

Cheylin wins all contests

By Colleen Shrader

The junior high has been doing great in the last two weeks as they played Wauneta/Palisade on Dec. 3 and Triplains on Dec. 14.

In the two nights of games the junior high came home with all wins.

To see the junior high play again make plans to come to the home game on Thursday, Jan. 3 against Wallace County with games starting at 4 p.m.

Max Keltz if the boys' head coach and he is assisted by Laurie Leonard. Dan Carson coaches the girls with Bobbie Walden as assistant.

The statistics for the past games are shown below:

Cheylin B Boys 20 Wauneta/Palisade 12

The Cheylin B Boys team recorded the following statistics for the game with Wauneta/Palisade. They were the winner of the contest with a 20-12 final score.

Points: Kenan Reeh 9; Heath Churchwell 4; Ty Carmichael 3; Walker Janicke 2; Josh Keltz 2.

Rebounds: Janicke 9; Keltz 3;

Reeh 3; Connor Hazuka 3; Grant Shrader 3; Casey Vandike 2; Clint Burns 1; Churchwell 1; Martin Veleta 1; Carmichael 1.

Steals: Janicke 4; Caleb Frink 3; Carmichael 3; Shrader 3; Adam Orten 3; Reeh 2; Keltz 2; Frisbie 1; Churchwell 1.

Assists: Churchwell 1; Reeh 1; Janicke 1.

Cheylin Girls vs. Wauneta/Palisade

Cheylin 36, Wauneta/Palisade 10
The Cheylin girls were ahead 15-4 at half time and took home the win with a final score of 36-10.

The statistics are shown below for the varsity girls' game against Wauneta/Palisade:

Points: Stephanie Busse 19; Shayla Hubbard, 4; Forrest Burr 4; Cintia Navarro 3; Cory Rucker 2; Nakita Schneider 2; Elizabeth Pochop 2.

Rebounds: Busse 11; Burr 6; Hubbard 4; Rucker 2; Schneider 2; Navarro; Reynoso; Pochop 1.

Steals: Hubbard 6; Buss 6; Reynoso 5; Rucker 4; Navarro 2, Pochop 2, Schneider 2, Burr 2.

Blocks: Rucker 1; Busse 1

The Cheylin coach, Dan Carson, said the girls came out ready to play.

"They were able to press them and get some quick points on the board. Every girl was able to score except one and hers were close.

"Defensively we really controlled the inside. What a great game. The girls really played hard."

Cheylin A Boys 28, Wauneta/Palisade 18

The Cheylin A Boys scored a 28-18 victory over Wauneta/Palisade.

The statistics are show below for this game with Wauneta/Palisade:

Points: Ethan Young 17; Dalton Magnani 9; Salinas 2.

Rebounds: Young 12; Magnani 4; Salinas 3; Roberto Ponce 3; Jeremiah White 3; Josh Keltz 1; A. Orten 1; and Churchwell 1.

Steals: White 5; Young 4; Magnani 3; Wil Orten and A. Orten 1.

Blocks: Young 1; W. Orten 1.

Assists: Magnani 2; White 1; Ponce 1.

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Cheylin loses to Dundy County

By Colleen Shrader

"We played our best game of the season," said Coach Deb Pochop after the Lady Cougars entered the locker room Saturday night.

Dundy County scored a narrow 51-43 victory over Cheylin.

The Cougars had an eventful day as they had played their rescheduled Sagebrush game that morning and then went to Benkelman where they took on the Dundy County Tigers.

The evening definitely made up for the morning games as both the boys and girls showed tremendous effort.

"The girls worked hard and played well against a tough team," Coach Pochop said. "We broke their press and scored many points off the press break. All of the girls contributed and should be proud of their play!"

Scoring by quarters:

C 13 10 11 09 43
DC 16 10 11 14 51

Points: Tia Sager 14; Kaedra Dixon 6; Colleen Shrader 6; Mindy Antholz 5; Teryn Carmichael 4; Whitney Churchwell 3; Blanca Ponce 2; Naomi Reeh 2; Ana Ponce 1.

Rebounds: Dixon 6; Antholz 5; B. Ponce 5; Sager 4; A. Ponce 4; Shrader 4; Carmichael 2, Reeh 2, Samantha Robertson 2, Churchwell 2; Sidney Busse 1.

Assists: Shrader 8; Antholz 5; B.

Ponce 4; Dixon 2; Carmichael 1.

Steals: Shrader 4; B. Ponce 4; Sager 2; Carmichael 2; A. Ponce 2; Antholz 1; Dixon 1; Reeh 1; Churchwell 1; Robertson 1.

Blocks: Shrader 1; Dixon 1; Churchwell 1.

Junior varsity Wallace County 57, Cheylin 32

Tuesday the Lady Cougars played their first junior varsity game and their last game before the Christmas break.

"We did a lot of things right," Coach Pochop said. "Everyone that played was able to contribute and score. We know we have room to improve, but for seven girls we played mightily!"

C 09 08 07 08 32
WC 11 16 09 21 57

Points: Carmichael 10; Reeh 6; Sager 5; Churchwell 4; Busse 4; Robertson 2; A. Ponce 1.

Rebounds: Reeh 7; Carmichael 5; A. Ponce 5; Churchwell 5; Sager 2; Busse 2; Robertson 1.

Assists: Reeh 3; Carmichael 3; Churchwell 3; Busse 2; Robertson 2; Shrader 1; Sager 1.

Steals: Carmichael 3; Robertson 3; Churchwell 2; Reeh 2; A. Ponce 1; Busse 1.

Blocks: Carmichael 1; A. Ponce 1; Churchwell 1

Varsity Wallace county 59, Cheylin 29

Following the home junior var-

sity game against the Wildcats, the varsity girls played.

"Playing a full junior varsity and a full varsity game with only 11 girls was quite challenging," said Coach Pochop. "I was really proud of how all the girls worked extremely hard and played at positions they have never had to before.

"It was disappointing to be pressed the entire game, but the girls never gave up. We lost a key player to the flu and that really made everyone step up and meet the challenge."

The statistics are show below for the varsity girls' game against Wallace County:

Scoring by quarters:
C 05 12 05 07 29
WC 15 14 16 14 59

Points: Sager 13; Dixon 6; Churchwell 4; Antholz 3; Shrader 2; Reeh 1.

Rebounds: Sager 8; Dixon 6; B. Ponce 5; Antholz 3; Carmichael 2; Robertson 2; Shrader 1; A. Ponce 1; Reeh 1.

Assists: Antholz 4; Shrader 2; Reeh 2; B. Ponce 2; Carmichael 1; A. Ponce 1; Dixon 1; Sager 1.

Steals: A. Ponce 2; Churchwell 1, Carmichael 1, Shrader 1, B. Ponce 1, Antholz 1, Sager 1, Busse 1.

Blocks: Antholz 1; Dixon 1.

Make plans to come to the home games on Saturday Jan. 5 against Triplains. Games start at 3 p.m. Hope to see you there.!

Holiday enjoyed at home

On Saturday, Dec. 22, the weatherman cooperated, and the predicted snow and wind went to the southeast, leaving a cold day in McDonald.

It was warm and crowded in the Legion hall where over 250 people enjoyed the delicious pancakes, sausage and eggs served by the McDonald Lions. They also held drawings for bundles of beef and 11 individuals were the lucky recipients of meat.

The most popular man of the day was busy as little kids (and some not so little) sat on Santa's lap and after telling him their Christmas wishes, received a bag of treats.

Most everyone stayed to the end for the McDonald Area Develop-

ment bingo games as over 200 people enjoyed the afternoon visiting and waiting to win a prize. There were toys, games, repair kits, gift certificates, money and much more waiting to be won. The McDonald Area Development Committee appreciate all the businesses and individuals for their donations for the bingo games. They make the Bingo Day possible.

The drawing was held for the beautiful hand-crocheted tablecloth. The lucky winner was Sidney Busse of Bird City.

Winners of the home decorating and lighting contest were announced. The five winners were Luis and Gabrielle Gonzales, Dave and

Sylvia Hubbard, Michelle Pinion, Bill Schaff and Steve Schneider. Others receiving votes were the city park, Jim Morelock, Rose Gordon, Gary and Penny Loker and Greg Moyer. It was really great that some of the new residents from the Dairy participated in the contest.

McDonald Legion members were busy all afternoon with the pitch games in the basement and the other activities they were sponsoring.

Another Christmas in McDonald is history and the McDonald Area Development, Lions Club and Legion members appreciated all the support they received from the community to make it a happy holiday season.

McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

Death notice

Steven Balik died Dec. 25, 2007, after a long battle with leukemia. Steven had gone to Elkhart to the home of his sister, Dina, for Christmas, and died at the Elkhart hospital.

There was a Rosary on Sunday evening at Williams Funeral Chapel and the funeral was on Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Christmas news

Christmas Eve guests of Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson were Greg, Cheryl and Ryan Wilkinson and Rod, Lisa and Josh Johnson. Christmas dinner guest was Mike Sramek. Afternoon callers were Rod and Lisa Johnson and Lori Denny. Shawn Wilkinson and Amanda Romine were Christmas morning visitors.

Greg and Cheryl Wilkinson and Ryan and Shawn Wilkinson and Amanda Romine, Noah and Abbie were guests of Patty Skolout to be with the Skolouts for Christmas.

Christmas Eve guests of Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison were Wade, Tammi, Ty and Taryn Carmichael, Jim and Cheryl Banister, Kent and Joan Banister, George and Kathy Banister and family, Amanda Banister and Brandon Winter and Donnie Banister.

Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison were among the Christmas guests of Mark and Jackie Roessner.

The Sunday before Christmas, Doug Tongish, Mikayla and Katelyn Cody were visitors of Joan Tongish. Christmas dinner guests of Joan were Mike and Diana Tongish.

Christmas Eve supper guests of Ray and Marlene Johnson were Jim and Lois Morelock and Brian and Connie Sabatka.

Christmas week guests of Gail and Kay Miller were Blaine and Val Hubbard and family, Lori Driskill, Randy, Sue and Jason Miller, Brian and Dawn Miller and girls, Frances Erickson and Glen and Earlene Erickson.

Christmas holiday guests of Jerry and Betty Knapp were Brenda Knapp of Venango, Neb., and Travis Knapp of Hutchinson. Other Christmas Day guests were Stan and Becky Purvis and

family of Goodland.

Jon and Rachel Mallett and Taylor Wilson and Garrett and Chanda Dowling were guests of R.J. and Susie Sabatka from Friday to Tuesday. Additional Christmas Eve guests were Kasey and Jennifer Sabatka and family, Agnes Sabatka, Vaughn and Autumn Sabatka and Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Christmas Day dinner guests of Norman and Tessa Davis were Laddie and Vera Kacirek and Barney Kacirek. They also took Christmas dinner to Ratha Lea Loker.

Debbie Wingfield of Tucson, Ariz., was a holiday guest of her parents from Saturday to Wednesday and Greg Wingfield and family of Alma were

guests from Sunday to Wednesday.

Christmas Eve guests of Fred and LaVina Waters were Kevin and Jeana Penny and family of Burlington, Colo., and Ben Frisbie of Kansas City.

Christmas Day guests of Rick and Kathy Frisbie were Fred and LaVina Waters, Bud and Helen Frisbie and Ben Frisbie.

Christmas holiday guests of A.B. and Judy Fisher were Troy and Lisa Osborne, DeAdre and Madeline of Kansas City and Abe and Janet Fisher, Caleb, Connor and Creighton of Brookfield, Wis. Joleen Reeh, Naome and Keenan were Thursday night supper guests to visit with Abe and Janet and family.

South of McDonald By Sandy Binning

Jeff and Ginger Montgomery and family of Abilene, Texas, Mark and Catina Montgomery and family of Denver and Brad and Misty Montgomery and family of Edmond, Okla., were guests of Lindon and Diane Montgomery over the Christmas holidays.

Christmas Eve guests of Ote and Ellen Dewey were Linda Dewey and Tom and Kelly Dewey and children.

Christmas Day guests of Tom and Kelly Dewey and children were Ote and Ellen Dewey, Linda Dewey and Craig and Barb Morton.

Wednesday through Sunday guests of Tom and Kelly Dewey and children were Christina and Braxton Springer of Manhattan and Ashley Wahrman of Plainville.

George, Kathy and Debbie Banister traveled to Denver Sunday to pick up Jamie Banister of Maryland at the airport.

Amanda Banister of Topeka and Brandon Winter of Andale arrived home Sunday to spend the holidays with the family.

The George Banister family were Monday guests of Amelia Banister for the Banister Christmas celebration.

Tuesday afternoon the George Banister family traveled to Quinter

to visit Laurene Dickman, Kathy's mom. They also stopped in to visit her brother, Daryl Dickman of Grinnell on their return trip home.

The George Banister family celebrated Jamie's birthday at Big Ed's Wednesday evening.

Brandon Winter and Amanda Banister went skiing with friends Friday through Monday at Winter Park.

The children of Mike and Amy Waters participated in the Christmas Eve Program at St. John Lutheran Church, Bird City.

Bethel Golt spent Christmas Day at the Doug and Karen Flemming home. Other guests of the Flemmings were Mike and Amy Waters and children of Haviland and Doug and Judy Waters.

Wednesday guests of Bethel Golt were Elaine, Brent and Debbie Johnson. They stopped in to visit Mike and Amy Waters and family before they headed home to Haviland to beat the storm.

Sunday afternoon guests of Joe, Charlene and Dennis Kramer were Ryan and Diane Shay and children of St. Francis.

Joe and Charlene Kramer were Christmas Day guests of Rodney and Kay Shay and family of St. Francis.

Obituaries

Norma Emma Butcher

April 28, 1920 - Dec. 25, 2007

Norma Emma Butcher, formerly of Bird City, Kan., died Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2007, at the Good Samaritan Care Center in Atwood at the age of 87.

She was born April 28, 1920, at Eureka, S. D., the fourth child of George and Paulina (Heckle) Raile. She was baptized as an infant and later affirmed her Christian faith in German Confirmation in Bowdle, S.D. Norma's childhood days were spent on a farm in Eureka, where she attended rural high school and German Catechism schooling.

She was united in marriage to Joseph W. LeMar in Reno, Nev., and was left a widow in 1964. She later married Andrew L. Butcher in 1968. They were former residents of Reno and then moved to St. Francis in July 1971, where Mr. Butcher died in 1972. She later moved to Bird City in 1974.

Norma's life centered around her family. She enjoyed being a homemaker, and one of her great joys was preparing food. She also enjoyed being active as a grocery checker and also a food waitress. She could not resist her gardening and flowers.

She was a past member of the Salem Lutheran Church in St. Francis then transferred to St. John's Lutheran Church in Bird City where she was a member of W.E.L.C.A. and Ruth Circle. She was also a member of the Tri-State Antique Auto Club; Mother's Circle, Home Aide and Senior Center; AAA Automobile Club; AARP Chapter 1739 St. Francis; and a lifetime member of Veteran of Foreign War Auxiliary Post 1528; the Disabled Veterans of America; and the American Legion Auxiliary Post 352.

She was preceded in death by her parents, George and Pauline Raile; husbands, Joseph LeMar and Andrew Butcher; son, Burton LeMar; one brother, Ruben Raile and one sister, Laura Jones.

She leaves to mourn her pass-

ing, one son, Earl LeMar and his wife, Rosalie of San Jose, Calif.; one sister, Irene Stoecker and husband, Milton of Aberdeen, S.D.; three grandchildren, Stacie Ciesynski and husband, Tim of Sparks, Nev., Natalie Steichen and husband, Greg and Kristie Dunbar and husband, Kevin of San Jose, Calif.; three great-grandchildren, Aubrie Ciesynski of Sparks; Cevin Steichen and Jaiden Dunbar, both of San Jose and many other family members and friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 31, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Bird City with Reverend Charlotte Strecker-Baseler officiating. At an earlier request made by Norma, Gilbert Ochsner sang two hymns in German.

Casket bearers were Lee Amsberry, Keith Dorsch, Norman Dorsch, Stanley Dorsch, Larry Henry and Leo Mazon.

Interment followed at the St. Francis Cemetery.

Memorials may be given in her name.

Judith Anne Monroe
Nov. 1, 1940-Dec. 23, 2007

Judith Anne Monroe, of Tulsa, Okla., died peacefully at her home on Sunday, Dec. 23, 2007, after a two-year struggle with breast cancer.

Judy was born Nov. 1, 1940, in Bird City, Kan., to Ruth and Ralph Leach. She graduated from Bird City High School in 1958 and received her bachelor of arts in education from Kansas State University in 1962.

While a student at Kansas State University, Judy married Robert James Monroe of Portis. They moved to Bloomington, Ind., where Judy taught elementary school and had their first child. In 1967, Judy

earned her master of science degree from Indiana University and continued to teach elementary school.

The family lived in Phoenix, Ariz., before moving to Columbia, Mo., where a second daughter was born in 1970, and their third daughter in 1976.

Judy was a homemaker during the years her children were growing up. She enjoyed cultivating the creative spirit in herself and others with crafts, music and writing.

As a volunteer administrator, she helped establish an occupational therapy program at the cancer hospital in Columbia. The volunteers she organized offered craft programs for chemotherapy patients and opened a gift shop for patients to sell their work.

She loved to write and had several free-lance articles published in magazines.

In 1988, she went back to school to update her teaching credentials for the state of Oklahoma. She felt teaching was not just a profession, but a calling. She taught in the Skiatook Public Schools for over 10 years and was selected Teacher of the Year in 1994.

Judy's sense of humor and enthusiasm for life endeared her to many people from all walks of life.

She is survived by: her daughters, Julie Monroe of Dallas; Natalie and husband, Robert Kincaid of Chicago; Christina Monroe and husband, Lance Boyd of Honolulu; two grandsons, Robert and William Kincaid; brother, Jim and wife, Cindy Leach of Wichita; and former husband, Robert and wife, Pat Monroe of Tulsa.

A memorial service was held Sunday, Dec. 30, in the Chapel at Asbury United Methodist Church.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Judith A. Monroe Memorial Fund at Bank of Oklahoma.

Judith Anne Monroe view and sign the online guest book: <http://www.legacy.com.



Judith Monroe