



Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick
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"I'm as corny as Kansas in August."
No, I'm not trying out for a roll in South Pacific. It's just that I am sitting fat and happy after enjoying a couple ears of fresh, locally grown, Kansas sweet corn on the cob.
A farmer friend dropped a few ears off that he just picked. What a wonderful place this is. All around there is either a wholesome product growing from God's green earth or something on its way toward being planted.
And if it is not of the seed

variety then it is walking the land, being cared for people who know how important their animals are for feeding so many.
Yes, I am a little corny when it comes to blowing the horn for the farmers and ranchers of Kansas. I shudder to think where we would be without the safe and reliable supply of food that they create. Where else would it come from? How much more would we have to pay? Not a pretty thought.
So as I slather another golden and white cob with real butter I will say "thank you" to our farmer friend and all others like him.

Denver Brass will hold a workshop

A quintet from The Denver Brass will present "Unlocking the Door to Performance Excellence" in St. Francis at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 9. The workshop will be held at the St. Francis high school auditorium, 100 S. College.
Although the workshop is geared to kindergarten through grade-12 students, adults are welcome and encouraged to attend. Adult attendees will not be playing instruments.
At 4 p.m. the Denver Brass quintet will perform a concert entitled "Denver Brass 5: Fanfares & Flourishes." Tickets are available at the door and also at Bankwest, First National Bank, Western State Bank, Milliken Law, Kite and Day, Frewen Insurance, Dr. Tim Poling and from St. Francis Music Club members.

The high school auditorium holds 330 people. Jim Milliken, who arranged for the event, estimates that there will be at least 90 students attending from St. Francis, Cheylin and neighboring towns.
That will leave 240 seats for those coming to enjoy the concert, Mr. Milliken said.
Mr. Milliken, local attorney, is a strong promoter of music and has taken many St. Francis and Bird City students and adults to play in the annual Christmas Brassfest hosted by the Denver Brass in downtown Denver. Jim and his wife, Ruth, and their committee hope everyone will support the arts in Cheyenne County and concert on Sept. 9.
For more information, call 785-332-3421.

Bird City News

The family of Hulda Dorsch spent the weekend of July 21st at the farm home to help celebrate their mother's birthday. Those who came were Jim and Lorri Dorsch of Louisburg, Cassie Allen of Kansas City, Tom and Marcy Dorsch who are on furlough from Niamey, Niger in Africa and their daughters Lindsay who will be the French teacher at Emporia high school this fall and Erika who is a senior at Hesston College; Bob and Clare Dorsch and sons, Joe, Sam, and Lucas of Mesa, Ariz.
Other visitors and dinner

guests were Hal, Becky and C.J. Antholz Saturday evening. Norm and Mary Dorsch stopped by Sunday for a brief visit. Bob and family remained for a longer visit and left for home on Thursday.

Honor Roll

New and renewed Times subscriptions: Malinda Wilson, Manhattan; Jean Cook, Stark; Marylin Taylor, Lubbock, Texas; EJ Perkins, Park City.

Bulletin Board

Cemetery notice
All items not permanently attached to stones at the Bird City Cemetery need to be removed by Sept. 1 or they will be disposed of.
StoryTime Hour
StoryTime Hour will be on the second and fourth Friday of each month. The time will be 10 through 11 a.m. Children ages 2 through 5 are welcome to come, as well as family and friends. The times StoryTime Hour will follow the school schedule and as weather permits.
School schedule
Aug. 15-17: All day attendance for students,
Aug. 15-16: Half day attendance for kindergarten
Aug. 17: No attendance for kindergarten.
Home Circle club
Carol Marsh will be the hostess for the August meeting of the Home Circle Club to be held at the Manor on Thursday, Aug. 16, at 2 p.m.
Craft fair
It's that time of the year, to get your crafts ready for the Holiday Craft Fair on Oct. 27. Tables are still available. Call Barb Gerdes 734-2421.
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. There will be Contemporary Praise and Worship, followed by interactive preaching and Bible study.
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

Application closing date approaches

The application closing date for certain crops under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program is Sept. 1. Crops eligible for the benefits are limited to those not insurable in the county and are produced for food or fiber.
Dennis R Mote, county executive director for the Cheyenne County Farm Service Agency, said Sept. 1 is the final date to pay the applicable service fee and obtain the program coverage for triticale, barley, rye and wheat for hay or grazing and triticale and rye for grain as well. Crops eligible for these benefits are limited to those not insurable "downtown" in the county, such as forage crops for livestock (mechanically harvested or grazed). Continuous Crop Wheat planted with the intention of harvesting as grain is not eligible for this assistance.
The administrative service fee is \$250 per crop per administrative county not to exceed \$750 per producer per administrative county and a \$1875 maximum fee for multi-county producers. Interested

producers must pay the fee and file form CCC-471, Application for Coverage, by the application closing deadline.
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.
In the event that a producer does suffer a loss on their particular crop, a form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, must be filed with Farm Service Agency within 15 calendar days after the disaster occurrence, or the date the loss becomes apparent to the producer.
Interested producers should contact the Farm Service office at 785-332-2183 prior to the Sept. 1 to obtain Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program coverage on the above crops.

Great Tips

• Opening brand new jars can be a feat in itself. Well, I have found a way to make it the easiest thing to do. Instead of banging a jar of jam, pickles, etc., with a knife until it loosens up, I simply reach into the drawer and pull out the handy nutcracker. It adjusts to the size of the jar and I simply give it a good twist and off pops the lid!
• Blood stains on clothes? Not to worry! Just pour a little peroxide on a cloth and proceed to wipe off every drop of blood. It works ever time!
• Use vertical strokes when washing windows outside and horizontal for inside windows. This way you can tell which side has the streaks. Straight vinegar will get outside windows really clean. Don't wash windows on a sunny day. They will dry too quickly and will probably streak.

School Menu

Aug. 20 - Aug. 23
Monday
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs with cheese, toast, pears, and milk.
Lunch: Baked ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuits with jelly, combination salad, fresh kiwi, peaches, and milk.
Tuesday
Breakfast: Oatmeal or cereal, boiled egg, peaches, and milk.
Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, fresh broccoli, wheat roll and jelly, pistachio salad, strawberries and bananas, applesauce, and milk.
Wednesday
Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage links, fruit juice and milk.
Lunch: Hamburger on bun, sweet potato fries, cantaloupe, Rice Krispy bar, romaine/tomato salad, fruit cocktail, mandarin oranges, and milk.
Thursday
Breakfast: Polish sausage supreme, toast, juice and milk.
Lunch: Taco salad, whole grain corn chips, refried beans, cottage cheese, watermelon, black bean and corn salsa, pineapple chunks, apricots, and milk.

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2005 Ford F-250 XLT, Super Cab, #T1920A \$16,500
2006 Ford Freestyle, Leather, 7-pass, #45384B \$9,995
2006 Ford Crown Vic Interceptor pkg., #T4374M \$5,900
2006 Ford F-150, 4x4 pkg., #T4374B \$15,900
2006 Ford, S/C, 4x4, long box, Biege Cloth, #T3241 \$14,500
2007 Chevy K-2500 HD, gas, Crew, L. box \$24,995
2007 Ford F-150 King Ranch, Crew Cab, 69K, #T6497B \$27,000
2007 GMC Yukon XL, loaded, #T5284A \$25,995
2007 Honda Pilot, Fully loaded, #T9712A \$20,250
2008 Dodge 2500 Diesel, great shape \$31,995
2008 Mercury Mariner, AWD, Leather, #27020A \$13,500
2009 Lincoln MKZ, Super low miles, #85233A \$25,250
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2009 Nissan Altima, loaded, #22328A \$16,800
2009 Ford F-150 XL Work Truck pkg. #T7767A \$17,900
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The Dark Knight Rises
Aug. 17, 18 & 19 *Adaptation/Action/Adventure/Crime*
Christian Bale, Michael Caine, Gary Oldman *I/Sequel*
PG-13
CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747
Children 12 & Under: \$4 All Others: \$6
3D Movies: Children 12 & Under \$5 All Others: \$7

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS 785-332-2104
The Cheyenne County Hospital, Clinic & Health Department would like to say Thank you to: Chris and Holly Hingst for the donation of the NordicTrack Treadmill. Your generosity has been greatly appreciated.
Community Members: come take a walk or run on the newly donated treadmill!!!

Bird City Times ~ and ~ The Saint Francis Herald will be closed Mon., Sept. 3 in observance of Labor Day
DEADLINE for ads, news and pictures is Tuesday, Sept. 4 at 5 p.m.
The paper will be delivered a day late.

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