



Mayor appoints new city treasurer

Bird City City Council met on Monday evening with two council members absent.

Mayor Troy Burr appointed Phyllis Carson as the new city treasurer and asked the council to approved the appointment which they did.

Park property

The sale of part of the park property to Wade Carmichael was discussed. City attorney Kari Gilliland had done some research and provided the deed to show that the land

was given to the city in 1918 by J.A. VanDorn. Further research will be done to determine whether heirs of VanDorn can be located or if a quit title can be obtained. Mr. Carmichael plans to build a building on the property possibly to start a business.

Sewer project

The loan agreement with Kansas Department of Health and Environment for the sewer project was received and now it is just a waiting game to hear on the block grant. It

is a low interest loan to match the funds the block grant will provide.

Skid loader

The new skid loader is here and works great. The city crew has tried out the street sweeper attachment and it works well. The sweepings will not have to be hauled away as with the old street sweeper, they can be re-spread on the gravel streets, or in the alleys. The city applied for a grant and was awarded \$17,250 from Century II to assist in the cost of the street sweeper.

Sheriff's report

Sheriff Troy Gardner attended the council meeting to give the normal monthly report, and also to share some concerns that have risen with the Enhanced 911 system.

Currently the dispatch is at the St. Francis power plant. With the Enhanced system, training, and space is a concern.

"One of my dreams since becoming sheriff is to have dispatch handled under law enforcement," Sheriff c said.

At the present time dispatch cannot run license plates or have access to the nation crime data base computer. There are also problems with the person on duty dividing their time between answering the phone and running the power plant. He is organizing a meeting with the mayors of the county and a member of the county commissioners to discuss the future of 911 in Cheyenne County.

Living snow fence

It was decided to go ahead with the living snow fence. The trees

need to be reserved as soon as possible and the drip system ordered. The cost to the city will only be around \$350 dollars for the drip system, no price was available for the weed barrier. The ground will be prepared and the trees planted next spring. The program replaces dead trees for the first three years after planting.

The council went into executive session for 15 minutes at approximately 8:40 and after coming out of executive session adjourned.

Scholars team competes in Golden Plains meet

On Monday, Oct. 30, the Cheylin Scholars' Bowl teams traveled to Golden Plains to compete in a sixth, seventh, and eighth grade meet. This is the only meet of the season that Cheylin is invited to attend where sixth graders may also compete.

The sixth grade team was composed of Stephanie Busse, Heath Churchwell, Megan Els, Caleb Frink, Josh Keltz, Tyler Michaelis, Adam Orten, Kenan Reeh, Cassie Rucker, Nakita Schneider, Grant Shrader and Jessica Smith. They had a fun afternoon competing against five other schools.

When the final tally was figured they were the second place winners; a great showing for their first time out.

Scoring points for the sixth grade

were Stephanie Busse, 120; Josh Keltz, 50; Adam Orten, 40; Heath Churchwell, 30; Megan Els, 20; and Caleb Frink, Kenan Reeh, and Jessica Smith, 10 apiece.

The seventh grade did very well by capturing third place again out of eight teams. There was a tight race for top scorer with Will Orten, finishing first for Cheylin with 140 points. He was followed by Ethan Young, 130 and Tilyn Bell (captain) 110, also in the top scoring category. Others adding points for the team were Clint Burns, 20, Alexia Curtin, 10, and Dalton Magnani, 10.

The eighth grade competition was fierce with Cheylin ending up in a three-way tie for second against Weskan and Greely County out of

the eight teams in attendance. The judges first looked to see if there was a common victor among the three. This time each team had beat the other: Cheylin over Weskan, 50-40; Greely County over Cheylin, 50-30; and Weskan over Greely County, 60-45. So then points scored in the common games were added up, and Cheylin ended up in fourth place in the meet.

High scorer for the team was team captain, Craig Busse, with 180 points. He was followed by Chris Walden, 110; Mitchel Jensen, 60; Caleb Keltz, 50; and Kelsi Malm, 20.

The Cougars next contest will be the Freedom League Scholars' Bowl Meet on Wednesday, Jan. 24, hosted by Tribune.



SOUP COOK-OFF — Dona McGilvary was voted the winner with her Chicken Tortilla Soup. Pictured are Mike and Dona McGilvary and their daughter, Meredith.

Times staff photo by Melinda Basnett

Several different soups tasted at the annual cook-off

The annual Bird City Soup Cook-Off held on Halloween night saw 11 different soups competing for the honor of winner. As everyone entered the American Legion hall in Bird City, they were handed a ticket. After tasting all the soups, they were to put their ticket in the bucket of the one they liked best. Those having entries were: Jan Busse, Deb Smith, Dona McGilvary, Rod Klepper,

Doug Flemming, Kris Burns had two entries, Duane Wilkens, Teresa Knapp, Isabella Headrick, and Stan Dorsch.

Most people commented that there were so many samples they could hardly eat them all. Dona McGilvary was chosen as the winner with her Chicken Tortilla Soup.

A pumpkin carving contest was held. In the kindergarten through fourth grade age group, first place

went to Jacob Brubaker, second place to Brianna Vandike, and third place to Derek Vandike. In the fifth through eighth grade group, first place went to Shayla Johnson, second place to Jesse Smith, third place to Martin Veleta, and honorable mention to Casey Vandike.

The spook parade allowed everyone to show off their costume and collect a treat to start off the trick or treating for the evening.



DRESSED FOR HALLOWEEN — Taos Dale, scarecrow and Brady Ketzner, puppy, put on their costumes and were ready for Trick or Treating.

Times staff photo by Melinda Basnett



The general election is finally over

By Karen Krien

The election has come and gone. As in all elections, there were some winners and some losers. There was only one race in Cheyenne County and that was in Bird City, District 1, where Ernie Ketzner won the seat on the commissioner board. He will take over after the first of the year.

Election officer, Terry Miller, reported the turn out of voters was good with 53 percent of the registered voters turning out at the polls.

In Cheyenne County, Jim Barnett won the governor race and Phil Kline will be the Attorney General for another year.

Incumbent John Faber will serve the 120th District as repre-

sentative. He won over his opponent Bob Seavey. Jerry Morran, the U.S House of Representatives, 1st District, was also re-elected.

Following is how the people of Cheyenne County voted:

Cheyenne County Commissioner District 1
Gary Brubaker (R) 131
Ernie Ketzner (D) 194

US House of Representatives, 1st District
Sylvester Cain (Ref) 17
John Doll (D) 144
Jerry Moran (R) 880

State offices
Gov./Lt. gov.
Jim Barnett/Wagle (R) 601
Carl Kramer/Hebron (L) 10
Richard Lee Ranzau/Verell (R) 4
Kathleen Sebelius/Parkinson (D) 442

Secretary of State
David Haley (D) 186
Rob Hodgkinson (Lib) 19
Joseph L. Martin (Ref) 23
Ron Thornburgh (R) 730

Attorney General
Phill Kline (R) 650
Paul Morrison (D) 387

State Treasurer
Lynn Jenkins (R) 791
Larry Wilson (D) 223

Commissioner of Insurance
Sandy Praeger (R) 755
Bonnie Sharp (D) 225
Patrick Wilbur (Lib) 39

State Board of Education
Sally Cauble (R) 681
Tim Cruz (D) 294
State Representative, 120th Dist.
John M. Faber (R) 764
Bob Streyve (D) 283

Supreme Court Justice

	Yes	No
Robert E. Davis	517	360

Court of Appeals Judge

	Yes	No
Stephen D. Hill	542	320
Lee A. Johnson	532	314
Patrick D. McAnany	503	358
Nancy Landis Caplinger	525	341
Henry W. Green, Jr.	567	293
Jerry G. Elliott	510	435
Gary W. Rulon	581	281
Tom Malone	580	275
Michael B. Buser	489	354



Presentation set on healthy snacks

Cheylin kindergarten through eighth grade parents and their children will have the opportunity to hear Karen Jones discuss the importance of children selecting nutritious foods for snacks with parents helping them determine good choices. Parents and their children will have the chance to make a healthy snack following the discussion.

Mrs. Jones is a Family Nutrition Program Assistant for nine counties of northwestern Kansas with her office being in Colby at

the Research/Extension Area office. She has presented programs to Head Start, preschools, after-school programs, Women, Infant, Children (WIC) and Senior Sites. She resides south of Wheeler.

The A.B.C. Parent Group Speaker Committee is encouraging Cheylin parents of students from kindergarten through eighth grade to attend Mrs. Jones' presentation at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14, in the Cheylin cafeteria located in the elementary building in Bird City.