

## Easter bunny visits the park and hides eggs

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Easter Sunday was a day for everyone to celebrate "Our Risen Savior". The sun rose beautifully for the Sunrise services at the Thresher Grounds. Lots of early risers and regular early church attendees came, dressed in their finest array, early enough to join in for breakfast at the Methodist Church after attending the sunrise service, before attending the Easter services. St. Joseph Catholic Church will be ending the Easter events this Sunday with their Divine Mercy Sunday.

On Thursday, the Cheylin elementary students cleared off their desks early, and had a half hour of fun looking for the Easter bunny to come. The third, fourth, and fifth graders were outside looking for Easter eggs filled with candy. Janice Churchwell and her third grade class were carrying jelly bean eggs in a spoon across the north side of the school buildings and back to the sidewalk without dropping the jelly bean. Once they found all the eggs, they joined the kindergarten, first, and second grade classes in the cafeteria eating refreshments provided by parents that were helping out.

Saturday was a perfect day for all the children who came to the park to play games from ten to eleven, and hunt for plastic filled eggs previously hidden by the Easter bunny. The eggs were placed in three different sections

of the park, according to the children's ages. The fire truck arrived, just as scheduled at eleven, escorting the Easter bunny for pictures and handshakes.

Children of all ages had fun aiming at the tire that was hung in the tree for the Football Throw. Two baskets were full of items to select prizes from. One basket was for those who didn't make a ringer, and the other was for those who did. No one left without a prize.

The younger children were fishing for ducks in the inflated pool for a prize. Some were too small, and their parents were helping them guide the hook around the neck of the duck, so that everyone left with a prize.

All ages of children were having fun with the Stuffed Animal Walk. Janet Ganados, Cheyenne Hewitt, and Eliza Gomez were playing music and stopping the music then drawing a number, and that one had to leave the circle of chairs. They gave the last person left sitting their selection from the table containing stuffed animals. Some of the children joined the next group and continued until they were finally a winner.

The pop bottle ring toss was a popular event, as everyone wanted to win a bottle of pop to quench



**TUCKER BURR is stepping easy to keep the jelly bean balanced without dropping it above. Below, picking out a bigger prize is Brayli Kelswetter after throwing a football through the tire swing.**

*Times staff photos by Norma Martinez*



**LUCAS LINNER is having fun while his grandma Mary swings him.**

*Times staff photo by Norma Martinez.*

their thirst. Then there was the ball throw to see who could throw the ball the furthest. Jacob Brubaker was attending to this event.

Lots of younger children were digging in the sand at the volley ball court, looking for little buried treasures.

Lots of parents and grandparents were watching their children

swing on the swings and play on the playground equipment. It was even a time for some to bring their dog on a leash and let them strut their stuff for admirers and children.

Every child there had an opportunity to guess the amount of candy in four different sized containers. Those winners were; Natalyn

Bursch, Kinley Havel, Denise Grenados, and Maria Franklin.

Every child left with eggs in their baskets and a happy smile on their face and looking forward to what Sunday's Easter Bunny

might bring them in their baskets.

Mrs. Hendricks, Mrs. Leach, and Amy Hendricks, Kelly Leach, and Jacob Brubaker were already making plans for making next year's event even better than this year's.

## Cheylin accepts resignations and replaces staff members

Several events were discussed during the April 14th Cheylin Board of Education meeting. The only items that any action was taken on were the resignations and replacement of staff members that will become effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year. Those staff members are: Ailysa Blair has resigned as HS Cheerleading Sponsor. Approval was given for Eileen Porubsky to fill this open position beginning the 2014-15 school year.

Anthony Blair has resigned as kindergarten thru twelfth grade Health and Physical Education, Health Teacher, head HS Football Coach, Head HS Boys' Basketball Coach. Kody Tegtmeier will fill the position of the K-12 Physical Education Instructor and Head HS Boys' Basketball Coach. This leaves an opening for the head HS Football and Track Coaching positions.

Other resignations were accepted from Lincoln Pochop as assistant HS Boys' Basketball Coach and assistant HS Football Coach.

These positions are presently unfilled.

All the current JH/HS certified teachers were approved for the 2014-15 school year, and the elementary teachers were approved as follows: Morgan Kauten will be teaching as a combined first and second grade teacher, Hanna Lauderbaugh will be teaching third grade, Tammi Carmichael will remain as fourth grade teacher, Janice Churchwell will be teaching fifth grade, and Kale Shields will remain as the sixth grade teacher.

### Budget review

Superintendent Angelos presented the latest on school finance with regard to the passage of HB 2506. The bill will be presented to Governor Brownback for his signature or veto. The financial impact to Cheylin with the passage of HB 2506 is approximately \$3,974 in General fund adjustments. There would also be approximately \$5,323 in additional budget authority. Cheylin does

not receive any state aid money in capital outlay or in supplemental general (LOB).

State aid rates for LOB are computed using 81.2 percentile of assessed valuation per pupil (AVPP). 81.2 percentile is determined, districts that have assessed valuation per pupil equal to or higher do not receive state aid. For the 2013-14 school year, the state is using the 2012-13 assessed valuation and FTE to determine the per pupil as that is the most recent "final" data the state has. The 81.2 percentile for the state was \$109,257 and Cheylin's AVPP was \$133,459 which results in no LOB state aid. For Cheylin, the state formula is figured using the 50% at the state level, and the amount was \$64,588.

### Technology update

Technology Director Matt Wilson was in attendance to give a current update. His schedule has changed, and he will now be at the Cheylin schools for a few hours most every day.

He reported that the technology assessments have been a struggle, but problems have been with technology at the state level and not locally.

Mr. Wilson has checked in to the current bandwidth usage and is making the necessary changes to make sure it is sufficient to handle the increase in usage once the 7-12 grade students receive their Chromebooks. The present issue with these additions is with the teachers Gradebook which is not compatible with Java. "This is just a small bump in the road," Mrs. Angelos said, "Teachers will still be working in all of the Google applications, but will be using their current devices." A schedule for technology device updates and upgrades has been developed. Some of the staff and teachers will need new devices, those that don't need access to the Power School Gradebook will be able to use the Chromebooks. Technology devices including Chromebooks, laptops, and Smart

Boards will be purchased in May and/or June. The board is reviewing the Chromebook Policy for the Chromebook initiative. This policy includes expectations of Chromebook users, and will be provided to the parents and students to have time to review prior to the fall term. Discussion was held by the board members on discontinuing the paper Board of Education packets, and sending the packets electronically, since all of the board members have personal electronic means available to receive them.

### Landscaping of the wellness center

A budget of \$5000 was originally set for landscaping the wellness center, but estimates received are between \$12,000 to \$15,000, which includes dirt work, rock, curbing, sprinklers, and seed. Present money earmarked for use at the Wellness Center is \$10,000. Nick Ketzner, Brian Miller, Dale Hazuka, and Shelly Angelos were assigned to continue to look for

less expensive possibilities. These names will be given to Mike Boyson on the community Development Committee. Jane Young said there were 300 community members and businesses that assisted with the Community Wellness Center.

### New football scoreboard

Superintendent Angelos discussed the possibility of replacing the football scoreboard. District patrons, administration, and the Board of Education have discussed this possibility for some time. Businesses will be contracted to see if there is enough interest in the community willing to support obtaining a new LED wireless football scoreboard by providing the funds needed to pursue this project further.

A Board of Education and Teacher negotiation meeting will be held May 1st at 7 p.m.  
*Editor's note: This report was taken from the unproved notes taken by Mrs. Angelos during the April 7th meeting held at 6 p.m.*