

There were 61 at Sunday school. The Beecher Island Helping Hand Club had a potluck dinner for the Christmas meeting. They will meet with Crystal Zion on Jan. 5.

Boni and Pete Osmus hosted a birthday supper for Holly Kock, Kyla, Noah, Jake and Owen were guests also.

Donna Dodge spent Wednesday with Violet Brown.

Harry Ekberg and Carol Chapman attended the Christmas party with Beulah Ekberg at the rest home Saturday.

Patty Kinnear spent a couple of days with Nettie May Welton this past week.

Jan Neumann and Marcy Brown

visited Bessie Dent last Monday afternoon.

Andy Osmus was an overnight guest of his parents, Boni and Pete Osmus on Wednesday, Dec. 8.

Eunice Weed visited Bessie Dent last Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen just returned from a long trip. They visited Sheryl's family in Alabama and Justin's family in Dallas, Texas.

Judy Shively returned home last Tuesday from Enterprise, Ala., where she visited daughter, James and Kerri Kennedy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield one day last week.

Gwen Shaver and Violet Brown enjoyed lunch at Pizza Hut in Yuma

Friday.

Bonnie Jones visited Bessie Dent Saturday and took her out to dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield visited the Ron Jackson and Ron Braxton families in Greeley this weekend.

Owen Johnson was an overnight guest of Pete and Boni Osmus on Thursday.

Tonya Simmons hosted supper in honor of Quentin's birthday for Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons, Saturday. Quentins were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons.

Merry Lu Simmons visited Laura Pearl Wall Wednesday afternoon.

By Bessie Dent



Moments With Mila

Winter Travel and Your Safety

By Mila Bandel



County Health Nurse

Tis the season maybe for some winter weather!!! Will you be prepared? Find out about the latest weather-related driving conditions and stay alert to changing road/weather conditions as you travel. Make informed decisions as you plan your trips. Travelers can easily do this by using the Kansas Department of Transportation's (KDOT) free traveler information services:

- Visit www.kandrive.org, the department's gateway for travel information and trip planning in Kansas. Like 511, the site provides road condition and work zone information but also provides camera and message sign views, and links to other information, such as Closed Roads Reports, Driving Conditions Reports, weather and travel information for other states and more.

- Stay in your vehicle: Do not attempt to find help by walking. You can quickly become disoriented in blowing and drifting snow. Your car provides the best protection from the weather and you are more likely to be discovered by highway maintenance crews or law enforcement officers if you remain in your car.
- Keep fresh air circulating: Carbon monoxide can build up in a tightly closed vehicle, especially one sealed by blowing or drifting snow. Run the motor sparingly and open only the downwind window to provide proper ventilation.
- Keep active: Clap your hands and move your arms and legs vigorously from time to time to stimulate circulation relieve muscle tension and help keep you awake.
- Turn on your dome light: The light will help you observe others in the car and make your car vis-

ible to passersby. Do not permit all occupants of the vehicle to sleep at the same time.

If you're stranded, call for help on your cell phone: If you're on an interstate, U.S. or Kansas highway call *47. If you're on the Kansas Turnpike, call *KTA (582). Use these numbers to report an emergency, accident, vehicle break down, erratic driver, or criminal activity. If you have difficulty reaching these numbers, call 911. If you're stranded on a highway in the Kansas City, Topeka or Wichita areas, the Kansas Highway Patrol Motorist Assist Program (MAP) will send a service vehicle to help. Motorist Assist Program provide only basic services necessary for the safety of stranded motorists and roadway traffic.

Call 511 or 1-866-511-KDOT (5368) for road condition and weather information.

Stay safe this winter season!

Haigler News

By Floy Fisher



Holiday Lights

"Our little village of Haigler is decorated beautifully for the holiday season. Everyone in the community is encouraged to come tour the lighted homes and streets. Merry Christmas and Best wishes to all for a Happy New Year." Floy said.

Haigler late Saturday evening.

Melissa Rosenfelt and sons, Mitchell and Matthew Collicott of McCook and Melissa's mother, Carolyn Rosenfelt of Benkelman drove to Haigler on Sunday afternoon. They all enjoyed lunch at the Haigler cafe, spent some time decorating graves at the Haigler cemetery, and then visited in the homes of Stan and LaNeta Carlock and Stan and Galena Webster. Mitch and Matt are their nephews and twin sons of their deceased brother, Gail Collicott.

mas Program at the Haigler United Methodist Church.

Garry and Sharon Fisher of Newberry Springs, Calif., spent a few days of their vacation at Garry's mother's home, visiting and doing some yard cleaning and other chores. For two days some little elves could be seen raking, tearing down old dilapidated fences and other "eyesores." I am sure anyone that drives by 338 Washington Avenue cannot help but notice an improvement on the property. They also plan to visit Sharon's parents in Minnesota and their son, Jonathan, wife, Wendy, and 10-month old granddaughter, Taylor, near Kansas City.

On Wednesday, Lois Zuege drove to McCook with two passengers, Veda Douglass, and Floy Fisher, to do some special Christmas shopping for items not available locally. It was a pleasant day and all enjoyed the time together.

Stan and LaNeta Carlock were pleasantly surprised to have a visit this past week from Gary Williams of Hastings, Neb. Gary and his crew, Midwest Movers, are the ones who moved Country Schoolhouse 67 South from the cornfield west of town to its current location on Porter Avenue. He knew the museum project was completed and wanted to stop by to see it, and was most pleased to see what had been done.

Galena Webster and LaNeta Carlock drove to Greeley and on to Estes Park, Colo., on Friday. They delivered several holiday baskets of goodies, and enjoyed a long visit with Lee Machin, owner of Machin's Cottages in the Pines in Estes Park. The sisters returned to

Idalia News

By Angela DeLeon



St. John news

Men's Bible study is weekly on Thursday mornings from 7 to 7:30 at the St. John Church. All men are welcome.

St. John Church welcomes the Idalia community to Christmas Eve services at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Dec. 24. The 3 p.m. service will be an informal, family service that will look at the meaning of the song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas." The 7 p.m. service will be a traditional service of scriptures and carols and a program on, "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Both services will include candle lighting and the distribution of traditional candy bags.

Christmas break

Idalia School Christmas break is

Dec. 20 to Jan. 3.

Books for Belize

As a community service project, the Idalia Future Business Leaders of America members are collecting recycled children's (kindergarten through eighth grade) reading books to be given to an underprivileged elementary school in Belize. All books collected can be either used or in new condition.

There is a drop-off barrel available in the school lobby. If you have questions please call the school and ask for Adam, Matthew or Kinsey.

Recycling jeans

Recycle those old jeans! The program is called "Blue into Green." Habitat for Humanity is now turning worn-out denim jeans into insu-

lation that will go into the homes it builds for people in need. The jeans are shredded and worked through the normal process. They are non-toxic, give off no gases and are completely safe to install in homes.

The Bicentennial Family and Community Education Club has placed collection boxes at the Outback Fuel and Feed Station, the Prairie Vista Cafe and the Idalia School.

Idalia Exercise Hour

There is an exercise hour on Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Cornerstone Building.

ACROSS

- Day-__ paint
- Source of contraband cigars
- Sudden outbursts
- Letters on a chit
- Cartel acronym
- Draws a bead on
- Lunch-counter order
- 1977 Mel Brooks film
- Cotton thread
- __ Park, Colorado
- Saint-__ (French textile center)
- Preserving, as pork
- "I did it!"
- Muscat's sultanate
- Prolific "author"
- __ a living (just get by)
- It had a part in the Bible
- Mount Saint Helens fallout
- Stores, as fodder
- Follower's suffix
- Site of Tut's tomb
- Favored one leg
- Country __ (great distance)
- Sicilian spewer
- Bivouac shelter
- Form, as a jury
- Afghan maker
- Esther of "Good Times"
- Hot Lips Houlihan, for one
- Purveyor of bawdy jokes, say
- Flat __ pancake
- Simple hydrocarbon
- Pew locale
- Op. __ (footnote abbr.)
- Whistle-blower

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American Profile Hometown Content

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DOWN

- Chicken's heart, e.g.
- Sue Lyon role of 1962
- Butler, maid, et al.
- Skater Sasha
- Wire service inits.
- Request a doggie treat
- Head problem?
- He comes once a year
- Computer-screen dot
- Mutinied ship of 1839
- Mao __-tung
- Scarf down
- Dirty digs

- Org.
- Dike problem
- Middays
- Outback avians
- Advantageous position
- Turndowns
- Pesky flier
- Not quite upright
- Extra-wide, at the shoe store
- Staff anew
- Letters for Kreskin
- "Look __ ..." ("Misty" starter)
- Gap-filling wedge
- Sausage unit
- Stutz __ (classic car)
- Ides of March rebuke

- Model Macpherson
- Tabloids "monster"
- Trade agreement
- Nary a soul
- Chaser of "that wascally wabbit"
- Word preceding city or circle
- Ferber or Best
- Ashe Stadium do-over
- Ear: Prefix
- Horton heard one
- "How Dry __"
- DC's Constitution or Pennsylvania

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