By Karen Krien

karen.k@nwkansas.com The director of the county development corporation was present at the Cheyenne County Commissioners' meeting Thursday.

meeting which was printed in *The* He said there was no motel chain specifically looking at Cheyenne County. Terry Miller, county clerk, said if the newspaper article was wrong, then his minutes were as the article.

Mr. Kribs said that it was looking at the article which used the term "may" he decided it was probably OK.

There was also some confusion, he said, about the county verses the city. There are three towns, Bird City, Wheeler and St. Francis, located in the county and all might be eligible for a motel. He had said the article had upset motel owners as well as raising wanted information such as demographics and restaurants.

Cathy Since executive director of Century II, Bird City, had been at the Oct. 15 meeting concerning the possibility of locating a motel commissioner, asked Mr. Kribs if he and Mrs. Domsch had Development Corporation.

My goal, Mr. Kribs said, is to bring business to the county. In the past, the Corporation has only on St. Francis, so, he said, we have been meticulous not to show favoritism over one city.

Corporation board, recognized Commission being with the Development Business Administration. Corporation and being available and other opportunities.

is nothing definite.

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year will be worse, Mr. Kribs said. Funding for schools and infrastructures, just to name a few, are going to be cut.

"We need to find a way to help ourselves," he said.

First of all, though, he said, Chuck Kribs, director of the we need to make sure that tax Chevenne County Development dollars alloted to projects stay in Corporation, said the article the state. He said he had talked about the commissioners' Oct. 15 to the department of commerce about introducing a bill in the Herald and Times was incorrect. legislature which will require contractors to spend tax dollars within the state and a certain amount spent within the county where the project is located.

One of the things accomplished wrong as they were about the same through the Development Corporation was a study where businesses filled out surveys. basically the headline but, after Mr. Kribs said that the survey showed that county businessmen are optimistic that things will get better. The county, he said, doesn't have a large labor base but there needs to be ways to keep people here. There were people who said they would be interested in investing money in a good business opportunity.

A housing survey had been made. It is complete in Bird City community expectations. The and Mr. Kribs said there are 48 questionnaire he had received empty homes in the town which is 12 more than two years ago. The surveys are still coming in Domsch, from St. Francis residents.

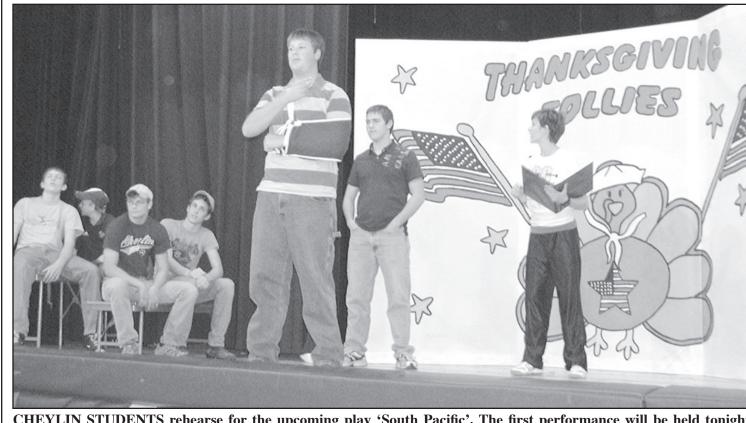
The directors would like to start pitching a re-population interest along the front range, telling people about the in Bird City, Ernie Ketzner, availability of good homes at reasonable prices.

The organization is one of talked about the motel issue? He the founding members of the said they had talked but, in the Alliance for Rural Entrepreneurs, end, Mrs. Domsch had elected a tri-state entity. It is also not to participate with the involved with the Northwest Kansas Travel Council and the Northwest Kansas Area Transit Association.

The directors have served taken a lot of heat about focusing as liaisons and resource for individuals needing assistance Pioneer County from Development Northwest Kansas Kari Gilliland, a member of the Planning and Development and Kansas Chuck and Diane Kribs for Department of Commerce, Small

They have talked to prospective to pursue leads on businesses or existing businesses with funding support agencies, Just because there are contacted wind generation inquiries, Mr. Kribs said, there developers, researched funding opportunities for remodeling the kitchen for the St. Francis Senior The state of the economy in Center, worked on a wetlands Kansas is in trouble and next creation/waste water project for a proposed slaughterhouse; and are looking into the hunting co-op and family host program, agri-tourism is an project.

The list of contacts and accomplishments is long. The Kribs welcome people to stop by their office on Washington Street, St. Francis. They are open four days a week and look forward to talking to people about ideas and plans.



CHEYLIN STUDENTS rehearse for the upcoming play 'South Pacific'. The first performance will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 and a Dinner Theater on Saturday.



CRAFT SHOW COMES TO TOWN — Leah Rambat and Nancy Semler look over the crafts on the display table.

Club Clip

Cheyenne County Hospital Guild

Twelve members of the Cheyenne County Hospital Guild met at the office of Dr. Tim Poling. Dr. Poling and his crew gave a very interesting talk and demonstration on the newer equipment that is used in his office.

From there the group reconvened at the Senior Center for their business meeting. Each officer and program chairman gave their reports.

The short meeting was adjourned and Eileen Nolan and Sherry Schultz provided refreshments. Betty Louden assisted in serving.

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