

# ready for visitors county on U.S. 36

The band shell was finished in 1934. The work costs were funded by the government and materials were furnished by the city.

Cheyenne County is often referred to as "the land of open spaces and friendly faces."

Friendly faces are often found at Riverside Recreation's golf course. Along the river bottom at the junction of U.S. 36 and north K-27, the nine-hole course has irrigated bluegrass fairways and well-manicured greens. The course is among the huge cottonwoods with the Republican River less than 1/4 mile away.

Non-member green fees per day are \$20 for 18 holes and \$12 for nine holes. Memberships are \$530 in county and \$400 out of county. Single memberships are \$450.

The club house is open weekdays at 5 p.m. with the bar in the basement. The club house is also open on Saturdays and Sundays at 1 p.m.

The restaurant is open only on Saturdays from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Brenda Nelsen, who runs the restaurant, offers steaks, cordon bleu and shrimp, as well as sandwiches, on the dinner menu.

A social membership of \$5 is necessary for families to fish in the pond (adults must have a Kansas fishing license). Summer evenings often find people enjoying a picnic and a quiet place to throw out a line. Stocked with bass, crappie, blue gill, catfish and other small fish, anglers may be able to pull out 3-pound bass or 6- to 7-pound catfish.

Golf tournaments are held during the spring, summer and fall. In all, there are around a dozen tournaments, mostly 3-man scrambles, held.

The first weekend in June, a two-day tournament is held with up to 30 teams participating. On Friday, golfers can have a free practice round. On Saturday, a steak supper awaits participants and their friends and family.

For information about activities at Riverside Recreation, call Roger Lauer at 785-332-2735 or Richard Grace, 785-332-2251.

## Stearman Fly-In

The activities begin with the Stearman Fly-In at the airport in St. Francis. The Fly-in is held the second weekend in June but planes begin flying into the airport on Friday and that evening, if the weather allows, skydivers fill the air over St. Francis. Their colorful parachutes coming from high above is a spectacular sight.

The Stearman Fly-In features the World War II vintage open cockpit and fabric-covered biplanes powered by radial engines. Last year, there were five Stearman as well as around 70 other aircraft. Four Russian-built Yak 52s provided a special treat as they flew over in a fine diamond formation complete with smoke.

Early Saturday and Sunday morning, hot-air balloons fire up for a different view of the countryside. Throughout the two days, there are tandem jumps where a novice passenger rides with an expert skydiver, under a single canopy.

Food is served on the grounds and, best of all, the admission to the show is free.

## Fair and carnival

The first week in August is the Cheyenne County Fair and home-owned carnival. The festivities begin Wednesday and end late Saturday evening.

People come from around the area because

the rides and game booths are well-kept and are run by volunteers, and tickets are 25 cents each. Many former residents bring their families back at fair time as their children can enjoy the whole evening on \$5 and take home prizes. It is also a time when they can visit with people they haven't seen in a while.

The fair features the 4-H and open class displays, entertainment in the evenings which ranges anywhere from the Ranch Rodeo to the Demolition Derby and winners generally take home enough to fix up another car for the next derby.

What most people, especially children, enjoy is the home-owned carnival with a Ferris wheel, tilt-a-whirl, swings, octopus, merry-go-round, train, car, airplane rides and game booths.

## Car show

People are drawn to downtown St. Francis the second weekend in May when the Cheyenne County Cruiser's "Saturday in the Park" car show is held around the historic Sawhill Park. The original band shell and fountain are the background for over 100 antique and classic vehicles.

There are activities starting on Friday night and run through Saturday evening when the annual Firemen's Ball is held.

Throughout Saturday, people can enjoy seeing the restored (some are original) vehicles and reminiscing of the days when they "had one just like it!"

For more information, contact Scott Schultz, 785-332-3960 or 785-332-2833, Kent Kechter, 785-332-2629 or Pete Jensen, 785-332-2317 or go to the web site at [www.cheyennecountycruisers.com](http://www.cheyennecountycruisers.com).

## Hunting

The hunting in Cheyenne County is outstanding. There are abundant supplies of pheasants, turkey, dove and deer, as well as many quail, prairie dogs and coyotes. The county offers two public wildlife hunting areas and numerous acres for walk-in hunting.

There are several bed-and-breakfast establishments plus lodges and motels to accommodate the hunter and his group. Nor'West Newspapers prints a hunting guide in the early fall and it can be picked up at *The Saint Francis Herald* or other businesses.

## Coyote Calling event

The first weekend in January, the Midwest Coyote Calling event is held in Cheyenne County. People come from all over the nation to call in coyotes. At the end of the three-day event, a meal is served and prizes are awarded. For more information, contact Brent Rueb, 785-332-3402.

## Roadside park

If the traveler is pulling a recreational vehicle, trailer or just wants to pop up a tent for the night, St. Francis Roadside Park, located behind the museum on U.S. 36, has free electricity hookups and a waste dump area. There are showers and restrooms which are cleaned daily. The area is also patrolled by law officers for the safety of those staying in the park.

For more information on Cheyenne County, check out the website [www.cheyennecounty.org](http://www.cheyennecounty.org) or [www.stfrankiskansas.com](http://www.stfrankiskansas.com).

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