

# County fifth graders attend the Playa Lakes Festival

Fifth-grade students from St. Francis and Cheylin learned about the High Plains water cycle through science, art, creative writing and history during a two-day event. The students were accompanied by their teachers, Lynette Nolan, St. Francis, and Judy Poore, Cheylin.

Dr. Darryl Birkenfeld, executive director of Ogallala Commons, explained to the students the High Plains water system isn't always easy to see. Students visited a dry playa lake basin outside of Wheeler; a small artesian spring 3 miles north of St. Francis; a creek and the River Walk, in order to learn about the High Plains - Ogallala Aquifer.

Julie Boatright, conservation educator, Lubbock, Texas, and Andy Wilkenson, artist-in-residence, Lubbock, Texas, presented a session on bird identification and one on creative writing, which included song and poetry.

Bob Meiyer, Hendon, and Dr. Nick Parker, Lubbock, presented a session on Global Water Situations. Some situations hit very close to home.

The presenters took the students on a visit to the local water treatment plant where they happily dis-



**STUDENTS** respond during discussion of High Plains water cycle

covered a lack of odor and many close encounters with geese and other birds they had learned about the previous day. That afternoon students traveled to a local spring; to a Republican Valley watershed area; and visited other examples of the Ogallala Aquifer.

"I think students will definitely encourage the residents of

this area to learn about the Playa Lakes and how they are needed to recharge the water systems," Mrs. Nolan said.

This is because, she said, they learned that as they grow up and live on the High Plains or in distant places, water use and conservation will be one of the greatest challenges they will face.



**TIA SAGER** has a successful day at the state track meet. She placed first in the discus and third in the shot put.

# Cougars place at regionals

At the regional meet in Hays, Cheylin had three people place. Naomi Reeh received placed sixth in the 300-meter hurdles. Tia Sager placed first in discus and third

in shot put. Lincoln Pochop received placed first in shot put and fifth in javelin.

At the state meet, both Tia and Lincoln went; top four placings

from regionals represents their school. Tia placed sixth in discus and Lincoln placed 11. With the points Tia received, she was able to beat two other teams.



## McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

Myrna Hoovey and Vera Banfor, cousins of Kay Miller, from Grants Pass, Ore., returned home on May 24 after spending a few days visiting Gail and Kay Miller and Frances Erickson.

Gail and Kay Miller left on May 24 to drive to Siloam Springs, Ark., where they were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan

Hubbard. They attended the high school graduation of their grandson, Mitchell Hubbard, at Fayetteville, Ark.

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson were Sunday afternoon visitors of Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Jerry and Betty Knapp spent two days last week in Goodland at the hospital helping in the care

of their granddaughter, Kami Rae Purvis, who is very ill with Roto-Virus. She is much improved and is out of the hospital.

Kami Rae and L.J. Purvis are spending this week with Jerry and Betty Knapp while their older brother and sister are attending Bible School in Goodland.

Karlyne Atchison and Amelia Banister were Thursday visitors of Marie Holzwarth in St. Francis.

Karlyne Atchison and Amelia Banister attended the Kehlbeck wedding in Bird City Saturday evening.

The city of McDonald is getting a "new look," as last week two deserted homes were burned down, and there is a plan to burn down three more homes that are eye-sores to the city. Not only will it improve the looks of the city, it will help get rid of unwelcome rodents.

## South of McDonald

Lindon and Diane Montgomery attended the funeral of their aunt, Helene Hentschal who died last Monday, Friday in Denver.

Joe and Charlene Kramer were Saturday overnight guests of Leon and Nancy Brunton in Ozawkie.

Mike and Lynda Jacobs of Lakewood, Calif., are visiting at the Binning Ranch this week.

Lynn and Rita Officer attended

the wedding of Robin Wilson and Travis Helus Saturday evening at the Leland Wilson Ranch and the reception at City Limits in Colby.

Mike Waters, Ellen and Owen, and Doug Flemming all mowed at Bethel Golt's home Memorial Day. Mike and Amy Waters and Brynn returned home to Haviland Monday evening, but Ellen and Owen stayed to visit with their grandparents.

**Saturday, June 14, 2008 10:00 CT**

**Mowers, Shop, Tools, Collectibles, Antiques, Miscellaneous & Personal Property AUCTION**

**Sellers: Owen & Phyllis Wingfield, Laddie & Vera Kacirek, Bob Brubaker and Others**

**Sale Site: Legion Hall in Bird City, Kansas on Main Street.**

**Antiques & Collectibles**

- Alfred Beck: (early 1900's pharmacist in McDonald, KS) prescription labels
- Recall neon sign
- Pharmacy front w/vervise window & glass & mirror panels (Bucks Drug store)
- Hi-way Cafe sign (McDonald, KS)
- Secretary w/lock door
- Wilmarth glass display case, dated 1914
- Dresser
- Emerson radio, clarinet
- Atwater-Kent radio #5 (mfgr. 1923-24)
- McDonald Centennial pitcher
- Cream can, cool bucket & plane
- 1931 Bobb Merrill primary books (1-8)
- Old kitchen atomizer-rolling pins
- Wagner waffle iron
- Gravy bowl & plates
- Clatters bucket pump
- Stove legs, square nails, ice saw
- Kerosene stove, porcelain door knobs
- Lg selection - cameras, movie cameras & projectors, picture enlarger
- 2 sets of golf clubs (1 wooden)
- Ladies hats, costume jewelry, foot warmer
- Numerous 78 records
- WWI German helmet
- Collection of dolls, some very old
- Books of all kinds; flood of 25, WWI, Teepee to Soddy (Sutton)
- Pictures and frames
- Old hats, pins and boxes
- Men's collars, boxes & buttons
- Survived office chair
- Singer treadle sewing machine
- Antique loveseat; plant stand
- BC centennial buckle #385

**Miscellaneous**

- Lots of Christmas decorations
- Scrap copper, electric wire
- 8 1/2 x 4 lumber, saw windmill
- 2 electric motors
- Treadmill (good)
- M. Frisbie paintings
- Interior wall hangings, silk flowers
- 12x cooler for car
- Stuffed toys
- Large speakers

**Mowers, Garden & Shop/Tools**

- John Deere RX75 riding mower
- Snapper push-mower w/bagger
- Dixon 42" rider mower- new motor (good)
- Yard Machine rider mower, 17.5hp, auto trans.
- Snapper rider mower
- Push weed eater, new motor
- Winpower 12,000w generator, PTO
- Fertilizer spreaders
- Craftsman elec leaf blower
- Lawn chairs
- Table vice, avery & hi-boy jacks
- Lincoln 220 welder
- Elec weed whip
- Woodburning stove
- Wooden barrels w/ water pump for fountain
- 3/4" elec Craftsman impact and socket wrenches
- Jig saw, Yankee drill, elec drill
- 1/4" B/D bit stand
- Wagner paint sprayer (NEW)
- HD 1/2" elec drill
- 48" table, saw boomers, log chains, come-along
- Misc nuts, bolts, screws & bins
- Fluorescent light fixtures

**Tractors and Guns**

- 65 Ferguson (40), 3pt, PTO tractor
- Remington- 22 bolt action, sports master
- Truck - 1967 GMC Truck, 16' Box & Hunt, 4 sp, 2 sp
- Floral sofa China hutch, tea cart
- End tables/coffee table
- Occasional chairs
- Dining table & chairs
- 2 kitchen tables, misc stands
- Leather & cloth recliners
- Ceramic dishes
- Cup collection, tupperware
- Stainless silverware
- Powermast 760 repeater pellet gun
- Gun case

**Household**

- Lots of dishes, glasses, serving dishes, bakeware
- cookware & utensils (all types - 3 households)
- Office chairs
- Pots & pans
- Candelabras
- McMillen Drug Store
- Lg metal file cabinet
- King size headboard
- Dehydrator, Westinghouse roaster-stand
- Sev vacuums
- Bedspreads, bedding, towels, tablecloths, etc.
- Sewing basket & sewing items
- Handmade doilies, quilt material
- Embroider towels; lots of hand towels
- Picnic basket, leather box
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Thanks, Royce

**Lunch will be served.**

**TERMS: Cash or Approved Check.** Not responsible for accidents or articles after sold. All announcements day of sale shall take precedence over printed material.