



## Grocery store horse gone but the memories live on

The horse is gone! For years, children have been riding the mechanical horse at the grocery store.

Through the years, the horse has carried children through the imaginary hills, chasing robbers and crooks, to the sunny meadows. Children came through the doors armed with their pennies (it only cost 1 cent to ride for several minutes) and sometimes with their chaps, boots and cowboy hats.

Parents were grateful for the few minutes they could shop in peace while their children were riding the horse. If there was a child who was standing in front of the horse but had no money,

there were clerks who always carried a few extra pennies in their pocket just for these children.

The different owners have had to make repairs to the horse and even gotten it a new saddle but the price has always remained the same affordable penny.

Maybe the new owners of the grocery store will replace the dependable old horse but, chances are, it will cost more than a penny.

Things do change but it is hard to imagine that the grocery store pony has moved on to greener pastures.

—Karen Krien

## Hangin' With Marge

By Margaret Bucholtz



I think it is finally happening! Thursday, I was working on the newsletter for the Historical Society. Of course it was a last minute thing so I was pushing hard. After about 8 hours of writing, printing out, changing things and then adding what I had forgotten or thought was important, I got up Friday and began copying.

My copier at home is a little one and it takes quite a long time, so I decided I would multitask and get ready to go to the Museum while printing out the pages I needed.

Anything that could go wrong

seemed to do just that!

At one point the copier ran out of ink. I had to find clean clothes. My bath water got cold waiting on me. My hair wouldn't do anything but lay there on my head. I was printing out labels on the computer plus looking for things that still needed the last minute corrections in the newsletter (and I still missed some). Meanwhile with all this was going on, I was getting my clothes on in shifts.

Finally I got everything I thought I needed in the newsletter. A bag packed of things I needed to work on and at last it was time

to put the shoes on.

I stood up, picked up the heavy bag and headed to the door when that certain feeling of "something just isn't right" hit me.

I opened the door to step outside and a cold blast hit me. There I was — I had forgotten to put my jeans on! Now I am asking you if you see me in town someday without part of my clothing, will you please just quietly load me up and bring me home?

## Casey's Comments

By Casey McCormick



Last weekend we had a pretty bad scare. Trevor, our freshman, was wrestling in a tournament in Sterling, Colo. His opponent made a strange move and Trevor came down hard on the mat, landing on his head and neck.

It was obvious to most of the people there that he was out cold. As soon as he hit, he laid spread eagle with no movement in his limbs. He soon came to in a lot of pain.

Luckily both of his parents were there as well as their partners. The EMTs did a great job of placing Trevor on a body board and Leslie joined him on the ambulance ride to the local hospital.

After a tense wait, Trevor came out of the emergency room with what would be a stiff neck and headache for a few days.

Once again I had one of those "Wait until you have kids of your own" moments.

I grew up in a family of five, but my twin brother, Kelly, and my times of glory came through.

We were normal, active boys. As toddlers I managed to push a grandfather's clock over on Kelly, resulting in a large shard of glass going into his skull. Later a neighbor's Irish Wolfhound took a big bite out of Kelly's jaw.

After playing sports I still feel the affects of a shoulder separation,

sprained ankles and twisted knees. I can count on one hand the times I had my bell wrung. I remember white flashes and seeing stars more than once.

Kelly and I grew up to be relatively normal — well, at least we survived. But it sure is different to go through a traumatic event as a parent.

Sorry Mom for all we put you and Dad through.

As a foot note, five of Freckles' and Fergies' puppies made it and they are getting round from their mother's milk.

## Book Review

Welcome To The Camel Club

By David Baldacci

It exists at the fringes of Washington D.C., has no power, and consists solely of four eccentric and downtrodden members whom society has forgotten. Their simple goal is to find the "truth" behind their country's actions.

One man leads this aging, ragtag crew. He has no known past and has taken the name "Oliver Stone." Day and night, Stone and his friends study wild conspiracy theories, current events, and the machinations of government, hoping to discover some truth that will hold America's leaders accountable to its citizens. Yet never in Stone's wildest nightmares could he imagine the conspiracy the Camel Club is about to uncover.

security of the nation, full of stunning twists, high-stakes intrigue, and global gamesmanship rocketing to the Oval Office and beyond. Soon the Club must join forces with veteran Secret Service agent Alex Ford, who becomes an unwilling participant in one of the most chilling spectacles to ever take place on American soil. It's an event that may well be the catalyst for the long-threatened Armageddon between two different worlds, and all that stands in the way of this apocalypse are five unexpected heroes.

After witnessing a shocking murder, the Club is slammed headfirst into a plot that threatens the very

**GOD SAYS**  
But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.  
Matthew 12:36

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## THE WONDER OF A PROPER DIET... News From the Past

### 25 years ago - 1980

The St. Francis Job's Daughters will celebrate their 25th anniversary Wednesday, Dec. 10, with a public reception following the meeting in the Masonic Temple.

Randy Johnson purchased the Weber Body Shop from Robert Draper effective Nov. 1. Draper purchased the business from Darrell Weber in June, 1972.

A new five-plane hanger is under construction at the Cheyenne County Municipal Airport.

The grand old lady of PlaMor Recreation, Martha Reichert, 80, will hold a 50th anniversary celebration on Dec. 20. The business opened Feb. 12, 1931 but she decided to hold the celebration while the college kids were home for Christmas vacation.

The ISIS Shrine Clown unit will participate in the Cotton Bowl Parade at Dallas, Texas, on New Year's Day. Clowns from St. Francis planning on participating include Charles Milne, Ed Schultz and Paul DeGood.

What was thought to have been a careless shot or accidental discharge of a firearm broke a window at the Cheyenne County Courthouse. The bullet made a large hole in the double pane window and bounced off the wall of the landing.

### 50 years ago - 1955

Dr. E.J. Keller was named president of the Cheyenne County Fair Board. Wilber Curry was named vice president.

A dinner was held to honor Roy E. Clark who has completed 35 years of service to the SW Bell Telephone Company.

Harold D. (Hap) Shull of St. Francis and Edgar Robertson of Bird City have recently purchased controlling interest in the Security State Bank of Bird City from J.A. Hanley.

### 60 years ago - 1946

Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Stewart were installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Eastern Star Paul Clapper is the new Noble Grand of the Odd Fellows Lodge. Rollie Vanlaningham is the Vice Grand.

Mrs. Bernard Roelfs is the new Noble Grand of Rebekahs while Mrs. Rollie Vanlaningham is the Vice Grand.

Gene Lundin has returned to his position at the St. Francis Post Office following his tour of duty in the U.S. Navy.

Pilgrim Holiness Church, located one block north of the Citizens State Bank and recently moved into town from 12 miles southeast of town, is now being used to hold regular services.

Efforts to fill a need of long standing in the community have at last gotten under way with the launching this week by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars of a campaign to raise funds for the construction of a permanent home for both groups.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard, who purchased the Busse greenhouse and equipment at Bird City some

time ago, have moved it to St. Francis and have enlarged the building. It is planned to heat and to start planting in the new greenhouse about the middle of February. The building is located 1 1/2 blocks north of the St. Francis Community High School.

### 75 years ago - 1931

The grade schools gave a very interesting program at the school house last week. The principal event was the orchestra which furnished some real music for their listeners.

The business owners on the main street of St. Francis are pondering the question of having paved streets. This matter is entirely in the hands of the resident lot owners on main street and the city council. The city council can not act until a petition has been presented to them with the proper amount of signatures attached.

A big wolf hunt is planned for Jan. 15 and it will take into the circle quite a lot of territory out north of town. The drive will start at 10 a.m. The roundup will take place a half mile west and a quarter mile south of the Philip Kinen place.

When Lewis Collins came to work to start the fire under the ovens at the Bakery he notice smoke coming from the Foster Smith Service Shop. When the fire men arrived the fire had a pretty good start and most of the contents were either destroyed or badly damaged.

## Worship Warms the Heart

Wesleyan Church  
Hwy 36 • 734-2727  
Pastor Dan Carson  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Church of Christ  
332-2380, Pars. 332-3424  
502 W. Spencer  
Norman Morrow - Minister  
Bible Class 11 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10 a.m.  
Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

Grace Assembly of God  
332-2925, Pars. 332-2899  
208 E. 2nd  
Rev. Rob Meyer  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30  
Sunday Eve. Service 6 p.m.

Salem Lutheran Church  
332-3002  
Pastor Chris Farmer  
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Peace Lutheran Church  
202 N. College  
332-2928 Pars. 332-2308  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Fellowship following

First Christian Church  
332-2956 • 118 E. Webster  
Pastor Tony Christians  
Sunday School 9:20 a.m.  
Church Service 10:30 a.m.  
Wed. night Bible Study 7 p.m.

Seventh-Day Adventist Church  
332-2888 • 3rd & Adams  
Pastor Jim Martin  
Sabbath School 9:30  
Morning Worship 10:45

St. Francis of Assisi  
Catholic Church  
625 S. River • 332-2680  
Fr. Beryl Gibson  
Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.  
Weekday Mass 8 a.m.  
Confessions Sat. 4-4:30

Living Water Fellowship Ministry  
Pastor Terry & Tiffany Glasco  
Downtown Bird City  
785-734-2363

Sunday:  
Prayer 9:00 a.m.  
Worship & Word 10 a.m.  
Last Sunday Evening of Month  
Revival Service 7 p.m.

United Methodist  
Church Office 332-2292,  
Church 332-2254,  
512 S. Scott  
Pastor Morita Truman  
Early Bird Service 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.

First Baptist Church  
2nd & Scott • 332-3921  
J.W. Glidewell, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening  
Service 6:30 p.m.,  
Wednesday prayer  
service, 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. AWANA Club  
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

St. Francis  
Community Church  
332-3150 • 204 N. Quincy Street  
Pastor: David Butler  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Clough Valley Church of Hope  
12 m. west, 6 m. north of SF  
Pastor Jason Howard  
332-3152  
Saturdays  
8 p.m. CT or 7 p.m. MT

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