

On the Plains

Idalia News

By Nancy Helling



United Church of Christ
St. John United Church of Christ is accepting sealed bids on the old parsonage building adjacent to the church. Bids must be in by March 19 to Butch Wudtke 7551 County Road CC Idalia, CO 80735. Winning bid has until April 30 to remove the building from its present location. For information about the parsonage please contact Butch Wudtke at home 970-354-7357 or on his cell 970-630-0279.

Pitch Party
The Idalia After Prom will be hosting one more pitch party on March 19 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Homestead Memorial Building in Idalia. Fifteen tables will be filled with card players competing for the status of the highly coveted "Top Pitch Players on the Eastern

Plains." To reserve your seat call Sherri Ramseier, Michelle Cure, Laura Lengel, Gwenn Kleweno or Cyndie Weyerman. You'll be in the field soon enough, so take a break and enjoy playing some cards!

Family and Community Education Club President Roberta Moellenberg called the Feb 16 meeting of the Idalia Bicentennial Family and Community Education Club to order. Thirteen members who brought or told about an old Valentine answered roll call. Kathy Wiley reported that more supplies were needed for the Comfort Bags project. General items needed are T-shirts, pacifiers, bibs, blankets, small bottles of baby shampoo and baby wash, 9-12 month diapers, diaper bags, and size 3-6 month, 6-9 month, and 9-12

month old summer and winter pajamas that would be suitable for either a boy or a girl. Also needed are summer outfits for boys 6-9 months.

Members will be making blankets at the March meeting. Please bring scissors or a mat and roller if you have them. The Family and Community Education mid-year meeting will be held in Colorado Springs March 17-18. There will be a District I planning meeting on April 4 in Fort Morgan.

Laura Lengel reported that there is a new display in the Heritage Park at the Idalia School. Go by and see

some Idalia history. Joy Akey presented a program on "Strong People Stay Young." Members did some of the exercises that she will teach in an exercise class in Idalia Feb 21 to May 11. Hostesses Janice Souther and Angela DeLeon served refreshments. Kathy Wiley won the scholarship basket.

Weather
Local weatherman Tom Mandis reported the following statistics for the month of February in Idalia. Average high was 45.1 degrees and the average low was 14.3 degrees. Feb 28 was the warmest day with a

high temperature of 75 degrees and the low of minus 7 degrees was on Feb 18. Precipitation for February was only .05 inches and for the year stands at .36 inches.

Card Shower
Sadie Lowder will be celebrating her 90th birthday on March 17. All of her friends can wish her a very happy birthday by sending her a greeting card to 602 S.W. 18th St. Loveland, CO 89503.

Liberty School 50th Anniversary

Liberty School will be celebrating their 50th anniversary on March 31. The evening will begin with supper being served from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. A program will follow the meal. The evening will include different community members and graduates speaking, displays, skits, slide show presentations celebrating 50 years, and a fashion show representing the different clothing styles throughout the decades. If there are any questions, please call 358-4288 or check the school website at <http://www.libertyschoolj4.com>

Public Notice

Petition filed in the estate of Bron DeGood

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS In the Matter of the Estate of Bron Joel DeGood, a/k/a Bron J. DeGood, a/k/a, Bron DeGood, Deceased

Case No. 06-PR-06
NOTICE OF HEARING
The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Lanny DeGood, as surviving father and one of the heirs of Bron Joel DeGood, a/k/a Bron J. DeGood, a/k/a, Bron DeGood, deceased, pray-

ing for the determination of the descent; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 3rd day of April, 2006 at 10:00 a.m., of said day, in said court, in the City of St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

LANNY DEGOOD, Petitioner
KITE & DAY, L.L.P.
112 West Washington
P.O. Box 575
St. Francis, Kansas 67756
785/332-3323

Gerald and Betty Myer visited with Opal and LaVoine Collicott at Hillcrest Care Center in Wray Wednesday afternoon, March 1. Also early Sunday morning, March 5, Gerald and Betty Myer and Grace Adams from Haigler with Opal Collicott of Hillcrest Care Center joined Tom and Charlotte Myer of Wray, riding by van to Sterling Living Center to help Velma Neville celebrate her 90th birthday, which is March 9. Velma's son, Ed, and wife, Dawn, were there also. They all had a great time visiting and enjoying ice cream, cake and drinks, returning home in the evening. Velma is a sister of Gerald, Grace and Opal.

Galena Webster and Myrna Mulligan drove to Hillcrest Care Center in Wray, Colo., on Sunday to bring their father, LaVoine Collicott, to Haigler. He was a luncheon guest of Galena, Stan and Darrell Webster. Myrna later joined them for angel food cake, strawberries and ice cream. After a short visit, Galena and Myrna returned their father to Hillcrest. Their mother, Opal Collicott, had gone with other relatives to visit with her sister, Velma Neville, in Sterling, Colo., for Velma's 90th birthday.

Gerald Myer celebrated his birthday on Saturday, March. Myrna Mulligan was a visitor of Gerald

and Betty on Saturday evening and her sister, LaNeta Carlock, was a visitor on Friday evening to extend birthday greetings.

World Day of Prayer services were held in Benkelman on Friday afternoon, March 3. Those attending and participating from the Haigler area included Laura Pearl Wall, Myrna Mulligan, Sissy Hart, Debbie Bush, and Kris Jardine. The theme this year was "Signs of the Times" and was written by the World Day of Prayer Women of South Africa. In the United States, World Day of Prayer is promoted by the national office and Church Women United, an ecumenical movement working to bring about peace and justice.

Sunday visitors in the Richard Wall home included Bob and Merry Lu Simmons, Randy, Laurie, Laura, Madison and Spencer Perila and Quentin Simmons. The Perila children had spent the weekend with their Simmons grandparents near Beecher Island.

The Smoker Saturday night was well attended and everyone had a good time. The proceeds help to pay the utility and other expenses of maintaining the American Legion Building in Haigler.

Monday, March 6, Dorothy Rathbun celebrated her 95th birthday at Hillcrest Care Center. Her daughter, Dode Faylor ate dinner at

the Center with her. Dode had baked her mom's favorite German chocolate cake for her to enjoy and share with some of the residents and visitors.

Meeting Dani
Ray and Floy Ruggles met Dani last week in the process of purchasing an item that had been advertised. They had a nice visit in their home in the evening after she delivered the item and enjoyed getting acquainted. Dani Moellenberg has been a resident of Haigler about two years, moving here from Idalia. She said she likes living in Haigler. Having lost her father last October - a result of a heart attack - she has been busy helping her mother with the necessary adjustments. Dani has a few new friends in Haigler and is hopeful of acquiring more. She resides at 320 S West Avenue.

The few days of springlike weather has inspired more people to join the few diehards that get out and walk for health and enjoyment in all kinds of weather - as much as 2 miles a day, regularly. Some favorite routes people like to walk are up the hill south on the old highway past the cemetery to the Kansas State line or east on the (very) old highway past the pasture containing 20-some llamas of all sizes and various colors. The beauty of the Vil-

By Floy Ruggles



lage of Haigler is that you can walk safely down the middle of the street in the absence of sidewalks, yielding, of course, to an occasional vehicle. Another scenic road to walk is north from the main street to the river bridge where the Republican and Arickaree rivers come together.

Students plan to attend conference

By Tyler John Manser, student member

The Idalia Future Business Leaders of America Chapter is getting ready to travel to Vail to attend the 2006 State Conference. This has been a fantastic year for the chapter as many members qualified to participate in events at the State Conference.

Eleven members will be attending which is a lot compared to previous years. Those members who will be attending are Blake Cure, Scott Cure, Lucas Devlin, Creighton Farness, Andrea Knodel, Sarah Krause, Kevin Lengel, Tyler Manser, Abby Peterson, Mallory Rose and Todd Shively.

This event will take place on April 23 through April 25, and is guaranteed to be packed with fun-filled activities. Members will participate in a dance, leadership workshops, state-only competitions and individual qualifying events. Each member has a chance to enroll in two competitions instead of just one with the addition of the state-only competitions. These state-only competitions will give winners more recognition for their success. The Idalia chapter is very excited to get to attend the State Conference this year, and the members are looking forward to participating in all the fun.



Commissioners adopt burn ban resolution

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NOTICE OF RESOLUTION 06-03

A Resolution adopting a ban of open burning in Cheyenne County, Kansas, pursuant to K.S.A. 19-101a and amendments thereto.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cheyenne County, Kansas determined that extremely dry condition exist in the county, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cheyenne County, Kansas determined that due to the dryness, the potential for uncontrollable fires exist; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Cheyenne County, Kansas want to prevent the destruction of crops, grass, buildings and life,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Cheyenne County Commissioners:

Cheyenne County, Kansas hereby bans open burning. Open burning means any outdoor fire, including, but not limited to, burning of trash, burning of fields, pasture,

fence rows, any grass land or ditches, campfires, warming fires, charcoal grill fires, except this resolution shall not apply within the city limits of the City of Saint Francis or the City of Bird City. This resolution shall be in effect from the date of execution until such time as it is modified or rescinded by the Board of County Commissioners.

The Board of County Commissioners hereby declare that it shall be unlawful to violate this resolution and that any person found to be guilty of violating this resolution shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or confinement in the county jail not to exceed one month or both.

ADOPTED THIS 6th DAY OF MARCH, 2006

CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Andy Beikman
Andy Beikman, Chairman
/s/ Jane C.W. Brubaker
Jane C.W. Brubaker, Commissioner
/s/ Ray Lee
Ray Lee, Commissioner
ATTEST: /s/ Terry Miller
Terry Miller, County Clerk

Beecher Island News

By Bessie Dent



There were 34 at Sunday school. Megan Jones gave the special number and Caryn and Boni Osmus gave their birthday offerings. Harold Curtis was the morning speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wieser and Katie and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways had dinner in Holyoke Saturday to celebrate Katie's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dent took Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dent and Dwain out for dinner in Lamar Sunday in honor of Larry's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver spent last weekend in Pueblo with Nancy Cranmer. They celebrated little Miss Gwen Gutierrez's second birthday. They also attended the Oak Ridge Boys concert.

Harold and Charlene Curtis, missionaries from Africa, came Friday to spend a few days with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Osmus and Jacob. Joining

them for Sunday dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Osmus and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus. Joining them in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Martin Osmus.

Joining Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Rose and girls in Burlington Friday and Saturday for the basketball tournament were Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Madsen and Kinsey, Sylvia Madsen and Eunice Weed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt, Jeri Lynn Armstrong and Tatum were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlburt and family to attend the basketball games.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmons were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wall.

Gary Cranmer spent last Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaver. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cranmer are moving to St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen visited Mr. and Mrs. Pete Allen Sunday

afternoon and Mr. and Mrs. Rowe Shively later in the evening.

Nettie May Welton visited Helen Wilson in Denver Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wall brought dinner to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmons last Monday. Quentin Simmons was also there.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield and Jean Brenner enjoyed dinner Sunday in Idalia.

Judy Shively took Doris Whomble to Idalia Saturday for lunch and took a nice drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex shaver met Mr. and Mrs. Stan Faulkender in St. Francis Saturday for lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Simmons had lunch Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmons.

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