



# Bulletin Board

## Casey's Comments

**By Casey McCormick**  
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Another piece of my earlier life has departed with the death of Don Meredith last week.

Fond memories fill my head of the excitement that came before Monday Night Football each week. When the program first began in 1970, I was 10-years-old. During that time the National Football League was as important to me as anything else in my little world.

Like so many things, the original is always the best. ABC sports producer, Boone Arledge, assembled the team of Don Meredith, Howard Cosell and Frank Gifford to call the matches.

The chemistry of these three was an entertaining addition to the football games. Meredith was the "good old boy" from the country who never took himself,

or anything else, too seriously. Cosell embodied the abrasive New Yorker whose over-extensive vocabulary was forever on display. Gifford was the all-American, clean-cut guy who played straight man for the other two.

There were not many Mondays when these games were missed. Teams enjoyed knowing that their contest was the only one to be viewed by a national audience that evening.

Even though Cosell had the kind of personality that most seemed to hate, his half-time highlights of the previous day's games were my favorite part of the broadcast.

Over the years the game itself has changed. So has Monday Night Football, now a part of the ESPN network. I suppose I'm a bit different from that bright-eyed boy of yesteryear. But some memories are as clear as ever.

## Turn on Christmas lights Wednesday

With the warm weather and nice days, people have been outside decorating their trees, bushes and yards. The Bird City Community Club encourages everyone who has decorated to leave their lights on the evenings of Dec. 15, and 16. Last year's first place winners will be driven up and down every street in Bird City to judge the homes.

No entries are needed for the city, however, country homes wishing to be judged should call 332-8452.

Community Club presents first place with \$75, second place, \$50, and third place, \$25. Everyone needs to get the finishing touches on those lights as the winners will be announced on Dec. 18, at Santa Day.

## Digital equipment fund getting close to enough money

The Cheyenne Theater Board meet on Monday night and were excited to see that, by Tuesday, the digital equipment fund will have over \$22,000 in donations.

"That means that we are getting close to our goal of \$25,000," said Robert Grace, board member.

The entire Theater Board is not only excited by this prospect, said Mr. Grace, but also truly appreciative of the strong support that we have gotten from the nearly 200 people who

have given so generously. We are especially happy with the very strong support that we have gotten from here in Cheyenne County.

Digital cinema is the newest technology for movie theaters. The movie is on a hard drive which means the cost of shipping the 70-pound film and canisters will be reduced dramatically, there will be no labor of threading, splicing and mounting the film and the picture quality will be superb.

The total cost of the equipment is projected to be around \$75,000. The city of St. Francis, which basically funds the theater, is also budgeting money each year.

The Board opened a second bid for the installation of digital cinema at the Monday meeting.

"We are very hopeful that as long as the donations keep coming, we will be able to fund digital cinema and 3D very soon," Mr. Grace said. "For many of us on the board, this goal looked very difficult six months ago, so it is wonderful Christmas present to be able to be seriously contemplating meeting the goal in such a short period of time."

## Menu

- Dec. 20-22 Monday**  
 Breakfast: Sausage and scrambled eggs.  
 Lunch: Tostitos, chili and fries.
- Tuesday**  
 Breakfast: Biscuit, boiled egg.  
 Lunch; Christmas dinner: ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, dessert.
- Wednesday**  
 Breakfast: Oatmeal and fruit.  
 Lunch: Turkey sandwich and fries.

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**Death notice**  
 Bud Frisbie died at the Cheyenne County Hospital on Sunday. Funeral services are set for 11 p.m. on Thursday at the McDonald Federated Church. Memorials may be made to the church or the Cheylin Endowment Fund.

**Chamber scrip**  
 People receiving St. Francis Chamber scrip need know that the scrip can be spent in any business in Cheyenne County. However, the scrip cannot be redeemed for cash, cannot receive change nor can it be deposited. The scrip can also be used to pay taxes or light bills.

Chamber suggested that the scrip money be used by March 2011.

Businesses can deposit the check in the bank.

**Play presented**  
 The Wesleyan Church of Bird City is presenting the play, "Tree-Mendous Love...From the Manger to the Cross," on Sunday at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will follow in the fellowship hall.

**Salvation Army online**  
 Salvation Army is currently running their Kettle campaign. Donations can be made to the Cheyenne County Salvation Army unit by going to [onlinekettle.com](http://onlinekettle.com) (Select unit: First name: Cheyenne Co Last: Kansas) or they can be mailed to: TSA, PO Box 462, St Francis, KS 67756, or dropped off at the Cheyenne County Treasurer's office.

**Hand gun class**  
 Will be offering a concealed hand gun class on Dec. 18 at the Cheyenne County Wildlife Clubhouse beginning at 8 a.m. Contact Terry Rieger at 785-332-5031. (See C.)

**Bird City 125th DVD**  
 A memorable DVD of Bird City's 125th Celebration and Main Street in Bird City in 2010 is available to order with over 600 pictures. Call Candy Glasco at 785-734-2797 or e-mail [lcg@eaglecom.net](mailto:lcg@eaglecom.net)

**Herald/Times/Advocate updates**  
 The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times office will be

closed on Friday, Dec. 24 and Friday, Dec. 31.

The deadline for the *Country Advocate* which will be inserted in the Dec. 30 issue of *The Herald and Times* is on Thursday, Dec. 23.

**Holiday Community Chorus**  
 Performances for the Holiday Community Chorus are scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 18, at Salem Lutheran Church and Sunday, Dec. 19, at Peace Lutheran Church, this one will benefit the food pantry. For more information call Neala at (785) 332-8996.

**Wildlife range open**  
 The Cheyenne County Wildlife range has reopened.

**Peace of Mind AA**  
 Peace of Mind AA will meet at the St. Francis Public Library at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. Contact Kris D. at (785) 332-4410 or (785) 772-5090.

**Narcotics Anonymous**  
 Narcotics Anonymous meetings are held at 104 W Webster/Methodist Education Building on Sunday nights at 8 p.m. and 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.

**Correction**  
 In the Bird City Times last week, there was an article about an injured dog and it stated that there was not a vet available. Dr. Judy Baxter, St. Francis, said she was on call that weekend and she never received a call.

## E-waste planned after Christmas

**By Karen Krien**  
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Christmas is almost here and Santa has orders to bring new televisions, computers and microwaves, just to name a few of those electronic gifts. Now, what do residents do with the old equipment?

If residents will just hold on to those items until after the first of the year, said Roger Jensen, coordinator and representative of the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Organization board, we will have a collection.

In the past, grant money has paid for the collection of these items but that grant has run out. Seeing the importance of having a place to bring televisions, computers and other items, the board has agreed to send a semi to St. Francis so people from the county can bring in their items.

This collection will cost those bringing items in 25-cents a pound. This just pays for the cost of transportation, Mr. Jensen said.

A trailer will be brought from the Colby center after the first of the year. The collection site is tentatively set for the recycling

center in St. Francis (south of the museum on U.S. 36).

For the last two year, the Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling organization has been able to offer free e-waste pick up because of a grant. During those two years, the eight counties involved brought in over 200 tons of e-waste items to the Colby center.

Today, the center is also a retail store where a volunteer comes in, repairs and cleans up much of the items. The recycled items are then sold at a minimal cost.

Some of the items considered for e-waste collection are: computers, parts and accessories, printers, scanners, fax machines, copy machines, telephones, cellular phones, answering machines, televisions, stereos, DVD and VCR players, speakers, radios, tape recorders, satellite receivers, toner and ink-jet cartridges, computer games and rechargeable batteries.

Look for more information about the time and date of the e-waste pick up in January. If there are questions, they can be directed to Mr. Jensen at 785-332-5011.



VIAREO WIRELESS has requested to add 30 feet to the existing tower behind the fire station.  
*Times staff photo by Norma Martinez*

**The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times Will be CLOSED**

**Friday, Dec. 24 & Friday, Dec. 31**

Advocate Deadline for Dec. 29 will be noon, Thursday, Dec. 23

**The staff at the St. Francis Herald and Bird City Times wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

**SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 2 hr. 26 min.**

**Harry Potter & The Deathly Hallows Part 1**  
**Dec. 17, 18 & 19** PG-13 for some sequences of intense action violence and frightening images.

Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson, Rupert Grint, Ralph Fiennes, Helena Bonham Carter  
 Action/Adventure, Fantasy, Adaptation and Sequel

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

Children 12 & Under: \$3 All Others: \$5

*Christmas in McDonald*

**Saturday, Dec. 18, 11 a.m.**  
 Legion Hall

**Pancakes & Santa**  
 Trap Shoot & Pitch for turkeys & hams  
 Bingo for Prizes

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

**December Calendar**

**Dr. Frankum Dec. 15**  
**Dr. Uyemura Dec. 29**  
**Nuc Med Dec. 28**

**Epidurals each month**  
**CT and Ultrasound daily**

**For more information or to schedule an appointment call 785-332-2104**

*Thank you to everyone that attended the dance on Saturday night*

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