sports Coyote-calling contest to bring in 116 teams

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By Karen Krien

The Saint Francis Herald Sportsmen will be coming into St. Francis to catch the start of the ninth annual Midwest Coyote Calling Contest this weekend

Coordinator Brent Rueb said he expects 116 two-man teams from Minnesota, Iowa, North and South Dakota, Utah, Wisconsin, and all callers." Illinois, New Mexico, Kansas, Nebraska and Colorado.

"We have become the largest, most popular coyote calling contest in America," Mr. Rueb said. "Coyote calling is the fastest growing shooting sport in the nation."

Of the 116 teams, there will be 66 in the

teams are more experienced hunters while handle the expected 116 teams. the Sportsman's class is for novices.

"The Sportsman's Warehouse class is designed to complement the Midwest Covote Calling Event," Rueb said. "It has no ability out of sight. Other contestants, who skill-level requirements and is open to any

The event has a lower entry fee and thus a lower payback return than the Midwest contest," Mr. Rueb said. class, he said.

The start and other activities will be held at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds in St. Francis, north of the high school.

Mr. Rueb said the fairgrounds is larger

Midwest Division and 50 in the Sports- than Riverside Recreation, where the event grounds and see the activities as the callers the Midwest class and \$40 for the Sportsman's Warehouse class. The Midwest has been held, but is only big enough to

> will feature five hunters who will perform their calls and show their coyote calling won't know who is doing the calls, will vote on the winner

"This will be an interesting part of the

Bob Juleson, Goodland, has donated a mounted coyote bust as the main prize, and Predator Xtreme magazine is sponsoring the cost.

People are urged to stop by the fair-

return with the coyotes. On Friday, Neva Warhman will be serving food, and the St. The Predator Caller of the Year contest Francis Community High School sophomore class will be serving the hunters on Sunday.

> Last year, hunters reported seeing 781 coyotes, 385 more than the year before. They killed 242, 79 more than the year before. The team of Jim Craig, Flagler, Colo., and Kevin Shively, Wray, brought in the most coyotes, 13.

Winning the Sportman's class was the team of Holste and Holste, Ludell, with eight coyotes.

There is an entry fee of \$200 per team for

man's Warehouse class, and all fees go back out as prizes. There are plenty of prizes, Rueb said, and last year participants got about \$30,000 in awards.

For information, contact Rueb (785) 332-2731, or go to the website www.pred ator sniperstyx.com.

National supporters for the event include Foxpro and Sportsman's Warehouse. Local and area sponsors including Bankwest, First National Bank, Cheyenne County Wildlife, Predator Sniper Styx, Bud Light of Norton and Goodland and Carlson Choke Tubes.

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Program could help farmers convert to dryland

can take advantage of a federal conservation program to convert fields to dryland crops.

"In addition to the regular Environmental Quality Incentives Program, producers across the state may apply for financial assistance through the Ground and Surface Water Conservation provisions of EQIP," said Fred Wedel, district conservationist with the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service in Goodland.

The program provides money for the changes, he said, but requires the conservation practices to prosurface water use.

An added provision in the law for fiscal year 2006, he said, designated "quick response areas" where applications for the program are expedited.

The program is one of the largest in the 2002 farm bill, Wedel said, a voluntary conservation program to promote environmental quality and to help farmers in meeting local, state and federal regulations.

"The Natural Resources Conservation Service will provide EQIP

Farmers with irrigated cropland financial assistance for eligible ap- money-saving tool," Klaege said. plications located within quick response areas (see map) where producers convert irrigated cropland to non-irrigated cropland," he said.

The idea is in reducing water use in the High Plains Aquifer region, he said. The quick response areas include parts of Thomas and ers." Wallace counties and spots in Sherman. They were identified by two northwestern Kansas groundwater management districts and the Kansas Division of Water Resources, he said.

State Conservationist Harold L. interested in applying for 2006 grants to begin the process now. Deadline for application is Jan. 20.

'When farmers or ranchers apply for the 2006 EQIP funding, they sas EQIP Self Assessment Tool for fiscal year 2006," Klaege said.

The form gives landowners an idea of what natural resource concerns they have, what they can accomplish, and what they need to do to qualify for the program, he said. 'We see this as a time-saving and

"We envision that the self-assessment will cut down on the time it takes the NRCS to process applications for EQIP, and that it will also reduce the federal dollars required to administer the program and make more dollars available to produc-

Last year, Kansas received more Rawlins and Sheridan, but none in than \$24.8 million in environment quality money for 2,022 contracts.

"In Kansas, these funds will help farmers and ranchers install conservation practices that improve and protect Kansas' priority natural resource concerns,"Klaege said. "Afduce net savings in the ground and Klaege said he is urging farmers ter Jan. 20, the Natural Resource Conservation Service staff will begin evaluating applications received in Kansas.

> Farmers who submit applications should know by March whether or will be required to fill out the Kan- not they have been accepted and the amount of money they'll get, he said

> > To apply, call Wedel at 899-3070 or stop by the service's Sherman County office at 210 W. 10th. Information is available on the Web site www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/ eqip/2006.



Crossword Puzzle



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Real Estate

The following real estate transactions were reported by the Sherman County Register of Deeds:

Delbert C. Rice to Arnold R. Scott and Darlene W. Scott, Lots 13, 14, 15,16 and 17, Block 33, First Addition to Goodland.

Maria Musquiz quitclaim to Dolores Musquiz, Lot 38 less N50' and S90' of Lots 39,40,41 and 42, Block 13, First Addition to the City of Goodland.

NE/4. Sec. 11. T9S R39W. William J. Cebula, trustee of the Sec. 20, T6S R37W.

William J. Cebula Revocable Trust Adams, an undivided 1/4 interest NE/4, Sec. 11, T9S R39W. Tonya R. Williams and Ricky A. R40W.

Williams to Glenn J. Weiss, a tract ler quitclaim to Laura L. Henry, Divide, Colo.; Lila L. Whitmore, St. in Sec. 21, T8S R40W. Francis, Kan.; Lisa L. Carlson, Joyce E. Sanderson, successor Peyton, Colo.; Aaron H. Butler, the City of Goodland.

an undivided 1/3 interest SW/4,

Lawrence L. McCants and to Holly C. Adams and James A. Brenda S. McCants to Larry Ihrig and Rita Ihrig, Lot 3 of Sundance Subdivision located in Sec. 21, T8S

Lawrence L. McCants and of land in NE/4, Sec. 5, T8S R38W. Branda S. McCants to J. Kendall Jerry M. Butler and Lena M. But- Cooper and Jacque S. Cooper, Lot 1 of Sundance Subdivision located J. Kendall Cooper and Jacque S. Cooper to Lawrence L. McCants Colorado Springs, Colo.; Lots 9 and and Brenda S. McCants, Lots 2, 3, 10, Block 40, Beahm's addition to 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Sundance Subdivision located in John R. Baker and Kathy L. LLC, Denver, SW/4, Sec. 5, T6S R39W; SE/4, Sec. 6, T6S R39W; NE/4, Sec. 1, T6S R40W; SE/4, Sec. 8, T6S R40W; SW/4, Sec. 20, T6S R40W; NE/4, Sec. 25, T6S R40W.

trustee of the Vera F. Dallas Revocable Trust, to ZWZ LLC, N300 acres of W/2, Sec. 2, T9S R38W.

J W Tracy Farms LLC to Jolene M. Miller and Beverly Goering, one-half of the mineral interests SE/ 4, Sec. 28, T9S R37W; SE/4, Sec. 1, T9S R38W; N/2 and SW/4, Sec. 14, T8S R37W; SE/4, Sec. 33, T7S R37W.

Doris I. Curry to Connie S. Allaman and Myra J. Craney, SW/ 4, Sec. 33, T6S R40W and NE/4, Sec. 32, T6S R40W.

Doris I. Curry, trustee of the Doris I. Curry Revocable Trust, to Doris I. Curry, SW/4, Sec. 33, T6S R40W and NE/4, Sec. 32, T6S R40W.

William J. Cebula, trustee of the to Jill A. Mueller and Benjamin C. Mueller, an undivided 1/4 interest

Betsy L. Boyington and Eugene Sec. 21, T8S R40W. P. Zuspann II, trustees of the William H. Boyington Trust; Betsy L. Baker, Castle Rock, Colo. mineral Boyington and Eugene P. Zuspann deed to Snapdragon Royalties, II, trustees of the Jane Moore Trust; and Betsy L. Boyington and Eugene P. Zuspann II, trustees of the Betsy L. Boyington Trust, to First Baptist Church, Lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18, Block 65, Original Town of R42W; and SW/4, Sec. 6, T7S Goodland.

Cori Jean Hage quitclaim to Elmer M. Jacobs, the west part of Goodland Energy Center, LLC, Block 7. Sub-Division of the Original Town of Goodland.

William J. Cebula Revocable Trust, E. Hoyt Trust, and Edna M. Hoyt, Tina J. Meyer, S/2 of Lot 3, all of trustee of the Edna M. Hoyt Trust, Lots 4, 5, and 6, Replat Blocks 6 to Craig E. Hoyt and Billie R. Hoyt, through 9, Kanorado.

E Caruso, LLC water rights to SW/4, Sec. 13, T8S R41.

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