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The November Cheyenne County Fair Board meeting opened with Dick Bursch, president, presenting to the members he was not sure about the treasurer's report. Mr. Bursch had talked to Lacy Reed, treasurer, the day before the Thursday meeting and Mrs. Reed assured him the report would be ready for the meeting and if she could not be at the meeting, she would call and give the report to him.

Mr. Bursch said during the conversation, Mrs. Reed did say she might have to take Trevor, her son, to Denver; however, she would give him a call. He had not received the call from her and could not give the treasurer's report.

Mr. Bursch continued by saying the board has received two outstanding bills and felt they should be paid.

One bill was for \$240 to Colglazier's Trucking Company from Burlington, for hauling 30 hogs to Beatrice, Neb., after the fair and the other bill was for \$152 to KLOE radio station for advertisement.

Gary Cooper, secretary, reported that Linda Elfers, Extension secretary, brought him some bills right after Trevor Reed was hurt in the automobile accident. He told the members that he understands that Mrs. Reed has a lot on her plate.

Moreover, one of the bills was from the Colglazier's Trucking Company and when Mr. Cooper mentioned it to her, she said she felt that the trucking company did not pick the hogs up when they should have and set the bill aside.

Clay Zimbleman, board member, said that it all goes back to how much the hogs lost in weight while traveling 14 hours to Beatrice, Neb. "I feel that it may have created a bad rapport from the fair board to the trucking company," said Mr. Cooper.

Mr. Bursch said that his understanding was the buyers were going to pay the transportation, but there was terrible shrinkage. It was suggested to make sure the bills are not paid twice by contacting Mrs. Reed. Motion carried to pay the two outstanding bills as well as the standard bills.

Mr. Cooper wanted to add that

Mrs. Elfers had brought him a packet with \$750 of trophy sponsorship money that had been paid to the fair board along with checks, which were deposited in the account. He wanted to assure the members that there was money in the account — he was not sure of the exact amount. Mr. Bursch said only one person has not paid \$220 from the sale. He feels it was an oversight and will contact that person.

### Kitchen repairs

Mr. Bursch reported the fire damage in the grounds kitchen had been repaired and is better than before the fire. The walls have been scrubbed and no remainder of the damage is noticeable, except in the corner. This is where the fire was the hottest and it is still black.

The stove cost \$579 with the possibility there will be a prorate on the stove, because the damaged stove was nearly new.

The 4-H copier had been damaged and Mr. Bursch said he was waiting to hear from Joe Leibbrandt, Extension agent, to see what Mr. Leibbrandt wanted to do. Mr. Leibbrandt, he said, has taken pictures and talked to the insurance adjuster. He added that it was not the responsibility of the fair board, but he would follow up by talking to the adjuster.

Painting labor from Keith Peter and Jim Laffond was \$1,425. The special kill chemical for odor and cover was \$115 a case. The primer and paint was \$79. The tape, paper, masking tape, caulking and cleaner were \$28. The sheet rock was \$27. With the deductible of a \$1,000 and \$500 already paid, not much remains to be paid.

### Locks to be changed

At this point, Mr. Bursch said he would like to have the locks on buildings at the fairgrounds changed again. It has been only four years since the last change, but keys are missing.

"There are so many keys floating around and the board has no idea who has one," said Mr. Bursch.

Mr. Zimbleman agreed the locks needed to be changed, but how are the keys going to be kept track of in the future. A concern was the master keys were being duplicated without board approval.

Mr. Bursch mentioned that while

looking for keys, he noticed at least two keys had been made without authorization. Each master key is stamped "Do Not Duplicate."

In trying to track down the keys, Mr. Bursch said that Lampe Hardware does have a master key in case of a break down at the fairgrounds. Mr. Bursch added that he had previously instructed Lampe Hardware not to allow anyone to use their key.

The board agreed to change all the locks and master keys will be given to board members, Lampe Hardware and Extension office. In addition, they agreed to add a \$10 refundable deposit on keys checked out and only the board president can order more keys. Moreover, when the new keys are made, they will be numbered and registered and the record given to Mr. Cooper.

### Fairgrounds construction

Mr. Bursch told the members he was getting bids on repairing or replacing the 4-H Club kitchen door. No bids have come in.

Mr. Zimbleman brought up the overhead door in Jenkins Hall and he has one, either a 9-foot or 8-foot door. Also, the cement in the sale-ring needs to be repaired.

It is time to re-paint and update the names on the signs in the sale barn. Mr. Bursch said several parents had mentioned the signs need to be updated as it is 2 years behind. Peggy Moberly, paints windows during fair. Megan Douthitt-Downey, board member, said she would talk to Mrs. Moberly, and Mr. Bursch added the information to update the sign would come from the Extension office.

Brian Hobrock, board member, asked about bringing in sand for the arena. Members agreed that it is needed. It would make the arena much better for showing. Mr. Zimbleman told the members that Brent Poling has donated all the sand needed. Mrs. Downing added that Mr. Poling would charge just to bring it in at \$5 a loaded mile. She asked the question if it was worth it if the county will not do it.

It was suggested to take the request to the commissioners and ask them to do it. Mrs. Downing said there was no reason to not have a good arena.

### Additional items

In other business:  
• Dec. 4 was the date set for the Christmas dinner. Letters will be sent to board members and spouses, commissioners and spouses, newly elected commissioner and spouse, and the county agent.

• Kansas is passing a law that home-owned fairs must train people for rides. Mr. Bursch did say the state would bring trainers to west and south Kansas to train instead of going to Topeka. He will contact Kari Gilliland, new county attorney, for updates.

• John Finley updated the board on the Chamber eliminating motorcycles and 4-wheelers in the parade.



A COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE of Viaero shows customers new products. This is part of an open house for the new location in St. Francis. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

## Decorate a tree and donate

By Karen Krien  
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Local businesses, clubs and organizations will be decorating and donating an artificial Christmas tree to the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cheyenne County's Festival of Trees.

The trees can be of any size and can be decorated in a theme or with the traditional balls and garland. They will be on display at Bankwest from Monday, Nov. 24, to Thursday, Dec. 10. During that time, people may bid on the trees

in a silent auction.

Funds received from the auction will be used by the county's Big Brothers Big Sisters organization.

Those wanting to donate a tree should contact Bridgette Antholz at Bankwest, 332-3333. Deliver the tree to the bank by 4 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 21.

### What is it?

Big Brothers Big Sisters has historically had a positive reputation as "a nice program to help kids without a mom or a dad."

Statistically, the organization

participants have been shown to be a potent weapon in the battle against juvenile crime and related programs. Younger kids who are mentoring with "Bigs" are less likely to be arrested, skip school, be engaged in violent confrontations, or use drugs or alcohol.

Ms. Antholz said there have been a number of "Bigs" volunteering to work with "Littles."

We are now, she said, in the process of matching them up.

For more information on the organization, contact Ms. Antholz.

## Junior high boys win first game

By Betty Jean Winston  
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The eighth grade boys' basketball team earned their first victory of the season on Tuesday night, Nov. 11, and it happened on the home court in front of Saintry fans. The final score was Saintry 21, Quinter 18.

The seventh grade team scored many more points than in their first game (29 to 13) but lost to Quinter 39-29.

Thursday, Nov. 20, the teams travel to Atwood.

### Eighth grade

"We won the game!" said Coach David Butler concerning the 21-18 victory. "We hustled well and learned a lot from the game experience."

Six players accounted for the scoring in this game with Dylan Peter leading with six points.

The score was tied at the end of the first quarter but Saintry took the lead in the second quarter and went on for the win.

SF 9 6 0 6 21

Q 9 3 2 4 18

Scoring: Peter 6, Zach Gienger 4, Dillion Straub 4, Foster Grant 3, Dylan Wolaver 2, Keegan Sherlock 2.

"We still need to do a better job getting the ball down low to our low-post players and executing our plays crisply and with quickness," Coach Butler said. "We did a good job on rebounds, and we cut down on the careless, low-percentage shots."

"We did a better job getting more scorers involved. Overall, our boys played their hearts out and gave me all they had."

### Seventh grade

SF 5 4 10 10 29

Q 10 8 11 10 39

Scoring: Schiltz 15, Wyatt Landenberger 6, Jacob Butler 3, Lane Hoffman 3, Tyler Lee 2.

## Obituary

### Elry L. Hunt

Jan. 20, 1932 - Nov. 9, 2008

Elry L. Hunt was born on Jan. 20, 1932, in Trenton, Neb., to his parents, Fred and Thelma (Buhler) Hunt. He attended Benkelman High School.

Elry enlisted in the United States Navy on March 18, 1952. After boot camp and damage control school, he was stationed in the South Pacific, specifically Kwadendamme Island and the Hawaiian Islands. He spent his entire enlistment in crash fire and rescue. He was honorably discharged in 1960.

Subsequently, Elry worked in refrigeration at a gas plant for several years. Then he attended the Kansas Highway Patrol Academy in Salina.

After graduating, Elry was a weight officer for the Kansas Department of Revenue. When he retired, he was a city police officer for St. Francis, and the last year, he worked for Cheyenne County.

Elry loved everyone. He liked to play pranks, pulling something on someone, though always done in love.

He was always happy when he was fishing and "The Fisherman's" poem was read at the funeral.

Elry was preceded in death by his father and mother and by his sister, Aletha Hunt MacVoy.

He is survived by his wife, Lee; sister, Jeanie Rigal; son, James Hunt; daughter, Shelley Christensen; six step-children, Al Redeeh, Jim, Bessie, Sharyl, Carl and Fred;

four grandchildren; 17 step-grandchildren; one-great-granddaughter; and 20 step-great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Nov. 13, at Knodel Funeral Home with Pastor Jeff Landers officiating. Casket bearers were Alvin Amack, Russ Christensen, Ed Garner, Robert Owens, Ray Lee and Brice Buffington.

Burial was in the Haigler Cemetery, Haigler, Neb., with graveside services by the Haigler American Legion Honor Guard.

Mr. Bursch mentioned that while

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**Early Deadline**

The week of Thanksgiving, The Herald and Times will be coming out early so everyone will have their paper which will include the Treasure Hunt numbers.

Articles and Ads are due Friday, Nov. 21, at 5 p.m. for the Nov. 22 paper.

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