

All-Star third basemen traded

By Casey McCormick
Summer means baseball and baseball means big business. Many local hard-ball fans know of sports figure Shea Hillenbrand whose grandparents live in St. Francis and who was the All-Star third baseman for the Boston Red Sox. But no more.

She said, "Shea took time to visit the children's ward of a Boston hospital recently," she said. "It is something that many professional athletes might not see as important."



Hillenbrand

Last week the standout infielder and bats man was traded to the Arizona Diamondbacks of the National League for pitcher Byung-Hyun Kim.

Although Red Sox fans may doubt the trade, the move should favor Hillenbrand since he played his college ball at Mesa Community College in the metropolitan Phoenix area and he and his wife, Jessica, own a home there. In addition they have relatives who live in Phoenix and the couple will be closer to grandparents Albert and Bessie Burr in northwest Kansas.

"The Red Sox did what they had to do (trade for pitching) and Shea handled the change in a very professional manner," said Mrs. Burr when she was interviewed.

She spoke of how the couple had developed many friends in Boston and were involved in the commu-

nity. She said, "Shea took time to visit the children's ward of a Boston hospital recently," she said. "It is something that many professional athletes might not see as important."

Another positive is he joined a club with two of the most dominate pitchers in the majors, Curt Schilling and Randy Johnson, who defeated the New York Yankees to win the World Series two years ago.

After last season Hillenbrand and his wife visited St. Francis to spend time with the grandparents and donate his time for a baseball clinic which raised funds for the town's baseball park.

The proud grandparents have held a tradition of hanging a red stocking on their front porch on Benton Street each time Hillenbrand hit a home run for his old team. Now that he is a Diamondback what will they hang? Maybe they can use some of our local rattlesnakes?

Scholarship is awarded

Stephanie Snyder, a graduate of Cheylin High School, will receive a \$1,500 scholarship from the Shelter Insurance Foundation. The award is sponsored and partially funded by local Shelter agent Henry Cahoj.

The scholarship will apply the award toward tuition, fees, room and board for any course of study beginning the fall after high-school graduation and leading to a academic degree at any accredited college or university.

The recipient was chosen on the basis of scholastic achievements, educational goals, citizenship,

moral character, and participation and leadership in school and community activities. The selection was made by a committee of school officials and community leaders.

The \$1,500 will be paid directly to the school the winner selects. The student received a certificate from Henry Cahoj on behalf of the Shelter Foundation.



Snyder

STATE CHAMP — Amanda Poore successfully clears the high jump bar. Poore placed first at the state competition in Wichita.

Photo by Donita Clausen/The Arkansas City Traveler

Track members compete well at state

By Casey McCormick
It was impressive enough to have three fine athletes from small Cheylin High's girl's track team make it to the State Track and Field Meet in Wichita on Friday and Saturday, May 30 and 31. But to have Amanda Poore bring home the gold medal in the high jump was truly a special moment.

"The Cheylin girls were so pumped up walking into Cessna Stadium, seeing the Suburbans and busses from all over Kansas, recognizing teams and participants and feeling the awesome power of earning the chance to compete at State," Coach Mary Moore said.

The three girls were Sara Moore, Jill Zumbahlen and Amanda Poore. They spent the evening before the meet swimming, eating out and visiting with other athletes who were just like themselves, excited about doing well at the competition.

Friday the girls were ready.

"It was a beautiful, sunny day and perfect conditions for the field events.," Coach Moore said.

The shot put had begun and they were able to watch some of the best in Kansas compete. Then it was time for Poore and Zumbahlen to jump.

"Jill didn't have the type of performance that she hoped for but she gave it a very good try," Coach Moore said.

Her best try was at 5 feet and

placed her eighth. Poore seemed to clear the pole with ease and won the event at 5'6".

While this was going on Moore was busy with her event, the Discus.

"She too was disappointed in her throw and did not make it into the finals, but was thrilled to compete in State.," Coach Moore said of her daughter. She finished in 13th place with her throw of 102'.

Cheylin can be proud of these athletes and their coach for the way they represented their school and community. Throughout the season they, as well as the rest of the girl's track team, have worked hard and played well. A State of Kansas gold medal is evidence of Poore's skill, but it speaks well for the team as a whole.

McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

A very welcome rainfall came to the area on Sunday afternoon and evening. Amounts were very varied, with the city of McDonald reporting 1.20 inch, but south and east of town 3.20 and north of town 2.50. Farmers and gardeners are smiling, and irrigation will be on hold for several days.

Ruth (Green) Bargen of Nelson, Neb., was a Thursday visitor of Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison.

Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison visited family members in St. Francis on Friday.

Greg and Cheryl Wilkinson spent Sunday in McCook with Jamie and Shalyn Harris.

Dorothy Rummel of Littleton, Colo., was a Sunday dinner guest of Dale and Ratha Lea Loker.

On Tuesday Phyllis Wilkinson visited Filothea Loretta McCook and with Mildred and Sue Heinbigner in

Culbertson, Neb.

Duane Smith of Burlington, Colo., was a visitor of Eunice Officer this past week.

Frances Erickson and Kay Miller visited in Benkelman on Saturday with Sharon Barenberg and Bula Adkinson.

Marian Hallagin and Tony Ruda were Thursday dinner guests of Tunney and Leila Loker.

Dorothy Rummel of Littleton, Colo., and Leila Loker enjoyed sightseeing around McDonald on

South of McDonald By Sandy Binning

Wayne and Doris Dewey of Grand Junction were Wednesday overnight guests of Lynn and Rita Officer. They are Rita's aunt and uncle.

Friday and had lunch at the Frosty Mug.

Penny Loker and Les Loker were Sunday visitors of Tunney and Leila Loker.

Eleanor Swihart returned home on Wednesday after a three-week trip to Colorado. She had attended high school graduation of grandchildren, Stephanie Swihart in Westminster and Brian Foster in Craig, Colo.

Laddie and Vera Kacirek attended the wedding of Kaylee Wilkens and Steven Watkins in Hays on Saturday.



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TRACT 1: Fabulous Home, Quonsets, Barn and 61.77 acres of Grassland in a Great Location 2 miles east of St. Francis, Kansas on Highway 36. This ranch style home is a rare find with 3,715 total square feet of living area. The main floors offers 3 bedrooms, 1 full bath, 3/4 bath, and 1/2 bath, large living room, dining and foyer area, and an entertainer's kitchen. The basement allows for an additional bedroom, 3/4 bath, sunken den, recreation room, hunter's library, and a large storage room. Additional extras to the home include utilities on the main floor, two newer central heat & a/c systems, two car attached garage, a newer maintenance free deck, and landscaping.

Other Improvements: 40' x 100' Quonset with drive through doors, 30' x 39' Quonset with concrete flooring and overhead storage, and 35' x 40' Barn with stalls, tack room.

Legal Description: A tract of Land in W/2SE/4 of 25-3-40, Includes Residence, Buildings, and Grassland.

Terms of Tract 1: 20% down day of sale with the balance to be due at closing on or before July 15, 2003 and possession to be on or before September 1, 2003.

Real Estate Taxes: 2002 Taxes: \$2,058.85. Taxes for 2003 will be prorated to the date of possession.

EQUIPMENT – MACHINERY – VEHICLES – LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT – MISC. TOOLS

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Tract Legal:

1) A Tract of Land in W/2SE/4 of 25-3-40, includes Residence, Buildings, and Grassland, 61.77 Grass Acres, \$2,058.85 - 2002 Taxes; 2) SW/4 of 25-3-42, less a tract - 149.2 Dryland/Cropland Acres, 123.7/43 Wheat Base/Yld., 17/101 Corn Base/Yld., 6.6/79 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., \$2,915.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$539.64 2002 Taxes; 3) S/2 of 26-5-41 - 313.8 Dryland Cropland Acres, 156.9 Growing Wheat, 156.9 Growing Corn, 78/42 Wheat Base/Yld., 10.3/44 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., \$3,165.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$989.16 2002 Taxes; 4) NW/4 of 5-5-39 - 156 Dryland Cropland Acres, 156 Growing Corn, 154.9/32 Wheat Base/Yld., \$2,191.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$343.05 2002 Taxes; 5) NW/4 of 34-4-39 - 159.4 Dryland Cropland Acres, 159.4 Growing Wheat, 139.3/32 Wheat Base/Yld., \$1,970.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$446.54 2002 Taxes; 6) E/2NE/4 of 17-3-41 (11 acres waste currently fenced w/ adjoining land) - 50.4 Dryland Cropland Acres, 18.6 CRP Acres, 25.5/33 Wheat Base/Yld., 7.2/44 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., 2.6/39 Barley Base/Yld., \$487.00 + \$465.00 CRP 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$179.41 2002 Taxes; 7) S/2 & E/2NE/4 of 34-3-41 less a tract & S/2 of 35-3-41 - 330.2 Dryland Cropland Acres, 170.9 Growing Wheat, 385.8 Grass Acres, 267.2/36 Wheat Base/Yld., 21/88 Corn Base/Yld., 32.5/79 Gr. Sorg. Base/Yld., \$5,456.00 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$1,265.63 2002 Taxes; 8) E/2 of 23-3-42 - 81.5 Dryland Cropland Acres, 81.5 Growing Wheat, 149 CRP Acres, 89.5 Grass Acres, 81.5/36 Wheat Base/Yld., \$1297.00 + \$4992.00 CRP 2003 Est. FSA-DCP Payments, \$685.75 2002 Taxes.

MANNER OF THE SALE: Real Estate will be auctioned in individual tracts only and will not be offered in any combination.

TERMS FOR REAL ESTATE AUCTION: 20% down day of sale with balance due at closing, on or before July 15, 2003. Personal and corporate checks are acceptable for the down payment with the final payment to be in certified funds. Bidding is not contingent upon survey, inspection, appraisal or financing. Financing, if necessary, needs to be arranged and approved prior to the auction. Announcements made day of sale shall take precedence over printed material.

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FSA PAYMENTS: 2003 CRP payment will be payable to Seller(s). The remaining balance of CRP payments after 2003 shall be paid to Buyer(s). FSA payments for 2003: Seller(s) shall be entitled to receive 100% of all FSA payments associated with 2003 crop year except on the Southeast 1/4 of Tract 3 and all of Tract 4 which are planted to corn

POSSESSION & CROPS: On Tract 2-8: Possession shall be day of closing on grassland, summer fallow, corn acreages, and CRP. Possession of the wheat acreages shall be given to buyer after 2003 wheat harvest. Seller(s) shall receive 100% of 2003 growing wheat crop. Buyer(s) shall receive 100% of growing corn crop.

REAL ESTATE TAXES: Tract 1 Real Estate Taxes shall be prorated. 2003 Real Estate Taxes on Tract 2, the Southwest 1/4 of Tract 3, Tract 5, 6, 7, and 8 shall be paid by the Seller(s). The Southeast 1/4 of Tract 3 and all of Tract 4 shall be paid by the Buyer(s).

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