

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick
mccormickcasey@rocketmail.com
I don't consider myself a
"spring chicken." Enough gray
and thinning hairs are hard to
ignore. But just because you've
been around doesn't mean you
can't experience something new.

were going. But it was made clear
that the gentlemen were expected
also.
So family and friends gathered
to celebrate the good fortune
to come this couple's way. It
was heart warming to see all the
people together with such a sense
of hope for the unknown baby's
future. If this kick-off party is any
indication, the new born will have
a lot of fans in his, or her, life.

Obituary

Willis Wright

March 28, 1932 to Aug. 23, 2011

Willis Wright was born on
March 28, 1932, in Byers, Kan.,
to Leo and Helen Wright. He
served in the U.S. Air Force
during the Korean War. He then
received a master's degree in
psychology from Fort Hays State
College.

her husband Jeff Wilber, and
their children Olivia, Natalie,
Marshall, Molly and her
husband Matthew Wright. He is
the brother-in-law of Jo's sister,
Donna Vanderput of Bird City.

Willis was preceded in death
by his three sisters and son
Matthew Wright.

The family asked that
everyone celebrate Willis' life
by remembering his creativity,
his love for his family, and his
adventurous nature.

Willis could take bits of things
that were destined to become
junk and create something both
usable and beautiful. It was as if
in each piece of junk, Willis saw
great potential. Also when he
saw a need he would then create
something out of other things; to
meet that need.

Jo shared that she and Willis
worked well together in building
their home and collecting the
treasures that fill it.

Willis also loved to travel to
other countries and at the time of
his death was planning his next
adventure to Scandinavia and
Scotland with a small stopover
in the Arctic Circle. Sunday
mornings he could often be
found with a cup of coffee at
Border's Bookstore researching
his next trip abroad.

Funeral services were held in
Mahomet, Ill., at the Community
Free Church of Mahomet. The
officiating pastor was Jason Schifo.
Burial was in Riverside Cemetery
in Mahomet where he was buried
next to his son Matthew.

Death Notices

David Sowers

David Sowers, 56, died Sept.
27, 2011 in Denver, Colo. Funeral
services were held Saturday, Oct.
1, at the Living Water Fellowship
Church in Bird City.

William 'Bill' Leach

Services for William "Bill"
Leach, 85, will be held at 10 a.m.
on Thursday at the Wesleyan
Community Church in Bird
City. Memorials may be made to
Hospice.

Senior birthday party

The Bird City Senior Center
birthday party will be held at 3
p.m. on Monday at the center.

Community Club

Bird City Community Club will
meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct.
10 at Bird City Senior Center.

Cheylin School Board

The Cheylin Board of Education
will meet at 7:00 P.M. on Monday,
Oct. 10 in the High School.

Fair board meeting

Cheyenne County Fair Board

will meet at 8 p.m. on Thursday
(tonight) in the commissioners'
room in the courthouse. On the
agenda is the election of officers.

County commissioners' meeting

The Cheyenne County
Commissioners will meet at 8
a.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, in the
commissioners' room in the
courthouse.

100 years of 'Living the Colors of Faith'

St. John Lutheran Church in
Bird City will celebrate its 100th
anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 9, at
10:45 a.m. They will also have an
open house on Saturday, Oct. 8,
from 2 to 5 p.m.

Winter Bowling Leagues

Anyone interested in joining a
winter bowling league, contact
Jenny Wright at 332-2211 or Mary
Bier at 332-2119.

Free popcorn

The Cheyenne Theater
Committee is asking, that the
first weekend of the month, those

attending the movie bring a canned
food donation for the Food Pantry
and they will receive a free sack
of popcorn.

Veterans' affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas
Commission on veterans' affairs,
will be in St. Francis at 10:30 to
11:30 a.m. at the County Clerk's
office to assist veterans and their
dependents with VA claims work
on Thursday, Oct. 6. If you are
unable to contact Ms. Tubbs in St.
Francis, you may contact the office
in Colby any Monday, Wednesday,
or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

Historical society programs

Sunday, Oct. 23, Audrey
Kalivoda will be at the Cheyenne
County Theater. She will preview
her newest DVD, "Kansas, the
Center of it All." This event will
begin at 2 p.m. with a reception
following at the St. Francis Public
Library. The program is presented
by the Cheyenne County Historical
Society.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names
beginning with S 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.

Treasurer's office closed

The Cheyenne County
Treasurer's office will be closed
Wednesday, Oct. 12 for state
training on motor vehicles. The
rest of the courthouse will be
open.

Cheyenne County ambassadors

If you are proud of your
community and your county
and want to tell folks about it,
stop by the Cheyenne County
Development office at 107 W.
Washington in St. Francis and
pick up an "Ambassadors"
package. Take one along on a trip
or to an event. Let everyone know
what a great place we live in!

Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous meetings
are held at 104 W Webster/
Methodist Education Building
on Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m.
Contact (785) 342-0028.

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family
Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-
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.

Bulletin Board

School Menu

Oct. 10 - Oct. 13 Monday

Breakfast: sausage, gravy and
biscuit
Lunch: twice-baked zeta
casserole, green beans

Tuesday

Breakfast: yogurt, English
muffin
Lunch: deli ham sandwich, frog
eye salad

Wednesday

Breakfast: waffles
Lunch: meatballs sauce, buttered
noodles

Thursday

Breakfast: breakfast burritos
Lunch: pizza burger, peppered
fries
Breakfast is served daily with
toast, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch is served daily with salad
bar, fruit and milk



William Linin and Rachel Sowers

Couple make wedding plans for November

Rachel Elisabeth Sowers and
William Maurice Linin have
announced their engagement and
upcoming wedding on Nov. 19.

Rachel is the daughter of Dan
and Lori Sowers, Bird City. She is
a 2009 graduate from Cornerstone
Bible Institute with a degree in
Christian Education. She is
employed as an advisor assistant
at Ameriprise Financial Services

in Hot Springs, S.D.
William is the son of Max and
Brenda Linin, Goodland. He
received a bachelor of science
degree in Construction Science
and Management from Kansas
State University in 2007. He has
recently returned to the Goodland
area to farm.

The couple plans to make their
home in Goodland.

YOST Ford advertisement with contact info: 530 E. Business US Hwy. 36 St. Francis, KS 67756, 800-524-9678, 785-332-2188, yostford.com

- 1986 Ford F-250 XLT, 6.9L diesel, #T5131B
1986 Ford F-250 Supercab 4x4 Flatbed, 109K, #T1325C
1999 Ford Taurus SE, Air, Cruise, #T7813B
2000 Chevy 2500 4WD, 150K, #T1026B
2001 Chevy Silverado LS, Ext. Cab 4x4, #T5192C
2004 Ford F250, S/C, 141K, #T2049B
2004 F350 Crew XLT, 4x4, L.Box, 112K, #T1256A
2004 Cadillac Deville loaded, 91K, #T5281A
2005 Ford F-250 Lariat, 133,000 miles, #T9945A
2006 Ford F-250, S/C, 63,500K, #T9464A
2006 Ford 250, R/C, Long box, 100,000 miles, #T4374A
2007 Ford Focus, Happy Yellow, 86K, #54444A
2008 GMC Acadia, SLT pkg., Dual DVD, #T0869B
2008 F350, S/C, XL, 4x4, AT, 6.4L, Flatbed, 80K, #T7537A
2008 F250 Crew XLT, 4x4, AT, 6.4, 70K, #T3329A
2009 Ford F-150 Lariat, 36,400, #T7873A
2010 Focus SE, AT, 4 door, 20K, #27020
2010 Ford F-150 4x4, Blue, Crew Cab, 34K, #T1028A
2010 Ford F-150 XLR, Crew Cab, Blue/silver, 5K, #T0244A
2010 Ford F-150 King Ranch, White/Adobe, 22,500 miles, #T6497A
2010 Ford Ford F-150 XLT, 11,500 miles, #T4951A

View all of our inventory at

www.yostford.com

Cheyenne Theater advertisement for Lion King 3-D on Oct. 7, 8 & 9. Includes showtime 7:30 p.m. and 1 hr. 27 min.

Insurance advertisement: I make insurance simple. Call today to see how I make it simple to protect your family, home, car and business.

Cheyenne County Hospital Health Fair 2011 advertisement. Oct. 10 - 14, 2011. Blood Lab Draws: Oct. 10, 11 & 12 from 7 to 10 a.m. in St. Francis at the Cheyenne County Health Department.

Attention Cheylin Grade School students, if you loved VBS, then come to the Wesleyan Church on Friday mornings from 9 - 11 a.m.; for singing, games, snacks, and God's Word.

The Bird City Times (USPS 056-720) Serving the communities of Bird City and McDonald. Postmaster: Send address correction to P.O. Box 220 Bird City, Kansas 67731-0220

Bird City Times Renew your Times subscription or subscribe today! RATES: Kansas - \$33 Area - \$36 Out-of-State - \$40 College: Kansas - \$30 Out-of-State - \$33

American Profile Celebrating Hometown Life See American Profile magazine in this week's issue of Bird City Times (available in local area only) "Your sponsorship could be right here." For more information contact: Tim Burr at 785-332-3162