

# On the Plains

## Beecher Island News

By  
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**Alaskan cruise**  
Harvey and Mary Allen recently returned from a seven-day Alaskan cruise aboard the Holland America Statendam cruise ship with Harvey's sister, Pat Lohoff and her friend, Reuven Dawer of San Jose, Calif., and his sister, Kay Norwood and her husband, Jim of Weston, Mo.

Prior to the cruise Harvey and Mary flew to Seattle, Wash., to visit Harvey's aunt, Anne Poska, and her son, John and his wife, Ann. While at the Space Needle in Seattle they ran into Joye Devlin from their college church group, Emma McCune. They traveled to Homer, Alaska, and rode a small

boat out to Halibut Cove before heading back to Nikiski. Harvey and Mary drove back to Anchorage where they met up with Jim, Kay, Pat and Reuven to board a bus that drove them to Seward, Alaska, where they began their cruise.

They "cruised" the Collee Fjord Glaciers and Glacier Bay, made stops in Haines, Juneau and Kechikan, and then traveled through the Inside Passage to Vancouver, British Columbia, where they disembarked the ship. Harvey and Mary spent a day in Vancouver enjoying the sites of the city before flying back to Denver and spending Monday night in Parker with Ryan Allen.

There were 48 at Sunday school. Jessica Allen gave the special number and Sharon Oestman gave her birthday offering. For the rest of the summer Bible study will be

at Beecher on Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m.

Saturday afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Harwood, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peaker, Dennis Allen, Greg Allen and Willie Klie helped Pete Allen celebrate his 89th birthday at Hillcrest Care Center with cake and ice cream.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Welton and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Kinnear were weekend guests of Nettie May Welton celebrating her birthday.

Helping Travis Larkin celebrate his birthday at LaFamilia Friday evening were Violet Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Larkin, Mr. and Mrs.

Richard Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dodge, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Bowker and Roxanne Siegrist.

Several friends and relatives joined Ester Hanson at the Canyon Coffee Cafe Tuesday to celebrate her 90th birthday. She also enjoyed many birthday cards. Glen and Carol Chapman were in Denver last Sunday to Tuesday attending the Colorado State Patrol 59th reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Faulkender of Ellis were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Rose were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose. Judy Shively, Beulah Soehner

and Crystal Zion had lunch in St. Francis Friday.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Smith were Mr. and Mrs. John Parsons of Merna, Neb., Cindy Kaily and granddaughter, Deb Alke of Denver area, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smith and Jolynne Reiman of Burlington. All attended the Idalia Days celebration.

Jeff, Kristy, Ashley, Trevor and Garrett Hurlburt and Perry Allen joined Harvey and Mary Allen for lunch on Wednesday and then all, along with Jessica Allen, joined them again for supper on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Cutforth had lunch Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver and visited Pete Allen.

Dave and Mary Ann Harwood were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen.

Thursday Ellen Mansfield and Ida Connley went to Holyoke to visit Dorothy Brunswig.

Harold Pickard visited Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver and Pete Allen last Monday.

Bessie Dent visited Manley and Doris Chase in Westminster last Sunday to Wednesday.

## Idalia News

By  
Angela  
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conference which was held at the Peerless Theater in Holyoke.

Very interesting programs and tours followed the state theme of "Going Green". Earth Links, which connects people who are homeless and low-income with designing, planting, caring for and harvesting their own garden, was presented by Bette Ann Jester of Denver.

Joy Akey, Yuma County Extension agent, presented "Going Green Eating Green", a gardening program she has started at the Wray Elementary School. Linda Langelo of Holyoke talked about "Community Gardens" and gave a tour of the Holyoke community garden. Jack Wieland of the Department of Wildlife also present-

ed a very interesting program.

At the closing banquet Saturday evening, Ardieth Hendrix of Wray was installed as the District 1 Program Coordinator to represent District 1 on the State Board.

Those attending from the Idalia Bicentennial Family and Community Education Club were Sheryl Wudtke, Joyce Helling and Roberta Moellenbert. There were 70 people registered for the conference and everyone who attended enjoyed the programs and meals.

The 2010 conference will be hosted by District 2 in Greeley June 10-13, at the Clarion Hotel. The theme will be "Learning from the past-Living for the Future."

**Fourth of July celebration**  
Idalia will be celebrating the

Fourth of July at the Idalia football field with friends, food and fireworks. More information next week.

### News Items

If anyone has a news item to include in the Idalia news, please give Angela De Leon a call at (970) 354-7204, or e-mail jadd\_delmire2006@yahoo.com

### Grocery store receipts

The Idalia Youth and Community Service organization is still collecting Wray Super's receipts as a fundraiser. If you have any, please drop them off at the school's office or to Jim or Jordon Rittenhouse. Thanks for the support!

## Public Notices

### Notice of sheriff's sale to be held on July 10

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

No. 09CV7  
Div. No.  
K.S.A. 60  
Mortgage  
Foreclosure

-vs-

SHARANNE LAMPE, et. al.; DEFENDANTS

#### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court in and for the said County of Cheyenne, in a certain cause in said Court Numbered 09CV7, wherein the parties above named were respectively plaintiff and defendant, and to me, the undersigned Sheriff of said County, directed, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at the front door of the courthouse in the City of St. Francis in said County, on July 10, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., of said day the following described real estate located in the County of Cheyenne, State of Kansas, to wit:

LOT NINE (9) AND EAST ELEVEN FEET (E 11') OF LOT TEN (10) IN BLOCK NINETEEN (19) IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW CITY OF ST. FRANCIS, KANSAS ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF. Commonly known as 217 West Jackson St, Saint Francis, Kansas 67756

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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### Nightcrawlers can make hills in lawn

*By Dana Belshe  
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If you have mounds of soil in your lawn, nightcrawlers may be the cause. These bumps are randomly spaced rather than a "run" that is characteristic of moles.

Nightcrawlers are large worms -- usually 4 to 8 inches or more. They belong to a group of earthworms known as deep-burrowers. The deep-burrowers build large, vertical, permanent burrows that may reach as deep as 5 or 6 feet. Nightcrawlers pull plant materi-

al down into their burrows to feed on later. The bumps you see on top of the ground are called "middens" and are a mixture of plant residues and castings (worm feces). These middens may be used for protection and food reserves.

The burrows can have a significant positive effect on soil by opening up channels for water and air to penetrate.

Roots also like these channels because they ease root penetration and supply nutrients from the cast-

ing material lining the burrow.

The middens, however, are a source of aggravation for homeowners. They can make it hard to mow or even walk on a lawn because they become so hard when they dry.

Getting rid of the middens is difficult. Rolling the lawn while the middens are soft may help temporarily, but mounds will be rebuilt when nightcrawlers become active again. Also, there is nothing labeled for nightcrawler

control.

Some gardeners want to protect the nightcrawlers because of their positive effect on soils. Pesticides that may be used for other pests vary widely in their toxic effects on earthworms. One that has no effect is Dylox (Proxol). Malathion may be slightly toxic while Sevin, Bonomyl, copper sulfate, and the arsenicals are extremely toxic. Avoid using the latter group while nightcrawlers are active.



### UPCOMING EVENTS in Kansas

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**St. John's Mexican Fiesta**  
June 26-27, Lawrence  
Authentic Mexican food, live entertainment, games and more!  
(785) 843-0109, stjohnsfiesta.com

**Territorial Days**  
June 26-28, LeCompton  
Kansas Territorial Capital, Pre-Civil War re-enactment battle, landmarks, historic sites, pioneer skills, carnival, crafts & more!  
(785) 887-6148, lecomptonterritorialsdays.com

**Kansas vs. Nebraska Football 8-Man All-Star Classic**  
June 27, Hays  
This state-to-state rivalry game will kick-off at 7:00 PM at FHSU's Lewis Field. Featuring 24 players from Kansas & 24 from Nebraska. This annual classic is a must see!

**Wild West Festival**  
July 2-5, Hays  
Performing artists Tracy Lawrence, The Lost Trailers and Tommy James & the Shondells. HUGE fireworks display ends the festival.  
(785) 623-4476, wildwestfestival.com

**Tour of Lawrence**  
July 3-5, Lawrence  
Celebrate the 4th as professional cyclists compete for more than \$20K in prizes. Enjoy live music, kid's events & first-rate cycling.  
touroflawrence.com

**130th Annual Downs Celebration**  
July 9-11, Downs  
Area's largest carnival, FunRun, beer garden. Friday - The Three Jacks Saturday - Blaine Younger Band No cover charge! DownsChamber.com

**Ladies Night Out**  
July 10, Council Grove  
Join us for a tropical night out in downtown. 5-9 PM, drawings, specials, prizes, giveaways!  
(620) 767-5413, councilgrove.com



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