

# Outgoing hospital board member acknowledged

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The Cheyenne County Hospital Board met on Jan. 16 to swear in a new board member and elect officers for the year.

The board members took time to acknowledge the service of commitment and caring that Kari Gilliland has given to the hospital and clinic over the past eight years. Judy Rockwood, hospital chief executive officer, said Mrs. Gilliland brought leadership to the team, and led the board through some difficult times. Members said that her positive attitude, foresight and wisdom provided a solid path for them to follow, and Mrs. Gilliland will be missed.

With the departure of Kari Gilliland, new board member Roxie Neitzel was sworn in by Deb Lindsten, deputy county clerk. Mrs. Neitzel was chosen by the Cheyenne County Commissioners to fill the board position. This was her first meeting.

The hospital board elected officers for 2014. Jane Young was elected president. Mike Bandel was elected vice president/secretary, and Erika Zimbelman was elected treasurer.

### Equipment and staff

The hospital is currently exploring the feasibility of initiating a sleep lab. The lab could be up and running by April with the company Rural Sleep Solutions.

The hospital is working on ob-

taining a pulmonologist and an oncologist as additions to the specialty clinicians staff.

Dr. Swinehardt, a dermatologist from Denver, began seeing patients in December.

The capability of doing Dexa Scan in-house is being explored. A Dexa Scan is a machine that measures bone density. The machine would cost between \$27,000 - \$35,000. As mentioned at the previous hospital board meeting, the Dexa Scan that was coming to St. Francis discontinued services at the beginning of this year. Travel time and expenses were cited for discontinuing the service.

### Hospital policy

The 2014 Strategic Plan was shared with the hospital and clinic staff. The four pillars for the plan include finance, quality, community and team. An explanation and discussion of the plan was held at monthly Hospital Happening meetings so that all staff has a clear understanding of where the hospital is headed in 2014.

A new vacation policy was instituted the first of the year. Highlights of the new policy are: vacations are strongly encouraged to be taken by the staff; if the hours can't be used and that if approved by management, only 16 hours may be carried over into the next year.

The requirement of mandatory attendance of meetings was implemented Jan. 1. The staff felt that 80 percent was a fair commitment for attending mandatory meetings.

Personnel hiring has been put on hold, except a housekeeping position. Look for an ad for the position elsewhere in this issue of The Herald and Times.

### Next board meeting

The next board meeting will be held Feb. 27 at 3 p.m.

# Grandparents urged to be aware of scam

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At the City Council meeting Jan. 27, Chief of Police Shane Guggenmos warned that there was once again a "Grandparent scam" that has recently picked back up.

Around the country, people are reporting that they have received phone calls from someone claiming to be their granddaughter or grandson. They state that they are in jail, and need the person on the phone to send bail money. To help them out, they are asking the phone call recipient to wire money. Of course, the person on the other end of the line is not someone related, but rather a scam artist.

Mr. Guggenmos said that it is very easy for people to get all kinds of information off the internet now. These scammers do their homework, and know

the grandchildren's names, age, their parent's names, where they go to school, and lots of other information simply by looking online.

He asked that the community become aware of the scam. Before sending or wiring money, do your homework. Although the person on the other end of the line may sound convincing and very upset, it may not be someone related to you. Call the parents before sending money, even if the person on the other end of the line asks you not to.

If anyone is contacted by a person that you don't know who wants money or is suspicious, let the police department know. The police department's number is 785-332-3330, or the sheriff's department is 785-332-8880. The information may save others from a serious loss of money.



**BLOCK PARTY TIME!** Headstart students participated in a learning activity in the grade school gymnasium.  
Herald staff photo by Amanda Miller

# Idalia News

By Pastor Chuck Wright



The Story, Chapter 16: The Fall of Israel. 2 Kings 17-19

The St. John Men's Bible Study invites all Idalia men to meet weekly on Thursday, 7 a.m., for discussion of scripture and fellowship. Pastor Chuck is currently leading a discussion of, The Story, a year long study of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation.

### Idalia school news

The Idalia After Prom Committee is sponsoring a Valentine sale in support of this year's After Prom event. Order forms are

available at the school. Orders are due by Feb. 7 for delivery on Friday, Feb. 14.

The Idalia school Student Council is selling tickets for their annual Cajun Boil fundraiser to be held on Saturday, Feb. 15, 6:30 p.m. at the Grainery. Contact Student Council President, Denise Cano, or any Student Council member for tickets.

# Book Review

Under a Texas Sky  
By Dorothy Garlock

For young actress Anna Finnegan, it's the chance of a lifetime - her first starring role in a Hollywood movie. Having grown up poor and abandoned on the streets of Chicago, she struggled to find a place where she can make

something of her life. Now she arrives on location in Redstone where she is determined to shine in her debut film. When a mysterious disaster threatens to shut down the already-troubled production, Anna will risk her promising career to uncover the truth.

But in this exciting new world,

Anna soon discovers that no one is what he seems, especially local blacksmith Barnes. Embattled by his father's gambling problem and ruthless enemies, the hometown outcast distrusts everyone.

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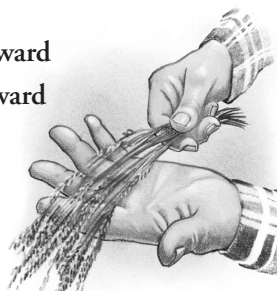
# Cheyenne County Conservation District

Producer's Appreciation Supper & 64th Annual Meeting  
Monday, Feb. 10, 2014  
6 p.m. CST  
Bird City Legion Hall, Bird City

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