

Cheylin to host Entrepreneurship fair on March 23

“Entrepreneurship is the assumption of risk and responsibility in designing and implementing a business strategy or starting a business, in other words, coming up with a great idea and using it to start your own business!” said Cathy Domsch, executive director of Century II Development Foundation.

The first Cheylin Entrepreneurship Fair (E-Fair) will be held on Tuesday, March 23, in the Cheylin High School gymnasium. This year there will be 16 participants from the seventh through 12 grades.

The students will be writing business plans and creating a project model to present to judges, classes and the public. They will be judged on their business plan, product knowledge, marketing ideas, product and financial feasibility, commitment to rural economy/lifestyle, and verbal presentation. Participants have a chance to win awards of \$500 - \$300 - \$200!

Entrepreneurial spirit is characterized by innovation and risk-taking, and it is the goal of the E-Fair

to encourage the community's youth to 'give it a try' and give them the support and encouragement to succeed.

“A long-term goal of the E-Fair and entrepreneurship programs in schools and the community is to let the students know that we want them to consider to 'come back home' to work and raise their families,” said Mrs. Domsch.

Between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. browse through the different booths to see the creativity of the students and visit the tables of resource partners coming to visit throughout the state, and at 10:30 a.m. enjoy speaker, Val Riess, a Weskan entrepreneur, and conclude the morning with the presentation of award winners at 11 a.m.

The public is invited to support the students by attending the E-Fair and enjoy refreshments while visiting with the students.

For more information contact the Bird City Century II Development Foundation office at 785-734-2556 or email to info@bird-city.com.



BASKETBALL SEASON is over and the Cougars had six wins and 15 losses. Coach Jeremy Stefan said the team lost a lot of close games, but look forward to next year. Caleb Keltz, 12, was top scorer for the season with a total of 282 points
Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

Society to award \$500 scholarship

The Cheyenne County Historical Society will award a \$500 scholarship to one graduating senior in order to encourage his or her further education and interest in local history.

Applicants must meet four criteria: be a Cheyenne County resident; have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.0 at high school graduation; plan to attend a college, university, or vocation-technical school; and submit an application and essay in a large, brown envelope by March 31 to Ward Cassidy at St. Francis Community High School or Anita Burton at Cheylin High School.

Application forms are available from Mr. Cassidy or Mrs. Burton. St. Francis students should be aware that the common application form they usually complete for local scholarships will not be used by the Historical Society's Scholarship Committee because they chose to use a form that would be equitable for both St. Francis and Bird City students.

An essay of 250-300 words should address why it is important to know the history of Cheyenne County. The applicant should not put his or her name on the essay itself because the judges wish to be impartial.

The scholarship recipient will be awarded \$250 in August and \$250 in January 2011, as long as he or she maintains at least a 2.0 grade-point average and remains in good standing at the school attended. This money can be used to help buy some texts or pay some tuition or room and board.

This is the fourth year the Cheyenne County Historical Society is offering this scholarship. The first year the amount was \$250, and Brittany Lucas was the recipient. The following year the society voted to raise the amount to \$500, and Jenice Hartman and Elizabeth Gienger were the subsequent recipients.

Direct any questions to Lucille Rossbach at 332-8903.

Students participate in ag mechanics

On March 3, Cheylin FFA members traveled to Goodland to participate in the FFA Ag Mechanics.

Max Keltz, FFA leader, took Heath Antholz, Adrian Garcia, Caleb Keltz, Dalton Magnani, Cory Rucker, Chris Walden and Ethan Young to compete against 13 teams with 81 individuals.

The Cheylin team placed third for the overall high of the event and placed third in welding, eighth in electricity, seventh in farm power, fifth in soils and first in structures.

To place as an individual overall, the participant had to compete in at least three contests. Antholz was sixth in welding; Garcia placed 58th in farm power;

Keltz was fourth overall, third in welding, placed 23rd in electricity, 14th place in farm power, 12th place in soils, and 34 place in structures.

Maganani placed 19th in electricity and seventh in structures; Rucker placed 46th in welding; Walden was eighth overall for the day, second place in structures, 42th place in electricity, 19th place in farm power, and placed 15th in soils, and Young placed 18th overall for the event, 36th place in welding, 30th place in electricity, 17th place in farm power, 19th place in soils, and placed 14th in structures.

“We had a good time and the guys did great by placing third for the day, h said Mr. Keltz.



Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I read last week's article on Bird City's City Council meeting and felt I should clarify a couple of items concerning the Community Development Block Grant that was awarded to Bird City last fall.

During the March 1 meeting, the City Council approved to raise the Community Development Block Grant "walk-away policy" limit from \$18,000 to \$20,000. I believe this may have caused some confusion amongst your readers.

The "walk-away policy" has nothing to do with grant funds. The Community Development Block Grant rehabilitation process is composed of several steps.

Step one is to apply and income qualify. Once eligibility is established, an initial inspection of the property is performed. During this inspection, the inspector completes a work write-up estimate that details the work needing to be done to the home and an approximate cost of each item.

Previously, if the work write-up cost estimate was at \$18,000 or below, the applicant could then

proceed to step three—putting it out for bids to contractors.

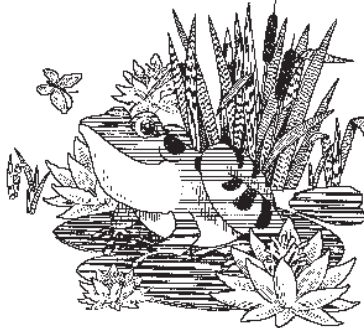
However, if the cost was estimated above \$18,000, the City had to "walk-away" from the project unless the homeowner could pay the difference or do some of the work themselves to bring the cost down to \$18,000 before the project could be put out for bids.

By raising the walk-away limit to \$20,000, projects estimated to cost over \$18,000 will now be able to proceed to step three; however, the grant payout per home still remains at \$18,000 per applicant. Therefore, if all contractor bids are higher than \$18,000, the City still cannot proceed with the rehabilitation.

The City of Bird City is currently moving forward with three rehabilitation projects out for bids. We are expecting to receive acceptable bids for each of the projects sometime this month.

For more information concerning the Community Development Block Grant awarded to Bird City, please feel free to contact me at City Hall at 785-734-2616.

DeAnza Ambrosier
Bird City city clerk



Rawlins County Health Center Rawlins County Health Fair March 18, 2010

Atwood Elementary School Gymnasium &
6 a.m. - Noon

Laboratory Profiles

Comprehensive Metabolic Panel,
Lipid Panel & Hemagram offered

6-8 a.m.

Fasting for 12 hours is recommended to assure accurate results for the blood chemistries.

Patient must pay at time of service
Profile of 31 tests for just \$29

(Regular value \$116.50)

- Alanine Aminotransferase
- Alkaline Phosphatase
- Total Bilirubin
- Sodium Potassium Chloride
- Calcium Glucose Cholesterol
- Triglycerides HDL & LDLc
- Cholesterol Rank
- Cholesterol/HDL Ratio
- LDL/HDL Ratio
- Cardiac Risk Estimate
- Total Protein
- Albumin Globulin A/G Ratio
- Creatinine WBC RBC HGB
- HCT MCV MCHC
- MCH RDW Platelets MPV

Lab results may be picked up at
the RCHC front office after
March 22, 2010

Exhibitors

Health Care Resource Booths
6-12 a.m.

- Active Balance Chiropractic
- NWKS Area Agency on Aging
- Good Samaritan Society
- Philips Lifeline
- Gary Fisher/Massage/Tai Chi Demo 11 a.m.
- Dana Jewell Body Images Med Spa
- Rawlins County Dental Clinic
- Currier Drug Therapeutic Shoes
- Bison Compounding
- Currier Drug Integrated Listening
- Currier Drug Durable Medical Equipment
- Rawlins County Health Department
- Rawlins County EMS
- Rawlins County Health Center Building Project
- Herndon Insurance
- Rawlins County Health Center Foundation
- Rawlins County Extension Office
- Living with Diabetes/Diane Sis, RN
- High Plains Mental Health
- Hospice Services, Inc.
- Veterans Administration
- Rawlins County Health Center Physical Therapy
- NWKS Hearing Service
- Social & Rehabilitation Services

RCHC Breakfast!

(Donations accepted)

Public Seating Available

Upcoming Promotions

For more information contact Casey McCormick at:

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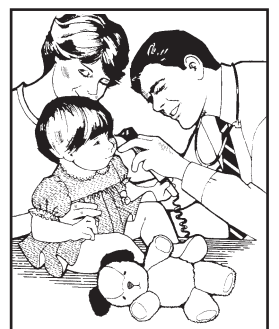
Join us in
Saluting
the Area
Farmers!



Spring School Section

Featuring
students involved
in sports, vocal,
band, drama,
honor society
and journalism

Rural Health Section



This section is packed
full of information on
hospitals, physicians
and medical services
available in the area

Register to Win a FREE 19" Digital Color Television!
Stop by the Rawlins County Health Center Foundation Booth to register
One registration per person! You MUST be present to win! Drawing to be held at NOON!
Television donated by Duckwalls, Inc.