

# Idalia Wolves headed for State

By Betty Jean Winston

The Idalia Wolves scored an exciting victory on Saturday when a last second touchdown tied the score at 30-30. With no time left, Idalia freshman Johnathan Castillo stepped up and kicked the ball through the goal post for a 32-30 Idalia win. The touchdown was the result of a Blake Cure pass to Lucas Devlin in the end zone.

This all happened when Idalia and Hi Plains were in semi-final competition at Vona vying for the right to advance to the Colorado 6-Man State Championship football game. With Idalia being victorious, the Wolves will be traveling to play Pawnee northwest of Sterling, on Saturday

afternoon. They will be looking for the opportunity to defeat Pawnee and be named State Champions. Pawnee is a combination of the towns of Hereford and Grover.

There were only 39 seconds left on the clock when Idalia received the ball for their final opportunity for a win. Hi Plains had just scored giving them a 30-24 lead over Idalia so it was now or never for the Wolves. After a couple of running plays with the clock winding down, Cure took to the air for the completed pass.

A crowd of fans immediately ran out on the field and the officials left when the touchdown was scored so the field had to be

cleared and the officials returned before the conversion kick could be attempted.

It was a come-from-behind win for the Wolves and the victory was sweet as Idalia and Hi Plains met in the same circumstances last year and Hi Plains took a one-point 27-26 win. The Wolves are under the direction of Tim Gibbens, head coach.

The Hi Plains Patriots came on strong early in the game and held a 22-0 advantage at halftime.

The Wolves came out from the break with determination and scored their first touchdown 2:45 minutes into the third quarter. The score was a result of a S. Cure pass from B. Cure with Castillo having a good kick to

move the score to 22-8.

During the fourth quarter the Idalia offense opened up and took control for two scores. First at 7:43 another pass from B. Cure to S. Cure and a Castillo kick made the score 22-16. Five minutes later Ramseyer took the ball 15-yards into the end zone and Castillo again had a good kick giving Idalia the lead 24-22.

The Hi Plains offense responded with an 11-yard pass and a good kick and all of a sudden they were back in the lead (30-24) with 39 seconds remaining.

A lot happened in the next 39 seconds and when it was over Idalia had a championship semi-final win.



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## Chapter recognized at National program

Jose Munoz, Michelle Schafer and Andrea Knodel, members of the Idalia FFA chapter, attended the 78th National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky., where they were recognized as one of the Star chapters in the National FFA Chapter Award Program.

The award program is sponsored by Land O'Lakes Foundation and Toyota as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. It is one of many ways FFA members are encouraged to make a real difference in the lives of fellow students, as well as in their communities.

The program recognizes FFA chapters for conducting a wide variety of activities that focus on student, chapter and community development. Members are encouraged

to develop a detailed Program of Activities (POA). These activities and projects provide citizenship, personal and leadership development opportunities to students by giving them a chance to work with community leaders, partner groups and school organizations.

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## Idalia News

### St John United Church of Christ

Mission Fest Sunday was well attended. The special service included "Majesty" on piano by Betty E. Moellenberg and Bill Carpenter performing "Glorious is Thy Name." Guest speaker Dr. Steve Collins presented "Love Your Neighbor" puppet sketch at childrens time. Betty E. Moellenberg presented the mission moment on gift boxes for children ministry. Shoeboxes are provided for those who would like to fill one. During the potluck following the service, Dr. Steve Collins and family enter-

tained with their puppet ministry performances of "Ten Commandments" and "The Good Samaritan".

### Surprise Visitor

Peggy Carpenter's brother, Newton Dorr, of Prescott, Ariz., was a surprise customer at Carpenter's Mini Mall on Friday. He was on his way to Nebraska to hunt. Newton enjoyed supper at the Route Steakhouse in Burlington.

### Booster Bus

The Idalia School is considering sending a booster bus to Saturday's state championship football game in Grover if there is enough inter-

est. Please contact Deb Crites at the school or at home by Friday at noon if you are interested in riding the bus to the game for a small fee.

### Holiday Celebration

Janie and Larry Beckman hosted an early Thanksgiving dinner for their family on Sunday. Attending were Richie and Sarah Beckman and family of Wray, Rob and Marcie Beckman and family of Atwood, Ryan, Ginny and Trevin Beckman of Basalt, Amber and Joey Huber of Fort Collins and Randy and Bill Beckman of Littleton.

### One Second

As the last second of the game ticked off the clock, Lucas Devlin caught a pass from Blake Cure to tie the game against the Hi Plains Patriots. With no time left, Jonathan Castillo kicked the game winning extra point to send the Idalia Wolves to the 6 Man state football championship game at Pawnee on Saturday afternoon.

### Bridal Shower

Dessany Wiley was honored at a bridal shower Sunday morning at St John United Church of Christ. Helping her open a large assortment of gifts were her sisters Brittany, Tiffany and Kelly, and friends Angela Chamberlain and Tyra Walters. Muffins, rolls and fruit were served to the large group in attendance. Dessany is the fiancee of Mark Oestman.

### Vets Day Trip

Idalia elementary students traveled to Wray on Thursday where they sang at the local nursing homes. They sang patriotic songs to the residents in honor of Veterans Day at the Hillcrest and Cedardale care facilities.

By Nancy Helling



### Child Care Meeting

The Community Child Care Planning Committee is meeting on Thursday, November 17 at 6 p.m. in the Visions building. Anyone interested in helping or those who have questions are welcome to attend.

Betty J Moellenberg was a Sunday visitor of Elsie Shanks.

Andrea Knodel, along with her parents Steve and Susan, traveled to Laramie, WY for a tour and visit of the University of Wyoming on Monday.

Delmar and Roberta Moellenberg were Wednesday overnight guests of the Jeff Uhland family. They attended a birthday supper in honor of their granddaughter Mindi's 6th birthday.

Faith Carpenter was a Sunday night guest of her grandparents, Bill and Peggy Carpenter. Faith enjoyed playing antique games, which had been gifts her grandpa received from stranded travelers when a blizzard stopped the Greyhound bus and the highway was closed in the early 1950's.

Bill Carpenter's brother Rich from Longmont was a guest of his son Wade this past weekend. They enjoyed duck hunting.

Rhonda and Deena Peyton, Debbie and Tanner Shackelford all of Colorado Springs were Sunday visitors of their grandmother Elsie Shanks. They took her to church and to the potluck dinner.

Janie and Larry Beckman traveled to Atwood on Saturday to celebrate grandson Brady's first birthday.

## Student receives emblem at program

Andrea Knodel, winner of the Colorado State FFA Association Prepared Speaking Career Development Event (CDE) was recently awarded a bronze emblem at the national event. As sponsors, Arysta LifeScience North America, ING and New Dominion Management provided funds for plaques, medals and scholarships for high scoring individuals. The National FFA Prepared Speaking Career Development Event was held in conjunction with the 78th National FFA Convention. Knodel was accompanied by ad-



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visor, Donna Karspeck, of the Idalia FFA Chapter. She was one of 47 state winners participating in the National FFA Prepared Speaking Career Development Event at the 78th National Convention in Louisville, Ky. The Career Development Event is designed to recognize outstanding FFA members for their ability to prepare and present a factual speech on a specific agricultural issue in a well thought out and logical manner in a competitive setting. Members prepare and deliver a six-to eight-minute speech from memory and respond to five minutes of questions. The event is just one way FFA members can develop their ability to communicate in a powerful, organized and professional manner.

## Club Clip

### Lawn Ridge 4-H Club

The Oct. 2 regular meeting of the Lawn Ridge 4-H Club was called to order by President Heidi Yonkey. Scott Ford led the flag salute and Ally Northrup had the members sing "Three Little Members." What is your least favorite Halloween candy was answered by 11 members, two leaders, five parents and three guests.

Caitlin Northrup gave a secretary's report and Taylor Archibald a treasurer's report including reporting the club's balance. Christy Wurm gave the Leader's report.

In old business, Kattie Ford suggested and Dale Northrup agreed the club use Safety as the club project. Members agreed. They also

discussed what day they would deliver cookies to the businesses. It was decided to do this on Monday, Oct. 3. There was no new business.

The program was next. Dale gave a project talk about Rabbits, Caitlin gave a demonstration on Friendship Bracelets and Kattie led the group in playing "Stuck in the mud."

Christy read the announcements and Dale announced the program for the next meeting. Taylor led the 4-H Pledge. Dale and Ally moved for adjournment.

After adjournment, members assembled the cookie plates to be delivered to the businesses.

Refreshments were provided by the Ford family.

Allyson Northrup, reporter

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