

# St. Francis News



**READERS EXCEL** — Five children from St. Francis read lots of books this summer to qualify as the top readers in the library's summer reading program. Pictured back row: (l to r) are Tyler Mastin and Makayla Mastin; front row (l to r) are Tyler Lee, Alyssa Lee and Aubrey Mills.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

## Five Saintry children honored as summer reading program ends

The St. Francis Public Library's summer reading program has come to a close and five children were honored for their outstanding reading efforts.

Librarian Pat Leibbrandt reported that there were 70 children, ages kindergarten through sixth grade, enrolled in the program this year.

The top five readers were Makayla Mastin who read 121 books. Her brother Tyler read 94; Aubrey Mills read 89; Tyler Lee read 81 and Alyssa Lee read 76 books. Each received a stuffed animal with three of the toys coming from the Library Fund, one coming from Stevens' Kansas Territorial and another com-

ing from Krien Pharmacy.

Makayla said that her favorite book read this summer was "While You Were Sleeping" and Tyler Mastin's favorite was the "Pokemon" series. Both children said that they really enjoyed reading and were happy with their stuffed animals.

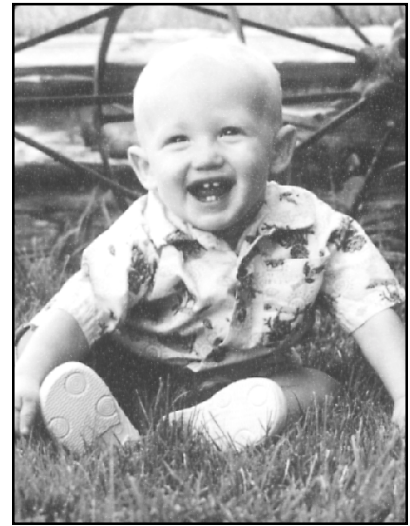
## St. Francis boy turns 1 year old on Aug. 8

Seth William Lee Mills turned 1 on Aug. 8. Seth's parents are Patrick and Karla Mills.

Grandparents are Dr. Lee Mills and Kenneth and DeEtta Knorr. Great-grandfather is Edwin Meyer.

Seth celebrated his first birthday on Sunday, Aug. 4 at his parents home. Guests enjoyed water gun fights and playing with toys. Supper and cake was at 5:30 p.m., then the opening of presents.

Guests included: Edwin Meyer; Kenneth and DeEtta Knorr; Lee Mills; Dave and Kim Ritter; Heidi Straub and friend Enrique; Scott, Laurie, Stephen, Robert and Catherine Wallace; Craig and Connie Kamla; Mike, Tammi and Keegan Sherlock; Tim, Judy and Cody Baxter; Blake and Stephanie Feikert; Kriss Harris; Kris, Kelly and Treyton Doyle; Craig, Deloris,



Seth Mills

Adam and Dylan Peters and Johnnie, Rose, Tiffany, Tyler, Abbi and Andy Miller.

### Occasions

#### 90th birthday celebrated

Helen Peter was guest of honor at the Windmill Restaurant on Aug. 4 for her 90th birthday.

Helping her celebrate were George and Lilly Wyatt of Manhattan; Olind Werner and Lola Kirhoff, both of Hebron, Neb.; Esther Loontjer, Don and Carol Deepe, all of Desher, Neb.; Luella Beckman, Kensington; Vernon and Norma Hoops, Byron, Neb.

Eddy and Sherry Schultz, Kelli Gartland and Megan of Denver joined the guests in the afternoon visiting at Helen's apartment.

**Coe family reunion**  
A Coe family reunion was held Sunday, Aug. 4 at the ag building in Orleans, Neb.

Wilma Lampe a descendent of Benjamin A. Coe and Hattie Coe Terry attended.

A church service in the morning was followed by a potluck dinner, visiting, looking at pictures and reminiscing, before all left for home.

Recent house guests in the home of Victor and Darlene Zwegardt were Jerry and Susan Pierce of El Cajon, Calif.; Dan and Cathy Gleason of Anchorage, Alaska; Don, Max, Dylan and Chandler Zwegardt of Sioux Falls, S.D., and Timothy and Jennifer Steinbeck of Kennesaw, Ga.

Out-of-town visitors of the Zwegardt family were Mary Gleason, Ned and Avis Gibbons of Ulysses and Steve and Fran Dreiling of Denver, Colo.

While all there on Friday evening, Aug. 2, all enjoyed a Zwegardt potluck supper at the Cheyenne Manor.

Saturday was spent viewing the parade and a noon dinner was held at the Dusty Farmer.

The Zwegardt family enjoyed the fair and visiting with relatives and friends. They now have all returned to their home safely.

Jana Wilhelm of Royal, Neb., Marta

Walz of Colorado Springs, Leigh Legere of Overland Park, Betty Jean Winston and Arlene Walz gathered in Denver for a three-day weekend. Among the activities they enjoyed were a Colorado Rockies - Chicago Cubs baseball game on Friday evening and a Saturday afternoon tea at the Brown Palace.

Guests of Milton and Betty Lampe during the fair were Debbie and Kyle Grizzell and Austin Koett, all of Macksville, from Wednesday, July 31 to Sunday, Aug. 4. Travis Grizzell and Cheryl Apel of Hays joined them on Saturday and all returned home on Sunday.

On Friday, Aug. 2 Sam Busby and the girls from Palco came to visit Kathleen Stanley. They went to the Cheyenne Bowl and had a birthday cake for the Busby family. Judy was unable to attend. All had a nice visit.

Pam Arnst, Martha Stothard, Ed and Betty Morris and Mario and Angie Hankins visited Kathleen Stanley on Tuesday, Aug. 6.

Tuesday afternoon visitors of LaVera Beringer were Victor and Darlene Zwegardt, Jerry and Susan Pierce of El Cajon, Calif., Dan and Kathy Gleason of Anchorage, Alaska, Timothy and Jennifer Steinbeck of Kennesaw, Ga.

Ron Horwege, Amherst, Va., was Friday through Monday house guest of his aunt, Manette Keeler. He came to visit his mother, Vivien Horwege, who is a resident at the Good Samaritan Village, here in St. Francis.

Karen Krien spent several days with Tim and Kelly Allen, Bridgette and Kyle in Clay Center following Kelly's surgery. Also visiting the Allens was Tyler Krien of Melvern.

## Obituary

### Rex LeRoy Dunn

Aug. 26, 1935 - Aug. 5, 2002

Rex LeRoy Dunn was born Aug. 26, 1935, in Bird City, Kan. Born as a twin with his sister, Ruby Joy, Rex was the only son of Roy and Ethel Dunn. He also had an older sister, Doris Lea. Rex lost his twin sister at almost 6 months of age from pneumonia.

Rex's father was a farmer and rancher and his mother a teacher in a one-room schoolhouse. As a farm boy of the "Dirty 30s", Rex spent a lot of his childhood with cows, pigs and horses. He was especially involved in 4-H and rodeo. Rex went to the school in Bird City where he ran track - the mile - and where he graduated high school in 1953. During his teen years, he and his friends joined the Methodist church.

After graduation, Rex joined the United States Army. He spent most of his military service as a military policeman in Fairbanks, Alaska. He was honorably discharged in 1957.

Rex came back to western Kansas where he helped his parents care for the motel they now owned in Bird City. Not long after Rex returned from the military, his father, Roy James died.

Rex loved to rodeo, but his rodeo career was cut short when his eye was severely damaged by a bull's horn. He met Verna Walz, a St. Francis girl, and they were married in 1958. Rex farmed with Verna's father, Albert and Rex and Verna were blessed with their first child, James Lee. In 1960 the couple was given a second son, Dave LeRoy.

From 1961 to 1974, Rex and his family lived on ranches in Haigler,

Neb., Laird, Neb., Peyton, Colo., and Limon, Colo. It was in Limon that a terrible tragedy broke the hearts of Rex and Verna. Their second son, Dave, was accidentally killed and things were never the same. Rex quit farming and ranching, and began driving truck for a living, first a freight truck and then a gas truck for D.J. Petroleum.

In 1975, Rex and Verna were given a daughter by our Lord. They named her Tana Lyn.

In 1980, Rex and Verna divorced, dissolving a marriage of 22 years. Rex continued living in Limon and this is where he met LaNell Dykstra in July, 1981. Three months later, Rex and LaNell married. They moved to Siebert, Colo., and then it was on to Exeter, Mo., where Rex farmed, ranched and sold cars.

Rex and LaNell moved to St. Francis in 1987. Rex worked for Bob Yost and then it was onto the Cheyenne County Feedlot where he worked for 11 years and retired from there in 1998.

On July 9 of 2002, Rex was involved in a traffic accident. He suffered injuries from which he could not recover. Rex died on Monday, Aug. 5, 2002, at Swedish Medical Center in Englewood, Colo.

Throughout his life, it was more natural for Rex to be out riding a

horse, fixing fence or at home watching a rodeo than to be with a lot of people. As a father, he was strict, but fair. He taught his children to respect other people's property. Rex was a good grandpa.

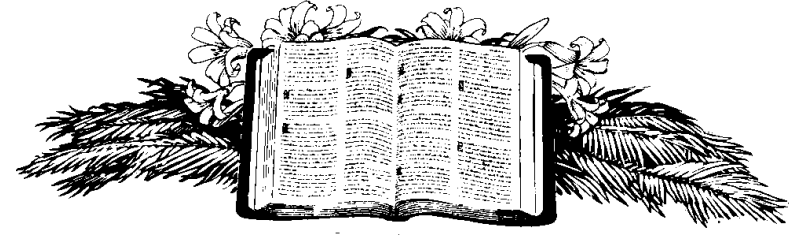
Rex was preceded in death by his sisters Ruby Joy and Doris Lea; father Roy James; son, Dave LeRoy.

He is survived by his mother, Ethel; two children, James and wife Jeannie of St. Francis, Tana and husband, Keith Karr of Beaverton, Ore.; three grandchildren, Jessica, Jamie and Jandy Dunn; a brother-in-law, Keith Headrick; nephews and niece, Steve, Brent and Cherlyn Headrick; his wife, LaNell; five stepchildren and their families, Rick, Kathy, Carmen, LaVon and Rob.

Funeral service was held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8 at Knodel Funeral Home, St. Francis, with Pastor Bob Strauch officiating. *I Saw The Light* was sung by Darrel and Jacques Zwegardt, accompanied by Robert and Gertrude Zwegardt. The congregation sang *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* with Robert and Gertrude at the keyboard and guitar.

Casket bearers were Steve Headrick, Darrel Zwegardt, Bob Holzwarth, Gary Moore, Gale Yonkey and John Lampe.

Interment was in the St. Francis Cemetery, St. Francis.



## Sat., Aug. 24 FARM & HOUSEHOLD AUCTION

9:00 CT For Mrs. Viola Wright • Bird City, KS Lunch Will Be Served

SALE SITE: 3 miles south of Junction US 36 & 161 Hwy. at Bird City, Kansas. Signs will be posted.

### SHOP EQUIPMENT & RELATED

Generac 500 Watt generator • 200 lb. Haybuddie Anvil • Homemade Cut-Off Saw • 2 Chain Hoists • Car Creeper • Double Wheel Grinder • Post Drill • Large Post Vise • Wood Ladders • Sears Portable Heater • Hyd. Jacks • Avery Jacks • Misc. Log Chains • Elect. Cords • Trouble Light.

### VEHICLE

1979 Pontiac Catalina - excellent condition, 120,000 mi. • Pickup-box trailer.

### LIVESTOCK RELATED

Parmac Elect. Fencer • T-Posts & Elect. Fence Posts • Wood Posts • Elect. Fencing Supplies.

### MACHINERY

16' Springtooth • 10' Jeffroy Chisel • Yard Drag • Chisel Sweeps.

### SHOP TOOLS

Powercraft 7" Disk Sander • 3/8" B&D Drill • Elect. Polisher/Buffer • 1/2" Lasota Drill • 3/8 Husky Socket Set • S&K Deep Sockets & Other Socket Sets • Tap & Die Set • Rigid Pipe Cutter • Hand Plane • Index Bits • Misc. Saws, Screwdrivers, Hammers, Crescents, Open/Box End Wrenches, Punch & Chisel Sets, Levels, Pliers, Files, etc. • Brass Torches • Chain Boomers • Block & Tackle • Bolts, Nuts, Nails, Screws & More • Building Jacks.

SALE SITE: Household to sell at Legion Hall following Farm items (Approximately 12 noon)

### MISCELLANEOUS

500 gal. Diesel Tank on Stand • Fuel Tank on Stand • 2-20 gal. Propane Tanks • 3 - Auger Motors • 4 - Airmaster Aeration Fans, 110v 1/2 h • Sev. Joints of Aeration Tubing • Lots of NEW Jewelry in Boxes • New Cassettes • Numerous Porcelain Dolls in Boxes, NEW • Lots of Baskets, All Kinds • Boxes of NEW Cleaning Supplies, Cesspool Treatment Packets, Toilet Cleaners, etc. • Some Linen, Bedspreads, Towels, etc.

### ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

Tumble Bug & Dirt Mover • Sev. Wrenches, Sockets & Assort. Hand Tools • Little Red Wagon, Good Shape • Old Advertising 5 gal. Gas/Oil Cans • JD Single Engine (1 lung) • Hasen Dairy Scale • Howe Balance Scale • Combine Weight • 1/4 Mood Windmill Weights • Antique Water Can • Sev. Advertising Cans • License Plates, Horse Shoes • Cream Cans, Wash Tub • Large Selection of Hubcaps.

### GARDEN RELATED

NEW Fimco 14 gal. Pull-Type Sprayer w/12v Pump • Wards Push Mower w/Bagger • Ranch King 38" Riding Mower.

### GLASSWARE & DISHES

Sev. Pieces of Depression, Pink & Yellow • Numerous Handpainted Plates & Vases • Bavarian Square Plate • Hull & McCoy Vases & Bowls • Ceramic Figurines & Fancy Glassware • Lots of Pitcher & Glass Sets • Old Salt & Pepper Shakers • 12 pc Melmac Dinnerware • Numerous Glasses, Cup & Saucers, Plates • 8 Place Setting of Stoneware w/extras • Old Kitchen Utensils • Stainless Tableware.

### ANTIQUE FURNITURE

Farmers Kitchen Table w/5 Side Chairs & 1 Captain Chair • Curved Glass China Cabinet • Bookcase w/Glass Double Doors • Buffet • 3 pc Waterfall Bedroom Set • White Treadle Sewing Machine, Works • Double Metal Bed • 2 Dressers w/Mirrors • 2 Old Chests • Floor Lamps & Mirrors • Misc. Oak Kitchen Chairs • Bed Lamps.

### OTHER FURNITURE & RELATED

Sev. Wardrobes & Storage • End Tables, Wicker Hamper • Rolltop Desk • Misc. Frames & Pictures • 3 pc. Mirror & Sconce Set.

### COOKWARE/BAKEWARE

7 pc Set of Perfection Cookware • Cast Iron Skillets • Meat Grinders • Pressure Cooker • 2 Canners.

### COLLECTIBLES

RCA Victrola Radio/Phonograph Player • Oil Lamps & Lanterns • Unique Tins, Bottles, Decanters • Match Boxes, Cookbooks • Christmas Ornaments • Leather Doctor's Bag • Numerous Advertising Memorabilia • Collection of Pens/Pencils w/Advertising • Cigarette Lighters • Egg Scale Grader w/Labels • Flowered Flour Sacks • Numerous Doilies & Fancy Work • Several Pieced Quilt Tops, Unfinished & Quilts • Old Jars & Zinc Lids • Sev. Crocks & Pickle Jars • Old Games & Toys.

### APPLIANCES

18 cu. ft. Wards Frostless refrigerator w/bottom Freezer • Emerson Turntable Microwave • Dexter dbl-tub Washer/Wringer (Like New) • Handy-hot Travel Clothes Washer • Rainbow Vacuum w/Attachments • Streamliner Sweeper • Roaster Oven, Electric Skillet • Waffle Iron, Percolators, Humidifiers • Sm. TV's, Table Lamps, etc. • Portable Sewing Machine.

### Large Collection Of:

### Whiskey Decanters

Including - K-State Wildcats & KU Jayhawks & Others

### AUCTIONEER'S NOTE:

Viola has moved to Brush, CO. Farm and Shop related items will be sold at the farmsite & Household Items at the Legion Hall in Bird City, KS. LOTS OF UNIQUE ITEMS - SOME NOT LISTED. PLAN TO ATTEND.

TERMS: CASH. Not responsible for accidents or articles after sold. All announcements take precedence over printed material.

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