

Wildlife club checks 16 deer for disease

By Karen Krien

The Cheyenne County Wildlife members had a deer check station open from Nov. 30 to Dec. 10 where hunters could bring in their deer to be tested for chronic wasting disease.

During that time, 10 mule deer and five whitetail deer were brought in and test samples taken. The samples were sent to K-State University lab.

Francis O'Leary, one of the Cheyenne County Wildlife members, said all but one of the deer appeared to be in good health.

He also said he was disappointed more of the hunters didn't bring in their deer.

One of the first deer to come in was brought down by first-time hunter Dana Rose.

Larry Harper, retired state biologist, will pass on the results of

the tests to the Cheyenne County Wildlife organization. However, if a deer has been tested with chronic wasting disease, the state will notify the hunter immediately.

What is chronic wasting disease.

Chronic wasting disease is a contagious neurological disease which affects deer and elk, causing spongy degeneration of the brain. Animals with the disease are thin, show abnormal behavior, including excessive drinking and urinating and loss of control of bodily functions. Death is inevitable.

Chronic wasting disease is similar to but not the same as mad cow disease, scientists say, and there has never been a proven case of transmission to humans.

Hunters are advised not to eat meat from infected animals.

Club Clip

Red Hatters

A gala Christmas luncheon was hosted by Annie Antholz on Dec. 5 at her home in McDonald.

McDonald/Bird City Red Hatters were treated to a festively decorated environment of red and purple. Impressive appetizer trays appeared followed by tasty chicken tortilla soup, a scrumptious salad assortment and luscious dessert selections.

Club queen, Phyllis Wingfield handed out 2007 planners and after-dinner mints then read some stories following the superb dining.

The gift exchange was livened up by Lois Morelock reading a "right/left" poem to add to the anticipation of the contents.

The afternoon enjoyment was spent playing Red Hat Bingo with



everyone going home with a prize. Annie provided a very delightful day.

Red Hatters attending were: Annie Antholz, Frieda Black, Gwen Boswell, Bonnie Burr, Bethel Goldt, Vernetta Haack, Betty Lewis, Iris McIntosh, Carol Mears, Lois Morelock, Rita Officer, Edna Roesener, Joan Tongish, Margaret Voorhies, Phyllis Wingfield, and Marelene Young.



GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM walked away last Tuesday with a 65-23 win over the Heartland Christian Crusaders. Blanca Ponce, left and Tasha Gordon, right, were among the lead scorers during the game.

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Times staff photo by Melinda Basnett

Lady Cougars win one — lose one game

Cheylin 65, Crusaders 23

The Lady Cougar took on the Heartland Christian Crusaders on Dec. 5. The Cougars played strong and dominated the game throughout.

Leading scorers were; Aubrey Kehlbeck 20, Jessica Marshall 8, Tia Sager 8, Tasha Gordon 6, Mindy

Antholz 6, Alexis Weishapl 4, Blanca Ponce 4.

Leading rebounders were; Kehlbeck 10, Antholz 8, Sager 7, Marshall 5, and Sydney Busse with 4.

Steals; Colleen Shrader 5, Marshall 4, Gordon and Kehlbeck each had 3.

This was an encouraging for the

Cougars after their loss to Brewster on Dec. 1. Due to communication problems the stats for that game are unavailable at this time.

Cheylin 41, Stratton Eagles 54

Cheylin Lady Cougars were matched up against the Stratton Eagles on Dec. 9 at the Sagebrush Shootout in Brewster.

Leading Scorers were; Kehlbeck 18, Sager 12, Emily Holub 5, Marshall 4, and Shrader 2.

Leading rebounders were; Kehlbeck 12, Sager 11, Marshall 8, B. Ponce 5, and Shrader 5. The Ladies play again on Dec. 15 at Triplains and the next home game is Dec. 16. Come out and support the Cougars.

Woman retires from vet clinic

By Karen Krien

A retirement party was held for Shirley Amack on Sunday.

Mrs. Amack has been a bookkeeper, receptionist and responsible for ordering supplies at the Republican Valley Veterinarian Clinic for the last 33 years.

She began her career at the clinic after Dr. Ed Keller and Dr. Lee Mills sold the business to Dr. Bill Panbacker. When Dr. Keller's son Tom became a vet, he came back to St. Francis and he and Dr. Panbacker worked together.

While she never worked for Dr. Ed, she said he came in when she first started and gave her a few pointers on things that would work. And, she said, his advice worked.

Dr. Panbacker and Dr. Keller had a computer system installed when she began and all of the information was kept on the system.

When Dr. Panbacker's father became ill, he went back to Washington County. Dr. Keller eventually sold the business to Dr. Judy Baxter.



RETIREMENT PARTY was held Sunday for Shirley Amack, left, where she enjoy visiting with several of the veterinarians she had work for. Those veterinarians attending were (from the left) Dr. Bill Panbacker, Dr. Tom Keller, Dr. Ron Maifeld and Dr. Judy Baxter.

Times staff photo by Karen Krien

Dr. Ron Maifeld filled in for Dr. Baxter when needed. In all, Mrs. Amack worked for four veterinarians during the 33 years.

"Each veterinary had their own

way of doing things and were enjoyable to work with," she said.

Mrs. Amack said she stayed out of the barn where the big animals were worked on.

"Dogs and cats could be dangerous enough," she said.

Now that she is retired, she said she would like to travel with her husband Alvin.

News from the Past

30 years ago - 1976

The Cougar football team finished the season with a 7-2 record. Senior letter winners include Phil Brethower, Craig Sabatka, Dexter Eggers, Ted Burr, Ray Johnson, Tim Beougher, Dan Wilkens, Jim Anderson and Eric Smith. Brethower was named All-State by the *Wichita Eagle*.

Bradley Waters is the new president of the Community Club. He suggested that helping "spruce up" the main part of the city should be one of the responsibilities of the club during the new year.

The Cougar boys basketball team opened the season with two wins while the Lady Cougars defeated Golden Plains in the season opener. In the boys opener against Golden Plains Brethower led the scoring with 17 points while Wayne Sager scored 19 in the win over Wray. Teresa Cahoj scored 13 points in the girls win over Golden Plains.

Cheylin High School presented the musical *Oklahoma* at the end of November. Over 400 people attended the production. Ted Burr

and Becky Miller were Curly and Laurie and Tim Beougher and Dixie Hubbard were Will and Ado Annie.

A Bird City Ministerial Fellowship has been formed with the first meeting at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Jim Jordan.

Gilbert Frisbie is the president of the Cheylin Board of Education.

The Board of Directors and several members of the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Association met at the site of Building No. 3. Hope Bressler, a member of the Capsule Committee, gave each person carefully selected items to give to Earnest Bressler to place in the capsule. The capsule reads: This capsule sealed on Dec. 27, 1976, by the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Association Inc.

Honor Roll

New and renewed Times subscriptions: Dr. Lonnie Willis, Bird City; Irene Kehlbeck, Colby; Mr. and Mrs. Jon Magley, Bird City; Samuel Grimes, Norton; Larry Willis, Frontenac; Robert Brubaker, Bird City; Michael Boyson, Bird City; Marilyn Miller, Fort Worth, Texas;



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Notice of Special Governing Body Meeting
A special meeting of the governing body is hereby called to be held at the city hall on **January 8, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at Bird City City Hall.** The object of said meeting being a public hearing to provide detailed information to the public concerning the proposed improvements, to provide the public a current engineer's cost estimate & address the impact on sewer user charges or other taxes which will fund the project & to open the hearing to the public for their comments.

Come & Go Bridal Shower for
AMANDA JONES
Sunday, Dec. 17 ~ 3-5 p.m.
Cheyenne Manor
200 N. Ash ~ St. Francis
Registry: Donna's Gift Palace; Schultz's Ltd.; www.jpennney.com

Bird City's
Annual SANTA DAY
Sat., Dec. 16
at the Bird City Legion Hall
Community Club serving Lunch at 11 a.m.
Program starts at 12:30 p.m.
❑ Blizzard Money Machine
❑ Numerous Prizes
Every Kid Is A Winner!
— Free-Will Offering —

Christmas in McDonald
Saturday, December 23
❑ McDONALD LIONS Pancake Dinner, Noon-1 p.m.
❑ SANTA will arrive about 1:00 p.m. with his bag of treats for all and to listen to the children.
❑ MAD Christmas Bingo will be played after Santa Departs
❑ Gifts for All Ages
❑ MCDONALD LEGION will sponsor a TURKEY & HAM SHOOT & PITCH GAMES in the basement of the Legion.
❑ Winners of Holiday Lighting will be announced.
All are Invited to Spend the Christmas Day in McDonald!

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