



NORM DORSCH in his Shriners fire truck is a familiar sight in the Cheyenne County Fair parade.
Times staff photo by Lezlie McCormick

Wind shreds flag



WINDS RECORDED AT around 70 miles per hour tore this flag to shreds. The flag is located southwest of Bird City at the home of Ray Martinez.

Haying, grazing contracts available

Managed haying or grazing is allowed by Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) participants that requested the activity in their conservation plan of operations or update the plan to include the activity. Acreage is not eligible until 12 months after the cover is

fully established. The contracts approved on or after March 9, 2010 can hay or graze no more than one out of every three years. There are other frequency categories based on when the contract was approved. Managed haying is permitted from July 16 through Aug. 15

on 50 percent of each field. Hay must be removed from the field by Sept. 15.

Producers who do not own or lease livestock, may harvest hay for sale to a livestock producer or sell the hay for biomass. Managed grazing is permitted from July 16 through Sept. 30,

not to exceed 77 consecutive days or as otherwise limited by forage conditions, stocking rates, etc as listed in the forage management plan. Producers who do not own or lease livestock, may rent or lease the grazing privilege.

Conservation reserve program participants shall contact the local farm service agency county office to request managed haying or grazing on an individual contract basis prior to haying or grazing.

Participants shall work with the Natural Resources Conservation Service to develop a forage management plan. If the crop cover is destroyed, the practice must be re-established at their own expense to remain in compliance with the program contract.

Participants accept a 25-percent reduction in the annual rental payment for the acres actually hayed or grazed. Program haying and grazing policies will be posted on-line at www.fsa.usda.gov/ks. Contact the farm service agency office at 785-332-2183 for more information.

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Kathy Banister visited Cherry Bell Tuesday and Friday afternoon in the Rawlins County Hospital.

Sunday evening and supper guests of George and Kathy Banister were Art Atchison and daughters, Erika and Emily, and Karlyne Atchison.

Tom and Kelly Dewey and children attended the Kacirek family reunion Sunday afternoon.

Tom and Kelly Dewey and children attended the wedding reception Saturday for Cedrick and Emily Green in Atwood.

Thursday evening, Tom and Kelly Dewey and children met Bill and Debbie Malone and their grandkids, Hailey and Henry, at the Cheyenne County Fair.

Lynn and Rita Officer, and Seth and Gracie Gundlach left Thursday afternoon to attend the funeral of Rita's aunt in Ellenwood. They stayed with Rita's brother and his wife, Glen and Kathy Dewey of Ellenwood. They also visited with Rita's mother, Betty Dewey and her other brother and his wife, Ken and Joan Dewey. The

Officers and Gundlachs returned home Saturday evening.

Joe and Charlene Kramer, and Dennis and Elda Kramer and girls were guests of Rodney and Kay Shay and family in St. Francis after the Cheyenne County Fair Parade Saturday.

Honor Roll

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Moments With Mila

By Mila Bandel
County Health Nurse

Text4baby Gives Moms Health Tips

Text4baby is the nation's first free text messaging service that provides women with health tips via text messages during their pregnancy and throughout their babies' first year of life.

Pregnant women and new mothers who text "BABY" to 511411 receive three weekly text messages, timed to their due date or their baby's birth date. You'll be asked to enter your baby's due date or your baby's birthday and your zip code. Once registered, you will start receiving the free messages.

Thanks to the support of wireless foundations and participating

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The short, simple texts provide critical information about prenatal care, nutrition, breast

feeding, immunizations, safety and more. The National Healthy Mothers and the Healthy Babies Coalition were two of the major organizations that helped to launch this service.

Text4baby has a summer contest going on. Go to Text4baby to sign up for the contest. The top 20 contestants who enroll the most pregnant women and new moms during the contest period will win a year's supply of Johnson's Baby products and a special gift for mom, courtesy of Johnson and Johnson. The contest runs through Sept. 10.

Upcoming Promotions

For more information contact Tim Burr at:

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Cheyenne County Fair

Special section features 4-H results, Parade, Event Winners and pictures from the 2011 County Fair



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