

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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It's amazing how the right actor enters from the wings just at the perfect moment on history's stage. British Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher was one of them. Margaret Thatcher, the first woman to become prime minister of Great Britain, has died at the age of 87. More important than that, she was the kindred spirit of Ronald Reagan who also took a tough stand on communism and, together, helped bring an end to the Cold War.

where they gathered. Undeterred, party members who lost their clothes in the explosion were given new from a local store and the conference continued on schedule. She also led her country during the Falkland War of 1982 when Argentina took possession of Britain's islands in the Southern Atlantic. There was no question in her mind that those locales far away should remain a part of the English Empire.

When strong labor opposition supported a year long coal miner's strike in 1978, Thatcher again was unwavering when she stated, "We should back the workers and not the shirkers." The strike soon ended.

Having grown up during the Cold War years of the 1960s to 1990s I am grateful that we had the leadership of Margaret Thatcher and her friend, Ronald Reagan.

Thus the curtain lowers for one of Britain's finest.

Commissioners' meeting

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

Teacher retires

Vickie Dorsch, former math teacher at McDonald Rural High School 1969-1975 and Cheylin 1975-1977, is retiring in May. The family is throwing her a card shower and encourage any former staff and students to send her a card. Cards need to reach the family at the following address by mid May. Vickie Dorsch, in care of Kerry Hammeke, 1211 SW. Woodward Ave, Topeka, KS 66604.

Home Circle Club

President Carol Peters will be hostess for the April 18 meeting of the Home Circle Club. It will be held at the Manor at 2 p.m.

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 contact numbers are for officers' use only and will not be provided to the general public. Call the sheriff's office at 785-332-8880.

Yearbook photos

The Cougar yearbook staff at

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

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.

School Menu

April 15 - April 18 Monday

Breakfast: Egg taco with salsa, yogurt, mandarin oranges, cereal, and milk.

Lunch: Cowboy cavatini, green beans, dinner roll, cottage cheese, garden spinach salad, tropical fruit, grapes, and milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast: Quick blueberry bubble bread, sausage links, rosy applesauce, cereal, and milk.

Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, seasoned peas, breadsticks, romaine and tomato salad, pears, mandarin oranges, and milk.

Wednesday

Eighth grade lunch

Breakfast: Apple crisptos, yogurt, orange wedge, cereal, and milk.

Lunch: Chicken wrap, tritaters, kiwi, brownie, macaroni salad, taco bar, garden spinach salad, pears, red applesauce, and milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs with cheese, fruit juice, toast, and milk.

Lunch: Baked potato bar, steamed broccoli, nacho cheese, jello made with fruit juice, mixed lettuce salad, peaches, fruit cocktail, and milk.

\*Menu subject to changes\*

Obituary

Richard Paul Brubaker

March 14, 1921 - April 3, 2013

Richard Paul Brubaker was born March 14, 1921, in McCook, Neb., to Floy (Boren) and Fred P. Brubaker. He grew up in Bird City with his brother, Robert and sister, Winnifred.

Richard attended elementary school and graduated from Bird City Rural High School in 1939. Academics and sports were important and he excelled in both. He was a member of Boy Scouts. He enjoyed his childhood in Bird City. As a boy, Richard developed a love of nature, hunting and fishing and they remained with him throughout his life.

He attended Fort Hays State College before going to Los Angeles where he worked in an airplane factory and studied at an aeronautical trade school. During World War II, Richard served in the U.S Army Air Corps in the South Pacific. He worked the Flight Line of the 380th Bomb Group and the 49th Air Depot Group. He received the American Service Medal, Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, World War II Victory Medal and Good Conduct Medal. After the War, he returned to Bird City where he worked in agriculture and farming with his father.

He married Darlene Amsberry in 1950. Rich and Darlene resided in the home he designed and constructed for his family in 1953 where three daughters, Paula, Darla and Kayla were raised and the couple continued living until his death.

Richard was an active member of Immanuel United Methodist Church where he served on the Administrative Council and taught Sunday school.

He was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Veterans of Foreign War, American Legion and National Rifle Association. He served as a Cheyenne County election judge for many years. He was elected and served on the Cheyenne County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) Board. He helped Bird City with many special events.

Richard is preceded in death by his parents and by grandparents, Charles and Arminta Boren and Henry and Elizabeth Brubaker.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene; daughter, Paula and son-in-law, Gary Groff of Bellevue, Neb.; daughter, Darla and son-in-law, John Deeds of Bird City; daughter, Kayla, and son-in-law, Chris Ochsner of Colorado Springs; grandchildren, Tara (Steve) Kaldahl of Papillion, Neb. Erika (Greg) Likens of Leawood, Kan., Adam Deeds and fiance,

Alisa Rath and her son, Jacob Rath; Drew Ochsner of Colorado Springs; great-grandchildren, Audrey, Elise, Owen, Amelia, Oliver and Oscar. He is also survived by his brother, Robert of Bird City; sister, Winnifred Wamhoff of Loveland, Colo.; seven nieces, four nephews and their families.

Richard valued honesty and integrity. He was extremely loyal and generous throughout his life. He treasured and was devoted to all his family and extended family.

A Service of Death and Resurrection was held on Monday, April 8 at Immanuel United Methodist Church, Bird City with Pastor Tom Bailey, officiant.

Casket bearers were Adam Deeds, Drew Ochsner, Fred Brubaker, Gary Brubaker, Stan Wamhoff, Arlan Wamhoff.

Honorary pallbearers were Greg Likens and Steve Kaldahl

Interment was in the Bird City Cemetery. Military graveside service was performed by Fort Riley Honor Guard.

Arrangements by Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis.

Range management youth camp offered

The Kansas Section of the Society for Range Management will be hosting Range Youth Camp June 25 through 28. This year's camp will be held at Camp Mennoscah in Kingman County. The camp provides an opportunity for high school aged students to learn about the rangeland ecosystems, wildlife, plants, and range management practices. The camp is open to interested high school students beginning their sophomore, junior, or senior year in the fall of 2013.

Campers will learn how to be good stewards of Kansas rangelands. They will start by learning about the soils, native grasses, and wildflowers. Then they will learn about the importance of

grasslands to livestock, wildlife, and people. Their experience will be put to use by solving a real life range problem.

Those in attendance will sharpen their plant identification skills. They will also be able to participate in the camp's leadership course, a range tour, and a steak dinner. This is a good opportunity to learn about Kansas rangelands, to learn the skills of a range manager, and to make contacts with others from across the state.

For more information, visit the website at [ks.rangelands.org/rc/youthcamp.htm](http://ks.rangelands.org/rc/youthcamp.htm) or contact Dusty Tacha at 620-669-8161 or <mailto:dusty.tacha@ks.usda.gov>.

The registration deadline for this camp is April 26.



Smith

Student receives scholarship

The Vietnam Veterans of American Hays Chapter 939 has selected Jessica Smith, a 2013 Cheylin High School senior, to receive a \$500 scholarship. She plans to attend Barton Community College in the fall.

Jessica is the daughter of Ned and Deb Smith, Bird City.

Cheylin Recreation Commission is looking for the following Coaches for 2013 Summer Programs:

Baseball Commissioner

Coch Pitch Baseball Coach (2nd-3rd grade Co-ed)  
T-Ball Coach (Kindergarten-1st Grade Co-ed)

Call Tina Sager, Activities Director at 785-734-7141 for an application or information. Will take applications till April 5, 2013 or till positions are filled.

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Diabetes Education Management Meeting

Wednesday, April 17

1:30 p.m.

Cheyenne County Clinic Basement

Presenter - Kirsten Angell, Dietician & Diabetes Educator - Preventing & Treating

Hypoglycemia

For more information contact

Mila Bandel, RN - County

Health Nurse

785-332-2381

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