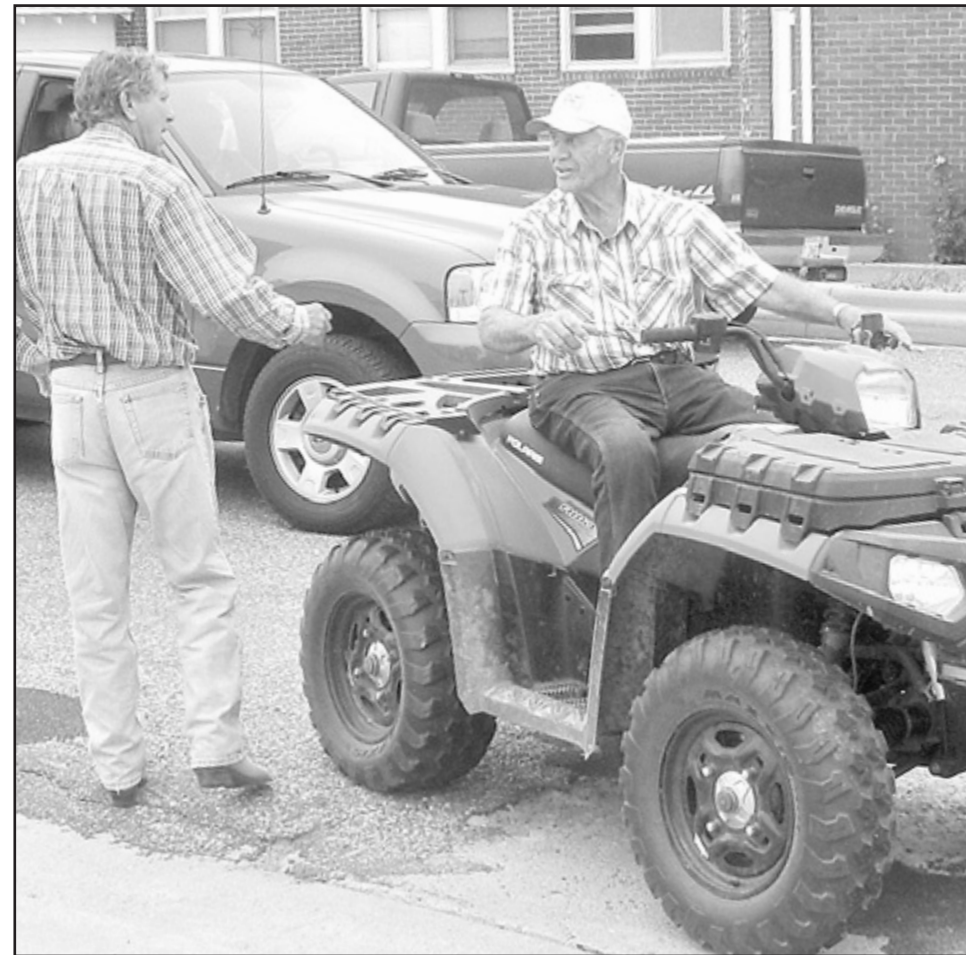




CHEYLIN CHEERLEADERS led the Cheyenne County Fair parade. Pictured, left to right, Mary Anne Orten, Kelsey Miller, Diana Garcia, Haleigh Rucker.



THE BANK had their sign attached to the old flatbed truck.



FAIR BOARD PRESIDENT, Dick Bursch, talked to Ernie Ketzner before the parade began.

School board talks about budget

A special Cheylin Board of Education meeting was held on July 22, where Shelly Angelos, superintendent, discussed the preliminary budget for the 2013-14 school year.

After reviewing past budgets, Mrs. Angelos pointed out trends and projections impacting the district funding. These trends are: population is lower causing a decline in student enrollment, but spending has remained fairly steady. The drop in enrollment has caused a drop in the districts general funding from the state.

The district has relied more and more on the local option budget (LOB) from local taxes. With a lower general fund budget, the authority to spend local option budget money is also in decline.

This fall, the board will begin discussions to consider solutions to the financial adjustment that likely will be required due to pending additional budget cuts in 2014-2015. The answer is to reverse the trend and grow the student population, Mrs. Angelos says. The tough part is how?

A hearing will be held in the Cheylin

High School board room at 6:30 p.m. on Aug. 12 to answer any objections from taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax levied. A notice of the budget hearing was published in the Aug. 1 *Bird City Times*.

Window project bids

Plans to install new windows in the high school building were carried over from last year. Bids were submitted from Norton Glass, Energy Guard, and the Craftsman's Corner. Colby Glass had submitted an earlier bid.

The board did not accept any of the bids

and are still considering the best route to take along with the right product at the best price.

Coaches hired

Ashley Raile was hired to fill the vacant position of high school head volleyball coach and Amy McCarty will be filling the open position of assistant high school volleyball coach.

In other business

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- Two hours were spent with the board and superintendent in training and goal setting, led by Dr. Max Heim and Gary

Sechrist from the Kansas Association of School Boards. After sharing goals and forth expectations, some short-term goals were set. Mr. Sechrist will compile information from this session and send it back to the district. The critical importance of communication and teamwork was emphasized.

Next meeting

Next meeting of the board of education will be held at 7 p.m. on Aug. 12.

Editor's note: The above article was taken from the unapproved notes taken at the July 22 special board meeting.

Cheylin C-team ends season with splash

"When I reflect back on the 2013 Cheylin 'C' team baseball, I cannot help but feel a lot of pride for what these young athletes accomplished throughout the year!" said Kale Schields, head coach. "The team had a three and four league record, and also split two games with a team from Goodland to finish the regular season with a four and five record."

The team finished third at the league tournament which was held in St. Francis on July 1 and 2.

All of the team members should feel very proud of the strides that they have made in the last couple of years, Coach Schields said. The future looks even brighter

as the team returns 12 of its 15 players.

The "C" team baseball league consists of five teams. These teams include Wauneta, and Benkelman, Neb., along with St. Francis, Atwood and Cheylin. Students going into the seventh grade, and below are eligible to play on the teams.

Just two years ago, Cheylin was unable to field a team due to a lack of interest. Last year, Cheylin did field a team, with the main group of kids entering fourth or fifth grade in the fall of 2012. The team did not win a game, but the kids made everyone from McDonald and Bird City proud by playing!

The 2013 team with a few

additions, made dramatic progress in the win and loss column, and will look to continue this progress in 2014. Most of the league teams this year also were made up of older kids, and our kids more than held their own, the coach said. We were very competitive in every game that we played. In fact in our five losses, we lost by a combined eight runs.

The team members for the Cheylin kids are as follows: Miguel Gonzalez, Andrew Schields, Kaylynn Hendricks, Dylan Ketzner, Colton McCarty, Tyler Sabatka, Luis Reynoso, Champ King, Jacob Serrano, Mitchell Howard, Alex Dart, Gus Hesper, Grace Sabatka, Keigan

Taylor, and Ryan Volk.

Tyler Sabatka, Colton McCarty, Andrew Schields, and Ryan Volk were all selected as league All-Stars for the season. They played in the all-star game held in Wauneta on July 8. Next season, Cheylin will host the All-Star game in McDonald.

"I would like to thank all of the parents for allowing their child to be a member of the team, and hauling them to all of the practices and games!" Coach Schields said. "I would also like to personally thank Mike McCarty and Casey Sabatka for coaching the team. I could not have done it without all of your help!"



BASEBALL TEAM ends season with a party at the pool.