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# **On the Plains-**

**Beecher Island News** 

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Phil Mitchell was the Sunday visited Bessie Dent Tuesday afmorning speaker and Ashley Hurlburt gave the special number. Ashley Hurlburt and Yohona Aquilar gave their birthday offerings.

Violet Brown received word of the death of her sister, Garnet Douglas in Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways took Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wieser and Katie out to dinner in Holyoke on Sunday, Dec. 21, in honor of Roger's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons went to Cheyenne, Wyo., on Saturday for the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Don Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Perila and family spent Sunday, on their way home from spending Christmas at Bloomington., Minn., with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Goodman and Charolette spent last Saturday night, Dec. 20, with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield.

Bonnie Jones took Bessie Dent out for dinner on Monday, Dec. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Simmons and Taya visited Nettie May Welton last Friday.

Grant Brown is spending the Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brown and Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls spent Friday to Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Dillon Rose in Grand Junction.

Pete and Dennis Allen spent Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pickard in Burling-

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons took Amber Simmons to Greeley Wednesday to meet her mother, Shea Daniels, after Amber had spent several days with the Simmons.

Book review from St. Francis Public Library

#### **Collateral Damage** By Fern Michaels

In their unusual approach to justice, the seven women of the Sisterhood have stuck together through it all, including living as fugitives. But for the first time, the Sisterhood verges on falling apart after Charles Martin asks them to choose between two difficult er the job is a lot more dangerous assignments. The first job could make them more money than their well-connected client? Will his house and dying in his base- may result. he come through with his promthey could ever imagine, the second offers something even more valuable: a presidential pardon, and along with it, a chance for the ladies to finally emerge from hiding. The second choice seems like a no-brainer, but after a lot of harsh words and stubbornness a rift has been exposed. For the sake of their union, Annie, Alexis, Nikki, Isabelle, Kathryn, Yoko, and Myra pick their new mission and try to put their differences aside. A mysterious Washington, D.C. political operative needs the women

ternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield visited Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Parmelee and family of Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brandestien and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Osmus and Jacob spent Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Phil Osmus.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield spent a few days visiting in Hawaii.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wieser and Katie were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways and Chet Wieser.

Christmas brunch guests of Laura Pearl Wall were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Simmons and Taya, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Wall, Betty Lee Greene, Wendy and Blaine Lee, Dwight Wall, Cody and Lindsey Lashley, Azure Wall and Jessica Wall.

Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rose were Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls, Pam Zuege, Cory and Brooke and a friend, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Cohoon and family and Mr. and Mrs. Kris Rose and Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus spent Wednesday evening to Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Tempy Bowman and family. Joining them Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Matt Osmus, Andy Osmus and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Kerbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen hosted a Christmas dinner at Beecher on Thursday for Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mudd and family from Minnesota, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Allen and Tylur Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Willard, Pete and Dennis Allen and Willie Klie.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls

## **BookReview**

to track down a computer hacker who has stolen a list of secret fundraisers' names and sold it to an identity-theft ring. No one in either political party wants it known that valuable personal information has been mishandled, and with a presidential election looming, the stakes are high.

But as the Sisterhood set out to find the culprits, they soon discovthan they thought. Who really is Mrs. Kenneth Rose and Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Madsen and Kinsey. Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Smith were Mr. and

Mrs. Dave Smith and JoLynne Reiman. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thane

Greene on Christmas Eve for ovster soup were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekberg, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Cory Jeurink and family, Tobi Jeurink, who was here Tuesday to Saturday.

Jo Lynne Wingfield's guests were Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Shively hosted dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively, Carole Whomble, Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Bond and family, Todd Shively and friend and Maranda Shively. The same group had breakfast at the Rowe Shivelys Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dent and Dwain's guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brown, Grant and Riley, Bessie Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lamle, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lamle and their daughter, Nebula and Brent and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield hosted dinner Saturday for Mr. daughter.

## BookReview

Book review from St. Francis Public Library

> **Fearless Fourteen** By Janet Evanovich

Personal vendettas, hidden treasure, and a monkey named Carl will send bounty hunter Stephanie Plum on her most explosive adventure yet.

The Crime: Armed robbery to the tune of nine million dollars. Dom Rizzi robbed a bank, stashed the money and did the time. His family couldn't be more proud. He always was the smart one.

The Cousin: Joe Morelli.

Joe Morelli, Dom Rizzi and Dom's sister, Loretta, are cousins. Morelli is a cop, Rizzi robs banks, and Loretta is a single mother waiting tables at the firehouse. The all-American family.

The Complications: Murder, kidnapping, destruction of personal property, and acid reflux.

Less than a week after Dom's release from prison, Joe Morelli has shadowy figures breaking into

were Sylvia Madsen, Mr. and and Mrs. Steve Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Goodman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Goodman and Charolette, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Mansfield and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Goodman.

Vickie Shaver arrived at the Rex Shavers on Monday from Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Matzke, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Faulkender, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Shaver and Jim Shaver joined the group on Tuesday for an early Christmas dinner.

Nettie May Welton's guests were David and Sue Welton, Kevin and Patti Kinnear and Dustin, Paul Wilson and Tina, Tammy Cunningham and Curtis, Jim and Lyndsey Worthen.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ekberg and Mr. and Mrs. John Willard and family spent Wednesday evening to Saturday with Connie Ekberg in Colorado Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Kris Jones and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Jones in Yuma.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chapman spent Friday and Saturday in Denver with Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Mawe, Glenn's new-found half brother. They had breakfast Saturday with Jennifer Stitts, with their

ment. He's getting threatening messages, Loretta is kidnapped and Dom is missing. The Catastrophe: Moonman.

Morelli hires Walter "Mooner" Dunphy, stoner and "inventor" turned crime fighter, to protect his house. Morelli can't afford a lot on a cop's salary, and Mooner will work for potatoes.

The Cupcake: Stephanie Plum. Stephanie and Morelli have a long-standing relationship that involves sex, affection, and driving each other nuts. She's a bond enforcement agent with more luck than talent, and she's involved in this bank-robbery-gone-bad disaster from day one.

The Crisis: A favor for Ranger. Security expert Carlos Manoso, street name Ranger, has a job for Stephanie that will involve night work. Morelli has his own ideas regarding Stephanie's evening activities.

The conclusion: Only the fearless should read Fourteen. Thrills, chills and incontinence



Ekberg. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways Tracy Martinez was a Saturday visited Nettie May Welton Tuesovernight guest of her parents, Mr. day afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kris Jones and and Mrs. Glenn Chapman.

## Idalia News -

#### St. John United **Church of Christ News**

Men's Bible study is weekly from 7 to 7:30 a.m. on Thursdays at St. John's Church. All men are welcome.

#### Christmas CD's

The Christmas program is being put on to CD's and if you would like a copy for memories of all the little children, you can sign the sheet at the St. John Church or call 970-354-7288 for more information.

#### Change of Schedule

be back on schedule at the Idalia day in January.

Most people feel uncomfort- also noteworthy that the inforable talking with family members, mal caregiver, usually a spouse loved ones, and particularly aging or adult child, was also less likely parents about the subject of death, dying and end of life issues. Even in the months after the patient's when a family member or friend is seriously ill, the topic of dying is often avoided out of concern for the person's feelings, or that they might become sad, depressed and feel hopeless. However, according to a recent study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, end-of-life discussions seem to have benefits for both the patients and family members who love and care for them. The study was conducted on

332 terminally ill cancer patients located in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Texas. Of those patients, 123 reported having the end-of-life conversation. Patients who had discussions with their physician about what type of care they wanted as they neared death experienced a better quality of life in their waning days than those who did not have such a discussion. The discussion did not lead to more depression, worry, or sadness on the part of the patient. The opportunity to verbalize their Mental Health Center, Plain goals and expectations helped Sense, Prevention, Education, and them exercise some control even Outreach Department, 208 East

**Community Events** 

family and Esther Hanson were

Dec. 23, supper guests of Jacque

Jan. 14 - There will be an annual meeting for the Idalia Ambulance Service at 6:30 p.m. at the Idalia Visions.

Jan. 15 - The Family and Community Education meeting will be at 7 p.m.. Hope to see all there at the church for the new year.

Jan. 19 - No school for Idalia students. The FFA will travel to stock show in Denver.

#### **December weather**

Average high: 39.0; average low: Denice and Marlene Miller will 11.7; warmest day, 68 on Dec. 3; coldest day, -12 on Dec. 15; pre-Prairie Vista Cafe the last Wednes- cipitation for December: .13 inches; precipitation for year 21.5.

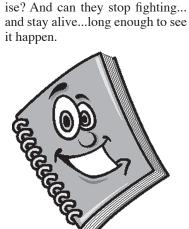
### **Plain Sense End of Life Discussions**

to experience major depression death if this discussion took place. According to Dr. Alexi Wright of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institutte in Boston as reported in Reuters, October 7, 2008, "The major findings are that end-of-life discussions have cascading benefits for patients and their loved ones."

Talking about grief, loss and end of life issues can be difficult, yet can be helpful as well as necessary. Contact your local library or bookstore for information on this topic. Other resources for educational materials include your family physician, long-term care centers, Area Agency on Aging, faith community and community mental health center.

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



## **Public Notice Official Notice** of annual meeting

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#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEY-ENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

PEARL L. CARROLL, Deceased

Case No. 2009-PR-01

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Kent Hoffman, a beneficiary of Pearl L. Carroll, deceased, praying that: the foreign will of Pearl L. Carroll, deceased, dated August 5, 1986, be admitted to probate and record in this Court; no administration of the Estate is necessary; the will be construed, and the following fractional mineral interests in, on and under the following described real estate, to-wit:

659/5760 interests in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Ten (10); 659/5760 interests in the North Half of the Southwest Quarter (N/2SW/4) of Section Ten (10); 659/5760 interests in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quar-

ter (NW/4SE/4) of Section Ten (10); 1/9 interest in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Fifteen (15); 1/9 interest in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4NE/4) of Section Sixteen (16); 1318/11520 interest in the South Half of the Northeast Quarter (S/2NE/4) of Section Sixteen (16); 1318/11520 interest in the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Sixteen (16); 1318/11520 interest in the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section Twenty-one (21); ALL in Township One (1), South, Range Thirty-eight (38) West of the 6th P.M., Cheyenne County, Kansas,

Be assigned to Kent Hoffman, the residuary legatee and devisee of the Estate of Pearl L. Carroll

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before January 30, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the District Court of Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Kent Hoffman, Petitioner

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