

Club Clip

Pleasant Hill 4-H Club

Pleasant Hill 4-H Club met at the St. Francis Equity meeting room on Sept. 6, for a pizza party prior to the monthly meeting.

The September meeting was called to order by President Grady Brunk at 7 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge were recited and roll call was answered by "What was your favorite part of the County Fair." Eighteen

members, two leaders and nine guests were present. Minutes of the last meeting were approved. The treasurer and reporter gave their reports.

Club leaders reviewed important dates and money-making projects were discussed. Pleasant Hill will make bierocks and cinnamon rolls for sale.

The 2006-07 officers were

electd. Members signed up for demonstrations, committees and treats. Pleasant Hill will attend the Lutheran Church in St. Francis for 4-H Sunday.

The next meeting was scheduled for 7 p.m. on Oct. 4 at the St. Francis Equity meeting room followed by adjournment of the meeting.

Jandy Dunn, reporter

Obituaries

Gus Manson Neitzel

Sept. 1, 2006 - Sept. 1, 2006

Memorial services for Gus Manson Neitzel were held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2006, at Warren-McElwain Mortuary. A private inurnment will be held at a later date.

Gus was stillborn Sept. 1 at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital. He weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21-inches long.

Gus is survived by his parents, Lowell and Krystale Neitzel, Lawrence; maternal grandparents, Kent and Debbie Nunemaker; maternal great-grandmothers, Pauline Nunemaker and Shirley Mooney, all of Lawrence; paternal grandparents, Lee Roy Neitzel, St. Francis, Chuck and Lynne Ferguson, Holyoke, Colo.; paternal great-grandparents, Manson and Bonnie Jones of St. Francis and the late Margaret Neitzel. One aunt, Lindsey Goddard, husband, Casey and daughter, Cassidy of Haxtun, Colo., and one uncle, Lyle Nunemaker of Lawrence, also survive him. He leaves many other family members and friends.

Relatives attending the memorial services for Gus included Lee Roy Neitzel, Cindy Neitzel and Royce Neitzel of St. Francis, Lynne Ferguson of Holyoke, Lindsey Goddard of Haxtun, Lacy Reed, Bonnie Jones, Allen and Sherry Jones of St. Francis, Leslie and Randy Carlholm of Imperial, Neb.

Raymond H. Leibbrandt

June 20, 1921 - Sept. 2, 2006

Raymond H. Leibbrandt was born June 20, 1921, to John and Katherine (Raile) Leibbrandt at the family farm 10 miles west of St. Francis, Kan. He died at Life Care Center of Aurora, Colo., on Sept. 2,

2006.

His elementary school education was a East Gurney. He graduated from St. Francis Community High School in 1942 and later attended a six-week technology course in Kansas City, Mo.

As a young man, he greatly enjoyed playing baseball with the other young men in the community. He helped his parents with the farming operations as he grew up.

In August 1942, during World War II, he volunteered and was accepted into the U.S. Army Air Force, at Fort Logan, Colo. Raymond was a sheet metal technician on the 20th Air Depot Group, 97th Repair Squadron. He served 41 months in the India, China and Burma Theaters, with the remaining months spent on Okinawa.

He left Okinawa for the United States on Christmas Day, 1945. Raymond was honorably discharged as a Staff Sergeant on Jan. 11, 1946, at Fort Logan.

He spent a short time on the family farm before going to Baltimore, Md. He was employed for 38 years at Western Electric Company, a subsidiary of AT&T. He retired in November, 1979, and has since resided in Denver. While living in Maryland, he took his yearly vacations to return to Kansas to help with the wheat harvest on the family farm.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant sister, Delphine; older brother, Robert, and great nephew, Kerry Girardin, Jr.

He is survived by brother, Haddon (Joyce) Leibbrandt, sister-in-law, Gladys Leibbrandt; nephews, Russell (Joan) Leibbrandt, Robert Leibbrandt, Jr. (Barbara); John (Danette) Leibbrandt; and

nieces Evelyn (Chris) Padilla, Marji (Terry) Randall, Kerry (David) Wolpo and several great nephews and nieces.

Graveside service was held Sept. 8 at the St. Francis Cemetery with Military Honors by Fort Riley.

Ty Alan Hardwick

Oct. 9, 1984 - Sept. 5, 2006

Ty Alan Hardwick, son of Ronda (Cooper) and Randy Hardwick was born Oct. 9, 1984, in St. Francis, Kan. He died suddenly on Sept. 5, 2006, at the age of 21 years, 10 months and 27 days.

Ty graduated kindergarten in the St. Francis school system. On July 16, 1991, he moved to Alva, Okla., with his family. At the age of 7, he started the Alva Public School System and graduated with the class of 2003.

Ty's hobbies included skateboarding, hanging out with his friends, rebuilding his 1970 Buick Skylark and listening to music.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Lois Cooper; his step-grandfather, Gary Cooper; his grandfather, Mac Nelson, and his cousin, Kelsey Cooper.

Ty is survived by his mother and father; brothers, Wade Holzwarth and Dan Hardwick of Denver, Colo.; a sister, Lisa Bower of Action, Calif.; his paternal grandparents, Wade and Eleanor Hardwick of St. Francis; grandmother, Barbara Nelson of Hopeton, Okla.; his Uncle Mark and Aunt Toby of St. Francis; his Uncle Scott of Buffalo, Okla.; his cousins, Wesley and Mindy Cooper of St. Francis; and a number of other relatives and friends.

Sympathies may be sent to Ronda Loven at 803 Sherman Street, Alva, OK 73717.



RAWLINS COUNTY resident Kenan Reeh, right, performed at an Iowa Music Festival in August along with his guitar teacher, Dawn Petty.

Local student performs in Iowa

Kenan Reeh, rural Rawlins County, was a performer at the National Old Time Country and Bluegrass Music Festival held in Missouri Valley, Iowa, Aug. 28 through Sept. 3. Kenan had one show each day starting on Thursday of the festival week.

Among those backing him on stage were noted signer/songwriter Terry Smith from Nashville; internationally known guitarist Charlie Groth, Florida; and champion fiddler Jake Simpson, Oklahoma. On Kenan's Saturday performance, Anna Erickson from Des Moines, played several fiddle selections. Anna is the granddaughter of Stan and Dee Dorsch of Bird City.

Guitar teacher Dawn Petty, Bird City, said Kenan was very well received by audiences all four days.

"When he arrived on Thursday, he was apprehensive but, by Sunday, he was managing his own show," Ms. Petty said.

He completed his time at the festival "jamming" with other kids about his own age until late.

"Needless to say, his mother and I were very proud of



ANNA ERICKSON, Dee and Stan Dorsch's granddaughter played several fiddle selection at the Saturday performance.

him," Ms. Petty said. "It was a wonderful music festival for me but, to have my student there is the best that it get!"

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10 a.m. □ Pedal Tractor Pull (All Ages)
Lunch □ Wray Lions Club will have Lunch, Desserts & Refreshments available
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1 p.m. □ An Afternoon of Fun regardless of age. Cash Prizes for game & race winners!
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7 p.m. □ Music by: Bob & Shelia Everhart

Sunday, Sept. 17th

7 a.m. □ Pancake Breakfast with the Idalia Lions Club
9:45 a.m. □ Flag Raising & Monument Rededication Ceremony
10 a.m. □ Sunday Services with Joseph Proctor □ **MUSIC by Mel Berg**
Lunch □ Served by the Wray Lions Club
1 p.m. □ Music by **The Garage Boys** with the singing of traditional song Arickaree. □ **Mark Mahlberg** with a historical presentation of The Life of a Dog Soldier. □ Raffle drawing for Quilt and Baskets made by **Beecher Island Helping Hand Club**.

Handmade Items will be on display in the Old Sunday School all Weekend.

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