



Summer library fun

Shalynn Zweygardt, left, and Garin Cooper were busy coloring as one of the activities during the summer fun time at the St. Francis Public Library. This year's teacher was Lori Faulkender.

Herald staff photos by Karen Krien

Council

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Board: Marlin Burr, Neil McCumber, Margaret Bucholtz, Councilman Roger Jensen and Eric Fiala. The board will serve until the May 2007 appointments.

Councilman Jensen said that after the board had discussed the situation of the rest rooms at the park, they had felt that the rest rooms either needed to be completely shut down or restored into something that the town could be proud of.

He noted that six years ago, the rest rooms were open year round and the city had paid someone \$300 a

month to take care of it. Since then, there has been a lot of vandalism done to the rest rooms. The vandalism could be controlled through possibly better lighting, security cameras and more patrolling. The other question would be if the council would consider hiring someone part-time for the upkeep of the rest rooms and, if so, where would the wages along with the repair costs come from. One option for the repairs could be the Transient Tax which the city collects from the motels.

Councilman Jensen asked that members of the council meet at the

park the next morning to go over the repairs. Chief of Police Troy Gardner will look into security cameras and more patrolling of the area plus they asked that Superintendent J.R. Landenberger check on more lighting for the area.

Building permits

Building permits were approved for the following residents: St. Francis Catholic Church, razing the buildings at 500 E. Fourth; Gerald Lauer, razing a house on E. First Street; Eric Hook, concrete slab; Glenn Hill, sidewalk; Larry Brunow, porch.

Book Review

Book review from the St. Francis Public Library

Standoff

By Sandra Brown

A fearless reporter trapped in a volatile siege, two young lovers turned fugitive and a holdup that transforms a small desert town into a powderkeg, now, #1 *New York Times* best-selling author Sandra Brown demonstrates her unparalleled powers of invention to once again tell a story that combines deep emotion with edge-of-the seat suspense.

TV reporter Tiel McCoy is driving down interstate 20 on her way to New

Mexico for a well-earned vacation. But her itinerary is rewritten when she hears on the radio that the teenage daughter of well-known Fort Worth multimillionaire Russell Dendy has been kidnapped. At least that's the official story. In truth, Sabra Dendy is pregnant and has run away with her boyfriend, Ronnie Davison. After calling her editor, Tiel abandons her holiday plans in favor of pursuing the story.

Then, in a town called Rojo Flats, on an innocuous visit to a convenience store, Tiel will come up close and personal with the barrel of a gun,

the desperate young lovers...and the scoop of a lifetime.

In the electrifying standoff that follows, she will meet and grow to trust a strangely familiar local rancher with healing hands whom fate has also sent to the scene of the crime. She will learn why the two young runaways fear the wealthy father of one of them even more than the FBI and why, casting off a reporter's impartiality, she must defend them against a world bent on their destruction.

Poignant, riveting and offering a new twist or turn at every page, *Standoff* is suspense at its best.

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