

# Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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 See any good movies lately? Considering what the average product from Hollywood looks like, there is plenty more bad than good showing on the big screen, in my opinion. But every once and awhile they get it right. Recently, actor Kevin Sorbo received a lot of flack for addressing the hostility in the movie industry towards Christianity and attitudes that do not reflect the liberal norm. Another movie actor, James Wood, has felt discrimination by not toting the industry line politically. There is no surprise that wholesomeness is not what sells when it comes to movie tickets. However, at least a couple movies have made an effort for breaking the norm. The Son of God and Heaven is For Real are offering enter-

tainment that Christians can appreciate. The first played at our local theater recently and hopefully the later will make it soon. In Heaven is For Real, the story is told of a boy who has a near death experience and lives to tell about his experience in heaven. This comes from a real life drama that happened not far from here in Imperial, Nebraska. Coincidentally, Kevin Sorbo has a role in this film. A third movie that deals with Biblical accounts is Russel Crowe's version of Noah and his ark. From what I've heard from those who have seen it, I think I'll pass. Sounds like Hollywood won over on this project that, although it deals with one of God's great acts, avoids reference to the All Mighty as much as possible. But should anyone be surprised?

# Bulletin Board

### Death notice

Bird City resident, Hal Sager, died March 26. Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 5 at the Methodist Church in Bird City. Memorials may be made to Cheyenne County Wildlife, Bird City American Legion Post 352, or Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Association. 14

### Fishing contests

The Cheyenne County Wildlife is sponsoring a kids fishing tournament for youth 0 to 14 years from 9 to noon on Saturday at Keller Pond, St. Francis. On Sunday, the two-man tournament will be held at Keller Pond. Registration is from 7 to 8 a.m. with the tournament following, ending at 1 p.m. For more information, contact Francis O'Leary, 785-772-7382. 14

### Fish Fry

The Catholic Youth Organization will be holding a fish fry at St. Josephs Catholic Church in Bird City on Friday, April 4 at 5 p.m. 14

### Music program

The St. Francis Peace Lutheran Church worship choir will present the Holy Week Cantata, "Thy Will Be Done" on Palm Sunday, April 13, at 1:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Bring a friend and listen to the wonderful music. 14-15.

### American Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 2 p.m. on Friday, April 4, at our office in Bird City. We would welcome anyone who is eligible to belong to the Auxiliary to come to our meetings and join us. 14

### Veterans' Affairs

Jody Tubbs of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs will be in St. Francis from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the county clerk's office to assist veterans and their dependents with Veteran Administration claims work on Thursday, April 3. If you are unable to contact Ms. Tubbs in St. Francis, you may contact the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday. That phone number is 785-462-3572. 14

### Hospital Guild

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild will be meeting Monday, April 7 (please note corrected date from article in last week's paper) at 11:30 a.m. in the

Cheyenne County Clinic. Judy Rockwood, hospital administrator, will be giving the program. This will be a luncheon.

### Soccer clinic

Cheylin Recreation Soccer Clinic will be held Saturday's April 5, 12, 26 and May 3 from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Bird City Park. Ruben Razo will be the instructor. There is a small fee. See advertisement for more information or all Tina 785-734-7141 to sign-up. 14

### Lions Club

St. Francis Lions Club collects used eyeglasses, sunglasses, hearing aids and cell phones for refurbishing and use by those in need in 3rd world countries. Collection boxes are available at Bird City: Senior Center, and in St. Francis: County Health Clinic, Senior Center, Dr. Tim Poling, Krien Pharmacy, Thrift Store, St. Francis Supers, and the Court House. For assistance call 785-332-3119, 332-2950, 332-2024, or contact any Lions Club member. 14

### Bingo

Bingo at 7 p.m. at Bird City Legion Hall, Saturday, April, 5. Jackpot \$99. 14

### Cheylin school security

All visitors must enter the west entrances for the elementary and high school buildings after 8:30 a.m. All other doors are locked for security purposes. Please report to the office upon entering building. There is visitor parking available in front of the high school west entrance and on the north side of the elementary building.

### Grief Support Group

The Grief Support Group will continue to meet every second and fourth Mondays at 2 p.m. Meeting place is the Immanuel United Methodist Church, 116 E. Fourth, Bird City. For more information, call 785-734-2739. The group gives confidential support in a safe place of mutual help and comfort to all who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

### Emergency number

The phone number for Cheyenne County Communications Center (Dispatch) for non-emergency calls: 785-332-8822, Dial 9-1-1 for an emergency.

### 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.

# School Menu

April 7 - April 10

**Monday**  
 Breakfast: Oatmeal, boiled egg, fruit cup, cereal, and milk  
 Lunch: Pigs n' blanket, potato triangles, steamed peas, fruit jello, romaine and tomato salad, pears, tropical fruit, and milk  
**Tuesday**  
 Breakfast: Kansas granola bar, sausage links, fruit cup, toast, and milk  
 Lunch: Lasagna, green beans, garlic toast, garden spinach salad, mandarin oranges, applesauce, and milk  
**Wednesday**  
*Third grade lunch favorites*  
 Breakfast: Sunrise smoothie,

string cheese, fruit cup, fruit juice, cereal, and milk  
 Lunch: Macaroni and cheese, meatball with sauce, corn on cob, romaine and tomato salad, cottage cheese, ice cream cup with toppings, peaches, pineapple chunks, and milk  
**Thursday**  
 Breakfast: Breakfast bites with syrup, fruit cup, fruit juice, toast, and milk  
 Lunch: Tacos, Spanish rice, corn, taco bar, mixed lettuce salad, red applesauce, fruit cocktail, and milk  
*\*Menu Subject to Changes\**

# Monthly revenues beat projections

March revenue receipts on Monday beat projections by \$12.3 million for the month with corporate income and sales tax receipts making strong showings. "We're seeing the Kansas economic engine running," said Revenue Secretary Nick Jordan. "Companies are hiring, unemployment has significantly decreased compared to a year ago, and people have more money to spend - which is reflected in increased sales tax receipts." For the second month in a row,

monthly revenue receipts have topped not only estimates but actual collections from the year before. March 2014 tax receipts were \$15.8 million more than receipts collected in March 2013. Corporate income tax receipts were \$17.8 million, or 59 percent, more than expected and sales tax receipts were \$7.3 million more than estimates. Tax revenue receipts for the fiscal year to date are \$130.7 million more than estimates, or 3.4 percent.

**SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m.** **2 hr. 19 min.**

**April 4-6** **Divergent** **PG-13**

In a world divided by factions based on virtues, Tris learns she's Divergent and won't fit in. When she discovers a plot to destroy Divergents, Tris and the mysterious Four must find out what makes Divergents dangerous before it's too late.

**CHEYENNE THEATER** St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747

**Children 12 & Under: \$4** **All Others: \$6**  
**3D Movies: Children 12 & Under \$6** **All Others: \$8**

**CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL** 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS 785-332-2104

**Spring Health Fair 2014**

**Cheyenne County Spring Health Fair**  
**Men & Women Exams: April 14-18**  
**all day in St. Francis**  
*St. Francis- Call clinic for appointment 332-2682*

**Men & Women Exams: April 14-18**  
**in Bird City 9:00 a.m. - noon**  
*Bird City - Call clinic for appointment 734-2306*

**Exam Fee: \$25.00**  
**due at time of service!**

**For more information Contact:**  
**Mila Bandel, RN County Health Nurse 785-332-2381. Sponsored by Cheyenne County Hospital, Clinic & Health Department**

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# South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Chad Loker was a Saturday to Friday guest of Lynn and Rita Officer to visit his mom, Ratha Lea, who is a temporary resident at the Good Samaritan Home in St. Francis. Rita Officer left Thursday morning for Ellinwood. She was a houseguest of her brother and wife, Glenn and Kathy Dewey. While there she visited her brother Marvin Dewey, brother and wife Kenneth and Joan Dewey, and other family members. Rita returned home Friday night. On Saturday, Rita Officer went on the "Shop Hop" with the Scrappy Gals. Sunday dinner guests of Lynn and Rita Officer were Melissa and Randy Regier, Herman and Alexi Breytenbach, and Marilee and Mark Gundlach, Seth and Gracie. They celebrated Lynn's birthday. Lynn and Rita Officer visited Ratha Lea Loker several times

this past week in St. Francis. Friday evening, Tayten Dewey went to Colby for a Dance Competition Lock-In. Tom, Kelly, and Tru Dewey attended the Katie Uhlaender's presentation in Atwood at the High School that evening. On Saturday, Tayten and Tru Dewey, and Tucker Prideaux played in a 3 on 3 basketball tournament in Oakley. Saturday evening supper guests of Tom and Kelly Dewey and children were Doug, Janice, Laurel, and Nathan Cates. Kathy Banister went with the Cheylin Music group to Regional Music Contest in Oberlin Saturday. David Banister was a Sunday evening and supper guest of his parents, George and Kathy Banister. Tom Carrow visited Dee's sister in Scotts Hill, Tennessee this past week, and he is currently visiting his sister in Charleston, Ill. Dee Carrow went on the "Shop Hop" Saturday with the Scrappy Gals.

# McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

Alison Swihart of Kansas City was a weekend guest of her grandmother, Eleanor Swihart. Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson attended the funeral of Raymond Stehno in Stratton, Neb. Tuesday. Kent and Joan Banister, and Karlyne Atchison were Sunday supper guests of Lanny DeGood in St. Francis.

New and renewed Times subscriptions: Frank Serrano, Bird City; Wright Insurance Agency, Bird City; Alvin Loop, Bird City; Jim Davis, Phoenix, Ariz; Darren Dale, Bird City.

# Honor Roll

**Thank You**

We want to thank the communities of Bird City and St. Francis for their support and prayers for our family during Brad's surgery and recovery. Special thanks to Susie Walz for her dedication she showed to Brad as she dressed his wounds. To the Bird City Wesleyan Church our family for their prayers and support. To the United Methodist Church of Bird City for helping us meet our needs. To Cheyenne County Clinic staff in Bird City and St. Francis. To Linda Ketzner, Brad's sister who would stop by and visit. And to the Bird City residents and anonymous friends. We could not have made it through without all of you. God Bless, Brad and Linda Schneider, Ivan and Joseph.

**Cheyenne County Wildlife Inc.**

**Two-Man Team Fishing Tournament**  
 \$20 per team  
 Sunday, April 6  
 Sign up-6 to 7 a.m.-Contest 7-1 p.m. at Keller Pond

**Youth Day Fishing**  
 No Charge  
 Saturday, April 5  
 9 a.m. to noon

*More information, call 785-772-7382*

**Lifeguards needed**

The City of Bird City is seeking applications for lifeguards for the 2014 summer. Candidates must be at least 15 years of age prior to application. Lifeguard, CPR and First Aid certification is preferred, but training will be available for applicants that are not certified. Duties will include, but not be limited to, daily pool operations, general maintenance, and maintaining a safe environment for pool patrons. Individuals that are interested may pick up an application at City Hall, 111 E 4th Street in Bird City. Applications must be returned to City Hall prior to April 4th 2014.

**Machinery - Tractors - Trucks**

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**Swimming Pool Manager Needed**

The City of Bird City is seeking applications for the Summer Swimming Pool Manager. Duties will include, but not be limited to, daily operations, scheduling, general maintenance, and lifeguarding responsibilities. Management experience is preferred but not required. Candidates should possess current certifications in CPR, First Aid and lifeguarding. WSI certification is beneficial but not required. Interested individuals should pick up an application at City Hall, 111 E 4th Street in Bird City. Applications must be returned to City Hall prior to April 4th 2014.

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