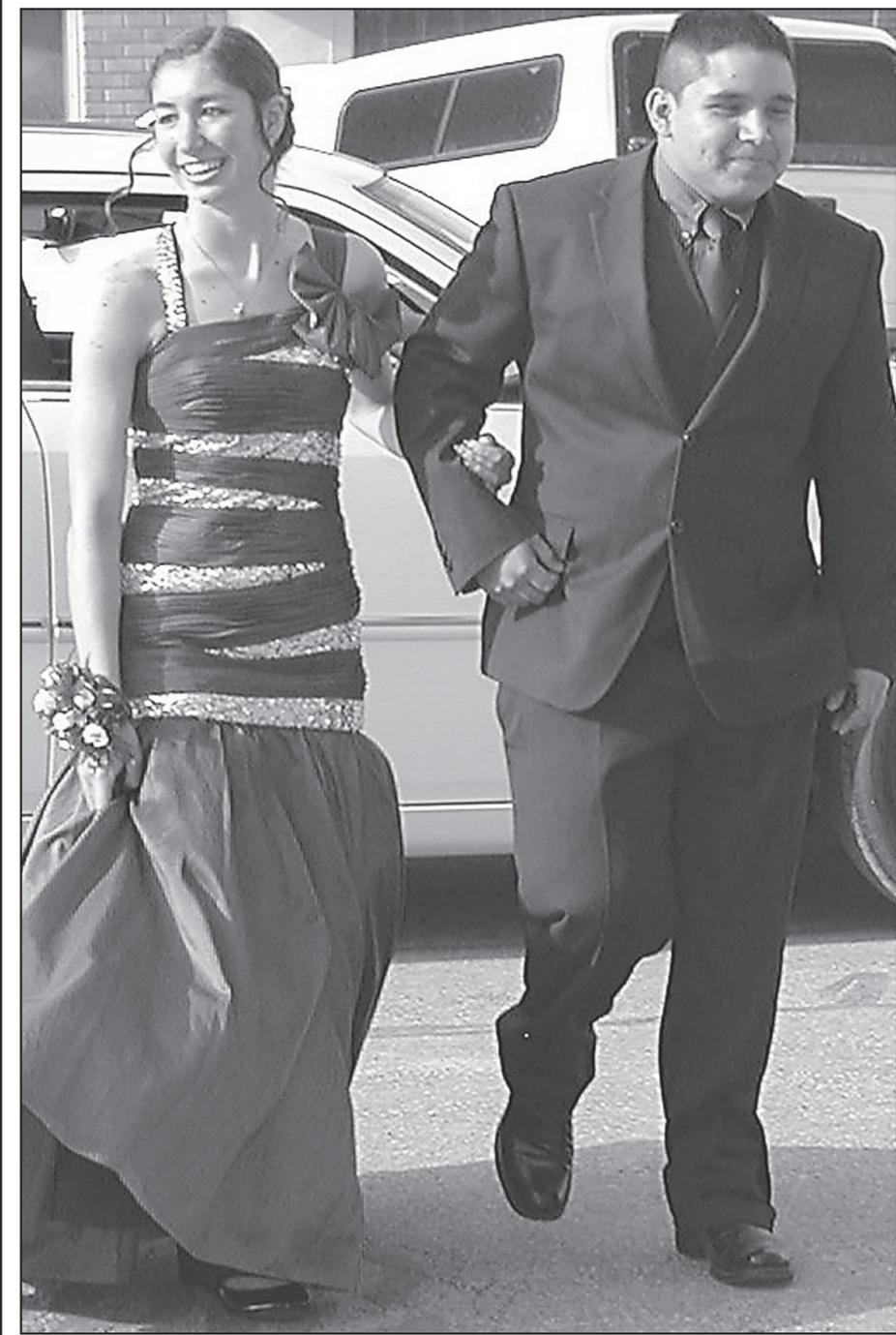
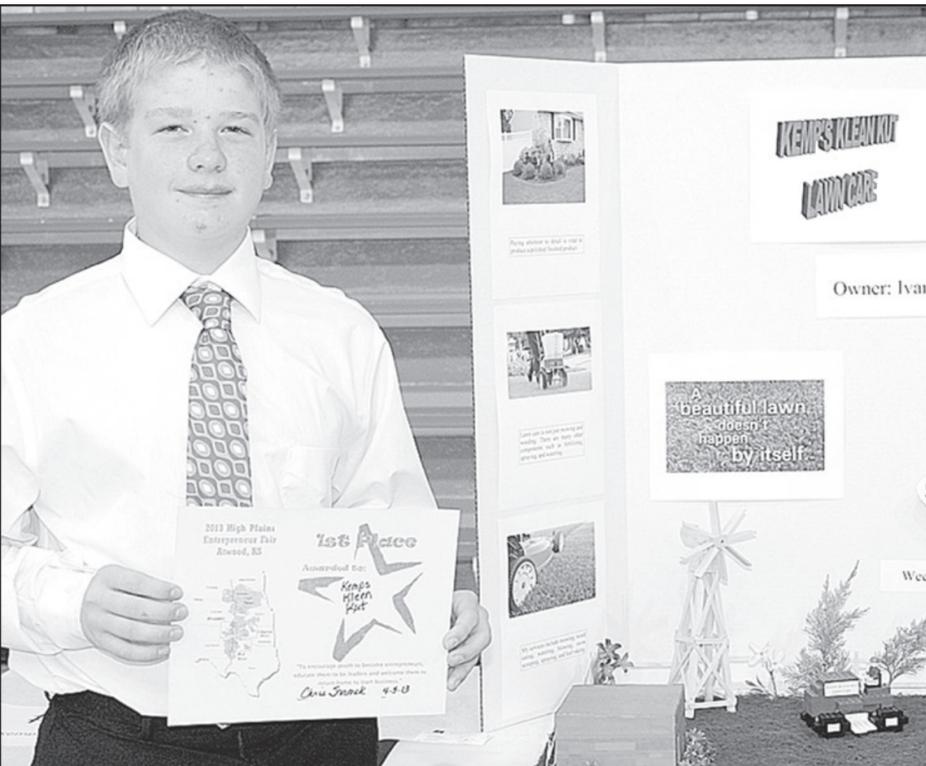


Prom - 2013



DINNER AT THE PROM found ElsaCraig Burr, left, Ivan Kemp, Leyton Miller and Ellie Pochop having fun. Below, Ivan Kemp and Jessie Smith arrived at the prom on the tailgate of a pickup. Left, Ellie Frisbie and Ruban Razo were just arriving at the prom.

Times staff photos by Norma Martinez



IVAN KEMP talks about his lawn mowing business project. He took first place at the Regional Entrepreneurship Fair held in Atwood on April 5. He also took first place at the Entrepreneurship Fair held recently in Bird City.

Photo courtesy of Mary Holle, Rawlins County Square Deal

Cheylin takes first at Atwood

Students from Cheylin participated in the Rawlins County Regional Entrepreneurship Fair held Friday, April 5, in Atwood and took home first place.

Cheylin students in the last four years of regional competition have taken first three times – in 2010, 2012 and 2013. Each time they have taken first place, the Cheylin school has received \$500 for a total of \$1,500. The money goes toward the entrepreneurial activities in the school.

Taking first place in the regional competition was Cheylin's Ivan Kemp with Kemp's Lawn Care Service and he received \$1,000. He also received the "Ready, Set, Go" award and \$750. Last year, Ivan placed third with his lawn care business and received \$200.

The Ready, Set, Go award, sponsored by SureFire Ag, is given to the project that is ready to get started. Reece Leonard, with his Leonard Hogs business, placed third and received \$250.

In 2010, Joshua Keltz with his Josh's Pheasant Farm business, placed first and received \$1,000; Kenan Reeh, K-R Spraying, placed second and won \$500.

In 2011, Wilhelm Orten was the only student to place. His business, Wil's Custom Reloads, placed third and received \$250.

Last year, Jessica Smith with her business, Papa Charlie's Cornmeal, placed first and received \$1,000. Michael Barnett with his Hunters Hotel business placed second and received \$500. Nakita Schneider placed third with her business, For All Hungry Harvesters, placed third and received \$250.

Winners of the Cheylin Entrepreneurship Fair were Ivan Kemp, Elizabeth Keltz, Jacob Brubaker and Mary Anne Orten.

Cheylin instructor, Max Keltz has been instrumental in implementing the entrepreneurship project into his various classes.

Bomb squad retrieves dynamite

On Tuesday, April 16, residents on the southeast side of Bird City were asked to leave their homes and move to the fire and emergency building for a short period. It was a safety issue, said Cody Beeson, Cheyenne County Sheriff.

Sheriff deputies responded to an incident involving legally-owned blasting supplies which the family had found in the basement of the Melvin Mast home. The sheriff's office had contacted the Kansas Highway Patrol and the Bird City Fire Department.

Houses in the immediate area were evacuated until crews were able to safely remove the supplies. Crews also worked with Cheylin Schools to insure the safety of the students.

The decision was made to remove the supplies at night while there were no businesses or schools open and roads were unused. The Kansas Highway Patrol explosive team destroyed the supplies in a remote rural location.

Those on scene or providing assistance were the sheriff's office, Bird City Fire Department, Kansas Highway Patrol, Cheyenne County Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Service and road and bridge crew.

"We want to thank all those involved for their patience and help," Sheriff Beeson said. "I know it was inconvenient for some but we needed to insure the safety of the community while conducting the operation."



BOOKS DISPLAYED at the Bird City Library.

Student authors display their books

This is your final week to see the work of the fifth grade authors. These books are on display in the Bird City library until the end of the month, unless Cristi Antholz, instructor, extends the time.

They all did a good job of writing their story and illustrating it with their own art work, Ms. Antholz said. They deserve recognition.

Those who haven't seen the fifth graders' work may be encouraged to after reading the following book reviews.

Cameron's Fiasco by Kaylynn Hendricks is about Cameron, a 10 year old, who learned a lesson about responsibility.

It's Nice to Be Helpful by Guinevere Burr is about being helpful, no matter how big or small you are.

Jack and the Bully by Luis Reynoso is about Dan who always bullied Jack who was in a

wheelchair. After the teacher made him apologize to Jack they became best friends.

Tim and Toby by Jayden Boyson is about Tim, a boy who helped his little brother get the cookies. Tim then spent the day with him being a good brother.

Secrets by Miguel Gonzalez is about a girl named Kim who told Abby her best friend an embarrassing secret. Abby told her friends about it and Nasally another girl became Kim's best friend by keeping her secrets.

Jack by Kimberly Velazquez. Her story is about Jack who lied to his new friend Suzy. She wrote this story to show that lying is very bad even if telling it to keep from getting into trouble. Jack got into worse trouble for lying.

Be Honest by Daniel Montero teaches honesty is the only policy for success.