

Petitions needed to keep services

Petitions are being circulated and signed in an effort to allow county treasurers to continue issuing driver's licenses. The Department of Homeland Security is wanting to take that service away in an effort to tighten homeland security and prevent another 9/11 catastrophic disaster.

Consequently, it will cause people living in Cheyenne County to travel many miles to renew their driver's licenses. One of the proposed options is to create regional centers that will replace existing drivers' license offices now managed by county treasurers.

Dolores Jenik, Cheyenne County Treasurer, sees this move as a hardship to senior citizens, disabled drivers and the working class. All will have to take time off and travel out of county to a regional center miles away to apply for their federal identification card.

Congressman Jerry Moran has asked the Department of Homeland Security to recognize the authority of county treasurers in Kansas to continue to renew driver's licenses.

"Many Kansans enjoy the convenience of being able to renew their driver's license, change their name or address, or have other license permits processed by their local county treasurer," Moran said. "Kansans should not have to travel long distances to renew their driver's licenses."

Mark Schemm, Smith County Treasurer, added, "Let's keep homeland security at home. It is wrong to force senior citizens and the disabled to travel long distances to obtain driver's license services at regional centers."

"If you would like to continue to

renew your drivers' license in the Cheyenne County Treasurer's office as opposed to a regional center, stop by the treasurer's office and sign the petition," Mrs. Jenik said.

"Hopefully a large number of signatures will convince state and federal officials to continue service as is and not move this service to a regional center."

Club Clip

Go-Getters 4-H Club

The Go-Getters 4-H Club had their monthly meeting on Oct. 12, at the Lutheran Church. The meeting was called to order by Caleb Keltz. There were 10 members and four parents present. Ethan Young gave the treasurer's report. The club received a donation from Tom Keller of First National Bank.

The Go-Getters decided to look into going to Apex for the 4-H fun day. Stephanie Busse, Caleb Keltz, and Ethan Young will be on the committee.

The Achievement Banquet is set for Nov. 5 in Bird City at the American Legion Hall. Club members will lead the Pledge of Allegiance and set out the tableware.

The next meeting is set for Nov. 5, after clean-up of the Achievement banquet.

Reporter, Isaac Sturgeon.



CHEYLIN Cheerleaders Alexis Weishapl, Tasha Gordon, Kaedra Dixson, Mandi Walden, Nikki Johnson, Kelly Basnett, and Paula Turner get the crowd yelling loud for the Cougars. *Times Staff photo by Melinda Basnett*

Young team finishes season with another win

Cheylin 48, Wheatland/Grinnell 0

The Cheylin junior high football team finished the season last Thursday with another shut out win. This win gave the Cougars a 5-1 league record and sole possession of second place in the league. This win caps off a dominating season for the

Cougars scoring 244 points and holding the opponents to only 28 points.

"I was very proud and honored to coach this team" Coach Morgan Grippen said. "The effort the kids put into the season was amazing. Through all adversity they constantly stepped up and refused to

lose. The eighth grade will be missed, as they brought leadership and a championship attitude to practice and games. The sixth and seventh grades have learned a lot from them and will carry on the proud tradition of Cheylin football. I wish the eighth graders luck in their future football endeavors. I am sure that if

they keep their passion and work ethic they have a bright future."

Rushing: Heath Antholz; 20 carries for 223 yards, five touchdowns, and two 2-point conversions.

Passing: Caleb Keltz; 3-4 for 51 yards and two touchdowns, Chris Walden; 1-1 for 15 yards.

Receiving: Walden; two recep-

tions for 50 yards and two touchdowns, Jeremiah White; one for one yard, Keltz; one for 15 yards.

Tackles: Keltz; 7, White; 2, Antholz; 10 and 1 sack assist, Walden; 10 and 1 sack, Mitchell Jensen; 1, Cory Rucker; 6, 1 sack, and 1 sack assist, Craig Busse; 2, Dylan Harris; 4, and 2 sacks.

Obituary

Helen Grace Brubaker

March 5, 1924 - Oct. 18, 2006

I was born March 5, 1924, probably in Lawrence, Kan., and when I was three weeks old had my first train ride to Goodland with a nurse from an adoption agency in Topeka. My parents, Seward V. and Maude (Hayes) Brubaker, picked me up to bring me home to Bird City. It wasn't until about eight months later that the doctor said I was spastic, a form of cerebral palsy. This, of course, started many visits to various hospitals and doctors; probably the most important was a sanitarium in St. Louis, Mo., where we spent six months and my fourth birthday. This was very exhausting on my mother and father. I learned to walk there and it certainly proves that God's love works through a person to correct an error in nature.

I know how blessed I've been through the years with the home God chose, the relatives, the community, teachers, and of course, the church. I went all 13 years of school in Bird City, with the same class of wonderful "kids." I had only one encounter with "being made fun of." I have always received acceptance and a lot of support in all areas.

At the completion of my "formal" education, I became involved with the "love of my life," working with the Methodist Youth Fellowship for the next 16 years. It was most rewarding and very inspirational, and during this joyful period, I overcame one handicap - the inability to speak in groups. I believe God provided me with a sense of humor, which is valuable to anyone and has come to my rescue many times.

My parents took me on a lot of trips around our beautiful United States of America and even after their death, I've been blessed with cousins and friends to travel to New York twice, New Orleans, Hawaii, Canada, Italy twice, Istanbul, Athens, and five Greek Islands.

I hope by writing this I can convey my strong conviction that it isn't what happens to you, it is how you act afterward that counts. God has no favorites, so each of us has help if we let Him work in us. This will help others too.

Helen died at Cheyenne County Hospital on Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2006, at the age of 82.

Her parents, Seward and Maude preceded her in death.

Surviving cousins include: Winnifred Wamhoff, Richard Brubaker and wife, Darlene, Robert Brubaker and their families, numerous cousins from the Hayes family, neighbors, and many, many friends.

A memorial service was held Oct. 21 at the Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City with Reverend Glenn Krebs officiating.

Inurnment was in the Bird City Cemetery, Bird City.

Memorials have been designated for Immanuel United Methodist Church, or the Bird City Library.

Arrangements by Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis.

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