

On the Plains

Idalia News

By
Elsie
Shanks



Willing Workers Club
Lois Lippert hosted Willing Workers last Thursday, March 11, with nine members and one guest, Lucille Helling attending. They enjoyed lunch at Prairie Vista Restaurant. They played Pinochle at her home in the afternoon. Lois Lippert served dessert and coffee afterwards.

Wedding
Dave Horinek and Kim Adolf were married at the First Christian Church in Goodland, Saturday, March 20 with a number of relatives and friends attending. Kim is the daughter of Kathy Adolf of Joes and Dave is the son of Gaylen and Ellen Horinek of Atwood.

Pinochle Club
Violet Knapp hosted her Pinochle Club Wednesday afternoon at Autumn Park in Burlington.

St. John United Church of Christ News

St. John United Church of Christ invites everyone to join them. Sunday school for all ages is at 10 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m.

There were twelve youth that went skiing at Breckenridge for a few days with sponsors, Pastor Ralph Datema, Bill Langendoerfer and cooks, Laura Lengel and Carol Jean Boden who did a great job.

Plains Music of Yuma delivered a Yamaha Clavinova Piano last Monday afternoon to try out for two weeks, they will vote Sunday, March 28, on whether to purchase this model.

Family and Community Education Club news

The Idalia Bicentennial Family and Education Club met at St. John United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall Thursday, March 18. The group enjoyed the informative program presented by Dick Ruhga. Mr. Ruhga had a large diagram of Bonny Dam and explained how the dam operates. He also had photo albums showing how the dam was constructed.

The meeting was called to order by President RoseMary Shanks. Roll call was "What do you remember

about the building of Bonny Dam?" Due to the absence of the secretary, there was no secretary's report. The February meeting was held in Wray. Those attending enjoyed dinner together at the Sandhiller Restaurant. Two guests from the Calico & Cactus Club joined us for dinner then the group toured the Rural Ameri-town building located East of Wray on Highway 34. They were amazed at the wonderful facility and how much they had to offer the children who go through the program.

A thank you was read from Elsie Shanks for the memorial sent in memory of Elsie's daughter, Priscilla. Elsie reported sending 2 get well and 1 sympathy card.

Elsie Shanks announced that the club card party will be held March 27, at Prairie Vista Restaurant.

The Yuma County Spring Festival has been set for April 20 at the Wray Methodist Church. The Calico & Cactus Club will furnish the meal. Each club is to bring two small scholarship baskets of their choosing. Lois and Joyce volunteered to make one basket.

The Washington County Achievement Day will be held at the fairgrounds on April 30. Yuma County has been asked to present "The Tater Sisters" skit. Following the meeting there will be a short State Conference planning meeting.

Washington County will host the Fall District meeting September 27. Registration and coffee at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting at 10 a.m.

Kristy Minor had asked the Family and Community Club to serve lunch for the Community Water Forum which will be held Monday, May 24 at the Homestead Memorial Building sponsored by the Nature Conservancy. They voted to serve the lunch.

The forms have been returned and the group will sponsor the Intermediate Heritage Art Champion, the Marie Pinckard Floriculture Award and the Junior Style Revue awards for the 2004 Yuma County Fair. RoseMary had a suggestion for the style revue

award, "Chicken," she will bring the pattern to the next meeting.

The Character Counts awards have been given out to the fourth graders for the 2003 contest. The winners were Will Helling, first; Brendon Dutton, second; Chelsey Smith, third. The winners each received a favorite book and everyone received a money pouch donated by Sunwest Bank.

Yuma County Family and Community Education president, Sheryl Wudtke showed the County Report Book that she has put together and will be sent on to the state from Yuma County. It features the Yuma County Comfort Bag Project.

Sheryl and Joyce will attend the State Mid-Year board meeting which will be held in Fort Morgan at the Comfort Inn March 20 and 21. State Conference hosted by District I will be held in Fort Morgan June 10-12. The Bicentennial Club is responsible for contacting clubs to bring snacks. Refreshments were served by Lois Lippert and Joyce Helling. Joyce won the scholarship basket.

Virginia Lengel enjoyed dinner Sunday with her brother, Harlan and wife, Shirley Boden at Prairie Vista Restaurant in honor of Harlan's birthday.

Idalia played Revere Saturday in baseball at Idalia and won.

Chester Wieser Sr. and Joyce and friend, Mildred King all of Burlington, Dennis and Rebekah Wieser, Judy and Chester Wieser Jr. enjoyed lunch together Sunday at Prairie Vista Restaurant after attending St. John United Church of Christ worship service.

Betty J. Moellenberg was a Friday afternoon visitor of Harlan and Shirley Boden.

Clark and Mildred were Saturday dinner guests of Harlan and Shirley Boden at Riverside Cafe in Wray in honor of Harlan's early birthday.

Wilbur and Maude Lengel of Illinois were visitors of brother, Edgar Lengel at Hillcrest Towers in Wray and his sister, Ruth Richards at her

home in Idalia this week they left for home Sunday noon.

Shirley Mangus of Burlington and Maxine Chandler of Denver were Sunday visitors of Ruth Richards as they enjoyed dinner at Prairie Vista Restaurant.

Bill and Linda Evans motored to Castle Rock Thursday morning to visit her mother, Alleen Schutte who was ill and returned home Sunday.

Judy and Jim Soehner motored to Denver Friday to visit her mother, Leonore Jones who was in Rose Memorial Hospital but is back at Meridian Care Center in Englewood and is doing better.

Lawrence Ebeler of Mexico City was a Wednesday afternoon visitor and supper guest of Virgil Lundvall

and Violet Knapp.

Heather Dull and children took Marie and Clay to Sterling Wednesday for Clay's dental appointment.

Virgil Lundvall and Violet Knapp were Sunday dinner guests of Elsie Shanks at Prairie Vista Restaurant.

Ralph Weyerman spent a few days in Wray District Community Hospital for tests in Denver last week and is home now doing good.

Jimmy and Margaret Stafford, cousins and Shirley Richards all of Grand Junction were Thursday visitors and supper guests and overnight guests of Virgil and Violet Knapp. Jimmy and Margaret left Friday

morning to visit relatives in Georgia. Shirley remained for a longer visit. Shirley went to Denver to visit relatives Sunday and returned back Sunday evening.

Clay Blankenship was a Sunday dinner guest of Bill and Peggy Carpenter and they practiced their music in the afternoon.

Terry and Janice Sother have rented Elsie Lidke's house and have already moved into it.

Dr. Beethe was a Thursday morning visitor of Violet Knapp and Virgil Lundvall.

Sara Wudtke is spending her college break home visiting her parents, Richard and Sherlyn Wudtke and other relatives and friends.

Beecher Island News

By
Bessie
Dent



There were 59 at Sunday school with John Willard giving the special number and Jacque Reeves giving her birthday offering. Russell Young was the morning speaker and Jim Sharp led the music with some special songs.

Geneva North took Violet Brown out for lunch Friday in honor of her belated birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver were guests of the Brent Cranmers with all of the Cranmer family in Colorado attending the Country Dinner Playhouse Saturday evening. They visited Bernice Eberhart Sunday afternoon on their way home.

Linda Ingo returned home Tuesday after spending over a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekberg. Happy to report Beulah is doing much better.

Judy Shively spent Monday through Thursday in Greeley with Carole Whomble when she had surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Parmelee and boys were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Osmus. John and Jacob Osmus joined them for Sunday dinner. Caryn had to work this weekend.

Jill Mansfield and Ron Scott were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary

Mansfield. They all visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kris Jones, Megan and Ben took Heather and Lindsey Jones home Sunday after they had spent their spring break here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen spent Thursday to Tuesday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Justin Allen, Ryan Allen and friend, Shaylynn in Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Johnson and boys came Friday to spend their spring break with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus. Mr. and Mrs. Tempy Bowman and family also spent the weekend. Joining them for a pizza supper Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Osmus, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Parmelee and family, John and Jacob Osmus.

MerryLu Simmons met Robin Neergaard, Shea and Amber in Fort Morgan Thursday for lunch honoring Robin for her birthday. Amber came home with MerryLu. The Randy Perila family came Friday for the weekend. Amber returned home with the Perilas.

Jo Southards and Alma Wiltfang were Thursday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekberg. Gwen Shaver and Ellen Mansfield were callers.

Rowe Shively met Mark Bowman and Zachery in Salina Friday for Zachery to come home with Rowe to spend spring break.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield were Jill Mansfield, Ron Scott, Jean Brenner and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield.

Earle Ekberg was a Sunday afternoon visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekberg. Perry Allen of Greeley spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family.

Monte Mansfield visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent were Tuesday morning callers.

Judy Shively took Doris Whomble to Greeley to visit Carole Whomble and Nettie Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmons hosted a belated lunch Saturday in honor of Jacob Garton's belated birthday. Guests helping him celebrate were Tara Garton, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Perila, Laura and Madison, Amber Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wall.

Haigler News

By
Opal
Collicott



Mrs. Roy Walter honored
Mrs. Roy Walter was the honored guest on her 88th birthday when Mr. and Mrs. Dave Flamm and Gary Lamb hosted a birthday dinner for her. Mrs. Walter is a former Haigler resident. Mrs. Herman Miller, sister of the honoree, was her special guest.

An elaborate 6 o'clock dinner was served at the Blue Bird Junction. The party then adjourned to the Gary Lamb residence for homemade ice cream and cake.

Mrs. Walter received a beautiful rose corsage and a Water Bird crystal swan.

The group sang "Happy Birthday" while Mr. Lamb accompanied on the piano and organ. They wished her many more happy birthdays.

Move to Appalachia

Dode and Dale Faylor's daughter, Yvonne Clemans, and granddaughter, Yvette Korbek and children from Burlington, Colo., came Friday, March 12, to load one of Dwight Faylor's pickups with Sherri Morabito's things for her move to Martin, Ky. Sherri has committed to a year with Christian Appalachian Project (CAP). She will be working with poverty-stricken people there.

This project was started over 40 years ago by Reverend R.W. Beiting, where he has carried the torch of faith, hope and charity all over Appalachia. Yvonne motored to Abilene on Saturday where Sherri had been with her daughter, Mindee Reynolds and family for two weeks.

Sherri and Yvonne then went on to the home of their sister, Daneen Hilger, and family near LeCompton on Saturday evening.

On Monday morning, March 15, the three sisters headed for Kentucky spending Monday night in Louisville, Ky. It took them about three more hours on Tuesday to get to where Sherri will be. They got Sherri settled and then spent some time scouting out the area.

Yvonne and Daneen returned to Daneen's home on Friday, March 19, and Yvonne left for her home the next day.

Dode talked with Daneen on Saturday by phone and she advised that before they left on Friday morning, Sherri and another lady were leaving to show Sherri some of the poverty there.

Her sister said that she is excited and ready for whatever they have for her to do. There is a possibility that she will be going even further east, as they

are in need of someone who is committed to a longer stay and someone that the people can really get to know.

Anyone who would like to write to Sherri can get her address from her parents, Dale and Dode Faylor.

The Nifty Red Hatters of Haigler

The new chapter of the Red Hat Society, the Haigler "Nifty Red Hatters," held their March meeting on Thursday, March 18. The group met for afternoon tea at the home of Iona Maupin. Hostesses Mrs. Maupin and Theo Wishon. There are at least 18 chapter members to date.

Pictures were taken of all the ladies in their purple attire and bright red hats.

The April meeting will be in coordination with Myrna Mulligan's student piano recital to be held the afternoon of April 25.

Family Community Education Club

Melva Harford was hostess when the members and one guest, Karen Harford, met at her home for Rainbow Family Community Education Club on March 21. President Virginia Harford called the meeting to order with the reading of the Creed. Roll call was answered by telling something new in grocery shopping. Mrs. Harford read the minutes of the February meeting and excerpts of a book by Robert Fulghum.

Lillian Mahon, health leader, told of the value of eating sweet potatoes because of their beta carotene and fiber. Virginia Harford and Karen Harford presented the lesson, "Food: Choice or Chance." Some of the foods people buy have been through the process of irradiation. All irradiated foods must be labeled with the Radura symbol. This kills micro-organisms and insects. Karen Harford prepared and served patties of hamburger - some irradiated and some from the Harford Ranch. Though similar in taste and texture, members preferred the Harford variety.

Melva Harford served a lovely dessert during the fellowship hour. Mrs. Mahon will give the lesson about family memories at the April meeting.

Sue Livingston of Columbia, Calif., arrived on Tuesday, March 16, to be here prior to St. Patrick's Day to celebrate the first birthday of her little niece, McKinna Buck. Sue is

visiting a week in the home of her sister and family, Lisa Jo, Keith, Morgan and McKinna Buck and also in the home of her father, Lester Adams. Sue and McKinna were also visitors that day in the LaVoine and Opal Collicott home. On Friday, Sue enjoyed lunch at the Haigler Elementary School with her niece, Morgan Buck. They were visitors later in the afternoon in the home of LaVoine and Opal Collicott.

Deloris Zuege returned to her Haigler home on March 15, having spent some time visiting in the home of her sister, Almeda and Ron Morris in Longmont, Colo., and her mother, Louise Bier, at the nursing home in Loveland. On March 14 an open house celebrating the 96th birthday of Louise Bier was held at the nursing home in Loveland. Many family members attended.

Myrna Mulligan returned home on Friday evening from attending the week-long Nebraska Municipal Clerk Institute in North Platte. The institute was held at the Sandhills Convention Center and conducted by the School of Public Administration at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. This year's focus was "Legal Aspects in Municipal Administration." Myrna's husband, Charlie, joined her several times throughout the week for dining out, enjoying the scenery around the North Platte area, and sharing information learned during Myrna's many sessions.

Carol Flaming and Logan Klein of Yuma, Colo., came to the Richard Wall home on Friday. Logan spent the day with his great-grandparents. His mother came for him in the afternoon after school.

Sunday visitors in the Richard Wall home included MerryLu, Bob and Quentin Simmons, Dusty Wall and Royal and Helen Woods.

LaNeta Carlock spent Saturday on business in the Fort Morgan and Brush, Colo., areas.

Weekend callers in the LaVoine and Opal Collicott home were Grace Adams, Gerald and Betty Myer, Charlie and Myrna Mulligan, Galena and Stan Webster, LaNeta Carlock, Pastor Njenga Kariuki, Sue Livingston of Columbia, Calif.; and her nieces, Morgan and McKinna Buck of Haigler.

They're here!!!!!!

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