



Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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Tis the season for graduation ceremonies!

Last weekend was a little nuts as we jumped down to Wichita for one and made a quick trip home for our local happening. Despite the hectic pace the most prevalent emotion for me those days was one of immense pride.

One of our middle sons, Trevor, finished his studies to become an A & P certified airplane technician. It was not an easy process for him to move over 300 miles from home and find the discipline necessary to complete his requirements. Did I mention how proud I am?

The keynote speaker for his commencement was Tim Norton, Sedgwick County Commissioner. I was impressed with the words Mr. Norton used in his speech. "Tenacity," "grit" and "perseverance" were his descriptors for what Trevor and his fellow students had used to get to this point in their lives.

Those are certainly powerful words to describe what every student needs to graduate. I am sure my feeling of pride is shared with every parent who is blessed with a graduate this season.

Congratulations to each and every one.

Bulletin Board

Offices closed on May 30

The deadline for ads, pictures and stories for the June 2 issue of The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times will be at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, as the offices will be closed on Memorial Day (Monday, May 30). The newspapers will be published and delivered one day late that week.

Spring livestock show

The Cheyenne County 4-H and FFA Spring Livestock Show will be held Saturday, May 28, at the fairgrounds in St. Francis. Weigh in starts at 8:30 a.m., the show begins at 10 a.m. and includes swine, lamb, goat and beef.

Attorney general in St. Francis

Attorney General Derek Schmidt will be in St. Francis at 9 a.m. on Thursday at Main Street Java. He will meet with citizens for a question-and-answer session.

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, will be in St. Francis from 10:30 to

11:30 a.m. Thursday, June 2 at the county clerk's office. People may also contact the Veteran's Affairs office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at 785-462-3572. The Veterans' Service representative will only be in St. Francis on the third Thursday of each month.

Narcotics Anonymous

Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held at 104 W Webster/Methodist Education Building on Sunday nights at 8 p.m. and 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.

Health meeting to be held in Sainty

The next Rural Health Works meeting and luncheon will be held at 11:40 a.m. on Thursday at Riverside Recreation. Lunch will be served and the meeting, which will last only an hour, will follow.

This meeting, conducted by Dr. John Leatherman, will find those attending looking at questions to ask during the survey calls which will begin from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31.

The survey is being made by Fort Hays State University Docking Institute. There will be random calls made in the county until there are 200 responses.

Mr. Leatherman said he hoped there would be a good representation of the different areas in the county along with a variety of ages and gender.

The caller will start out by telling the person answering the phone that they are from Fort Hays State University, then explaining the reason for the call. People, Dr. Leatherman said, are asked not to hang up on these callers. Their responses are important to getting information for the survey.

The results of the survey will help identify the community's health and eldercare needs.

McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson attended the Cheylin High School graduation Saturday morning in Bird City and several receptions afterwards.

Sunday pre-birthday dinner guests of Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson to help Phyllis celebrate

her birthday were Greg and Cheryl Wilkinson, Shawn Wilkinson, Rod and Lisa Johnson and Josh and Sammi Johnson.

Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson called on Laddie and Vera Kacerik in Oberlin Friday and had lunch with them.

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SIXTH GRADERS enjoy a movie on the last day of school. Those pictured are Jorge Gonzales, CJ Antholz, Haleigh Rucker, Bergan Bock.

Times staff photo by Norma Martinez

St. Francis man joins Farm Bureau

Casey McCormick is the new agent at the St. Francis Farm Bureau office at 102 E. Washington.



McCormick

I am excited about the opportunity to help Farm Bureau customers prepare for the future, Mr. McCormick said, as well as protecting what matters most to them by providing products and services that protect families, individuals and businesses.

Prior to joining Farm Bureau

Financial Services, Mr. McCormick was an employee of *The Saint Francis Herald* and *Bird City Times*. His duties included *Times* editor and advertising manager for both papers for over eight years.

He was born and raised in Denver. He attended college at Arizona State University and graduated with a bachelor's in English from Metropolitan State College in Denver. Casey is married to Lezlie and they have five children; Travis, Trey, Trevor, Lexi and Joey.

Mr. McCormick, an active member of the community, enjoys spending time with his family. He welcomes people to stop by the office.

Doctor selected to serve as chief resident

Dr. Marcus Weiser was recently selected to serve as chief resident of Via Christi Family Medicine Residency Program, which currently employs 56 family medicine residents. Dr. Weiser began his residency in 2009 at Via Christi, Wichita, where he lives with his wife, Meghan, and two children, Lillie and Gavin.

Dr. Weiser is the son of Brenda and Mickey Weiser, Grinnell. He is the grandson of Henry and the late Eldean Cahoj, McDonald; Floris and the late Viola Weiser, Oakley. Dr. Weiser is a graduate of Bethany College, as well as Kansas City University of Medicine/Biosciences.

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Forrest Burr — Shot Put - 1st; Discus - 2nd

Heath Antholz — 100m dash - 4th

Ethan Young — Shot Put - 1st

Dalton Magnani — Discus 3rd; Shot Put - 4th

Heath Antholz, Jared Cahoj, Dalton Magnani,

Jeremiah White — 4 x 100 meter relay - 3rd

GOOD LUCK AT STATE IN WICHITA!

CHEYLIN BOOSTER CLUB

Introducing

Gavin Robert Weiser

Lille Weiser, 3, announces the birth of her baby brother, Gavin Robert Weiser, born on April 30, weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces and 20.5 inches in length. Their parents are Dr. Marcus and Meghan Weiser of Park City.

Grandparents are Mickey and Brenda Weiser, Grinnell, and Marsha and the late Robert Bergman, Onaga. Great-grandparents are Henry and the late Eldean Cahoj, McDonald, and Floris and the late Viola Weiser, Oakley.

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Gilbert and Jan Antholz and Brett and Tina Smith and Brock all attended the Cheylin High School graduation of Heath Antholz and several receptions afterwards.

Sunday afternoon visitors of Ray and Marlene Johnson were Connie Sabatka, and Edie Johnson of Cimmeron.

Iris McIntosh attended the high school graduation of Nicole Connell in Atwood Sunday afternoon and the reception at

the Prairie Development Center afterwards.

Edie Johnson of Cimmeron was a Saturday overnight guest of Jim and Louis Morelock.

Darrel and Mary Louise Hunter of Chico, Calif., were guests this week of Jim and Louis Morelock. Mary Louise and Lois visited with Phyllis Wingfield.

Karen Courtright of Lakewood, Colo., was a Monday afternoon visitor of Iris McIntosh.

SHOWTIME: 8 p.m.

1 hr. 43 min.

Something Borrowed

May 27, 28 & 29

Comedy, Drama, Romance and Adaptation

Ginnifer Goodwin, Kate Hudson, Colin Eggesfield, John Krasinski, Steve Howey

PG-13 for sexual content including dialogue, and some drug material.

CHEYENNE THEATER

St. Francis, KS

Children 12 & Under: \$4

All Others: \$6

You are invited to a Come and Go Bridal Shower

for

Nikki Johnson

Thursday, June 2

10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

at the United Methodist Church in Bird City



CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL

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Rural Health Works Survey

starts Tuesday, May 31

Random calls will be made throughout the county by the Fort Hays State

University Docking Institute

People are asked not to hang up — That their answers are very important to the survey. The survey will be conducted between 6 and 9 p.m. and lasts only 10 minutes.

3rd in the series PUBLIC MEETING Questions will be created to go on phone survey