

Results of fair discussed at fair board

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The Cheyenne County Fair Board members got together on Thursday for the meeting following the fair. They discussed which shows went well and which did not and even toss around ideas for next year's fair. Overall, members thought this year was one of the best year's the fair has seen in recent times.

Lacy Reed, treasurer, reported the balance in the account at the present with all bills paid or checks written, is \$7,055.59. In addition, there were payment requests from Candi Douthit for \$459 and \$1,750 from Custom Trophy and Engraving.

Mark Mills, board member, asked about the payment of \$459 to Candi Douthit.

"It was for the decorations and flowers in front of fair building and Jenkins Hall," said Dick Bursch, president. "And I received many compliments on the displays."

Mrs. Reed explained that in the May meeting the board members approved \$375. However, Mrs. Reed pointed out the list of items Mrs. Douthit purchased that exceeded the amount and allowed her to purchase the better quality materials to be used for future events and will be caring for the flowers throughout the year.

Hog sales

Brian Hobrock, board member, asked Mrs. Reed how the hog sale turn out was. She said the average hog purchase was .365 cents a pound. Bar and Grill donated the shipping cost of \$106. Kids did better, the hogs were in Brush, Colo. within two hours.

Last year, Chris Leibbrandt had told Mrs. Reed it had taken over 11 hours to get them to Beatrice, Neb., which is a four hour drive.

"The kids may not have gotten the best prices they were hoping for, but the hogs did make it alive," said Mrs. Reed.

Extension office

Joe Leibbrandt, extension agent, thanked the fair board members for the time and labor they had put into the fair this year.

Mr. Leibbrandt said that most folks do not know how much time is put into getting the fair ready for opening day.

"I told someone the fair is a busy time for the extension office, but you guys are there from 7:30 in the morning to midnight," Mr. Leibbrandt said.

Mrs. Reed asked for a trophy sponsor list for her to check and balance. She continued with a request to do it different next year and get the checks in before fair time. She said there was some confusion as who was sponsoring and who was not.

Mr. Leibbrandt asked if it was possible to get sponsors and rule changes in by mid-May. Mrs. Reed replied it would be good to get those things done.

He updated the board on the table and chairs that were to be delivered by fair time. However, there was some confusion, confirmation was not made, and the order was cancelled. He said the table and chairs have been reordered.

Meeting notifications

Mr. Mills asked if it was possible to send out notifications and agen-

das of the upcoming monthly meetings.

Mr. Bursch said he did not think anything was wrong with that, except that there are times when he does not know what is going to be on the agenda.

"Knowing what is on the agenda before hand, might bring in more board members," Mr. Mills said.

Gary Cooper, secretary, said he would send them out if the members wanted him to. Mr. Bursch added the members could think about doing it and he would give the information to Mr. Cooper to send out. No action taken.

Thank you letter

Mr. Bursch read a thank you letter from Kayla Bandel to the fair board for sponsoring the grand champion steer banner and trophies. The letter thanked the board for organizing a great fair.

He added that the board would be receiving several thank you letters in the coming days.

Election

Mr. Bursch mentioned next month is election month and instructed Mr. Cooper to send out notices.

He continued with something for the members to think about, and there was quorum present to vote on it, currently the newly elected officers take office immediately.

Dick explained the newly elected officers would not know the business at hand and might consider having them take office at the next meeting, giving them the opportunity to know the agenda.

Mrs. Reed added that if that is done, she suggested having the election in January. Discussion followed mentioning it would be easier on the new officers.

Mr. Hobrock mentioned that ideas and discussions for next year's fair need to get started sooner than January.

"That was why it was moved to October in the first place," said Mr. Bursch.

More discussion followed, and then Mr. Bursch said on this issue more board members should be present and he will bring it up again at the next meeting. Election of officers will be in the October meeting.

Fairgrounds

The members spent time discussing a couple of complaints received from visitors and from participants in the derby.

Mr. Mills asked if more lighting could be arranged for the arena pit areas. He said lighting had been turned off before participants could leave the area. It was mentioned there were a few complaints about the lights in the arena being turned off too soon.

"The only lights I shut off were the front lights," said Mr. Bursch.

He continued that he had shut off the front lights 45 minutes after the show ended. Discussion followed with the concern about other lights in the arena also turned off, not giving enough light to continue with participants departing.

It was suggested to add more lighting, however, Mr. Bursch said it would have to be checked with Stanion Electrical to see if more wiring was needed.

John Finley, member, said that a grandmother had come to him during fair time and mentioned that her

7-year-old grandson became upset when he went to use the men's restroom and seen someone sitting on a stool because there were no stall dividers.

Members talked about the condition of the restrooms and the need for handicap accessible bars. Mr. Bursch added that the exhibit-building restroom lines were too long and asked for suggestions.

Mr. Hobrock mentioned port-potties; however, Mr. Bursch explained it had been brought up before and the Amusement Authority

did not like the idea. No action was taken.

Miscellaneous items

Other topics discussed by members:

- Updating first aid kits at various stations.
- Carrie York will take care of the watering in the rest area.
- Getting an electrician to look at adding more lights in the exhibit building.

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 1.

Biker rides to help friend with cancer

By Dick Boyd

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Jama Babcock of Phillipsburg and formerly of Logan loves to ride her bicycle so much that she cycles 10-20 miles every evening and 60-70 miles every weekend.

That may sound like a lot of miles to most people but Jama was trying to find a reason for a really long ride. And she found it recently!

Her good friend 24-year-old Cody Hilburn from Logan married Kara Boyd in May and, shortly after their honeymoon, Cody was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma, a rare and aggressive form of cancer.

Cody will be receiving treatment in Denver for several months.

The Logan community has been generously raising money to help the couple with medical and travel expenses but Jama wanted to do something special herself so now she has decided the when and where of her long bike ride.

Jama will bicycle from Phillipsburg to Denver on U.S. 36 Highway, a distance of 350.5 miles. She will leave Phillipsburg at 7 a.m. on Saturday and hopes to cycle about 70 miles per day and arrive in Denver on Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Jama hopes that her ride will create enough awareness of the Hilburns' situation to prompt donations to help them meet their

financial needs during this unfortunate time in their lives.

A benefit fund entitled "That's Why She Rolls" has been established at the First National Bank and Trust in Phillipsburg, Logan and Long Island. Donations may be dropped off at the bank in any of the three towns or mailed to P.O. Box 627, Phillipsburg, KS 67661. Any size donation will be appreciated.

Colorful T-shirts to show your support of Jama's ride are available in all sizes from children's to triple large. Contact Chyanne Hilburn, Cody's sister. Her address is P.O. Box 242, Logan, KS 67646. Make your check out to "Cody's Cause". Any additional donations would also be appreciated.

Jama will be riding solo and knows that supporters will be riding with her in spirit but also welcomes fellow bikers who wish to join her for a few miles along the way.

"Cody will also know that his supporters are with him in spirit while he goes through his journey," said Jama.

Jama says she will personally deliver every cent raised for the Hilburns to Cody and Kara when she "rolls" into Denver!

A support vehicle driven by Donna Brobst and Melinda Dougherty, both of Logan, will accompany Jama on her bike journey.

Picnic held at park for family reunion

A picnic was hosted by Rudy Zimbelman and family at the Gullick Park in Goodland on Sept. 6, in the evening.

Those attending were Ruby and Bill Stock of McCook, Neb., Lonnie Zimbelman of Imperial, Neb.; Relgene and Wilma Zimbelman of Benkelman, Neb.; Mike and Ginger Chadwick and Dusti of Goodland, Eldon and Dorothy Palmer of Goodland, Kelley and Diane Kent of Denver, Colo.; April Loudermilk, Amber and Anthony of Brewster, Michael Kinkade and son of Brewster, Leon and Darlene Merklin of St. Francis, Dennis and Mary Merklin of St. Francis; Bradley and

Pat Merklin of St. Francis, Mike and Cindy Mitchell, Andrew and Justin of Wilber, Neb., Heather Merklin and friend Don of Lawrence, Alvin and Sylvia Zimbelman of Goodland, Vera Braun of Goodland, Dr. Rodney and Michael Zimbelman and Megan of St. Joseph, Mo.; Lance and Rhonda Colburn, Shelby and L.T. of Quinter, hostess Rudy Zimbelman of Goodland, Tammy Taylor and Ternna of Colorado Springs, Colo., Jim and Debbie Satran, Nicole, Curtis and Aaron of Ogallah.

An enjoyable evening was spent visiting, taking pictures and playing games.



Nicole and Robert Apprill

Couple honeymoons two weeks in Ireland

Robert James Apprill and Nicole Dawnelle Howard were married June 20, 2009, at the Lawrence Free Methodist Church in Lawrence with Pastor Bill Bump officiating.

The bride wore a champagne-colored, A-line gown. Delicate lace, seed pearls and beading covered the corseted bodice. The lace descended into a chapel length tulle train. The dress was accented with a black satin ribbon at the waist. She wore two strands of pearls, her grandmother's and great-grandmother's. She carried a bouquet of spray roses and sweet peas wrapped with a champagne-colored satin ribbon.

Bridal attendants wore black-chiffon, floor-length, A-line dresses with satin gathers at the bust-line. Maid-of-honor was Jinna Adamson. Bridesmaids were Amber Lyons and Jill Whitney. Personal attendant was Lori Lueger. The flower girl, Sydney Sanders, wore a Dupioni silk dress accented with a black sash, custom made by the groom's grandmother to match the bride's dress.

The groom and his attendants wore black tuxedos with champagne-colored vests and ties. Best man was Joshua Skel-

ton. Groomsmen were Jeremiah Kemper and Shawn Garman. The ring bearer was Chet Bartling, cousin of the groom.

Ushers were Tyler Howard, brother of the bride, and Mary Stewart and Jonathan Stewart, siblings of the groom. Candle lighters were Emily Elfers and William Thompson. Soloist was Sharilyn Mathews, cousin of the groom.

A dinner and reception were held at Abe and Jake's landing in Lawrence.

Parents of the bride are Tony and Tammy Howard of St. Francis. Parents of the groom are Paul Apprill of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Mike and Kim Stewart of Lecompton. Grandparents of the bride are Dave and Sharon Penton of St. Francis and Don and Jerry Howard of Wray, Colo. Grandparents of the groom are Bob and Mary Lou Morris of Lecompton, Mary Apprill of St. Louis, and Jim and Donna Apprill of San Diego, Calif.

The couple spent two weeks honeymooning in Iceland.

Nicole, a 2001 graduate of St. Francis Community High School, is a critical-care nurse at Olathe Medical Center, and is also attending the University of Kansas for a master of science in nursing degree.

Bob, a 2001 graduate of Perry-Lecompton High School, is also a student at the University of Kansas, majoring in mechanical engineering.

They will continue to reside in Lawrence with their dog, Oscar.



Hays site of reunion

The Gleason family reunion was held at the home of Merf and Sandy Kuhn in Hays on Sunday, Sept. 6.

Those attending were Merf and Sandy Kuhn of Hays, Clyde and Wilma Gleason of Plainville, Shona Gleason of Ellis, Vera Gleason of Beaver City, Neb., Kathleen Sawyer of McCook, Neb., Darlene Lauer, Louise Sawyer, Dwen and Charilyn DeGood of St. Francis.

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Cheyenne County will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on **Saturday, Sept. 12 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the Cheyenne County Landfill.

Materials accepted include paints, solvents, cleaners, pesticides, aerosol cans, batteries and used oil. Automobile lead acid batteries will be accepted. Please have the materials in sturdy boxes for easy and quick unloading. Have your used oil in disposable containers. Farm chemicals, appliances, tires, yard waste, explosives, school lab chemicals, medical waste, radioactive waste, ammo, compressed gas cylinders (propane), asbestos, dioxins or silvex will not be accepted. Program organizers reserve the right to reject delivery of materials.

Participants are asked to leave all materials in their original containers. If the container is leaking, pack the container "as is" in another larger container and label it clearly. If another container is used, be sure it is clearly labeled. Do not mix contents of different containers. Securely package materials before transporting. Do not carry open containers of liquids with strong odors or spill potential in a closed automobile. Pack the containers so they won't tip, break or spill during travel. Waste oil should not contain gasoline, solvents, decreases, paint or antifreeze. Keep all household hazardous waste away from children and animals.

Due to KDHE regulations these are items that can't be picked up during the City-Wide Cleanup later in the month. You do not need to call prior to bringing items to the Landfill. If you have questions, please call the Landfill at 785-332-8842, Tuesday through Saturday.

No Household Hazardous Waste items accepted early or after the clean up date.