



Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick
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 I've been thinking lately. This alone can be dangerous for a Scot-Irish-American. That sort of behavior usually leads to revolutions, mistakes or some other undesirable outcome. But this one is pretty tame.
 Have you ever noticed how people can be like food?
 I don't mean the obvious as in shaped like something edible. If that were the case I suppose I'd be a pair or some other funny shaped fruit.
 What I'm getting at is how, as an individual vegetable, meat or

spice, each can be okay on it's own. But if you put the right few together, then you have magic.
 Not all combinations work. Some people can be a bit bitter or possibly too heavily flavored. Peoples tastes are allowed to differ.
 I suppose that is why we are attracted to folks who appeal to our senses. Just like a favorite dish may be what is requested on special occasions, so are the companions who are known to make you satisfied.
 Again, this is only a thought or two from a U.S.C. (United States Celt.) Perhaps it will give you a little food for thought.

Obituary

Milford "Gene" Young *June 27, 1934 - Aug. 31, 2010*

Gene Young, son of Violet and Bernard Young, was born Jan. 27, 1934, in Dundy County, Neb.
 His father was in the military and Gene spent some of his early life in Maryland, the rest of his teenage life he was left with the responsibility of keeping the family farm going. He endured many long hours raising cattle, planting crops and hand-picking corn.
 His early education was started at the Mount Hope School often riding his favorite horse "Billy," carrying his lunch and books. Later on he finished his education in Bird City and graduated in 1951.
 On April 27, 1952, he was united in marriage to Marlene Holscher at St. John Lutheran Church in Bird City. Together they began their journey on a farm in the South Fork community, south of Benkelman, Neb.
 His welding career was started at the family farm and continued into his early 70s. For several years, he was employed by Walz Metal works in Bird City, where they manufactured farm equipment. He was very passionate in this field, often making or repairing specialized equipment for local farmers and businesses.
 He had a great sense of animal husbandry and raised cattle for 60 years.
 In 1966, they moved to Marlene's homestead just north

of Bird City, where they enjoyed their remaining years together. Playing cards and visiting with the neighbors was a favorite pastime.
 They were blessed with two children, Shelley and Rod. Gene was a very patient and giving husband and father always putting his family first. He led by example with a soft hand and a quiet voice.
 Faith was very important, he always knew that if God brought him to it, God would bring him through it. He had many difficult times in his life and never complained.
 In 1990, he suffered a debilitating syndrome of Guillian-Barre that left him struggling for strength his remaining years.
 He really enjoyed fishing and relaxing at Shelley and Jerry's lake home.
 On April 27, 2002, Gene and Marlene celebrated their 50th anniversary with friends and family. It was a joyous milestone in their life together.
 He entered the Hester Home on July 13, 2010, and died on Aug. 31, 2010, at the age of 76.
 Preceding him in death were his parents, an infant sister, Janet Ann Young and a grandson, Alexander Royal Young.
 Those surviving are his wife, Marlene Young; his daughter, Shelley Heavilin and husband, Jerry of Blue Springs, Mo., Rod Young and wife, Jane of Bird City; grandchildren, Megan and Chris Pasquale, Mandy Burton, Shelsea and Dave Horn, Shara and Ben Burgess, Hayley Young and Ethan Young; great-grandchildren, Haylee, Anthony, Isabella, Amelia, Eliza, Lane and Lillie.
 Funeral services were held Sept. 4 at St. John Lutheran Church, Bird City, with Pastor David Rossbach officiating.
 Casket bearers were John Rambat, Royce Rambat, Loren White, Royce Kehlbeck, Martin Burton and Pete Gilliland.
 Interment was in the Bird City Cemetery, Bird City.
 Arrangements were by Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis.
 The family requests all memorials be given to the Cheyenne County Emergency Medical Service (EMS).

School Menu

Menu subject to change
Monday, Sept. 13
 Breakfast: Biscuit and boiled egg.
 Lunch: Fish, macaroni and cheese and roll.
Tuesday, Sept. 14
 Breakfast: Waffles.
 Lunch: Hard shell taco and rice.
Wednesday, Sept. 15
 Breakfast: Breakfast quesadillas.
 Lunch: Pig in a blanket and dessert.
Thursday, Sept. 16
 Breakfast: Sausage cheese scones.
 Lunch: Pizza burger and fries.

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Bulletin Board

Monthly birthday party
 The monthly birthday party will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday at the Bird City Senior Center.
Bird City Community Club
 The Bird City Community Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the Bird City Senior Center.
American Legion Auxiliary
 The American Legion Auxiliary will be meeting at 2 p.m. on Friday.
Home Circle Club
 Hostess Lucille Wright will have the September meeting of the Home Circle Club at her home. It will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group
 The Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday at the St. Francis Public Library.
 Due to increased costs at the library, the group may have to discontinue these meetings unless there is an increase in attendance. Please come and join the group if a relative or friend has issues that the group could help you with.
Household Hazardous Waste Roundup
 Cheyenne County will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, Sept. 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Cheyenne County Landfill. See ad for additional details.
Treasurer's Office news
 The Cheyenne County Treasurer's Office will be closed on Tuesday, Sept. 21, for training from the state.
Bird City Clinic hours
 The new Cheyenne County

Tag deadline
 All residents with last names beginning with P, Q and R 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.
Store remodeling
 The 2nd Beginnings Thrift Store in Bird City will be closed until Oct. 1 due to remodeling.
WPAA
 Western Plains Arts Association will present Bummer The Drummer And The Kansas City Street Band on Sunday, Sept. 12, in the Goodland High School auditorium at 3 p.m. central time.
Commissioners
 The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the courthouse in St. Francis.
US 36 Treasure Hunt
 The fifth annual U.S. 36 Treasure

Hunt is coming soon, Sept. 17-19. Vendor maps available starting the week of Sept. 6. They can be picked up at the Extension office, 300 Benton (Northrup lot mailbox) and various other places in St. Francis.
Narcotics Anonymous
 Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held at 104 W Webster/Methodist Education Building on Sunday nights at 8 p.m. and Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. Contact (785) 342-0028.
Northwest Kansas Family Shelter
 Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7day-a-week service 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.

Common Threads Quilt Guild
 Common Threads Quilt Guild will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 16, at Sainty Stitches. Guests and all quilters are welcome.
Hospital Board
 The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 28, in the clinic basement meeting room in St. Francis.
Head Start
 Cheyenne County Head Start is still accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year. This is a free preschool program for 3-and-4-year olds of qualifying families residing in Cheyenne County. The classroom is located at 222 E. Webster, St. Francis. To apply or receive additional information, please call the classroom at 332-3110 or Lori Rieger at 332-2418.

Guest of her parents
 Ote and Ellen Dewey. Additional Monday lunch guests were Laura Craig of Alma, and Tom and Kelly Dewey, Tayten and Tru.
 Tom and Kelly Dewey, Tayten and Tru attended the fourth birthday party for Kennedy Migchelbrink in Atwood Sunday afternoon.
 Alana and Joe Ruff of Kansas City were holiday weekend guests of Diane Montgomery.
 Bethel Goltl attended the funeral of Gene Young in Bird City Saturday morning and helped serve the funeral dinner.
 Bethel Goltl visited Pastor Ron and Daphne Roberts in St. Francis Wednesday evening. The Roberts were house guests of Bonnie Cram. They all enjoyed supper together.

Paternal grandparents
 Troy and Cindy Burr, Bird City and Ron Wilson, St. Francis. Great-grandparents are Bonnie Burr, Bird City and the late Willis Burr; Libby Curry, Colby, and the late Ronald Curry, and Larry and Louise Wilson, St. Francis.

Maternal grandparents
 John and Mary Beth Kohake, Centralia. Great-grandparents are Elmer and Virginia Koelzer, Baileyville; Dan Kohake of Seneca and the late Mary Kohake.
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Introducing

Carter John Wilson
 Matt and Sara Wilson, Bird City, announce the birth of their son, Carter John, on Aug. 13, 2010. Carter was 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and 19 1/2-inches long.



Carter John Wilson

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning
 David Banister was home for the holiday weekend. He returned to college Monday.
 Joe and Charlene Kramer returned home Monday after spending a few days in Colorado, Utah and Arizona. They saw the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, visited with Phyllis Scott in Loveland, Colo., and were overnight guests of Roland and Linda Query in Firestone, Colo.
 On Tuesday evening, Joe and Charlene Kramer helped Rayden and Ronan Shay celebrate their birthdays in St. Francis.
 Joe and Charlene Kramer were among the guests attending the wedding of Jennifer Beims to Justin Davis Saturday afternoon in Herndon and the wedding reception that evening in Colby.
 Linda Dewey was a weekend

guest of her parents, Ote and Ellen Dewey. Additional Monday lunch guests were Laura Craig of Alma, and Tom and Kelly Dewey, Tayten and Tru.
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Sheriff's Report

In the month of August, Cheyenne County Sheriff's Office deputies performed over 98 hours of patrol and case work in the city of Bird City. Deputies responded to calls to service by residents of Bird City, as well as performed patrol. The sheriff's office checked doors of businesses.
 As fall approaches sheriff deputies have noticed an increase in the number of skunks within

the city limits of Bird City and are working on controlling the populations.
 Cheyenne County Sheriff's Office Bird City report; one traffic ticket, three traffic warnings, one telephone harassment investigation, one child welfare investigation, one civil welfare investigation, one civil stand by, one outside agency assist, and two dog complaints.

McDonald News

By Vera Kacirek
 Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson were Friday visitors of Ruby Tracy in Goodland.
 Ray and Marlene Johnson were among the many friends who attended the open house for the 60th wedding anniversary for Hank and Mac Olson.

Gail and Kay Miller met Howard and Lila Runge for Sunday dinner in McCook, and then they all visited at the Runge home in Culbertson.
 On Sunday, Iris McIntosh attended a reunion of the freshman class of 1955 at Fort Hays State University.

Diabetes Support Group meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010
 1:30 p.m.
 Cheyenne County Clinic Basement
 Topic: Diabetes 101
 Monica Wacker, Diabetic Educator from McCook, Nebraska will be the guest speaker
 For more information contact:
 Mila Bandel, RN
 County Health Nurse at 785-332-2381

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 2 hr. 10 min.

Eat Pray Love

Sept. 10, 11 & 12 *PG-13 for brief strong language, some sexual references and male rear nudity.*

Julia Roberts, James Franco, Richard Jenkins, Viola Davis, Billy Crudup Drama and Adaptation

You Are Invited to a Come & Go Bridal Shower for

Blanca Ponce

Bride-elect of Juan Rodriguez

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
 Saturday, September 18, 2010
 St. Joseph Catholic Church, Bird City, Kansas
 Registered at Wal-Mart.com

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL

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

New Cheyenne County Clinic — Bird City Schedule effective September 7, 2010

Our hours in Bird City will remain Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Monday: Kristle Raile, PA-C
 Tuesday: Tyler Raile, PA-C
 Wednesday: Mary Beth Miller, M.D.
 Thursday: Tyler Raile, PA-C
 Friday: Rebecca Allard, M.D.**

Please note that our schedule will vary from this at times depending on provider vacations, sick days, continuing education classes, etc.

Check your renewal dates

— Current Rates —

The Saint Francis Herald

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 Out-of-State - \$48

Bird City Times

Area - \$33 KS - \$36
 Out-of-State - \$40

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