

## Basketball game brings a lot of entertainment

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Last Friday evening's basketball games brought lots of excitement for the students and spectators. During half time of the girls game with the Golden Plains Bulldogs the twelve Senior class students escorted their parents out onto the basketball court and presented their mothers with a long stem yellow rose. In between the girls and boys games 24 fourth thru twelfth graders were awarded Exemplary Certificates for being exempt from spring testing in Math, Reading or Science. During half time of the boys basketball game the Cheylin School District was presented a check from America's Farmers Grow Communities on behalf of local farmer Hal Antholz. (See separate article.) The final event was a special presentation made to Olympian Katie Uhlaender.

The twelve seniors proudly escorted their parents, sister or fill in representing their parents to the center of the gym floor where they were presented by Barbara Antholz who introduced them and gave this quick peek into their future plans.

Blaine Burns is the son of Dave and Kris Burns. Blaine is planning to attend Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland in their Carpentry program.

Ty Carmichael is the son of Wade and Tammi Carmichael. Ty is on his way to Kansas State University. As a "wildcat" he plans to major in Agronomy.

Our senior "special guest" Matt Cimbulka is the foreign exchange student of Michael and Deb Pochop. Matt's plans for next year are to head back to the Czech Republic to continue his high school studies in technology.

Rocio Flores is the daughter of Guillermina Flores. Rocio is undecided with her plans for next year but is interested in pursuing something in the field of aviation or sociology.

Eddie Frisbie is the son of Dave

and Sandy Frisbie. Eddie plans to attend Fort Hays State University and when I asked him what he plans to major in he said with a smile. . . . Farming! I'm not sure what this will be but we all know where his heart is.

Connor Hazuka is the son of Dale and Stacy Hazuka. Connor plans to attend Fort Hays State University to major in Agronomy/Ag Business. Look out Fort Hays, we're sending you a couple of our "Future Farmers".

Shayla Hubbard is the daughter of Dave and Sylvia Hubbard. Shayla just recently signed a letter of intent to accept a basketball scholarship at Kansas Wesleyan University. While playing for the Lady Coyotes, she plans to major in Biology with the intent of someday becoming a Physician's Assistant.

Walker Janicke is the son of Clayton and Lori Janicke. Walker plans to attend Ottawa University in Ottawa Kansas. He plans to major in pre-med with the long term goal to become an orthopedic surgeon. While attending Ottawa he plans to be a part of the Braves Football team.

Susannah Jones is the daughter of Greg and Gwen Jones. In her parents absence, Susanna was being escorted by her sister (and brother-in-law) Mariah and Ben Grafel and Clara her infant daughter. Susanna may be undecided about where and what for her future plans, but is very definite about who! We're glad you came back home to graduate with your class.

Ellie Pochop is the daughter of Michael and Deb Pochop. Ellie is planning to attend McCook Community College and major in Early Childhood Education. For the first time she will be taller than most of the crowd around her.

Rusty Porubsky is the son of Brad and Eileen Porubsky. Rusty's plans for next year are mostly undecided but he is considering Tulsa Welding School in



COLTON MCCARTY, Schuyler Lennox, Gustave Hesse, Claudia Cabos, Joseph Augusta and Mitchell Howard accept awards at the game Friday night.

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Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Casey Vandike is the son of Tony and Diane Vandike. Casey is enrolled in the John Deere Technical Program at Garden City Community College where he will learn an emphasis on powertrain, electronics, and diesel mechanics.

This special message was shared by Barabar Antholz for the twelve: This has been a fantastic year for many reasons, but more importantly it is the year we, as seniors, take the first big steps into the rest of our adult lives.

As this basketball season comes to an end, the time has come to really look back at our lives of 18 years and remember what all you have done for us whether it was cooking, cleaning, going to all the activities, or simply nagging about homework incessantly we are going to miss it next year. The fact is it will suddenly be our responsibility to do all of this and that scares us and we know it scares you! However, instead of worrying about whether or not we are going to make it take a step back and look at who you have raised and realize you have done a spectacular job! We may be a class of twelve, and we may not see eye-to-eye on every subject, but we can all come together and agree that without the influence

of our parents we wouldn't be the amazing people we are today.

We would like to say "thank you" for all you have done and we ask you to believe that we will do our best at whatever we endeavor to achieve. You, the parents, mean more to us than we probably ever let you know! WE LOVE YOU!

Shelly Angelos and Balinda Serrano issued the Exemplary Certificates to the students who earned exemption from the spring testing.

Those students exempt in Reading, Math and Science are: Joseph Augusta, Alexandra Hazuka, Jordan Janicke, Rachel Keltz.

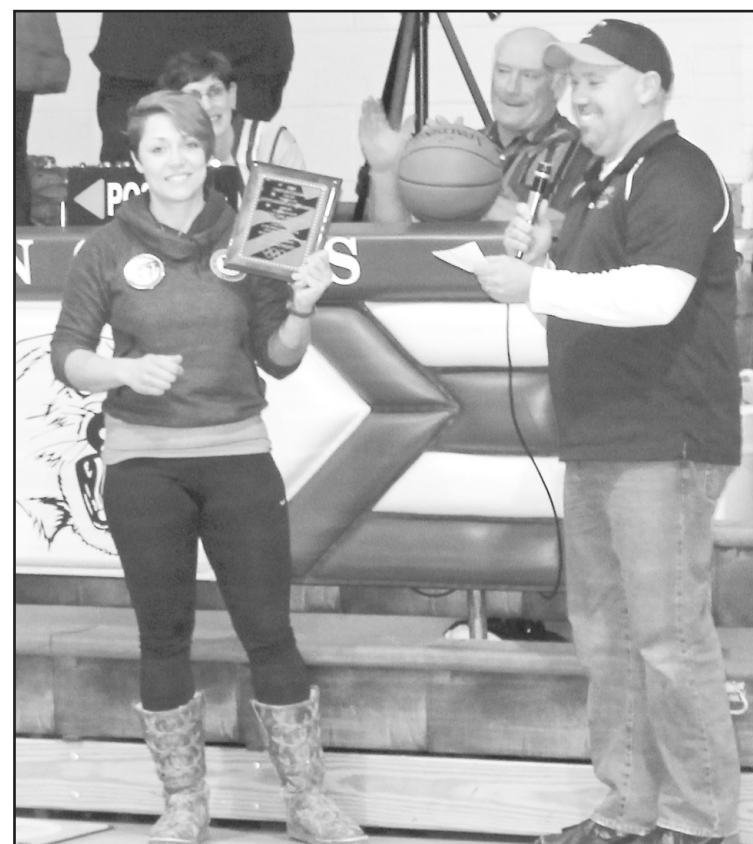
Exempt in Reading and Math are: Granite Bock, C J Antholz, Bergan Bock, Thomas Frisbie, Jacob Brubaker, Allie Frisbie.

Exempt in Reading are: Claudia Cabos, Schuyler Lennox, Colton McCarty, Kaylynn Hendricks, Robert Havel and Mary Anne Orten.

Exempt in Math are: Mitchell Howard, Gustave Hesse, Mary Hannah Frisbie, Kevin Estrada, Haleigh Rucker, and Shawn Pochop.

Exempt in Science are: Angel Sanchez and Walker Janicke.

The final special event for the evening was the Cheylins presentation of a plaque to Olympian Katie Uhlaender on her accom-



KATIE UHLAENDER accepts a plaque for her accomplishments at the Olympics during the basketball game.

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plishment of taking fourth place in the Woman's Skeleton Event recently held in Sochi Russia. After a standing ovation was re-

ceived Ms. Uhlaender graciously returned the plaque to Shelly Angelos to be displayed in their trophy case for others to enjoy.

## Money won for school

Hal Antholz, a Cheyenne County farmer, has been selected as a winner in America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Mr. Antholz selected the Cheylin School to receive the \$2,500 donation.

A Monsanto representative presented Mr. Antholz with the ceremonial check at the boys' varsity basketball game on Friday, Feb. 28.

America's Farmers Grow Communities works directly with farmers to support nonprofit organizations doing important work in rural communities. The program encourages farmers to enter to win \$2,500, which is then directed to the farmer's nonprofit of choice.



HAL ANTHOLZ, a Cheyenne County farmer, donated winnings to Cheylin School

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## Daylight saving time arrives soon

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It is time to reset your clocks. Time will be springing forward this weekend, robbing you of an hour of sleep and bringing longer, sunnier evenings.

Daylight saving time officially begins at 2 a.m. on Sunday, March 9. This means that we lose (not gain) an hour when we turn our clocks ahead an hour to 3 a.m. when our clocks reach 2 a.m. on Sunday.

It is this time change that usually leaves people reaching for the snooze button on the alarm. While it may seem silly to complain about losing just an hour of sleep, there may be some merit to the claim that daylight saving time affect's a person's body.

According to Dr. John Solic, who specializes in sleep management, changing the clock back by an hour throws off our biological clock and rhythm, affecting our body temperature,

mental alertness, hormone levels, gastrointestinal function, and sleeping habits.

Losing an hour of sleep can be hard. But there are steps you can take to adjust to the change more easily.

Starting four days before, try to go to bed 15 minutes earlier each night leading up to the time change, allowing yourself to gradually adjust. By Sunday, the new time change won't affect you, and you will be going to

sleep at your "usual" bedtime. If your schedule doesn't allow this, go to sleep and wake up like usual. On Sunday, do not sleep an extra hour to compensate. Wake up as usual.

While the official time change is at 2 a.m. Sunday, most people probably will set their clocks up either before going to bed on Saturday or in the morning Sunday. But don't forget, or you'll be having a late start to your day!

## Senator holds town hall meeting in Sainty

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Senator Ralph Ostmeier came to Saint Francis for a town hall meeting on Saturday, March 1.

About a dozen people showed up to greet the Senator at Cuppa Joe's on the chilly Saturday

morning. He discussed what bills were coming up, and what was going on in the legislature right now. It was an informative meeting.

Kim Zweygardt, Cuppa Joe's owner, said that the main issue that was discussed was a bill regarding

the water issues with the Ogallala Aquifer.

According to the High Plains Water District, the Ogallala Aquifer is one of the largest aquifer systems in the world. It stretches across all or portions of eight states, generally from north

to south, including South Dakota, Nebraska, Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Texas and underlies about 174,000 square miles. Approximately 95 percent of the water pumped from the Ogallala is for irrigation.



MCDONALD FIRE DEPARTMENT held a fund raiser that raised about \$12,000.

Photo courtesy of Kathy Banister

## Firefighters raise money at benefit

The McDonald Fire Department is facing new challenges with all of the oil activity in their fire district. They felt the need to upgrade their equipment, to provide more adequate protection.

The department held a free-will fund raiser at the McDonald Fire Department building on Monday, Feb. 24. Hungry community members,

friends, and family turned out in huge numbers to support the supper, eating prepared biscuits and gravy, accompanied by homemade desserts as well as soft-serve ice cream.

Bruce Nickel reported they raised about \$12,000. The money will be spent on replacing a couple of rural fire trucks, plus using some of the funds for education purposes.

## Thresher association holds meeting in city

The 60th meeting of the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Association was held on Saturday, March 1, at the Bird City Senior Center. There were 25 members in attendance.

Many items were discussed and approved, and there was a review of projects completed last year. Show dates for this year's show are July 31 and Aug. 1, and 2.

New this year will be a charge of \$5 for children passes (all three days plus a show button). There will be monitoring of workers' gates, improved parking, a swap meet, and camper parking. Build-

ings in need of repairs or updates were determined.

Members approved the use of the show grounds for the Community Fourth of July celebration, and received an update on the progress and fund raising for the new Wright Memorial Building.

Brendon Haack was elected as the new president. Everyone left the meeting with a positive attitude, knowing with our increasing attendance and additional activities planned for the show this year that we are the No. 1 antique tractor show in the Midwest.