

Enrollment above last year's total

By Casey McCormick
The Cheylin School Board met on Sept. 13 to discuss enrollment, changes in personnel and the Century II web site.

Sept. 20 was the official date for the state of Kansas to have a head count of students which will dictate school funding. The picture was better at the beginning of the school year as three students had left Cheylin since then. However, enrollment is still up from last year with 156 students versus 154.5. The other school in the county, the St. Francis Schools, will have a much more difficult time with a loss of 31 students. Their enrollment for elementary to high schools is 334.

Steve Carpenter resigned from his duties as school custodian. His replacement is Tony Vandike. The board also approved three more substitute teachers, former coach and physical education instructor Richard Martoglio, Darci Kehlbeck and Lanae Carpenter.

The Century II Foundation requested that its web site, *BirdCity.com*, be put on the Cheylin school server. The site will be two to three pages and the board accepted the request.

In Other Business
In other business:
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Large amount of marijuana plants found near town

By Casey McCormick
On Sept. 16, the Cheyenne County Sheriff's Department, in conjunction with the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, confiscated 112 marijuana plants northeast of Bird City.

The plants, ranging in size from 4- to 7-feet tall, were planted in rows in the ditch along the southeast corner of Road R and Road 33, 4 miles north and 1-mile east of Bird City. There was evidence of people frequenting the location as empty beer cans were found and the plants showed signs that they had been recently picked.

Sheriff deputy Carol Gamblin was the initial investigator on the case. Her research led to finding the location of the marijuana.

"I took Jeff out there to show him where they were and it went from there," Deputy Gamblin said. She was referring to Cheyenne County Sheriff Deputy Jeff Moser who continued the investigation along with Sheriff Eddie Dankenbring.

"They were big plants," Deputy Gamblin said.

The plants were taken by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation to be destroyed.

Stolen vehicle found in Colorado

The 1993 Ford Escort wagon, stolen on Sept. 5, has been recovered in Colorado Springs.

St. Francis Chief of Police Troy Gardner said the car was abandoned in a grocery store parking lot and found by the Colorado Springs Police Department on Sept 16.

The two weapons, ammunition and money which were in the car when it was stolen were still there. The wagon, belonging to Chris and Deb Cisneros, was stolen from the Good Samaritan Village.

The Cisneros had reported the guns and ammunition being in the car (no mention of money) and it was low on gasoline. St. Francis Police officer Mark Davidson who had worked the case, had listed the stolen vehicle with the National Crime Information Center. Earlier that same day, an individual was stopped in Kit Carson County on a traffic infraction. He ran from police and stole a pickup in the area which was later found near Riverside Recreation on U.S. 36. Officers Davidson and Tom Raile had investigated the stolen pickup when it was found.

As of Tuesday, the case was still under investigation and there is no evidence that the two incidents are related.



WAITING FOR THE PARADE: Members of the Bird City American Legion take a break while they wait to lead the Cheylin Homecoming Parade. Charles Coleman (in front), Norman Dorsch and John DaPron (back left to right) proudly carried the colors.

Times staff photo by Casey McCormick



One hospital project nears completion; another begins

By Karen Krien
As the hospital renovation nears completion, the county health office renovation in the basement of the clinic is about to begin.

There were two bids for the renovation work and, when the Cheyenne County Hospital Board members met on Thursday evening, they agreed with the hospital administrator that the apparent low bidder, Danny Penn Building Service, St. Francis, needed to work with Charles Renz, the architect, to get the cost of the county health facility project down below the budgeted amount of \$98,854.

The two bids were: Penn Building Service - \$102,830; and Rhoads Construction Company, Goodland - \$128,300. Mr. Penn has indicated the clinic project will take 98 calendar days and plans to start in approximately four to six weeks.

Les Lacy, hospital administrator, reported that the hospital renovation is moving along. The east end of the building has been completely remodeled and is being occupied.

He said the X-ray machine (which is in this area) is operational and, as of Sept. 9, they were still waiting for the computerized radiology system and a lead-lined door to make the room fully operational. Until the staff is fully prepared to make the computerized radiology conversion, they will continue to maintain the darkroom capabilities. He also reported that the blood analyzer for the lab had been purchased for \$21,000 instead of \$22,000 as originally priced.

Administrator Lacy said the downstairs hallway bathrooms had been demolished in preparation for changes made in the elevator installation. The work in the kitchen area will be finished in a week.

Students from the Northwest Kansas Technical College will be upgrading the computer wiring to category 6 and will be installing several high speed switches. The students will also be implementing the KAN-ED technology grant which will make the necessary network improvements and install dedicated interactive television systems in the emergency room and one clinic exam room. These upgrades are in preparation for the computer radiology system.

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Hazardous waste items are scheduled for disposal

Those having household hazardous waste items can bring them to the Cheyenne County Landfill between 1 and 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2. This hazardous waste cleanup is specifically for Cheyenne County residents.

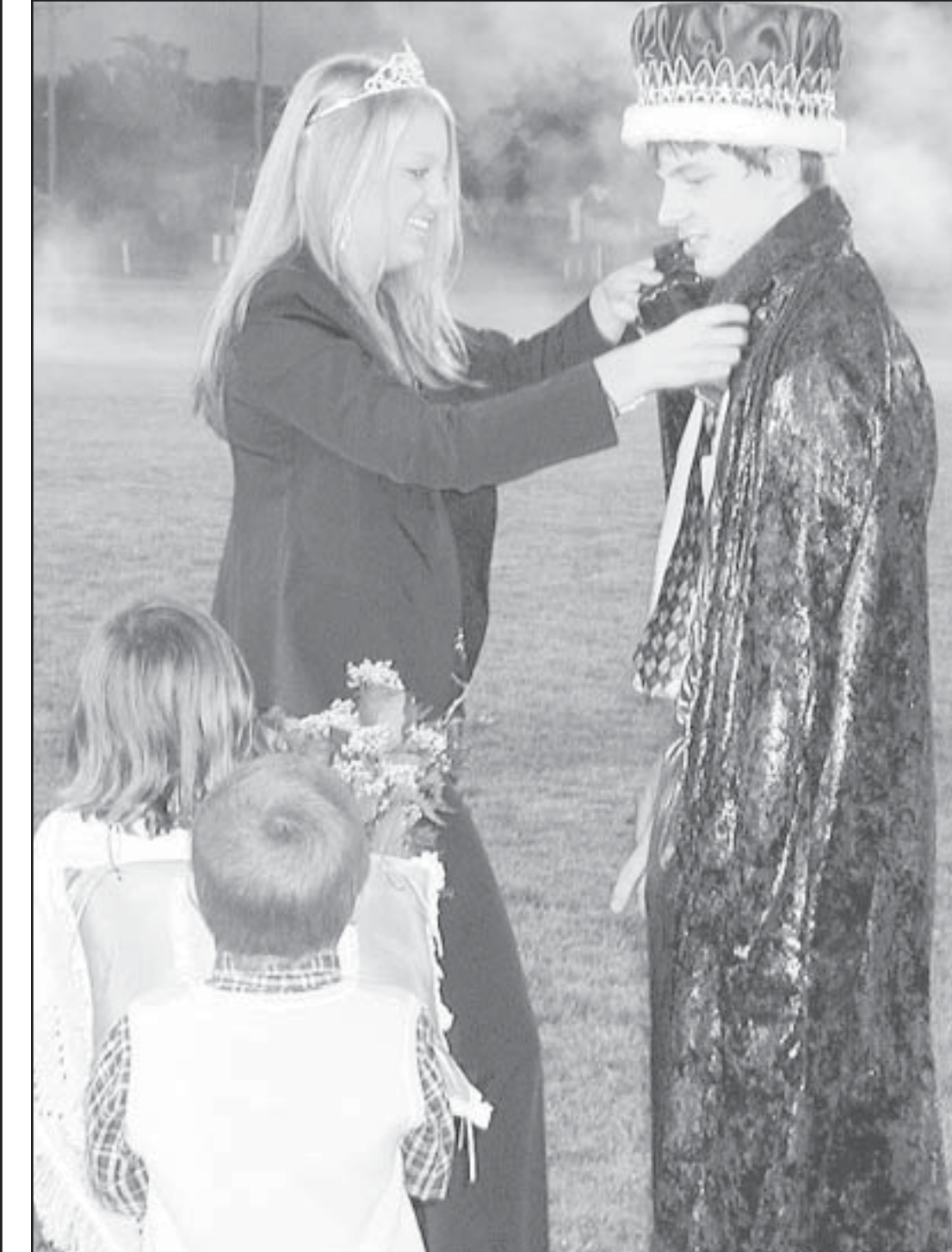
The Northwest Kansas Small Solid Waste Landfill Authority, which Cheyenne County is a member, is hosting the cleanup to help residents clean out their garages, basements and barns of any products which are considered "hazardous" and are not allowed in the landfill at any other time.

It should be noted that this cleanup is not the same as the St. Francis City-Wide Cleanup because city employees cannot pick up hazardous waste products. Some of the items considered as hazardous are: paints, solvents, cleaners, pesticides, aerosol cans, batteries and used oil. Automobile lead acid batteries will be accepted. New items added to the list include: compressed gas cylinders, propane, asbestos, dioxins and silvex.

All hazardous materials brought to the landfill on Oct. 2 must be in sturdy boxes and any used oil should be in disposable containers. However, materials should be left in their original containers so it can be accurately identified.

Don't dump hazardous materials together and if loose or leaking, secure them before transporting them to the landfill. Also, don't carry open containers of liquids with strong odors, especially if they might spill, inside a closed automobile and pack all items so they won't tip, break or spill during the trip.

For more information, contact the landfill at 785-332-8842.



HOMEcomings ROYALTY: Queen Ailysa Carpenter helps the King, Justin Antholz, with his robe.

Times staff photo by Casey McCormick

Club Clip

Kanred

The Kanred Families Community Education met Sept. 6 at the Labow Manor. Minnie Busse, president, called the meeting to order by all members reading the National Official song of the Northern Kanred Family Community Education "Onward, Ever Onward," written by Dorothy D. Bullock.

Roll call was answered by giving an interesting poem or story. Treva Henry, council president and unit representative gave information from the State president.

It was moved that the officers form the past year will remain in their respective offices.

Membership dues were paid. Donations were given to Kansas State University Clovia House and Adult Education.

Recipes for the State Wide Family Community Education cookbook were submitted.

The 2005 lessons prepared by the Kansas State Research and Education were discussed. Mrs. Henry reported Kanred received third place in Leadership in the State Award Winners for 2003.

The lesson for the day was "Our Neighbors Food; Sitting at the

Table," given by Mrs. Busse.

Some facts she reported were that one billion in the world suffer from hunger and malnutrition. About 24,000 die each day from hunger or hunger related causes. Today millions of people go to bed hungry in America.

Why be concerned with hunger in Kansas? In 2001 13.3 percent of Kansas householders experienced food insecurity, 19th in the nation. Hunger reduces a child's ability to learn.

In Kansas the unemployment rate rose from three point nine percent in 2000 to five point two percent in 2003. The State ranks 12th for children. Material prepared by Emily Ward Associate Professor Emeritus and the source, Household Security in the United States, Kansas State University, Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service.

Next meeting will be October 4 at Lebow Manor at 2 p.m. with Mary Shahan giving the lesson, "Antimicrobial Resistance and the Food Supply."

Following the meeting fellowship and finger food was enjoyed.

Hospital

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ogy, upgraded interactive television systems, electronic medical record and the future.

Administrator Lacy said the cost of the installation will be for the materials only. He also noted that the students doing the installation will be second-year students.

The board briefly discussed a sidewalk repair in front of the clinic and it was finally decided that it was an operational issue and the cost would not be taken out of board funds.

The board approved Change Order 4 for \$47,693 that includes changes in the building which were required to prepare for the installation of the CAT scanner. The board also approved Pay Application 14 from Rhoads Construction for \$52,346. Administrator Lacy reported that he had contact with another physician who had been practicing in Kansas for the past three years.

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Jackie John, area director for Great Plains Health Alliance, in the financial report, showed the hospital had a very good month and, so far, the year is standing very well.

Next meeting

The next regular meeting of the hospital board has been set for 7 p.m. on Oct. 21 in the clinic basement in St. Francis. The special construction meeting will be announced later to coordinate it with the pre-construction meeting for the county health addition.

Wedding Registry

Jennifer Boyles
~ and ~
Travis Milne

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Reception • Oct. 23

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St. Francis
785-332-2833

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•Antiques & Collectibles •Dishes & Fancy Glassware
•Special Interest Items

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: This is a two-party sale. Eric sold his auto repair business and has a good selection of quality equip. and tools. There will be several other vehicles for sale not listed. We will also be selling his mother's household items which consists of a lot of fancy glassware and furniture, **a sale you will not want to miss.** We'll be running 2 rings after lunch so please be prepared.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED.

TERMS: Cash or honorable check.
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in anyway!

— The 2004 Relay for Life Committee

School

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The board agreed to allow the 2004-2005 natural gas contract with Post Rock. Although the price is up about 20 cents from last year, the current contract price of \$5.70 could go down as gas prices should fall in the near future.

An amendment to fundraising limitations was made that will allow the senior class concession revenues from all junior high and junior varsity events.

Extra-curricular activity rules were accepted for all groups.

In accordance with new policy by the state legislature, the board ap-

proved self-administration of medication by students who risk life threatening allergic reactions.

The board discussed future upgrades at the McDonald gymnasium that could include replacing the stage curtains and the need to give attention to the kitchen area.



SCHOOL DAYS

School Phones

Superintendent's Office - 734-2341
Elementary Office - 734-2351
FAX - 734-2489
Cougar Line-1-800-239-1816

Board of Education

Hal Antholz, Wade Carmichael, David Frisbie, Kerby Krien, Gerard Pochop, Cheryl Wilkinson, Rod Young.

Administration

David F. Zumbahlen - Superintendent/Principal

Office Personnel

Lynn Busse - Elem. Sec.
Loretta Rucker - HS Sec.
Roseanna Underwood - District Clerk

Cooks

Deanna Nelsen (Head Cook); Avis Hazuka (Asst.); Phyllis Carson (Food Service Aide).

Custodians

Steve Carpenter
Carol Markley

Bus Drivers

Randy Miller (Supervisor); Phyllis Carson, Sylvia Hubbard, George Louderbaugh, Kay Miller, Jim Poore, Jacky Roesener.

Faculty

Barbara Antholz-Home Ec.
Margyre Antholz - Title I
Anita Burton - Counselor
Tammi Carmichael - Grade 4th
Darla Dible - Librarian/Social Studies
Abbi Dixon - Speech/Eng.
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Tonya Gienger - 1st Grade
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Amy Hendricks - Science
Sharon Hendricks - Kindergarten

Dennis Hengen - Industrial Arts

Rose Hengen - Band/Music

Clayton Janicke - Physics
Susan Keeler - Business/Computer

Max Keltz - Voc. Agri.; P.E./Health

Suzan Moyer - Lang. Arts/Math

Carol Patch - Special Edu.
Judy Poore - Grade 5th
Kathy Weber - Grade 2nd
Marjean Zumbahlen - Grade 6th

Other Staff

Deb Grace - Speech Consultant
Amy Wilkens - At-Risk Coordinator

Judy Sager - Nurse
Jeri Antholz - Aide
Yvonne Eggers - Aide
Alicia Beeson - Aide
Anita Pochop - Aide
Mary Moore - Aide
Marsha Wright - Aide
Bobbie Walden - Aide

Kindergarten

C.J. Antholz
Bergan Bock
Kevin Estrada
Danielle Frink
Tom Frisbie
Leo Perez
Devin Rogers
Haleigh Rucker

First Grade

Kat Boyington
Elsa Craig Burr
Mary Edmondson
Alexis Frink
Devon Janicke
Elizabeth Keltz
Reece Leonard
Danea Magnani
Kelsey Miller

Gordon Richmeier

McKenzie Taylor
Derek Vandike

Second Grade

Jacob Brubaker
Dominick Cisneros
Allie Frisbie
Devin Harris
Cheyenne Hewitt
Brittney Horinek
Miranda Michaelis
MaryAnne Orten
Felix Perez
McKayla Taylor

Third Grade

Blaine Burns
Ty Carmichael
Zachary Els
Eddie Frisbie
Connor Hazuka
Shayla Hubbard
Walker Janicke
Shayna Johnson
Jeffrey Richmeier
Casey Vandike
Martin Veleta

Fourth Grade

Zachary Bishop
Stephanie Busse
Heath Churchwell
Megan Els
Caleb Frink
Josh Keltz
Joey McCormick
Tyler Michaelis
Adam Orten
Kenan Reeh

Cassie Rucker
Nakita Schneider
Grant Shrader
Jessie Smith

Fifth Grade

Tilyn Bell
Clyde Bolyard
Clint Burns
Forrest Burr
Cody Cisneros
Katie Eckhoff
Hervey Fuentes
Dylan Harris
Jonathon Hilty
Jacquelyn Ketzner
Dalton Magnani
David Michaelis
Wil Orten

Roberto Ponce
Cory Rucker
Kayla Statley
Jeremiah White
Ethan Young

Sixth Grade

Nathan Adams
Heath Antholz
David Burns
Craig Busse
Teryn Carmichael
Whitney Churchwell
Lezah Diers
Daniel Frisbie
Mitchel Jensen
Caleb Keltz
Michelle Rogers
Christopher Walden

Seventh Grade

Vance Churchwell
Jacob Diers
Laryssa Eckhoff
Nick Els
Erick Estrada
Max Hengen
Whitney Horinek
Lance Leonard
Hudson Louderbaugh
Ana Ponce
Naomi Reeh
Bridgette Schneider
Caitlin Wright

Eighth Grade

Debi Banister
Kelly Rae Basnett
Sidney Busse
Jay Hewitt
Eric Holub
Nikki Johnson
Tessa Linner

Justin Miller
Tia Sager
Amanda Walden
Rex Weishapl
Jacob White
Whitney Wright

Freshmen

Mindy Antholz
Vanessa Antholz
Christopher Basnett
Sarina Burmester
Jeanna Cheney
Jessica Davis
Kaedra Dixon
Josh Garner
Sam Hengen
Courtney Horinek
Taylor Leibbrandt
Amber Mason
Lincoln Pochop
Blanca Ponce
Montana Rhymes
Weston Ribeau
Colleen Shrader
John Wickizer

Sophomores

Zaiba Ahmed
Samantha Beeson
Natasha Gordon
Emily Holub
Terry Jensen
Josh Johnson
Aubrey Kehlbeck
Devin Keister
Nathan Ketzner
Aaron Linner
Jessica Marshall
Erica Olson
Paula Turner
Alexis Weishapl
Lucius White

Juniors

David Banister
Brandon Gordon
Jacob Jesen
Afton Krien
Hannah Louderbaugh
India Maret
Joshua Moyer
Kori Underwood

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Ailysa Carpenter
Eddie Carpenter
Alex Hengen
Andrew Marshall
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