



STORYTIME AT THE BIRD CITY LIBRARY gives kids the opportunity to participate in fun crafts, games, hearing great stories, and learning how to check out books. Left to right is Ivan Kemp, Joseph Melton, Jackson Boyson, Jayden Boyson, Joseph Augusta and Kaylynn Hendricks.

Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

Firemen ask emergency equipment

By Karen Krien

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A Bird City fireman was at the Wednesday, Oct. 15, Cheyenne County Commissioners' meeting to talk about the vehicle that carries the emergency rescue equipment.

Dale Hazuka, Bird City, said the vehicle which carries their emergency equipment needed work. The transmission was out and, by the time it was replaced, it was going to cost around \$4,000.

The vehicle is an 80s ambulance which had been converted to carry emergency equipment. The com-

missioners agreed that this is the time to look for a suburban as people are getting rid of them because of poor gas mileage. Mr. Hazuka said he would take the information back to the other firemen and look for a vehicle.

Bind weed

Ernie Ketzner, commissioner, said Kay Bakke, Bird City, had bind weed. She told him she had spent a lot of money trying to get rid of it but had no luck.

The Bird City crew doesn't have a permit to use the type of chemical needed and the county is supposed to control noxious

weeds (which is what bind weed is). Mr. Ketzner said that when Dan Schlittenhardt, supervisor, was contacted by the city crew, he told them it had already bloomed and it was too late to treat it.

The commissioners agreed that it wouldn't hurt to treat it in the fall and, if it didn't work, he could treat it again in the spring. Mr. Ketzner would leave a message for Mr. Schlittenhardt to treat the weed.

In other business

In other business: The commissioners signed a permit letting Nobel Energy seismograph land north of Bird City. Dave Flemming, road and bridge department supervisor, said they estimated the seismograph would take up to six months.

The commissioners agreed to get rid of the corner bushes on the courthouse grounds.

After considerable discussion with Charles Krull, representative for Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Kansas, the commissioners agreed to raise the life insurance policy for employees from \$10,000 to \$20,000. The county now pays \$6 per employee for the insurance. The cost will go up to \$11.40 per employee.

Mr. Krull also asked that the commissioners consider changing the county's health insurance from the Corporate Plan to Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

The fair board's no trespassing

signs were ordered. The commissioners also talked about repainting the signs in front of the courthouse steps.

Carol Gamblin, 911 dispatch director, said the supplies to lower the ceiling in the dispatch office will cost around \$300. They will be installed by in-house labor. She asked for 15 minutes executive session to discuss non-elected personnel with no decision being made when they came out of the session.

The commissioners agreed to meet with Bruce Web, an appraiser from Osborne, who is interested in working in St. Francis part-time. He knows that the commissioners plan to train an appraiser. The commissioners also approved for Karen Flemming, who works in the appraiser's office, to attend a personal property and motor vehicle training for two days.

Mike Hewitt's bid of \$800 to wash all the courthouse windows, inside and outside, was accepted.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 31, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.

McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson attended the Moorman Feed supper in Bird City on Tuesday evening. They also visited Barney Kacirek.

Lisa Johnson and Sammie Ufford were Saturday morning visitors of Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson.

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson were Sunday visitors of Lisa Johnson to visit Josh Johnson before he returns to Wyoming.

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson were Thursday visitors of Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

On Saturday, Joan Tongish attended a birthday party for Katelyn Cody on her seventh birthday at the home of her grandpa, Doug Tongish, in Goodland.

Kasey and Jennifer Sabatka and children were Sunday morning visitors of Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Cheryl Wilkinson, Patty Skolout, Debbie Cook and Larry Skolout returned home on Wednesday from a week's trip to Washington, D.C. where they visited Crystal Cook. She works in the Capitol area and gave them an enjoyable tour of the city.

On Sunday, Lakin Denny, daughter of Lori and J.J. Denny, celebrated her seventh birthday in the home of her parents in Colby. Among those who attended the party were Greg, Cheryl and Shawn Wilkinson, Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson, and Jamie Harris and children of McCook.

On Wednesday, Karlyn Atchison and Amelia Banister visited Coy DeGood and Viola Jones in the Good Samaritan Home in St. Francis and also visited Marie Holzwarth in her home

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Kathy and Debbie Banister attended a bridal shower for Amanda Banister at the home of Kathy's sister, Stacie Martin of Topeka Saturday afternoon. Debbie and Kathy were Friday and Saturday overnight guests of Steve and Diane Heiman of Belleville.

Ote, Ellen and Linda Dewey, and Tom and Kelly Dewey and children attended the wedding

of Megan McNall and Brandon Isaacson in Scandia Saturday evening.

Donna, Porsha, Bianca, Jazzmin and Sandy Binning were Sunday afternoon callers on Lindon and Diane Montgomery.

Brandt and Margie Ochsner of Semi Valley and Becky Rosinbum of Olympia, Wash., house guests this past week of Bethel Golt, left for Denver Sunday.

Family reunion held

Eight Rambat cousins and spouses met on Saturday, Oct. 11, at Gwen Boswell's home in Bird City. Many memories were evident and past experiences shared growing up in Bird City as a close-knit family. In the tradition of Rambat gatherings, lots of food and warmth were present.

Those in attendance were: John Rambat, Ogallala, Neb.;

Marlene (Holscher)/Gene Young, Bird City; Bradley and Dot Rambat, Marysville, Wash.; Gwen (Rambat) Boswell, Bird City; Connie (Rambat)/Dave Zerfas, Hot Springs, Ark.; Jan (Rambat)/Jim Hall, Arvada, Colo.; Monty Rambat (representing Verdis) Anton, Colo. T.J. Peters and Melinda, Dallas, Texas, were unable to attend.

Bowling News

Monday Night Mixed 10/13

Team standings: Earl's Gals 7-1, Neitzel Insurance 6-2, Majestic 3-1, Wrecking Balls 2-6, Wano's 2-6, Cheyenne Bowl 0-4

High game (scratch): Kale Zimbelman 201, Earl Hankins 199, Eddie Zuege 190, Tammy Zimbelman 180, Sally Baird 170, Tina Elliott 154; (handicap): E. Hankins 260, Baird 224, K. Zimbelman 223, Troy Meyer 220, T. Zimbelman 214, Dorothy Hankins 212

High series (scratch): K. Zimbelman 571, Zuege 487, E. Hankins 478, T. Zimbelman 456, Elliott 433, Baird 407; (handicap): E. Hankins

661, K. Zimbelman 637, Arrie Cox 603, Erica Harlan 591, D. Hankins 578, Janice Krien 571

Wednesday Afternoon Coffee 10/15

Team standings: Lodge Sleepers 20-4, Kale's Girls 14-10, Western State Bank 11-13, Dairy King 3/21 High game (scratch): Carol Peterson 171, Marlys Poulignot 158, Linda Query 157; (handicap): Peterson 232, Janice Krien 217, Wynona Springer 216

High series (scratch): Debbie Bush 418, Query 412, Poulignot 396; (handicap): Krien 598, Bush and Springer 583

School Menu

Monday, Oct. 27

Breakfast: blueberry scones. Lunch: hamburger cheese macaroni.

Tuesday, Oct. 28

Breakfast: cinnamon crispies. Lunch: beef and noodles, bread.

Wednesday, Oct. 29

Breakfast: muffin, boiled egg.

Lunch: taco, vegetable, dessert.

Thursday, Oct. 30

Breakfast: sausage cheese scones.

Lunch: hamburger sandwich on bun, French fries.

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Every lunch is served with salad bar, fruit and milk

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