



Bulletin Board

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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What crazy days we live in!

The world around us seems to be falling apart. The economy is in disarray with the experts finally stating, "We're in a recession!" Who knows what's going to happen to the price of gas and groceries except that they're headed up.

And then we have the candidates for president telling us how much more things will be screwed up if we don't vote for them. Thank goodness for baseball!

Sometimes I need a break from reality and that's what baseball does. It entertains and takes me away for about three hours. The troubles of the world can wait that long, I figure.

The Major Leagues is at its most exciting point now. Two teams in each league, the National and American, are vying for the pennant. The winners will advance to the World Series. The proverbial "Fall Classic."

Each of the last four teams has a unique character. One aspect that sets them apart is their managers.

The Dodgers have Joe Torre, the veteran skipper who carried the New York Yankees to 12 years in the post season. The other manager with playoff experience is Boston's Terry Francona. He has taken the Red Sox to championships in 2004 and 2007.

The other two are new to a championship playoff but have an elder presence on the field. Philadelphia is run by Charlie Manuel, who did get the Phillies to the Division Series last year, and the Tampa Bay Rays are led by Joe Maddon. Although this is a new experience for them they have the look of grizzled veterans.

Each commands a team with a great deal of talent and all belong in a position to win the championship. It makes for a lot of excitement for a baseball fan and some time away from the worries of the world.

Letters from Linda

By Linda Schneider

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I would like to share with you an excerpt from *Human Options* by Norman Cousins. "The cash lost each year in the United States amounts to about seventy-five dollars per capita—money that has fallen out of pockets, is misplaced, and so forth..." There is more, but for now that's it.

I would like to share something else with you, an excerpt from one of my credit card companies, "The Standard Rate on the Account will be increased to 22.85 percent." Moreover, this increase is not from being late, it is from a merging of two companies. I can honestly say I was not surprised.

I stopped carrying a lot of money on my person many years ago because I felt safer somehow. If my credit card was lost or stolen, I could report it and stop payments or recover the money spent by the thief. This is not true with dollar bills; it is difficult to recover what is lost or stolen.

Did you know that credit cards had very humble beginnings? I learned that in a business class a few years ago. Two men in the mid-1950's came up with the idea of using a small card to purchase items now and pay back later.

Do you remember the 1950's? I was young at the time, but I can think back when it was a time when people did what they say they were going to do and material items where paid for in cash, even homes and cars! Really.

So, this was not a scheme to fraud banks or businesses, these

guys just wanted to help people get what they wanted and now. Well, it's 60 years later and what started out as a good financial plan has grown into this nation's worst financial nightmare! If the truth were known, very few American citizens under 60 years of age are debt free, and the main culprit is their own credit card.

You know it is depressing to think that the average American loses \$75 dollars annually just out of holes in his pockets, especially when the average yearly income worldwide is \$69 and that is from Mr. Cousins' book too. But, it is even more depressing when I find that I am paying nearly 25 cents on every dollar to use my credit card to a lending company that is no different than having a hole in my pocket.



Death Notice

Leeman Cress, 79 years old, of Bellflower, Calif, passed away Oct. 7. Services pending.

Support Our Soldiers

Remember your military personnel - Give to Support Our Soldiers (S.O.S.). Give either cash or goods. Truck leaves at noon on Friday.

Is your Halloween costume ready?

The Bird City Community Club will have a "special" prize for all children, kindergarten through fifth grade who come to the Legion Hall in a costume from 5 to 7 p.m. on Oct. 31. They hope to see all of the ghosts and goblins.

Ye Ol' Country Church

A fund-raising concert will be held at 2 p.m. on Nov. 9 at the United Methodist Church to help renovate Ye Ol' Country Church, located on Highway 36, next to the Cheyenne County Museum.

"The Ransom Notes," a family of three children from Boulder, Colo., will showcase the Sunday afternoon concert.

Additional information will be published in the next few weeks.

Cheyenne County Trail Ride

The Cheyenne County Trail Ride has been rescheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday at the Kelly and Penny Gienger farm, north of St. Francis. Rain forced the postponement on Sunday.

CCDC annual meeting

Cheyenne County Development Corporation annual meeting will take place at noon on Oct. 27 at the St. Francis Public Library.

Finance management class

"Personal Finance Management"

class, Oct. 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 10, Dec. 8, 6:30 to 8 p.m., at the St. Francis Library. The class is free. Call Leigh Ann Bandel 332-2399 or Carol Redding 332-6197 for reservations.

Free screening for young children

A free screening for young children will be held Tuesday, Oct. 28, starting at 9 a.m. at the First Christian Church. This annual developmental screening is recommended for all young children who have not yet entered kindergarten. Call Teri Richard, 332-8143, at the grade school to schedule an appointment.

Hospital Board

The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 23, in the clinic

basement meeting room in St. Francis.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. today (Thursday) at the county clerk's office. People 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 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, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Representative gives report

The Kansas Silver-Haired Legislature met during the week of Sept. 29 to pass some resolutions and to recommend laws for the state legislature to consider in the upcoming sessions. Rick Reeser, St. Francis, the county's representative said that the legislature passed the following resolutions and bills:

- Resolution 2501 urged the legislature to help combat predatory payday lending practices and predatory practices by consumer loan agencies and income tax refund advance lending practices that adversely affect elderly and other residents of Kansas.

- Resolution 2501 supported increased funding for Home and Community Based Service programs and nutrition programs.

- Resolution 2503 requested that cities and counties with traffic

signals adjust the timing of traffic lights at crosswalks so seniors and those with disabilities have adequate time to cross.

- Bill 2504 provided mandatory reinstatement of certain insurance policies.

- Bill 2505 will put an excise tax on wind generated electricity with proceeds to go to the Senior Services Trust Fund for senior service funding.

- Resolution 2506 will support the Kansas Silver Plan which is modeled after the Amber Alert Plan. The Silver Plan will alert and broadcast a search and rescue effort when elderly people, unable to care for themselves, wander off.

- Resolution 2507 urged amendments to medical scholarships laws to provide assistance for geriatric fellowships.

Silver-Haired Legislature is a Kansas mandated body that meets

annually to recommend laws and resolutions that can improve the lives of seniors. It is an unfunded mandate, so donations to the Silver-Haired Legislators are appreciated.

For more information on any of these bills and resolutions, have questions or ideas for future laws or resolution, or want to make a donation, contact Mr. Reeser at 785-332-3997.

Honor Roll

New and renewed Times subscription: Bud Frisbie, Bird City; Midwest Energy, Hays; Hayley Young, Durham, N.C.; John and Darla Deeds, Bird City; Jennifer Brantley, Halstead; Joyce Meyer, Goodland; Brent Wilkens, Gunter, Texas; E.J. Perkins, Wichita; Ruby Peters, Tecumseh,

School Menu

Monday, Oct. 20

Breakfast: hash browns, sausage patty

Lunch: crispitos and chili, dessert

Tuesday, Oct. 21

Breakfast: egg cheese biscuit

Lunch: corn dog, nacho cheese sauce

Wednesday, Oct. 22

Breakfast: apple wrap

Lunch: lasagna, garlic bread, vegetable

Thursday, Oct. 23

Breakfast: French toast

Lunch: chicken patty sandwich, french fries

Toast, cereal, juice and milk served at every breakfast

Salad bar, fruit and milk served at every lunch

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA 40 CFR 763) requires Cheylin USD 103 to inspect its buildings for asbestos, and to develop a management plan for those asbestos-containing materials that were located within its buildings. These management plans are available for review during normal business hours at the District's Administrative Offices. The management plans have been implemented to meet requirements set forth in the regulation.



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"Happiest Baby On The Block"

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Wednesday, Oct. 29 6-8 p.m.

Cheyenne County Clinic conference room which is located in the basement of the clinic.

This is for new or expecting parents teaching them 5 proven techniques to stop a baby from crying. New parents are encouraged to bring their newborns. There is no charge and attendees will receive a book and swaddling blanket.

2007 DELINQUENT PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Published in The St. Francis Herald, St. Francis, Kansas, and the Bird City Times, Bird City Kansas. Thursdays Oct. 9, 16, and 23, 2008. (41-43) In accordance with 19-547 law general statute 1982 Kansas, the following Personal Property/16/20M Truck tax warrants were returned by the Sheriff of Cheyenne County, KS to my office this Oct 2007. Dolores Jenik, Cheyenne County Treasurer

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DAY, SAM	3239 E DES MOINES	MESA	AZ	85213	67.91
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JB WELL & TRENCHING	PO BOX 564	BIRD CITY	KS	67731	1,098.10
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