

# On the Plains

## Idalia News

By  
Elsie  
Shanks



**New room number**  
Shirley Boden has been moved to room 5214B. Her phone number is 303-563-3726. She is still in Presbyterian/St. Lukes Hospital, 1719 East 19th Avenue, Denver, Colo. 80218. She would love to hear from you.

**New address**  
New address for John Doddridge, who is in the Navy, is: AOAN Doddridge, John, Bag-129 NAS, Whidbey Island Oak Harbor, Washington 98278.

**Notice**  
All the Family Community Education members need to get their Yuma County Fair projects to St. John United Church of Christ fellowship hall no later than Sunday, August 4 at 4 p.m. Joyce Helling will take them to the fair for you.

**St. John United Church of Christ news**  
St. John United Church of Christ invites everyone to come join them. Worship service is at 10 a.m. every Sunday till September during the hot summer months.

Bill Carpenter Sr. and Hannah Langendoerfer sang a duet "Wings of the Dove" accompanied on the piano by Betty J. Moellenberg.

Pastor Ralph Datema enjoyed his 40th high school reunion at Springfield, Mo. this past week.

**Boden's reunion**  
Mis and Tim Clapper hosted a barbecue Saturday evening at their home to celebrate July birthday's (LaVerne and Randy Boden and Mis and Tim Clapper) and Darlene and Randy's anniversary. Guests attending were John, Kathi, Caitlin, Raegen and Jaden Boden of Smith Center, Kan., Jeff and Karen Boden of Westminster, Gary, Garrett and Michelle Boden of Longmont, Jay, Carol, Jenna, Amy, Brittney Zimbelman and Daniel Garcia of Burlington, Randy and Darlene Boden, Burlington, LaVerne and Carol Boden of Idalia and Chris Clapper. Sunday morning the family of the late Minnie Boden gathered at St. John United Church of Christ to dedicate the beautiful new stained

glass window in memory of Minnie. The window depicts the descending white dove, a symbol of the Holy Spirit. The family attending included LaVerne and Carol Boden of Idalia, Tim and Mis Clapper of Bethune, John, Kathi, Caitlin, Raegan and Jaden of Smith Center, Gary Boden of Longmont, Jeff and Karen Boden of Westminster, Garrett and Michelle Boden of Longmont, Carol and Jay Zimbelman, Jenny, Amy and Brittney, Daniel Garcia, Randy and Darlene Boden of Burlington, Gene and Dorelene Doddridge, Lynn and Renada Doddridge, Glen and Beverly Doddridge of Kirk and Debbie Thompson of Idalia. Bill Carpenter and Hanna Langendoerfer sang "On the Wings of a Dove" as the special music. The family enjoyed lunch at the LaVerne Boden's. Pastor Ralph Datema was an afternoon visitor.

Troy Flick and friend, Beth Gallegos both of Colorado Springs were weekend guests of his mother, Evelyn Flick

and they all took in Wray Days Sunday in which Troy helped with the bicycle races and volleyball Sunday.

Peggy Carpenter's sister, Euzenie Brandhorat of Fruita, Colo. stopped for a family reunion.

Gary Moellenberg, Dan Steerman and E. J. Carpenter attended a Blue Grass Festival in Lyons.

Bill and Renee Carpenter visited Eric and Janeen Mosier at Elizabeth and celebrated Renee's birthday by going to Elitchs in Denver.

Virgil Lundvall of Burlington and sister-in-law Orea Branson of Sidney, Mont. who is staying with Virgil were Saturday dinner guests of sister, Violet Knapp.

Loren and Priscilla Wilkinson of Colorado Springs were weekend guests of her mother, Elsie Shanks. They were all Saturday dinner guests of her brother and wife, Darrell and Rose Mary Shanks. They were also helpers of her mother. Rhonda and Kirk Deines of Peyton, Colo. arrived Saturday afternoon. Dave and Debbie Shackelford and baby, Tanner of Colorado Springs were Saturday supper and overnight guests of their grandmother to help her celebrate her birthday. Darby Shanks joined them for Sunday dinner. Violet Knapp and Orea Branson were afternoon visitors and enjoyed Elsie's birthday party with a beautiful chocolate cake decorated with white frosting with lavender trim with yellow flowers with "Happy Birthday 82 years" written on the cake, with ice cream, plus topping, fruit pizza and cheese cakes with ice tea and Gatorade juice served to all. Elsie opened her gifts and cards.

Ted and Donna Mosier have moved into their modular home they purchased at Roy Clark's sale. Their family all helped them move Thursday, they had moved their trailer home beside their home in Idalia before and set it south of their double garage.

Darby Shanks was a Wednesday evening visitor and helper of her grandmother Shanks.

Sierra Weyerman was a Wednesday overnight guest of her friend, Mikaela Waitman.

Mrs. Sandy Waitman will be teaching first grade 2002-2003 this year in Idalia school.

Richard Homm of Colby will be the announcer this year during the Yuma County Fair and Rodeo at Yuma, August 3 through 7. Richard is the son of Howard and Burdine Homm of this area. He has been working as a PRCA Rodeo announcer for two years and has been announcing rodeo around the great plains region for over ten years.

Jessica Shively, an incoming freshman at Colorado State University from Idalia has been awarded the Margery M. Wilson Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. Shively is a business administration major and graduated from Idalia High School in 2002. The award is for the 2002-2003 school year. Colorado State is ranked in the third of the best public Universities in terms of quality education and affordability by Kiplinger's personal Finance Magazine. The Templeton Foundation also has designated Colorado State as a "character building" institution. Jessica is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Shively.

Charolette Myer and daughter, Shannon of Wray and girl 4 years old that she baby-sits for, were Tuesday visitors of her mother, Ruth Richards and they all enjoyed dinner at Prairie Vista Restaurant to help Charolette celebrate her birthday.

The transformer blew up south of the Shanks farm Saturday evening and Darrell Shanks called 911 to get Fire Department and Y-W Crew to fix and get electricity on again. The fire department with all three fire trucks responded and got the fire out before it burnt the hay bales of George Homm.

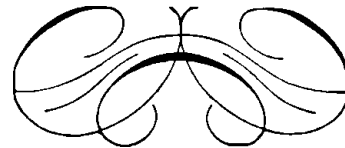
Rose Mary Shanks received a telephone call Saturday night that her baby sister, Linda Gaines, wife of Marvin Gaines was run over by a truck loaded with wheat when the power brakes went out at Sheridan, Wyo., where they were custom cutting wheat. It was not one of their trucks that run over her killing her. Her daughter, Bessie two years old, was injured when the truck ran over one of her legs and is at Sheridan Hospital. Linda has two other girls, Brittney and Marcy who were in the combine with their father so did not see the accident. Their nanny for the girls had been called back to Logan, Kan., in the illness of her mother so was not with the girls. Darrell and Rose Mary Shanks left for Sheridan, Wyo., Saturday night accompanied by the girls nanny of Kansas.

The Richard reunion was held Sunday, July 28 at the Homestead Memorial Building in Idalia.

Vera McDonald of Stratton and daughter of Denver were last Monday afternoon visitors of Ruth Richards.

Reverend Wilkinson of Burlington, Rita Schaal of Burlington, Ruth Richards of Idalia, Frieda Schichenmayer of Burlington, Lydia Adolf of Bethune and Melva Stahlecker of Burlington all enjoyed dinner together Wednesday at Prairie Vista Restaurant in Idalia in honor of Melva's birthday.

Babe Ruth Baseball Tournament was held at Sterling last Sunday afternoon winning 9-0. They had a good season.



## Beecher Island News

There were 46 at Sunday school with Kevin Oestman giving his birthday offering.

Mr. and Mrs. Berl Allen, Veda Douglas and Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Malmkar and boys were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Oestman and boys to help Kevin celebrate his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tempy Bowman and family and Andy Osmus joined the Back Ally Noise group which Mr. and Mrs. Eric Johnson are leaders at Elitchs Saturday. Afterward Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowman, Cameron and Kaci, Mr. and Mrs. Tempy Bowman, Brady and Addi, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Johnson and Noah and Andy Osmus all went out to eat before the Johnsons returned to Phoenix with their group.

Gladys Kinnaman and Gwen Cranmer went to Sterling Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield one day this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Moore and

Reverend and Mrs. Bert Banzhof visited Norma Ekberg and at the Nelson Ekbergs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wieser and Katy went to Sterling Wednesday.

Violet Brown, Donna Dodge, Diana and Amanda Bowker enjoyed a picnic in the park Wednesday.

Lisa Ekberg called Sunday afternoon at the Harry Ekbergs.

Wednesday Pete and Boni Osmus, Judy Bowman, Cameron and Kaci, Brady Bowman and Noah visited the children's great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Perk Salvador Wednesday. All enjoyed pizza.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Berl Allen went to the ball game to watch Ashley Hurlburt's team play their parents.

Jim Ekberg visited Norma Ekberg Thursday and both visited Jacque Ekberg in the hospital.

Saturday Violet Brown went to McCook with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dodge.

Nettie May Welton's visitors were Gwen Cranmer Friday evening and Violet Brown Sunday evening.

Kristy Hurlburt and children helped at the Berl Allen's home Saturday. Harvey Allen and Jeff Hurlburt drop in often.

Norma Ekberg called at the Nelson Ekberg's home last Sunday afternoon. Diana and Amanda Bowker took Violet Brown out to eat Saturday evening.

Mrs. Mike Pollard and girls of Westchester, Pa., came Wednesday and Lisa Ekberg of Chicago came Thursday to visit at the Nelson Ekberg home for a few days.

Rachel and Erin Wisdom visited Norma Ekberg Friday and Ranece Wisdom visited on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Homm visited Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brown Sunday evening.

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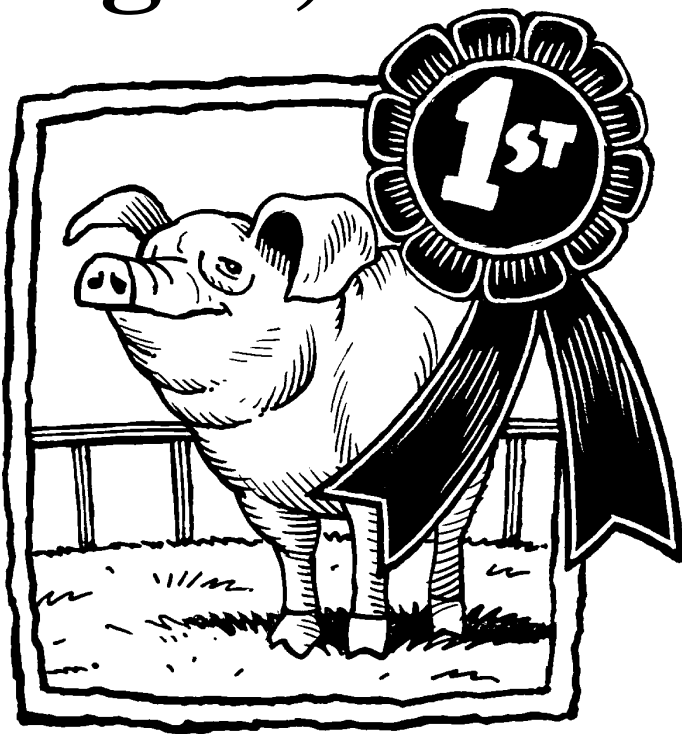
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