



**THANKSGIVING DINNER AT CENTER** — Above, Doris Amsberry and Darlene Burr play Bingo after the meal. Left, Edna Roesener slices up the ham and Marlene Young helps get the food out.

*Times staff photos by Norma Martinez.*



**CLEANING UP**— Vernetta Haack, Rosemary Powell and Bonnie Burr clean up the dessert table after the Thanksgiving meal held at the senior center.

## Many attend Thanksgiving celebration

The Bird City Senior Thanksgiving dinner was well attended on Nov. 21, with at least 50 people showing up. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the meal of turkey, ham, and all the other trimmings of the tradition. The Senior Center provided the ham and turkey, and everyone else provided the rest, consisting of lots of jello salads and desserts. Desserts consisted of pumpkin and cherry pies, cakes and home made peanut clusters, and peanut brittle. Many others were also provided so no one went home without finding something filling and good to eat.

Several senior citizens took advantage of the presence of Mila Bandel who was on hand before the dinner for doing blood pressure checks.

A brief business meeting was held after the meal, and followed by a good time with Bingo. Lots of prizes were on hand so everyone playing had a chance to take home a prize, which consisted of books of stamps, gift cards from Hometown Market, embroidered towel set, and many other grocery store items, handmade gifts, and mystery envelopes and packages. Everyone attending had an opportunity to take home a prize. They all had so much fun with all the great food and prizes.

There will be no pot luck in December due to Christmas, but they will begin again on the last Monday of the month. Plan to be there!!!

## Cheylin students attend education trip to Topeka

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Forty-one Cheylin School students were among the different groups of 27 schools from the Northwest Kansas area to participate in an educational trip to Topeka. The Hansen Foundation provided funds of \$2,500 to pay for their expenses.

On Nov. 3 and 4, the group and six school sponsors took the school bus to Topeka, toured the Capitol, Museum of History and other points of educational interest. For some of the students this was a once-in-a-life time opportunity.

Legislature was on break so they did not get to see the legislature in session and meet them. Besides having fun swimming at the motel and roller skating, this was an educational experience in many ways, as they learned a lot about the Capitol and saw a lot of history in the museum.

They also learned how to budget with the limited amount of funds they were allowed. They were allowed to spend \$6 per meal per person and by dividing into three groups, alternating between McDonalds, Wendy's and Subway they averaged \$5 per person and ate well.

As a group, they spent 13 hours on the bus and handled themselves well. Bruce Bolen, superintendent, bragged on how the boys made the rule that the girls were to get off

the bus first. He did mention that he made them clean the bus before he would allow them to have their luggage.

Danea Magnani, Diana Garcia, Alex Hazuka and Jordan Janicke opened the November board of education meeting by presenting Mr. Bolen with a "thank you" balloon for allowing the group to have this experience.

### Executive sessions

Four 30 minute executive sessions were scheduled as first on the agenda for the Nov. 14 Cheylin Board meeting with the high school volleyball, high school basketball, junior high volleyball and junior high basketball coaches.

### In other business

- The training rules for the winter sports were approved.

- The supplemental contract for Sylvia Hubbard as the assistant junior high girls basketball coach was approved.

- Mindy Antholz's supplemental contract as the assistant high school boys basketball coach was approved.

- Motion was approved to accept the supplemental contract for Laurie Leonard as the assistant junior high boys basketball coach.

- Approved was an increase to pay the compensation to Blanca Rodriguez for performing quasi-administrative duties.

- The board also approved a

\$3,000 donation from the Cheylin Booster Club to be used toward the purchase of a sound system at the Cheylin football field.

- A donation of \$2,500 from the Kansas State Historical Society to be used toward a visit to the Kansas Museum of History and State Capitol was approved.

- The Bird City Century II Foundation donated \$20,000 to be used toward the Cheylin Wellness Center construction.

- A donation of \$1,000 from the Wheeler Equity was approved.

- Pam Stevens was hired as part-time custodian to work approximately 4 hours per day, receive three sick days that accumulate to 15 (four hour days), two vacation days (four hour days) and will not be offered insurance.

- Terry Ostmeier donated a Powermatic table saw valued at approximately \$1,000.

- Board members previously discussed the installation of a closed circuit television in the McDonald concession stand. The television will allow the volunteers who work the concession to enjoy the games.

An executive session was then called to discuss other various items not disclosed.

### Next meeting

The next board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 10.



**THANK YOU** — Students Danea Magnani, Diana Garcia, Alex Hazuka and Jordan Janicke give Mr. Bruce Bolen a balloon and bottle of ketchup.

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