

Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick

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So, what have you learned lately?
I hope you will agree that an education never ends. My thoughts are that we are built to continue to question and find answers to the world around us. And the process never ends.
Much of my continuing education comes through books.
For instance, I finally figured out who the Scotch-Irish (or Scots-Irish) are. Probably not a bad idea since they're a big part of my makeup.
English King James I, back in the early 1600s, had a problem which would last for centuries. What to do about the rebellious, Gaelic speaking, devout Catholic people of Northern Ireland?
His plan was to begin a new colony using lowland Scots and boarder English, who were Protestant, in a large area called the Ulster Plantation.
These people were used to fighting and staying together, so they adapted well in the hos-

tile environment. As it was, they were not treated much better by the crown than the existing Irish. So when the opportunity came to keep moving on to the New World these Scotch-Irish sailed across the Atlantic.
Coincidentally, the established hierarchy in the American colonies had the same idea of placing these people along the western borders of the expanding coastal regions so they could take care of another difficult group who stood in the way of colonial growth: the Native American Indians.
Needless to say, the Scotch-Irish were a good fit here also, but they, along with other colonists, grew tired of taking orders from an English king and the rest is history.
My hope is that we are not like a bunch of mindless jelly fish floating around in an ocean of nothingness as we pass the time of existence.
So I ask again, what have you learned lately?

School Menu

May 12 - May 15

Monday

Breakfast: Biscuit with sausage pattie and cheese, yogurt, fruit cup, toast, and milk
Lunch: Taco burger, oven fries, black bean corn salsa, garden spinach salad, mandarin oranges, tropical fruit, and milk
Tuesday
Breakfast: Pancakes with peanut butter or syrup, fruit juice, fruit cup, cereal, and milk
Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, garlic toast, fruit jello, romaine and tomato salad, red applesauce, peaches, and milk
Wednesday
Breakfast: Pumpkin chocolate

chip bar, fruit juice, yogurt, fruit cup, cereal, and milk
Lunch: Chicken wrap, nacho cheese and chips, steamed carrots, garden spinach salad, strawberries and peaches, grapes, and milk
Thursday
Breakfast: English muffin with peanut butter, jam or cream cheese, fruit juice, fruit cup, cereal, and milk
Lunch: Hamburger with bun, baked beans, chips potato salad, Rice Krispy bar, mixed lettuce salad, pears, fruit cocktail, and milk
Menu Subject to Changes

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Deb Malone and Ellen Dewey visited Ellen's sister, Laura Craig in Alma Saturday and had lunch together.
Tayten and Tru Dewey were participants in the Goodland Youth Track Meet Saturday. Tom and Kelly Dewey, and Grandma Barb Morton all attended.
Kathy Banister attended the potluck dinner after Mass Sunday at St. Josephs.
Guests this weekend of Bethel Goltl and Don Bruder were Don's niece and nephew, Glenda Carter and Gary Neitzel. They all celebrated Don's birthday Friday night at Big Ed's. On Sunday they all enjoyed cake that Glenda and Gary brought.
Sunday afternoon, Charlene Kramer attended a piano and guitar recital by students of Lila Whitmore in St. Francis at the Method-

ist Church. Kailey, Reid, Rayden, and Rhett Shay were among the students that performed.
Rosiland Bundy had back surgery in Denver and returned to the Colby Hospital. Charlene Kramer brought her home from Colby Wednesday.
Wednesday evening, Charlene Kramer attended the Awna Award Night in St. Francis. Rayden, Rhett, and Ronan Shay received awards.
Lynn and Rita Officer returned home Wednesday from visiting Mark Officer and family, Michael Officer and family, and Kale and Jennifer Regier in Tulsa, Okla.
Tessa Davis and Rita Officer called on Ratha Lea Loker Friday in St. Francis.
Lynn and Rita Officer took Ratha Lea Loker out for pizza Sunday evening.

May 24th 6PM
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Bulletin Board

Bird City Historical Association
The Bird City Historical Association, Inc. will meet on Friday, May 9th at 2:00 p.m. at our office. All of you history buffs from around this area are welcome to join us.
Memorial Day potluck
The Bird City seniors will be hosting a potluck on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 at noon, for all who care to join. Especially welcome are families returning "home" for the weekend to enjoy food and visiting at the Senior Center. 19
May birthdays
The May birthdays will be celebrated at the Bird City Senior Center on Monday, May 12 at 3 p.m. 19.
Saturday In The Park Car and Bike Show
The Saturday In The Park Car and Bike Show will be held on Saturday, May 10 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at Sawhill Park in St. Francis. Vintage vehicles, motorcycles, and tractors will be on display for the public. There is

no charge to attend the show. 18
Drive 4UR Community
Yost Ford is sponsoring a Drive 4UR Community event during the Saturday in the Park Car and Bike Show on May 10 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Ford will donate \$20 per registrant to the project, which has been earmarked for a non-profit organization such as the St. Francis motorcycle museum. 18
Donna's Gift Palace
Donna's Gift Palace is celebrating their 20th anniversary. They will be having sales, and holding a scarf demonstration at Cuppa Joes on May 7 at 7:30 p.m. Attend the demonstration and go to the Gift Palace to receive discounts! 18
Soccer clinic
Cheylin Recreation Commission Soccer Clinic at the Bird City park from 9 to 10 am Saturday mornings May 3 and 12. Call Tina at 785 734-7141 for more information or questions.18.
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. 19.
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.

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.
Notice
The Bulletin Board is reserved for activities that are FREE to the public. Any activities that have a charge will be included in the Bulletin Board ONLY if a paid ad is purchased.
Correction
In the Spring School Section, on page 11, a picture of Morgan Kauten was incorrectly identified as Hannah Louderbaugh. We apologize for the error.

Blood donors give patients the chance to create a lifetime

With summer right around the corner, the American Red Cross asks eligible donors to make giving blood as much a part of their summer plans as barbecues, ball games and road trips. Donors of all blood types are needed.
"Blood donations often decline during the summer when schools are out of session and families are vacationing," said Tricia Quinn, CEO, Central Plains Blood Services Region. "But the need for blood is constant. Eligible donors are encouraged to make an appointment now to roll up a sleeve and give patients a chance for hope this summer and throughout the year."
The Red Cross provides blood to approximately 2,700 hospitals and transfusion centers across the country. Each day, the Red Cross must collect about 15,000 blood donations to meet the needs of

patients at these facilities.
Learn more and make an appointment to donate blood by visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS.
Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Cheyenne County: May 20, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Peace Lutheran Church, 202 N College, Saint Francis, Kan.; in Rawlins County: on May 14, Noon to 5 p.m., Knights of Columbus, Atwood, Kan.

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McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

Rita Schmid and Kenneth and Phyllis Wilkinson visited Ratha Lea Loker in St. Francis Thursday.
Betty Lewis, Eleanor Swihart, and Joan Tongish enjoyed shopping in Goodland Friday.
Becky Antholz, and Gilbert and Janice Antholz spent Wednesday through Sunday in Seward, NE with Brett and Tina Smith helping them with a moving garage sale.
Brenda Knapp was a Saturday guest of her parents, Jerry and

Betty Knapp and helped her Dad celebrate his birthday.
Travis Knapp was a weekend guest of his parents, Jerry and Betty Knapp.
Sherrie Nelson and Charlene Nelson visited Jerry and Betty Knapp Monday on Jerry's birthday and brought him a birthday goody.
Lois Morelock spent the weekend in Hoxie with Gary and Lisa Johnson. She attended the funeral of her cousin, Glen Brown.

SHOWTIME: 7:30 p.m. 1 hrs. 41 min.
May 9-11 Rio 2 3D Rated G
Starring: Jesse Eisenberg, Anne Hathaway and Jemaine Clement
3D showing Friday and Saturday evenings. Shown in 2D on Sunday, 2 & 7:30 p.m. for 2D prices.
CHEYENNE THEATER St. Francis, KS 785-332-2747
Children 12 & Under: \$4 All Others: \$6
3D Movies: Children 12 & Under \$6 All Others: \$8

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