

Family

Cathedral releases recording

The choir of the St. Fidelis Catholic Church of Victoria, better known as the Cathedral of the Plains, has released a compact disk featuring 24 Christian songs.

The choir has been working on this CD for eight months, celebrating the kickoff of the church's three-year centennial celebration on Thanksgiving Day.

"Recording in the cathedral in such a setting of grandeur is not only pleasing to the soul, but to the eyes and ears as well," said Wayne Billinger of Advantage Studio, which produced the disk.

Songs featured on the CD include hymns such as "Faith of Our Fathers," and "Amazing Grace," as well as tunes familiar to the Volga-German heritage, including "Grabe Lied," known as the Bridal Song, and familiar as the Funeral Song.

The CD will feature a new tune, "Hail Victoria," written by Billinger as a tribute to growing up in Victoria and attending Mass at the church.

The disk will be available from the church or at Messenger, 2512 Vine, Hays, beginning Friday.

Patriots write



ROSALIE SEEMANN/Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
Winners of the Patriot's Penn essay contest at the Brewster school wrote on "What it means to be a Veteran," from left, Shane Rice, third place, \$15; Maddie Mayer, second place, \$25; and Will Allen, first place, \$35. The contest was sponsored by the Colby Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

Have an Arbor Day Christmas

The Arbor Day Foundation says the Give-A-Tree program is the perfect way to send holiday greetings and encourage people to plant trees in America's National Forests.

This is a unique line of greeting cards that help replant National

Forests devastated by wildfires and disease. Each card pays for a tree in honor of the recipient.

Memberships to the Arbor Day Foundation are available for \$10. Benefits include 10 free trees that will be shipped at the right time for planting.

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Wheat (bushel)	\$5.03
Corn (bushel)	\$3.18
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Noon series celebrates Advent

The Thomas County Ministerial Association is sponsoring a weekly Advent program, "Soup and Scripture," again this year.

The ministers invite everyone to a noon soup luncheon every Wednesday in December until Christmas. The sessions will focus on the season of Advent, when Christians prepare for Christ's

birth, followed by a message of encouragement.

The sessions will begin at the First Baptist Church on Wednesday, Dec. 3, with the theme of "Be Enlightened!" On Dec. 10, the program will be at the First Presbyterian Church with the theme of, "Get Ready." On Dec. 17, it will be at Trinity Lutheran Church

with the theme of "Wait and See."

"We hope this will bring an added dimension to the preparation for Christmas during this busy season," said the Rev. John Schmidt, pastor of the Lutheran church. "Take a lunch break and join us in this time of spiritual rest and reflection."

Foster care program asks donations

Saint Francis Community Services, coordinator of the state's foster care and reintegration program, is asking donations to help children have a special Christmas.

"A gift of cash, gift certificates or merchandise will allow Saint Francis to give the children ... and their families a special Christmas blessing that they will remember,"

said Father Edward Fellhauer, president of the agency, sponsored by the Episcopal Church. "The gifts made today will only be for the children in Thomas County."

The Colby office partners with

businesses to provide services to those in need. Donations can be sent to Saint Francis Community Services, in care of Give Hope Christmas Fund, 405 E. Iron, Salina, Kan. 67401.

Holiday Show

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Jeanne Cox The Potter's Hand	Cristal Robbins Robbins Bobbins
Patty Drake Nana's Comfort Foods	Rhonda White Jockey Person to Person
Shirley Bourquin Bread & Pecan Rolls	Juanita Gatz Prairie Weaver
Ilene Beckman Prairie Fire Candle Co.	

Lunch: Wood fired Barbequed sandwiches w/homemade bread & Peach cobbler.

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