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Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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One of mine was riding my bike to Foothills Country Club on the west side of Denver to caddy.

Working at a young age had an added excitement for me. You weren't quite a grownup yet, still being in school and living at home. However having a job meant being trusted with responsibilities.

Also, walking around with some folks didn't give you, that could be spent any possible way, was a pretty heady new experience.

home are at this point in life. Lexi they are doing some good things. starting working at Pizza Hut

several months ago. Joey is in Denver working a trash truck with his older brother, Tim, for part of the summer.

Thursday, June 24, 2010

It has been good for both of them. They are both enjoying some of the benefits I just stated. But it is an even better feeling for the parents.

Raising kids, you hope to get them turned into the right directions that will make them good members of our society. Being industrious and willing to money in your pocket that your work are qualities that will never go out of style.

This is not to say that life is made for these two. However, as Our two kids that are still at they begin to edge out of the nest,

Woman celebrates **100th birthday**

The family of Amelia Banister will be celebrating her 100th birthday with a come-and-go reception from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 4, at the McDonald Federated Church in McDonald.

The family welcomes you to join them in celebrating the occasion.





Banister

Student attends leadership program

from the American Legion Boys State of Kansas held from June

6 to 12 on the campus of State Kansas University in Manhattan. Craig, who will be a senior at Cheylin High School in the fall, was one of nearly 500 boys who attended

the week-long government and Troy Findley. leadership program. During the raio was a member Representative. The Boys State program consists of an interactive simulation that teaches high school seniors-tobe the value of democracy and civic duty. Participants form mock governments and campaign for Nominations for next year's positions at the city, county, and session can be submitted online state level. After the elections, via the Kansas Boys State website students find out first-hand the at www.kbstate.org. difficult decisions made daily by

Busse

Craig Busse recently returned those in government through a series of challenging simulations. Throughout the week, the

delegates also hear from many influential speakers. Acting Chief Justice of the Kansas Supreme Court, Lawton Nuss, opened this year's session as the keynote speaker. Other speakers included Kansas District 87 Representative Raj Goyle, Kansas Secretary of State Chris Biggs, Kansas Court of Appeals Judge G. Joseph Pierron Jr., Kansas Senate Majority Leader Derek Schmidt, and Lt. Governor

Delegates are sponsored by of the city of Sullivan, in Seitz over Kansas as well as various on Aug. 28, 1940. They lived on County and held the position of civic organizations. All delegates outstanding demonstrate leadership qualities in student government, athletics, or other activities and were nominated to attend by school counselors and influential people in their lives.

Bird City Seniors

The Bird City Seniors monthly birthday party will be held on Monday, June 28.

Cheylin Rec news

Cheylin Recreation Commission is offering a week of Art Camp from June 28 to July at the Senior Citizen Center. Check classified ad for ages and times along with additional information.

Community Sand Volleyball The annual Summer Community

Obituaries

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Annabelle Lee Nelsen

(Williams) Annabelle Lee Nelsen was born on Jan. 10, 1926, to Thomas and Bertha Williams

in Joplin, Mo., and raised near there. She died June 12, 2010, at and Robert; her husband, Harold the Good Samaritan Village in St. Francis, Kan., at the age of 84.

Annabelle met her husband, Harold while he was in the Army and stationed in Missouri. After a lengthy courtship, they eloped and were married on Jan. 22, 1946, in Gerard. They moved to a farm south of Bird City where they farmed and raised their fours sons. In 1975, they bought their present home in Bird City.

Annabelle was a homemaker and a very talented, creative person. She was known for good fried chicken and buckets of chocolate chip cookies. Annabelle's hands were seldom idle as she was always sewing, tatting or doing wheat weaving. She created her own patterns for many of her projects. She also was a talented writer and poet. She had several poems published and wrote a novel titled "Shadows of the Soil."

She loved children! Annabelle enjoyed teaching Sunday school for many years and also helped Funeral Home, St. Francis.

> **Vivian Gail Seymour** Feb. 4, 1920 - June 11, 2010

Vivian Gail Seymour was born the second of seven children to her parents, William

"Bill" and Mildred "Dots" (Sawyer) Scheel. She died on June 11, 2010, at the Atwood Good Samaritan Center, Atwood, Kan.

Vivian

School in 1938 and married American Legion Posts from all classmate Ralph Roland Sevmour the family farm southeast of Bird City and later in Bird City where they raised four children: Gary Gene, Marianne, James Craig and Douglas William. Vivian is survived by two sons, Gary (Karol) of Bird City, and Craig (Lynette) of Fort Collins, Colo., and daughter-in-law, Julie Seymour of Minneapolis. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren; her sister, Marilee Scheel of Salem, Ore.; brothers, Bill (Donna) Scheel, and Gene Scheel of Omaha, Neb., and 15 nieces and nephews.

Bulletin Board

Bird City Park.

Round Robin play will take place with the tournament the last Sunday (Aug. 8). Contact Amy Hendricks (734-2207) or Jane Young (734-2483) to register. See classified ad.

Offices closed on July 5 Ad pictures and story deadline for the July 8 issue of *The Saint Francis* Herald and Bird City Times will be at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 6. The Sand Volleyball will take place on offices will be closed on Monday,

Jan. 20, 1926 - June 12, 2010 with Bible School using many of

> her creative talents. She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers, Lewis, Rufus

> and her son, Darrel. She is survived by her sister, Mary (Ed) Bowers; sisters-inlaw, Zina Nelsen, Bonnie Nelsen and Alice Kirk; her sons, David (Deanna), Doyle (Linda) and Dwayne; grandchildren, Dana Barnett, Denise (Max) Keltz, Rhona Annon, Darci (Kale) Schields, Chad Gleason, Christina Nelsen, Erica Crane, Janessa Nelsen, Jessica Nelsen and Andrea Nelsen; 20 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

> Funeral services were held on June17 at the Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City with Pastor Becky Davison officiating.

> Casket bearers were Caleb Keltz, Joshua Keltz, Matthew Barnett, Austin Cobb, Andrew Soderlund and Jeff Soderlund.

> Burial was in the Bird City Cemetery.

Memorials may be given to the Annabelle Nelsen Memorial Fund. Arrangements were by Knodel

She was preceded in death by her Feb. 4, 1920, in Bird City, Kan., husband of 56 years, Ralph; son, Douglas; daughter, Marianne, sonin-law, Robert Bressler; brother, Chester and sisters, Arleen Klee and Marjorie Fishel.

> Vivian had an overriding devotion to her children and grandchildren and was a dedicated partner in the Seymour family farm. She was active in the Immanuel United Methodist Church of Bird City, the Bird City Garden Club, the Kansas Pride Program for Bird City and enjoyed entertaining family and friends.

> She will be missed by her family and friends.

five Sundays beginning on July 11. July 5, in observance of the Fourth has tentatively been set for 7 p.m. Sign up your team to play at the of July. The newspapers will be published and delivered one day late that week.

Community Blood Drive

The St. Francis Community Blood Drive will take place from noon to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 30, at the Peace Lutheran Church, 202 N. College. To schedule your appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-Red Cross.

Calling all singers

Community Chorus rehearsals will be held from 1 to 2:15 p.m. each Sunday until the fair at Peace Lutheran Church in St. Francis.

during the Talent Show at the fair on Friday, Aug. 6.

Call Neala at 332-8996 for more information.

Fair Board

Weight group to host open house celebration

Weight Watchers is hosting an open house celebration at the United Methodist Church, 512 S Scott, St Francis, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 24. Anyone who wishes to find out more about the program is welcome!

Weight Watchers MomentumTM program provides nutrition research with over 45 years of experience helping millions of members around the world to lose weight. With strategies to conquer hunger and the ability to tailor the plan to fit into one's own life, the program provides people with the skills to achieve their weight loss goals and live healthier.

Althea Lebow, St. Francis, leads the Weight Watchers meetings at the United Methodist Church in St Francis. She, like all of the leaders, lost weight following the program. Her weight loss allows her to truly understand the challenges and celebrations involved in making the commitment to lose weight.

"The Momentum Plan is designed to teach you the fundamentals of weight loss and habits to help you attain a healthy lifestyle," Althea said. "The program and the support you will find at Weight Watchers will help you stick to your weight loss efforts, all the way to goal, then to maintain a healthy weight throughout your lifetime."

Weight Watchers suggests starting with a basic goal of losing just 5 to 10 percent of a person's starting weight which can help:

· Lower blood pressure and

on July 1 at the fairgrounds.

Farmer's Market

The St. Francis Farmer's Market will open on Saturday at 9 a.m. Check classified ad for additional information.

Epicenter Conference

A Philadelphia Epicenter Conference 2010 Webcast is being held at Peace Lutheran Church on Friday night, June 25 and from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 26. Check ad in this issue of The Herald for additional information.

County Commissioners

The Cheyenne County The performance will take place Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, June 30. **Hospital Board**

The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, in the clinic basement

The next meeting of the fair board meeting room in St. Francis.

"When area residents come to Weight Watchers they will see that the program is not a diet, it's a lifestyle change that offers tools, group support, food and activity plans that are livable, sustainable and effective", explains Sara Hornecker, territory manager for Weight Watchers. "At the meetings, people come together with a common goal - to learn how to successfully lose weight. Meetings are an important

members reach their goals. Local meeting information

part of how Weight Watchers helps

meetings Weight Watchers last approximately 30 minutes. Members are urged to attend one meeting each week to learn about healthy eating, gain motivation and have their confidential weigh-in to track their progress. The public is also welcome to "Be Our Guest" at a participating Weight Watchers meeting with no obligation to join, just to see what it is all about.

Sheriff's Report

In the month of May, the Cheyenne County Sheriff's Office Deputies performed over 120 hours of patrol and case work in the city of Bird City. Deputies responded to calls to service by residents of Bird City, as well as performed patrol. The Sheriff's Office checked doors of businesses.

Bird City Report: One traffic ticket.

Seymour

graduated from Bird City High



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The funeral service was held Friday, June 18, at the Immanuel United Methodist Church, Bird City.

Casket bearers were Teresa Seymour, Janet Bressler, Breanna Seymour, Scott Dorsch, James Sheridan and Emory Cahoj.

Interment was in the Bird City Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in Vivan's name to the Immanuel United Methodist Church or the Bird City Senior Center in care of Knodel Funeral Home, 202 S. Benton, St. Francis, KS 67756.

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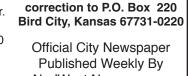
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