



Bulletin Board

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

On Nov. 17, 1968, the "Heidi Bowl" was played. If you're not familiar with it, here's what happened.

An American Football League game was being played between the New York Jets and the Oakland Raiders. They were two of the marquee teams of the era and the game featured 10 future Hall of Fame inductees.

Behind quarterback Joe Namath, the Jets were leading in the fourth quarter 32-29. After a Jim Turner field goal, the Raiders got the ball with 65 seconds to go.

Suddenly, millions of television sets changed from the football game to a made-for-TV version of "Heidi."

Now the story of Heidi is a good one. It is a fictional tale about an orphan girl in the Alps. Written in 1880 by Johanna Spyri, it is not only a great example of children's writing, but it is a well known piece of Swiss literature.

NBC, the station that was airing the game, and then Heidi, simply followed its programming schedule and at 7 p.m., eastern standard time, the children's show began.

The switchboard at the network's headquarters' literally blew out.

Back to the game, the Raider's quarterback, Daryle Lamonica, threw a 46-yard touchdown pass to halfback Charlie Smith. Oakland was up 36-32 with 42 seconds left.

Jet fans, at least those at the game, still had hope as Namath and his offense would get the ball again. However, the New York kick returner, Earl Christy, fumbled the ball on the kickoff. Raider Preston Riddlehuber picked up the loose ball and ran it in. The Heidi Bowl ended in a 43-32 Oakland win.

Of the future Hall of Famers that day were, from the Jets, head coach Weeb Ewbank, wide receiver Don Maynard and Namath.

The Raiders had wide receiver Fred Biletnikoff, quarterback-kicker George Blanda, cornerback Willie Brown, center Jim Otto, tackle Art Shell, guard Gene Upshaw and owner Al Davis.

So the Heidi Bowl was only played once. It was a moment when the monstrous, toothless and bloody old school members of the AFL came together with the gentle, pastoral meanderings of the tiny Swiss orphan named Heidi. So now you know.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours!

No potluck this month

There will be no potluck at the Bird City Senior Center this month.

Books Are Fun

"Books Are Fun" selections will be available from Nov. 13 through Dec. 8 at the Bird City Public Library. Check classified ad for the large variety of items available.

Special Recognition

The congregation of St. John Lutheran Church will be giving special recognition to Shirley Daire at 9-10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 2, in the church lounge. Come and share with them in appreciation for all Shirley has done for St. John Lutheran. Refreshments will be provided. Community is invited.

Blood drive

The St. Francis Community Blood Drive will take place from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 29, at the Peace Lutheran Church, 202 N. College (note the new location). For an appointment, please call 1-800-448-3543. Walk-in donors welcome. A 16-year-old can donate with a signed parental consent form.

Hospital Guild

The Hospital Guild will be holding their December meeting at 2 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 3, at the Senior Citizens Center. The program will be presented by the high school music department under the direction of Debbie Fiala.

See what 4-H is about

There will be fun, games, activities and project displays for 4-H Fun Night. The evening begins at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 30, at the St. Francis Grade School. Everyone is welcome and urged to come and bring a friend just to see what 4-H is all about — It could be more than you ever imagined! For more information, contact the Extension office at 785-332-3171.

Cheyenne County Commissioners

The commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 30, in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names beginning with T, V and W should purchase their car, pickup, motorcycle and motorized bike tags and pay their vehicle personal property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty.

Cards

Wayne Goodell would appreciate hearing from his friends. His address is: Wayne Goodell, Kaye Pogue Hospice Center, PO Box 2238, 730 Holly Lane, Salina, KS.

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Cheyenne County Museum

The Cheyenne County Museum will be closing for the winter Dec. 1. They will be open the weekends of Dec. 8-9 and 15-16. Saturday's hours will be 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. and Sunday's will be from 1-4 p.m.

They are closing to help save on utilities in the winter months, but will hold some work days and will be open for anyone by appointments. The months will be December through March. To make an appointment call 785/332-2040.

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

Chronic Wasting Disease

The Cheyenne County Wildlife members will once again be collecting chronic wasting disease samples from deer.

They will be testing deer until the season ends in December. Call Mr. O'Leary at 785-332-6601 and he will meet the hunter at the clubhouse south of St. Francis. Mr. O'Leary said if the hunter will leave their phone number, he will call them back with the results of the test.

Letters from Linda

By Linda Schneider

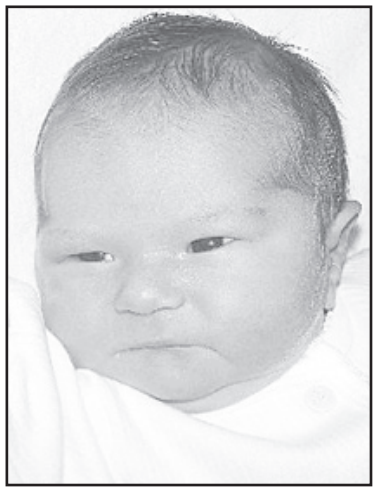
This is my first Thanksgiving Day edition of *Bird City Times* and I had written articles I felt told of unselfish actions.

For me, the tornado story was emotionally charging as I listened to the Carson and Ketzner families speak about the help that poured out from the community. And *The Teens For Christ* article and pictures were to show how Bird City youths demonstrate what it means to help others.

I was not able to include all the volunteers that were involved in the tornado rescue and clean up, but the Bird City volunteers from EMT and the Fire Department were

mentioned. I heard the Salvation Army supplied meals for a week and financial assistance to each family. I would like to mention local names and businesses, but where would I start?

These organizations and clubs don't come out just for the holiday season, they are at work assisting others all year round. In the following weeks, you are going to see the Salvation Kettle out, don't just walk by. While you are still thinking about it, call one of our local non-profit organizations, like *The Teens For Christ*, and ask how you can help them. They will thank you for it.



Emily Rose Serrano

Introducing

Emily Rose Serrano

Jacob and John Serrano announce the birth of their sister Emily Rose Serrano. She was born at 7:55 a.m. on Oct. 26, 2007, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 lbs. and was 18 1/4-inches long.

Her parents are Frank and Belinda Serrano of Bird City. Her grandparents are Charles and Barbara Merklin, and Julia Serrano, both of Bird City, and Dion and Alice Norman of Indianola, Neb.

Chatting with Cathy

By Cathy Domsch

"Thanksgiving Day is drawing near, I hope that yours is filled with cheer.

For all you are and all you do, I'm very thankful I know all of you.

However you may spend the day, Let us count our blessings in every way." — Author Unknown

I really enjoy Thanksgiving. A day used as a reminder to give thanks for our family, friends, and all our blessings in life. We teach our children to say "thank you," but do we instill the true meaning of

being thankful? I am thankful for so many things all the year through...if I haven't told you lately, thank you for all you do! AND...

May your stuffing be tasty
May your turkey plump,
May your potatoes and gravy
Have nary a lump.
May your yams be delicious
And your pies take the prize,
And may your Thanksgiving dinner
Stay off your thighs! —Author Unknown
Happy Thanksgiving!

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Heather Prideaux and Kelly Dewey attended the Junior Miss Pageant Saturday evening in Atwood.

Debbie and Kathy Banister attended the 4-H Buyers Supper Monday evening in McDonald.

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Many South of McDonald residents enjoyed the After-Church Thanksgiving Dinner at the Federated Church.

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Students Wanted

Cheylin Schools is offering a Pre-Kindergarten class for all four-year-old children whose birthday is prior to Sept. 1, 2007. Classes will be held from 8:15 to 11:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning on Dec. 13, 2007 in the Cheylin Elementary building. Mrs. Darci Kehlbeck will be the classroom teacher working with and under the direction of Mrs. Sharon Hendricks. For students living outside Bird City to school transportation will be provided. Parents will need to pick-up children at 11:30 dismissal time.

If you are interested in having your child attend please contact the Cheylin Elementary office at 785-734-2351 for enrollment procedures.

Thanksgiving

We are thankful for the strength and perseverance of those in our communities who have the vision to work for a better future.

The spirit of Thanksgiving is that of people helping people, working toward a common goal and seeing a better, stronger future.

We are thankful every day for the opportunity to make a difference.

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Nov. 23, 24, 25

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Comedy and Animation

Rating: PG for mild suggestive humor.

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Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

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The Cheyenne Co. Hospital would like to thank the Hospital Guild for supplying the refreshments and helping at the Open House. Your continued support is greatly appreciated

Thank you to everyone that attended the Open House. There were approximately 125 people that toured the facility.

American Profile

Celebrating Hometown Life

See American Profile magazine in this week's issue of

The Bird City Times

(available in local area only)

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For more information contact: Casey at 785-332-3162