

Moments with Mila By Mila Bandel

Swine flu in Kansas

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment has announced, as of April 25, that two cases of swine flu have been confirmed in Kansas involving two adults residing in the same household in Dickinson county. Neither of the patients were hospitalized — one is still ill and being treated and one is recovering.

One of the patients had recently traveled to Mexico, flying in and out of Wichita. Both people work in Saline county and became ill with the same unique (H1N1) strain of swine flu that has been identified in Mexico, California and Texas.

Department officials state that it is not yet known whether this will become the next flu pandemic. They are working closely with health agencies at all levels and are continuing to monitor these cases. Officials take this situation very seriously.

The Department of Health and Environment and the Dickinson County Health Department are investigating the sources of exposure and efforts are being coordinated with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Individuals who have been in contact with the patients are being interviewed and tested. Local health departments and hospitals in Kansas are being continuously updated and provided with information about the swine flu virus.

The symptoms of swine flu in humans are similar to the symptoms of seasonal flu and include: fever greater than 100 degrees; body aches; coughing; sore throat; respiratory congestion, and in some cases, diarrhea and vomiting.

Individuals who experience the above symptoms should contact their medical provider, who will determine whether testing or treatment is needed. There is no vaccine available right now to protect against swine flu. As with any influenza virus, individuals are encouraged to take the following steps to reduce spread:

- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and warm water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer to get rid of most germs and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick to avoid spreading illness to co-workers, friends and school mates.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue and properly dispose of used tissues.
- Stay healthy by eating a balanced diet, drinking plenty of water and getting adequate rest and exercise.

Prior to the recent outbreak in Mexico and the U.S., since 2005, 12 cases of human infection with swine influenza had been reported to the Center for Disease Control. Swine flu infections in humans are rare, but are related to close proximity to infected pigs, such as in pig production barns and livestock exhibits at fairs, neither of the current patients in Kansas reported having contact with pigs.

If you have further questions regarding the swine flu, please call the Cheyenne County Health Department at 332-2381 or if any of the above listed symptoms are discovered, contact your medical providers for an appointment at 332-2682.

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Dinner to honor 50 years

Bradley and Barbara Waters were married April 26, 1959, at the home of Barbara's parents, Harry and Elizabeth Ough in Benkelman, Neb.

Greg Waters of Greensburg, Matthew, Evan and Brock Waters of Springfield, Colo., Jan and Lincoln Waters, Bird City, entertained with dinner Saturday and all attended Immanuel United Methodist Church Sunday before returning to their respective homes.

Ann Waters-Dahl of Carthage, Mo., called with greetings Sunday evening.



Bradley and Barbara Waters



CARDS AND GIFTS BY WANDA will be celebrating its first year in business by discounting many items in the shop. There are many new unique gifts and books to choose, from hand-made quilting, Iris folding, and tea bag folding cards to personalized seasonal gifts for graduation and Mother's Day books. (see classified ad) Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Thursday, May 7, is the National Day of Prayer. The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance that is held on the first Thursday of May. People of all faiths are invited to pray for the nation.

In 1952, President Harry Truman signed this into law after a joint resolution of the United States Congress. The purpose of the day is to communicate with every individual the need for personal repentance and prayer, and to mobilize the people to intercede for America's leaders and their families.

As we look back through history, we see that this country was founded on prayer and reverence for the God of the Bible. Our constitution was written with Biblical values

and also punishments for those doing wrong. It seems like the country is at odds with this belief now and people are encouraged to look out for themselves as number one, even at the expense of family and friends.

Our forefathers would not be happy if they could see the overall condition of our country now. The reasons for establishing the colonies, and then the United States, were to have freedom of religion and to get away from high taxes. We have let freedom of religion deteriorate with banishing prayer from school, displaying religious symbols from the public arenas and etc., and let higher taxes creep in over the years. It is hard for a young couple to survive without both working because of taxes. It seems that morality and

ethics are on the back burner, and selfishness and greed have taken over. I encourage everyone to get out and pray for our nation and our leaders as never before. There will be several events around the area for anyone to participate, so get on your knees and pray.

The theme for this year is Prayer...America's Hope. This is based on Psalm 33:22 "May Your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in You." See you on May 7.

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Free Estate Planning Meeting

Monday, May 4, 7:30 p.m.
Good Samaritan Village dining room

Local attorneys will provide information

Topics

Wills, Trusts, Medi-Care, Medicaid & Long term investment opportunities.

Call Carol Redding for more information at: 785-332-6197

WANTED NOW HIRING

Deputy for Cheyenne County

Deadline is May 15, 2009

Pick up application at the Sheriff's Office or call 785-332-8880. Applicants must be 21 years of age

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON AMENDING THE 2008-2009 BUDGET

The governing body of USD 103 will meet on the 11th day of May, 2009 at 6:45 PM in the Board Room at Cheylin High School at 805 Bird Avenue, Bird City, Kansas for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed amended use of funds.

Detailed budget information is available at the Central Office 805 Bird Avenue, Bird City, Kansas and will be available at this hearing.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

Fund	Adopted Budget 2008-2009		Proposed Amendment 2008-2009 Budget	
	Actual Tax Rate	Amount of Tax to be Levied	Expenditures and Transfers	Expenditures and Transfers
K-12 At Risk			88,000	135,000

Jan E. Young
Clerk

Come Join the Fun!!

Sunday, May 3
Games - 2 p.m. • Food - 5 - 8 p.m.
Van Doren Park
Bird City, Ks

Authentic Mexican food, games, music

Bring chairs and blankets

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Saturday, May 9, 2009 11:00 CT

AUCTION

Sellers: Troy and Sandy James

Sale Site: Along Hwy US 36, Bird City, Kansas (Signs will be posted)

<h4>Real Estate to sell at 1:00 p.m.</h4> <p>LEGAL: BEG 885' N of NW COR BLK4, BIRD CITY TH 7N7, SE3/212, 5101, W1/2, S45, 1002, TO POB. SEC: TWP-08N-36E-02E</p> <p>Pratt Real Estate Les Pratt - Broker - Auctioneer 613 Main • Box 583 • Home KS 67401 • e-mail: lpratt@pratt.net 785-675-3011 • Mobile: 785-475-8531</p>	<h4>Household</h4> <p>Antique wicker/bamboo breakfast table Oak dining table, antique Entertainment center w/ glass doors Dresser & matching chest Cupboard Office desk 4-drawer file Round carpet cleaner, acoustic Framed pictures</p> <h4>Tools and Shop Related</h4> <p>10/1000 Forward fold, Model J2000A, new engine SHILSHI 2000 2000 2000 1000 1000 1000 Century 225 w/o-feed w/blade, new spool of wire American air compressor 60gal. Shop, commercial cylinder Century Spin balancer up to 210lb. Century 40-400A tire machine & tire tools Tool box and misc. tools of all kinds Clifton repair manuals Shelving Craftman 4gal. Shopvac DeWalt cable drill of mine, & AC fittings Wagner 1/2" hand caliper Air conditioning pump & com- pressor tools Compressor pump motor Complete one-way service center Crescent wrenches B&B wrench & socket set (steel) 1/2" B&B Imperial brand Socket set 3/8" Control pneumatic air line Hacksaws & blades</p> <h4>Inventory</h4> <p>Go to hand cleaner & dis- infectant Heat product Cool treatment WD-40, brake fluid Air or Oil filters 10 gal. antifreeze in dis- penser Hose, ladders, & Wagon Voltage regulator Starter motor Ignition module Gaskets Hose clamps Wheel weights Motor oil Muffler clamps</p>
<h4>Miscellaneous</h4> <p>Ramps Old dog 2-jaw nut & pop tool Toilet oven, bread maker Lounge & patio furniture/Garden tools Woolender</p> <h4>Pocket watches</h4> <p>Waltham JF-PS Bartlett 102273A, S18 Illinois S1J, S6 Eggs S1J-3-4nger bridge, S14 Bellevue 210 Management dial, S16 Eggs S1J-master case, S16 Swiss 75, S18 Swiss 72, 1-1/2" hand/Keyset, fancy dial, S16 Waltham JF-PS-master case, S16 Eggs S1J, S18 Chino clock</p> <p>1947 Ford truck, flatbed V-8 1990 Cadillac wagon Nerfbar core steel, silver Wagon blades</p>	<p>Make's chop saw, scroll saw, jig saw & tool box Hand planes, 40 level Make's cordless drill & other tools Einhart air impact Saw Tire sprayer Tire rack New tires & tires, good used tires Shim 100-100 balzer & grinder Ball & cone balls Socket sets & misc. wrenches Allen wrenches/wrenches Toolbox light w/ retractable cord Gear puller Dial fits & gauges Socket sets & misc. wrenches Chain breaker Buffer/polisher Ball safety cables Water welding units Ropes/cables Oil drain bucket</p>

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TERMS: Cash or Approved Check. Not responsible for accidents or articles stolen. All announcements day of sale shall take precedence over printed material.

*** NOTICE ***

THE SECOND HALF OF TAXES DUE MONDAY, MAY 11TH WITHOUT PENALTY

Please be sure to bring your bar code slip(s) to pay your taxes. (We are not responsible for missed taxes.)

or pay online by e-check or credit card at www.cheyennecounty.org - Treasurer's page (fees will be charged by the service provider)

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Dolores Jenik
Cheyenne County Treasurer

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