

# On the Plains

## Idalia News

By  
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Linda Evans mother, Alleen Schuette passed away at Hillcrest in Wray Nov. 12. Graveside services were held in Elizabeth, on Nov. 16.

### Baby Shower

Rebekah Wieser and daughter, Jenna were honored at a baby shower, Saturday afternoon, Nov. 27. The gift table was decorated with a pink tablecloth and balloons. Jenna's grandmother Theresa Pattison and Judy Wieser, helped open the wonderful assortment of gifts. Hostesses were Deb Crites, Joyce Helling, Janessa Helling and Lori Hall they served assorted cookies, punch and iced tea to the thirty guests.

### St. John United Church of Christ News

St. John United Church of Christ invites everyone to come join them. Sunday School is at 10 a.m. Worship service is at 11 a.m. Next Sunday communion will be served.

### Bicentennial Family

Community Education News RoseMary Shanks, president opened the meeting with all repeating the club creed. There were thirteen members that attended the meeting at St. John United Church

of Christ Fellowship Hall and brought either cookies or candy of six dozen. Roll call was answered by bringing or showing their favorite Christmas ornament. Reports were made.

They made thirty cookies or candy plates that members took to deliver to those in the area. They also made ornaments for Christmas trees with cloth and ribbon they brought assisted by Kathy Fonte. Priscilla Lindsey served refreshments which were delicious with hot apple cider and coffee with pretty napkins. The table was covered with fall centerpieces.

Due to a conflict our Christmas meeting revealing the secret pals will be Dec. 15. Hostesses will send out invitations later to members. They are asked to bring a guest too. Linda Evans, secretary, was absent due to the death of her mother.

All of the children were Thanksgiving dinner guests of their parents, Tom and Marie Mandis, Saturday.

Lynn and Renada Doddridge hosted Thanksgiving dinner at their home with all their children attending. Bill and Debbie Thompson of

Idalia, Eugene and Dorene Doddridge of Kirk and her mother, Peggy Griffith of Longmont.

Glen and Beverly Doddridge and daughters, Jackie and Jamie were Thanksgiving dinner at their home. Guests were Dick and Diana Homm of Colby. Chuck and Kristy Arnold and Melissa Arnold of Sterling, Cy Homm, Larry and Dee Homm, Bob and Debbie Homm and baby Lance of Bethune.

Lance Homm of Bethune was a guest Friday and Saturday of Howard and Burdine Homm while they were picking corn for a few days and hope to finish soon.

Raymond and Joyce Helling and Kent enjoyed Thanksgiving Day dinner with their daughter, Kaylene Helling at her home in Colorado Springs.

Ralph and Beverly Weyerman hosted Thanksgiving dinner at their home with all their family attending except Wayne and Denise Weyerman, Sydney and Alex. Those attending were Larry and Cynthia Weyerman and boys, Mike and Shawn Warren, Bryant and Kelli of Burlington, Donald, Jean and Susan Richards and boys, Andy and Crystal Richards.

Elden Flick of Fort Collins, Anita Jimmis and Donnita of Wray, Pat and Bruce Texter, grandson Cody and Pearl of Eckley, Darin and Ruthie Brown and family of Wray were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Evelyn Flick.

Alan and Theresa Pattison, Steve and Ranae Martin, Tyler and Ryan, Terry and Tori Pattison, Brendan and Rylie were Saturday guests of Dennis and Rebekah Wieser and Jenna.

Lori and Brian Hall and Brayden of Colorado Springs, Dennis and Rebekah Wieser and Jenna, Chester Wieser Sr. and Joyce of Burlington were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Chester and Judy Wieser.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Jay and Carol Zimbelman of Burlington were LaVerne and Carol Jean Boden of Idalia, Randy and Darlene Boden of Burlington; Gary and Verlene Boden of Longmont; Garrett and Michelle Boden of Longmont; Jenna Zimbelman, student of Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Amy Zimbelman and Brittany, student of University of Northern Colorado of Greeley, Cal and Dorothy Zimbelman, Kim and Jendy David all of Burlington, and Troy Carruthers of Holyoke.

Lawrence and Jerry Crites of Idalia attended the Thanksgiving

dinner at the home of Chad and Jamie Twiss home at Parker. Mike and Debbie Bowman of Aurora attended with Jamie and Debbie as hostesses.

Sara Wudtke, student of Colorado State University of Fort Collins arrived Wednesday to visit her parents, Dick and Sheryl Wudtke till Saturday, Ray Wudtke of Holyoke joined them for Thanksgiving dinner.

Jim Schiel had a bad stroke and was taken to Wray and then flown to Columbine Care West, 940 Worthington, Fort Collins, Co. 80526.

Don and Myrna Andrews and Nathan hosted Thanksgiving dinner at their home. Guests were Rachel Andrews of Longmont, Marilee Helling of Denver, Alma Helling and Lucille Helling of Idalia.

Angie Vrome is now working in Wray for Hospice where she is living. Angie hosted Thanksgiving dinner at her home. Guests were Kenny and Nancy Helling and Will and Stephanie, Edmund and Roberta Helling of Wray.

Jim and Judy Soehner and son, Craig spent Thanksgiving Day visiting and had lunch with her mother,

Lenora Jones in Englewood.

Rhonda Dienes of Peyton and Debbie Shackelford and son, Tanner were Friday overnight guests of their grandmother, Elsie Shanks. Darrell and RoseMary joined them for breakfast and visiting. They left for Stratton, after Tanner took a tour around the farm to attend the belated Woller Thanksgiving dinner at the community hall. They met Kirk Dienes of Peyton and Loren Wilkinson of Colorado Springs and other relatives. Enroute Rhonda and Debbie decorated their mother, Priscilla Wilkinson's grave and other relatives at Fairview Cemetery in Burlington.

Gary and Sharilyn Mansfield were Thanksgiving dinner guests of his parents, Bill and Ellen Mansfield at their home in Wray.

Delmar and Roberta Moellenberg hosted Thanksgiving dinner at their home. Guests were Del Rae Moellenberg of Fort Collins, Gay and Jeff Uhland and girls of Eads, Cody and Joy Akey and girls of Wray, sister and husband, Rob and Margaret Hagenbuch of Denver, Todd Hagenbuch and friend both of Denver, Mike and Heidi of Florida, Elaine Gay of Steamboat Springs, Clarence Lidke of Burlington. They also spent a few days visiting.

## Beecher Island News

By  
Bessie  
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Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and Mallory hosted a birthday party in honor of Chynna's 13th birthday Saturday evening. Helping her celebrate were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rose, Sylvia Blessman, Albert Reitz, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Madsen and Kinsey and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Zuege, Cory and Book. Kinsey and Brook were overnight guests.

Judy Shively, Doris and Angie Whomble went out to eat Thursday to help Judy celebrate her birthday.

The Beecher Island Helping Hand Club met on Wednesday. Jessica Towns is the hostess for the Dec. 1 meeting.

Judy Shively, Mary J. Allen, Beulah Soehner and her granddaughter went to the play "A Bad Year For Tomatoes" Friday evening.

Larry Allen visited Mr. and Mrs. Pete Allen Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family hosted dinner Saturday evening for the Idalia boys basketball team.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus were Monday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tempy Bowman and family.

Mike and Sharon Gartrell of Grand Junction were weekend guests of June Richers. Mr. and Mrs. Rick Gardner and Molly joined them for supper Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways took Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ekberg and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver out to dinner Thursday.

Larry and Fran Crites took Violet Brown out to dinner last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Matzke of Ellis visited Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen went to Dallas, Texas, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Justin Allen for a long weekend.

Makala and Paxton Waitman spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls attended the volleyball sports banquet Friday evening at Idalia.

Tempy and Brady Bowman of Windsor, Doug Leasgren and Steve Miller of Eaton and Ryan Woods of Denver were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus enjoying some pheasant hunting. Mr. and Mrs. John Osmus and Jacob joined them for lunch Saturday.

There were 50 at Sunday school with Cindy Stroh giving the special number.

Having dinner at the Phil Heath home Saturday were Sally Lance, Dustin and Emily of Kersey, Loni Davis, Judy Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Heath and Chad. They were celebrating the birthdays of Nancy and Scott.

Enjoying dinner at the Lutheran Church Sunday in honor of Harry and Beulah Ekberg's 60th wedding anniversary were the guests of honor, Harry and Beulah, Marilyn Bruffett of Commerce City, Ed and Linda Ingo and Andrea of Ridgeway, Melanie Hall, Griffin and Gaven of Olathe, Glen and Carole Chapman of Green Valley, Ariz., Thane and Betty Greene, Tobi Jeurink of Kansas City, Cory and Laurie Jeurink and Ethan, Al and Rhoda Renzelman, Lynette Harms, Darrell and Roslyn May of Tulsa, Okla., Harold and Norma Basey of Greeley, Gary and Vi Beverlin, Harley and Peggy Whittie. One hundred and nine signed the guest book at the open house.

Violet Brown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown to Denver to spend Thursday to Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Larkin, Kelsey and Travis. They attended the Veterans Day Musical which the fifth grade presented. Kelsey was one of the fifth graders.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and Chynna, Sylvia Blessman, Sandy Madsen and Kinsey met Dillon Rose of Grand Junction of Denver Friday to attend the Idalia volleyball games played over the weekend. Mallory Rose was one of the team.

Mrs. Todd Novak, Cade and Britany were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield. They had

supper with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield Friday.

Judy Shively, Carole Whomble and Bonnie Blazer went to Boulder where they met Cathy Boyd to spend the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. John Osmus and Jacob were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus.

Ashley, Trevor and Garrett Hurlburt spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen. Perry Allen and Sarah Beaman of Earlham, Iowa, were weekend guests. Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt joined them for Saturday supper and Sunday lunch.

MerryLu Simmons met Laurie Perila in Lindon Thursday to bring Laura and Madison home with her until Monday when they will meet in Lindon for the children to return home. MerryLu and girls visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wall Saturday afternoon.

Judy Shively had lunch Thursday with Doris Whomble.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield, Mrs. Todd Novak, Cade and Britany and Monte Mansfield had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield.

Violet Brown and Diana Bowker made a business trip to Sterling and Fort Morgan Tuesday.

Boni Osmus visited Perk Salvador in Yuma Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rose Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield, Mrs. Todd Novak, Cade and Britany visited Jean Brenner and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Schaal Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell May visited Jacque Ekberg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt attended the volleyball state play-offs in Denver Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways took Mr. and Mrs. Phil Heaths out for dinner Thursday in honor of Nancy's birthday.

## Haigler News

By  
Opal  
Collicott



The Haigler United Methodist Women's annual bazaar will be held Saturday.

Thanksgiving guests in the home of MerryLu and Bob Simmons included Randy, Laurie, Laura and Madison Perila; Quentin Simmons; Dwight, Jessica and Lyndsay Wall; Wendy Lee, Dusty, Christy, Sydney and Gracie Wall; Duane and LuAnn Wall; Jay and Carol Flaming; Greg, Heather and Logan Klein; Betty Lee Green; Polly Thiringer; and Richard and Laura Pearl Wall. The birthdays of Sydney and Gracie were also celebrated.

Gerald and Betty Myer attended a Thanksgiving dinner held at the home of her niece, Helen Miller, in Holyoke, Colo. Other family guests were Walt and Nancy Bradford of Wray, Colo.; Romana Smith, Bob and Janet Smith and sons; David and Ronda Smith and family, all of Holyoke.

Daniela Webster, a student of Southwest Acupuncture College in Boulder, Colo., and her brother, Darrell Webster, a student at Colby Community College in Colby; spent Thanksgiving and the weekend in the home of their parents, Stan and Galena Webster.

Thanksgiving day guests in the home of Stan and Galena Webster to enjoy the turkey and ham dinner and all the trimmings were their children Daniela and Darrell, Galena's parents, LaVoine and Opal Collicott and Grace Adams. The 90th birthday of LaVoine will be Dec. 1, so it was also pre-celebrated in the afternoon. The group

was joined by LaNeta Carlock and everyone enjoyed birthday cake and other goodies.

Sandy Harrach of Scottsbluff, Neb., came Wednesday evening, Nov. 24, to spend Thanksgiving with her mother, Eunice Haskell. Sandy's sister, Sheryl and husband, Ken State of Sidney came on Friday morning, and were overnight guests of Eunice.

Pastor Inez Foster of Harrison visited from Monday through Wednesday of last week in the home of Richard and Laura Pearl Wall. She was to spend Thanksgiving with her daughter, Vivian and family in Wayne, Neb., and also her son, Jack and Virginia of Ewing, Neb. Pastor Foster was a former pastor of the Haigler United Methodist Church.

Wayne and Linda Mahon and his mother, Lillian Mahon enjoyed Thanksgiving Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mahon of McCook, Neb. Other relatives were also present.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Haskell spent Saturday afternoon with Eunice Haskell.

Albert and Sophie spent Thanksgiving at the home of their son, Albert Zuege and family in Imperial, Neb.

Saturday guests in the home of Albert and Sophie Zuege were Albert and Gin Zuege, Carl, Chelsea, Bryca Zuege of Imperial and Randy Perry and Emily Garcia of Rawlins, Wyo., and Matt Garcia of Denver, Colo.

Pastor Anne Gatobu called Sunday at the home of LaVoine and

Opal Collicott.

On Thanksgiving evening, LaVoine and Opal Collicott received a telephone call from their daughter and husband, Myrna and Charlie Mulligan, who have been visiting family in Charleston, S.C. Grandsons, Richard and wife, Trit Mulligan of Charleston and Skip and wife, Melissa Mulligan of Saginaw, Mich., also talked to their grandparents. Great-grandchildren, Hannah Reed, Lucy and Alayna were all in bed because of the later hour on the East Coast.

Floy (Fisher) Ruggles and husband, Raymond returned home recently from Tucson, Ariz., where they attended the 90th birthday open house celebration of her sister, Alice Gregory. There were 60 guests present. Alice received many cards and everyone enjoyed a video set to music of family pictures through the years. Floy and Raymond also enjoyed stopping at the Grand Canyon, driving to the Four Corners, and near Cortez, Colo., visited the cave dwellings dating back to year 1200.

### Fun Fact

• In 1947, Toys for Tots started making the holidays a little happier for children by organizing its first Christmas toy drive for needy youngsters.

• Grand Rapids, Michigan was the 1st US city to fluoridate its water in 1945.

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