

Veterans honored by many



ST. FRANCIS fourth, fifth and sixth graders honored the country's vets on Monday. This is an annual event attended by vets from around the area.



FIDDLERS Tristan Archer, left, and Tanner Gilliland were into playing during their part of the program.



BEARING THE FLAGS — Mariah Beikman and Jon Hoard were the bearers of the colors during the program.

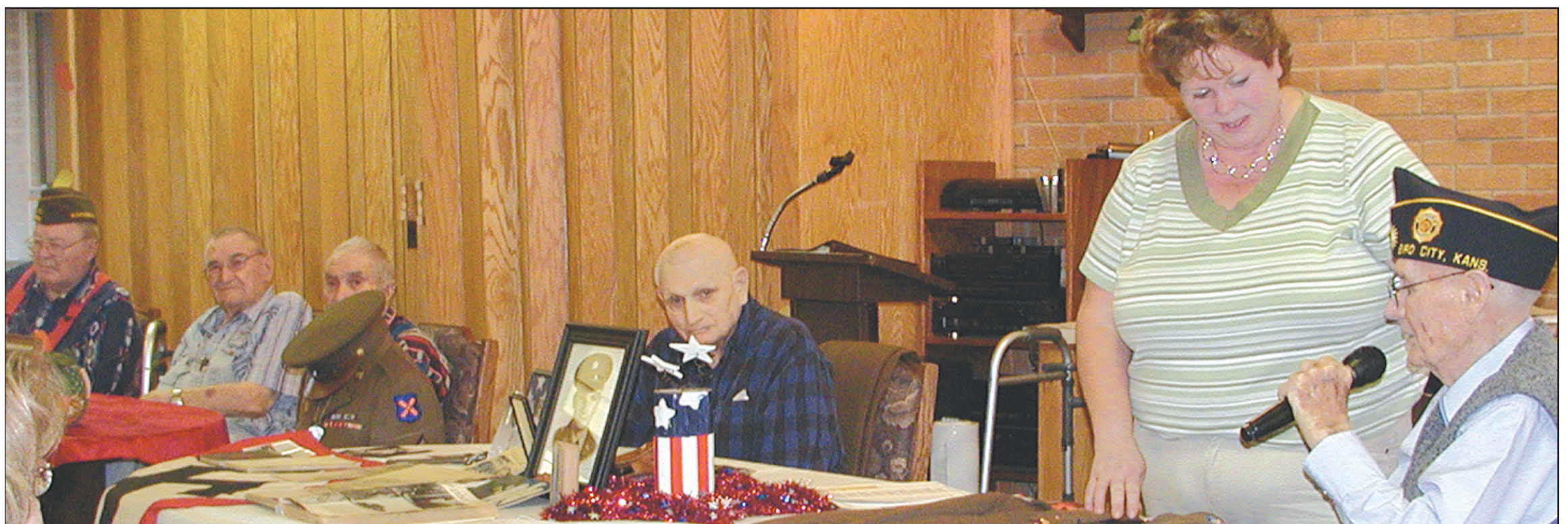
Students present tribute

Fourth, fifth and sixth grade music student of Jean Ann Confer honored the country's veterans as well as entertained the audience in the eighth annual Veterans Day program. The title of the program was "This is America."

There was a little humor as the new president elect and president (in masks) made an appearance and some dancing

and fiddle playing but there were also sobering songs remembering the United States and those who have fought for this country and it's people.

Veterans were honored during the program. One of the final scenes was the portrayal of the statue commemorating the flag raising on Iwo Jima during World War II.



WW II VETS were honored at the Good Samaritan Village. Pictured, l to r, Richard Cemensky, Bill Hilt, Buster Jenkins, Henry Schirmer and Glenn Glasco. Cathy Loop, activities coordinator, organized the event and each of the vets received a certificate thanking them. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

WWII vets honored at Good Samaritan Village

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Monday, the staff and residents of the Good Samaritan Village in St. Francis honored the veterans living at the Village. Richard Cemensky, Bill Hilt, Buster Jenkins,

Henry Schirmer and Glenn Glasco had brought memorabilia including photos of their military service. Mr. Glasco and Mr. Schirmer also had their uniforms complete with bars and medals. Following the program, Cathy

Loop, activities director, presented each of the veterans with a certificate of thanks for a job well done. People were allowed to look at the memorabilia and talk to the veterans about their military experiences. Patriotic cookies, furnished by

Relda Schirmer Galli, and punch were served.
Richard Cemensky
Before he graduated from high school in Montgomery, Minn., Mr. Cemensky was employed as an ordinary seaman and coal pass-

er with the United States Coast Guard. Following graduation, he served in the Army for three years. He was stationed in Germany for two years as a truck driver and a courier in Germany, France and Austria.

He told about climbing a radio tower which was 400-feet high. He was told to climb the tower to make the repairs. What he most remembers about the climb was the beautiful view of the mountains.
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