

Students awarded 183 scholarships

Seniors from Cheylin High School and St. Francis Community High School are among the students who will receive one of the 183 scholarships given by the Pete Henry Foundation. This is the ninth year that the foundation is giving scholarships.

This year the scholarships are for \$1,500 for each semester for eight semesters. Other scholarships for \$2,500, \$2,000, \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$750 are one-time scholarships.

The Pete Henry scholarship was created through the generosity of Pete Henry who was a farmer for many years in the Brewster area. Pete had an inquiring mind and knew the value of hard work, thrift and good management.

He was born in 1910 and was raised on a farm near Campbell, Neb. His mother died when he was 13 and his immediate responsibility was to care for and manage the household for his four younger brothers and sisters while his dad struggled to earn a living. Pete left Nebraska for California when he was 21. Times were hard. He slept in cars, washed dishes for food and eventually rented a garage for \$6 a month to sleep in.

He signed on with the Civilian Conservation Corps forest service to harvest trees and build roads. The forester recognized Pete's innate engineering talent and assigned him the responsibility of being the librarian where he immersed himself in a surveying course. He became the head of the surveying crew which built many roads and fire lands in the Sierra Nevada Mountains.

Later in the 1930s, Pete was hired by Douglas Aircraft Company to work in the engineering department designing and constructing fighter planes. All of this was accomplished with only an eighth grade education.

The 1940s found Pete in and out of the Army Air Corp where he was flight engineer of the B-17, B-24 and B-29 aircraft. He also participated in top secret training, with some of the airmen from his base being the ones that dropped the atomic bomb.

In 1949, Pete rented ground south of Brewster from former neighbors in Nebraska. Pete, always the keen observer, adapted his Nebraska farming experienc-

es to western Kansas. He never farmed prime cultivated land: he saw each acre as unique and managed each type of soil differently to achieve maximum productivity. He watched his neighbors and learned from their successes and mistakes, managed his money frugally, investing in good machinery and income-producing assets but lived a spartan life himself. He provided essentially all the labor on the farm until he was 88-years-old and, until his death in 2002, made all the management decisions.

His dream was to assist local students to further their education. He established a foundation to award academic and technical training scholarships. If you are a self-starting, determined individual with leadership and work experience from Cheyenne, Decatur, Gove, Logan, Rawlins, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas and Wallace counties you are encouraged to apply.

He hoped to give others the opportunity to fulfill their dreams.

Cheylin and St. Francis students and their scholarship amounts include:

- \$1,500 each semester for eight semesters: Stephanie Busse and Kenan Reeh, Cheylin.
- One time \$2,000 vocational/technical school or college scholarships: St. Francis: Jordan Easter, Caleb Frink, Christina Harris, Gustave Jardine, Michael Leibbrandt, Joseph McCormick, Anthony Meyer, Keegan Sherlock, Dylan Wolaver and Kaleb Zwick; from Cheylin: Austin Cobb
- One time \$2,500 scholarships: No Cheyenne County students.
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- One time \$1,500 scholarships: from St. Francis: Laura Brunk, Zach Gienger, Casey Keller, Clarice Neitzel, Sarah Whitmore.
- One time \$1,000 scholarships: Taylor Archibald, Thomas Douthit, Steven Nelson, Allyson Northrup and Tyler Raby; Cheylin: Heath Churchwell, Jessica Smith.
- One time \$750 scholarships: St. Francis: Lucas Carmichael, Jandy Dunn, Foster Grant, Blaine Guggenmos, Aubrey Mills, Dylan Peter, Noelle Sherman and Dillion Straub; Cheylin: Joshua Keltz, Ruben Razo, Cassie Rucker and

Spring snow allows controlled burns



SNOW ON MAY 1 brought a little less than .40 needed moisture to the area. The trees, shrubs and ground was covered with around 3 inches of snow early that morning. By noon, most of it was gone. Moisture allowed controlled burns so farmers and others could clean up and burn brush.

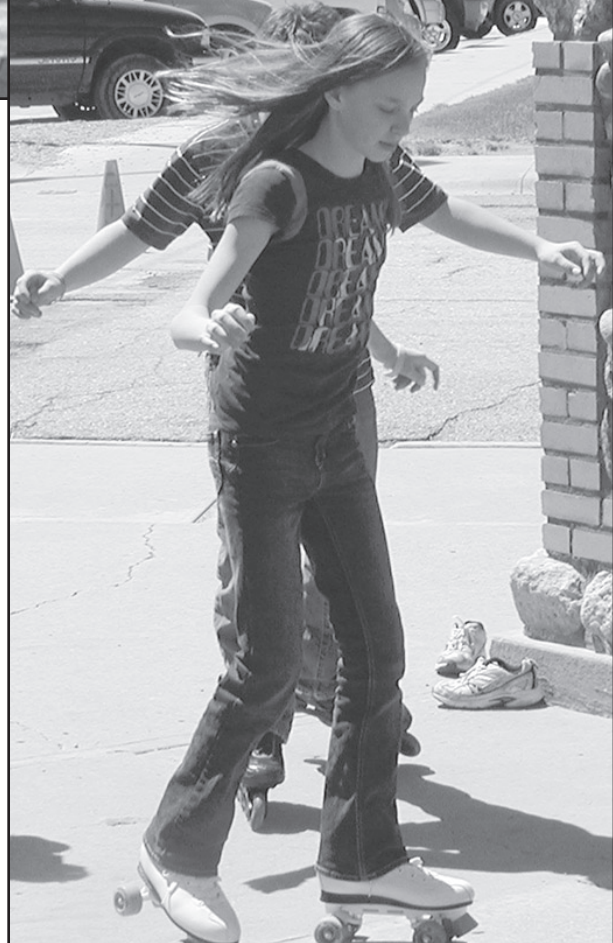
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Fun time in the park—



ADAM LEIBBRANDT was riding his scooter during the Accelerated Readers fun time.



HANNAH ZIMBEL's hair was flying as she skated down the sidewalk at the park.

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County agent discusses requests from 4-H Council

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Agent Marty Fear at the Thursday Cheyenne County Fair Board meeting said the 4-H Council had several requests.

They wanted better tie outs for the cattle. The board talked about getting another set of panels and moving the tie outs north of the horse barn. He had talked to Tye Faulkender, a beef superintendent, as to a better place but they didn't come up with another option. After discussion, the board said that they would make what they are doing work this year and maybe next year, come up with something new.

The agent said the council would like to see the 4-H dress code changed as they don't like the T-shirts. At least, they wanted a button shirt for the show ring. Agent Fear said he would like dress to be consistent. It was also noted that at the state show and some of the others, the 4-H'ers were to wear identifying T-shirts.

Mr. Bursch said that the board doesn't set dress codes for the 4-H'ers — that is done by the council, he said. The board will approve what they want.

Schedule changes

The council also wanted to make some schedule changes. Agent Fear said some of the changes would make it almost impossible for him and Linda Elfers, assistant agent, to get everything around.

They also wanted the beef show to take place at 5:30 on Thursday. Nick Ketzner, board member, said that in the past, the board had tried the show later in the day and it was really hot for the cattle.

The council thought that the community can't come to the shows because they work. The

businessmen liked the idea of seeing the show, Mrs. Blanka said.

Mr. Fear said that the judges had already been hired and it was kind of late in the year to make too many changes. The board asked if the posters with times had been printed. Mr. Fear said they were ready to be printed.

After a little more discussion, the board agreed that while they were not opposed to any changes, they thought it needed to be changed earlier in the year. They will look at the changes in January.

In other business

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- Jason Padgett, Joe Caldart, Jamie Patton and Austin Patton met with the fair board to thank them for their cooperation in letting them hold the Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy awareness benefit on April 27. They said even though it didn't fill the grandstand, they felt like it was a success and will plan another benefit for next year.

- Dick Bursch, president of the board, recognized the group for the excellent job they did in cleaning up the grounds.

- Parents of two 4-H'ers, Shawna Blanka and Ryan Culwell, met with the commissioners about misplaced checks from the 2012 fair. The board agreed to stand behind the checks and new checks were written.

- John Finley, board member, had compiled a list of average gas usage after a large bill was presented to the board. Upon investigation, it was noted that the bill hadn't been paid before the new one came out.

- Ryan Culwell was asked if he would like to be a member. He said he had too many irons in the fire at this time.

- The vent hood in the Lawn

Ridge food booth has been on the agenda for months. It was noted that Dorrie Hansen had given the club a bid of \$400 and Lampe Hardware's bid was \$800. The board agreed to pay Hansen for the equipment.

- Mr. Fear said the goat project enrollment is up to 60 and there are 25 or more lambs. There are not enough pens. They talked about where to locate the goats and lambs, possibly moving the poultry and rabbits to the northwest part of the livestock barn.

- Mr. Fear talked about the conditions of the fairgrounds. The board talked about having a cleanup day on May 18 so it would be clean for the 4-H livestock show. Many of the board said they were not going to be able to make that date. Mr. Bursch will call if it rains.

- Vicky Cress will be the food coordinator of the 4-H Council food booth during the fair. They talked about getting ice and the costs. Mr. Fear was asked to check with Rodney Neitzel at Uptown Market about ice during the fair.

- Gary Cooper, board member, said Gary Keeler's and Swede Calnon's names will be added to the board at the Memorial Roping.

- Karol Lohman, board member, read a note from the Conservation District thanking the board for letting them use the livestock building to store and distribute trees. They have donated several 10-gallon hackberry trees and planted them west of the livestock barn.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of June. The meeting is held in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.