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Student selected in top 10

This past spring, Lisa Gibson's freshman English class entered an essay contest provided by Creative Communication. Out of 2,200 entries, 1,100 were selected to be published and, of those, 15 of the essays were written by the St. Francis freshmen.

The 15 essays, Mrs. Gibson said, were submitted with those 1,100 essays, and one student, Isaac Schiltz, was selected as one of the top 10.

"What an awesome honor for Isaac as a freshman," Mrs. Gibson said. "I am very proud of him to be one of the top 10 in 2,200 essays."

Essays were selected for their literary merit, creative and social significance. Isaac's essay, "It's You and Me," was printed in The *Herald* earlier but is being printed again.

The son of Rob and Carla Schiltz, Isaac will receive a \$50 savings bond and a complimentary copy of essay anthology "Celebrating What Is Important To Me."

It's You and Me By Isaac Schiltz

I stood on the runway in St. Francis, Kansas. I felt very privileged, because only few before me have earned the right to stand on this runway. It was somewhat of a sacred place to me. As I stood there, the wind blew over my skin, giving me goose bumps. I was ready; ready to succeed, but myself staring up at the cross bar, also ready to fail, for a pole vault- still high above me. I had won.



Schiltz

er must accept both equally.

I looked up at the cross bar. It was my nemesis, and nothing was going to stop me from defeating it. Being nothing but a fiber glass pole, the cross bar can generate so many emotions; so much passion, aggression, and fear. A pole vaulter must thrive off all these feelings. They give him energy that allows him to harbor the strength to defeat his enemy.

I drowned out all noise; the crowd, the loudspeaker, and all other sounds around me were irrelevant. I looked at the bar one last time. "It's you and me," I mumbled quietly under my breath. I began my approach. The run seemed an eternity, but in reality lasted only a few seconds. As I approached my destination, information raced across my mind. Before I knew it, I was there. I slid my pole into the box, closed my eyes, swung my body into the air...and then it all went blank. I landed, and then opened my eyes. I found

350 degrees for 50 minutes. Let

cool in pan and then invert onto

sugar with 1 to 2 tablespoons of

milk until smooth and drizzle over

Lemon Dew Cake

1 - Lemon pudding mix (in-

Mix all ingredients together in

large bowl. Pour batter into oil

sprayed bundt pan. Bake at 350

degrees for 30-40 minutes. Let

1 - Lemon cake mix

1 can Mountain Dew

Cookin' with Peg-

cooled cake.

3/4 cup oil

4 eggs

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by Peggy Horinek

phorinek@nwkansas.com Hey, all you cooks out there. serving plate. Mix 1 cup powered I'm still waiting for all those great recipes you said you were going to share. Please email them to me at the above address or mail them to the Herald at P.O. Box 1050, St. Francis, 67756.

The two cake recipes below are my favorites. I first tasted them at the Coffee Shop and Aimee Northrup was kind enough to share them with me. Hope you enjoy them too!

Praline Cake

- 1 Butter Pecan cake mix
- 4 Eggs
- 3/4 cup oil
- 1 cup water
- 1 can coconut frosting

82nd birthday The family of Arlie Archer is

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requesting a card shower for his will be closed on Saturday, July 82nd birthday on June 30. Cards will reach Arlie at P.O. Box 22, McDonald, KS 67745-0022.

99th birthday

The family of Amelia Banister is honoring her with a card shower to help her celebrate her 99th birthday on July 4. Cards may be sent to her at P.O. Box 77, McDonald, KS 67745.

Ambassadors Music Ministry Team

The Ambassadors Music Ministry Team from the Association Free Lutheran Bible School in Minneapolis, Minn., will present an inspirational concert at Peace Lutheran Church in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday. The 60minute concert includes more than 10 songs, two testimonies of faith and a brief message.

Hospice volunteers meeting

Hospice volunteers will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bird City with a potluck lunch. The topic "What do caregivers need' (how Hospice volunteers can provide support to the patient's family too) will be presented by Shanda Draper LBSW. All persons interested in Hospice services are welcome to attend.

Firework display at Idalia on Friday

The Idalia community is holding a potluck and fireworks display on Friday at the Idalia School football field. The potluck starts at 7 p.m. mountain time (bring a covered dish, lawn chair, etc.) and the fireworks will begin at 9;15.

Landscape Lawn and Garden Tours

The Cheyenne County Conservation's Landscape Lawn and Garden Tours are planned for Saturday, July 18, and Sunday, July 19, with stops in both St. Francis and Bird City.

These tours are a culmination of water conservation activities hosted by the local advisory board to the Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development Area council.

and a complete schedule of the tour

The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times offices will be closed on Friday, July 3 in observance of the Fourth of July.

Closed July 3 and July 4

will be closed on Friday, July 3, cool in pan and invert onto serving and Saturday, July 4. plate. Mix 1 cup powered sugar

Bulletin Board

Landfill closed July 4 The Cheyenne County Landfill

Veterans Affairs

Jody Tubbs, of the Kansas Com-

mission on Veterans' Affairs, will

be in St. Francis at 9:30 a.m. today

(Thursday), at the county clerk's

office. People may also contact

the Veteran's Affairs office in

Colby any Monday, Wednesday,

Fair Board

time of year when the swimming

pools are full with kids. Pools and

spas can be lots of fun. But they can

also be very dangerous, especially

to children. June is National Safety

Home month and the home safety

council encourages families to fol-

low the safety steps below to avoid

injuries in and around pools and

• When children are in or near the

water, a grownup should watch them

very carefully. Do not take your eyes

off them. Older children should not

be left in charge of younger children

• Always keep gates closed and

• Do not leave furniture near the

fence that would enable a child to

latched. Never prop a gate open.

spas.

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or Friday at 785-462-3572.

16, at the fairgrounds.

Board of Education The St. Francis Board of Education will meet at 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 9, at the high school library.

Library Art Gallery The St. Francis Public Library Art Gallery is featuring awards and highlights of the St. Francis Community High School FFA program. Lyn Wiley is the advisor. **AWANA Bible Story Hour**

Starts

AWANA Bible Story Hour runs In July, the Fair Board will not from 10 to 11 a.m. in the bandbe meeting until Thursday, July shell park. First graders and older students are welcome.

Recovery Today/Narcotics Anonymous

Recovery Today group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at 8 p.m. on Sunday nights at the United Methodist Educational Building. Call (785) 332-6542 or 8607 for more information.

Sainty Serenity Seekers/ **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Sainty Serenity Seekers open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous is held at 7:30 p.m. each Thursday evening at the United Methodist Education Building at 104 W. Webster, St. Francis. Call (785) 332-6542 for more information

Moments With Mila

Summer time is here and it's the and spa covers.

· Completely remove pool and spa covers before anyone gets in.

· Chlorine-based pool care products can explode and catch on fire. Always follow manufacturer's instructions when using pool chemicals and store chemicals in a dry place away from heat sources.

• Lock all pool chemicals in a secure cabinet out of children's reach.

Drowning is a leading cause of home injury deaths...especially for children. Many children drown in pools and spas. It can happen very fast and you won't hear it. To prevent a tragedy, the Home Safety Council offers the following tips:

• If you have a pool or spa, install a fence that goes all the way around • If you have a pool party, have it. The fence should close and latch grownups take turns watching the by itself. It should be at least 5-feet children at all times.

> · Enroll non-swimmers in swimming lessons taught by a qualified instructor.

• Never swim alone. Even adults should swim with a buddy.

· Learn how you would save someone in trouble. Learn first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Make sure that anyone who cares for your children learns cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

· Post cardiopulmonary instructions near the pool area.

• The pump in a pool or spa creates powerful suction at the drain which can trap a swimmer under water. Teach children to stay away from drains, grates and filters.

· Tie up long hair before swimming. Pool drains should have a cover. For added protection, consider purchasing a safety guard to install over the drain.

• Never leave toys in or around the pool when you are not there.

> SHOWTIME: 8 p.m. 1 hr. 45 min. UP Action/Adventure. Comedy.

Swimming pool safety

Mila Bandel

County Health Nurse

• Teach children the "rules of the pool." Remind them often.

 Stay out of the pool during severe weather and thunderstorms, especially if lightning is forecast or present.

• If a child is missing, check the pool area first.



Dorothy Schield

pen house planned

are welcome to attend.

An open house is being held to honor Dorothy Schield on her 90th birthday from 2 to 4 p.m. on July 11, at the Chevenne Manor. Friends, relatives and neighbors

wear a vest.

• Use plastic instead of glassware

 For extra safety, use a pool alarm to alert you if someone falls into the pool. Recent studies show that subsurface pool alarms are most effective. These alarms are not substitutes

• Remove excess water from pool

Fireworks Special!

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climb over it. • Keep the pool area clear of things you could trip on.

in the pool area.

• Keep a cordless, water resistant telephone with emergency numbers posted in the pool area.

· Keep pool-side rescue equipment close by. Equipment should include a rescue pole measuring at least 10-12 feet and a ring buoy with line. Do not allow children to play with these tools.

• Keep a life vest on hand. Anyone who is not a good swimmer should

in the pool area.

for adult supervision of children.

• Keep spas and hot tubs covered and locked when not in use.

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Bob - Justin - Terry

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Check The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times next week for additional information

Office closed

The St. Francis Public Library

Mix all ingredients together with juice until smooth and drizzle over electric mixer. Pour batter into oil sprayed bundt pan and bake at

with 1 to 2 tablespoons of lemon cooled cake.



