

Casey's Comments

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Believe it or not, sometimes newspaper people actually get it right.
I find great pleasure from writing about special places that we have in our region. A new jewel for me is the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City.

that weren't enough the building holds numerous sculptures and architectural surprises, both within and on the grounds.
The Nelson-Atkins Museum contains over 33,500 objects. But what is most amazing, admission is free!
Yes, occasionally newspaper people do get it right.

Upcoming safety class

The dream of Kansas City Star publisher, William Rockhill Nelson, came about when his estate was combined to that of former school teacher, and widow of a wealthy real estate speculator, Mary Atkins.
Opened on Dec. 11, 1933, the museum is home to an incredible assortment of art and history.
With relics dating back some 4,000 years, the museum boasts items from the ancient Near East, Egypt, Greece and Rome. An impressive new exhibit spotlights a 2,300-year-old Egyptian noble woman named Meretites.
Moving forward in time are Christian artifacts taking the visitor to the Renaissance and Reformation periods.
In the center of the U.S. I hardly expected to find such a vast collection of paintings. Hanging are works by such greats as Van Gogh, Gauguin, Cezanne and Seurat. Around other corners are Rembrants and Rubens, Manets and Degas, El Grecos and Goyas. One wall is covered by Monet's "Water Lilies" with his "Boulevard des Capucines" nearby.
Other exhibits include American, Asian and African, along with Modern and Abstract pieces. If

The AARP Driver Safety program will be held on Monday from 8 a.m. to noon, then starting back up from 1 to 5 p.m. at the St. Francis Senior Center. Lunch will be available at the center.
Instructor will be Don Keihl. Participants will learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws, rules of the road and much more. They will find out how to adjust their driving to age-related changes in vision, hearing and reaction time.
One of the bonuses includes getting an insurance discount. Auto insurance companies in most states provide a multiyear discount to AARP graduates. (Consult your insurance agent.)
Participants do not have to take a test.
For more information, contact Mr. Kellner at 785-332-2950 or 332-5226; or call Mr. Keihl, 890-6638 or 821-0305.

School Menu

April 23- April 26
Monday
Breakfast: hash browns, sausage links
Lunch: frito chili pie, mixed vegetables
Tuesday
Breakfast: French toast strips, yogurt
Lunch: chicken fajitas, rice
Wednesday
Breakfast: scrambled eggs with cheese
Lunch: oven fried chicken, curly fries, green beans, rolls
Thursday
Breakfast: pear-chocolate chip scones, sausage patties
Lunch: hamburger macaroni and cheese, broccoli, pumpkin squares
Breakfast is daily served with toast, cereal, fruit juice and milk.
Lunch is daily served with salad bar, fruit and milk.

Bulletin Board

Get well cards appreciated
Lavern Young is home. Get well cards may be sent to him at 945 Rd. 23, Bird City, KS 67731.
Senior potluck
Bird City Senior Center monthly potluck will be Monday, April 23 at noon.
Treasurer's office opens hour later May 1-7
The Cheyenne County Treasurer's office will be closed from 8 to 9 a.m. each day until May 7 so the staff can practice and test for a new system. The treasurer's office will NOT be able to do motor vehicle or driver's license transactions from May 1-May7.
Storytime
Storytime will be Friday at 9 a.m. -10:30 p.m. Parents are invited to bring 2-5 year olds for a time of reading and fun. Come for 10 minutes or the entire time.
Home Circle Club
Carol Peters will be the hostess for the April meeting of the Home Circle Club. It will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 19, at the manor.
Museum news
Wednesday, April 18, is spring cleaning time at the Cheyenne County Museum. Bring cleaning supplies and join the fun from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Spend the day or just a few hours. We are preparing for the museum opening in May and Alumni Reunion weekend in June. Everyone is welcome!
Grief Support Group
The Grief Support Group will meet on Monday, April 23, and continue to meet every second and fourth Mondays at 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. (choose a time). 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.
Tornado Safety drills
The Cheyenne County Communications Center will conduct monthly siren testing starting the second Wednesday in April at 9 a.m. The testing will continue through the end of September.
Bird City Alumni
The Bird City Alumni is planning the annual banquet for this year. It will be held on May 26 at the Cheylin High School. Any and all help will be appreciated. Contact the Bird City Library, 785-734-2203 or Dave Hickert 785-734-2522.
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 be followed especially breaking down cardboard boxes before they are thrown in the bin, also no trash, or items not designated on bins.
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.
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. For information or in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.



MIKE AND MELINDA BOYSON are inspecting the paint and lettering on the ticket booth for the Thresher grounds.

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2001 Ford Taurus SE, Auto, 116K, #T0510C	\$3,500
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2004 Ford F-250 Lariat 115,000, Crew, #T3872B	\$15,750
2005 Ford F-250 XLT, 124,000 Super Cab, #T1920A	\$16,900
2005 Ford Explorer XLT AWD, #T2027A	\$8,595
2005 Ford F-250 Lariat, L. Box, 133K miles, #T9945A	\$17,500
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2007 Ford F150 Lariat Crew Cab, Leather, 91K, #T0005A	\$25,500
2007 Ford F-150 King Ranch, Crew Cab, 69K, #T6497B	\$27,000
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2011 Ford Taurus SEL, #06614A Was \$33,000 Now \$29,300	
2011 Ford Edge Limited, #T8768A Was \$35,700 Now \$31,300	

You can't always be there for an aging parent, or loved one who lives alone. But you can help increase their confidence to live independently - with Philips Lifeline through Cheyenne County Hospital.

Lifeline is a simple, wireless device worn as a pendant or wristband that allows the wearer to summon help with the push of a button from anywhere in their home or yard, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The button connects to a trained Lifeline response associate, who quickly accesses the profile and calls responders for help.

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For more information or to get one installed call Shawna at Cheyenne County Hospital 785-332-2104.

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*204 E. Fifth, Bird City
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