* Camp to open **April 1**

(Continued from Page 1A) Mr. Hirsch said there was some wordage in the proposal from Mr. Kelsey that he wanted to change.

The staff wants to know about road maintenance, said Connie Grafel, marketing director for the city and the Economic Development Corp. Mayor Ken Shobe said the city is responsible for that.

The council talked with Mr. Kelsey about waiting until April 17 to take over the facility. Mr. Shike said Mr. Kelsey wants the property April 1 so that he can hire and train staff and get boys in on April 17.

What if the city lets Kings Camp move in on April 1, but not take over until April 17? asked Mr. Stanley. Mr. Hirsch said the city would be in breach of the Kelley contract.

At the rate Kings Camp has offered, asked Councilman Rob McFee, can the city pay the bond and interest charges on the ranch?

The other thing to look at is how much the city is paying in utilities, said Mr. Hirsch.

"So this is better?" Mr. McFee asked, "but can it pay the bond and interest down?" It never has, said Mr. Hirsch, not at \$3,600, but the contract will be reviewed yearly.

The difference with this company is that there is the chance that things will get better, said Councilman Jay Anderson. As far as Kings Camp being at the facility, said Mr. McFee, it is a good thing.

Mr. Kelsey said he will start hiring on April 1, giving the employees who worked at the ranch an opportunity to have their jobs back.

* Threat forces closure

(Continued from Page 1A) were taken back to the building and classes started.

Parents, said Mr. Glodt, reacted well to the situation. When something like this happens, he said, the district has a plan. The most important thing is that the kids are safe. Thursday, only two parents showed

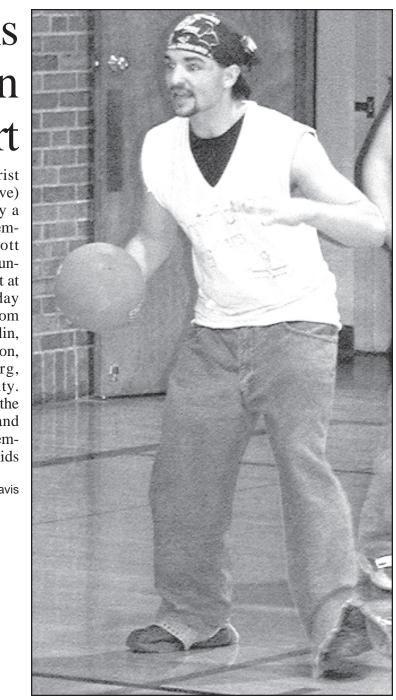
"Parents have to trust that we will keep the kids safe," he said. "If parents show up, all it does is make the



Teens have fun atconcert

AT A TEENS for Christ concert, Joe Hirsch (above) got his shirt signed by a member of the band, Remedy Drive. Lee Mellott played dodge ball in the junior high gym. The event at the high school Saturday drew around 220 kids from all over, including Oberlin, Beaver City, Hays, Norton, Stockton, Phillipsburg, Scott City and Bird City. Pastor Doug Mason said the night was great, the band was awesome and the members mingled with the kids after the show.

-Staff photos by Kimberly Davis





situation worse.

If there is ever a situation that the district is going to release students to the parents before the end of the school day, he said, they will do everything possible to let the parents know. It will be on the radio and on the cable television.

On Friday, said Mr. Glodt, the staff had a debriefing. They discussed a few things they could have done differently, such as if it had been colder.

Home and Garden Show set for weekend

Home and Garden Show will kick off at 9 a.m. Saturday at The Gateway

So far, there are 26 booths lined up for the two-day show, said Glenva Nichols, chamber manager.

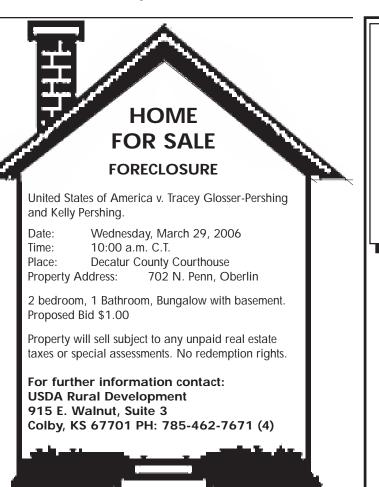
ber of Commerce and KFNF Radio cluding smoked meat, flowers, cell phones, garden stuff, grills, appliances, cooking items, Tupperware, candles, wellness drinks, tarps, kids to other odds and ends.

Mrs. Nichols said there are still

The Decatur County Area Cham- The booths will feature items in- spaces available for booths. Anyone cessions in the arena. who wants one should call her at 475-3441. Booths are \$125 for 10foot-by-10-foot, or \$175 for 10-by-20. Each booth will have a table and tools, water purifiers, fingerprinting two chairs. Electricity will be provided, but extension cords won't. The Gateway staff will have con-

The Decatur County Master Gardeners will offer hourly seminars from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday on gardening, colors and use of herbs. The show will be open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.





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