

# On the Plains

## Idalia News

### Saf-T-Fun Fest

More than 100 children recently enjoyed the Saf-T-Fun Fest, a safe fall celebration. The event took place at the Idalia school on October 31. The program was sponsored by Idalia Student Council, SunWest Bank of Idalia, First National Bank of Kirk and Modern Woodmen of America.

The Saf-T-Fun Fest was designed to give kids a safe alternative to trick-or-treating and the chance for a fun, supervised fall celebration. The children learned about respect for the others while having fun. All of the youngsters who attended signed pledge cards stating, "I promise to respect the property of other people and will cooperate with leaders to make this party a success."

The children participated in a number of safe and fun games, including a costume contest. The winners of the costume contest were kindergarten, Tristian Barfoot and Tennesen Hoyda; first grade, Kaitlin Barfoot and Eva Penzing; second grade, Ashley Hurlburt, Bailey Long and Trewit Fur-

nish; third grade, Brenden Dutton and William Helling; fourth grade, Cole Beckman, Ricky Bussell and Tyler Wade; fifth grade, Logan Ramseier and Michael Wieser; sixth grade, Hannah Langendoerfer and Jake Beckman.

Every year there is a Cauldron drawing for many different prizes. The winners this year were Tennesen Hoyda, Stephanie Helling, Brenden Dutton, Shawn Elliott, Shawn Pratt, Samantha Cure and Clay Blankenship.

According to local Modern Woodmen representative, Richard Lamberson, Modern Woodmen has sponsored the Saf-T-Fun Fest since 1948. It is one of six youth educational programs offered by Modern Woodmen. Over 400,000 kids annually participate in the safe fall celebration, which is offered free-of-charge to schools, youth groups and civil and religious organizations nationwide.

Modern Woodmen of America is a leading fraternal life insurance organization headquartered in Rock Island,

Ill. The organization serves more than 750,000 members nationwide, offering financial products and services for families and service programs for communities. For more information log on to [www.modern-woodmen.org](http://www.modern-woodmen.org).

### Notice

Womens Fellowship meeting Wednesday, Nov. 13 at St. John United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall at 1 p.m. with a program and Thank offering.

### Football

Idalia football team played Bridgeldale, Colo. Saturday in the first quarter finals. They will play Woodlin next Saturday for semi-finals.

### Reminder

A field trip is planned for Nov. 18. Junior and seniors will be transported by bus to Burlington High School. Several college representatives will be present to provide information about their colleges and to answer students questions. We will depart from Idalia School at 12:15 p.m. and return at 3:15 p.m. The ASVAB test will be admin-

istered on Nov. 26 to any junior who is interested. The test will begin at 9 a.m. in the vision building.

### After Prom Committee

All high school parents are automatically on this committee. This committee is set up to organize an after prom party for the high school students. A drug free, safe environment for the students to be involved in after prom is over is what our intentions are. We have fund-raisers throughout the school year so we can have games, prizes and appetizers. Our first meeting was held on September 26. There are several committee to choose from to be involved with. The food committee, game committee and the fund raiser committee. We have several fund-raisers planned for the year and a couple grants we have applied for. We will meet the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Idalia vision foundation office. The next meeting will be Nov. 14 at 7 p.m.

### Craft Bazaar

The annual Liberty Craft Bazaar will be held at Liberty School on Nov. 10 from 1-4 p.m. Lunch will be served. If the weather is bad the bazaar will be the following Nov. 17.

### Bicentennial Family

**Community Education Club**  
The regular meeting will be in conjunction with the county Family Community Education Fall Festival Nov. 19. Idalia Bicentennial Club is hosting the Yuma County Fall Festival at St. John United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, registration is at 6 p.m. followed by a soup supper at 6:30 p.m. Program will be "Identity Theft." Immediately following the program at approximately 8 p.m. club members will assemble the community cookie plates. This will take place of our regular scheduled Nov. 21 meeting. Each member is asked to bring 6 dozen cookies for the plates and recipes to share with other club members.

### Homestead Project

Plans are in the works and progress is made toward a better ball field. Phase 1 of the project which includes a sprinkler system on the ball field, reworking the infield and pouring a 15 ft. patio has received partial funding, an award from Yuma County commis-

Norma Ekberg. Willie Klie visited Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Berl Allen, Ann Poska, Susan Guthrie, George Lidke and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family were guests of Clarence Lidke at Idalia Friday.

Doris Whomble, Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively, Carole Whomble, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bowman and Austin enjoyed lunch out Wednesday.

Boni Osmus had lunch Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perk Salvador Saturday.

Violet Brown, Geneva North and Kitty Jacobs went out for lunch Saturday.

Word was received that Lois McFeron died Oct. 21 in Lewiston, Idaho, at the age of 82. She was a cousin of Harry and Nelson Ekberg and Bessie Dent of the Wray area and Willard Busby and Jean Miller of the St. Francis area.

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provided by the rural school and community trust, Idalia EPYCS, the Gerbet Family trust, Plains Telephone community grants, Young Audiences, Colorado Council.

Violet Knapp and her brother, Virgil Lundvall of Burlington attended St. John United Church of Christ Sunday and dinner at Prairie Vista Restaurant. Elsie Shanks and granddaughter Darby Shanks were dinner guests of them.

Larry and Janie Beckman visited Rib and Marcy Beckman, Tyler and Kristin at their home at Atwood Sunday.

Michael and Carol Boden left Saturday morning for their home in Baker Field Calif., after spending the week visiting his parents, Harlan and Shirley Boden. Due to the snow they were unable to pick corn.

Larry and Janie Beckman met their daughter, Amber Beckman at Colorado Springs Thursday to attend the football game of Colorado University against Air Force Academy in which Colorado University won.

Priscilla Wilkinson and daughter, Debbie Shackelford and son, Tanner all of Colorado Springs were Sunday supper guests of all the Shanks and night guests of Elsie Shanks. Debbie left early Monday morning for Kansas for training meetings of the employees of the banks. Priscilla and Tanner were visitors till Monday afternoon when they left for home.

Violet Knapp took her brother, Virgil Lundvall to his church, Trinity Lutheran in Burlington last Sunday and they went out for dinner. Then Sunday night they attended Bingo.

Amy Rusher spent the weekend visiting her parents, Eddie and Judy Rusher at Ordway and they motored to New Mexico to attend the Chadron State College football team in which her brother, Jeff Rusher played with Chadron State College team.

SunWest Bank and employees received the IBC Crown Award and a check for \$500. Brian Lengel was awarded with the IBC Scholarship.

Lucille Rossbach, Idalia High School English teacher received the Oxford masters degree in England with her husband, David and their family attending the ceremony, then they enjoyed a tour of England.

## Beecher Island News

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There were 46 at Sunday school with Bill and Vickey Hull giving the special number.

The Beecher Island Helping Hand Club will meet with Teresa Allen at Beecher Nov. 6. Bring your Shoe Box Ministry Boxes to this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Homm and Mrs. and Mrs. Paul Dent met Mr. and Mrs. Manley Chase in Fort Morgan Saturday for dinner at Country Steak Out in honor of Manley's birthday.

Ann Poska, sister, of Seattle, Susan Guthrie, niece, of Phoenix and George Lidke, brother, of the Denver area of Hattie Allen and Clarence Lidke came Thursday. They were honored in the family room at Hill Crest Sunday with a potluck dinner. Guests were Berl and Hattie Allen, Clarence Lidke, Patty Lou Lohoff, Harvey Allen and Perry, Ashley and Trever Hurlburt, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Don Oestman, Kevin and Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Malmkar and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Moellenberg and Del Rae, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Ohlamb and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Cody Akey and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bezona and

girls, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hilzer and Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carpenter, Dave Lidke and Danielle, Don Lidke and a friend.

Pierce Pritchett of Callhan was a Friday and Saturday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmons.

Mary Allen and Judy Shively attended a Women's Retreat at Hermit Basin this weekend.

Craig Macintosh of Saint Charles, Ill., called Harry Ekberg Thursday and visited.

Monday Violet Brown, Donna Dodge and Robin went out for lunch and visited Geneva North in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lassen of Yuma were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield had supper Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield.

Dave, Stan and Troy Welton, JC Cunningham, Frank and Scot Sack were weekend guests of Nettie May Welton and enjoyed some hunting.

Nick Wisdom, Bessie Dent, Riley Brown were Tuesday visitors of

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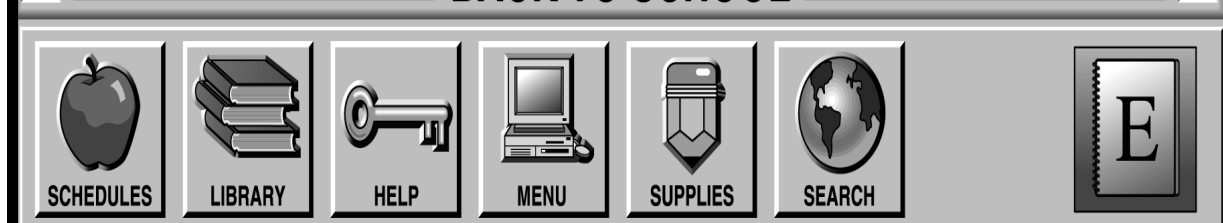
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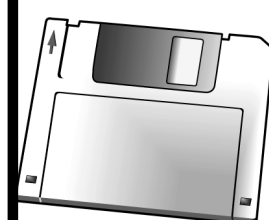
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