

School board officers elected

The July 8 Cheylin School Board meeting was the first meeting conducted by new superintendent Shelly Angelos. With three board members, Hal Antholz, Jan Busse and George Lauderbaugh being replaced by Brian Miller, Kelly Leach and Jane Brubaker, the first portion of the meeting was spent electing new officers and assigning board appointments, and the structural corrections that have been made. Concealed hand gun ordinance, summer school, and handbook changes were also addressed.

Mrs. Brubaker was absent from the meeting. Nick Ketzner was elected president and Dale Hazuka was elected vice president of the board.

Board appointments

Shelly Angelos, superintendent, assigned the following board appointments for the new school year; Northwest Kansas Education Service Center: Kelly Leach; Building Committee: Dale Hazuka, Belinda Serrano and Brian Miller; Policy Committee: Dale Hazuka, Anita Pochop and Brian Miller; Northwest Kansas Technical College representative: Jane Brubaker; Kansas Association School Board Governmental Relations: Nick Ketzner; PDC Representative: Jane Brubaker; Negotiations representatives: Nick Ketzner, Dale Hazuka and Kelly Leach; Calendar Committee: Anita Pochop and Belinda Serrano; Technology Committee: Anita Pochop and Kelly Leach; Grant Committee: Nick Ketzner and Jane Brubaker; Site Council representative: Belinda Serrano.

Webinar on conceal-carry weapons in schools

With the new legislation on concealed weapons, the school must post the ban-on-guns posters in the schools and on the Cheylin website. Cheylin schools continues to ban weapons on school property with the exception of law enforcement. Current insurance carriers will not cover the liability to districts allowing conceal/carry weapons on campus or properties.

Structural corrections

Mrs. Angelos reported that with the assistance of a structural engineer and architect who assessed this project, 11,000 pounds of sheet rock and plaster have been removed from the weight room ceiling in the elementary school. As a result of this removal the classroom walls

which are directly above the weight room are no longer leaning and the floor is no longer sagging.

Summer school

Janice Churchwell was present to give her report on summer school which was held the last three weeks in June. Classes were taught by three teachers who conducted classes for 18 students with an average attendance of 15 per day.

Handbook changes

Handbook changes include:

- No-after-school tutoring
- Part-time students taking less than five courses will not be allowed to participate in extra-curricular activities with the exception of the graduation ceremony.

- Absences due to illness must present a doctor's note within two school days to qualify for a verified absence.

- College visitation days (2) do not count toward absences.

- Schedule changes are limited to the first three days of the semester.

- Students will not be allowed to take an on-line course if it is currently offered by the district.

- Book rental fees and activity fees will remain the same, but there is an increase in the cost of meals.

In other business

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- The 1960's heater in the district house needs to be replaced and work will be done by Roger Neitzel, St. Francis.

- Dan Carson has been hired as the junior high head volleyball coach.

- Anita Burton was hired as consultant/mentor for 40 days to train the new school counselor.

- The Back-to-School Community and Staff Picnic is set for 6 p.m. on Tuesday Aug. 20, at the Park.

Special meetings

A special board meeting was held on July 22 to discuss the preliminary budget.

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Budget hearing regular meeting

A budget hearing for the 2013-2014 school year will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 12, at 6:30 p.m. The regular board meeting will follow at 7 p.m.

Editor's note: This report was taken from the unapproved minutes of the July 8 board meeting.

Cheylin golf club holds barbecue

The Cheylin Golf team will be providing a barbecued rib meal with all the trimmings on Friday evening, July 26, starting at 5:30 p.m. This will be held in Bird City at the thresher show grounds before the steam engine pull. The team also has a drink stand all three days during the show providing water, tea, coffee, Gatorade, and both Coke and Pepsi products.

The money raised is used to fund the team through out the year.

Years ago, after the golf program was canceled at Cheylin, some young people wanted to start it up again. The school said the funds would not be available for the program.

The parents and youngsters took it upon themselves to raise the money and start the program back up on their own. Every year the team

must come up with approximately \$5000. This pays for the coach, travel expenses, team shirts, and any extras when the team makes it to regional and state (which they usually do).

The Bird City Golf club lets the team use the golf course free of charge. Each year the team goes out and helps mow the course and prepare the sand greens.

For the last two years Cheylin has hosted a golf meet. These were the first high school meets to ever be held on the course.

The current team members are Ty Carmichael, Eddie Frisbie, Connor Hazuka, Luis Solis, Casey Vandike, Jacob Brubaker, Shawn Pochop, Ivan Kemp, and Derek Vandike.

Golf is a sport that can be utilized one's entire life. Come out and support these young people.

Bloodmobile in town

There will be a blood drive in Bird City from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 24, at the American Legion hall.

The American Red Cross has an emergency need for blood donors of all types.

Donations were down about 10 percent in June, resulting in approximately 50,000 fewer donations than expected.

In addition, a mid-week Independence Day holiday reduced the number of blood drives scheduled at the beginning of this month.

Many people say they don't give blood or platelets because they were never asked. Consider yourself asked! Please roll up a sleeve and donate to help patients in need during this summer shortage.



LLOYD STOVER from Pueblo, Colo is sandblasting spots for the ultra sound to test the boiler thickness.

Times staff photos by Norma Martinez

Thresher show starts today

The 60th Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher show begins today (Thursday) at the thresher show grounds east of Bird City. The show will wind down Sunday with church service at 9 a.m. at the Neville Country Church on the grounds.

Through Saturday, visitors will find the antique steam engines in action, threshing, plowing, straw baling, and wood sawing.

In addition, there are many programs taking place each day. After the flag raising and introduction of personnel at 10 a.m., the pyramid stunt, steam engine and thresher talk will start at 11 a.m. The Steam Engine Races are at 11:45 a.m. and visitors can enjoy a great lunch with the doors opening to the cafeteria at noon.

The 2013 Thresher Queen's identity will be revealed and she will be crowned at 1:15 p.m. on Thursday. The 2012 Thresher Queen, Manette Henderson, will retire and her doll will be displayed with the other former queen dolls. The princess, Bailey Merklin, will be on hand throughout the show to throw in the first bundle of wheat to be threshed.

The parade of antique cars will be held at 1:30 p.m., following with the parade of antique tractors and steam engines to begin at 1:45 p.m.

On Thursday, the Highway 385 Band will be entertaining at 7 p.m. at the Legion hall. The Community Club barbecue meal will start at 5. Earlier in the day, Mark Berry will present the "Teepee and Buffalo camp" starting at 11 a.m.

On Friday, the Cheylin Golf Team barbecue will be held

at the dining hall on the Thresher Grounds at 5 p.m. The kiddie tractor pull will be held 6:30 as well as the antique tractor pull. The steam engine pull will start at 8 p.m. All activities are on the grounds.

On Saturday, everyone is encouraged to stop by the grounds and enjoy a chuckwagon breakfast which starts at 7 a.m. There is also the annual Fun Run with the races starting at 8 a.m.

Activities

There are numerous other activities for the kids and adults. The kid's favorite is the tug-o'-war which starts at 1 p.m. The children's treasure dig is held all day on Thursday.

People are welcome to visit the many buildings filled with articles used in the past. There will be demonstrations, new items to see and other activities. The swap meet will be held on the grounds. This is an attraction that draws collectors looking for certain items.

Visit the buildings

This is the sixth year for the Thresher Show special section which was inserted in the *Bird City Times* and *The St. Francis Herald* last week. It is being delivered to subscribers throughout the United States. Extra copies are available on the grounds.



KAREN FLEMMING is always the first volunteer mowing the grounds for the thresher show.

New autos brought to the show grounds

This year, there will be three new additions to the Thompson Car Museum when the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Show opens Thursday. The museum is located in Building 7 on the show grounds.

Peggy and Chris Ertler of Wheat Ridge, Colo., will have two Lakeside Speedway race cars and their 1967 Camaro. They will join Peggy's brother's two trucks, on permanent display.

Peggy is the daughter of long-time Association members, the late Dee and

Peg Thompson.

The Number 29 race car is a 1932 Chevy built on a custom-built chassis. This car won a championship at Lakeside in 1984 and has appeared at other tracks in the region.

The Number 52 race car is a 1934 Chevy built on a '34 Chevy frame, and has also been at other tracks as well as car shows.

They have owned their Camaro since 1975 when they were dating and got to drive her down 16th Street in Denver before it was closed off to traffic.



MOVING TRACTORS to the lineup on the show grounds were Ken Beougher, left, and Norma Dorsch. The show is set for today through July 27.