



Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

I'm sure we are not the only parents who are caring for a kid's pet.

You know how it goes, "If we get it (dog, cat, horse, monkey, etc...) I'll take care of it!" Right.

It usually doesn't take too long for the novelty to wear off. The youngster begins to spend more time doing the other things in life that bring more entertainment than dog chores. Then who gets to take care of the feedings, walking, vetting, bathing...?

Now don't get me wrong. We

love the dog and it has become just as much of a family pet as our other two.

And if the day comes when our son wants to take the animal with him. Well, I'm sure we're gonna miss that dog.

Along a similar vein, a friend told Lezlie and me about how their college-age daughter was coming home to dog sit while they went on vacation. "It's nice to have her do something for us for a change."

So again. There is hope out there.

Obituaries

Clyde William Munn

April 20, 1920 - Dec. 19, 2010

Clyde William "Skeet" Munn, 90, of Anchorage, Alaska, died peacefully Dec. 19, 2010, of natural causes following a prolonged illness.

He was born April 20, 1920, in his parent's home on the Big Timber north of Bird City, Kan.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1942, serving as an aircraft mechanic and achieving the rank of Senior Master Chief (E-8). He was the recipient of the Navy's Good Conduct Medal.

After retiring from the Navy in 1964, he moved to Alaska, where he held several civil service positions at Anchorage's military bases, including manager of the non-commissioned officers (NCO) club at Fort Richardson. He was

an avid outdoorsman.

He was married to Shirley Cody of St. Francis, with whom he had three children. He and Shirley were divorced, but remained life-long friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lloyd and Blanche Munn; son Lee; sister Lolita, who died in childhood; sister, Gladys Specht; and brother, Clinton S. Munn.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Munn of Anchorage; daughters, Kay Kincaid of Albuquerque, N. M., and Linda Faye of San Francisco, Calif.; four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, a great-great-granddaughter; and sister-in-law, Mary Lou Munn of Benkelman, Neb.

Great win for Cheylin Cougars on Friday

On Friday, Feb. 11, the Cheylin Junior High Lady Cougars traveled to Healy to take on the Eagles. Because of the number of players for the Eagles, only one girl's game was played.

At halftime, the Cougars led the Eagles 18-9. The final score was 41-13 in favor of the Cougars.

"This was a great game for the Lady Cougars to play, in that everyone played a lot," Coach Sylvia Hubbard said. "It was also a great win to get as we go into tournament week."

Allie Frisbee led the Cougars with 16 points, two rebounds and eight steals. Kalin Ritchey and Mary Anne Orten both scored 6 points for the Cougars. They both had two rebounds each, while Kalin had five steals and Mary Anne had two steals. Elizabeth Keltz and Danae Magnani both put in 4 points, and Danae added two rebounds and two steals. Elsa Craig

Burr scored 2 points with two rebounds. Jaime Davison pulled down four rebounds for the Cougars and had two steals. Others playing were Alexis Frink, Kelsey Miller, and Haleigh Rucker.

"We showed a lot of teamwork in the game, and the Ladies really played hard," Coach Hubbard said.

School Menu

Monday

Breakfast: French toast sticks.
Lunch: Chili and roll.

Tuesday

Breakfast: Sausage gravy and biscuit.

Lunch: Sophomore menu: stir fry and rice, green beans with bacon, kiwi and bomb pops.

Wednesday

Breakfast: Tornadoes.
Lunch: Freshman menu: spaghetti, cream corn, breadsticks, strawberries and bananas, fudgesicles.

Thursday

Breakfast: Breakfast quesadillas.
Lunch: Turkey sandwich and fries.

Friday

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs.
Lunch: Tomato soup and grilled cheese sandwich.

Honor Roll

New and renewed Times subscriptions: Cossette Kimmel, Bird City; Ruby Tracy, Goodland; Terry Burr, Wichita; Sharon Pacheco, Colorado Springs, Colo.

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Funeral service

Funeral services for Donna Jean LaRue-Beedy Temple were held on Feb. 17 at Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis. She was born Feb. 24, 1940 and died on Feb. 17.

Early Childhood Screening

Early Childhood Screening will be offered, free of charge, for young children on Monday, March 7, at the United Methodist Church. The screening will include the areas of vision, motor skills, hearing, thinking skills, and speech and language skills. Appointments can be made for children from birth to 5 years of age by contacting Deanna Nelsen at 785-734-2351. This service is provided by Unified School District 103 and the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Staff.

Senior Center potluck

Monday, Feb. 28, is the date for the potluck at the Bird City Senior Center.

Wildlife banquet

The Cheyenne County Wildlife banquet will be held April 1, at the

Bird City Legion Hall. Doors will open at 6:30. Dinner is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. with the auction at 8:15. Tickets are available from any board members or at Bumper to Bumper or Owens True Value.

Hospital Guild

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild will meet on March 7, for a "Lunch With Les (Les Lacey)" at the Cheyenne County Hospital.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis at 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 3, 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.

Hospice Services

Hospice Services, Inc. volunteer inservices will be held at 11:30 a.m. March 7 with a potluck lunch meeting at the Church of Christ, 502 W. Spencer, St. Francis. The March/April theme is Mandatory

"How and When do Hospice Volunteers Grieve?" What is heathy? Volunteer Memorial Service.

Hospital Board

The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. today (Thursday) in the clinic basement meeting room in St. Francis.

Fair board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet on Thursday, March 3.

County Commissioners

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 28 at the courthouse.

Free tax help

Free tax help is available for middle- and low-income people at the St. Francis Library on Wednesdays, 2 to 5 p.m.; and at the St. Francis senior center on Thursdays from 2 to 5 p.m. For more information or make an appointment, call Rowland Roelfs at 785-332-3490.

Brett Family Show

The next presentation on the Western Plains Arts Association

program is Brett Family Show on Saturday in Oakley.

Peace of Mind AA

Peace of Mind AA will meet at the St. Francis Public Library at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. Contact Kris D. at (785) 332-4410 or (785) 772-5090.

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.

Crop program deadline set for Mar. 15

The deadline for the United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency (FSA) to accept applications under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) is March 15 for coverage for 2011 coarse grains such as feed.

Crops eligible for the program's benefits are limited to those not insurable in the county and are produced for food or fiber. Included as eligible crops are forage crops for livestock such as cane, feed, silage, sudan,

millet and peas (mechanically harvested or grazed).

Interested producers who may wish to participate in the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program must visit their local Farm Service Agency office to complete an Application for Coverage and pay the service fee by March 15. Administrative service fees are collected in order to help offset the cost of implementing the program and range from \$250 per crop per administrative county not to

exceed \$750 per producer per administrative county with an \$1875 maximum fee for multi-county producers.

"Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program coverage has become very important with the addition of the SURE (Supplemental Revenue) Program," said Angie Berens, Director of the Farm Service Agency Office. "A producer must have all non-grazing crops of economic significance covered by insurance in order to be eligible for the Supplemental Revenue program, which is one of the new disaster programs. We would hate to see someone with a loss ineligible for the Supplemental Revenue Program because they didn't pay for Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program or crop insurance coverage."

After the crop has been harvested, it is very important to turn in your production, much like you do with regular crop insurance. This helps to prove your yield and could increase benefits in the future. In the unfortunate

event that a producer does suffer a loss on their particular crop, a Notice of Loss must be filed with the local Farm Service Agency office within 15 calendar days after the disaster occurrence, or the date the loss becomes apparent to the producer.

Producers are responsible for providing accurate and complete loss and production information. This includes timely certifying the unit's planted acreage and production with Farm Service Agency. In general, acreage reporting deadlines are June 1, for small grain crops, and the earlier of Aug. 1, or 15 days prior to the onset of harvest or grazing for all other crops.

This coverage entitles eligible producers to a payment of 55 percent of an average market price for the commodity if a natural disaster caused a 50 percent production loss or greater of an eligible crop.

Contact the Farm Service Agency Office at 785-332-2183 before March 15, for more information.

Veterans get free flight to see war memorial

Kansas Honor Flights is a program of Central Prairie Resource Conservation and Development. Their mission is to cooperate with any group, individual, or entity to identify World War II Veterans and fly them to Washington DC to their World War II Memorial as well as the Korean, and Vietnam memorials as soon as possible.

The nation is losing these heroes at over 1,800 a day nationwide. There are less than 350,000 of the original 16 million still here. Many cannot travel.

The Central Prairie Resource Conservation and Development has chosen a red carpet driven, economical method with a 50-56 hour itinerary. The veterans fly to Washington DC to see their World War II Memorial, meet Bob Dole, see the Korean War Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam War Memorial Wall, Iwo Jima Memorial, and the final changing of the guard at Arlington National Cemetery.

Bus rides are full of video of the World War II Memorials construction, and the Dedic-

ation ceremony. Courageous testimonies and more networking truly bond these heroes and allow closure that few other events can.

Each Veteran goes for free. This includes bus in Kansas, food, plane, bus in DC area, hotel... Everything except their souvenir monies.

Many Veterans have heard about this itinerary and where they wouldn't go on another trip, they want this one. American veterans are spreading the word that organization's focus is the red carpet.

As the liaison between National Honor Flights Network and Hubs across Kansas, Central Prairie Resource Conservation and Development has nearly a thousand in the database that want to go from across Kansas. If you are a World War II Veteran and would like to make this trip, contact the Cheyenne County Conservation District in St. Francis for applications or call LeVeta Miller at 620-792-6224 for more information. The next flight is to go out in April.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

We are indeed, very fortunate to have a wonderful hospital, great providers and staff in our community. What a dedicated, caring group of people they are! In the last two years I have, literally, spent hundreds of hours in emergency rooms, ICUs, and patient rooms at various hospitals. This, in addition to a long nursing career, has given me plenty

of experience in evaluating the care that is given to patients. I can say, without a doubt, that you cannot get any better care anywhere than you can here at our hospital. We should all be grateful to have a facility like this in our community. I know I am.

Joy Anderegg
Bird City

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Dexascan	Mar. 9
Dr. Saba	Mar. 18
Mammo	Mar. 22
Nuc Med	Mar. 8 & 22
Dr. Curtis	Mar. 10 & 24
Dr. Reeves	Mar. 16

For more information or to schedule an appointment call 785-332-2104