

On the Plains

Beecher Island News

By Bessie Dent



There were 60 in Sunday school. Teresa Allen gave the special number. Larry Allen, Phil Osmus, Ben Jones, Jordon and Katie Parker gave their birthday offerings.

The Beecher Island Helping Hand Club met for a potluck dinner Wednesday. Judy Willard will be the hostess Jan. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Kris Jones and family hosted supper Sunday in

honor of Ben's 15th birthday. Helping him celebrate were Mr. and Mrs. Keith Jones, Jacque Ekberg and Mr. and Mrs. John Willard and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent dropped into Bill Mansfields Tuesday to wish Ellen a happy birthday.

Nettie May Welton's visitors this past week were Mary Fern Newbanks Friday morning, June Yost Saturday morning and Rex

and Gwen Shaver Saturday afternoon.

Saturday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways were Mr. and Mrs. George Lassen of Yuma and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Glue of Johnson.

Joel and Connie Jo Beinhoff of Kensington were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rose.

Travis Allen and three of his hunting buddies were Thursday

night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively were in Denver Wednesday for doctor's appointments.

Virginia Caster, Marla Crouce and Betty Green were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chapman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield met Jo Ellen Goodman in Fort Morgan

Friday for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. David Schaffner and family were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family.

Carol Whomble had shoulder surgery Thursday. Judy Shively has been staying with her a few days. Mary J. Allen has called

several times and Bonnie Blazer was a Saturday visitor.

Cory Jeurink and Ethan visited Harry Ekberg Saturday.

Trevor and Garrett Hurlburt were sleep-over guests of Perry Allen Friday. Brenna Stafford was a guest of Ashley Hurlburt Friday night.

Monte Mansfield visited Bill Mansfield Thursday.

Idalia News

By Angela DeLeon



St. Johns News

Just a heads-up that the Young Adult group will have their next get-together on Thursday, Jan. 31, 6:30 p.m. Josh and Nikki Snapp will be our hosts. We'll provide a meal, then take another round of playing "Bunko"--a simple, "mixer" dice game. We'll also talk about possible events in the future. Child care will be provided.

F.C.E.

The Idalia Bicentennial FCE Club held its regular business meeting Jan. 17, at St. John's Church. Fourteen members and three new members answered roll call. Installation of the 2008 officers was held. They will be Sheryl Wudtke, President; Su

Wright, vice-president; Linda Evans, Secretary; and Janice Souther, Treasurer. The annual Bonfils blood drive was successful with 28 donors. We will have the cake raffle for the Jr. High Basketball Tournament on February 2. We are looking for old books for the EPYC display case at the school. If you have any old books you would like to loan for display, please contact Linda Evans or Janice Souther. Hostess for the meeting were Sheryl Wudtke and Laura Lengel. Janice Souther won the Scholarship basket brought by Donna Moiser.

Marlene Miller and Denice Baucke will be back 9 to 11 a.m. on January 30 at the Prairie Vis-

ta Cafe! Hope to see you there. This is a free service so please stop in!

Committee News

The Idalia School Accountability Committee will meet Monday, Jan. 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office. The Accountability Committee serves as a link between parents, community and school. Anyone with comments or concerns may attend the meeting or contact a committee member. Members to contact are Sandi Waitman, Steve Knodel, Linda Evans, Crystal Juhnke, Nancy Helling, Jeff Hurlburt and Kathy Wiley.

Idalia School news: Starting to go full days until 3:30 p.m. Monday through

Friday to make sure they have enough days in just in case we get really bad weather before winter is over.

Jan. 25 Idalia Elementary Students K-4 will not have school but 5-12 will have school due to a Staff Professional Development. Buses will run regular routes for 5-12 grades.

Junior high, junior varsity and varsity basketball teams will play Bethune starting at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25. Junior varsity and varsity will play at 3 p.m. Saturday Jan. 26 at Liberty.

Prelim State FFA Degree Review at Idalia 5 p.m. Jan. 29

Haigler News

By Floy Ruggles



Laura Pearl is home!

Laura Pearl Wall was released from the hospital on Jan. 16. Family members who helped her get to her home included Dwight Wall, MerryLu and Bob Simmons. Dwight stayed at his mother's until Sunday morning. On Saturday Bob and MerryLu and Laurie Perila brought dinner to the Wall home. Others who enjoyed the sumptuous meal included Laura, Madison and Spencer Perila, Dusty, Christy, Sydney, and Gracie Wall. Art Vasquez helped prepare some delicious meat. At suppertime, Quentin and Tonya Simmons came with pizza for the group. Laura Pearl enjoyed the welcome home party.

Kurt Zuege of Colorado Springs came on Tuesday of last week.

He visited at the Simmons home and with his grandmother, Laura Pearl Wall, in the Wray Hospital. On Wednesday he visited with his grandma, Sophia Zuege and friends in Haigler. He drove to Hot Springs, S.D. on Thursday and spent several days with Al, Jeannie and Zachary Zuege.

Royal and Helen Woods visited Laura Pearl and Dwight Wall at the Wall home on Friday evening. They played a few games of pinochle.

Pastor Lana Fong and Sally Lenien visited Laura Pearl Wall after church services on Sunday. Other visitors were Gracie, Sydney and Dusty Wall. Laurie Perila, Laura Spencer and Madison, and MerryLu and Robert Simmons enjoyed a slumber party Sunday night.

Among the casualties of falling on the ice was Stanley Zuege. His fall caused some bruises and a cracked wrist, which is well on the way to recovery. Ray Ruggles cut a gash in a finger on the hand that tried to protect his fall. Be very careful everyone!

Another former resident of Haigler was buried last week. She was known as "Hank," given that nickname by an uncle when she was a child and it stuck. She lived in Haigler only a few years and not many people knew her well. But if you met her once you probably never forgot her. There were no dull moments when she was around.

Full-Time Help Wanted

The City of Bird City, Ks. is seeking applications for a position with the city maintenance department. Duties will consist of general maintenance with City water/sewer, street maintenance, park and recreation equipment, and other duties assigned by the City.

A High School diploma or GED equivalent is required. State Certifications in municipal water/waste water systems would be beneficial but not required. Compensation based upon experience for 40 hours per week plus occasional overtime.

Applications may be obtained from the city clerk's office at 111 E. 4th, P.O. Box 219, Bird City, Ks. 67731, or phone 785-734-2616.

All applications must be returned to the city clerk's office by Feb. 4, 2008 for interview scheduling. Applicant will be subject to drug, alcohol and background checks. The city of Bird City is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

to one's health and well-being. "I am going to save more money for retirement", refers to financial goals. "I am going to meet more people who share my interests and values", has to do with personal issues.

Along with this self-talk a person needs a specific plan to implement these changes and a positive "I can do it" attitude, or their resolutions will most likely fail. Think about it this way; negative self-talk means giving up on yourself and not even giving yourself the chance to succeed. If people say to themselves, "Nothing I do matters" or "No one cares so why do I bother," they are not going to be successful with any goal or plan.

Positive self-talk improves the chances for success and provides an opportunity to deal with unexpected challenges along the way. Statements such as "Exercise hurts but it will get easier as I get in better shape," or "Meeting new people is awkward but if I do not try I have no chance of making new friends," provides hope that the effort will pay off. Telling ourselves that we are up for the challenge, able to handle difficult situations, or learn new skills is one of the best conversations we can have.

Contributed by Ken Loos, MS, LMLP, LCP Prevention, Education, and Outreach Department

The views expressed here are those of the individual writer and should not be considered a replacement for seeking professional help.

Mail questions to: High Plains Mental Health Center, Plain Sense, Consultation and Education Department, 208 East 7th, Hays, KS 67601

Public Notices

Notice of sheriff sale on Feb. 15

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK PLAINTIFF

-vs-

No. 07CV11
Div. No. K.S.A. 60
Mortgage Foreclosure

EARL D. CROWE, 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 07CV11, 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 February 15, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., of said day the following described real estate located in the County of Cheyenne, State of Kansas, to-wit:

A TRACT OF LAND IN THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (N1/2N1/2NW1/4) OF SECTION THIRTY-FOUR (34), TOWNSHIP THREE (3) SOUTH,

RANGE FORTY-TWO (42) WEST OF THE SIXTH P.M. DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS;

BEGINNING ON THE WEST SECTION LINE OF SAID SECTION THIRTY-FOUR (34) AND THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY OF U.S. HIGHWAY 36 AS NOW CONSTRUCTED, THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO (652'), THENCE EAST AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHT FEET (708'), THENCE NORTH AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST SECTION LINE A DISTANCE OF SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO FEET (652'), WHICH IS THE SOUTH LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 36 AS NOW CONSTRUCTED, THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID HIGHWAY A DISTANCE OF SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHT FEET (708') TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as HC1, Box 43, 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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House to be sold in the county

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL COURT DEPARTMENT

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003 Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2003-NC6 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003-NC6

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 07CV14
Court No K.S.A. Chapter 60
TITLE TO REAL ESTATE INVOLVED

KEVIN D. RITCHEY AND

CATHY R. RITCHEY, et al.,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

By virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me out of the said District Court in the above-entitled action, I will on Thursday, the 14th day of February, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. of said date at the front door of the Courthouse in Cheyenne County, Kansas, in the City of St. Francis, Kansas, offer at public sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, the following described real property, to-wit:

Lots Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18) and Nineteen (19), in Block

Fifty (50) in Henry's Addition of the City of Saint Francis, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof.

The above-described real estate is taken as the property of the defendants Kevin D. Ritchey and Cathy R. Ritchey, et al. and is directed by said Order of Sale to be sold, and will be sold without appraisal to satisfy said Order of Sale.

Craig Van Allen

Sheriff of Cheyenne County, Kansas

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NOTICE

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Notice to creditors in Hixon Estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

PAULINE L. HIXON, Deceased

Case No: 2008-PR-02

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on January 2, 2008, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary was filed in this Court by Joseph Charles Hixon, a/k/a J. C. Hixon, an heir, devisee and legatee, and executor named in the

Last Will and Testament of Pauline L. Hixon, deceased.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Joseph Charles Hixon, a/k/a J. C. Hixon, Petitioner

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