scott Schultz said he has told the contractors to mark their bids up a little because once the bid is set they will have to honor that bid.

Roger Jensen, council member, pointed out that when the bids are accepted, the people can go ahead and buy their supplies then. However the paperwork will take a week to 10 days before it is done.

Now there is the question of where they store all of these supplies?

Many items can be placed at the site with the exception of sheet rock, installation, floor covering and cabinets. Some of these items will not be ready to install for about two years, but still need to be bought at this time.

J.R. Landenberger, city superintendent, will check to see if he can find more storage. Mr. Jensen asked that, if someone would let them use their storage buildings, would this be like a "payment in-kind" work.

It was thought that it might be and the matter will be check into.

Drainage problem

Darin Neufeld with EBH and Associates, Goodland, talked about the drainage problem on College Street. He had several options such as enlarging the drainage system from College Street to Parkway Drive; constructing a retention and detention structure; changing drainage to a different drainage basin; and, last, making no changes to the present system. A complete study could be made which would cost around \$5,000. He had also looked at the 1998 study performed by Miller and Associates for the U.S. 36 areas, carried through to the South Fork of the Republican River and said that the information on that report was still accurate.

In the report, Mr. Neufeld said that until a full drainage study would be performed on the entire city, it is hard

to tell how adjusting the flow and rate in one area would affect other drainage basins.

The city council tabled the matter until a later meeting.

Economic Development Planning

Carla Lampe told about two projects which the Economic Development Planning Committee had decided on.

She said that the roadside park area on U.S. 36 was a board they wanted to form. During the summer, the extra and regular employees are very busy with the Keller Pond, the baseball diamond and other places and they say they don't have the time to add another responsibility.

Mrs. Lampe felt that with the new KanStep building, Cheyenne County Museum, and recycling center, all in that area, maybe they could have a board to work on the appearance of the road side park. Mr. Jensen will be the city council member. Eric Fiala would be the city employee and they would add three more members at-large to serve on this board. Mr. Jensen said it would not be necessary for the people to do the labor but they would write a timeline and outline of what they would like to see done.

The other project will be "Spotlighting the Positive." See related article elsewhere in the paper.

Recycling contest

Mr. Jensen told about a Recycle contest "Get Caught Recycling Contest" that is being sponsored by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. For more information go to the website www.getcaughtrecycling.org

The entries have to be before Aug. 21.

Swimming pool

Bruce Swihart, committee member, gave the pool report. The pool is scheduled to be closed on Aug. 20.

Mr. Swihart stated that they had been very happy with their lifeguards and manager this year.

The fecal matter is being looked into and will be addressed. The first incident was defiantly an accident however the next two were not.

Police report

Sheriff Troy Gardner stated that there would be overtime because of the fair. He felt that anything they could take care of on the fairground would stop it from entering the city limits.

He also reported that Sarah Smith had just completed a course "Words for Kansas." She will be interviewing children that are victims of crime.

City superintendent report

Superintendent Landenberger

gave the report that well #9 has been repaired. It had excessive sand in it because it had not been flushed properly at the time it had been put in. Sargent Drilling came back and re-flushed it, and repaired the damage at their expense.

He said the streets project should be done soon and it had been nice working with the county crew.

In other business

• Mayor Schultz, Mr. Jensen and Tom Keller will be attending the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development meeting in Lyons on Aug. 15.

• Superintendent Landenberger and Dan Blair, city employee, will be attending the Mutual Aid Regional luncheon Aug. 22 in Goodland.

• Sheriff Gardner and Judge Robert VanAllen will attend a security needs class in Colby Aug. 9.

• Ordinance Number 536 was approved. The ordinance deals with court costs and is printed elsewhere in this issue.

• A tree trim license for Louis Aguilar was approved

• A letter of appreciation for street maintenance was read from Dick Rohweder

Building permits

Building permits were approved for: Doug Leibbrandt for a sidewalk; St. Francis Livestock for new chutes; sidewalk for Roger Lauer; cedar fence for Greg Lauer

City clerk's report

City clerk Mary Lampe said that McKenzie Grace was leaving for college. She has been working with the city web page.

Ribbon cutting ceremony

Aug. 26 will be a ribbon cutting for the new store Saintry Stitches

Next meeting

The next meeting of the city council will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 22 at the public library.

BANNER

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come to the Relay for Life event to not only participate and enjoy the entertainment but to also sign the banner in Sawhill Park. As they sign the banners, people might want to write messages of support. The banners will tell the stories of countless loved ones who have battled cancer.

"We are hoping everybody will come by and sign the banner," said Deb Lindsten, relay chairman, adding that the banner signatures are testaments to the spirit, courage and strength of the millions of Americans touched by cancer.

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