

KAYLYNN HENDRICKS, daughter of David and Amy Hendricks is one of the little dance that entertained the crowd during homecoming activities.



WESTON RIBEAU holds up a sign that was part of the seniors' skit from the Wizard of Oz.

Homecoming ends Saturday with dance

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Cheylin Homecoming ended Saturday with the dance. However, the week was lots of fun for students as they had special days including swim wear and toga days.

The Homecoming King and Queen were crowned during the activities Thursday evening. The king was Lincoln Pochop and queen was Mindy Antholz. Other members of the royal court were Vanessa Antholz, Chris Basnett, Sam Hengen, Taylor Leibbrandt, Blanca Ponce and Colleen Shrader.

There was a good crowd attend-

ing the activities held in front of the grandstand however, the wind did not cooperate! It was too windy for the bonfire but students had a great time in the car smash.

The senior class went to see the "Great Cougar" in their skit. Dorothy (played by Lincoln) and others asked for school spirit and enthusiasm, just to name a few.

The junior class had drawn faces on pillow cases, creating "pillow people." They were very entertaining as the pillows danced.

The sophomores had put a lot of thought into what the seniors would be like in 20 years. This brought

many laughs from the audience.

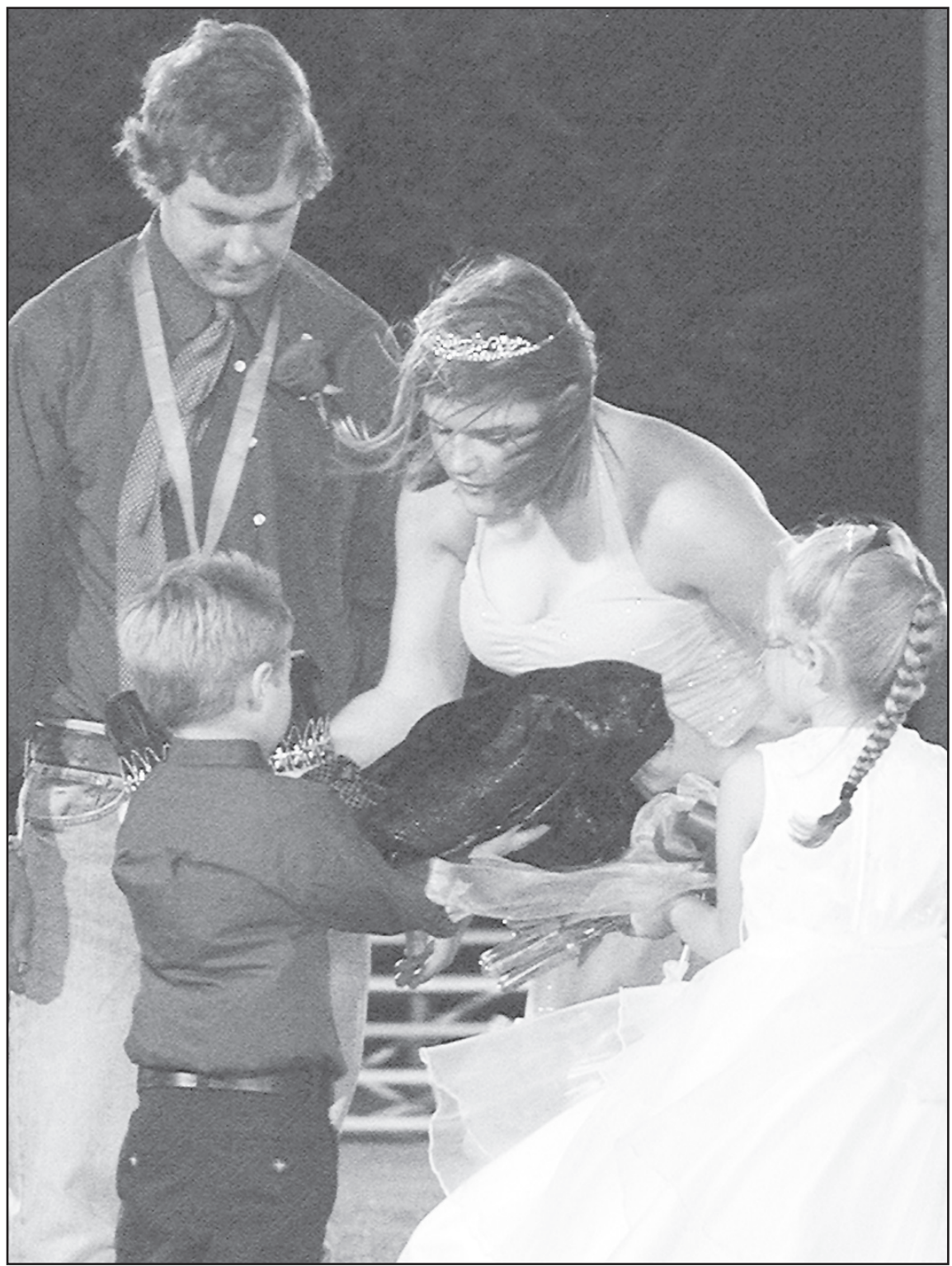
The homecoming football game against Tribune/Greeley County was a disappointment to the Cougars as they were not able to pull off a win but the fans said it was a good game and the Cougars are continuing to improve.

The Lady Cougars played Heartland Christian/Colby and ended up with a win under their belt.

Helping with the festivities was the Booster Club members who provided a barbecue on Friday and First National Bank and Peoples State Bank employees who served a barbecue on Thursday.



THE 'PILLOW PEOPLE' did a great job on their routine.



HOMECOMING ROYALTY — Leigh Brown and Destany Clemans were the crown bearers for Lincoln Pochop and Mindy Antholz.

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Official enrollment is two students less than last year's count

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Superintendent David Zumbahl reported the official Cheylin enrollment is 145 students. Compared to the 2006 official enrollment of 147 students.

The new dairy which opened in September helped the enrollment by bringing in 17 new students.

Last year, there were 15 seniors and this year there are 13 seniors.

There are six students in the kindergarten class. The largest class in the school is the freshman class with 18 students

Cheylin has a combined first and second grade class with Kathy Weber teaching the grades. However, she has a student teacher and an aide this year to help with the students.

Cheylin also has an "English As A Second Language" instructor to help with any language barriers that

might occur in the school.

St. Francis

When it came time to take the official school enrollment count, there were nine less St. Francis students compared to last year. Last September, there were six more students than the year before.

On Sept. 20, the date for the official enrollment count, there were 320 students enrolled in the Sainty schools. Last year at this time, there

were 329 students.

There were 35 seniors graduating in 2007. However, there are only 19 kindergarten students this year; six less students.

It is hard to predict the number of students each year. For instance, when school started last year, there were 25 students but, when school began this year, there were 30 students in first grade. With 30 students in first grade, the administration

began making arrangements for part-time teachers to come in.

Rob Schiltz, superintendent, reported that the school will be in good shape budget wise as schools are given three ways of figuring the budget:

1) current year's number; 2) three-year average; and 3) using last year's enrollment figures. The St. Francis school budget was figured using last year's enrollment

figures.

The grade school has a total of 158 students this year with the biggest class being the first grade class with 30 students. The junior high has 60 students and the high school has 102 students, 13 students less than 2006-2007. The junior class has 33 students, making it the largest class in the school.