

# Cheylin preschool funding discussed

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During the May 1 Cheylin School board meeting a report was given by Superintendent Shelly Angelos on the Pride in Your School Day on May 15. This day, she said, was very well designed and set up so everything was accomplished in a very smooth and organized manner. All classes from pre-school to 12th grade were assigned areas to work with two to three projects to do with in the time frame of 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. for the elementary and noon for the high school students.

Jane Brubaker, board member, gave her report on the happenings at Northwest Kansas Technical College. Lori Janicke, board member, gave a review on behalf of Site Council on the accomplishments project successes. This report was published in the May 15, *Bird City Times*. Preliminary plans were also shared for the upcoming school year.

Several students received special recognition for their outstanding performances in State Music. Students were; Allie Frisbie for a I rating, Jasmin Yanez for a I rating, Isaac Kemp for a III rating, Shayla Hubbard for a II rating, and Mary Anne Orten for a II rating. Jacob Brubaker was nominated to be the FFA District Reporter. Mary Anne Orten, Elizabeth Keltz and Rusty Porubsky received recognition for receiving FFA Proficiency Awards.

Staff, sponsors and coaches approved for the 2014-2015 school year

Classified staff members were assigned for the following positions: Blanca Rodriguez as translator/paraprofessional, Tina Sager as head cook, Linda Schneider as cook, Leah Rambat as kitchen aide, Sylvia Hubbard as concessions manager, Bridget Pochop as pre-kindergarten staff, Randy Miller as maintenance, Dixie Louderbaugh as McDonald gym custodian, Leticia Olave as custodian, Dixie Louderbaugh as custodian, Randy Miller as transportation supervisor, Phyllis Carson, Sylvia Hubbard, Lori Moore, and Jacky Roesener as bus drivers, Deanna Nelson as elementary secretary/registrar, and Jane Young as district clerk.

Supplemental assignments were approved for the following class sponsors; seventh grade - Kody Tegmeier and Angie Chmielewski, eighth - Abbie and Kevin Dixon, freshman - Dennis and Rose Hengen, sophomore Darla Dible and Amy Hendricks, junior - Barbara Antholz and Max Keltz, senior - Susan Jensen and Carol Partch.

Organization Sponsors for FFA - Max Keltz, Student Government - Barbara Antholz.

Academic Sponsors; High School Scholars Bowl- Kevin Dixon, Junior High Scholars Bowl - Kale Shields, Special Education Coordinator - Carol Partch.

Music sponsors: music director and production - Rose Hengen; assistant Musical production - Dennis Hengen.

Cheer sponsors - high school cheer - Eileen Porubsky, junior high cheer - Amy Hendricks.

Athletic coaches: High school athletic director - Kale Shields, head junior high school football - Dennis Hengen; assistant high school football - Kody Tegmeier; head junior high football - Kale Shields; assistant junior high football - Kody Tegmeier; head high school volleyball - Ashley Raile; assistant high school volleyball - Tia Sager; head junior high volleyball - Dan Carson; assistant high school boys basketball - open; head high school girls basketball - Max Keltz; assistant high school girls basketball - Mindy Crow; head junior high boys basketball - Mindy Crow; head junior high boys basketball - Dennis Hengen; assistant junior high boys basketball - Spencer Reeves; head junior high girls basketball - Ashley Raile; assistant junior high girls basketball - Dixie Louderbaugh, head high school track - Max Keltz, assistant high school track - Kody Tegmeier and Hannah Louderbaugh; head junior high Track - Kody Tegmeier, assistant junior high track - Kale Shields; high school golf - Dennis Hengen.

### Wellness center landscaping

A great deal of discussion has been discussed on landscaping the area around the Wellness Center. Power Service submitted an estimate on landscaping for \$7,211. This bid included estimates for edging, sprinklers and buffalo grass. An estimate for dirt work and decorative rock was not included. Comments from the board were by rocking it they would not have to pay extra for water, edging or mowing. They could add decoration by adding a few boulders. Rock would be the cheapest route to take and they could use the money saved on other needs. After discussing the matter the board decided to eliminate the grass and sprinkler system and just use rock. Brad Schneider will use the city equipment to do the required dirt work. Ms. Angelos said she would obtain prices in different types of rock for the June meeting.

### Preschool discussion

Cathy Domsch and David Hendricks attended the meeting as representatives of Bird City Century II Development Foundation. They discussed investing in long-term funding for the Cheylin Preschool.

Since 2008, \$64,000 has been donated to operate the program. Mr. Hendricks suggested establishing an endowment of \$200,000 especially for the Cheylin Preschool of which earned interest would fund the annual operating costs. With the current financial situation board members had concerns about raising funds to establish an endowment.

David Hendricks said Century II's commitment at this time was to continue funding the Cheylin preschool. The decision was made that Superintendent Angelos would submit a grant request to Century II for the funding of the Cheylin Preschool for the 2014-15 school year.

### Technology update

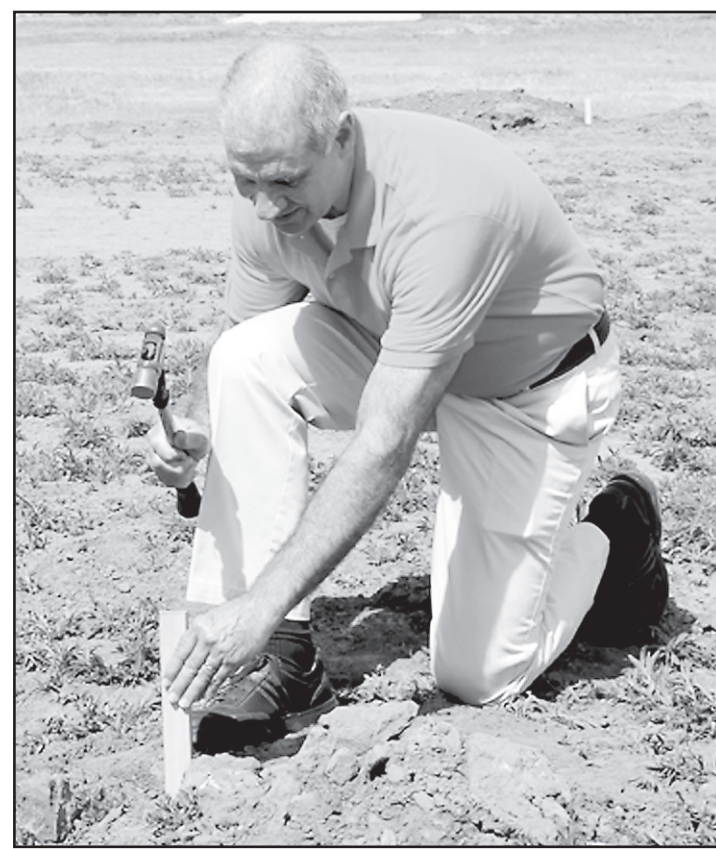
Technology director, Matt Wilson updated the board on the current happenings talked about at the April 15, Technology Committee Meeting. Haleigh Rucker and several community members were in attendance of this meeting. During the meeting the committee reviewed the current district technology plan that is due to be updated for next year. Discussion was held

on the technology initiative including Google Applications and the one to one Chromebook for 7-12 grade students.

Amy Hendricks tested the commutability issues with Power School and the Gradebook. It was determined high school teachers will move forward using Chromebooks along with the students beginning the 2014-15 school year.

A technology meeting for students sixth thru 11th was to be held on May 21 during seminar period. Students were apprised of details of their responsibilities and given copies of the new policy. An article about the technology initiative was presented in last week's Bird City Times. Beginning in July the board will begin utilizing technology for their meetings either their own devices or at the school. After it was reviewed the Chromebook policy revisions made from suggestions during last month's board meeting were approved.

*Editor's note: Information for this article was taken from the unapproved notes obtained from Shelly Angelos.*



**MARTIN BURTON** drove in the first stake for the Wright Building at the Thresher grounds. It will be used for storage and a museum.

*Times staff photo by Norma Martinez.*

# Community Club reports over past year

*By Rod Klepper*

Your support and willingness to volunteer your time and efforts supporting the Bird City Community activities during the past year are appreciated and you did make a difference!

### Year's summary

October - Pancake and sausage supper headed up by Steve Busse, Tom Bailey, Dennis Whitmore, Shelly Angelos families and Marlene Young provided an evening of food and conversation for over 50 friends.

November - Heavy Trash Day organized by Brad and Linda Schneider, with the help of Mike McGilvray, Ray Magnani, Ned Smith, Rod Young and others picked up seven truck loads of trash, two trailer loads of metal, 230 gallons of old paint, 50 old tires, a truckload of cement and a trailer load of chemicals. The helpers were rewarded with a ham and bean lunch.

Doug and Karen Flemming along with Cathy Loop, Troy Burr, Mike Boyson, Adam Deeds, and Nick Ketzner families headed up the Santa Day and served over 300 people.

January - Potluck and games were hosted by Don and Donna Wright, Bonnie Burr, Helen Frisbie, Linda Carol, and Vernetta Haack. Great food and the fun of games were enjoyed by all.

February - Ladies Night using the menu suggested by Canda Orten and Kirby Krien, Oven French Toast with Canadian bacon, and fresh fruit, the committee of Dennis Wright, Kale Shields, Cliff Leach and Larry Shults families served over 60 people. Entertainment was a young magician. He was great!

March - Emergency Responders Night brought out a big crowd. The meal was prepared by Loren White, Devon Coolley, Willy Martinez, Rod Young, Larry Shults, and Brian Miller. Midwest Energy's Linemen team demonstrated the dangers of electricity. We all got to look over the equipment and showed appreciation by providing money for additional equipment.

April - Farmers Night was a hoot. Brenda Johnson, Ernie Ketzner, and the families of Cathy Domsch, Clint Bursch, Troy Burr,

and Martin Burton served and provided the great entertainment! Sorry we missed it! The event was declared the "Highlight of the Year".

April - Pool and Park Clean Up Organized by Alisa Blair and Brad Schneider, along with the help of Mike Boyson, Sherri Carmichael and the Mike McCarty and Adam Dees families helped. Several high school students scrubbed, painted, polished, raked and shoveled all morning. Lunch for all the help was provided. The master griller was Shannon Ambrosier.

Shelter House Floor - Willy Martinez and Larry Shultz took on this project. They filled all the cracks, cleaned and resurfaced the floor. Two coats of epoxy paint were applied and it looks great! Check it out.

### Future movies in the park

Outdoor Projector and sound... by request, with funds provided by Big Ed's Steak House and Century II, we sponsored and became the owners of the equipment needed to show movies in the park! Talked about it for years, it is about to happen so get your lawn chairs ready

### Next event and annual meeting

The city has asked the community club to sponsor another Community Clean up Day so we will be picking up items listed in this paper and on signs, from 9 am until noon on Saturday. Contact your neighbors and let's make Bird City beautiful!

Following the noon meal the annual meeting and election of officers will be held at the Shelter House so plan to attend. All food, drinks and table service will be provided so invite your friends and neighbors and enjoy the fellowship.

### Walking taco night

Thursday July 31, at 6 p.m. will be walking taco night at the Legion hall. Gary Leach, Laurie Leonard, Ray Martinez, Nathan Sowers and Alisa Blair will be heading this event up.

### Thresher show ticket sales

Gary Leach Ernie Ketzner, Charles Coleman, Ray Martinez, Dave Hickert and Mike Smith will be working in ticket sales for the thresher show on Thursday, July 31, Aug. 1, and 2.

## 80th Birthday celebration

Please join family and friends in celebrating Ken Beougher's 80th birthday at the United Methodist Church in Bird City on Saturday, June 7, from 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. A brunch will be provided. Cards only, please.



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June 14, Paola  
Join TV celebrity guests, Jared Zimmerman & Lou Santiago for the 12th Annual Heartland Car Show on The Park Square. Featuring cars & trucks, 1979 & earlier.  
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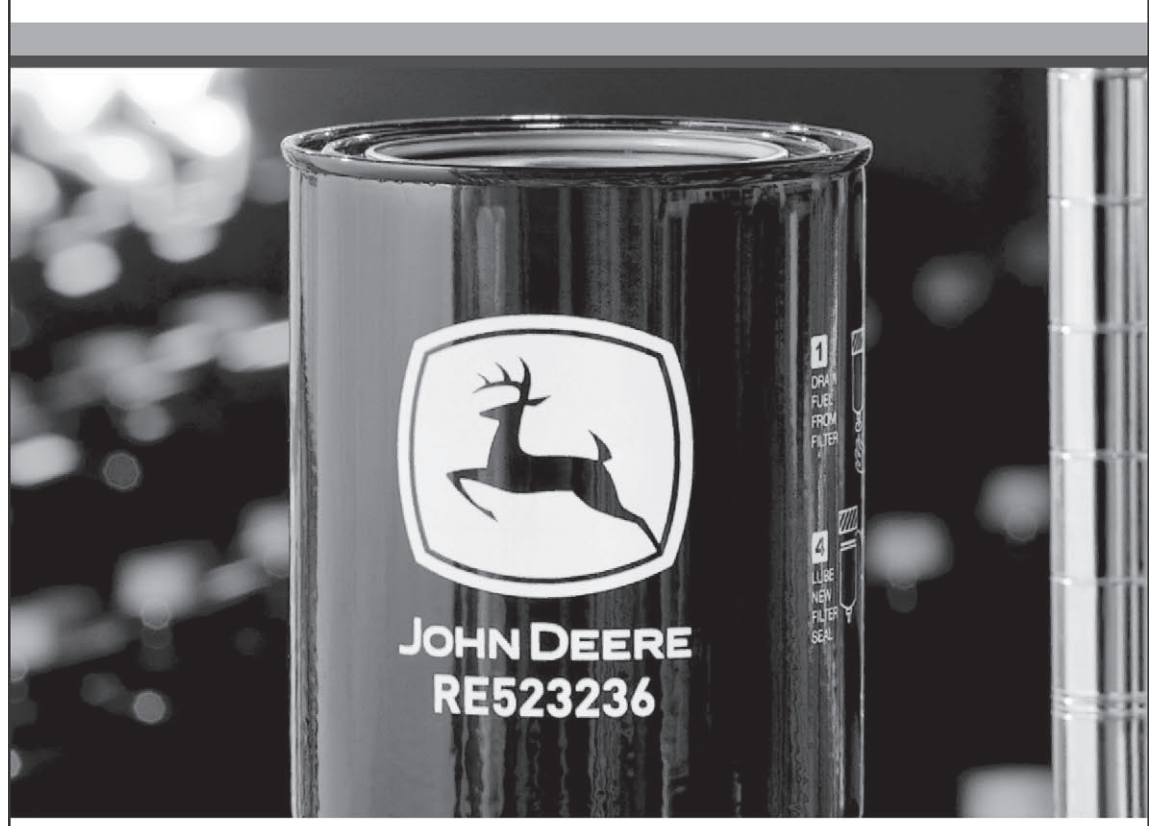


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