



On the Plains



LOVING TO SING were the students who performed with the Northwest Kansas District Honor Choir on Saturday. Pictured (l to r) are: Julie Voeller, Hailey Crabtree, Ashley Dowgwillo, Jenny Weems, Tyler Howard and Tara Neitzel.

Students sing with Honor Choir

Six students from the St. Francis High School Music Department performed with the Northwest Kansas District Honor Choir in Hays on Saturday, Dec. 7. Students chosen to participate were Tara Neitzel and Jenny Weems, seniors; Tyler Howard, junior; Hailey Crabtree and Julie Voeller, sophomores and Ashley Dowgwillo, freshman. All are students of St. Francis Community High School music instructor Debbie Fiala.

District Honor Choir members were chosen from audition tapes submitted in October. They rehearsed with the 225 voice choir all day Saturday, and performed in concert at 4 p.m. in the Beach-Schmidt auditorium on the campus of Fort Hays State University. At the concert, Neitzel was one of 11 students presented with a medal for performing with the Honor Choir for all four years.

The Honor Choir is sponsored by Kansas Music Educators Association and is an approved activity of the Kansas State High School Activities Association.

The bus then returned to McCook by way of Minden to view their Christmas lights and all returned to their respective homes.

Student News

Northwest Kansas Technical College

Sherry Beeson, Bird City; Lavelle Burns and Jennifer Landenberger, St. Francis, and Grace McGinnis, Haigler, are among the students on the fall 2002 cosmetology honor roll at the Goodland college.

The four students have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or above for the second semester of their 1500-hour professional training program.

All four students have completed the educational requirements to be eligible for Kansas State Board of Cosmetology testing.

Kansas State University

Kennedy and Coe, LLC, Certified Public Accountants and Consultants, awarded Jill Dodd an accounting scholarship at Kansas State University. Jill will be graduating with a degree in accounting. Jill, the daughter of Gene Dodd and Rachel Dodd, both of St. Francis, is a member of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

Colby Community College

Four students from St. Francis who are attending Colby Community College recently performed in the Colby Community College's Music Department's annual Christmas Concert. The concert was presented in the Cultural Arts Center in Colby on Tuesday, Dec. 10.

Amy Rieger plays percussion in the Concert Band and the Jazz Band, and also sings in Concert Choir. Nathan Fiala, euphonium, and Stacy Zweygardt, flute, also play in the Concert Band. Crystal Murray sings in the Concert Choir.



Ron and Betty Louden
Dec. 27, 1952 - 2002

Couple celebrates 50 years marriage on Dec. 27

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. Louden are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Betty Marie Sampson and Ronald Ross Louden were married on Dec. 27, 1952, at the Francis Street Methodist Church in St. Joseph, Mo. They had two daughters, Jenette, who died in 1977, and Paulette Marshall. Paulette lives with her husband, J.G. Marshall, in Elizabeth, Colo. Two grandsons, Ross Marshall and Jared Marshall also live in Elizabeth.

Paulette and J.G. Marshall, Ross and Jared and Jared's fiancée, Kara Baxter welcome you to an open house at Riverside Recreation on Saturday, Dec. 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. to celebrate Betty and Ron's anniversary. No gifts are requested.

Cards can be sent to the couple at Box 1193, St. Francis, KS 67756.

St. Francis News

Tuesday morning coffee guests of Helene Landenberger were Ron and Dot Hill and Raedell Winston.

Kyle Grizzell of Macksville, and Travis Grizzell of Hays, from Nov. 29 to Dec. 2.

Wilma Lampe was a guest of her daughter Linda Gutsch in Denver last week for the Thanksgiving holiday from Wednesday to Saturday.

Violet Cranmer and Wilma Lampe along with Eula Ham and Rachel Porter of Benkelman, were among a group traveling by Santa's bus to Grand Island, Neb., Friday. After enjoying a buffet dinner, the group attended the evening performance of the *Singing Christmas Tree* at the Evangelical Free Church in Grand Island.

Milton and Betty Lampe attended the Madrigal Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 7, held at the Fort Hays State University in Hays that their grandson, Travis Grizzell, performed in. Kirk and Debbie Grizzell of Macksville joined them.

Milton and Betty Lampe were Thanksgiving guests of Kirk, Debbie and

Occasion

Neighborhood birthday coffee

A neighborhood birthday coffee was held for Nina Raile on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at Aunt P's. Those that helped her celebrate

were Dorine Zimbelman, Dulcie Kite, Marie Holzwarth, Gladys Confer, Phyllis Bandel, Alma Zimbelman, Ellen Raile and Violet Cranmer.

Introducing

Brady Alan Schoenrogge

Christina Rosella would like to announce the birth of her brother, Brady Alan on Nov. 20, 2002. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 1/2 ounces and was 21 inches tall. Parents are Craig and Juciara. Grandparents are Gilbert and Gudrun Schoenrogge.



Schoenrogge

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► Elf Train will be giving children rides during the afternoon. If inclement weather, the festivities will be held at the St. Francis Grade School

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