



RUSTY PORUBSKY heads toward the net as St. Francis Indian's Cade Bracelin attempts to block him.
Times staff photo by Douglas Sloper

Cheylin National FFA Week

The week of February 15 to 22 is National FFA week. FFA has over 500,000 members in the United States, Puerto Rico, & the U.S. Virgin Islands. The week-long tradition began in 1947. FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

The Cheylin Chapter of FFA celebrated the week with a variety of activities. Monday started out with camouflage day. Members wore a variety of camouflage clothing to school. Tuesday the members got up bright and early to make pancakes & sausage for appreciation of the supporters of FFA. Approximately 50 people enjoyed this breakfast. Wednesday was

dress like a farmer day. The chapter also bought supplies to make cherry crisp for the whole school. The Cheylin cooks prepared this. Thursday was drive your farm vehicle to school day. Because of the snow, not everyone was able to participate, but a few students did get out tractors and ATV's and drove them to class.

Cheylin is one of the smallest schools in Kansas that has an active chapter. Many times in contests they are going up against schools that are 3 or 4 times their size. However, almost all of these contests find at least one member in the top 10 finalists, and many times numerous medals are brought home. There are currently 24 members in the Cheylin chapter. Officers are: President Connor Hazuka, Vice President Mary Anne Orten, Secretary Allie Frisbie, Treasurer Eddie Frisbie, Reporter Ty Carmichael, and Sentinel Jacob Brubaker. Other members include C.J. Antholz, Tristian Archer, Michael Barnett, Elsa Burr, Kevin Estrada, Rocio Flores, Tom Frisbie, Diana Garcia, Devon Janicke, Elizabeth Keltz, Ivan Kemp, Gavin Lennox, Reece Leonard, Shawn Pochop, Carter Porubsky, Rusty Porubsky, Casey Vandike and Derek Vandike. Max Keltz is the chapter advisor.

Cougar Sports

With Bru and the Crew

The Cougar sports team faced a taxing schedule last week when they played 3 games in 4 days. That's truly getting work done folks. Let's take a look back at a productive week for the Cougars....

The first game of the week took place on Tuesday, when the Cougars made the short jaunt to Saint Francis to take on the Indians. This match-up is always a rivalry in every sense of the word. To Cheyenne County this is Duke vs. North Carolina, this is KU vs. K-State, this is the ultimate rivalry. The battle for the courthouse is what we like to call it. These games are always emotion filled, and this night would be no different.

The animosity was palpable at tip-off. The JV girls started the night off with a 28-23 win in their half-game. The Indians drew even with a 48-39 win in the JV boy's game.

The next game was the girls Varsity. The lady Cougars were looking for their third win in a row. Things started out sluggish, with both teams trading baskets. The lady Cougars held a small advantage at the half. The second half, both offenses opened it up and the points started to pile up. The Cougars were able to pull away towards the end of the game and seal a victory. Final score: Cheylin 64, Saint Francis 51. That put the Cougars back ahead in the battle for the courthouse.

The final game of the night came between the Varsity men's teams. The Cougars took an early 4 point lead but the Indians were always quick to catch-up. The first half was a back-and-forth battle. The Cougars scored mostly in the paint while the Indians kept themselves in it with 3-balls. Saint Francis was up 24-21 at the half. The second half, the battle picked up where it left off. Things continued to get increasingly rough. The Cougars were finally able to get up by as much as 9 in the fourth, but poor free-throw shooting by the Cougars kept the Indians in it. In the end, the Cougars were able to hang on and get the win, 57-50. This was a monster rivalry win for our men. This also means the courthouse will remain in Bird City for another year! This is the fifth year in a row that our boys have won the battle of Cheyenne County. Cougar head coach Anthony Blair has never lost to the Saint Francis Indians. Let's hope that Cheylin can continue their recent dominance in the years to come.

The next game of the week came in McDonald against the Palco Roosters. This was to be a make-up game after an earlier match-up between the two teams was post-poned. The JV ladies started off the night with a 21-13 loss in their half game. The girls Varsity game came next and it was quite a battle. The Roosters got up early, but the Cougars had claimed a 2 point lead by half-time. The Cougars came out of the gate hard after the half, and made it a 35-28 lead. However, Palco quickly made things close



ALLIE FRISBIE dribbles the ball down the court at the game versus the St. Francis Indians. The Lady Cougars won the battle for the courthouse 64-51.
Times staff photo by Douglas Sloper

again, and it continued to be a drag-out battle. Our ladies were up by just a few points with little time left. The ladies also had several chances to put the game away, but failed to do so because of missed free throws. Luckily, our Cougars had some stiff defense up their sleeves. This, coupled with two much-needed free throw makes by senior Shayla Hubbard, iced the 66-61 victory for the Cougars. The Varsity men played the night's final game. The Cougars came out of the gate like a team that was possessed! Flying around on offense and defense allowed the Cougars to amass a 24 point lead. The Cougar's tenacious defense allowed only 1 point in the first 12 minutes of the game. The Cougars continued to cruise through the second half, getting the back-ups some playing time and just having fun. The Cougars destroyed the Roosters by a final score of 55-27. Another pair of quality wins for our men and ladies.

The very next day (Friday), the Cougars made the long haul to Healy to take on the Eagles. There were to be no JV games as Healy only had 6 girls and 7 boys. The girls took the floor for the first game of the night. Our ladies got out to an early 14-2

lead, and never looked back. The ladies were in control of their game from the beginning. They also were able to cruise down the second-half stretch and pick-up a 50-20 victory. The men had the next game of the night. The men came out well, played good defense, and executed on offense. To be honest it was a rather unentertaining game, but a quality win none the less. Final score: Cheylin 51 Healy 26. The only downer on the game was when sophomore Devon Janicke suffered a serious, but unspecified ankle injury. Best of luck to him in his hopefully speedy recovery!

Overall, last week was a great one for Cougar nation. It's always a good week when both the men and ladies pick up three quality wins. This Friday will be senior night at Cougar Gym. The Cougars take on the Bulldogs of Golden Plains for the third time this season. Let's pack the gym for this final home game of the season and show our seniors just how much they mean to Cheylin schools. We can also cheer the Cougars to some big wins while we are at it. GO COUGARS!!!

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Open Tender for Bids Scope of Work

Installation of four (4) new ductless split system quad zone heat pump units to cool/heat 16 resident rooms at the Good Samaritan Village of Cheyenne County, St. Francis. Preferred completion date mid-April.

To view the work site, contact the Village Administrator, Jeffrey Paulsen, at 785-332-2531.

Only licensed and insured professional parties need apply

Sealed bids may be submitted to the Cheyenne County Clerk or to the Village Administrator. Deadline for submission is 12:00 noon, March 7, 2014.

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