



At Home



Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Krien

Open house planned

The family of Ferdinand and Chloris Krien wish to help them celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with a card shower and an

open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 4 at the senior citizen center.

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Visitors of Hulda Raile since returning home from surgery were Verlin Raile, Verla Inness, Delbert, Marilyn, Cody, Nick and Matt Raile, Walter and Leila Hilt, Vickie Schliep, Coleen Applegate, Nina Raile and Melvin and Louise Schlep.

Hulda spent one and one half weeks in Denver for back surgery and recuperating at the home of Verla and Art. Verla brought Hulda home on Friday and returned to Denver on Sunday.

Verlin will be spending a couple of weeks caring for her before returning to his home in Lakefield, Minn.

Sylvia Queen was a Tuesday afternoon visitor of La Vera Beringer and on Sunday afternoon Kim Queen, Derek and Alex were guests of La Vera.

Betty Jean Winston joined Marlys Becker of Silver Springs, Md., for a five-day vacation in the Savannah, Ga., and Charleston, S.C., areas. Many flowers were already blooming and the leaves were on the trees adding to the pleasant temperatures. Each city had an array of attractions and the food was excellent.

Billy and Karen Krien were overnight guests of Tyler Krien in Salina on Tuesday. On Wednesday, Kelly Allen of Clay Center picked them up in Salina and they traveled to Celeste, Texas, where they were guests of Todd Krien. They arrived back home on Sunday night.

Former resident selected for Fulbright-Hays seminar

Dr. Debra D. Andrist, professor of Spanish at the University of St. Thomas and former St. Francis resident, will spend four rigorous weeks of summer studying women's issues and Arab/Islamic matters in Morocco. The Fulbright-Hays seminar is called, "The Triumphs and Challenges of Women in Morocco."

"This seminar will give me the chance to develop a broad appreciation for the history and Arab-Islamic culture of the Kingdom of Morocco whose friendly relations with the United States date back more than 200 years," Dr. Andrist said. "More specifically, the seminar will focus on the changing role and status of women in Morocco."

Dr. Andrist joined the St. Thomas faculty for the 1996-1997 school year after 14 years on the faculty at Baylor University. She chaired Modern and Classical Languages during 1997-2003 and presently holds the Cullen Endowed Chair. She served as the 2003 International Consortium of Universities of St. Thomas Aquinas exchange professor to Chile, was president of the South Central Modern Language Association in 2000, authored three books, 20 articles and has presented six dozen national and international scholarly papers.

Recipients of Fulbright Scholarships are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement and because they have demonstrated extraordinary leadership potential in their fields.

Dr. Andrist will explore the traditional roles historically assigned to Moroccan women, new opportunities opened up for them, women following independence from France in 1956, as well as the main cultural, religious, legal and political factors that influence the role and status of women.

The seminar will begin with a two-day pre-departure orientation on a U.S. university campus during which participants will be given a general introduction to North Africa with emphasis on placing gender-related issues within the broader context of the Arab and Islamic worlds. The first week in Morocco will be spent in the capital, Rabat, and devoted to an inten-

sive language and cultural orientation program designed to prepare participants for three weeks of in-country travel. In addition to a semi-intensive course in survival Moroccan Arabic, the in-country orientation will consist of a series of lectures designed to reinforce and expand upon pre-departure readings covering a broad range of topics including pre- and post-independence history, the country's complex linguistic situation, the evolving multi-party political system, the legal and cultural ramifications of Islam and the educational reform.

The travel phase of the seminar will be integrated into the overall academic curriculum with lectures and site visits conducted by highly qualified speakers including academics, activists and representatives from the public and private sectors. Among the topics covered will be women and education, the participation of women in politics



Dr. Andrist

and in civil society, varying perceptions of the West among Moroccan women, Western misconceptions about women in the Muslim world, women's rights and the reform of Morocco's personal status code, and the expanding role of women as leaders in government and business. The group will visit the "Imperial Cities" of Meknes, Fez and Marrakesh to explore the historical monuments and cultural refinements of Morocco's millennial civilization and Morocco's industrial and commercial heart, Casablanca, which boasts the largest mosque in Africa. Rural areas visited will include the Middle Atlas Mountains, an agricultural community south of Marrakesh and oasis villages in the Sahara Desert. In the Middle Atlas town of Ifrane, the group will visit Al Akhawayn University, a recently established American-style university that is home to the Women's Empowerment Center.

The Moroccan-American Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange will administer the seminar on behalf of the United States Department of Education.



Rogers

Woman Turns 100

Mildred Angel Rogers will celebrate her 100th birthday Wednesday, April 7.

There will be an open house at 2 p.m. at the Good Samaritan Village Lounge.

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Edwards

Celebrates birthday

The family of Mildred Edwards is having a card shower to help celebrate her 78th birthday.

Please send cards to 420 S. College, Salina, KS 67401 as Mildred will be celebrating her birthday with her daughter.

Named president

Erik Isernhagen, son of Fred and Jane Isernhagen, and grandson of Otto and Alice Isernhagen, has recently been selected as president of Team LINX, a Cable



Isernhagen

Company. Team LINX is located in Denver.

On a personal note, Erik and his wife, Anita, are living in a new house they just constructed in Highlands Ranch, Colo.

In August of this year, Erik and Anita are expecting twin boys.

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