

# Cougar Sports *By Bru and the Crew*

Sub-state – the beginning of the end of the year. It's what you're working for all season, so how did the Cougars prepare? Let's take a look at the Cougars sub-state showings. This could represent be our last look at our Cougar teams.

The Lady Cougars had the first match of the week when they headed to Colby to take on the Brewster/Triplains Titans. The Titans stood as the third seed with a 12-7 record. The Cougars settled for the sixth seed with an even 10-10 record.

The game started as anybody's game and continued that way through the first half. The Lady Cougars lead a good part of the first half, but headed into half-time down by 1.

The Cougars brought the fire in the second half and found themselves up three at the end of the third. The Cougars carried the lead into the fourth and found themselves up by 7 at times throughout the quarter.

However, the Titans were determined not to go away and a combo of poor rebounding and free-throw shooting by the Cougars and a few questionable calls allowed the Titans to gain a 1 point lead with little time left. The Cougars took the ball down the court, entered the ball to senior Stephanie Busse, and let Busse drive for the shot. Busse took the shot, but it fell short.

She was clearly fouled, but it has become customary for fouls to be ignored on game-winning drives, figure that one out folks. At any rate the Cougars fouled

and sent the Titans to the free-throw line. About four seconds showed on the clock and the Cougars would have time for a game-winning or tying shot, depending on the free throws. The first shot was off. As was the second! The Cougars needed to grab the rebound and get up court for the shot.

However, in an odd turn of events, the Cougars failed to grab the rebound! This was likely a time-saving effort by the Cougars and it truly was a good thought, but it back fired. The Titans headed to the free-throw line again, this time with a mere second and a half showing on the clock. The Titan shooter hit the first but, missed the second.

Shayla Hubbard grabbed the ball for the desperation heave, but just couldn't get it off in time. The Lady Cougars had fallen by a final score of 48-46.

Busse recorded another double-double. Elizabeth Keltz double-doubled as well with 11 points and 14 rebounds. Shayla Hubbard pitched in 9 points, 3 rebounds, 2 blocked shots, 5 steals, and 4 assists. An excellent performance by our ladies. The men of Cheylin put out excellent support for the girls in their outrages Cougar apparel. Lone cheer leader Mary Anne Orten helped to rouse the fans spirit as well.

### Cougar men

Friday came and the Cougar men faced the same opponent, the Brewster/Triplains Titans, but with a very different result.

The Cougars came in as the

tournament's first seed with a 15-4 record. The Titans came in as the fourth seed with a 10-10 record.

The team came out of the gate running and found success early. They lead comfortably at half-time 24-10 and picked up again in the second half.

The Cougars played hell-and-fire defense all game. Though their set offense lacked slightly the fast break was good to the Cougars. The defense- fast break combo helped the Cougars to achieve a 47-27 victory. This propelled the Cougar men to the sub-state championship with a chance to go to state. Joshua Keltz led all scorers with 20 points. Kenan Reeh pitched in another 16.

The Cougars again made the trip to Colby the very next day, Saturday, to face the Wallace County Wildcats. The Wildcats sported a 16-5 record and were the tournament's second seed.

The Wildcat's are the sixth ranked team in 1A-Division II. The Cougars fought hard and trailed by only 3 at the end of the first quarter. The deficit had been extended to 9 by half time, but the game was still within the Cougar's reach.

The Cougars gave their best effort, but it just wasn't meant to be as our men fell by a final score of 62-42. Thanks guys for the great season.

On account of spring break there will be no article next week. Check the papers after that for a basketball wrap up and a track/golf preview. GO COUGARS!!!!!!



HEATH CHURCHWELL, Senior, puts a shot up during the Cheylin vs Triplains/Brewster Sub-State game on Friday night. Times photo by Darci Schields

## McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

On Saturday, Gilbert and Janice Antholz went to Leoville to spend the day with Steve and Rita Jean Skubal. They helped Rita Jean celebrate her birthday. On their way home, Gilbert and Janice stopped in Colby and took in the sub-state basketball game. They were very proud of our boys!

Gilbert and Janice Antholz, and Eleanor Swihart attended the Haiti Mission dinner at St. John Lutheran Church in Bird City.

Sunday afternoon Karlyne Atchison visited uncle, Donnie Banister and aunt, Marie Holzwarth in St. Francis. Lois Morelock returned home

Sunday after spending the week visiting Peggy and Wayne Sager and Kyler of Salina. Lois attended several of Kyler's games.

Doug Tongish was a Saturday morning caller of his mother, Joan Tongish.

Joan Tongish, Eleanor Swihart, Diane Cox, and Betty Lewis enjoyed dinner Tuesday in Atwood at Park Hill. They helped Joan celebrate her birthday.

Travis Knapp was a weekend guest of his parents, Jerry and Betty Knapp.

Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson traveled to Bird City Friday to see Ag and Elmer Burk's children, who were having an estate sale for their parents.

## South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

George and Kathy Banister attended the sub-state basketball tournament in Colby Friday and Saturday. The Cheylin boys won their game Friday but lost the championship game to Sharon Springs Saturday.

Thursday overnight guests of Bethel Goltl were cousins, Bob and Janice Arkle of York, Neb.

Friday the Arkles, Elaine Johnson, and Bethel Goltl attended the funeral of another cousin, Don Pettra at the Catholic Church in Herndon. On their trip home, Elaine and Bethel stopped in Atwood to visit aunt, Hattie Toth who will be celebrating her 102 birthday next month.

Bethel Goltl, Don Bruder, and Carl and Sandra Antholz enjoyed Sunday dinner at Park Hill.

# Thanks for a great season Cougars!



2012-13 CHEYLIN GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM— BACK ROW (L-R): MINDY ANTHOLZ, COACH AIDE, CHEYENNE HEWITT, SHAYLA HUBBARD, ELIZABETH KELTZ, STEPHANIE BUSSE, CASSIE RUCKER, MAX KELTZ, COACH; FRONT ROW: KELSEY MILLER, ALLIE FRISBIE, KALIN RITCHEY, DANEA MAGNANI, DIANA GARCIA, MARY ANN ORTEN.



2012-13 CHEYLIN BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM— BACK ROW (L-R): DENNIS HENGEN, ASSISTANT COACH, RUBEN RAZO, TY CARMICHAEL, KENAN REEH, JOSHUA KELTZ, WALKER JANICKE, ADAM ORTEN, HEATH CHURCHWELL, AUSTIN COBB, ANTHONY BLAIR, COACH; FRONT ROW: IVAN KEMP, SHAWN POCHOP, DEVON JANICKE, CASEY VANDIKE, REECE LEONARD, EDDIE FRISBIE, JACOB BRUBAKER, DEREK VANDIKE.

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