

Two mark 68 years of wedded bliss

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keller celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary on Aug. 20.

Albert and Vinta were married at the home of her mother, Bertha Moody, in St. Francis. They were attended by Ed Keller and Helen Keller, brother and sister of the groom. Rev. A. E. Feddersen of the Zion Lutheran Church of Jaqua married them.

It was a 7 a.m. Sunday morning wedding. After the ceremony, Dorothy Stewart had helped Bertha and they served a "wonderful breakfast" to the families who were there.

Following the wedding, the newlyweds left for the Colorado Springs area.

"I had \$50 in my billfold," Mr. Keller said. "Of course I had filled my gas tank from my Dad's tank so that helped."

"We went to the Garden of the Gods the first day. The second day we traveled up Pike's Peak then spent the night in Colorado Spring."



The next day, the couple traveled to uncle Roy Slagle's home in Denver and spent a couple of days. When they left there, they went to Estes Park and the next day came down to Greeley.

"Vinta picked up some fruit to bring home and we did it all and still had \$10 left," Mr. Keller said.

Upon their return home, they lived a few months with Albert's parents and Mrs. Keller taught at the Hackberry School. They moved to the E. B. Robertson farm north of St. Francis where they established their home.

In March 1982, they moved into their home on Jackson Street where they are still living in today.



Albert and Vinta Keller

"We stayed in town overnight and the next day I became another year older as it was my birthday," Mr. Keller said.

When asked what advice they had for young people today to have

a good marriage for this long, Mrs. Keller said, "Just hang in there." Mr. Keller's advice was to lead a Godly life.

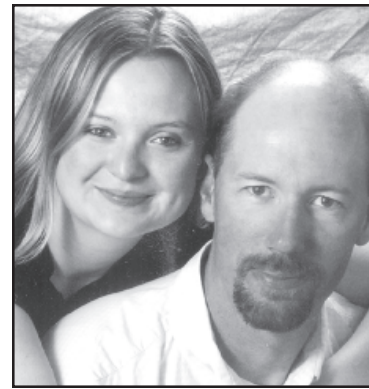
The Keller's have 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

October wedding planned

Kacey Leann Raile and Eric Scott Harper proudly announce their engagement and will be married October 27, 2007.

Kacey is employed at BW Telecom, Benkelman, Neb., and Eric is employed at Bartlett & Co. Grain, St. Francis.

Their parents are Loretta and



Raile - Harper

Randall Raile, Benkelman, and Debra and George Harper, St. Francis.

Church begins meetings for kids

The AWANA Club of First Baptist Church will begin their 10th year with a hot dog supper, games and meet your teacher night on Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2007 at the park behind the courthouse. Parents are asked to bring their children at 6:30 and pick them up at 7:30 p.m. New and old clubbers from 3-years-old through eighth grade are welcome to kick off the new year together.

This year, Trek Bible Study will be extended for seventh and eighth graders from 6:30 to 8 p.m. From 6:30 to 7 will be a snack supper and study hall (students are encouraged to bring their school homework), 7 to 7:30 will be an activity (everyone is asked to bring their energy!) and 7:30-8 will be a Bible study (bring a Bible!).

The club will be meeting each Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 420 South Scott Street. There are classes for the following age groups:

Cubbies: Three (as of Sept. 1)

to 5-year-olds, led by Betty Schorzman.

Sparks: Kindergarten through second grade, led by Roxie Lambert.

Chicks for Christ: Third- and fourth-grade girls, led by Penny Gienger.

Hollow Heads: Third- and fourth-grade boys, led by Bruce Swihart.

Gal Pals: Fifth- and sixth-grade girls, led by Keely Loyd.

Powerful Pioneers: Fifth- and sixth-grade boys, led by Jim and Edie Walters.

Trek Bible Study: Co-ed seventh- and eighth-grade junior high group, led by Kevin Berens.

As a reminder, if school is dismissed early on Wednesday, or there is no school on Wednesday, there will be no AWANA meeting. Activities that are planned for the upcoming year includes Bible lessons on creation; scripture memorization, games, crafts, music and mission studies. Further information may be obtained by calling 332-3921 or 332-2959.

Reading program concludes for summer

The St. Francis Public Library program's "Get A Clue At Your Library" have concluded for the summer.

"We had 70 children enrolled in our summer fun sessions," said Pat Leibbrandt, Librarian.

There were 36 enrolled in the reading program. Several read many books. The top reader was Jenna Confer. The top girl was Jessica Confer and the top boy was Mason Schmid.

Water bottles were given away



in a drawing. The winners were Mallery Mills and Ian Schmid.



Kale and Charlene Dankenbring

Couple exchanges vows in Las Vegas

Kale Dankenbring and Charlene Fossett were married in Las Vegas on July 30, 2007.

The couple graduated from St. Francis Community High School in 1992. They had dated in high school their senior year and into college, then went their separate ways. They eventually ended up living in the Phoenix area for the last 10 years.

At their 15-year class reunion in St. Francis on June 16, they met again.

"It took us 15 years, but it was worth the wait to find that we are each others' soul mates," Mrs. Dankenbring said.

The bride is the daughter of Fred and Chris Fossett, Phoenix, and the granddaughter of Marge Fossett, St. Francis.

The groom is the son of Victor Dankenbring and Kaye Bauman. He is the grandson of Meta Dankenbring, Bird City, and the late V.W. Dankenbring and Dorothy Schield, St. Francis, and the late Marvin Schield.

The Dankenbrings live in Phoe-

nix where Mrs. Dankenbring is a credit manager and photographer. Mr. Dankenbring is a mortgage planner and is pursuing motorcycle racing.

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Pleasant Hill 4-H Club

June

On June 19, the Pleasant Hill 4-H club enjoyed a trip to Elitches Gardens for a fun day.

Reporter Christina Schoenrogge

July

On July 22 the Pleasant Hill 4-H club had a poster party for members to share their projects with the club, then afterward they went to the Bird City pool to swim.

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August

For August the members of the Pleasant Hill 4-H club showed their projects during the fair.

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