

Bikers come to Bird City

By Peggy Horinek

Six bicyclists out of a group of 23 stopped at Bird City for a brief rest as they are heading to Washington, D.C. They started in San Francisco and are a part of the Global Exchange Organization out of San Francisco. Those in the picture are Ross Astiria of Arizona, Allegra Searle of LeBel, Calif., Mike Brokaw of Ohio, Laura Bartels of North Carolina, Elena Conte of New York and Ellen Taylor from California.

"We raised money to offer reparations to victims of bombing in Afghanistan who are poor and already very traumatized by years of war. We want to persuade our congressmen and senators, (we have appointments with them on August 19) to address the roots of terrorism which are both economic and military instead of dropping bombs on innocent people. We also think it is vitally important at this time to exercise our rights to dissent, in order to preserve our civil liberties."

The group planned on reaching Oberlin Tuesday night.



BIKE-AID riders arrived in Bird City early Tuesday morning on their way to Washington, D.C.

Times staff photo by Peggy Horinek

Law wants laptops with 911 Funds

Jason Ryan, St. Francis Chief of Police, reported back to the Cheyenne County Commissioners on Tuesday with the price of laptop computers which would be purchased with 911 Funds as they would be used as "emergency equipment."

The 911 Fund has around \$65,000 which can be used only for emergency equipment. The money comes from a 75-cent fee charged for each phone line in the county.

Chief Ryan was asking for four laptop computers for a total cost of about \$6,000. Commissioner Tim Raile asked if the department could get by with less computers. Chief Ryan said they have four vehicles and each would be mounted on brackets. On the weekends, there were generally three officers out on patrol and possibly the department could get by with three but preferred four.

The law officers now receive information at night through the Sherman County dispatch but, with the city's plan to install wireless in August, the city police could eliminate the dispatch and call directly to the Kansas Bureau of Investigation for information when needed.

The computers will be the only expense as the Kansas Bureau of Investigation provides the software. The computers would be dedicated only to law information and, when the computers are installed, they can also be used to do daily reports and logs instead of going to the police office.

The other commissioners were concerned that the county sheriff office and Bird City Police Department also be aware of the purchase and, that they too could benefit from the 911 Fund. They asked Chief Ryan to talk to the sheriff and Bird City policeman about also getting the computer equipment for their departments and maybe there would be a reduced price for the equipment.

The chief will report back at the July 31 commissioners' meeting about the number of computers needed and what they will cost. He will also contact local dealers about prices.

Bulletin Board

65th wedding anniversary

The children and grandchildren of Marion and Marie Hallagin of McDonald are honoring them with a card shower to help them celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on July 24.

Address greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hallagin, P.O. Box 183, McDonald, KS 67745.

Birthday open house

Pat Helton and Lila Mayer, daughters of Evelyn Troutt Berry request the honor of your presence at her 80th birthday open house. It will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. mountain daylight time, Sunday, July 28, at the Goodland Senior Center, 208 West 15th Street.

No gifts, your presence is a special gift.

Death notice

Funeral service for Marvin (Ozzie) Osborne was held July 17. Mr. Osborne died on Sunday.

Cheylin Rec Commission

Cheylin Recreation Commission will hold a budget meeting at 7:30

p.m. July 22 at Cheylin High School board meeting room.

Nick Schorzman/Thomas Bandel family reunion

The family of Nick Schorzman/Thomas Bandel will hold a family reunion on Aug. 3 and 4 at the senior citizen center in St. Francis. On Saturday the group will meet following the Cheyenne County Parade and on Sunday at noon.

An open house will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Hospital Board

The special meeting of the Cheyenne County Hospital Board for accepting the bids on the Cheyenne County Clinic remodeling in St. Francis will be held at 2 p.m. on July 30.

Association to Benefit County

Association to Benefit Cheyenne County will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, July 18 at Tumbleweed Lounge in St. Francis.

Tag deadline

All residents with last names beginning with J, K and L 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.

Nine-Ride-Ride

Thomas County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) will be hosting the seventh annual Nine-Run-Run 10K and 5K (8 a.m.) and 2K Fun Run/Walk (8:30 a.m.) and the first Nine-Ride-Ride (53K bike ride, 7:30 a.m.) event on Aug. 3 to raise funds for equipment for their ambulances

For more information or entry forms, contact Thomas County EMS, 1275 S. Franklin, Colby or (785) 462-4585.

Hospice Service information

Hospice Services is available to provide end-of-life care and also has information available about end-of-life care, advance care planning and other related topics. For more information, contact 800-315-5122.

Alcoholics Anonymous/Al-anon

A.A. and Al-anon open meeting,

held at 8:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the Methodist Educational Building, upstairs. Contacts 332-2168 or 332-2078

Need a Helping Hand?

Cheyenne County Helping Hands Coalition is a group of volunteers serving in varied capacities in the community whose main objective is to match the needs of residents within the county with available resources and services (be they medical, psychological, physical, social, economic, and/or emotional) to where they become self-sustaining individuals. The coalition meets once a month identifying and reviewing individual and family needs. Confidentiality in all cases is honored. Please call the SRS office at (785) 332-2021.

Kansas Family Shelter

Northwest Kansas Family Shelter provides 24-hour-7 day-a week services 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 if you are in need of assistance, please call the toll-free number 1-800-794-4624.

Colby Bluegrass Festival

Colby Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass Festival will be held July 19 through 21 at Bourquin's Campground in Colby. Shows will be held Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday until 3 p.m. There is also a Sunday morning Gospel Sing-Along at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call the Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau at (785) 462-7643.

Another feature is the Youth Contest on Saturday morning. Call 1-800-611-8835 for info days or (785) 462-7373 or 3474 evenings and weekends.

You may also join the late night jam sessions.

For the Record

Bird City Police
Activity for the month of June:
June 1: Stopped traffic for funeral
June 4: Vehicle assistance
June 4: Found building unlocked
June 5: Found building unlocked
June 7: Welfare check
June 7: Checked an individual out
June 8: Stopped traffic for funeral
June 12: 911 call
June 13: Building unlocked
June 14: Noise complaint
June 15: Vehicle assistance
June 18: Building unlocked
June 19: Building unlocked
June 10: Building unlocked
June 21: 911 call
June 21: Building unlocked
June 22: Building unlocked

Sheriff's department
14 motor vehicle inspections made.
12 sobpoenas served.
7 summons served.
2 garnishments made
1 bench warrant.
8 speeding tickets issued.
5 warnings for speeding issued.
July 2: A welfare check was made at

the low-rent housing in Bird City. The resident forgot to reset the lifeline.
July 3: A welfare check was made at Road D and 23 and a person was transported to the Cheyenne County Hospital by ambulance.
July 5: Officer transported a prisoner from Russell to court in St. Francis and then to the Thomas County Jail.
July 7: Tire debris was removed on south K-27.
July 7: Officer was called about a civil matter involving people in Bird City.
July 7: Officer stopped and escorted tractor and trailer to Wheeler. The trailer had broken a spring causing the tire to drag and smoke.
July 7: Raymond Straub, St. Francis, driving a 1993 Buick, struck a cow belonging to an O'Brien on Road 3 south of Road H. No injuries were reported but there was over \$500 in damage
July 8: Officer and game warden investigated the shooting of a deer south of Bird City.
July 8: Johnathan Roelfs, St. Francis, was driving a 2000 GMC pickup on Road 19, 2 1/2 miles north of Wheeler

when he struck a calf belonging to Tom Stevens. No injuries were reported but over \$500 in damage to vehicle.
July 9: Rex Dunn, St. Francis, was driving a 1990 Dodge pickup when he failed to yield as he crossed K-27 on Road R. He was struck by April Medranoy, Goodland, driving a 1995 KIA, who was northbound on K-27. Serious injuries were reported and patients were transported by ambulance to the hospital. There was over \$500 damage to each of the vehicles.
July 13: Two Calls were taken about

cattle being out.
July 13: Officer was standby to pickup property.
July 13: Mailbox hit north of St. Francis.
July 14: Officer covered an unattended death in Bird City.
July 14: Officer investigated a stranded vehicle west of St. Francis.
District Court
July 11: Ryan Karstens, Speeding 79/65. Fined \$113.00.
July 15: Bradley Faylor, Speeding 80/65. Fined \$121.00.

SHOWTIME: 8:00 p.m. 1 hour & 27 min.

Showing July 19, 20 & 21 Scooby-Doo

Rating: PG for some rude humor, language and some scary action.
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The Cheyenne County Hospital Employees would like to extend an invitation for you to take part in the "SWING FORE YOUR HEALTH" 3-persons scramble benefit golf tournament

Sun., Aug. 25
Registration Start Time: 11 a.m. CST
Tee-Off: 12 p.m. SHARP
at Riverside Recreation

The entry fee is \$55 per person. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place items in three flights.

There will be an evening dinner open to the public at Riverside Dining beginning at 6 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$6 each. Tickets can be purchased at the following businesses: Cheyenne County Hospital, Cheyenne Pharmacy Plus, Krien Pharmacy, Schultz's, Bankwest, Krien Farm Supply in Bird City, Cheyenne County Clinic in Bird City and First National Bank in St. Francis and Bird City.

All proceeds will go towards a new defibrillator for the emergency room. This machine is used to access your hearts abnormal rhythms and shock it back to its normal rhythm. **This machine can save lives.**

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