#### **Beecher Island News**

There were 61 at Sunday school. Preston and Kiley Rose gave their birthday offerings.

Those attending the funeral of Jean Busby Miller in St. Francis on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cutforth, Gwen Shaver, Harry Ekberg and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Beverlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Chad Cranmer and family hosted a gathering at their house in Parker, Colo., on Jan.16. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cranmer of Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Harr and family of Greeley, Mr. and Mrs. Nacho Gutierrez and family of Golden, Mr. and Mrs. Brent Cranmer and family of Parker and Gwen Shaver of Wray.

Visitors this past week at the Bill Mansfield home were Gary and Sharilyn Mansfield, Jo Ellen Goodman, Audrey, Lucy and Charlotte

Goodman. Connie Ekberg of Colorado Springs spent the weekend with her mother, Jacque Ekberg.

Donna Dodge of Stratton and Diana Bowker had lunch last Tuesday with Violet Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harms and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strangways enjoyed lunch in Yuma on Sunday,

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mansfield visited Jean Brenner in Burlington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen had supper last Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons had lunch with Laura Pearl Wall Saturday.

Eric Burg and Greg Goodman visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mansfield Friday on their way to hunt down by Goodland.



Russell Moore called on Bessie Dent last Monday.

Norma Merritt spent last weekend in Denver with Marilyn Davis and Nancy Cranmer.

Rose Wagner and June Yost were Wednesday morning visitors of Bessie Dent. Eunice Weed visited Thursday afternoon.

Don and Kay Dye and grandson of Imperial had lunch thursday with Violet Brown.

Kristy Hurlburt and Garrett had supper Thursday with Harvey and Mary Allen.

Kaya Simmons spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Simmons.

Ellen Mansfield visited Bessie Dent Sunday afternoon. Garret Hurlburt spent Saturday

with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen.

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## **Apply before March 4**

culture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) announced that the three Agricultural Water Enhancement Programs (AWEP) in Groundwater Management District Nos. 2, 4, and 5 authorized in Kansas will be open for accepting applications until March 4. There is not expected to be any additional sign-up periods for this year's program.

The Agricultural Water Enhancement Programs effort approved for the northwest Kansas Conservation Partnership involves annual payments for converting irrigated acres to non-irrigated acres within the six, designated

Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District. In Groundwater Management District. 4 this is a three-year program providing five annual payments to convert irrigated acres for six years. Last year, the annual payments ranged from \$179 to \$221 per acre depending on the Natural Resources Conservation Service conservation practice or suite of practices applied for.

For those interested in permanent irrigated acre conversions and retiring the water right, the Kansas Water Transition Assistance Program (WTAP) is also available to piggyback with Agricultural Water Enhancement Programs. Water

The U.S. Department of Agri- high priority areas (HPAs) in the Transition Assistance Program is expected to have funds available this year for permanent water conservation, but the final funding level is not yet known. You must have an Agricultural Water Enhancement Programs contract first to be competitive for a Water Transition Assistance Program application bid.

For questions or more information contact your local Natural Resources Conservation Service Office for the Agricultural Water Enhancement Programs program. or the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 office for the Water Transition Assistance Program program.

## Super mistake to drink and drive

Families and friends who will Patrol, said drivers can expect gather across the sunflower state on Sunday to enjoy Super Bowl are advised by the Kansas Department of Transportation to arrange now for a sober designated driver or make other plans to avoid drinking and driving.

"In Kansas, fans don't let fans drive drunk," said Deb Miller, Kansas secretary of transportation, echoing the national campaign supported by the National Football League and several safedriving organizations. In addition to encouraging sober designated drivers or other safe game-day travel plans, Sec. Miller said many colleges in Kansas offer Safe-Ride programs for student safety.

"We remind Kansans that any amount of alcohol can impair judgment and driving skills," Miller said. "That's why we encourage the use of sober drivers to get home safely after the game."

Col. Ernest E. Garcia, superintendent of the Kansas Highway

to see troopers across the state stepping up the enforcement of traffic laws through Super Bowl Sunday.

"Designating a sober driver or taking a cab helps protect you from ruining this fun day with a DUI arrest and a trip to jail - or worse, a crash that injures or kills you or someone else."

"We want every Kansan to be safe before, during, and after the big game," Miller added. "Having a sober designated driver should be an obvious call in every fan's play book. Make sure designated drivers know how much we appreciate their responsible decision, and let's make Super Bowl XLV extra special - and extra safe - in the Sunflower State."

### VILLAGE

before the new roof is installed. When the roof is on and the corridor walls repaired, this wing will be opened and used as a hallway for residents to get to and from the

When the hallway is completed, the rooms used for resident dining and therapy will be converted back to resident's rooms. Beginning in May, the Village will be able to house 32 residents.

Before the Oct. 19 fire, there

nursing home and there were around 60 employees.

Randy Fitzgerald, director of operations for Good Samaritan Society, will be in Goodland on Monday, Feb. 7, and members of the long-term task force will be visiting with him. On Monday, Feb. 28, when he will meet with the Cheyenne County Commissioners.

In the future, look for regular updates on the progress at the Village in both The Saint Francis Herald and Bird City Times.

and his son, Melvin of Denison, Iowa, were in Haigler last weekend. They delivered additional items of donations to the Haigler Cornerstone Museum. These included Don's father's World War I military jacket and pictures; and an early 1900's Edison victrola with records that was purchased by Don's parents many years ago at an auction held in the old Haigler Sales Pavillion. Don says there will probably be more things to donate for the historical preservation of Haigler's history. Don and Melvin enjoyed visiting with Stan and LaNeta Carlock, and Melvin's former high school classmate, Myrna Mulligan, before going to lunch at the Haigler Country Cafe.

Grace Adams celebrated her 89th birthday this past week. She enjoyed the many cards she received. Visitors included her brother, Gerald Myer, and her nieces LaNeta Carlock, Myrna Mulligan, and Galena Webster. They had coffee and Valentine cookies, baked by Galena, and a good time visiting. The sisters delivered the traditional yearly homemade sequin calendar gift. Their mother Opal had for many years made these calendars for family members, and the sisters are continuing the tradition. On Grace's actual birthday, Jan. 26, a surprise birthday pizza supper was held in the home of Gerald to the home of Laura Pearl Wall on

Don Smith of McCook, Neb., and Betty Myer, hosted by Smiley and Charlotte Myer and family of Wrav, Colo.

Haigler News

Sunday afternoon visitors in the home of Gerald and Betty Myer were nieces LaNeta Carlock, Myrna Mulligan, and Galena Webster. The sisters delivered the traditional homemade sequin calendar and enjoyed coffee and freshly baked peach/berry cobbler, baked by LaNeta. The rest of the afternoon was spent reading short stories, written by LaNeta and her husband, Stan about the former Tecker Forest Inn Lodge in Estes Park, Colo. Gerald told of his, and other family members, many experiences at the Inn. It was an enjoyable time for everyone.

Wednesday Jan 19, Clara Johnston came to stay with Jim and Jerrie Wheaton. Jerrie and Clara were tying a quilt pieced by Jerrie's grandmother. Clara spent the night and went back to Cope on Thursday.

Friday Jan 21, Jim and Jerrie Wheaton went to North Platte for the weekend. Jim was teaching a 4-H Shooting Sports leader certification and Jerrie attended. Fortunately the class took place indoors because the weather was not too cooperative. But Jim trained 18 new 4-H instructors from across the state of Nebraska. Go 4-H!

Thirteen family members came



Saturday evening. They brought pizza which was enjoyed by the group. Attending were Quentin, Tanya, and Taya Simmons, Merry-Lu and Bob Simmons, Randy, Laurie, Laura, Madison, and Spenser Perila and two friends from Denver.

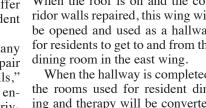
Last Monday Laura Pearl Wall went to Wray. She visited several friends in Hillcrest Home.

On Thursday, Sophia Zuege went to Bennett, Colo., to visit her sister, Irene Blacker and came home on Sunday.

The United Methodist Church is planning to have their third annual Valentine Bingo party at the church on Sunday, Feb. 13. They will serve refreshments and all are welcome to come and play bingo.

Floy Fisher enjoyed seeing her son, Mel Fisher and his wife, Norma, for a few hours on Saturday. His driving schedule allowed him to spend a couple of days at home.

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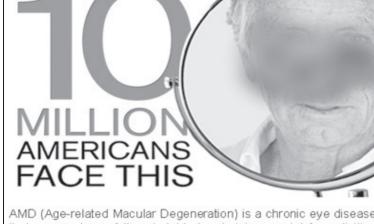


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TRACTORS & SPRAYERS: '08 Buhler-Vers 2375 4x4, rad dual rbr (710x38), 12 spd, Trimble 500 auto steer, performance mon, been through winter service program, only 1207 hrs, nice 375 hp trac; '07 Apache 710 SP sprayer, JD 160 hp 6 cyl dsl, JCB 4 spd PS trans, 740g, 80' boom, 20" nozzles, Raven 4000 mon, Trimble light bar & Simpson foam mrkr, less than 200 hrs; '37 AC B trac; '45 AC WC trac; '55 AC WD-45 trac; TRUCKS: '80 Chev C-70, 366 w/ 5&2, custom deluxe cab, 16' Omaha Standard box 40" sides rear hst, tarp, ONLY 24K mi; '78 IHC 1800 ser. trk, V8 w/5&2, Mohrlang model 157 manure spdr, nice; '73 Chev C-60 366 w/5&2, Obeco 15' box 40" sides, rear hst, tarp, good solid trk, '61 Ford F-600 trk, straight 6 w/ 4&2, Timpte 13' box, rear hst, one family ownership; FARM MACH:'06 NH SD 440 (45') air sdr, 12" spac, 3" solid press whls, carbide tips, SP 230 dbl compartment (230bu) cart, new mon, new hyd fan mtr, only 8500 acs; Richardson 45' (9-5) swpplow w/hard surface pkrs; Kr 4996W off set 36' tdm disc; JD 1610 chsl, 41 shnks, 18" swps, HB dead rod w/new Degelman harr; Gehl 100 grndr/mxr, hyd augers, nice; BushHog 6' 3-pt mwr; Brown 10' box scrpar; Westfield 10x61 hpr auger; Westfiled 8x41 pto auger; HAY: 200+ tons of rnd bale millet hay; LIVESTOCK EQUIP & FENCING SUPPLIES: New cresosote posts; T-posts; barbed wire; Eze-Roll wire roller; new 3 pt cement mxr; SHOP & MISC ITEMS: new Eaton 2K gal fuel tank & pump; & other shop related items. Complete sale bill & photos @ www.michalauctions.com

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Richard Markiewicz, MD, interventional cardiologist, graduated summa cum laude from Texas A&M University, College Station, and earned his medical degree from Southern Illinois School of Medicine, Springfield. He has held Fellowships in interventional cardiology at East Carolina University Heart Institute, and in cardiology at Mid-America Heart Institute at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. He completed residencies in internal medicine and emergency medicine at the University of Arizona and Northwestern University, respectively.

Dr. Markiewicz is certified in Cardiovascular Disease and General Internal Medicine with the American Board of Internal Medicine; the Board of Nuclear Cardiology; and the Board of Interventional Cardiology. He has presented at many professional conferences, and has researched and published extensively.

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