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### **Casey's Comments**

#### By Casey McCormick

mccormickcasey@rocketmail.com I feel sorry for guys who never got their hands dirty.

Elections have a way of showing the difference between the privileged few and the rest of us. It's ironic that the people leading the majority have so little in common with their constituents.

Retrospect can show a person a lot. When I was younger I had several jobs that didn't seem very desirable at the time, but I'm grateful for the experience they offered.

Right out of high school I needed to take some time to work about the times I dug plumbing before going to college. My twin ground irons or riding the backend brother helped get me hired on at of a trash truck. Because they sure the Benjamin Moore Paint factory helped me realize the dignity of a that used to be a little over a block dirty job done well. from where Coors Field stands in

upscale apartments.

During my employment I learned many aspects of making paint. Whether it was heaving large bags of powdery pigment, filling huge tanks with oil or latex and water, putting paint in cans or often cleaning up after one of those jobs, it all was educational.

The biggest lesson I learned was that I did not want to be a factory worker for the rest of my life. College was a little easier after the hard physical work at "Uncle Ben's."

But I wouldn't change a thing

## **County health workers** conduct mock drill

The Cheyenne County Health distribute vaccines as needed. Department, Clinic and Hospital conducted a Point of Dispensing Cheyenne Mock Drill (also known as a POD) Department on Tuesday, Jan. 24.

Drill in an emergency situation to distribute medications to the during an emergency incident, National Stockpile program. said Shawna Blanka, public information officer at the county Department, Hospital and the hospital.

individuals during an emergency. emergency. For this mock drill, the point of with hospital and emergency occurs. medical service as patients to

During an emergency the County Health Department would request at the Cheyenne County Health these supplies from the Kansas State Department of Health The County Health Department and Environment Emergency can activate a Point of Dispensing Preparedness department. The Kansas Department of Health would them contact the Centers for county's entire population. The Disease Control and Prevention "Gold Standard" for this task is which would send these needed to distribute medications to the supplies and medicine within county population in 48 hours 12 hours through the Strategic

The Cheyenne County Health Cheyenne County Office of The county health department Emergency Management have has identified three locations partnered to provide services to the throughout the county to distribute community to distribute needed needed supplies and medicine to supplies and medicine during an

dispensing was held at the clinic/ test of hospital, clinic and public health department in St. Francis, health staff in case a real incident

## **Bulletin Board**

#### Grief support group

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Confidential Grief Support Denver. Today the building houses Group, for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one, to be held in a safe place of mutual help and comfort. Information sessions will be Monday, Feb. 20 at 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City. Questions call 785-734-2739.

#### **Historical meeting**

The Bird City Historical Association will meet at 2 p.m. on Friday at the Bird City Senior Center, weather permitting. If in doubt, call 785-734-2750.

Remember your category for the February issue of the Mysteries of the Past for youthful readers. This month it is still on The Early Cattlemen. Bring your article. There will be a brief business meeting. The program will be the discussion of the January issue.

#### Cinco de Mayo planning

A Cinco de Mayo celebration planning will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday (today) at the Cheylin Elementary cafeteria. The menu will be discussed. All those interested in the celebration are urged to attend.

#### Library StoryTime

StoryTime will be Friday at 9 a.m. through 10:30 a.m. Parents and friends are invited to bring ages 3 - 5 years old for time of reading and fun. Come for 10 minutes or for the entire time.

Senior center birthday party The Bird City Senior Center monthly birthday party will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday.

Home Circle

for the February meeting of the Home Circle Club. It will be held at the Manor on Thursday, Feb. 20, at 2 p.m. Be sure to wear red!

#### **Residents write book**

"Memories and Musing," a book written by Good Samaritan Village residents, will be available 12. More information to follow. **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.

#### Recycling

The Bird City City Council is requesting that all recycling rules

#### down cardboard boxes before they of popcorn.

#### are thrown in the bin. Library books

While doing your cleaning, beginning with check under your bed for any purchase their car,

in an attempt to recover items. So please help out by returning items from months or years back. If we presented or entered on form at are not open please leave items in time of renewal. the outside return.

#### **Free popcorn**

Theater The Cheyenne attending the movie bring a canned food donation for the Food Pantry be followed especially breaking and they will receive a free sack

#### Tag deadline

All residents with last names "A" should pickup, overdue library books. The motorcycle and motorized bike Bird City Public Library is not tags and pay their vehicle personal

at the open house on Sunday, Feb. charging any fines for 6 months property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty. Driver's license needs to be

#### **Northwest Kansas Family** Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Committee is asking, that the Shelter provides 24-hour-7 dayfirst weekend of the month, those 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.



## Noninsured crop assistance application due in March

Farm Service Agency to accept applications under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program is March 15 for coverage for 2011 coarse grains such as feed.

Crops eligible for the program benefits are limited to those not insurable in the county and are produced for food or fiber. Included as eligible crops are forage crops for livestock such as cane, feed, silage, sudan, millet and peas (mechanically harvested or grazed).

Producers who may wish to participate in the program must visit their local Farm Service office to complete an application for coverage and pay the service fee by March 15. Administrative service fees are collected in order to help offset the cost of implementing the program and range from \$250 per crop per administrative county

The deadline for the United not to exceed \$750 per producer on their particular crop, a notice States Department of Agriculture, per administrative county with an of loss must be filed with the local \$1,875 maximum fee for multi- Farm Service office within 15 county producers.

"Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance coverage has become very important with the addition of the supplemental revenue (SURE) program," said Dennis Mote, acting director. "A producer must have all non-grazing crops of economic significance covered by insurance in order to be eligible for the supplemental revenue program, which is one of the new disaster programs. We would hate to see someone with a loss ineligible for the supplemental program because they didn't pay for noninsured crop disaster or crop insurance coverage."

After the crop has been harvested, it is important to turn in your production, much like you do with regular crop insurance. This helps to prove your yield and could increase benefits in the at 332-2183 before March 15 for future. In the unfortunate event that a producer does suffer a loss

Feb. 10, 11 & 12

Queen Latifah, Dolly Parton, Keke Palmer,

Courtney B. Vance, Jeremy Jordan

Children 12 & Under: \$4

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. Sunday Matinee 2 p.m.

CHEVENNE THEATER

3D Movies: Children 12 & Under \$5

calendar days after the disaster, or the date the loss becomes apparent to the producer.

Producers are responsible for providing accurate and complete loss and production information. This includes timely certifying the unit's planted acreage and production with Farm Service office. In general, acreage reporting deadlines are June 1 for small grain crops, and the earlier of Aug. 1 or 15 days prior to the onset of harvest or grazing for all other crops.

This coverage entitles eligible producers to a payment of 55 percent of an average market price for the commodity if a natural disaster caused a 50-percent production loss or greater of an eligible crop.

Contact the Farm Service office more information.

Musical/Performing Arts,

Drama, Comedy

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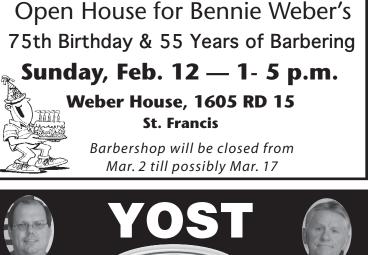
All Others: \$6

All Others: \$7

1 hr. 58 min.

St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747

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#### Mom,

It's been 9 years since I held your hand the day you went av I wish we could have

questions I should have ask, but thought you'd be here forever. So now I talk to you on the hill

Mrs. Blanka said this was just a

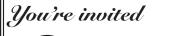
Cheryl Lee will be the hostess

had more time, but it just didn't work out that way. I had more

and wait for your answer from heaven. I Thank You, Miss You and Love You Very Much.



~ Claudette



**Open House** Sunday, Feb. 12 2 - 5 p.m.

In Loving Memory

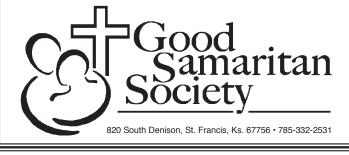
To My Wife, Our Mother;

Grandma & Great-Grandma

Betty Gleason who passed away on 2-13-03

Good Samaritan Society -St. Francis Village

is celebrating the completion of the new section and we would like for you to join us in the celebration.





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### **February** is **Ford Truck Month**

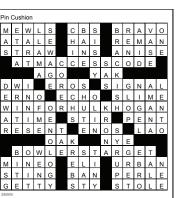


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### **Retirement Open House**

Joyful Noise

Join us in celebrating Dave Penton's retirement *Friday, Feb. 17, 2 to 3 p.m.* in the hospital basement lobby. We appreciate Dave's 31 years of service with the Cheyenne County Hospital

# **Diabetes Support Group**

Wednesday, Feb. 15 1:30 p.m. in the Clinic Basement **Conference Room**.

Dr. Mary Beth Miller will be the guest speaker topic Blood Draw Lab Values - What do they mean? For more information, please contact the County Health at 785-332-2381

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