

Bulletin Board

Casey's Comments

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I don't care who you are or where your family came from, there should be some pride in your heritage. If for nothing else, your fore bearers survived long enough to put you on this good, green earth.

there are 22 presidents with links to the Emerald Isle.

A couple of names from different industries: William Randolph Hearst and Henry Ford. Before his son did so much to build the automobile with mass production, Ford's father was evicted from the family home in Cork in 1847.

My clan has always embraced our humble Scot-Irish roots. The first McCormick headed to the New World as a stow-away on a sailing ship in the late 1700s. He wasn't discovered until it was too late to turn back to his County Antrim in Northern Ireland. Rather than throw him overboard he worked the passage and then was sold as an indentured servant in the Carolinas. After a few years of slavery he ran away to Kentucky where my father's folks lived for several generations.

From the world of entertainment there is Gregory Peck, Buster Keaton and Marrion Morrison. The last was better known as John Wayne. Maybe that Celtic blood explains the fine job he did in "The Quiet Man."

So I enjoy St. Patrick's Day both to honor Ireland's patron saint and its culture. In that vein, I'd like to share a few Irish-Americans you might be surprised to know of.

I would be negligent if the ladies of the group were not represented.

Buffalo Bill Cody, Davey Crockett and Andrew Jackson had Irish roots. Jackson, the seventh president, beat out Kennedy by a few years. In fact,

Actresses Grace Kelly and Helen Hayes, the first woman on the Supreme Court, Sandra Day O'Connor, and artist Georgia O'Keefe have ties, too.

In closing, how about a couple of "Mollies?" Molly Pitcher of the American Revolution as well as Titanic survivor Molly Brown are also members of the club.

So on Saturday, whether you're one of us or not, take a moment to celebrate those who brought you into the great melting pot. And be proud of where you came from.

Cougar Sports

By Bru and the Crew

As most of you know last week was spring break for Cheylin schools. Our students took a much needed break before golf and track season. Since there are no sports this week I'd like to take this chance to talk about events in our school.

rather than just one chance to watch your school win you get several chances at each event. If you come out and one of our athletes doesn't win his or her event there is still a chance they could win their next event. Make sure to catch a track meet this season. We have one right here in Bird City most years, head out to the field and cheer on the Cougars.

Just because the basketball season is over some people think this means the end of events for Cheylin schools. I mean sure there is track and golf, but they're not good spectator sports, right? Wrong! I'd like to encourage you all to get out and attend a golf or track meet, and here's why.

Other events coming up are the Century II Entrepreneurship Fair. This is a great chance to see our young people thinking about their future and using their business skills. The E-fair is planned for Tuesday, March 13.

First golf. Cheylin boasts a wonderful program. As you know budget cuts have had to be made, and a few years back the difficult decision to cut golf was made. This decision had to be made and is the fault of no one. However, the golfer's and their parents were resilient and the golf program is now supported by the golf team, their families, and private donors. Come out and watch our golfers this season.

The National Honor Society games are scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday in the gym in McDonald.. This is a great chance to watch our elementary kids engage in a friendly game of basketball.

Next track. Track meets can be just as exciting and fun as a basketball or football game. The best thing about a track meet is,

We would also like to congratulate Susannah Jones and Ethan Young on their all-league basketball selections, and to Joshua Keltz and Stephanie Busse on their honorable mention selections. Read next week's article for previews of the track and golf teams.

80th birthday
Keith Headricks will celebrate his 80th birthday from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 25, at the Goodland Senior Center. Birthday cake and coffee will be served. Anyone having a story, please jot it down and bring it with you. Let your presence be your gift.

National Honor Society basketball game
National Honor Society basketball games March 15 at 6:30 p.m. Juniors will be serving a meal before and during the games.

Soles4Soles
Stephanie Busse is collecting shoes for Soles4Soles, will distribute them to people in need in over 127 countries including the United States. Boxes are located at Hometown Market, Cheylin Elementary and High School and the library.

Block Fest
Children, 12 months to first grade, along with their parents, are urged to attend "Block Fest" on Tuesday, March 20, at the St. Francis grade school gym.

The children will learn math and science through simple block play. "Building with blocks can be a great, fun learning experience for your child," said Lori Rieger, Headstart School instructor.

Sign up by March 18 by calling Mrs. Rieger at 332-3110 or 332-2418.

Commissioner of Vet Affairs
The Kansas Commissioner of Veterans Affairs will be in Atwood at Casey General Store on Friday, March 23. The purpose is to assist veterans with benefits.

Farm truck/trailer laws
Brian Werth, Kansas Highway Patrol inspector, will be discussing farm truck and tractor trailer laws and regulations. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 27, at the Cheyenne County Fair building, St. Francis.

Topics include: anhydrous transportation; hay transportation, weight laws, hauling to and into other states, laws inside and outside 150-mile radius and licensing and registration.

The meeting is sponsored by K-State Sunflower Extension-Cheyenne County; and the county sheriff's department.

Those planning to attend should contact the Extension office by Monday, March 26, 332-3171. Coffee and rolls will be provided.

Home Circle club
Treasurer Carol Marsh will be the hostess for the March meeting of the Home Circle Club. It will be held at the Manor on the 15 at 2 p.m. Wear green!

Library StoryTime
There will be StoryTime at the Bird City Library on Friday 9 a.m. through 10:30 a.m. Children ages 2 through 5 are invited to attend. Parents are welcomed also.

Dance class
The Cheylin Recreation Commission is holding dance classes Sunday, March 18, and 25, 5-6 p.m. Classes will be held in Cheylin Grade School gym. Call 785-734-2478, leave a message.

Tornado Safety drills
In conjunction with Severe Weather Awareness Week, March

12-16, a statewide tornado safety drill will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Siren test
The Cheyenne County Communications Center will conduct monthly siren testing starting the second Wednesday in April at 9 a.m. The testing will continue through the end of September.

Commodities distribution
Cheyenne County commodity distribution of government surplus will be from 5 to 5:30 p.m., on Monday, March 26, at the Church of Christ, 502 W. Spencer in St. Francis.

The types of food vary and include vegetables, fruits, juices, meat, cereals, peanut butter, nonfat dried milk and pastas. The food is shipped to the Church of Christ. It is supplied four or more times per year.

To be eligible for commodities, the household's total monthly income must be below:
\$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, add \$414.

After church dinner
The after church spaghetti dinner will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 18, at the Cheylin cafeteria in Bird City. (Team Bolivia 2012).

Bird City Alumni
The Bird City Alumni is planning the annual banquet for this year. It will be held on May 26 at the Cheylin High School. Any and all help will be appreciated. Contact the Bird City Library, 785-734-2203 or Dave Hickert 785-734-2522.

Wildlife banquet
The Cheyenne County Wildlife Banquet and membership meeting will be held on Friday, March 30, at the 4-H building in St. Francis. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Items of business on the agenda are: Elect new board members; treasurer's annual report; and review and amend bylaws.

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.

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 p.m.

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.

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.

Meeting date change
The Cheyenne County Hospital Board will meet at 3 p.m. on March 29 instead of March 22. The meeting is held in the basement of the Cheyenne County Clinic in St. Francis.

Commissioners
The Cheyenne County Commissioners will meet at 8 a.m. on Friday (not Thursday) in the commissioners' room in the courthouse, St. Francis.

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.

School Menu

School Menu
March 19 - March 22
Monday
Breakfast: pear and chocolate chip scones, sausage patties
Lunch: cheesy potato soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwich
Tuesday
Breakfast: breakfast bites
Lunch: hot/chili dogs, French fries
Wednesday
Second grade lunch

Breakfast: raspberry and white chocolate chip scones, yogurt
Lunch: chicken nuggets, corn on cob, brownies
Thursday
Breakfast: breakfast pizza
Lunch: hamburger macaroni and cheese, green beans
Breakfast is served daily with toast, cereal, juice and milk.
Lunch is served daily with salad bar, fruit and milk.



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Diabetes Education Management Meeting

Wednesday, March 21,
1:30 p.m.

Cheyenne County Clinic Basement

Topic: "Know your Numbers"
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For more information contact
Mila Bandel, RN - County Health Nurse
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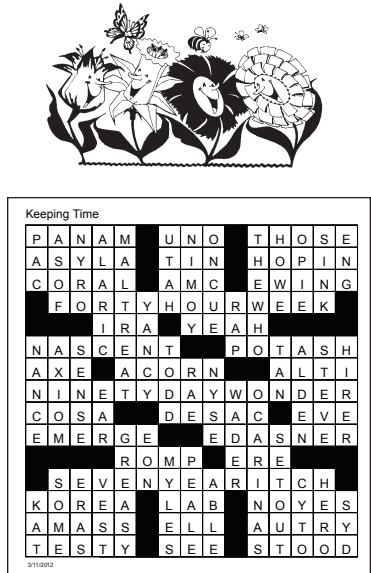
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