Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

mccormickcasey@rocketmail.com We hear so much about what is wrong with our younger generations. You know, the ones that will be running the show and taking care of us down the road.

I have good news. There are some pretty special individuals in

Sunday we had the pleasure of listening to David Guthmiller talk about his experiences doing mission work outside the United States. When I say outside, I mean outside. David has made two trips to Guatemala to help needy families who scrape out a living working the coffee fields, so we can enjoy a hot cup each morning.

Another summer he led a team

of four young ladies as they ventured into the steel and concrete jungle of modern Thailand. Their purpose was to lead women away from a life of prostitution in the raucous nightclubs of the city.

From there David joined a group, which included his younger brother Adam, that traveled into the third world reality of Tanza-

Listening to this soft spoken, college football player turned missionary, made me wonder if I could do what he has. His faith and trust in God was very inspir-

Also, I was left with the comforting thought that there are people around like David who will have a great impact on many lives.



NEWLY ELECTED County Attorney, Karan Thodani was the last elected official to be sworn in on Monday. Because of a variety of circumstances, many of the officials were sworn in at different times. They all needed to be officially sworn in before the Jan. 14 deadline.

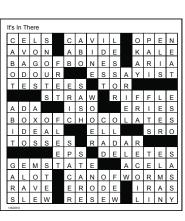
Times staff photo by Karen Krien

Knights of Columbus sponsor baby shower

The Cheyenne County Knights of Columbus is sponsoring their annual pro-life baby shower during the month of January. During the month, they will be collecting items, new or used, that are needed to raise an infant. All the items collected will be donated to the Mary Elizabeth Home for unwed mothers in Hays.

They do an excellent job in helping unwed mothers, said Mike Antholz, Knights coordinator, by teaching them how to take care of an infant from before birth through one to two years of age. Most of these mothers are young teenage mothers that have no where else to go and everything they do is done through donations.

Some of the items that are



also use office supplies. may leave them at the Catholic Church in St. Francis or contact started Private, it has become the len pharmaceuticals for them. And

If you don't have any items to donate, you may also make a cash donation, Mr. Antholz said. If you purchase any items to donate we ask that you leave the price tag on the item for our report that we need to send to the state at the end of the month.

needed are diapers, bottles, clothing for infants, infant bathing supplies, blankets and any other items need to raise an infant. They can

Those having items to donate Mike Antholz 785-332-3482 in St.

zuka as hostess.

Let's try again! Weather permitting, the Home Circle Club will have their Christmas potluck/gift exchange on Thursday, Jan. 17. It will be held at noon with Avis Ha-**School board meeting**

Senior birthday party

The Bird City senior birthday

party will be held at 3 p.m. on

Commodities

on Monday, Jan. 14, from 5-5:30

p.m. at the Church of Christ, 502

Home Circle Club

Commodities can be picked up

Monday, Jan. 14, at the center.

West Spencer, St. Francis.

The first 2013 Cheylin School board meeting will be held at 1 p.m. instead of 7 p.m. on Monday,

Junior hoops

Sign up for Cheylin Recreation Commission Junior Hoops 2013,. Dates are Jan. 19 and 20. Ages include 5 through the fifth grade. Call Tina at 734-7141 and leave

Wild game feed

A wild game feed will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11, at Riverside Recreation, St. Francis. The feed, sponsored by a group of guys, is a family night and everyone is

Equity annual meeting

ticle for more information.

The St. Francis Equity annual meeting is set for 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 16, in the St. Francis high school cafeteria. Reports will be presented along with a review of the financial statements. There will be one director elected to serve on No visitors at hospital

Due to high volumes of sickness, the hospital is not accepting any visitors in hopes this will help control the spread of the flu.

Commissioners

The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 15, in the commissioners' room in the courthouse.

Information needed

To better serve the cattlemen of Cheyenne County, the sheriff's office is requesting landowners and stockmen provide locations, brands, descriptions and a contact phone number pertaining to livestock in pastures, grazed stock residue and CRP within the county. The officers will compile the contact numbers and locations, giving a copy to the county communications dispatch office to be used when stray livestock are found on the roads. The welcome to attend. See ad or ar- contact numbers are for officers'

School Menu

Jan. 14-Jan. 18

Cheylin will be highlighting favorite lunch for grades kindergarten through 12th grade each week on Wednesday. Many of the elementary classes will be sending home a notice when their class lunch is being served so that family and friends can enjoy a lunch with their favorite student.

Monday

Breakfast: Scrumptious coffeecake, sunrise smoothie, cereal, iuice and milk.

Lunch: Taco burger on bun, refried beans, black bean and corn salsa, romaine and tomato salad, mandarin oranges, applesauce and

Tuesday

Breakfast: Western omelet quesadilla with salsa, tri-tater, pears,

toast and milk.

Lunch: Chicken patty, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, wheat roll, garden spinach salad, peaches, fruit cocktail and milk.

Wednesday Sophomore lunch

Breakfast: Baked French toast with syrup, sausage links, cereal, fruit juice and milk.

Lunch: Spaghetti and meatballs in sauce, tri-taters, potato salad, dirt pudding, garlic toast, romaine and tomato salad, fresh strawberries, citrus applesauce and milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Breakfast bites, pineapple chunks, cereal and milk.

Lunch: Italian pasta bake, corn, gelatin with fruit juice, garden spinach salad, pineapple chunks, pears and milk.

Book Review

By James Patterson

Director Jack Morgan is accused nurdered in Jack's bed, he is inof a horrible murder – and not even stantly the number one suspect. his own world-class investigators While Jack is under police investican prove he didn't do it.

world's most effective investigation firms - sought out by the hotel chain persuades him to quifamous and the powerful to discreetly handle their most intimate problems. Private's investigators are the smartest, the fastest and the most technologically advanced in the world - and they always uncover the truth.

When his former lover is found

gations, the Mob strong-arms him Since former Marine Morgan into recovering \$30 million in stothe beautiful manager of a luxury etly investigate a string of murders at her properties.

While Jack is fighting for his life, one of his most trusted colleagues threatens to leave Private. and Jack realizes he is confronting the cleverest and most powerful enemies yet.

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office at 785-332-8880. Yearbook photos

Cheylin welcomes the public to share any photos taken at school or community events that might be usable in the yearbook this school year....a limited staff will make covering all events difficult. Sports, clubs and organizations, assemblies, banquets, class activities including pre-kindergarten through 12th grade.

Grief Support Group

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

use only and will not be provided to place of mutual help and comfort. the general public. Call the sheriff's **Emergency number**

The new phone number for

Cheyenne County Communica-The Cougar yearbook staff at tions Center (Dispatch) for nonemergency 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 Shel-

The Grief Support Group will ter 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.

Organization sponsors free-throw contest

Every year the Knights of Co-lumbus, will be held at 2 p.m. on lumbus councils across the United States sponsor free-throw contests cis high school gym. The doors for boys and girls ages 10 through 14 as one way of supporting youth today. The winner of these local contests go on to participate in district, regional, state and international competitions.

Last year three of the Kansas state winners went on to become international winners. This year

Sunday, Jan. 20, in the St. Franwill open at 1 p.m. In case of bad weather it will be moved to Jan. The winners in each age group

will receive a certificate and trophy. Lets try and make this the best contest so far, said Mike Antholz, one of the Knights coordinators, and have all the 10-14 year the local contest, sponsored by the old boys and girls in Cheylin and Cheyenne County Knights of Co-St. Francis there to participate.

Appreciation Reception for Jeanne Dunn

for her 26 years of dedicated service to soil conservation

Friday, Jan. 11

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. At the Soil Conservation District Office on West Highway 36

Refreshments will be served

Retirement Reception

for Mary Morrow Cheyenne County Register of Deeds 1997-2012

> Jan. 11, 2012 2 - 4 p.m.

at the Courthouse, St. Francis

Commissioner's Room

CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL

Diabetes Education Management Meeting Wednesday, Jan. 16 1:30 p.m.

Cheyenne County Clinic Basement

Topic: Diabetes & Exercise Physiology – Carmen Winter from Hays Medical Center

For more information contact Mila Bandel, RN – County Health Nurse 785-332-2381

Due to high volumes of sickness, we are not accepting any visitors at the hospital. We hope this will help with the spread of the flu. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!