

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

How can one kill in the name of their god?

Last week, Pope Benedict XVI offended Muslim worldwide by quoting a 14th century Byzantine emperor. The pope used the words to describe the Prophet Mohammed and his tactics "such as his command to spread by the sword the faith he preached."

The first victim of Muslim retaliation was the shooting of an Italian nun in Somalia.

The pope's intent was to bring peace between different religious groups. Some where, out there, there must be many worshippers of Islam

that don't feel compelled to kill infidels to earn passage to the next world.

But all that is shown on television, news print and the internet are images of Pope Benedict replicas being burned in effigy and reports of doom to him and followers of the cross.

I admire the pontiff for saying what he did. How else will change come?

I don't think the pope is requiring Muslims to convert to Christianity or else. But surely some middle ground can be found for different people to coexist on an ever shrinking planet Earth.



Don and Florence Antholz

Card shower planned

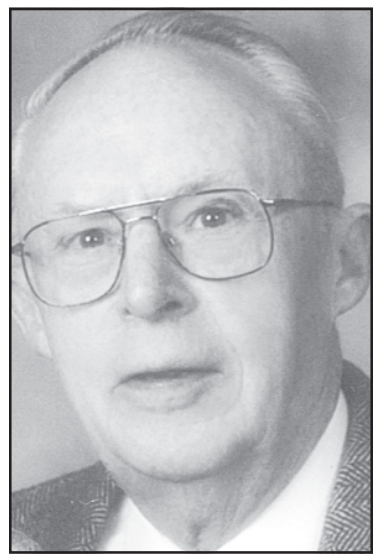
Don and Florence Antholz will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 5.

You may send cards to 601 Vine, Atwood, KS 67730.

Honored on 90th birthday

Kenneth (Bob) Peck of Goodland will be celebrating his 90th birthday on Oct. 4. His children and grandchildren are honoring him with a card shower. Please include in your card a special memory of him which he might enjoy.

Send your cards to him in care of the Good Samaritan Center, 208 W. 2nd St., Goodland, KS 67735.



Bob Peck



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Bird City Senior Center

The Bird City Senior Center monthly potluck will be at noon on Monday, Sept. 25.

Gage Roesener Memorial Gymkhana

The Gage Roesener Memorial Gymkhana will be held on Sunday, Oct. 1, at the Cheyenne County Fairgrounds in St. Francis. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. with the gymkhana starting at 1 p.m. See related ad elsewhere in the paper.

Get-well cards appreciated

Rudy Willt is recovering after having surgery on Sept. 13. He would appreciate cards sent to him at Rudy Willt, in care of Connie Asbury, 18 Hawthorne, Valley Center, KS 667147.

Punt, Pass and Kick

The Punt, Pass and Kick competition, sponsored by the Association to Benefit Cheyenne County, will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 23, (before the high school football game) on the practice field at the high school.

The Presence - Closer Than You Think

"The Presence - Closer Than You Think" will take place at 7 p.m. each night Sept. 29, through Oct. 3, at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Third and Adams.

Join Pastor Shawn Boonstra for an exciting look at last-day events as revealed in the Sanctuary. During these five nights, you will discover what the Old Testament says about the true nature of Jesus and why the Sanctuary has relevance today.

The Essentials of Real Love

The Essentials of Real Love by Dr. Greg Baer, an entertaining, non-de-

nominal DVD/study on love and relationship, will be held for six weeks beginning at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 2, at the St. Francis Community Church. Related information in classified ad.

Trail Ride

The annual Cheyenne County Trail Ride has been set for 2 p.m. on Oct. 8. The ride will start north and east of Wheeler and ride along the rolling hills of northwest Kansas. Look for more information in next week's paper or call Gary Cooper at 785-332-2904.

Music Club to meet

The St. Francis Music Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 26, at the home of Ruth Milliken, 202 W. Webster. This is Guest Night and each member is asked to bring guests as well as a finger food to share.

Debbie Fiala and her advanced music students will provide the program and the new yearbooks will be distributed. Yearly dues are payable at the meeting. The St. Francis Music Club supports music in the schools and community and is open to all who enjoy music.

Christian band playing

"The Bridge" Christian rock band will be playing at the Immanuel United Methodist Church in Bird City on Sunday, Sept. 24. Morning worship begins at 10:55 a.m. and will feature a concert by one of the premier Christian bands in northwest Kansas. Sunday church school will be held at 9:30 a.m.

Fall Forestry Field Day

The Fall Forestry Field Day has been scheduled from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 12, at the Roy and Carolyn Turney's Tree

farm located southwest of Emporia. The Field Day will include forestry exhibits, vendors and seven concurrent outdoor educational sessions. Additional information including registration may be found at www.kansasforests.org/rural/forestsstewardship/fallfieldday.shtml or calling the Kansas Forest Service State Office at (785) 532-3300.

Western Plains Arts Association

The following Western Plains Arts Association presentations will be taking place between now and Oct. 9: Wednesday, Oct. 4, *Measure x Measure*, a unique a cappella men's group, at 7:30 p.m. at Oakley High School; *Ron Radford*, a Flamenco guitarist, will do a public performance at Sunday, Oct. 8, at Sharon Springs High School with two school presentations at Brewster Schools the next day, Oct. 9.

Care Center address

Cards and letters may be sent to Dave Roberson at Kindred Care Center, 1920 High Street, Room 502, Denver, CO 80218.

Health Laba Test Fair

The Cheyenne County Health Department is sponsoring a Health Lab Test Fair at the Bird City Clinic on Monday, Oct. 2.

Household Hazardous Waste Roundup

Household Hazardous Waste Roundup will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23.

Association to Benefit Cheyenne County

The Association to Benefit Cheyenne County meets every third

Thursday of the month at the Diamond R.

Hospital Board

The next meeting of the hospital board has been set for 3 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28, in the basement of the clinic in St. Francis.

St. Francis Library Art Gallery

The St. Francis Public Library will be displaying wooden replicas of guns - handmade and art pictures belonging to Stan Faulkender of Ellis, in the Library Art Gallery during the month of September.

Recovery Today/Narcotics Anonymous

Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building, Ca (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

Sainty Serenity Seekers/Alcoholics Anonymous

Sainty Serenity Seekers open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday evening at the United Methodist Education Building at 104 W. Webster, St. Francis. Call (785) 332-6542 for more information

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a-week services 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 if you are in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Couple celebrates 40 years

The children and grandchildren of Jane and Terry Burns welcomes you to join them in celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary with a dance at Two Lees Steakhouse in McDonald on Sept. 23 at 8:30 p.m.



Terry and Jane Burns

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

The George Banister family attended the Cheylin Homecoming activities Thursday and Friday.

Kathy Banister attended the funeral of Lavern Goltl Saturday afternoon in Bird City.

David Banister was home from college for the weekend.

Lynn and Rita Officer attended the funeral of Lavern Goltl Saturday

at St. John Lutheran Church in Bird City.

Lynn Officer took Ratha Lea Loker out to Denver Friday to see the doctor. She had a good checkup.

Bethel Goltl's children and other relatives have been here after Lavern's death. Many relatives, friends and neighbors have stopped to visit.

Did You Know?

•The first kind of pencil was a bunch of graphite sticks held together by string. Then someone decided it would be better to push the graphite into the inside of a hollow wooden stick. Joseph Rechendorfer was the first person to think of putting a piece of rub-

ber onto the top of a pencil which makes it real easy to rub out mistakes. Did you know that the average lead pencil can draw a line that is almost 35 miles long or you can write almost 50,000 words in English with just one pencil?

DID YOU KNOW...

BIRD CITY DAIRY FEED NEEDS FACTS

Corn Silage	12,000 - 15,000 tons @ 65% moisture
Alfalfa Hay	5,000 tons of dairy quality hay per yr. 1,000 tons of dry cow quality hay per yr.
Wheat Straw	1,250 - 1,500 tons per yr.
Dry Corn	12,000 - 15,000 bushels per month

For an information sheet on quality requirements and pricing contact Cathy Domsch at the Bird City Century II Development Foundation at 785-734-2556.



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Cheyenne County Health Department
Is Sponsoring A
HEALTH LAB TEST FAIR
at the Bird City Clinic
Mon., Oct. 2 • 7 a.m.-12 p.m.

Chem. -27 Panel with TSH - \$20
(No food or drink after midnight for Chem. -27 Panel)

PSA - \$20

Payment is due at the time of the test. No insurance will be billed

Contact 785-332-2381 for more information

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