



Bulletin Board

Casey's Comments

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Am I a bad parent?
School starts up again this week and I can't help but feel a little excited.

I love my kids. Not just the three at home but also the two older boys in Kansas City. But the summer routine has begun to wear thin.

Each day is the same old thing. Lezlie and I are racing around the house, trying to get one more cup of coffee in us as we get cleaned-up, dressed and out the door. The dogs need to be put out and watered and fed. We get this done without the kids in our way. They're still sleeping because they were up late watching television or texting their friends.

Lunch time comes and we go home for a quick bite. What we had planned to eat has already been consumed, so we have to figure out a "plan B." It's amazing what you can come up with

from an empty pantry and the two heels of a loaf of bread.

After work is pretty much the same as school nights. Although there is no homework to do the kids are hanging around wanting to know what is for dinner. Once the menu is announced the usual whines begin about, "That doesn't sound good," or "Yuck, you're actually going to eat that?" Then they disappear to run around with friends who also must not like what Mom and Dad are fixing.

The younger two have a summer curfew of 10 p.m. However, they like to use their cell phones to beg a few extra minutes. Mom and I have the same reply, "There's nothing good that happens out after 10 o'clock."

Once they are home then it is up to their rooms for more T.V. and text messaging.

Am I a bad parent for wanting a scheduled program that only school offers?



IT WON'T BE LONG before this watermelon will be sitting quite nicely in the Schneider family fridge. Pictured above is Linda Schneider. Photo by Pamela Stevens

Letters From Linda

I know that some of you that have kids, you are brushing the sweat off your brow, school is open! And for the rest, don't worry — your day is coming, too.

Really, where did the summer go?
Oh yeah, we have this gut-busting garden and had to hoe out stickers daily. But, it is quite beautiful now and producing nicely.

It is so rewarding to see that all the work we had done is finally paying off. Pam and I have

already canned over 100 jars of beans, peas, okra and a few early cucumbers. Not to forget the yellow crookneck squash that Brad is addicted to eating every morning with his eggs.

And, as the photo shows, we will be "smack'n a tooth" on some good, sweet watermelons soon.

It was a great summer! And thanks to all of you that have brought over boxes and bags of canning jars — they will be used!

Ice Cream Social
There will be an Ice Cream Social at the Bird City Park at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 24. Everyone is welcome. It will be an opportunity to visit and meet your new neighbors.

Home Circle Club
The Home Circle Club will be having its summer potluck at noon on Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Manor. The hostess will be Dorothy Chipperfield.

Senior Center
The Senior Center will be holding its monthly potluck at noon on Monday. Everyone can bring their favorite dish and enjoy a meal.

Cheylin Booster Club
The Cheylin Booster Club is having a Tail-Gate Party in conjunction with the Cheylin football and volleyball scrimmages starting at 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 29, at the Cheylin football field in Bird City.

The volleyball scrimmage will start at 6 p.m. at the high school gym with the football scrimmage following at 7 p.m. Residents are encouraged to support the Cheylin Cougars.

90th birthday
The children and grandchildren of Lucille Wright are having a card shower to help her celebrate her 90th birthday on Aug. 26. Cards can be address to her at P.O. Box 474, Bird City, KS 67731, or phone her at (785) 734-2276.

Offices closed on Sept. 1.
Ad, picture and story deadline for the Sept. 4 issue of The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times will be at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 2, as the offices will be closed on Labor Day (Monday, Sept. 1). The newspapers will be published and delivered one day later that week.

Kansans for Life
The Cheyenne County Kansans for Life will meet at the Church of Christ, St. Francis on Monday, Aug. 25, for a potluck dinner and meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. All members of the community are welcome to join in prayer, learning and fellowship as members work together to provide "Life for All."

Common Threads Quilt Guild
Common Threads Quilt Guild will meet on Thursday, Aug. 21, at 6:30 p.m. at Saintry Stitches. Guests are welcome.

Fall Field Day
Kansas State University Research and Extension, Agricultural Research Center in Hays is holding a Fall Field Day on Tuesday, Aug. 26. Registration will be between 9 and 9:30 a.m. For information call (785) 625-3425.

Hospital Board
The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 28, in the clinic

basement meeting room in St. Francis.

Tag deadline
All residents with last names beginning with M, N and O 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.

Sisters In Serenity Women's AA
A Sisters In Serenity women's Alcoholics Anonymous group meets at 5 p.m. on Sundays at 585 N. Franklin, City Hall, northwest basement door in Colby. There is a play room for younger children and a quiet space for older children on-site. For more information call (785) 672-3406 or (785) 538-2526.

These meetings are limited to female alcoholics to provide an opportunity for members to share with one another on problems related to drinking patterns and attempts to achieve stable sobriety. They also permit detailed discussion of various elements in the recovery program.

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.

Saintry Serenity Seekers/Alcoholics Anonymous
Saintry 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 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 in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Corrections:
•Greg Walz is the vice-president of the Amusement Authority.

Obituary

Dorothy Elizabeth (Bissell) Phillips Moore
Dec. 23, 1927 - Aug. 10, 2008
Dorothy Elizabeth (Bissell) Phillips Moore, age 80, died at the Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis, Kan., on Aug. 10, 2008. Dorothy was born on Dec. 23, 1927, to Edwin Edelbert and Ora Blanche (Fieldgrove) Bissell near Litchfield, Neb. Later, they moved to the Hyannis area, where she graduated from Hyannis High School as valedictorian. While going to school she stayed with other families and helped with their children and chores.

When she was a young girl she had blond hair and blue eyes. Her father told her if she didn't smoke or drink and got good grades, he would buy an excellent horse, which at graduation he did.

Dorothy married C.A. "Bud" Phillips Jr., in 1946. To this union nine children were born: Charles Allen, Albert Lynn, John Ross, Paul Douglas, James Cole, Mitzi Valene, Leitha LeOra, Dora Lee and Celia Annette.

Dorothy lived in many places in her 80 years: Hyannis, Whitman, Mullen, Burwell, North Platte and Arnold in Nebraska and McPherston, Ellis, Oakley and Bird City in Kansas.

Dorothy was a graduate of the Mid-Plains Community College Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) program. Her work ethic and studies were an inspiration to everyone including her instructors. Honors included Employee of the Year when working for Home Health Great Plains Regional Medical Center in North Platte.

In 1997, she married Willard Moore. She and Willard loved road trips; their motto was, "Happiness is a full tank of gas and somewhere to go." Dorothy enjoyed spending time with family and friends, as well as playing games, cooking and baking... cinnamon rolls and pies were specialties.

She loved her Lord, her family, life and everybody's kids.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Clarence "Bud" Phillips Jr.; sons, Charles and James Phillips; grandchildren, Nia and

Clinton Moore; great-grandchildren, Thorne Phillips and Craig Dutro; sister, Geneva Ewoldt; and brothers, Glen and Eugene Bissell.

Survivors include her husband, Willard of Bird City; children, Albert "Bert" (Judy) Phillips, WaKeeney, John Phillips, Arnold, Neb.; Paul (Susan) Phillips, Windsor, Colo.; Mitzi (Jim) Cartrell, Wallace, Neb.; Leitha (Wade) King, Ellis; Dora (Todd) Whitney, Concordia, Celia (Raymon) Lawson, Oakley, Calif.; Larry (Joyce) Moore, Goodland; Sondra (Scott) Phillips, Longmont, Colo.; and Gary (Mary) Moore, Bird City; sister, Wynona Kimble, Gordon, Neb.; 33 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and many other family and friends.

Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 14, at the St. Francis Church of Christ with minister Norman Morrow officiating.

Casket bearers were Albert Phillips, John Phillips, Paul Phillips, Wade King, Larry Moore and Gary Moore.

Graveside services were held at 5 p.m. at the Arnold Cemetery in Arnold.

Memorials can be made to the St. Francis Church of Christ, or a memorial fund for nursing education that has been established.

Knodel Funeral Home of St. Francis was in charge of arrangements.

Menu

Cheylin Menu
School's open and it is a great time to have lunch with your child!

Monday, Aug. 25
Breakfast: tornados, toast, assorted cereals, juice and milk
Lunch: pizza stromoli, salad bar, fruit and milk

Tuesday, Aug. 26
Breakfast: sausage gravy and biscuit, toast, assorted cereals, juice and milk
Lunch: chicken patty, mashed potato with gravy, bread, salad bar, fruit and milk

Wednesday, Aug. 27
Breakfast: English muffin, boiled egg, toast, assorted cereals, juice and milk
Lunch: taco salad, vegetable, dessert, salad bar, fruit and milk

Thursday, Aug. 28
Breakfast: pancakes, toast, assorted cereals, juice and milk
Lunch: turkey sandwich, French fries, salad bar, fruit and milk

SHOWTIME: 8:00 p.m. 1 hr. 49 min.

Mamma Mia
Musical/Performing Arts and Adaptation
PG-13 for some sex-related comments.

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210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS
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FORE!

6th Annual
"Swing Fore Your Health" Golf Tournament
Sunday, Sept. 7, 2008
"Free Will" Luncheon at the Riverside Dining Room
St. Francis, Ks.
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Proceeds benefit the
Cheyenne County Hospital's Major Appliances for the future kitchen remodel.