### **Casey's Comments**

### **By Casey McCormick**

mccormickcasey@rocketmail.com I remember what is was like growing up during the Cold War.

Living in the U.S. in the 1960s was hard not to sometimes wonder about all those Soviet nuclear missiles pointed at us. In Denver we had Cheyenne Mountain, with the NORAD base inside, to the south and Rocky Flats, nuke weapons provider, to the north. It was obvious we were in the cross hairs should the Russians start shooting.

But those days are over. So is the need for all the missile silos that lay hidden underground in different parts of our country. So what do you do with the old, unused silos?

Some developers are transforming them into condominiums. In fact if you're interested,

you can buy space in one not too far from us in central Kansas.

There were 72 Atlas F-series silo complexes built in America. Several were positioned around the now extinct Schilling Air Force Base near Salina. The closest to us would be #8 outside Wilson.

Elmentary cafeteria. The menu The cost to build each in 1960's dollars was \$15 million. It is estimated that cost would be about \$60 million today.

The question I have to ask is why set up home in a missile silo? Yes there are risks with liva.m. through 10:30 a.m. Parents and friends are invited to bring ing anywhere. But why would you need to be in a reinforced concrete bunker that could withstand 500 m.p.h. winds? Wouldn't it be easier just to hunker down in the storm cellar instead?

Because, last I heard, the Cold War is over.

# **Association holds** annual meeting

#### By Norma Martinez

normamartinez.@wildblue.net After the Kansas Day celebration on Sunday the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Association held a meeting at the Methodist Church with 15 people present. Last year's show was up in attendance, and plans are being made to make this year's show better than last year's.

During the last meeting it was decided that something needed to be done to insulate Building 5 where the food is served for the barbecue. Rod Klepper applied for and received a grant from Century II in the amount of \$18,000 to make the following upgrades to this building: apply spray on insulation on the walls and ceiling, install wooden side walls for protection, paint the entire inside of the building, and install 10 56-inch ceiling fans for ventilation.

Gerald Wright purchased eight new industrial gym lights from the St. Francis high school for

\$400 to be used in the Steam Engine room which will provide

better lighting. Ken Beougher donated a new whistle for one of the Nichols and Shephard Steam Engines, Art Wilkins has donated a heavy duty welding table for the welding shop, and Lonnie Coon acquired a heavy-duty vice for the machine shop.

Motion was made and carried to obtain the services of John Schaffner, the Cowboy Poet Chuckwagon Cook to provide a Saturday morning breakfast consisting of pancakes, ham, juice and coffee. He sets up chuckwagon style and cooks over the open coals. The charge will only be the price of the meal.

It was brought to everyone's attention that the deadline is April 2 for articles to be put into the newsletter. The annual thresher show meeting is set for March 3. All interested people are invited to attend.

**Bulletin Board** day, Feb. 12. More information beginning with A should purchase

#### The Bird City Historical Assoto follow. ciation, Inc. meeting will be post-

Meeting postponed

poned until Feb. 10. If you have

Cinco de Mayo planning

planning will be held at 7 p.m. on

Thursday, Feb. 9, at the Cheylin

will be discussed. All those inter-

ested in the celebration are urged

**Library StoryTime** 

ages 3 - 5 years old for time of

reading and fun. Come for 10

**Home Circle** 

for the February meeting of the

Home Circle Club. It will be held

at the Manor on Thursday, Feb.

20, at 2 p.m. Be sure to wear red!

**Hospital Guild meets** 

tal Guild meeting will be held at

2 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 6, at the

St. Francis Senior Center. Cheryl

Lee, R.N., will speak about home

p.m., on Thursday at the Church

of Christ, 502 W. Spencer in St.

The types of food vary and in-

clude vegetables, fruits, juices,

meat, cereals, peanut butter, non-

The food is shipped to the

To be eligible for commodities,

\$1,180 – household of one;

\$1,594 – household of two;

\$2,008 – household of three;

\$2,422 - 'household of four. For

each additional family member,

Fair board

The Cheyenne County Fair

Church of Christ. It is supplied

the household's total monthly in-

fat dried milk and pastas.

four or more times per year.

come must be below:

add \$414.

Francis.

The Cheyenne County Hospi-

Cheryl Lee will be the hostess

minutes or for the entire time.

Story Time will be Friday at 9

A Cinco de Mayo celebration

call 785-734-2383.

to attend.

Get well cards

Mary Dorsch had hip surgery, any questions about this, please and she is home at the farm. Cards and calls can be sent to her there.

Veterans' Affairs

Jody Tubbs of the Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs will be in St. Francis at 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. at the county clerk's office to assist veterans and their dependents with VA claims work on Thursday. Those unable to come can contact Ms. Tubbs in St. Francis, or the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

#### **Emergency number**

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

Get well cards

Get well cards and letters will reach Roberta Linin at: Shelly Beese, 6203 West 146th Street, Overland Park, KS 66223.

Recycling

The Bird City City Council is requesting that all recycling rules be followed especially breaking down cardboard boxes before

While doing your cleaning, check under your bed for any overdue library books. The Bird City Public Library is not charging any fines for 6 months in an attempt to recover items. So please help out by returning items from months or years back. If we are not open please leave items in the outside return.

#### **Books needed**

The Chevlin elementary parent group is planning a book exchange along with the I-Carly spaghetti supper this spring. They are asking for donations of preschool, elementary or junior high level books. Bring to the elementary office or Title I room. The evening of the supper, students will have the opportunity to choose one book to keep.

### Free popcorn

The Cheyenne Theater Com-Board will meet at 7 p.m. on mittee 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.

> Tag deadline All residents with last names



their car, pickup, motorcycle and

motorized bike tags and pay their

vehicle personal property tax by

the end of the month to avoid

Driver's license needs to be

presented or entered on form at

paying a penalty.

time of renewal.

**Treasurer's office** Due to illness, the county treasurer's office will only have one clerk in the office from Thursday, Feb. 2, through Tuesday, Feb. 7. The office will also be closed from noon to 1 p.m. each of those days. Note that the deadline for heavy trucks and trailers is Feb. 29.



**Baker** – **Bunjes** 

### **Couple planning May** wedding in Colorado

Alyssa Christine Bunjes and Zachariah Courtney Baker are planning to be married on May 25 in Thornton, Colo., where they currently live.

Alyssa is the daughter of Nancy Bunjes of Thornton, and Dale Bunjes of Cowley, Wyo., and formerly of St. Francis. She is the granddaughter of Carol Nott of Thornton, and the late Ed Nott; and L.A. and Kay Bunjes of St. Francis.

Zachariah is the son of Tom and Sandy Baker of Thornton. He is the grandson of the late James G. Costan and the late Dolores L. Kroll

The bride-to-be is a 2005 graduate of Horizon High School, Thornton, and received her bachelor's degree in nursing in 2009 from the Denver School of Nursing. She is currently employed by Exempla St Joseph's Hospital in Denver, Colo., as a registered nurse.

The groom-to-be is a 2004 graduate of Horizon High School and attended Western State College in Gunnison and Metro State College in Denver. He is employed by AT&T Mobility in Thornton as a retail sales consultant.

War Horse				
Feb. 3, 4 & 5	Action/Adventure,Adaptation, Drama			
Peter Mullan, Emily Watson, Niels Arestr David Thewlis, Tom Hiddleston	rup, PG-13 (for for intense sequences of war violence)			
CHEYENNE TH	<b>St. Francis, KS</b> 785-332-2747			
Children 12 & Under: \$4	All Others: \$6			
3D Movies: Children 12 & Un	der \$5 All Others: \$7			

### **School Menu**

### Monday

Breakfast: cinnamon raisin biscuits, sausage patties

Lunch: deli ham sandwiches, macaroni and cheese, broccoli salad

Tuesday

pudding Thursday Breakfast: scrambled eggs with cheese

bananas and strawberries, dirt

Lunch: quesadillas, cream corn,

Lunch: hamburger patty with

Thursday in the commissioners' room in the courthouse. **Residents write book** "Memories and musing," a

book written by Good Samaritan Village residents, will be available at the open house on Sun-

#### health services. Hostesses are Lucille Price and Wilma Lampe. they are thrown in the bin. **Commodities distribution** Library books Cheyenne County commodity distribution of government surplus will be from 5 to 5:30

Breakfast: pancakes Lunch: chicken fajitas, rice, snicker salad vegetables, rolls

Wednesday Fifth grade lunch yogurt

gravy, mashed potatoes, rolls, Breakfast is served daily with

toast, cereal, juice and milk. Lunch is served daily with salad Breakfast: blueberry scones, bar, fruit and milk

Come & Go Wedding Reception for Rocky & Hannah (Sowers) Gomez Saturday, Feb. 4 2 - 4 p.m. at Living Water Fellowship Church, 306 N. Bird Ave. in Bird City, Ks. 67731

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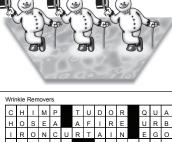
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2005 Ford F-250 Lariat, L.	Box, 133K m	iles, #T9945A	\$17,500	
2006 Ford 250, R/C, L. b	ox, Local Trad	le, 100K, #T4	374A \$19,000	
2006 Toyota Camry, 103k	к, т4408в		\$8,900	
2007 Ford F150 Lariat Cre	ew Cab, Leath	ner, 91K, #TO	005A \$25,500	
2007 Ford F-150 King Ran	ich, Crew Cal	o, 69K, #T649		
2007 Ford Edge, 70K, #To	6601A		\$17,900	
2008 Mercedes C300 Spo	ort, 56K, load	led, #4538VA	\$28,995	
2008 Ford Fusion 3.0 V-6,	102K SEL pk	g., #T8153A	\$12,500	
2008 Ford F-150 Lariat, C	rew Cab, 59k	(, #T7342A	\$28,000	
2008 Toyota Tundra, 2 W	D, SRS, #T10	28C	\$26,000	
2008 Mercury Mariner Pr				
2008 GMC Acadia, SLT p	kg., Loaded,	Dual DVD,#T	0869B \$18,000	
2009 Lincoln MKZ, Super	low miles, 16	K, #85233A	\$27,900	
2009 Cadillac STS, loaded	d, #T2882A		\$29,000	
2010 Ford F250 XLT, Crew	/ Cab, 6.8L g	as, 45K, #797		
2010 Ford F-150 XLT, 11,5	00 miles, #T4	951A	\$31,950	
2010 Ford F-150 4x4, Blue	e, Crew Cab,	34K, #T1028	A \$33,500	
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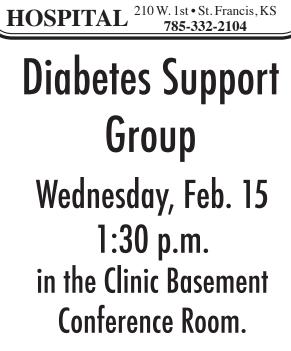
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