

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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Kansas City has a wonderful tradition of baseball.

From the old Negro League Monarch teams with Satchel Paige, to a brief stay of the Athletics and a young Reggie Jackson, to the championship Royals led by George Brett, there is a rich history. The "Great American Past-time" is as much a part of the city as delicious barbecue and hot, sticky nights.

This week, the mid-west location hosted the Major League Baseball All Star Game at Kaufman Stadium. It is actually the second go around as the mid-summer classic was held at that park in 1973.

We spent last weekend in KC visiting Travis, Brooke, Trey, Nicole and Trevor. Monday Mom and I joined Lexi for college orientation at Washburn in Topeka. Although we were



back in Cheyenne County before the All Star Game was played, it was fun to see the city decked out with "It's Our Time" banners and downtown fountains spraying blue water. Many fans could be seen coming and going from Fan Fest as baseball fever was sensed in the air.

The excitement of having the best ballplayers of today displaying their talents in a location that knows the game so well seemed as natural as a rack of ribs at Arthur Bryants on a balmy Kansas City evening.

Historical meeting

The Bird City Historical Association will meet on Friday, July 13, at 2 p.m. in the new office at the Robertson-Griffin-Bacon Memorial Building. Please use the southeast door. All members should bring a notebook and pen. Reminder - Articles for the Keepsake Journal.

Entrepreneurship camp

Cheylin Entrepreneurship Camp will be held in July at the Robertson-Griffin-Bacon Memorial Building, Bird City from 9 a.m. to noon. On July 16 and 17, camp for upcoming fifth through eighth graders will be held. Upcoming second through fourth graders will have camp July 18 and 19. For more information, contact Century II. Organized by Jessica Turner.

Open class wheat show

Samples of Cheyenne County wheat that are being entered in the open class wheat show at the fair are due by Thursday, July 19, to the Extension office. The

wheat sample should be put into a gallon zip-lock bag along with an official entry card.

Horse show

The Cheyenne County 4-H and open horse show is set for Saturday, July 15, at the fairgrounds in St. Francis. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and show time is 10 a.m. Age divisions are 7 to 9 years old; 10 to 13 years; 14 to 18 years; and open. Prizes awarded from first through sixth place. Current horse health and identification papers are required. For more information, contact Amy Hathaway, 785-332-6135.

Hobo Snack Shack will serve lunch and refreshments.

Summer reading

Summer reading featuring "Dream Big" at the Bird City Library on Monday from 10-11 a.m. July 16, 23, 30.

Home Circle Club

Phyllis Wright will be the hostess for a day of fun, food and games. The potluck picnic

will be held noon on July 19 at the shelter house in the park.

Phyllis will notify each member what food item she should bring.

Volunteers needed for fair

Volunteers are needed to run rides and booths during the Cheyenne County Fair, Aug. 1-4. These jobs are only for two-hour shifts (more if the volunteer requests). Not only do local residents volunteer to run these events but people coming to visit at that time often sign up. People can call Connie Wilger 785-332-2835, to volunteer or get more information.

Volunteers are also needed to help get the carnival ride and grounds ready for the fair. Workers meet each Thursday evening - just show up. For more information, call Greg 332-3486.

Blood drive

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, July 25, at the Immanuel United Methodist Church, 111 W. Bressler, Bird City. Go online to redcrossblood.org or call 800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment.

Public meeting

A public meeting will be held by the Cheyenne County Development Corporation at 9 a.m. on Monday, July 16, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse in St. Francis. The meeting will determine if a Neighborhood Revitalization Plan should be adopted.

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.

Note: As of May 25, show time is 8 p.m.

Wesleyan service

The Wesleyan Community Church of Bird City is having Sunday evening services, starting at 7 p.m. We will have Contemporary Praise and Worship, followed by interactive preaching and Bible Study.

Water Aerobics

Water aerobics are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5:15 to 6 p.m.

Mommy and me

Mommy and Me classes will be held on Friday's from 5:30-6 p.m.

Night golf

Night golf at the Bird City Golf Course every first and third Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Grief Support Group

The Grief Support Group will continue to meet every second and fourth Mondays at 2 p.m. Meeting place is the Immanuel United Methodist Church, 116 E. Fourth, Bird City. For more information, call 785-734-2739.

The group is a confidential support to all who have experienced the loss of a loved one in a safe place of mutual help and comfort.

Emergency number

The new phone number for Cheyenne County Communications Center (Dispatch) for non-emergency calls: 785-332-8822, Dial 9-1-1 for an emergency.

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

Correction

Tommy and Mayna Dishman have only been coming to Bird City for harvest 59 years.

Helpful Hints

Easier thank you's

When you throw a bridal/baby shower, buy a pack of thank you cards for the guest of honor. During the party, pass out the envelopes and have everyone put their address on one. When the bride/new mother sends the thank you's, they're all addressed!

Mine

If you purchase a new bike for your child, place their picture inside the handle bar before placing the grips on. If the bike is stolen and later recovered, remove the grip and there is your proof who owns the bike.

Hospital Administrator to resign

By Nathan Fiala

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Members of the Cheyenne County Hospital Board met on Thursday, June 28.

Hospital administrator Les Lacy tendered his resignation of the position, effective the first of October. He will continue to be active in the hospital and community as he is taking over Jackie John's role as Vice President for Regional Operations for Great Plains Health Alliance.

Money had to be borrowed from the funded depreciation account to make June payroll.

Mr. Lacy has been invited to visit with the American Hospital Association Regional Policy

Board in October.

The Federal Innovation grant was not approved, however the PCC Grant application was approved.

Mr. Lacy has also talked about applying for a Capitol Improvement Grant program. This grant would require a large construction cost and Erika Zimelman, board member, asked about the timeline required in this project and Mr. Lacy said the application was due in August and if accepted, architectural drawings would have to be done at the end of June in 2013. Mike Bandel, board member, asked if the grant would be available next year. The board decided not to apply for the grant but to look

at it again as time goes on.

Mr. Lacy also reported that he would be attending the county commissioner's meeting the next day to request 12 mills for funding.

New hires are Justin Lohr as a phlebotomist and Allen Bence as summer kitchen help.

A replacement for Dr. Saba, orthopedic surgeon, is being sought out.

Visitors Scott and Sara Houtman were addressed by the board at the beginning of the meeting. They were there to ask about the purchase of their house again, and Mr. Lacy said he still cannot make a recommendation on the matter.

In other business, Christa Brown gave the Nutrition Services department report at the beginning of the meeting. The hospital will use the school kitchen while the hospital kitchen is closed to have stainless steel shelving installed. The shelving has been ordered.

Mrs. Brown also said that the kitchen staff's biggest obstacle is lack of space in the kitchen and dining space and that while a remodel of the area is helpful, it is not addressing the problem of additional space needed. Hospital Board President Jerry Toler sympathized with Mrs. Brown about the lack of progress on the project.

Jackie John, Great Plains

Health Association member, said that Midwest Health had their annual meeting. She said the KRONOS electronic timekeeping system had been upgraded. Mrs. John also talked about a new electronic document management system that would convert paper medical records to electronic records, making them legal medical records that could be transferred to another doctor using the Health Information Exchange.

Mrs. John also said the Data Center help desk is now available 24 hours a day for help.

For the Hospital Committee report on quality and safety, Shawna Blanka said that she and Judy Rockwood, Director of Nursing, attended the American Hospital Association's Hospital Engagement Network Improvement Leader Fellowship program in Denver. This was the first of three meetings that would help to measure quality of care and safety in the hospital.

The board will meet next on Thursday, July 26, at 3 p.m. in the basement of the clinic.

Special thanks to Shawna Blanka, hospital board recorder, for the use of her unofficial meeting notes to write this article.

McDonald News

Joan Tongish welcomed 24 guests to the July 2 meeting at the McDonald Senior Center.

Nurse Rose Whitehurst was present to check blood pressure.

Birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged.

Phyllis Wingfield placed a napkin with our flag on it at each place setting.

Emma Threlkel recited a humorous poem, followed by the meal blessing.

After enjoying the carry in

meal, Bingo was played with Tom Carrow as number caller. Elma Lee Erickson was the prize winner.

A short business meeting was held. Reports were accepted as given, and Joan thanked everyone who had helped.

August 4 committees - Poem and Prayer - Marlene Johnson, Bingo - Phyllis Wingfield, Prizes - Lavina Waters, Kitchen - Em Threlkel, Annie Antholz, and Jan Antholz.

SHOWTIME: 8 p.m.

1 hr. 35 min.

Brave

Determined to make her own path in life, Princess Merida defies a custom that brings chaos to her kingdom.

July 13, 14 & 15

PG Adventure and animation

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

Children 12 & Under: \$4 All Others: \$6

3D Movies: Children 12 & Under \$5 All Others: \$7

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The Governing Body of Cheylin Recreation Commission

will meet on July 25, 2012 at 6:50 PM at Cheylin High School Library for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of funds. Detail budget information is available at 312 W. 2nd, Bird City, Ks. 67731 and will be available at this meeting.

BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The Proposed Budget Expenditures (below) are the maximum expenditure limits for the budget year.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2010/2011	Current Year Estimated 2011/2012	Proposed Budget Year 2012/2013
General	15,724	34,798	26,300
Totals	15,724	34,798	26,300

Lease Purchases:	2009	2010	2011
July 1,	0	0	0

Cheylin Recreation Budget Recreation Commission Secretary



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for an appointment

Cheyenne County Clinic Physical Hours:
Monday thru Thursday - 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Friday - 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Bird City Clinic Physical Hours:
Monday thru Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Students 7th grade thru 12th grades must have passed a school physical examination given by a physician to participate in school sports for the 2012-2013 school year. The physicals are free of charge the week of July 23-27, 2012.

For more information contact the Cheyenne County Clinic at 785-332-2682.

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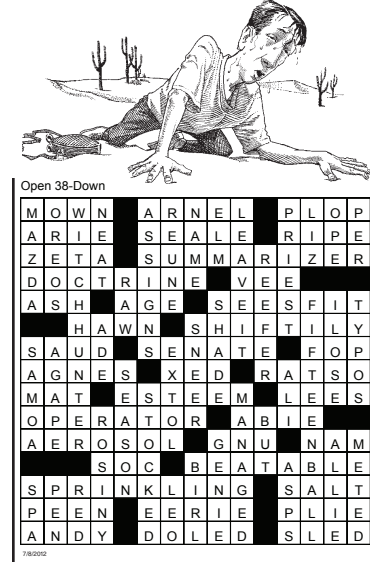
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