



Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick
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 Two of the best things around are southern cooking and Paula Deen.

Now Paula Deen epitomizes all that's great about "down home cookin'." She's easy to find on television, in magazines and has several cook books available. Paula is the first to point out that many of the southern dishes can't be eaten every day. It wouldn't be too healthy and it would make buying new clothes expensive. But her recipes are fantastic for special occasions.

The reason I bring this up is because a blood drive is going to be held on Nov. 5 at the St. Francis Grade School. Donors will receive a Paula Deen apron for giving, while supplies last. What a deal for anyone who loves to cook and give to a great cause. See Y'all there!

Letters from Linda

By Linda Schneider
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 After Brad, my husband, read the *Bird City Times* last Thursday, he said that was probably the end of my commentaries on the election. However, I informed him I had one more *Bird City Times* edition left — sorry hunny.

This time next week, either you will be happy or rebellious, either you will support the elected president of the United States or not. And in three months, someone you know is going to say, "America is going to hell in a handbag!" or something of that effect, if they haven't said it already.

You know, the president will change, but we will still have the same old Congress and there will still be the same bickering, the filibusters and blaming the other party for our nation's problem, no change there. We will also have the same judges who make laws contrary to what the public votes in or out, no change there either.

Being commander-in-chief of the greatest nation on this planet, in my opinion, is not an easy position to fill. Typically, right after the election the president is at the

top of his game and public polls love him, but it is not too long before a law does not pass or a bill is vetoed before the citizens and the media are calling to crucify him, it's a love/hate relationship. Looking back in hindsight, I am sure every past president wondered if a particular decision outcome could have been different.

In my last soapbox speech, I would like to express my appreciation to President George W. Bush. He has had to make some difficult decisions in tumultuous times and he stuck to them. He had to deal with a fickle Congress who would flip-flop and he knew the buck stopped with him in the public's eye. And in recent conversations, I am not the only one who believes President Bush will be known as one of the great presidents in history books.

President Bush and First Lady Laura Bush have stayed strong against all rumors and made many wonderful contributions, both national and worldwide, that will not be fully realized until years down the road. May God bless them both!

Club Clip

Red Hat Mamas
 The time was Oct. 21; the place was Two Lees Steakhouse; the event was a birthday party extraordinaire.

Queen Phyllis's campaign manager was responsible for this perfectly planned event which pleased the Red Hat Mamas very much. Phyllis adorned a classy purple wig to set the festive mood. Red and purple was the color of choice at the lunch table displaying balloons. Each Red Hatter received a wooden rose corsage, a beaded napkin ring and a chicken dinner. Other party favors on the table were noise makers, bubbles and jars of cooling jell lotion. Phyllis reached into her "bag of humor" and came up with for choice ones.

Next stop was the McDonald Senior Center where nursing home Thanksgiving favors were assembled. Laughter, creativity and glue kept all fingers busy. After craft hour ended there were more treats in store. Red Hat fabric bags were

filled with appliques and pens and the dessert table contained a beautifully decorated red hat cake, hat boxes with a candy mint, nuts and all red table service including sticker on the napkins.

The November meeting will be a soup and dessert meal on the 18th with Marlene Young planning a field trip for the afternoon.

Red Hatters attending were Florence Antholz, Sandra Antholz, Frieda Black, Bonnie Burr, Bethel Golt, Vernetta Haack, Bev Higgins, Diane Kribs, Betty Lewis, Iris McIntosh, Lois Morelock, Edna Roesener, Joan Tongish, Margaret Voorhies, LaVina Waters, Phyllis Wingfield, Marlene Young and guest, Lily Ruth Edmonston.

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Bulletin Board

Cheylin spook parade
 Cheylin Elementary spook parade will be today (Thursday) beginning at 3 p.m. in the elementary gymnasium with the costume parade followed by "Trunk or Treating" sponsored by Bird City businesses right outside the gymnasium. Bring a non-perishable food item to be put in a trunk and donated to the local food pantry. **BOO!**

Library Story Time
 There will not be a Story time at the Bird City Library on Friday.

Cheylin parent/teacher conference
 The Cheylin parent/teacher conference has been moved to Tuesday. The time will be 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Medicaid flu vaccine
 Cheyenne County Clinic reports that Medicaid has approved flu vaccines for children who are on Medicaid. The flu vaccination is also available to uninsured children for \$10 to cover administration fees. Vaccines are available at the St. Francis Clinic or at the Bird City Clinic upon request.

Legion Auxiliary gifts
 The American Legion Auxiliary members are reminding people that it is time to shop for the veteran patients at Colmery-O'Neill hospital at Topeka. Christmas gifts are needed for the families and they must be in by Nov. 14 at the Bird City American Legion Hall. People other than Auxiliary members are urged to participate, as the need is great.

Kids Voting Election Alert
 St. Francis students, (kindergarten through 12th grade) are encouraged to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 4, at the official site (Peace Lutheran Church) as part of Kids Voting Kansas. Hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Check Classified ads under "notices" for other information.

Concert for Ye Olde Country Church
 A fund-raising concert will be held at 2 p.m. on Nov. 9 at the United Methodist Church to help purchase new siding for Ye Olde Country Church on U.S. 36 next to the county museum. At 7 p.m. on Nov. 8, an old-fashioned hymn

sing will be held in Ye Olde Country Church. Free-will offerings will be supplemented with funds from Thrivent Financial. Find related article in this paper.

Burn workshop at Bird City
 A Conservation Reserve Program Prescribed burning workshop will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 6, at the American Legion hall in Bird City. Registration is requested by Nov. 1. Call Sunflower Extension District 6 at (785) 332-3171. The registration fee covers the cost of the materials.

Fair Board
 The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet on Thursday, Nov. 6.

Hospital Guild
 The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild will meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 3, at the Senior Center in St. Francis. Dr. Rebecca Allard will present the program on medical updates.

Hostesses are Eileen Nolan and Sherry Schultz.

CCDC annual meeting
 Cheyenne County Development Corporation's annual meeting will take place at noon on Oct. 27 at

the St. Francis Public Library.

Veterans Affairs
 Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, 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.

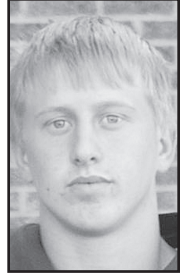
Recovery Today/Narcotics Anonymous
 Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

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.

Correction
 Roger Peters of Byers, Colo. was an attendee at the Rambat first cousin reunion Oct. 11.

Football player injured Friday

By Linda Schneider
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 At Friday night football home game against Sharon Springs, Cheylin senior, Jacob White was tackled and injured while running with the football in the second quarter of the game.



White

His parents, Loren and Wendy White, both emergency medical technicians, were watching as Jacob got up from the tackle and noticed that he was in a lot of pain, but he stayed in the game and got the football again. This time when he was tackled, he went down hard. Jacob was able to walk off the field with the help of Coach Dennis Hengen and later told his parents that he did not remember the last 10 minutes he

was in the game.

Mr. and Mrs. White kept an eye on Jacob at the sidelines, realizing something was wrong. They went on field, gathered up their son and drove to Cheyenne County Hospital in St. Francis to be examined.

Once there and X-rays taken, doctors initially thought the spot on Jacob's brain may be from some bleeding in the brain. However, with another doctor looking at the X-rays it was discovered that spot was similar to a birthmark on Jacob's brain and not of concern. After four hours of rest and given fluids intravenously, Jacob was allowed to go home with his parents.

Jacob was diagnosed with a concussion and during the weekend rested. While still a little wobbly on his feet, was allowed to go to school on Monday with limitations on activities for the next few weeks. Doctors and family expect a complete recovery.

School Menu

Monday, Nov. 3 Breakfast: pancake on stick. Lunch: chicken fajita, rice.	Thursday, Nov. 6 Breakfast: scrambled eggs wit cheese. Lunch: sloppy joes, dessert. Every breakfast is served wit toast, cereal, juice and milk. Every lunch is served with sala bar, fruit and milk.
Tuesday, Nov. 4 Breakfast: oatmeal and fruit. Lunch: sausage gravy and biscuit.	
Wednesday, Nov. 5 Breakfast: ham biscuit. Lunch: spoonburgers, corn on the cob.	

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hr. 37 min.

Nights in Rodanthe
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