

Casey's Comments

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Last week I wrote about my high school band instructor, Larry Wallace. It's funny how after several decades a lesson he taught still hangs fresh in my memory.

I had two older siblings who played instruments at our high school. So when I got there with my trombone I was a shoe-in, I thought. In my mind it didn't matter how hard I worked or what I put into it, I deserved to be in the top band.

Mr. Wallace must of believed this kid belonged with the best group, but he could also tell who had practiced the music. To my shock he sent me down to the "B" group.

"How dare he!" I remember

thinking to myself. "Doesn't he know who he's dealing with?"

For some odd reason I thought I deserved to be treated differently without any consideration to whether it was merited or not.

But guess what that got me to do, once I got over the self pity part? A decision was made to show Mr. Wallace what a talent he had in me. So I practice and practice and practice. When the next time came around for tryouts I did both him, and me, proud.

I'm pretty sure Mr. Wallace is no longer with us. But I sure hope he knew what a difference he made in my life and all the other students who he helped with a dose of reality and a challenge to exceed past the basics.

Obituary

Diane Klein
 Nov. 30, 1954 - Feb. 14, 2012

Diane L. Klein, 57, died Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2012, at the North Colorado Medical Center in Greeley, Colo. She was born Nov. 30, 1954, in St. Francis, Kan., to Kenneth and Janette Chisham.

Diane has lived in the Brush and

Fort Morgan, Colo., communities since 1982. Prior to ill health forcing her retirement, Diane worked as the market director at Valley View Villa Nursing Home. She enjoyed cooking and photography. Her most precious times were spent with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Diane attended the Sanctuary when her health permitted. She was very involved in the Operation Christmas Child program over the years.

Her family said Diane longed for her path to spend eternity with her heavenly Father and is rejoicing in knowing that she is spending time in heaven.

Survivors include her daughter, Katisha Klein of Fort Morgan; her parents, Kenneth and Janette Chisham of Lenora, Kan., three brothers, including Terry Chisham of Lenora; and two special grandchildren, Tristina Kage and Brenden Kage.

School Menu

Monday
 Breakfast: tornados.
 Lunch: twice-baked zita, vegetable.

Tuesday
 Fourth grade lunch
 Breakfast: pancakes
 Lunch: hamburger on bun, corn on cob, lattice fries, kiwi, bomb pops

Wednesday
 Spring break-No school

Thursday
 Spring break-No school

Bulletin Board

Get well cards

Cards and letters can be sent to: Ivalee Mears, Rm. 106, Citizens Memorial Hospital, 1500 N. Oakland, Bolivar, MO, 65613. For more information call Beth Klepper.

Veterans' affairs

Judy 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, March 1. If you are unable to contact Ms. Tubbs in St. Francis, you may contact the office in Colby any Monday, Wednesday or Friday at (785) 462-3572.

Early childhood screen

The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center (NKESC) staff will have a free early childhood screening on Monday, March 5 at the United Methodist Church in Bird City. Parents of infants, toddlers and preschoolers are encouraged to take advantage of this developmental screening. Please contact Deanna Nelsen at the elementary school at 734-2351, ext. 200, to set up an appointment.

Technicians needed

The Cheyenne County Emergency Medical Service is looking for emergency medical technicians (EMTs). A class will be offered in the near future. For more information, check ad in this week's newspaper or call 332-8888. Signup deadline is March 10.

Bird City school alumni

The annual Bird City High School alumni banquet is coming up in May. Held each year on Memorial Day weekend, the classes gather for a banquet and fun. Many time, honor classes will gather at someone's home or a special place for "catching up."

This year, there seems to be a problem with anyone wanting to head the activities. Those interested in seeing the alumni festivities continuing should contact the Bird City Public Library, 785-734-2203.

Cheylin Board of Education
 The regular monthly meeting of the Cheylin Board of Education will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m.

City council

The Bird City City Council will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday at city hall.

Fair board

The Cheyenne County Fair Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday in the commissioners' room in the courthouse, St. Francis.

Get well cards

Get well cards can be sent to: Myra Miller, Villa Rehab Center, 7950 West Mississippi Ave., Lakewood, CO, 80226. Room 49.

Get well cards

Sharon McCann had open heart surgery on Feb. 9. She is home and would appreciate calls at 785-734-2471, as well as cards sent to: 216 W. Second St., Bird City, KS 67731.

Emergency number

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

Recycling

The Bird City City Council is requesting that all recycling rules be followed especially breaking down cardboard boxes before they are thrown in the bin.

Library books

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.

Free popcorn

The Cheyenne Theater Committee 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 beginning with "B" should purchase their car, pickup, motorcycle and motorized bike tags and pay their vehicle personal property tax by the end of the month to avoid paying a penalty.

Driver's license needs to be presented or entered on form at time of renewal.

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.



Dankenbring

Card shower requested

Meta Dankenbring will be celebrating her 95th birthday on Tuesday, March 6. Her family is asking that cards be sent to her to make her day special. Meta's address is P.O. Box 295, Bird City, KS 67731.



Republicans participate in caucus

Republicans from all over Kansas will be participating in the Kansas Republican Caucus on Saturday, March 10. Cheyenne County registered Republicans are also encouraged to participate by coming to the St. Francis Community High School cafeteria at 9:30 a.m. to sign in with the anticipation of the actual voting.

Those signing in must have government issued identification. One of the identifications that is acceptable is a driver's license. They must also be registered by Feb. 17.

Once there, registered voters will hear from representatives of each still viable candidate and then vote. The meeting begins at 10 a.m. but polls will remain open until 1 p.m.

The caucus is designed to say to the Republican National

Committee how much support the state of Kansas has for the various Republican candidates. Kansas has 40 delegates to the National Convention and it will take 1,144 delegates to nominate the ultimate GOP presidential candidate.

The caucus is different than the traditional primary in that it

is run by the state party, paid for by contributions as opposed to the primary which is sanctioned and funded by taxpayers in the state. The last time a standard primary was held in Kansas was 1992.

Local results will be made known through *The Saint Francis Herald* and *Bird City Times*.

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 Sat., March 3, 9 a.m. - noon
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Join us for the Cheyenne County Spring Health Fair
April 16 - 20

Blood Lab Draws: Monday, April 16th, Tuesday, April 17th, Wednesday, April 18th
 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. each day in St. Francis at the Cheyenne County Health Department (no appointment needed for lab draws)
 Blood Lab Draws: Tuesday, April 17th and Wednesday, April 18th
 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. each day in Bird City at the clinic (no appointment needed for lab draws)
 Lab Fee: \$45.00 due at time of service!
 Men and Women Exams also available
 April 18 - 20th - must make an appointment.

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