



Bulletin Board

Casey's Comments

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There are some sure signs that spring is on its way.

Snow is turning to rain. Frozen ground is now mud. The fields of winter wheat are greening up. Also, mornings are milder with the welcome sound of birds chirping for a sunrise.

Another sure sign is the Cheyenne County Wildlife's Fishing Contest, which was held last Sunday. It was a great success with 46 teams showing up at Keller Pond.

Over the years I've been the lucky guy who gets to cover the numerous, wildlife events that make up a part of our local news. What makes these things even more fun to cover is that our last boy at home, Joey, likes this stuff too.

It is such a special part of living

in the country that he can simply walk out of our home and nature is right there! Being a city kid, it took a little doing for me to get to the wild. Sure my brothers, friends and I would go camping, but it required a bit of a drive to get away from Denver.

I worry about the future of hunting and the preservation of our natural resources. Will Joey's kids have the same opportunities he has to enjoy the outdoors? Like so many things in life, nothing is guaranteed.

Thanks to the Cheyenne County Wildlife for working for these things. And thanks also to my brother-in-law Doug for teaming up with my boy to go fishing.

If you're interested in supporting and becoming a member of our local wildlife organization, be sure to get a ticket to the annual banquet coming up on March 26.

Letters From Linda

By Linda Schneider

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Has love ever failed you? Even if you are currently married, going to be married, or have children, is love perfect in those relationships?

Those questions cause everyone to think and they should, simply because even if you are living like a hermit the greatest desire of humans is to be loved.

Even if you say, "No thanks, been there done that, don't want it or need it," in the hearts of all men and women, we want to be loved as we are and seek it in the most undesirable ways imaginable.

Just think back a moment to one of the most popular cowboy song of the 1980s, "Looking for Love in All the Wrong Places," by Waylon Jennings.

I am going to throw you a curve here; scientists cannot even measure love or pin it down to one definition. Love cannot be described, measured, or explained, it can only be expressed.

Another thing about love, it must have an object. This is really the human definition of love and for me the most

frustrating because human love moves around from object to object, like diamond earrings, homes, fame, people etc., and they eventually fail to keep love active.

But there is hope, if you want it. The true love of every human being is personified in Jesus. He never fails and you can love Him, scream at Him, kick His name around in the gutter, and ignore Him, but He is still everywhere.

Just look out your window at a sunrise or a sunset, look into your newborn child's eyes, or while holding your spouse's hand. He is there while you sit with a loved one as the doctor give you some bad news. How do I know this?

Because of His love we celebrate births, sunsets and rainbows. And because of His love we have hope during the difficult times. Let's see if money, careers, or titles can do that! God bless.

Story time

Story time at the Bird City library will be on Friday at 10 a.m.

Art Show

The Bird City Library will be hosting the Emily Hudson Show from March 13-April 3. The reception is on Saturday at 3 p.m. Emily is daughter of Randy and Sally (Hickert) Hudson. She will graduate from Chadron State College in May with a degree in art education.

Home Circle Club

Cossette Kimmel will be the hostess for the Thursday, March 18, Home Circle Club meeting. It will be held at the Manor at 2 p.m.

Cheylin track

The Cheylin Cougars are gearing up for the 2010 track season. Check the Bird City bulletin for times and dates, or go online www.cheylin.com and click on calendar.

Kansas Wesleyan University

On Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Cheylin High School gymnasium, the school will be hosting a concert opened to the public with both vocal and instrumental ensembles provided by the Kansas Wesleyan University.

Cheylin Food Bank

The Cheylin Food Bank is located in the United Methodist Church of Bird City (upstairs) and the entrance is through the east door. The hours are 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, and 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Saturdays.

Bird City 125-year store

Stop in the Bird City Quasiquintennial store now in the Senior Center. Visitors can catch up on the latest information about scheduled events. The store is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays. Stan and Dee Dorsch will be on hand to assist.

Corrections and additions

During the March Bird City Council meeting, Roy Shrader building permit was approved for new construction garage at 203

Ketchum.

Brad and Linda Schneider were approved for a waiver for demolition, not rehabilitation.

Auxiliary president here
Jeanette Cox, the Kansas Department president of the Auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign Wars is going to be in St Francis on Saturday to visit with local members. She is going to be in town about 3:15 in the afternoon and members are planning to meet at the Cheyenne Manor meeting room.

All Veterans of Foreign War members, auxiliary members, and anyone else that would like to come and visit with her is welcome.

Prairie Land Food

The deadline for the March order for Prairie Land Food is March 16. Food distribution will be from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Knights of Columbus in Goodland. Call Crissy Cooks at the Empire Motel in St. Francis (332-2231) to purchase a package, learn the prices, distribution date or for more information about Prairie Land Food.

Easter Community Choir presentation Note time change

Practices are beginning for a Community Choir to present "The Journey to the Cross" on Palm Sunday, March 28, at 1:30 p.m., at Peace Lutheran Church.

Members of the choir will be practicing every Sunday between now and the 28th at 2 p.m. at the Peace Lutheran Church.

Any member of the community who would like to sing with the choir should contact Cinda Dankenbring at 332-2884.

Museum work day

Historical Society members and friends: Work days for the Cheyenne County Museum and old church are scheduled for March 22, 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Helpers are urged to come any of the days as help is needed to

get both buildings ready for spring opening in April.

75th anniversary of the flood

Please circle Saturday, May 22, on the calendar. The National Weather Service and Cheyenne County Historical Society will host a program commemorating the 75th anniversary of the Flood of 1935 on that day. Details will follow.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, at the county clerk's office. This is one day earlier than her regularly scheduled visit so she can attend the Health Fair in Atwood on Thursday. People may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572. The Veterans' Service representative will only be in St. Francis once each month.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names beginning with B 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.

Driver's License needs to be presented or entered on form at time of renewal.

Common Threads Quilt Guild

Common Threads Quilt Guild will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 18, at Saintry Stitches. Guests and all quilters are welcome.

County Commissioners

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, March 15, in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Western Plains Arts Association

The *Singing Quakers* from Friends University will present a concert of varied vocal styles of music at 3 p.m. Sunday, at the Atwood High School Auditorium.

A new musical comedy, *Church Basement Ladies*, is a large production celebration of the church basement kitchen and the women who work there. The production will be presented on Friday, March 19, at Oakley High School auditorium.

AARP

AARP will meet at 2 p.m. today

(Thursday), at the Senior Center. After a brief business meeting, members will all go to tour the Prairie Rose Floral in St. Francis.

ErvaGene DeAragon will be hostess.

Wildlife banquet

The 25th Cheyenne County Wildlife banquet has been set for Friday, March 26, at the fairgrounds in St. Francis. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. There will only be 300 tickets available this year.

Free tax help

Rowland Roelfs, the local AARP tax aide person, will be helping the taxpayer with federal and state tax returns, recommending E-filing with direct deposit of any refunds. He will be at the St. Francis Library on Wednesdays, hours 2 to 5 p.m., and at the St. Francis Senior Center on Thursdays 2 to 5 p.m. Please bring all W-2s (earned wages), 1099s (interest, dividends, retirement annuities, and all other income), along with your property tax statement. With direct deposit refunds can be deposited within two weeks. Personal appointments can be arranged by calling 785 332 3490.

Recovery Today/Narcotics Anonymous

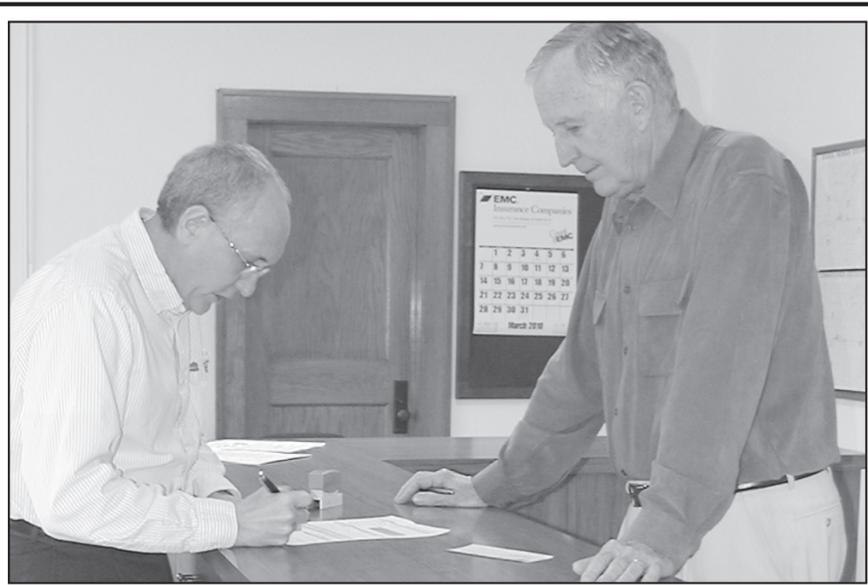
Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

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.

Correction

Last week's article reminding people to call in controlled burns had the number to call for these burns as the 911 emergency number. Jen Padgett, communication director, asked that those calling for controlled burns to call 785-332-8880 (the sheriff's office). However, those reporting a burn which is out of control or unattended should call 911.



WARD CASSIDY officially filed as a candidate for Representative of the 120th District. Also pictured is Terry Miller, county clerk. Mr. Cassidy is holding an informational meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday in the Bankwest basement. Everyone is urged to question Mr. Cassidy regarding his position on issues. *Herald staff photo by Karen Krien*



Attend the 1st Annual Cheylin Entrepreneurship Fair
Tuesday, March 23, 2010

Cheylin High School Gymnasium
9:30 a.m. view participant projects & visit with resource partners
(16 participants, Cheylin 7-12 grades)

10:30 a.m. Speaker, Val Riess, Weskan entrepreneur

11 a.m. Announcement of Award Winners
\$500 - \$300 - \$200

BIRD CITY CENTURY II Development Foundation
www.birdcity.com
"FOR GOOD. FOR EVER."
785-734-2556

School Menu

Monday, March 15

Breakfast: sausage biscuit
Lunch: crispsitos with chili, roll

Tuesday, March 16

Second grade lunch menu
Breakfast: breakfast bites
Lunch: pizza, corn on the cob, kiwi, ice cream

Wednesday, March 17

Breakfast: oatmeal, fruit
Lunch: grillbites, au gratin potatoes, roll

Thursday, March 18

Breakfast: polish sausage supreme
Lunch: fish sandwich, fries
Breakfast is served daily with toast, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch is served daily with salad bar, fruit and milk.

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SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 2 hr. 0 min.

Percy Jackson & The Olympians

Action/Adventure, Science Fiction/
Fantasy and Adaptation

March 12, 13 & 14

Logan Lerman, Brandon T. Jackson, Alexandra Daddario, Sean Bean and Pierce Brosnan. PG for action violence and peril, some scary images and suggestive material, and mild language.

CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS
785-332-2747

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

Cheyenne County Farm Bureau would like to congratulate the lucky winners of our National Food Check Out-Week Contest

Janice Churchwell
\$25 Gift Certificate to Hometown Market
The cart of food was donated to the Cheylin Community Food Bank

Clayton Janicke, Farm Bureau board member

Thanks to everyone who participated

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS
785-332-2104

Diabetes Support Group meeting

Wednesday, Mar. 17, 2010

1:30 p.m.

Cheyenne County Clinic Basement

Topic:
Nutrition Questions & Answers Session

For more information contact:
Mila Bandel, RN
County Health Nurse at 785-332-2381