

Team roping will not be held at fair this year

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It was announced at the Cheyenne County Fair Board meeting on April 3 that there will not be Wednesday night team roping at the fair this year. The contractor that usually stocks the cattle for the team roping event is no longer available, which will end the possibility of having the event.

In place of the team roping, the fair board is going to hold a "Redneck Olympics" on Wednesday night. This will include farm games and competitions. The board got the idea from the Rawlins County Fair's Farm Olympic Competition.

County Commissioner Visits
In addition to fair board members, county commissioner Ernie Ketzner joined the meeting.

When discussion turned to having a calcutta for the demolition derby, Commissioner Ketzner said that the commissioners feel that if the board would like to have a calcutta, then it is the board's responsibility. The commissioners will not endorse it. He also recommended that they only have the calcutta in the pits and not in the stands. The board did not make a decision for or against the calcutta at this time.

The electric company would like to add lines through the

carnival and place a pole in the parking lot, which the Amusement Authority is against. Commissioner Ketzner recommended that the board discuss it with the county commissioners and county attorney. The Fair Board agreed to let the commissioners handle the situation.

Building Issues

The water main that broke over the winter has been repaired. All the bills may be able to be turned into the insurance, and the board is looking in to the matter. The water will be turned on at the livestock barns for the conservation district this week.

Linda Elfers, Cheyenne County Agent Assistant, asked the fair board if there were high levels of carbon monoxide in the furnace room, was it safe for After Prom to use the building? The board said they would discuss the issue with Heartland HVAC.

Linda also reported that Heartland HVAC asked for permission to install more toilets in the Exhibit Building. Linda told them to contact President Bursch.

Next meeting

The next monthly meeting of the Cheyenne County Fairboard will be on Thursday, May 1 at 7 p.m. in the commissioner's room.

Old theater is demolished



FINAL PIECES of the old theater building came down as Roy Shrader looks on.

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Saturday evening during the Bingo, those in attendance were entertained by Roy Shrader, Dawn Petti and Tom Molinaro as they took down the final adjoining walls to the old theater building adjoining the senior center and Dawn Pettis building.

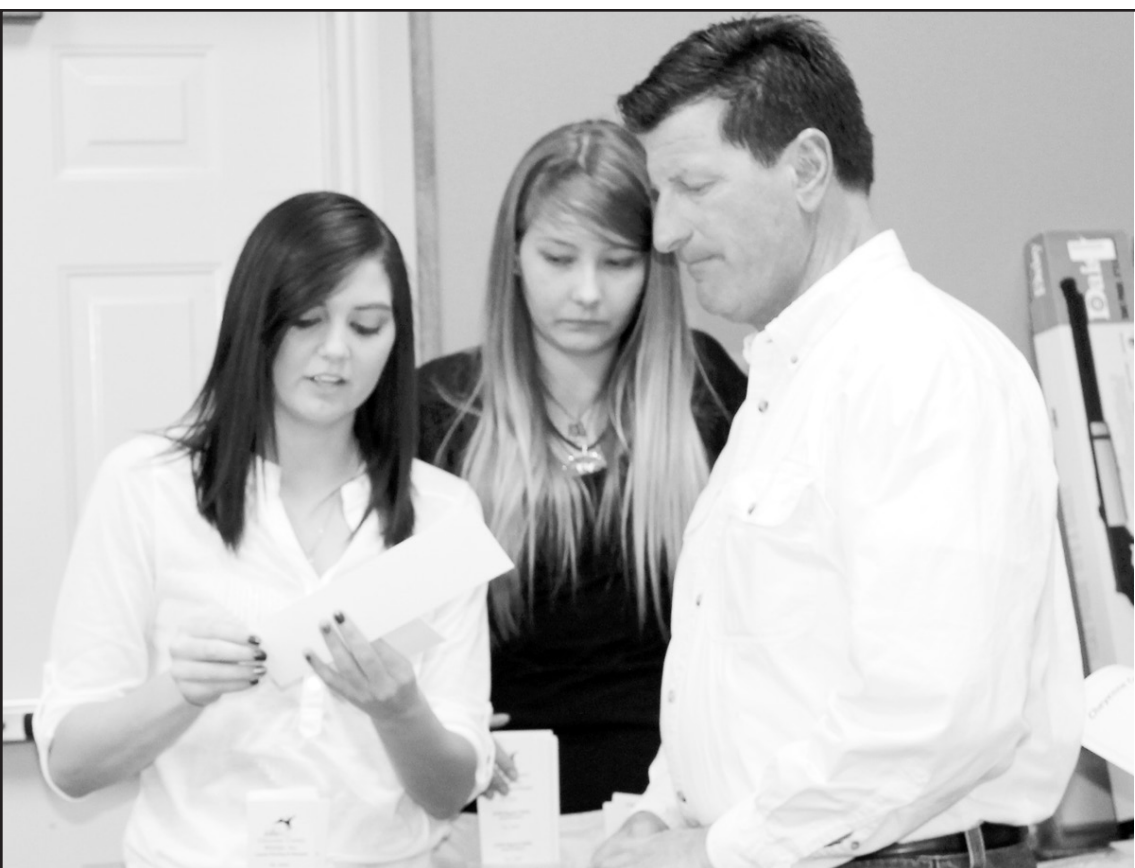
Sunday those attending church at the Lutheran church were amazed to see Roy Shrader working away in the yard removing an unused power pole. Other workers removed all the grass on the north side of the church in preparation for installing a sprinkler system. The sidewalk to the front entrance streets were replaced and a handicap curb and gutter is to be installed.



ROY SHRADER takes off pieces from the Senior Center, making sure the wall remains intact after the old theater building was removed.

Times staff photo by Tim Burr

Cheyenne County Wildlife Banquet sees many visitors



CHEYENNE COUNTY WILDLIFE BANQUET sells over 200 tickets. Above, Michael Magliocchetti gave time at his Dillon, Colo. vacation home. Here he explains and gives the gift certificate to Dallas Reed and Michaela Ford. Clockwise, MacKinley and JT Rhoden, grandchildren of Martin and Charlotte Hilt, choose a ticket and a winner at the drawing. Finally, Jodie Hilt shows off a rifle on stage. Times photo by Norma Martinez

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Attendance at the 29th Cheyenne County Wildlife Banquet and fund-raiser was down from last year's event by 35. Tables were set for 300, but there were 230 adult and 45 children's tickets sold. Nine prime rib roasts were left over, and auctioned off by auctioneer Wade Quiggle from Wray, Colo..

As soon as the American Legion hall doors were opened at 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, lines of adults and children grouped around the tables along the east and west walls, checking out over 100 different items to be auctioned off, or given away as door prizes, and buying tickets for gun and rifle raffles.

The front two tables on the west wall were filled with items such as John Deere replicas, two Daisy rifles, hunting tent, two fish pillows, a hunting doll, John Deere belt buckle, and miscellaneous fishing items for boys and girls.

The next tables contained items for the women to choose from if their name was drawn or called

out. Those items ranged from an afghan, picnic set, decorative wall clock, fishing items, and other miscellaneous items. The men's items ranged from caps, shotgun shells, hunting accessories, a Coors mirror, and miscellaneous tools.

Going on around the room, tables were lined up with items to be auctioned off and other smaller items for those who purchased tickets. Those items were: metal hand-made wine rack by Tony Howard, two weeks of pheasant dog training, by MJ's Upland Dog Haven, framed cowboy print, Henry Golden Boy 22, long rifle, six bags of Pioneer seed corn from Don Marshall and Pete Raile, Dillon Colorado vacation from Mike and Julee Magliocchetti, Syngenta MK seed corn from Derrick Tice, Remington 870 youth 20 ga. shotgun, framed horse print, three bags DKC Dekalb seed corn from St. Francis Equity, pheasant print, Rose Tinted Sunset, Winter Lace, and Sun Kissed Clouds prints by Marilyn Frisbie Art, 100 acre application by Gilbert Sherlock, Sherlock Spraying, four bags CHS

Northrup King seed corn from Dale Hazuka, 500 rounds of Blazer 22 long rifle ammunition, hand-made pheasant quilt by Charlotte Hilt, and a buffalo print.

The door prize was a Benchmade folding knife numbered 28 of 450 from Great Outdoors Gun Shop, the highest bid item was the knuckles knife by Tony Howard bringing in \$1,250, Marilyn Frisbie's pheasant painting brought \$300, and the hand-made buffalo print quilt brought \$325, Darrel Moberly donated \$500 in cash which was distributed to 10 lucky winners, each receiving a \$50 bill.

The person going home with the most items was Matt Smull, who was the highest bidder on; the four bags of seed corn, 700 acres of Sherlock spraying at \$100 per acre, six bags of seed corn, and three bags of milo.

Next to the stage was a dart board where darts were purchased for \$5 and thrown at the board for a SCCY 9 mm gun. The number the dart landed on determined the amount of tickets received for the special drawing.

Pick a card items were: Matthews Autographed Bow, Hawa 243 youth rifle, GoPro Camera, and Ruger 1911 45 automatic.

Special drawing items were: DPMS Panther gun, Remington 700 30-06, and lifetime hunting license.

A throw of the dice determined the number of tickets purchased for a Smith and Wesson special pistol.

Bonus drawings were for 22 Henry hunting knife, lifetime hunting license and kid's bow.

Etched wildlife glasses were purchased with numbers on the bottom which were drawn for a Ruger 45 Automatic.

The beef was superbly cooked, for the third year, by William Nettles, assisted by Josh Moberly. Hot dogs were served to the kids who didn't want the prime rib. Servers were Nathan Lamb, Laura Lamb, Patrick Lamb, Terrance Lamb, Noelle Sherman and Tony Meyer. Bar was attended by Kathy Biggs and Ashley Buffington.

The girls getting the most exercise showing and delivering the items to the winners were Katie Jenik, Michaela Ford, Dallas Reed and Jodie Hilt.

