



GIVING THE 21 GUN SALUTE in the wind and cold were: Charles Coleman, Lee Amsberry, Bill Martin and Robert Brubaker. Speakers Hulda Dorsch and Pastor Dan Carson remember the men and women who have died in the past year.

Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

Alumni reminisce with old friends at potluck dinner

"New friends are like silver, but old friends are like gold!" This old adage is certainly true when Alumni and families come back to McDonald for the Alumni Sunday. Old friends and classmates spent hours visiting and renewing old friendships, and new friends were made.

McDonald Alumni are loyal to their old school as 240 Alumni family and friends attended the potluck dinner and an afternoon of reminiscing.

Judith (Crist) Whaly, class of 50 years, was the Master of Ceremonies for the day. She welcomed everyone before Pastor Greg Moyer led the group in prayer. The class of 50 years led the way to the cafeteria to the long tables of delicious food.

After dinner, the honored classes were introduced. From the 50 year class were Lynn Howard, Verda (Headrick) Wancura; Joyce (Meyer) Smith, Charlene (Scott) Kramer; Jane (Renaue) Peters; Judith (Crist) Whaly; Priscilla (Sabatka) Antholz; Dennis Montgomery;

Ronald Bell and Gabe Faimon. Mrs. Whaly had made up a sheet of each classmate with pictures and information about them. It was posted on the wall so everyone could read about the class.

From the 60-year class were Joan (Hopkins) Tongish and Betty (Pickett) Lewis. The 55-year class had Elaine (Antholz) Menhen; Art Wilkens; Jim Montgomery and Carol (Antholz) Mears.

Skip McCain; Avis Foster and Eldon Pickett represented the 45-year class. Attending from the 40-year class were Mike Sramek; Dennis Vyzourek and Janice (Rummel) Leffler.

The 35-year class had been guests of John and Claudia Powell in Atwood on Saturday evening. Attending were Bruce and Shirley Swhihart; Becky (Jenik) and Bob Simminger; Dale Smith; R.J. and Susie (Kacirek) Sabatka; Cheryl (Skolout) and Greg Wilkinson; Michelle Reeh and

Dave Hubbard. Leonard Vyzourek represented the 70-year class and Frieda (Antholz) Black was recognized from the class of 72 years.

Margie Hubbard conducted the drawing for the door prizes. Kids received the balloon bouquets from the tables and adults were happy to win a potted plant, grown and potted by Margie.

The tables were decorated by Janice Antholz and the McDonald Garden Club. They were festive with balloon, bouquets, potted plants, flags and the old McDonald Rural High School yearbooks.

No prizes were given for attendance distance, but Larry Holub of Vermont would surely have won it.

Ron Bell has all addresses on his computer, but he asked if anyone has a change of address to let him know.

So Alumni Day of 2008 is now history and everyone hopes that the 2009 Day will be as wonderful and memorable as this one.

New equipment approved

By Karen Krien
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Stormy weather threatened outside when the Cheyenne County Hospital Board met Thursday in the basement of the St. Francis Clinic. Weather reports were given regularly as the members conducted the meeting.

Shara Johnson, physical therapist at the hospital, has been accepted into the transitional doctorate program in physical therapy at the University of Kansas Medical Center. She said the program is designed to advance professional training from a master's level to a doctorate level. Physical therapist, she said, will be required to earn their doctorate degree by 2020.

"Earning a doctorate degree will provide me with more knowledge to be able to recognize a medical problem," she said. "In many instances, I may see the patient before the primary care physician.

"I will be able to recognize signs and symptoms of diseases and understand imaging to assist with examining disease. I will be able to understand the pharmacology of how drugs interact with living organisms to produce a change in function."

The program includes web-based courses and online discussion groups. By beginning now, she will be saving \$3,500. The total tuition rates will be \$5,629. She requested that the board allow her \$6,000. The board voted to allow her the \$6,000. She said that, of course, she would continue in Cheyenne County.

Jerry Toler, board chairman, said that the hospital's therapy department is very professional and the county is fortunate to have the staff.

Department report

Amelia Henderson, head of the hospital's outpatient services, gave a report on her department. She started working at the hospital 32 years ago, while she was still in high school. She is responsible for working with the speciality doctors, scheduling appointments, sees to pre-ops, assists with surgery and also does the followups. She has helped in surgery for 14 years.

A challenge she saw was to find space in the basement rooms (there are only two). Dr. Charles Frankem, surgeon, and Dr. Karen Johnson, dermatologist, are extremely busy and many times, Ms. Henderson

said, we are very crowded. Les Lacy, hospital administrator, said Ms. Henderson works well with the providers.

Equipment purchase approved

The board agreed to buy a video laryngoscope, a tool used to place endo-tracheal tubes for surgery and in emergency settings to secure the patient's airway. Dr. Rebecca Allard said this was a very important instrument, was much safer and much improved over what is now being used.

The cost for the video laryngoscope is \$9,825. The money will be taken out of memorial funds. The board voted to purchase the instrument.

Next meeting

The tornado siren sounded around 4 p.m. The hospital staff needed to get to the hospital to move patients to the basement and others needed to leave so the meeting was quickly adjourned with the next meeting set for 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 26, in the St. Francis Clinic basement.

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Weather did not stop students from competing

The weather did not co-operate very well with the first Cheylin Elementary track meet following the last day of school on Thursday, but still the kids ran, jumped and threw the best they could.

Ribbons were awarded to the first, second, and third place winners. Participant ribbons went to the rest of the competitors.

Kindergarten and first grade girls Softball throw: (1) Christina Frink, 36'8"; (2) Guinevere Burr, 16'8"; (3) Kaylynn Hendricks, 11' Long jump: (1) Frink, 7'; (2) Jeimy Martinez, 6'3"; (3) Burr, 5'11"

25-meter dash: (1) Jesie Frisbie, 5.84; (2) Burr, 6.37
50-meter dash: (1) Frisbie, 11.06; (2) Frink, 12.84; (3) Martinez, 14.06

Kindergarten and first grade boys Softball throw: (1) Granite Bock, 56'10"; (2) Jorge Chacon, 47'11"; (3) Jacob Serrano, 47'; Gregor Burr, 43'3"; Leigh Brown, 35'10"

Long jump: (1) Serrano, 4'10"; (2) Yordie Gutierrez, 4'8"; (3)

Jayden Boyson 4'5"; Luis Reynoso, 4'2"

25-meter dash: (1) Bock, 5.58; (2) Burr, 5.96; (3) Serrano, 6.31; Brown, 6.62; Boyson, 6.65
50-meter dash: (1) Bock, 12.4; (2) Serrano, 14.28
400-meter run: (1) Bock; (2) Chacon; (3) Brown

Second and third grade girls Softball throw: (1) Danielle Frink, 36'8"; (2) Rachel Keltz, 32'4"; (3) Alex Hazuka, 29'8"

Long jump: (1) Bergan Bock, 9'6.5"; (2) Frink, 8'5.5"; (3) Keltz, 7'7"; Hazuka, 6'8"

50-meter dash: (1) Frink, 9.37; (2) Hazuka, 9.54; (3) Dominique Johnston, 11.59
100-meter dash: (1) Bock, 18.86; (2) Keltz, 25.15

Second and third grade boys Softball throw: (1) Jordan Janicke, 54'3"; (2) Kevin Estrada, 49'4"; (3) Tom Frisbie, 40'8"

Long jump: (1) Janicke, 5'9.5"; (2) Estrada, 3'10"

50-meter dash: (1) Frisbie, 9.93; (2) Janicke, 10.84; (3) Estrada,

17.37
100-meter dash: (1) Frisbie, 19.46

Fourth and fifth grade girls
Softball throw: (1) Winter Polivka, 80'1"; (2) Alexis Frink, 56'8"; (3) Elizabeth Keltz, 47'4"; Elsa Craig Burr, 35'10"

Long jump: (1) Polivka, 10'11.75"; (2) Diana Garcia, 7'11"; (3) Burr, 7'9"; Keltz, 7'1.5"; Frink, 7'

100-meter dash: (1) Allie Frisbie, 15.84; (2) Meli Navarro, 16.18; (3) Garcia, 18.34; Frink, 20.31; Burr, 21.68

200-meter dash: (1) Frisbie, 35.65; (2) Navarro, 40.31; (3) Kelsey Miller, 50.96
400-meter run: (1) Frisbie,

01:33.3, (2) Polivka, 01:37.5; (3) Navarro, 01:43.5; Garcia, 01:48.5; Keltz, 02:10.8, Miller, 02:16.1

Fourth and fifth grade boys
Softball throw: (1) Jacob Brubaker, 72'9"; (2) Shawn Pochop, 69'5"; (3) Ivan Kemp, 49'3"

Long jump: (1) Devon Janicke, 10'11"; (2) Pedro Gutierrez, 8'6"; (3) Reece Leonard, 8'3"; Derek Vandike, 7'10"; Brubaker, 7'5"; Pochop, 7'5"; Kemp, 5'8.5"

100-meter dash: (1) Janicke, 16.12; (2) Vandike, 18.53; (3) Brubaker, 19.16; Pochop, 19.81

200-meter dash: (1) Janicke, 37.43; (2) Leonard, 43.31; (3) Vandike, 46.59
400-meter run: (1) Leonard, 01:51.2; (2) Kemp, 02:11.3

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