

Cougar Activities

By Bru and the Crew

The Cheylin volleyball team put their skills to the test when they journeyed to Quinter last Friday to compete in Quinter's annual quad. The Cougars opened the day with a disappointing loss to Golden Plains. They dropped the first set 25 to 11 and the second 25 to 17. Stephanie Busse led in digs and kills with five and six respectively. Mary Anne Orten was head of the assists with five. Cassie Rucker received the most serves at 23 and Diana Garcia was the master server with six-serving points and one ace. Shayla Hubbard had the lone block.

The next match the Cougars came closer to the "V," but not close enough. They dropped the first match to Heartland Christian 18 to 25 and the next 19 to 25. Busse led again in blocks and digs with 12 in both categories. Rucker received another seven serves, as did Garcia. Hubbard was a force with 10 assists, 12 serving points and two aces. Danae Magnani emerged as a surprise with four blocks. Magnani should see more varsity time after an injury was sustained by varsity starter Allie Frisbee.

The final match of the day came with a loss at the hands of Quinter. The first match escaped the Cougars 18 to 25 and the second 15 to 25. Busse led the kills for the third straight games with seven. Rucker led the serves received with 13 and the digs with two. Hubbard and Orten tied in assists with four. Hubbard was also the serving champ with two aces and six serving points. Better luck to the ladies at their next set of matches.

Future Farmers of America land judging was on the agenda for the Ag students last Wednesday as they dragged themselves out of bed at 5 to make the bus at 5:30

so they could make the long haul to Russell. Elizabeth Keltz placed ninth and Ivan Kemp placed third to lead the Green Hands to a third placed finish. The varsity finished fourth. Stephanie Busse was the only top ten performer for the Cougars.

The football men packed up and headed to Sharon Springs for their game against Wallace County. Some were calling it the game of the week. It was a long anticipated matchup that was expected to be a close, hard fought, down to the wire game.

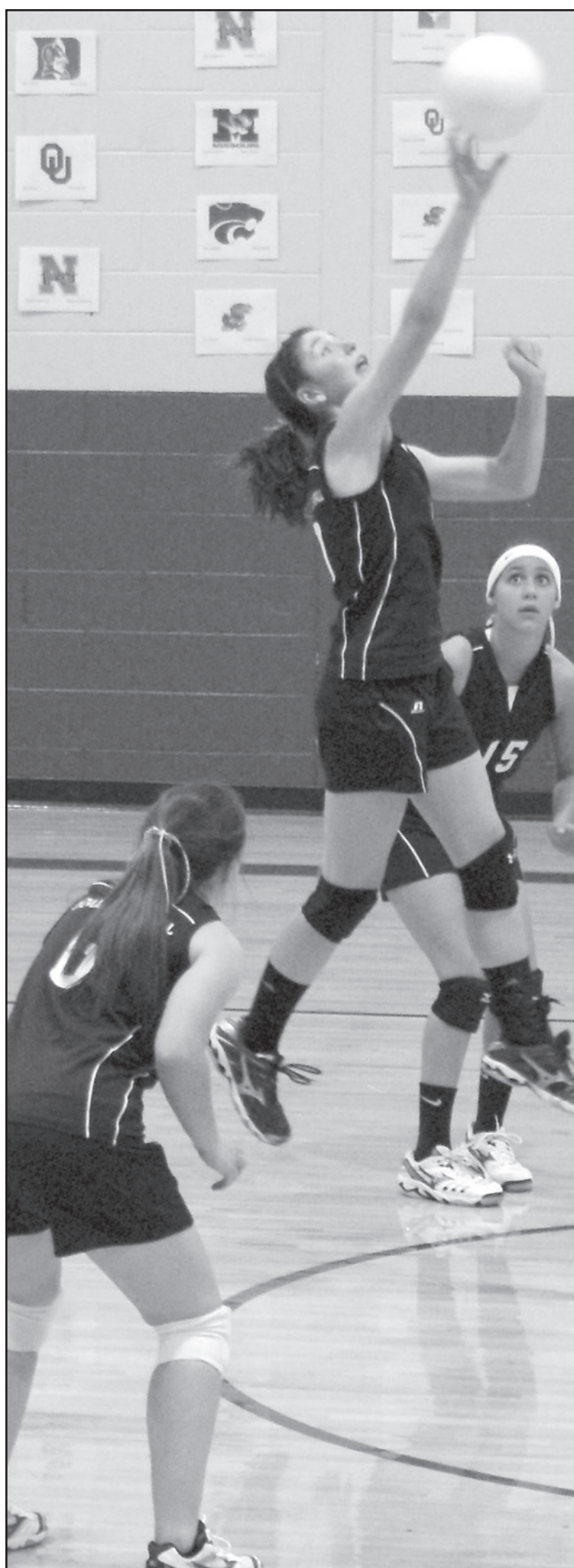
However, it turned out to be anything but. Wallace County started the game quickly by forcing a cougar fumble and quickly taking it in for a touchdown. The Cougars then drove inside the opponents 20 but their drive stalled and they failed to score.

The Cougars saw daylight after Heath Churchwell picked a pass on Wallace County's ensuing drive. However the Cougars failed on offense again. From there it was Wallace County all the way as they dominated the rest of the first half and went into halftime ahead 44-0.

The second half brought more of the same on defense but little offense as the Cougars scratched out one score as did Wallace County and the game came to a finish as the Cougars were handed a disappointing loss as the final tally numbered Wallace County 50, Cheylin 6.

The Cougars were outgunned in this game and Wallace County deserved the win, but some questions must be raised about the sportsmanship of the Wildcats.

Don't forget to come out and support our Cougars for all their events. For listing of events check the school calendar or catch up any time at www.cheylin.com/vnews. Go Cougars!



ALLIE FRISBIE leaps for the ball in a home match as her teammates set up to react.

Bird City News

The perfect weather on Friday evening brought several people out to the park. The only thing to spoil the evening was the inevitable flies.

Bill, Willy, and Ray Martinez, were in the Shelter House grilling steak and hamburgers on the grill and visiting with their out-of-town guests. Their brother and sister-in-law, Clyde and Pat Martinez arrived on Wednesday afternoon with their daughter Jessica, and Hector Martinez and their five children, Abigail, Hector, Hanna, Joy and Zoe, from Denton Texas. Also relaxing in the coolness from the heat were Anna Martinez, Anna Marie Crespin, and Carol Martinez.

The Martines children are home schooled and enjoyed their extended summer break getting

acquainted with their aunts and uncles, but were not anxious about having to make up the time they have to make up from the late start.

Several other groups with children were just relaxing and visiting while their children were enjoying playing on the pyramid webbing and swings.

Reba Baker attended the Monday potluck at the senior center. She is visiting Jenni Cravens and family.

Pastor Tom Bailey's son Philip Bailey, was also in attendance of the potluck dinner. He just recently graduated from Barnett Bicycle Institute where he became certified as a bicycle mechanic. He is presently living with the Baileys while seeking employment. This week he will be going to Memphis, Tenn., for an interview.

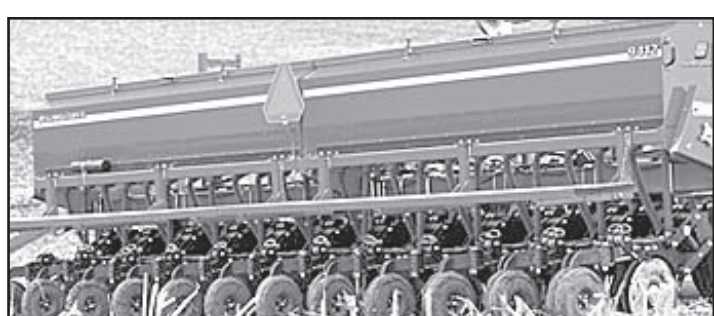
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Helpful Hints

- Flies or bees bothering you? Spray them with hair spray and they will take a quick dive.
- Sealed envelope - put in the freezer for a few hours, then slide a knife under the flap. The envelope

- can then be resealed.
- Use empty toilet paper roll to store appliance cords. It keeps them neat and you can write on the roll what appliance it belongs to.

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School Menu

Oct. 1 - Oct. 4

Monday

Breakfast: pear chocolate chip scone, yogurt, banana, and milk

Lunch: chicken wrap, steamed carrots, Spanish rice, romaine and tomato salad, tropical fruit, peaches, and milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: western omelet quesadilla with salsa, orange wedge, and milk

Lunch: sloppy joe on bun, sweet potato puffs, baked beans, fresh broccoli, pears, applesauce, and milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: egg taco, cereal, toast, juice and milk

Lunch: beef and cheese enchiladas, steamed green beans, fruit juice gelatin, spinach salad, peaches, mandarin oranges, and milk

Thursday

Breakfast: pumpkin chocolate chip muffin, cereal, orange slice, and milk

Lunch: chili, cinnamon roll, celery, carrots, oriental salad, fruit cocktail, pears, and milk

Household Hazardous Waste Roundup!

Do You Have Any Unwanted Products Stored at Home!

**Paints
Solvents
Cleaners
Pesticides
Aerosol Cans
Batteries
Used Oil**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Cheyenne County will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on **Saturday, Sept. 29 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the Cheyenne County Landfill.

Materials accepted include paints, solvents, cleaners, pesticides, aerosol cans, batteries and used oil. Automobile lead acid batteries will be accepted. Please have the materials in sturdy boxes for easy and quick unloading. Have your used oil in disposable containers. Farm chemicals, appliances, tires, yard waste, explosives, school lab chemicals, medical waste, radioactive waste, ammo, compressed gas cylinders (propane), asbestos, dioxins or silvex will not be accepted. Program organizers reserve the right to reject delivery of materials.

Participants are asked to leave all materials in their original containers. If the container is leaking, pack the container "as is" in another larger container and label it clearly. If another container is used, be sure it is clearly labeled. Do not mix contents of different containers. Securely package materials before transporting. Do not carry open containers of liquids with strong odors or spill potential in a closed automobile. Pack the containers so they won't tip, break or spill during travel. Waste oil should not contain gasoline, solvents, degreasers, paint or antifreeze. Keep all household hazardous waste away from children and animals.

Due to KDHE regulations these are items that can't be picked up during the City-Wide Cleanup later in the month. You do not need to call prior to bringing items to the Landfill. If you have questions, please call the Landfill at 785-332-8842, Tuesday through Saturday.

No Household Hazardous Waste items accepted early or after the clean up date.

Drought conditions show importance of wetlands program

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Of all the Wetlands Reserve Program applications received in the state of Kansas during fiscal year 2009, nearly half of them came from "arid" western Kansas. That may seem strange to many of you, but there are several reasons that this may have occurred. Western Kansas is home to a unique ecosystem called Playa Lakes that stretches across the high plains. There are the sometimes annoying small mud holes that cause tillage and crop problems, to the obvious large basins that most all would recognize as occasional or seasonal wetlands.

One factor that may have contributed to the increase in applications is that rainfall has once again started to bless the area, and landowners are remembering why they had trouble farming that certain low area. Another factor is that there have been several individuals that have done a very good job of selling the program to potential participants. Lastly, the Geographic Area Rate Cap, which sets the upper limit of what the government may pay for the easement has been raised to a level that is attractive to the landowner. Combine all of these factors, and there is the potential to have a number of applications come from an unlikely part of the state.

The Wetland Reserve Program is a voluntary restoration program that provides technical assistance to restore and improve wetland resources on private lands. This program is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service. Those interested and

think that they may have an area that may qualify for the program, all that is necessary is to make application to the program.

An application does not obligate the landowner to continue with the Wetland Restoration Program. The Natural Resources Conservation Service will then determine if the area is eligible for the program. The applications are ranked for environmental benefit, and funding decisions are made. An offer is then made to the landowner to purchase a conservation easement on the land, at which time the landowner has the option to accept or reject the offer. A landowner may also withdraw from the program at any time prior to accepting the offer without penalty.

If the landowner accepts the offer, Natural Resources Conservation Services will proceed with the legal work to establish the easement. There are several options in the Wetland Reserve Program contracts. The landowner may select a 10-year agreement without an easement, an easement of 30 years, or a permanent easement. However, anything less than a permanent easement is funded at a reduced level and the landowner must pay part of the restoration costs. The landowner maintains title of the land, control of access, use for non-developed recreational activities, and subsurface mineral rights. The contract requires that any uses of the land be compatible with the conservation objectives of the program.

For more information about Natural Resources Conservation Services programs, visit the Kansas website at www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov.

Club Clip

Red Hatters

The Red Hat Mommas from Bird City and McDonald traveled to Oberlin Tuesday, Sept. 18, where they met at the Landmark Inn for lunch.

Margaret Voorhies, queen, held a short business meeting. Phyllis Wingfield read some humorous stories to the ladies.

After lunch, everyone did some shopping at the Dresser. Then the group traveled on to McCook where some toured the museum and others went shopping.

Those who were able to attend the outing were: Florence Antholz, Bonnie Burr, Theresa Knapp, Betty Lewis, Carol Mears, Edna Roesener, Eleanor Swihart, Joan Tongish, Margaret Voorhies, and Phyllis Wingfield.

A special guest was Sandy Fair who stopped by to visit and take pictures.

It was a beautiful day to be out and about and everyone enjoyed the trip.




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