

Beecher Island News

There were 53 at Sunday school. Cindy Stroh and Jake had the special number. Jessica Mertens gave her birthday offering.

Al and Rhoda Renzelman visited Harry Ekberg Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield were Friday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively, Jacque Ekberg, John Willard and Austin attended the Mark Lowery Concert in Colby Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wieser were Friday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield met Mr. and Mrs. Steve Goodman in Fort Morgan Saturday for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Mason and

children and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smith were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Simmons and Taya were Sunday lunch guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family visited Mr. and Mrs. David Shaffner and family Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Kier of Littleton were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver. They also visited other relatives

over the weekend in the area.

Violet Brown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver to Greeley Wednesday.

Having lunch Friday of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons were Laura Pearl Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Simmons and Taya and Sue Jarrett. Deanna Jarrett joined them for supper. Laura Pearl and Sue had gone home in the afternoon.

Monte Mansfield visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield Friday evening.

By Bessie Dent



Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver visited Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Whomble Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dent and Dwain had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent. Joyce Brown and Riley joined them in the afternoon. All were helping Pauls which was very much appreciated.

Technicians want 4x4 ambulance

By Karen Krien

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The grant has been received to purchase a new ambulance and the emergency medical service director was present to tell the commissioners what the emergency medical technicians had decided to buy.

Janelle Bowers, director, said the majority of the technicians had agreed to purchase a four-wheel drive ambulance. She noted that there were three technicians who did not think a four-wheel drive was necessary. The commissioners said that it would probably be more expensive to purchase plus there would be more costs in servicing, repairing and gas. They also questioned the necessity of a four-wheel drive.

Mrs. Bowers said that it was estimated that a four-wheel drive ambulance would cost about \$3,500 more, which was less than the commissioners had thought. The cost of the ambulance would also need to be within the grant allowance which is \$171,000.

There were five other technicians present: Rod Young, Mike Hanson, Stacy Hazuka, Nancy Semler and Clayton Janicke. Mr. Janicke was one of the three objecting to the purchase.

Mr. Young read a statement about why they needed a four-wheel drive ambulance. He said that only 14 percent of the county roads are paved.

The technicians said there had

been times when they couldn't reach a patient but, if they would have had four-wheel drive, they could. The commissioners agreed that when the roads are icy, the four-wheel drive would be safer.

The ambulance will be a Bird City ambulance, and, while they have fewer runs, the technicians said they spend more time getting to and from the hospital and it was necessary for them to have the new ambulance. They also said that the technicians in both cities worked as a team and if there was a need for the four-wheel ambulance, it would be available.

The director will be seeking firm bids for the ambulance. The commissioners asked that, if possible, it be a Ford product as that is the dealer in the county. The final purchase will need to be approved by the commissioners but they agreed that they will go with the technicians' recommendation.

The commissioners had been informed that any changes made at the new emergency building in St. Francis should be approved by the city superintendent, J.R. Landenberger. This included the new keyless entry which Mrs. Bowers had proposed at the previous commissioners' meeting.

Since it is hard to get any money in the sale of an ambulance, the commissioners said they had no problem with the technicians keeping the old ambulance for training purposes.

Student receives master's degree

MidAmerica University

Tyra (Miller) Alldaffer was among the students receiving a master's degree from MidAmerica University at graduation ceremonies on May 3. She received a master of educational technology with a grade point average of 4.0.

Marvin and Anita Miller of St. Francis traveled to Olathe to attend the graduation ceremonies. Also attending were Bryan Alldaffer of Edwardsville and Sheryl Miller of Lawrence.

Pinochle group wraps up season

The Pinochle Card-O-Rama has ended for another season. On May 1, the couples group held their potluck party at the Cheyenne Manor. The next night, the two ladies groups also used the Cheyenne Manor for their salad supper.

The winners for the couples were John Bartlett and Rose Mary Bierig with high and Ernest and Marlene Lebfrom with low.

In the ladies couples group, Gerri Lampe and Rose Mary Bierig won high and Iva Krien and Mary Ruth Burkett won low.

In the ladies afternoon group, the high scorer was Hattie Terry and Dolores Wiley was low.

Members of the mixed couples, group three, include Billy and Gerri Lampe, Kenneth and DeEtta Knorr, Raymond and Bonnie Armknecht, Tim and Margaret Poling, Tom and Sandy Bandel, Ernest and Marlene Lebfrom, Dale and Mary Rath, Floyd and Elaine Jensen, Eddy and Sherry Schultz, Gilbert and Shirley Ochsner, Dolores Kincheloe and Betty Jean Winston and John Bartlett and Rose Mary Bierig.

The ladies couples, group one, is composed of Esther Confer and Laurene Rohn, Twila Kramer and Marge Lampe, Gerri Lampe and Rose Mary Bierig, Carol Rogers and Bonnie McQuillen, Dolores

Wiley and Mildred Barnhart, Helen Burnham and Gladys Cook, Pat Confer and Mickey Smith, Dorothy Schield and Pam Christian, Rachael Keller and Eloise Holiday, Janice Krien and Bernice Zweygardt, Judy Gienger and Arlene Walz and Iva Krien and Mary Ruth Burkett.

The ladies afternoon players, group two, are Dorothy Carpenter, Jean Loyd, Nola Burrus, Hattie Terry, Darlene Feiket, Bonnie McQuillen, Jo Heagney, Ilene O'Leary, Dolores Wiley, Pam Christian, Mickey Smith, Laura Pugh, Carol Rogers, Lois Leydig, Arlene Walz and Dorothy Schield.

Fun Facts

- The wood stork, also known as the wood ibis, is the only true stork native to the United States.
- The first holes-in-one scored by both a father and son in the same game of golf were shot by Charles H. Calhoun Sr. and Jr. on August 24, 1932.
- During her lifetime, the novelist Jane Austen had difficulty finding a publisher. As a result, two of her works - Northanger Abbey and Persuasion were not published until after her death.

Student News

Garden City Community College

Shaina Gohl of St. Francis has been named to the fall semester honor roll at Garden City Community College.

Full-time students enrolled in eight or more credit hours, who attained a grade point average of 4.0 qualified for the president's honor roll. The dean's honor roll is reserved for those with a 3.2 to 3.999 grade point average. The honorable mention list includes those with a grade point average of 3.0 to 3.199.

Gohl was named to the dean's honor roll.

Garden City Community College

Shaina Gohl of St. Francis will be participating in the Garden City Community College Jazz Ensemble and Concert Band program to be held on May 7 at the college. The concert takes place at 7:30 p.m. in the fine arts auditorium.

The musicians will be joined by a tuba soloist, Dr. Jeffery Hodapp, assistant professor of low brass and music theory at Emporia State University.

The Garden City College's presentation will be directed by Jim McAllister, director of bands.

The show is free and open to the public.



LAURENZWEGGARDT, Katelyn Jones and Andrea Born share memories of their European trip.

photo courtesy of Marsha Magley

Club hears about trips

Members and guests of St. Francis Federated Music Club met at First Community Church on the evening of April 8. A potluck salad supper was served at 6:30 p.m., followed by a special power-point presentation by St. Francis high school music students who had participated in a Kansas Ambassadors of Music Concert Tour of Europe during the summer of 2007.

Lauren Zwegardt, Kaitlin Jones and Andrea Born shared their photos, and those of Mac Frewen, who is away at college, relating experiences and memories of concerts given during their

memorable days on tour. Photos of Brandon Rueb and Megan Rice, also away at college, who participated in the Elite Choir International Musical Concert Tour to Hawaii last summer were also shown.

To open the meeting, Lauren Zwegardt gave the poetry moment, "Stars" by Sarah Tisdale.

Elected to serve as officers in the coming year are: Marsha Magley, president; Beth Maifeld, vice president; and Arnita Yost, secretary/treasurer.

The meeting closed, with members to meet again in September.

School Menu

Monday 12

Breakfast: waffle sticks, juice, cereal assortment, milk

Lunch: French dip sandwich, au jus, dill pickle spears, tator tots, peach crisp with topping, milk

Tuesday 13

Breakfast: scrambled eggs, toast, juice, cereal assortment, milk

Lunch: chicken strips, broccoli rice casserole, hot rolls, mandarin oranges, milk

Wednesday 14

Breakfast: fruit turnovers, juice, cereal assortment, milk

Lunch: chili and cheese nachos, bread sticks, tossed salad, apple

sauce, peanut butter fingers, milk

Thursday 15

Breakfast: early risers, potato, egg, bacon and cheese, juice, cereal assortment, milk

Lunch: lasagna, green beans, garlic toast, cherry cheese cake, milk

Friday 16

Breakfast: cinnamon rolls, juice, cereal assortment, milk

Lunch: turkey bacon wrap, lettuce, tomato, cheese, French fries, grapes, milk

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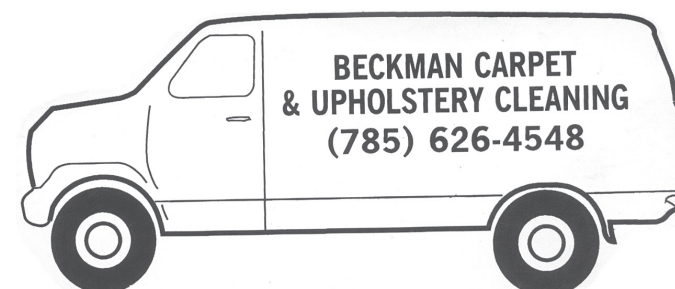


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