



Bulletin Board

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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Sometimes a football fan has to tread lightly around these parts.

Despite the fact that we live less than 200 miles from Sports Authority Field, this is not officially "Bronco Country." Some people here bleed for the Chiefs over there, a state away, in Missouri.

But my hope is there are enough readers out there who can appreciate Tim Tebow's latest Mile High Miracle.

Yes the Pittsburgh Steelers came into Denver with many players banged up and bruised from a long and physical season. However few gave the Broncos much of a chance to be in the playoff game.

After failing to show up for their last three games on the regular schedule it was easy to

count them out.

Fortunately over the years the stadiums a few blocks to the west of the Colorado Capitol Building have been home to some magical endings.

I've been witness to the teams of the 1960s to 1980s that had several outstanding players but little team success. Then came John Elway and the salad days with two NFL Lombardi trophies in the 1990s.

Recently the Broncos have had some dry spells. So it brings a follower hope to see the boys in orange make a little post season noise again.

Will Tebow and the team find a way to overcome unimaginable odds in New England next week? Who knows. But it will sure be fun to watch.

At least for those of us out here in "almost" Bronco Country.

Meeting postponed

The Bird City Historical Association, Inc. meeting will be postponed until Feb. 10. If you have any questions about this, please call 785-734-2383.

Home circle club

Avis Hazuka will be the hostess for the January meeting of the Home Circle Club. It will be held at the Manor on Thursday the 19 at 2 p.m.

Story time

The Bird City Public Library is organizing a Story Time for children ages 2-5. The storyteller will be Linda Schneider. Beginning on Friday, Jan. 20, from 9-10:30 a.m. Please come into the library to sign your child up. If you have any questions, call the library 734-2203, or Linda 734-7231.

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.

Get well cards

Get well cards and letters will reach Roberta Linin at: Shelly Beese, 6203 West 146th Street, Overland Park, KS 66223.

Recycling

The Bird City City Council is requesting that all recycling rules be followed especially breaking down cardboard boxes before they are thrown in the bin.

Library books

While doing your cleaning, check under your bed for any overdue library books. The Bird City Public Library is not charging any fines for 6 months in an attempt to recover items. So please help out by returning items from months or years back. If we are not open please leave items in the outside return.

Books needed

The Cheylin elementary parent group is planning a book exchange along with the I-Carly spaghetti supper this spring. They are asking for donations of preschool, elementary or junior high level books. Bring to the elementary office or Title I room. The evening of the supper, students will have the opportunity to choose one book to keep.

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.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names beginning with W, X, Y, Z should purchase their car, pickup, motorcycle and motorized bike tags and pay their vehicle personal property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty.

Driver's license needs to be presented or entered on form at time of renewal.

Blue star banners

Do you have a son or daughter, grandson or granddaughter serving in active duty military service? The Goodland Elks Lodge 1528 would like to present you with a "blue star banner" for your window to show your pride! Please call the secretary at (785) 890-6251 to visit with her about this.

Cheyenne County ambassadors

If you are proud of your com-

munity and your county and want to tell folks about it, stop by the Cheyenne County Development office at 107 W. Washington in St. Francis and pick up an "Ambassadors" package. Take one along on a trip or to an event. Let everyone know what a great place we live in!

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.

Introducing

Piper Elise Hendricks

Nathan and Lindsay Hendricks announce the birth of their daughter, Piper Elise. Piper was born Dec. 8 at Mercy Hospital in Manhattan, Kan. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Big sis, Charli Mae welcomed her home. Grandparents are Gail and Cindy Boller and Dan Walters of Norton, and John and Sharon Hendricks of Bird City.



Piper Elise Hendricks

High school kids hold a hog roast

The Cheylin High School FFA chapter held a hog roast on Dec. 15. There was a meal of pork tenderloin, beans, chips, and desert. Along with the meal, there was a drawing for three gift certificates to the Great Outdoors Gun Shop.

The first place winner was Merle Leonard, second place winner was Wil Orten, and the third place

went to Jayden Cahoj.

Don and Andrew Marshal of Pioneer Seeds, donated \$400 dollars to the chapter through a special Pioneer Seed promotion. The proceeds from this dinner will enable the FFAers the opportunity to participate in upcoming events.

McDonald Seniors

President Joan Tongish welcomed 20 guests to the Jan. 2 meeting at the McDonald Senior Center.

A cute little gray felt mouse holding a candy cane sat looking up as each person found a place at the table. Phyllis Wingfield always finds time to have a neat favor for each person and we thank her.

Eleanor Swihart read a poem and gave thanks for the many blessings and the meal.

Bingo was played in the afternoon with Joan Tongish the black-out game winner.

At the business meeting Joan

thanked everyone for their help. Reports were accepted as given. A garage sale will be planned for early spring.

Feb. 6 Committees:
Poem and Prayer, Owen Wingfield
Bingo, Phyllis Wingfield
Prizes, Marlene Johnson
Kitchen Duty, Marlene Johnson, Annie Atholz and Phyllis Wingfield

South of McDonald

Alex Hengen was a Tuesday supper guest of George, Kathy and David Banister.

David Banister left for Salina Wednesday and arrived in West Mont, Ill. Friday. He started his new job Monday morning.

Donna and Sandy Binning called on Rita Officer and Bethel Goltl Thursday.

Visitors this week of Lynn and Rita Officer were Eleanor Swihart, Hulda Dorsch, Lois Morelock, and Jerry and Betty Knapp.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Reading is fundamental. I believe that every parent, teacher and student is well aware that if a person lacks the ability to read success in life is nearly impossible.

While online book stores and electronic gadgets make it easier and easier to bring books into the reader's hands, many still feel they do not have the time in their daily busy schedule to read. In addition, they would rather wait for the movie.

I believe, and I don't think I am alone, that there is nothing like reading a good book on one of my favorite subjects right before going to sleep.

My love for books began at an early age when I discovered my community's library. I lived in a small town and it was a small library, but I would spend an afternoon out of the house; away from chores and explore the

world around me through book reading. And it was free.

Today, libraries haven't changed by providing books, as well as reading programs, for free. But the challenge is finding the time and getting in to see what the library has to offer.

I think the key to developing a love for books began at a young age and the younger the better. The best part of this is that parents have always realized the importance of reading and its connection with their child's education. Just look at all the educational toys and computer/television DVD's out. But, they are expensive aren't they? The library is free.

On Jan. 20, the Bird City Library will begin a reading program for 2 to 5 year olds. Check it out, it's free.

Linda Schneider
Bird City

School Menu

Jan. 11 - Jan. 19

The kitchen will be highlighting one class and their lunch choice on each Wednesday until the end of school. Parents and family are invited to join their student for lunch.

Monday

Breakfast: breakfast casserole with hash browns, eggs and sausage
Lunch: sloppy joes, triangle taters

Tuesday

Breakfast: cherry wraps, yogurt

Lunch: pizza, vegetable, breadsticks

Wednesday Kindergarten

Breakfast: pancakes on a stick
Lunch: chicken nuggets, macaroni and cheese, dirt pudding

Thursday

Breakfast: sausage in gravy, biscuits
Lunch: Mexican casserole, vegetable, rolls
Breakfast is served daily with toast, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch is served daily with salad bar, fruit and milk.

McDonald News

Joan Tongish, Eleanor Swihart and Betty Lewis visited Leonard Vyzourek, Amelia Banister and LeRoy Enfield at the Good Samaritan Home in Atwood Friday.

Do you have news? If you do and would like to be called or have news items, don't hesitate to call me, Sandy, at 538-2554. Thanks!

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Diabetes Support Group

Wednesday, Jan. 18
1:30 p.m.
in the Clinic Basement
Conference Room.

Kirsten Angell the new Dietician for CCH will be the guest speaker

For more information, please contact the County Health at 785-332-2381

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SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. Sunday Matinee 2 p.m. 2 hr. 9 min.

Sherlock Holmes
Jan. 13, 14 & 15
Adaptation, Action/Adventure and Sequel
Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law, Noomi Rapace, Stephen Fry, Jared Harris
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785-332-2747
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