

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

I'd like to share with you something that is near and dear to me that is as close as the nearest radio. It is National Public Radio. I know I'm not the only listener to High Plains Public Radio in this area. Based out of Garden City, we get it at KZNA-FM: 96.3. Whenever my boss, Karen Krien, and I drive to newspaper meetings we listen to it. I was introduced to the wonders of Public Radio when I was a college student. One of my professors turned me onto it and I've been a fan ever since. Probably the best way to describe the programming is that it is different. You won't hear "Top 40" music or standard canned news. Public Radio offers diversity in music and a quality of reporting similar to the

British Broadcasting Corporation. Depending on the time of day, Classical, Jazz, Folk and Country and Western music can be heard. Probably my two favorite shows come on Saturday. They are *Western Swing & Other Things* with Dodge City Marshal Alen Bailey hosting and *The Thistle and Shamrock*, that features Celtic music, hosted by Fiona Ritchie. During weekday mornings I can't wait for Skip Mancini's *Growing on the High Plains*. Mrs. Mancini provides interesting gardening tips that have a regional flavor. So whether you are traveling to Amarillo, Texas, through Guymon in the Oklahoma Panhandle or anywhere in western Kansas, let High Plains Public Radio accompany you. I guarantee you'll hear something different.



Kueck - Antholz

Couple announce approaching wedding

Meghann Dawn Kueck of Hutchinson and Cort Justin Antholz of McDonald announce their engagement and approaching wedding. Parents of the couple are Don and Patty Kueck of Hutchinson and Hal and Becky Antholz of McDonald. Cort's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Antholz, Bobbie Miller of McDonald and the late Reverend Charles Miller. Meghann is a graduate of Buhler High School and graduated from Kansas State University with a de-

gree in family studies and human services. She is employed as a case manager for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cheyenne County in St. Francis. Cort graduated from Cheylin High School and Kansas State University in Salina with a degree in aviation maintenance. He is a self-employed farmer/rancher in McDonald. The wedding is planned for Saturday, Oct. 14, at the Abbyville Community Church.

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

David Banister was home for the weekend. He attended the Northern Valley-Cheylin football game Friday evening on his way home. Debbie and George Banister also attended the game. Sunday dinner guests of the

George Banister family were Colleen Shrader and Lincoln Pochop. An additional supper guest was Josh Moyer. Joe and Charlene Kramer and Ryan and Diane Shay and family returned home Friday after being in Ozawkie for Ellen Kramer's funeral.

Bird City News

Bill Elliott of Amarillo, Texas, came last Saturday to visit his mother, Maude Elliott, leaving for home on Tuesday. He did many winterizing jobs for her while here.

The previous weekend, Brenda Villegas and two children, Jessica and Dale of Denver were visitors of Maude.

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Corrections

The Bird City Times will correct or clarify any mistake or misunderstanding in a news story. Please call our office at 332-3162 to report errors. We believe that news stories should be fair and factual, and appreciate your calling to our attention any failure to live up to this standard.

Death Notice

Neva Rose Richmond died Sept. 28 at St. Peters Hospital in Olympia, Wash. She was born Oct. 3, 1930. She is survived by her brother John Eggers.

Bird City Council

The Bird City Council met at their regular time on Monday evening but there were not enough members present to make a quorum so they meeting was adjourned and a new date of Thursday, Oct. 5 at 8:00 p.m. was set.

American Legion Auxiliary meeting

The Bird City American Legion Auxiliary will meet at 2 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 6. Members are urged to attend.

Bird City Community Club

The Bird City Community Club will meet at 7:30 on Thursday, Oct. 9, at the fellowship hall.

Senior Center Birthday Party

The Bird City Senior Center monthly birthday party will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 9.

Home Circle Club

The Home Circle Club will meet at Lebow Manor on Thursday, Oct. 19 at 2:00 p.m. Norma Butcher will be hostess.

Bird City Senior Center

Bird City Senior Center will have an open business meeting Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 3:00 p.m.

The Interstate Dialysis Center

There will be an open-house to celebrate the opening of The Interstate Dialysis Center on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. 334 S. 13 St. Burlington, Colo. 80807 Please respond to 719-346-6080. Facility Administrator, Courtney Maguire, Regional Director, Brenda Shrader, Medical Director, Clancy Howard, M.D.

Columbus Day closings

All federal offices, banks and financial institutions and the courthouse will be closed on Monday for

Columbus Day.

The St. Francis Herald will be open, but since there is no mail service, news and advertising copy may be left at the office or placed in the slot by the front door over the weekend. Deadline is 5 p.m. on Monday.

St. Francis schools will be closed on Monday for teacher in-service training. Cheylin schools will be in session as usual. State and city offices and most businesses will be open as usual.

Fur-harvest education courses

Two fur-harvest education courses are being planned in October. The first is set from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 28, at Bellamy Farm, 1615 Rd. 51, 11 miles south of Goodland. The next day, Sunday, Oct. 29, a class will be held at the Cheyenne County Gun Club, 1/3 mile south of St. Francis on Road 14, south of U.S. 36. Times are the same.

Preregistration is needed and lunch will be served. Call Mike Hopper, Kansas Wildlife and Parks officer, 785-899-5199, for more information or to register.

Historical Society

There will be a Cheyenne County Historical meeting at 5 p.m. on Oct. 10, at the Cheyenne County Museum. There will be a board meeting at 4.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group

The Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 9, at the St. Francis Public Library.

Cheyenne County Cruiser

Cheyenne County Cruisers will meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8, at Scott Schultz's building.

Anyone interested in joining the Cruisers is welcome to attend.

Fair Board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will hold its election of officers at its

regular meeting to be held at 8 p.m. today (Thursday), at the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Skateboard park meeting

Skateboard park meeting for all interested people. Sponsored by the Cheyenne County Youth Development (CCYD). October 12, 6PM, at Zero's (by the post office).

Vet rep in St. Francis

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs, at 9:30 a.m. central time on Thursday, Oct. 19, will be at the county clerk's office in St. Francis to assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims work. 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.

Computer workshop

Anyone interested in a mini workshop on a lap top computer, please contact the St. Francis Public Library at 332-3292 by Oct. 10.

Western Plains Arts Association

The following Western Plains Arts Association presentations will be taking place between now and Nov. 2: 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; Wichita Children's Theatre will do *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* in four area schools and an evening performance, on Oct. 19/20 at Hoxie, Quinter, Winona, Colby and Goodland High School; *Ballet Folklorico* will do a visual fiesta of culture featuring regional dances of old Mexico on Nov. 2 at Oakley.

Classes set for emergency medical technicians

A class for emergency medical technicians (EMTs) will be held starting Oct. 9 at the Goodland Regional Medical Center. The Cheyenne County Commissioners have indicated they will pay for anyone from the county wanting to take the class. To enroll, call Bruce Gleason, EMS director, 785-890-3625 or the county EMS office, 785-332-8888.

Annual Craft Show held Nov. 5

The annual St. Francis Craft Show sponsored by the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce, has been set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 5 at the grade school located at Washington and Francis streets. The

show offers a variety of items including wreaths, wooden painted items, Santa dolls, candles, ornaments, wood furniture, sweatshirts, floral arrangements, bird houses, baked goods, jewelry, barnwood items and many more things.

Crafter planning to have a booth at the show should contact the Chamber office, 785-332-2961, Tammy Grice, 785-332-2910 or Bonnie Zweygard, 785-332-2569.

Collyer Fall Street Festival

The second annual Collyer Fall Street Festival begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14. The event is a community rebuilding project fundraiser to celebrate the heritage and history in the Colyer Community. The event includes craft booths, food booth and Car Show and more. Related ad elsewhere.

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.

Bicycles still being collected

The Lions Club is still collecting bicycles to take to the Norton Correctional facility to be repaired. The bicycles made be taken to the Saint Francis Herald office for later pickup.

Recovery Today/ Narcotics Anonymous

Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (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.

McDonald News

By Vera Kacirek

The Antholz families celebrated birthdays on Friday morning with a breakfast at the Frosty Mug. Celebrating birthdays were Mindy Antholz, Jeri Antholz, and Janice Antholz. Other guests were Craig and Heath Antholz, Cort Antholz and his fiancée Meghann, Hal Antholz, C. J., and Jade, and Gilbert Antholz.

Gracie and Ty Sabatka were Thursday overnight guests of Jacque and Brian Hansen.

Kasey and Jennifer Sabatka and John were Thursday evening visitors of Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Betty Knapp went to Goodland on

Friday to baby-sit with her grandson, L. J. Purvis and was there when Katie Jo Purvis got off the school bus.

R. J. and Susie Sabatka spent the weekend in Manhattan with Rachel and Taylor Wilson.

Agnes Sabatka was a Thursday afternoon visitor of Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Ratha Lea Loker returned to her home in McDonald on Sunday after spending several weeks in the Good Samaritan Home in St. Francis.

Shalyn Harris of McCook spent the weekend with her grandparents, Greg and Cheryl Wilkinson. On Sunday afternoon they were visitors of Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson.

.. NOTICE ..

A Special Meeting of the governing body is hereby called to be held at the City Hall Thursday, Oct. 5 @ 8 p.m. for the purpose of the monthly council meeting which had to be rescheduled from Mon., Oct. 2.

Mayor Troy Burr

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 If you are interested in long term, stable employment, have basic computer skills or are willing to learn, enjoy helping people and can pass a background check, read on! Good Wages, benefits, opportunity for advancement, no travel or shift work. Work in an air conditioned, clean facility in Bird City. Bilingual a plus, active seniors welcome. We are testing the availability of the workforce in the area for a prospective business in the Bird City area. Send either a resume or letter of interest by Oct. 15, 2006 to Bird City Jobs, c/o TC #4, P.O. Box 488, Bird City, Ks. 67731.

**BIRD CITY CENTURY II**  
 Development Foundation  
 "A COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE BIRD CITY COMMUNITY."

**SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m.** 2 hours  
**Oct. 6, 7 & 8** **Gridiron Gang**  
*Drama, Adaptation, Sports and Teen*  
 Starring: Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson, Kevin Dunn, Xzibit, Kevin Dunn, Leon Rippy  
 Rated: PG-13 for some startling scenes of violence, mature thematic material and language  
**Cheyenne Theater** St. Francis, KS  
 785-332-2747  
 Children 11 & under: \$2 12-18 yr.: \$3 Senior Citizens: \$3 Adults: \$4

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK ...**  
*If everything is coming your way you must be in the wrong lane —*  
 As Commissioner I don't expect to have everything my way. As on any board, there has to be some give and take.  
**Ernie Ketzner** Cheyenne County Commissioner District 1  
*Pol. adv. pd. for by Ernie Ketzner*

**CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL** 210 W. 1st • St. Francis, KS  
 785-332-2104  
 THE CHEYENNE COUNTY HOSPITAL WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES AND DEPARTMENTS:  
**Purchasing Week ~ October 1-7**  
 Kathy Hertel & Dorothy Semler  
**Food Services Week ~ October 2-8**  
 Laura Lamb, Christa Brown & Galina Tsernikel  
**Physical Therapy Month**  
 Shara Johnson, JoAnn Klie & Sara Houtman  
**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK!**  
 .. Notice ..  
 The Cheyenne County Hospital Front entrance is now open for foot and wheelchair traffic. Vehicles will not be able to park in the driveway for the next couple of weeks until the barricade is removed. Thanks for your patience and cooperation.

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