

# Idalia News

**United Church of Christ**  
Due to the cancellation of last week's worship service, St. John Church will celebrate the beginning of Lent on Sunday March 4. Pastor Chuck Wright will begin a Lenten sermon series entitled, "The Most Important Verses of the Bible," and Holy Communion will be shared. New Sunday School classes for children and youth will begin. The new Sunday School class for Senior High and Junior High youth will start with a discussion of the movie, "The Shawshank Redemption."

Lenten soup suppers continue at the church on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8 pm. Everyone is invited to share in the meal and join in the discussion, "Living the Good Life," based on the Book of Proverbs.

Youth Fellowship will meet on Sunday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m., beginning March 4.

St. John's Women's Fellowship will have a sewing day on Thursday, March 8, 1 pm.

On Sunday, March 11, 10:30 am., St. John will welcome The Disciples Praise Band to worship service.

St. John is hosting a young adult get-together on Thursday, March 1, 6-8 pm. Please join us for a free meal and a discussion of the role of the church for singles, couples and families. Members and non-members are invited to attend. Child care will be provided.

For more information call the church, 354-7288.

**Birth**  
LaVerne and Carol Boden have a new great-nephew, Jacob Jeffrey Boden, born February 13, 2007, in Longmont. His parents are Garrett and Michelle Boden and big sister Jordyn. Paternal grandparents are Gary and Verlene Boden.

Terry and Deb Crites were Friday and Saturday night guests of Dr. Guy and Trish Coberly, Cadan and Trevan in Loveland.

Delmar and Roberta Moellenberg were Sunday and Monday guests of their daughter Dell Rae in Loveland, where she recently purchased a house.

Faith and Hannah Carpenter visited the LaVerne Boden home last Tuesday.

**Future Business Leader of America Conference**

On Feb. 7, Northeastern Junior College hosted the 2007 Future Business Leaders of America District III Leadership Conference. All of the members, who attended, participated in one or more events. Sixteen members, out of the nineteen members who participated, placed in their events. Out of these 16, eight placed high enough to qualify for state. Business Communications: Scott Cure 4th, Mallory Rose 7th; Business Law: Nicole Weyerman 3rd; Business Math: Jordan Rittenhouse 9th; Introduction to

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Business Communications: Hannah Langendoerfer 1st, Samantha Cure 3rd, Casey Harrel 4th, Dezi Marostica 9th; Introduction to Technology Concepts: Jonathan Paul 1st; Job Interview: Katri Rittenhouse 2nd; Poster: Abby Peterson/Amanda Royer 5th; Public Speaking II: Gabe Ramseier 1st; Scrapbook: Abby Peterson 2nd; Web Site Development: Sarah Krause/ Scott Cure 4th; Word Processing I: Luke Terrell 8th; Word Processing II: Robin Ortner 6th. Throughout the day, the members competed in their events and attended workshops.

There were two speakers that were in charge of the workshops, Jeff Montel and Brenda Lauer. Jeff was a magician who entertained the Future Business Leaders of America members with many performances. Brenda talked about the key facts of writing a winning scholarship essay. Everyone from the Idalia chapter took their events seriously and did very well. The members who will be attending state are: Scott Cure, Nicole Weyerman, Hannah Langendoerfer, Samantha Cure, Casey Harrel, Jonathan Paul, Katri Rittenhouse, Gabe Ramseier, Mallory Rose, and Sarah Krause.



**RESIDENT OF THE MONTH** — Cathy Loop interviews Florice (Pee Wee) Lauer at the reception held in her honor. Roger Lauer, her son, helped her celebrate. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

## Village resident is honored

Florice (PeeWee) Lauer is the February St. Francis Good Samaritan Village of the Month. She was honored at a reception which was attended by staff, residents and family.

Mrs. Lauer was born on Nov. 8, 1925, in McDonald to Tobe and Clara Smith. She was the youngest of four children, having older twin sisters, Viva and Vivien and brother Delmont. She said that, because she was the youngest, she seldom had to do chores.

She lived her younger years in McDonald. She attended schools in McDonald, Bird City and St. Francis. In 1944, she graduated from the St. Francis Community High School.

She said her uncle Ted Smith introduced her to her husband Eddie

Lauer. She fell in love with Eddie and married him on Oct. 1, 1944 in St. Francis. They lived in St. Francis. Their son Roger was born in October 1945. In 1949, they opened Modern Cleaners and Mrs. Lauer ran the business for over 40 years.

Mrs. Lauer was active in many sports including golf and bowling. She played cards and was a member of the "Seven Dwarfs card club. She loved spending time with friends and her family, especially her son and wife Darlene, and grandsons Gerald and Greg. Later, news about her grandchildren was a highlight in her day.

Her advice to kids today is to enjoy life when they are younger and don't get into trouble!!!



Pee Wee and Eddie Lauer

# Beecher Island News

There were 53 at Sunday school. Rodney Wade gave the special number and Tyler Wade gave his birthday offering.

Bernice Eberhart died and her memorial service was held Feb. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Allen and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Harwood were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen helping Tyler celebrate his 14th birthday with a birthday cake.

Mary Jane Allen, Beulah Soehner and Judy Shively hosted a baby shower in honor of Jessica Bond Saturday at Beecher. Two grandmothers, three great-grandmothers and two great-great-grandmothers were present. What a record.

Carol and Glen Chapman spent last Sunday to Thursday as house guests of Andrea Ingo in Montrose. They attended the funeral of a dear friend.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively flew to Alabama on Feb. 3 to visit James and Keri Kennedy and family. They returned home the 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Matt Johnson and family Sunday in the Denver area to celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas all wrapped up in one.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield had Saturday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield.

Joe and Judy Hart and Violet Brown made a business trip to St.

By Bessie Dent



Francis Thursday.

Mallory and Chyna Rose were Sunday overnight guests of Cory and Brook Zuege.

Dave and Mary Ann Harwood were weekend guests of Larry and Mary Allen. All visited Pete Allen Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Perila and family and Haley Walker were Thursday to Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons.

Doris Whomble is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver met Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Eberhart in Idalia for lunch Sunday.

## Comedy to be held in Goodland

Western Plains Arts Association will host one of the presentations of the comedy "Card Play," at 3 p.m. (central time) Sunday, March 4, at Goodland High School auditorium. Admission will be by Western Plains Arts Association season pass or at the door.

It is important to note that although there will be three performances of the play, only the Goodland show is sponsored by Western Plains Arts Association.

The Western Plains tickets will not be honored at the other two performances. For further information, contact Deb Bickner at (785) 460-4783 or deb.bickner@colbycc.edu.

This family comedy, performed by the drama department of Colby Community College and directed by Deb Bickner, portrays a big card game win which some of the smaller cards uncover a plot to throw the game. When they try to set things right, the stuttering Queen

of Hearts tries to get all of the cards involved in her cooking contest.

The fast-paced plot includes good guys and bad guys, chase scenes, disguised identities, and a couple of jokers. The play provides solid entertainment for all ages.

This show is made possible in part by Kansas Arts Commission, a state agency and National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

**Legislative Town Hall Meeting with**  
**Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer & Rep. John Faber**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2007 • 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. CT**  
**Wheeler - Captain Hook's Restaurant**  
Pd by Ostmeyer for Senate, Lori Edwards, Treasurer. Rep. John Faber, Ed Carson, Treasurer.

**Megan Gilliland**

**Grade: Sophomore**

**Parents: Mike & Tammy Gilliland**

**Student of the Month**

Megan, a sophomore at St. Francis Community High school, is the February Student of the Month. After St. Francis Community High School, Megan plans on attending Fort Hays State University and major in business. Ten years from now Megan plans to be married, have a family and be an accountant. Megan's favorite quotes are: "We hate some persons because we don't know them; and we will not know them because we hate them." —Charles Caleb Colton "We find no satisfaction or happiness in life without obstacles to conquer and goals to achieve." —Maxwell Maltz

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**PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION** Sun., March 4 • 12:30 pm CT  
**PAT KINEN ESTATE**

**Auction Site: Western Auction & Real Estate Auction Pavilion, W. Hwy. 36, St. Francis, KS**

**APPLIANCES – LAWN & GARDEN – FURNITURE & ANTIQUES – HOUSEHOLD MISC.**

Kenmore Washer & Dryer; Sears Chest Deep Freeze 13 cu.ft.; GE No Frost Refrigerator; Kenmore Elec. Stove, Almond; Blue Rocker Recliner; Cherry Entertainment Center; 5-6 Handmade Night Stands; (3) 3 Cushion Couches; Quasar Microwave; (2) Samsonite Cardtables & 4 Chairs; Wicker; Baskets; Pillows; Blankets; Lamps & Table; Kneehole Desk & Chair; Misc. Kitchen Items; Dressing Mirror; Yamaha Fun Machine; Dining Table w/Leaf, 4 roller chairs; Dresser w/Mirror & Nightstand; Rocker Recliner; Book Shelf; Night Stands; Full Size Box Springs & Mattress w/Frame, Head & Foot Board; Speed Queen Dryer Kenmore Washer; Toaster; Sewing Patterns; Knick Knacks; Doilies; Display Case; Dresser; Yard Fountain; Planters; Dining Table w/2 Leaves; L-Shaped Seating Bench.

Wooden Rocking Chair; Room Divider; Patio Table w/7 Chairs, love seat & Entertainment Bar; Bakers Rack; TV Stand; Twin Bed w/Frame; Victorian Décor; 12" Magnavox Color TV w/Remote; Flower Vases; Swivel Rocker; Entertainment Center; Serving Tables; Chest of

Drawers; Wall Hangings; MANY Knick Knacks; Wexford 2 piece Footed Cake Set; Folding Chairs; Brass Headboard, full size & frame; Corner Stands; Floral Arrangements; Gazing Balls & Stands; Bedding & Pillows; Crystal; Luggage;

Fans; Silk Plants; 2 roller Chairs; King Size bed w/ Frame; Coffee Table; Metal Table w/2 roller chairs; 2 End Tables; Lamps; Rocker Recliner; Dirt Devil Spot Scrubber; Funnel Cake Kit; Speakers; VCR; Board Games; Remote Control Fire & Semi Trucks; Misc. Toys; Baseball Caps; Desk Organizer; Misc. Golf Clubs; Portable BBQ Set & Utensils; Sm. Air Tank; Dog House & Dog Kennel; Car Bike Rack; Welder Sm.; Goose Decoys; Sm. Toy Box; Limited Edition Prints; Homemade Wooden Toys; Paintball Sniper Rifle; Shop Vacs; Air Compressor; Used Tires; Lawn Shuffle Board; Floor Jack; Weed Eaters; Scroll Saw; Infant Seat for Adult Bike; Misc. Playground Equipment; Ski Boots, Ski's, Ski Poles; Toboggan Sled, Wooden; 2 Man Flotation Tube; Lots of Misc.!

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