



Jess and Frances Williams

## Couple honored

The children of Jess and Frances Williams are honoring their parents with a card shower on their 65th wedding anniversary on July 29. They were married on

July 29, 1944.

Cards may reach them at P.O. Box 53, St. Francis, KS 67756-0053.

## Book Review

Book review from the St. Francis Library

### The Choice

By Nicholas Sparks

Travis Parker has everything a man could want: a good job, loyal friends, even a waterfront home in small-town North Carolina. In full pursuit of the good life...boating, swimming, and regular barbecues with his close buddies...he holds the vague conviction that a serious relationship with a woman would only cramp his style. That is until Gabby Holland moves in next door.

Despite his attempts to be neigh-

borly, the attractive redhead seems to have a grudge against him...and the presence of her long-time boyfriend doesn't help. Still, Travis can't stop trying to ingratiate himself with his new neighbor, and his persistent efforts lead them both to the doorstep of a journey that neither could have foreseen. Spanning the eventful years of young love, marriage, and family, *The Choice* ultimately confronts us with the most heart-wrenching question of all: How far should you go to keep the hope of love alive?

## Several cousins attend gathering following service

On July 17 there was a funeral service at the Goodland Bible Church for Betty Cress, wife of former Jim Cress.

Sister-in-law, Jerry Cress, attended from Bird City with Pat Cress of St. Francis. Also attending the funeral were Dan and Linda Cress of Aurora, Colo., and Vernon Cress of Garden City.

There were 13 cousins who got together that day and later several of them visited at the home of Junior and Jerry Cress of Bird City. Those present were Lynette Nolan of St. Francis, LaNelle and Bob Netherton of

Titusville, Fla., Judy Van Holst of Colorado Springs, Colo., Alice Cress of Goodland, Larry Cress of Bellflower, Calif., Donna and Doug Taub of Windsore, Colo., Vicki Steppen of Beloit, and Susan Kriley of Wilson.

Other cousins unable to come that afternoon were Tim and Liz Cress of Weskan, and Cindy Cress of Goodland.

Some visitors had to leave early when they got a phone call from Goodland that Julie (Cress) Amsberry had been taken to the hospital with breathing problems. She has been on oxygen for several months.

## Card shower planned

Lee and Delphine Norton, Ness City, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary July 31, with a card shower.

A family dinner will be held at a later date. Children of the couple are Randy and Judy Norton of Utica and Brenda and Darren Dinges of Ness City.

The couple have four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren: Brandon, Amber, Bransen and Audree Dinges of Oakley, Danielle Dinges and Kaitlyn Dinges of Ness City and James Norton of Wichita.

Cards can be sent to them at



Lee and Delphine Norton

704 W Chestnut St. Ness City, KS 67560.

Delphine Rogers and Lee Norton were married July 31, 1959, at First United Methodist Church, St. Francis.

## Student News

### Garden City Community College

Shaina Gohl received honorable mention when Garden City Community College issued honor rolls for the spring semester. The honorable mention list features students earning grade point averages ranging from 3.0 to 3.199.

Honor roll eligibility, deter-



mined the college's registrar, is based on enrollment in eight or more credit hours. The college also has a president's honor roll and a dean's honor roll.



Larry and Sharon Blanchard

## 50th anniversary reception July 25

Larry and Sharon Blanchard were married July 15, 1959, in St. Francis. Their children will host a reception on Saturday in Salida, Colo., at the Monarch Shrine Club from 2 to 5 p.m.

Friends and family are welcome to attend. The family requests no gifts please just to come and enjoy the fellowship.

Cards of greeting will reach them at P.O. Box 725, Salida, CO 81201.

## Book Review

Book review from St. Francis Public Library

### Justice Denied

By J.A. Jance

The investigation of LaShawn Tompkins' murder seems straightforward enough. Upon his release from death row, the ex-drug dealer returned to his old neighborhood, where he was gunned down on his mother's doorstep. Just another case of turf warfare.

At least that's what it looks like on the surface to Seattle investigator J. P. Beaumont, who's been handed the assignment under the strictest confidence. But as Beau starts digging, the situation becomes more complicated than he'd thought. It appears that LaShawn really had turned over a new leaf at the King street Mission and his murder was premeditated. Someone had targeted the man for

death.

Meanwhile, Beau's lover and fellow cop, Mel Soames, is given her own hush-hush investigation. A routine check on registered sex offenders has revealed a disturbing pattern: they're dying off at an alarming rate, and not all due to natural causes. Details of the latest death suggest an inside job, and Mel isn't letting this go.

Suddenly, Mel's investigation becomes entangled with Beau's, and the two begin to uncover a nightmarish conspiracy that could involve people in high places - including their own top brass.



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