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the bridge by Feb. 1 and noted that the road will not be closed during construction. Penco Engineering will do the bridge inspection.

Mr. Flemming said the Olofson Bridge cost less than expected and the county had received a rebate.

At the last meeting, there had been discussion about purchasing an extended warranty for the two new Ford tractors purchased in 2008. The commissioners agreed to not buy the warranty.

**Ambulance department report**  
Janelle Bowers, county emergency medical service director, said there were 25 ambulance runs in December - 22 in St. Francis and three in Bird City. For the year, there was a total of 318 runs. This was 54 more runs than the year before. Write offs for the month was \$3,193.12.

Mrs. Bowers said she had ordered four new portable radios. Ernie Ketzner, commissioner, asked if all technicians had radios? Mrs. Bowers said all, including the four new first responders, had radios.

What if someone quits? he asked. Mrs. Bowers said the only technicians who have quit have also been firemen so they kept their radios.

Mr. Beikman asked what it takes to be an emergency medical technician? Is a background check made? "No," she said. Mrs. Bowers was advised to develop a policy on bringing on new emergency medical technicians.

When asked, Mrs. Bowers said her contract said that, within her salary, she is also paid to make ambulance runs. There is no extra pay.

**Alcohol at the fairgrounds**  
Mr. Beikman said he had been approached by Cheyenne County Wildlife members to see if the county would allow alcohol to be sold in the fairground building during the annual banquet? At the present time, alcohol is not allowed.

A member of the organization said he purchases the cereal malt beverage license so alcohol can be served at the Legion hall in Bird City but the organization would

like to be able to rotate the place of the banquet between the two cities.

After considerable discussion, Mrs. Gilliland said she would research the legalities of the matter and bring more information back to the next meeting.

**County attorney's report**  
Mrs. Gilliland said she and secretary, Danielle Gardner will be working out of the courthouse office. Mrs. Gilliland will be in the office each morning and Mrs. Gardner is there full time.

"My door is always open," she said.

**Vouchers questioned**  
Vouchers questioned included: 17826, Topside Storage, \$270 for the semi annual storage rental for the sheriff's department; 17800, Thomas County Treasurer, \$17,800 for the county's share of the corner charges based on population and judicial expense; 17837, Cheyenne County Development Corporation, \$9,090 appropriation (90 percent), Mr. Ketzner wanted to know how active the organization is? Mr. Miller said they have new directors and are getting things done. 17860, city of St. Francis, \$200 for storage and utilities. Since the county has moved up to the new emergency building, is there was any storage left in the old fire house? 17865, Ranchers Supply Co, \$16,560 for the second half payment of the 2008 Witzco trailer.

**In other business**  
In other business:  
• Karen Flemming and Amy Hilt were given permission to attend appraiser meetings. Danny Schlittenhardt, noxious weed supervisor, and Ed Garner, landfill supervisor, will attend a refresher course on collecting household hazardous waste materials. Mr. Schlittenhardt will also attend an annual weed meeting.  
• Weed agreement with the state was signed. The county will get

\$60 an hour (includes hourly wage and equipment usage) for spraying noxious weeds along state and federal highways.

• A note was received from Connie Morris expressing regrets for not being able to attend the interview for the new hospital board member.

• The grant time limit for replacing the courthouse steps had ran out. Mr. Miller applied for an extension which will give the county until November to put the new steps in.

**Executive sessions**  
Three executive sessions were held during the meeting, all for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Mr. Flemming asked for 10 minutes; Carol Gambelin, 911 director, asked for 10 minutes and Mrs. Bowers asked for 10 minutes. No decisions were made.

**Next meeting**  
The next meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 30, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.

## FAIR

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In addition, rules for the demolition derby were discussed based on making them similar to the surrounding area and their derby rules. It was agreed it would make it easier on the participants.

Gary Cooper, secretary, mentioned that with the theme "A Family Tradition," float ideas would be good. Mr. Bursch said that on several occasions people had asked why the fair board did not ride in the parade. Brian Horbrock thought it was a legitimate request. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

They also discussed adding a musical performance to the grandstand schedule.

# Congratulations are now in order

## To Amy Dianne

made her first appearance on Monday, Jan. 12, at 7:48 a.m. Congratulations to her parents Viviana and Juan Yanez and big sister Vivian Nichole



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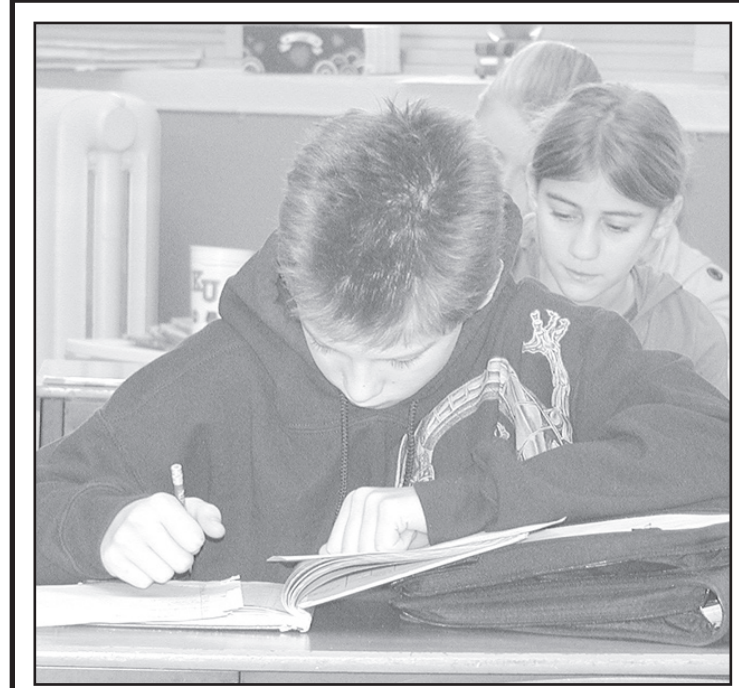
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## -Bowling News-

**Monday Night Mixed 1-5**  
Team standings: Majestic 4-0, Earl's Gals 3-1, Wrecking Balls 3-1, Neitzel Insurance 1-3, Cheyenne Bowl 1-3, Wano's 0-4.  
High game (scratch): Kale Zimbelman 194, Erica Harlan 190, Kary Meyer 180, Eddie Zuege 177, Sally Baird 175, Alan Rose 174; (handicap): Harlan 246, Baird 232, K. Meyer 231, Bill Porter and Arrie Cox 211, Zuege 209.  
High series (scratch): Zimbelman 533, K. Meyer 476, Rose 470, Zuege 459, Janice Krien 437, Harlan 421; (handicap): K. Meyer 629, Krien 593, Cox 590, Harlan and Baird 589, Troy Meyer 568, Zuege 555.



**HITTING THE BOOKS! - Matt Howell and Echo Jones are hard at work in Julie Wolters' sixth grade class.**  
Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

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Jeff, Becca, Grace Landers and Dr. Allard