

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

I'm reading a book that goes with our Freedom Section included in this week's *Times* and *Herald*. The book is *The Victors: Eisenhower and His Boys, The Men of World War II* by Stephen E. Ambrose. The book details General Eisenhower and the soldiers he commanded during World War II. In particular it tells of the preparation for operation Overlord, the D-Day invasion and the German counteroffensive at the Battle of the Bulge.

The Allied invasion was the largest ever in the history of mankind. While Eisenhower organized the forces, a great build up of men and machines overtook the United Kingdom.

From late 1943 to June 6, 1944, over three million soldiers, mostly American, were in and around England. For the most part the average Englishman knew that to defeat their enemy, Nazi Germany, the "Yanks" were needed.

However, Ambrose's book describes a certain British contingent that thought the Americans were "over paid, over sexed and over here!"

To this the U.S. soldiers replied that the "Limeys" were "under paid, under sexed and under Eisenhower!"

I ran into the same English sentiment when I had the opportunity to study history in Great Britain when I was in my early 20s. One evening I was sitting in a pub in London with a guy from Wales and a Londoner. All was well and we were enjoying a pint of ale when the Englishman turned and asked me, "Well Yank, how are things in the colonies?"

My Irish temper got the better of me as I answered, "Last I heard, we kicked your a__ in one war and bailed you out of two others."

I guess some of the English will never get it.

Hats off to our brave fighting men and women, both then and now!

Chatting with Cathy

By Cathy Domsch

If anyone knows me, I love to chat, so how appropriate when I was asked to write a "Chatting with Cathy" column!

A lot is going on in and around Bird City these days. Of course the big talk is of the dairy and the park project. The park is coming along very well, thanks to the City and our volunteers! The sprinkler system is now complete and the committee is getting the ground ready to plant the grass.

The park committee would like to find volunteers to help keep the flower beds free of weeds (That's it, you see a weed growing in your flower spot, you pull it. No planting, no fertilizing, no watering.). If you would like to "Adopt-A-Spot,"

please let me know!

The dairy project is coming along very well, and on schedule. The initial goal was to begin milking Sept. 1, however we are now looking at Aug. 20, according to owner Mike McCarty.

McCarty's are beginning to secure housing for any new employees, so if you have a home to rent or sell, please let me know. (Rent and utilities are paid for by Bird City Dairy so that they can keep the homes on a long-term basis.) Job applications should be available in my office and on www.birdcity.com in the next couple of weeks if you are interested.

If you ever have a question or concerns, please stop by or call to chat anytime!

Club Clips

McDonald Senior Citizens

Thirty-seven senior citizens and Deb Hesterman, health nurse, enjoyed the July 2 potluck dinner and meeting of the McDonald Seniors.

Joan Tongish welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to the meeting. She told all to enjoy the little bottle of bubble fluid that Phyllis Wingfield had placed at each place setting.

Birthday and anniversaries were acknowledged and then Eleanor Swihart gave a reading on "Freedom" and led the group in prayer.

After all enjoyed the delicious

dinner, bingo was played with Laddie Kacirek winning the blackout prize.

At the business meeting, all reports were accepted as read. Joan told the group that with help from the senior citizens they had served three funeral dinners and thanked all who helped.

Committees for the August meeting are: Poem and Prayer: Owen Wingfield; Prizes: Betty Lewis; Bingo: Leonard Vyzourek; and Kitchen Help: Phyllis Wilkinson, Marlene Johnson and Betty Lewis.

Real Estate

October 2006:

Jared M. Douthit, et ux, to Dorothy M. Christensen, Lots 5 and 6 in Block 32 in St. Francis.

Ethel M. Dunn Revocable Trust to Florencio Martinez, et ux, all of Lots 6, 7 and 8 in Block 1 in Bird City.

Richard A. Cemensky, et ux, to John D. Hoevel, et ux, Lot 3, 4 and 5 in Block 35 in Bird City.

Randy D. Andrist, et ux, to Brad R. Ramsey, et ux, the W132' of the E1/2SE1/4; the W1/2SE1/4; the E1/2SW1/4 and the E18' of the W1/2SW1/4 of Sec. 27-4S-39W in Cheyenne County.

Clayton R. Janicke, et ux, to Mark W. Howerton, a tract of land in the NE1/4 of Sec. 31-3S-38W in Cheyenne County.

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Home Circle Club

There will be no Home Circle club meeting in the month of July.

Carnival volunteers

The Cheyenne County home-owned carnival is run by volunteers. Those wanting to help with rides, games and booths should contact DeEtta Knorr at 785-332-2551.

One-man scramble

A one-man scramble begins at 10 a.m. on Sunday at Riverside. Call Riverside (785) 332-3401.

Junior golf tournament

A junior golf tournament will take place on Monday morning at Riverside.

Movie in the Park

The St. Francis Recreation Commission is featuring "Movies in the Park" with show time beginning af-

ter dark, probably at 10 p.m., in the band shell at Sawhill Park. There is no admission.

The final movie of the summer, *The Sting*, will be shown on Friday, July 13.

Fair Board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet at 8 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at the commissioner's room. This is a change from the usual first Thursday of the month.

Cheyenne County Commissioners

The commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday, July 13, in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

AARP

AARP will be having a potluck "picnic" tonight (Thursday) at 5:30

p.m. at the Manor. Meat and drinks will be furnished.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, July 19, at the county clerk's office. You may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572.

Recovery Today/ Narcotics Anonymous

Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

Sainty Serenity Seekers/ Alcoholics Anonymous

Sainty Serenity Seekers open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday evening at the United Methodist Education Building at 104 W. Webster, St. Francis. Call (785) 332-6542 for more information

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

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

Judge finishes course

Robert Van Allen, Cheyenne County Magistrate Judge, recently completed the Special Court Jurisdiction course at The National Judicial College in Reno, Nev.



VanAllen

The college provides judicial education and professional development for the nation's judiciary as well for judges from other countries. It offers the ideal forum for opening new doors and gaining fresh ideas.

The course provides judges with the skill to conduct criminal hearings and trials in compliance with standards; make appropriate evidentiary rulings; communicate well in court and with the media; recognize the psychological profiles of offenders in court; manage unrepresented litigants in criminal and civil cases; appropriately sanction direct and indirect contempt; control potential courtroom disruptions; make appropriate decisions in small claims cases; analyze principles of damages and restitution in civil cases; and apply legal reasoning to analyze the facts of a case. Participants will also identify all of the components of a trial.

The college is at a central location on the historic 25-acre University of Nevada, Reno, campus. It is considered the nation's top judicial training institution — a place where insight and discovery occur each day.

Since 1963, the college has awarded more than 74,000 professional judicial education certificates. It offers an average of 95 courses annually with more than 3,000 judges enrolling from all 50 states, U.S. territories and more than 150 countries.



JULY BIRTHDAYS were celebrated at the Bird City Senior Center. Those celebrating were Marlene Young, Hulda Dorsch and Dorothy Shields. Times staff photo by Karen Krien

Club Clip

Bird City Historical Research Organization

The Bird City Historical Research group met on June 9 at the Heritage Corner Cafe at 2 p.m. with eight members participating.

The program began with a review of "how to" organize and develop a collection including documentation. Each member was asked to share what her historical interest was and how she would like to develop it.

The historical interests were: family histories, a military serviceman's journal, a biography, an area church history, area homestead patents with stories of living in sod homes and early Bird City

businesses. An original 1885 map of Bird City was displayed.

The program continued with the presentation of A Time Line of the Development of Photography and its importance to the care and preservation of photographs. Each member brought an old photo to determine its age and the story it had to tell. The discussion was lively and interesting.

This was followed by a presentation of the use of archival (acid free and chemically safe) products in the care and preservation of the photos followed by a beginning "How to" mat and display in a journal, album

or store safely.

Cookies were served by Rosemary Powell as the members shared memories.

The next meeting will be on Saturday, July 14 at 2 p.m. at the Heritage Corner Cafe. Anyone with a historical interest is welcome at any meeting.

Mark Your Calendars!

Hey Kids! Bring a Kite and see if you can make the wind blow!

Kite Flying each day at 2:30 in the open area.

Tri-State Antique Engine & Thresher Show
July 26, 27, & 28
www.threshershow.org

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The Cheyenne County Hospital "Swing For Your Health"

Golf Tournament will be held Sat., Sept. 15.

The tournament will be a four-person scramble with tee-off at 8:30 a.m. The money raised will be used to purchase an Infant Warmer for the Labor & Delivery Department.

Corrections

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