

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

There is something a little silly about all the folks who are jumping on the "global warming" bandwagon.

After all, how serious can you take Al Gore? Is it just me or doesn't it seem like a stretch from vice president to Hollywood celebrity? Will this next book be about scientology?

This last winter, moisture was a real boon for our agricultural needs. But it is nothing new. People remember storm seasons from the 1930s to recent times.

Back to global warming. Two women decided they were going to make an expedition to the North Pole to prove the damage of climate changes. Ann Bancroft, 51, and her partner, Liv Arnesen, 53, of Oslo, Norway, had planned to wear body suits and swim in waters that were

caused by polar ice melts. They would use a satellite phone to contact school groups to document the damage up north.

However, what was supposed to be a 530-mile trek over the Arctic Ocean was called off early on when Ms. Arnesen developed frost bite on three of her toes. One night the temperatures inside their tent registered 58 degrees below zero with outside temperatures reaching below 100.

One of the organizers for the expedition was a woman named Ann Atwood. When she was questioned about the failure of the global warming adventure she replied:

"They were experiencing temperatures that weren't expected with global warming," Atwood said, "But one of the things we see with global warming is unpredictability."



GOLF HAS BEGUN! Tessa Linner practices her golf swing getting ready for the first match of the season.

Times staff photo by Melinda Basnett

Death Notice

Marie (Pettit) Whipple died Friday, March 23, in Benkelman. Her memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. (mountain time) on Saturday, March 31, at the Forches Chapel in Benkelman. She was 90 years old.

Card shower for 60th anniversary

The family of Bill and Agnes Slyhoff are holding a card shower to help them celebrate their 60th anniversary on April 3.

Cards will reach them at 1717 Dover Rd., Montrose, CO 81401.

Cheyenne County Commissioners

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday, March 30, in the commissioners' room at the courthouse.

City Council

The Bird City City Council regular meeting will be Monday, April 2 at 7 p.m. at City Hall

Cheylin Board of Education

The Cheylin Board of Education regular meeting will be Monday, April 9 at 7 p.m. in the Cheylin High School Board Room.

Serviceman's address

The address for serviceman Justin Antholz is PFC Antholz, Justin R., 1st LAR Bn H&S Co., Co. Office 40595, FPOAP 96426-0595.

Bird City Library

"Books Are Fun" selections will be available April 2nd through April 21, at the Bird City Public Library. New books, CDs and other gift items 30%-60% less than retail prices and the opportunity to help the library earn books and DVDs in the process.

Lenten Services

The Wednesday, April 4, St. Francis Lenten Service takes place at noon at the Good Samaritan Village. A soup luncheon will follow.

Cheyenne County Historical Society Open House

Sunday, April 15, at the Cheyenne County Museum from 2-4 will be an open house to celebrate 40 years of the Historical Society and 20 years of the Museum. This event will honor those who built and sustained the museum. The public is encouraged to attend.

Hospital Guild

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild meeting will be held at 2 p.m.

Cougar Chronicles

Monday, April 2
Breakfast; sausage biscuits, cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch; Taco bites, tater tots, salad bar, fruit, milk
Tuesday, April 3
Breakfast; pancake on a stick, cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch; Sixth Grade Menu; meatballs, buttered noodles, breadsticks, salad bar with strawberries and bananas and kiwi, creamed corn, fruit, brownie and chocolate chip icecream, milk
Wednesday, April 4
Breakfast; sausage gravy and biscuits, cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch; Easter Dinner; ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls, salad bar, fruit, dessert, milk
Thursday, April 5
Breakfast; French toast, cereal, toast, juice, milk
Lunch; chicken patty sandwich, curly fries, salad bar, fruit, milk

Eighth Grade
Honor Roll: Craig Busse, Christopher Walden, Caleb Keltz, Daniel Frisbie
Honorable Mention: Whitney Churchwell, Heath Antholz, Mitchel Jensen, Samantha Roberson, Teryn Carmichael, David Burns
Freshmen
Honor Roll: Naomi Reeh
Honorable Mention: Hudson Louderbaugh, Ana Ponce, Vance Churchwell
Sophomores
Honor Roll: Amanda Walden, Sydney Busse
Honorable Mention: Justin Miller, Nikki Johnson, Tia Sager, Debra Banister, Jay Hewitt
Juniors
Honor Roll: Vanessa Antholz, Kaedra Dixon, Colleen Shrader
Honorable Mention: Lincoln Pochop, Samuel Hengen, Blanca Ponce, Mindy Antholz, Joshua Garner, Christopher Basnett
Seniors
Honor Roll: Aubrey Kehlbeck, Joshua Johnson, Terrence Jensen
Honorable Mention: Lucius White, Aaron Linner, Samantha Beeson, Tony Pham, Denise Repshire, Jessica Marshall, Zaiba Ahmed, Devin Keister

Cheylin Honor Roll Third Nine Weeks
Seventh Grade
Honor Roll: Tilyn Bell, Wil Orten
Honorable Mention: Ethan Young, Roberto Ponce, Cory Rucker, Forrest Burr, Dylan Harris

In Memory of
MIKE BOSWELL
APRIL 4, 2005

It has been two years since we had to say good-bye to our only son, but the sadness of losing a child, no matter the age or the reason is never gone. There were so many milestones that will never be, and the hurt of not being able to say one more thing will always be there. There is the comfort knowing you are in a wonderful place and peace is ever present and we have to be content with that. Our lives were never the same when you entered them and will never be the same when you left, but our love will always remain and we are grateful for the time we had you.

We love you ~ Mom & Dad

Wanted:
Administrative Assistant/Secretary
Bird City Century II Development Foundation is searching for a part-time administrative assistant.
Qualifications: Ability to use word processing, data management software, email and internet. Ability to work with and communicate well with the public. Bilingual a plus. Salary based on experience.
For a complete job description see www.birdcity.com or stop by the Foundation office at 107 West Bressler. Submit a resume and letter of interest to PO Box 593, Bird City, KS 67731 by April 10, 2007.

BIRD CITY CENTURY II
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on Monday at the Senior Citizen Center. Dr. Mary Beth Miller will be giving a Medical Update. Hostesses are Dolores Wiley and Helen Burnham. A "Bakeless Bakesale" is planned.
Fair Board Meeting
The fair board will meet Thursday, April 5, at 8 p.m., at the Cheyenne County Commissioner's room.
Veterans Affairs
Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. at the County Clerk's office to assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims work on Thursday, April 5. If you are unable to contact Ms. Tubbs in St. Francis, you may contact the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572.

Summer league basketball/shooting skills camp
Call Joan Cahojat (785) 626-3682 for information concerning Atwood summer League Basketball or e-mail dfcahoj@ruraltel.net. Contact John Terry at (785) 626-3088.

Agri-tourism workshop
Call Thomas County Extension office at (785) 460-4582 or Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development office at (785) 462-2602 for information on the Agri-tourism workshop being held April 4 at the Gateway Convention Center in Oberlin.

Tax help
AARP Tax-Aide is available in St. Francis with middle- and low- incomes. AARP volunteers Rowland Roelfs and Wayne Keeker will be available at the St. Francis Library from 2 to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and

at the St. Francis Senior Center from 2 to 5 p.m. on Thursdays through April 15.

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter
Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. For information or if you are in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Western Plains Arts Association
Western Plains Arts Association will feature Hieberts Dulcimers Etch on Sunday, April 1 at 3:00 p.m., at the Gateway in Oberlin.

Corrections

In the story concerning the Wildlife Banquet in issue 11 paper, it was incorrect that Hal Antholz provided grain for the birds. It was Hal Sager who provided grain to be fed to the pheasants.

During the March 12 Bird City Council Meeting, "Council members made a motion and approved to hire In-Situ for ground testing."

During the March 12 Bird City Council Meeting, "Council members made a motion and approved signing the Community Development Block Grant agreement for funds for the Waste Treatment project."

During the March 12 Cheylin Board of Education meeting, members approved the bid for carpet in the elementary gym from Schultz's in St. Francis for \$4, 619.20 not \$44,619.

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 40 min.

March 30, 31 & April 1
Wild Hogs
Action/Adventure and Comedy
Starring: John Travolta, Tim Allen, Martin Lawrence, William H. Macy, Tichina Arnold
Rating: PG-13 for crude and sexual content, and some violence.

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785-332-2747
Children 11 & under: \$2 12-18 yr.: \$3 Senior Citizens: \$3 Adults: \$4

Surprise 89th Birthday Party!!
Potluck to Honor Louis Webb
World War II Vet
Mon., April 2 ~ 5 p.m.
Bird City Legion Hall
For more information contact Gerald Lee • 785-734-2648

Don't miss out on the *Good Times, Good Friends* and the chance to support a *Great Cause!*
Consider this your invitation to the 2007 Southwest Nebraska Ducks Unlimited Banquet & Auction Saturday, March 31
Legion Hall in Benkelman, Neb.
Open at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner at 6:30
Auction at 7:30
Prime Rib Dinner
FUN - PRIZES - BRING A FRIEND
Tickets: \$30 each; \$45 per couple
\$15 Greenwing; \$250 sponsor
For information and tickets:
Mikey Hansen at 308-423-2245 or
Todd Larimer at Benkelman Pharmacy • 423-2759 or 2789
Must possess current Nebraska firearm certificate in order to take possession of any firearm acquired.

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS
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Physician & Professional Service Directory
APRIL
April 3: Mammo
April 4: Dr. Frankum - Surgeon
April 4: Dr. Reeves - Podiatrist
April 12: Dr. Warren - Surgeon
April 18: Dr. Frankum - Surgeon
April 19: Dr. Warren - Surgeon
April 24: Mammo
April 25: Dr. Uyemura - Ophthalmology
CT's Available Everyday
Ultrasounds Each Wednesday

TEAR AND SAVE

Send a Get Well Card or Thinking of You Card to an inpatient at Cheyenne County Hospital. Go to www.cheyennecountyhospital.com and there is a link on the left side that says Send an E-Card. Click on that link and you can make a card and send it and it will go to an email address at the hospital and will be delivered to the patient. This is a great way to keep in touch with a loved one that is a patient at our hospital.
If you have any questions contact Shawna Blanka.

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