

Livestock show set for Saturday

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The Cheyenne County 4-H and FFA Spring Livestock Show will be held Saturday, May 28, at the fairgrounds in St. Francis.

There has been a very good entry response again this year, said Linda Elfers, Extension coordinator. Everyone is urged to come out and support the youth with their livestock.

There are four age divisions: senior (ages 14-19); intermediate (10-13); junior (7-9) and pee wee (6 and under). Prizes of savings bonds will be awarded for grand and reserve champion market beef and breeding heifer, grand and reserve champion pig and grand and reserve champion goat and lamb.

Weigh in is from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The program begins with the swine showmanship and swine show, followed by the lamb show, goat showmanship, goat show, beef showmanship, heifer show and market steer and market heifer show.

The Sullivan's livestock equipment trailer will be on site for needs during the show. The Hobo trailer will be serving breakfast which includes cinnamon rolls, biscuits and gravy, as well as a variety of sandwiches for lunch. Deb's Embroidery will also be there.

For more information, contact the Extension office, 785-332-3171.



FORREST BURR, junior, throws discus at the regional track meet in Hays on Friday. Forrest placed second in discus and first in shot put. She will be competing at state in both events this weekend.

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Team prepares for state track meet

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The Cheylin High School track teams traveled to regional track in Hays on Friday and Saturday May 20. The girls placed 10th out of 25 teams with 18 points. The boys, with 33 points, placed seventh.

Heading for state this weekend will be Forrest Burr who will compete in the shot put and discus.

In the boys' competition, Dalton Magnani will compete in the shot put and discus; Ethan Young in the shot put; and Heath Antholz in the 100 M. Jared Cahoj, Austin Manners, Jeremiah White, Antholz, Magnani and Keltz will also be going to state in the 4X100.

Girls'

Those girls and their placings include:
100M-Mariah Jones, 14.37, 11th.
1600M-Shayla Hubbard, 6:33.15, ninth.
4X100-Hubbard, Stephane Busse, Forrest Burr, Jones, 59.08, fourth.
800M-Taryn Carmichael, 2:53.32, 11th.
200M-Jones, 29.96, 11th.
3200M-Hubbard, 15:11.04, 10th.
Shot put-Burr, 36.2.75, first.
Long jump-Jones, 13.9.5, 12th.

Triple jump-Carmichael, 29.5, 12th.
Discus-Burr, 100 feet, second.

Boys'

The boys and their placings include:
110 hurdles- Chris Walden, 22.1, 11th.
100M-Antholz, 11.82, fourth; Cahoj, 12.10, 10th.
1600M-Heath Churchwell, 5:20.05, 15th.
4X100-Maganani, Cahoj, White, Antholz, 45.3, third.
400M-Manners, 54.69, 11th.
300M hurdle-Walden, 46.13, seventh; Austin Cobb, 50.41, 12th.
800M-Adrian Garcia, 2:37.64, 15th.
200M-Antholz, 23.70, fifth.
3200M-Churchwell, 11:14.74, eighth.
4X100-Antholz, Keltz, Cahoj, White, 3:55.97, 13th.
Javelin-Caleb Keltz, 136.8, seventh; Garcia, 128.3, 11th.
Shot put-Young, 47.4, first; Magnani, 45.2.25, fourth.
Long jump-Manners, 18.10, seventh; Cahoj, 18.4.25, eighth.
Triple Jump-C. Keltz, 39.6.75, sixth; Magnani, 38.9.75, eighth.
Discus-Magnani, 139.3, third; Young, 123.6, ninth.
High jump- Joshua Keltz, 12th, no height.



GETTING THE POOL ready for opening weekend are (l to r) Russell, Roy Shrader, Robert, Pam Stevens, Brad Schneider and Grant Shrader.

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Foster care month recognized

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On April 29, the White House released a Presidential Proclamation declaring May to be National Foster Care Month. Nearly half a million children across the country are in foster care. There is a great need for good families to provide a loving caring home where these children can feel secure and thrive.

Foster care is an important part Hal and Becky Antholz, Bird City. They have been foster parents for the past 15 years.

Young people in foster care are in the system through no fault of their own, and each of the Nations children deserves a stable home and a devoted family. Strong support structures provide children with the environment needed to learn, grow, and reach their greatest potential.

Hal and Becky are to be recognized for the commitment to touch the lives of foster children

during a challenging time in their lives. They own and operate, Hal Farms, as well as own a dealership for ADM Alliance Nutrition Feed. Becky helps out with both these businesses and, owns Antholz Insurance where she is licensed in all lines of insurance, but primarily works with crop insurance.

In spite of the challenges of operating these businesses Hal serves as president of the Cheylin School Board, and is a board member for Wesleyan Community Church. Becky is an alternate piano player for Wesleyan Community Church and works with the youth in all their activities.

As for hobbies Hal likes to hunt and Becky likes to garden and read, but they have both had to give up any other hobbies in keeping up with CJ's activities, who is a seventh grader in Cheylin School, foster parenting, and church.

Their only daughter Christi teaches fifth grade at Cheylin Middle School and is also work-

ing on her master's in christian education.

Their oldest son Clint is married to Jenny Oehmke from Derby. They have two boys Jack and Charlie, ages 2 and 9 months old. Clint is a pastor at Grace Baptist Church in Manhattan.

Twenty-seven-year-old Cort married Meghann Kueck from Hutchison. They reside in McDonald and have a daughter, Halle, age 17 months. Both Cort and Meg help Hal and Becky maintain their farm.

In June of 1987 a family crises hit their family and they began to realize how very blessed they were to have extra ordinary support of their families and communities.

"It was something she and Hal felt God was calling them to share," Becky said. At that time, they began to look at international adoption.

When the doors for that did not open, she said, we decided to pursue foster care - it seemed another

avenue where we could help children in need.

They started the process of getting their foster care license in 1996, and did respite for other foster homes until they received their first placement in January of 1999. During the time of foster parenting, they have had 20 children as placements. For the last three years they have provided the security of a loving, secure home to 9-year-old Marlin, 7-year-old Caitlin, 5-year-old Fiona, and 4-year-old Colin.

Finding families who are willing to take on the responsibility of foster parenting four children in order to keep from separating them is a rarity. Hal and Becky are to be doubly commended for their willingness to accomplish this. They could not have done it without the support and help they have received from Christi, CJ the rest of the families as well as friends and their church.



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL — Above, Tilar Walls keeps busy finding nuts that go with the bolts. Right, Edward Baca plays with toys in the classroom.

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