

# Flu shots Tuesday in Brewster

The question everyone seems to ask is, "When are the flu shots?" In Brewster, they will be given on Tuesday at the senior center.

Thomas County Health will have their nurses come over from 9-11:30 a.m., so be sure to come in then and get prepared for the winter. Some of the health officials I have visited with seem to think that late October or November is the most effective time to protect ourselves from the upcoming flu season, as much as possible.

The Brewster Bulldogs were winners of the football game with Healy on Friday night, and the team is really doing great this year. There have been some exciting volleyball games too, and the junior high kids are giving it their best also.

Sports are an important part of school years, and the kids need the encouragement and support of the people around them. There are a lot of grandmas and grandpas who have made sure their grandkids know that they are there for them, and this is wonderful for them.

Speaking of grandparents, Marge Westover tells us that she is a great-grandma once again. Her granddaughter and husband, Heidi and Jerry Saxe of LaSalle, Colo., are enjoying their first son, Justin Matthew. He has two sisters to show him how to get into trouble when he gets older, and I know Marge is looking forward to seeing him in a week or so herself.

When Rosalie Seeman visited the senior center last week, she shared some interesting legislation that has been passed or discussed that has an effect on senior citizens, directly or indirectly.

There are new bills that have many qualities of mixed value, and it helps to know a little about what the fellows at the capitol are talking about. Much of it seems to be some-



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thing that might be hard for us to understand, but there are some things that we might want to put our two cents on to our congress people.

One that interests me is the possibility of removing sales tax from food items. If you are like me, and you check your receipts, you find that the addition of sales tax can add up to enough to get a nice roast, steak or something.

Just think what that could do to help younger folks too. Sometimes when I stand behind a young shopper and see the amount of groceries, I am reminded of having five kids at home and living on a tight budget.

I know that I was a better shopper then, but I would hate to have to feed a family today. Anyway, the surrounding states have been able to succeed without sales tax on top of the grocery costs, so maybe Kansas could manage too. That was just one of the facts that Rosalie brought to mind, but she talked about many, including prescription drug prices.

Coleen Crumrine returned Thursday from a week's stay at her brother's home in Ponca City, Okla. She said her return was delayed by the big rains, and we can all say, "What rain?!" Once again, we got passed over, but I notice the wind managed to make it through.

We sure hated to hear that Nettie Mills had a fall and damaged her ribs. We miss Nettie when she can't make it down to the center, and I know that she will be back as soon as possible, but in the meantime, we

want her to know that we are praying for her.

Willard Moore enjoyed having his daughter Sharron and

her husband Bud Graham stay with him one night last week. They visited Maxine at Lantern Park and were able to bring her home for a day or so. Willard said Maxine is doing better. Sharron and Bud live in Denver and are able to stop in on occasion to visit the Moores, and Willard is always happy to see them.

The Flanders family is living in Brewster following the fire that destroyed their home north of Edson last week. Our sympathy goes to this family, but we are also grateful that no one was harmed in this loss. That would have been a real tragedy.

There are many Octoberfests this month in area towns, and there will be a potluck lunch with an Octoberfest theme at the United Methodist Church on Sunday. All person from the area churches are invited to share in this activity following their own church services that morning.

Haven't received any information yet, but perhaps it is time to start reminding folks about the annual United Methodist Church turkey supper which has traditionally been served on the first Wednesday night in November. This is a treat that everyone enjoys, and I will have more particulars in the next newsletter. So until then, have a great week, and stay safe.

P.S. — A special "Hello" to Jan Zwetzig. I hope you are doing well, and the healing goes fast for you.

# Elks Lodge plans Blue Star ceremony

The Goodland Elks Lodge is seeking information about active servicemen and women from the area for its second Blue Star Flag Program.

The lodge plans to honor their families at a ceremony Sunday,

Dec. 7.

Send the name, branch of service, rank, current base or ship and relationship of the service person to family to be honored to Zona Price, Goodland Elks, Box 146, Goodland, Kan. 67735. Call Price

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