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wife - in helping with the animals, driving a tractor, cooking for harvesters, managing the farm business. She didn't know the convenience of having a refrigerator, gas stove or telephone for the first 15 years of marriage, as electricity didn't come until she was in her 40s, and in-door plumbing several years later.

Many remember her as a perfectionist, whether preparing a meal, sewing a new dress, making curtains, teaching school or writing

Above all, she loved teaching and had a unique ability to relate to young people. First as a country school teacher, and then beginning in 1947 as a leader of the Plum Creek 4-H Club along with her hus-

It had been 25 years since Cheyenne County had had a state 4-H champion. In the following 10 years, the Plum Creek Club had 11 state champions and six national winners. It became the most honored and recognized 4-H club in the

In 1954, the Skelly Oil Company honored the Neilans with its National Farm Family award.

A birthday celebration was held for Gladys on Jan. 9 at the Good Samaritan Prairie Manor nursing home in Sharon Springs. Family, friends, staff and residents of the

home enjoyed ice cream and cake in honoring Gladys.

Gary pointed out that Gladys was born on a farm, raised on a farm, married a farmer and lived on a farm for the first 84 years of her life. She suffered a stroke in 1995 and became a resident of the St. Francis Good Samaritan home until the Oct.

Though the years have taken their toll, Gladys still managed a big smile for her two grandsons at her 100th birthday celebration. Family attending the celebration besides Gary were Wilma Neilan, Las Cruses, N.M., Scott and Melody Neilan and son, Kyle, of Kansas City, and G Jay Neilan, Jacksonville, Fla.

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District 2, position 4, Belinda Serrano; District 2, position 2, Nick Ketzner.

Sunflower Extension District

Justin Lohr, St. Francis, is running for the seat on the Sunflower Extension District 6 board.

No withdrawing names

It should be noted, that after a candidate has filed for an office, he cannot withdraw his name after the last date provided by law for

HEADSTART STUDENTS enjoy lunch at the St. Francis Grade School each day. Pictured are Zoey Hankins and Serenity Jones. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Book Review

A Sister's Secret By Wanda E. Brunstetter

Book review from the St. Francis Public Library

Putting her rumschpringe (running-around years) behind her, Grace Hostettler returns to Holmes County, Ohio, joins the Amish church, and begins a new four years are nearly idyllic for community. the oldest Hostettler child - except

for the hidden pain of a carefully harbored secret. Then her peaceful world is shattered the day she runs into Gary Walker - an Englisher who knows enough about her past to destroy her future. And his arrival coincides with a series of life with a new romance. The next startling attacks against the Amish

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ing into place when Martin Ginbefriends a motherless child. But above the ashes?

Ruth is the second oldest sister her dreams are suddenly shattered in the Hostetler family, and she in one horrific moment, putting has one burning desire-to marry Ruth's faith to the test. Finding and fill her Amish household with herself spiritually adrift, Ruth's children. Life seems to be fall- only real prayer becomes a desperate "God, why?" Will Ruth gerich starts to court her and she find the faith and strength to rise

Facts about hospice care you should know

hospice care is just about dying...that hospice is the place most. you call when there's nothing more that can be done. Nothing could be further from the truth. Hospice helps patients and families focus on living.

Hospice care brings comfort, every moment of life to the fullest. It also reaches out to provide support for the family and friends who love and care for them.

Americans were served by the of age or type of illness. nation's hospice providers. Yet, there are some important facts backgrounds and traditions; the about hospice that people don't core values of hospice...allowknow. And this may be keep- ing the patient to be with family,

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prevent a person from accessing

• Hospice serves people of all

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majority of Americans would

prefer to be at home at the end of life's journey...hospice makes this possible for most people. • Hospice serves people living

living facilities.

• Hospice patients and families

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her referring physician involved while receiving hospice care. • Hospice offers grief and bereavement services to family

members and the community. • To get the most out of what Services.

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If this information about hospice surprises you, take the time to find out more. The best time to learn about hospice is before someone in your family is facing a healthcare crisis.

For more information, contact Hospice Services at 800-315-5122 (in Phillipsburg 785-543-2900) or visit http://www.hospicenwks.net You can visit http:// www.caringinfo.org or call the HelpLine at 800-658-8898 for general information. This information is provided by the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and Hospice

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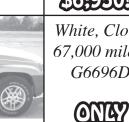
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