

## Clubs have premium sale

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After the judging was over for the Cheyenne County 4-H Clubs, family, friends and businesses gathered together for the premium sale after all the judging was done on Friday.



Before the sale began, awards were given out for Round Robin Showmanship. For the Go-Getters 4-H Club, Rachel Keltz won the reserve grand champion in the junior division and received a belt buckle sponsored by St. Francis Equity. In the senior division, Savannah Isley placed third and Joshua Keltz placed fifth. Winning the grand champion trophy for weight gain on his Suffolk market lamb was Isaac Sturgeon. Bird City Frontier Ag later bought the premium on his lamb exhibit for \$350.

The premium sale for the Go-Getters began with Caleb Keltz's champion spot market hog premium going for \$600 to Bird City Frontier Ag. Then St. Francis Super's bought the pre-

mium on Elizabeth Keltz's reserve champion Duroc exhibit. Noble Enterprises also bought the premium on her Suffolk market lamb exhibit for \$500.

Bressler Young Aviation, Bird City, purchased the premium on Rachel Keltz's crossbred market hog for \$400. In addition, Goodland Greenline, Wheeler, bought the premium on a crossbred market lamb exhibit for \$350.

Bird City Frontier Ag bought Joshua Keltz's crossbred market hog exhibit for \$550. Bartlett Grain, St. Francis, purchased Isaac Sturgeon's crossbred market hog exhibit for \$600. Envy John Deere Implement, Wray, Colo., bought Trevor Sturgeon's Hampshire market hog exhibit for \$550. He also had a Hampshire market lamb exhibit which Andy Beikman, Bumper To Bumper, St. Francis, bought for \$400.

In the photography division, Cateline Isley's photograph exhibit of "Scowling Owl" was bought by Ranch Foods Direct for \$350. Savannah Isley's photograph exhibit of "Horse" was bought by Bird City Second Beginnings Thrift Shop for \$325.

Ivan Kemp's junior grand champion pickling cucumbers exhibit was bought by Bressler Young Aviation for \$375.



JOSH JOHNSON and Joshua Keltz at the 4-H Round Robin Showmanship competition. Joshua placed fifth in the senior division of the event.  
Times staff photo by Casey McCormick

## Board discusses benefits of reduced and free meals



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The August Cheylin Board of Education meeting opened with not enough for a quorum for voting because several members were either on vacation, medical leave or farming. However, Superintendent Bruce Bolen sat in for Hal Antholz, president, and presided over the meeting.

Mr. Antholz and George Louderbaugh, vice president, were counted present through a conference call there by making a quorum.

**Reduced and free school meals**  
Superintendent Bolen mentioned to the board the benefits for the school when students apply for reduced and free school meals.

He stressed the importance of getting at least five more students to get the maximum benefits. The school can receive an additional \$14,000 a year for participating in the program.

It was mentioned that some parents might not want to apply because of being thought of as "low income"; however, all information is confidential and meal cards are the same.

**Natural gas supplier**  
Eric Heath, ONEOK Energy representative, spoke to the board about cost of supplying Cheylin with natural gas for the 2009-2010 school year.

Mr. Heath said the company had over a 100 years in the business and represented a financial stable company that has not lost its credit rating like other similar companies.

He presented handouts showing Cheylin's usage over several years and what the cost of gas is presently. Members discussed fixed pricing as compared to index pricing, transportation fees, and other options.

Mr. Heath explained how volatile and unstable gas prices are presently, and they may be low today and high tomorrow. In addition, supplies can be read the same. Reading today's reports are no indication of what prices and supplies are going to be in a month.

The company, he said, is positioned to deliver the product and there are tools in place to remedy any unforeseen problems, such as pipe breakage.

"We take the surprises off the table," Mr. Heath said. "And we will follow any directive from the board."



JANE YOUNG HOLDS one of the banners that had been just been found.  
Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

The board approved for ONEOK Energy supply the natural gas; however, members tabled locking in a bid until they receive a bid for two years.

**Bird City 125-year celebration**  
Linda Schneider asked for approval to have several fund raisers during the school sports events. She added that it would be just one per each sport event during a home game.

Mrs. Schneider explained it would not only help with the cost of the event, but would present to the visiting teams and communities that Bird City will be celebrating next year.

Superintendent Bolen said he thought it would be a good idea and the members agreed. Mrs. Schneider was asked to keep the board informed on how and when it would happen.

**Out of district attendance**  
Every year the board approves the application for out of district school attendance and transportation.

This year the board approved Dagan Holliman, Jaclynn Sis, Juliann Sis, Jesse Sis, Jason Sis, Kayla McCain, Haley McCain, Shayna Pettijohn, Porsha Binning and Bianca Binning to Atwood.

**Bid on windows**  
The members approved the bid of \$10,061 by The Craftman's Corner for the replacement of windows and the back door of the superintendent's house that is owned by Cheylin. Due to conflict of interest, board member, Anita

Pochop, did not vote.

**Banners found**  
Recently found were banners that had been made for the Cheylin Cougar Championships.

Jane Young, district clerk, said it is a mystery when they were made and why they had never been displayed.

She continued by saying that she asked Randy Miller, staff, if he had ever seen them, because she said she had been away for some time and may have missed seeing them. Mr. Miller replied he had never seen them.

The banners will be on display at the McDonald gymnasium before basketball season begins.

**Opening day final touches**  
School opening in less than a week, members put their approval on the following items for 2009-2010 school year:

- Accepted the bid from Cash-Wa Distributing to sell milk. Half pints- 1-percent white milk, \$.085; 2-percent white milk, \$.089; low-fat chocolate milk, \$.091, and strawberry milk \$.091
- The faculty/staff handbook
- Kendall Cahoj as the assistant high school girl's volleyball coach.
- Sylvia Hubbard as the concessions coordinator at the wage of \$8.70 per hour.
- The junior high and high school volleyball training rules.
- The bus drivers' salaries for \$4,300 plus \$.10 per mile.

**Next meeting**  
The next meeting of the Cheylin board has been set for Sept. 14.



LIVING WATER FELLOWSHIP CHURCH of Bird City takes part in the annual fair parade with their entry 'Church-a great family tradition!'  
Times staff photo by Karen Krien

## Major receives recognition

Lieutenant General William Shelton, United States Air Force Chief of War Fighting Integration and Chief Information Officer in the Pentagon, announced the selection of Major Ted Glasco as the Air Force's Field Grade Communications Officer of the Year for 2008.

The annual Air Force wide awards program recognizes communications personnel for sustained superior performance while providing communications and information services to Air Force and Department of Defense.

Selected from a pool of 1,055 Air Force communications officers, Major Glasco received the award based on his actions as the commanding officer of a 105-person unit in Afghanistan this past year.

A native of Bird City and son of Lynn and Candy Glasco, Major Glasco has served in the Air Force for 13 years to include assignments in Oklahoma, Korea, Belgium, New Jersey, Washington D.C. and multiple deployments to the Middle East.

Currently, he was selected to serve as an exchange officer with the United States Army and is attending Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth.



MAJOR TED GLASCO (left) photographed with unidentified soldier.