

Four winners claim \$50 scrip in 'Christmas on Us' promotion

By Karen Krien

Four people were \$50 instant scrip winners in the Christmas On Us promotion. In all, seven of the eight numbers have been claimed. There is one number listed in this week's Christmas On Us ads found on Pages 1, 2 and 3B. Be sure and check out the specials in the businesses which are helping sponsor the Christmas On Us promotion.

Winners were Barb O'Leary, Billie Hilt, Heidi Straub and Patrick Delano, all of St. Francis.

Mrs. O'Leary said, "Tis the season," so her scrip money will most likely be spent on Christmas presents.

Mrs. Hilt had her eye on a shelf at Schultz's, one of the participating businesses, and planned on purchasing it.

Ms. Straub was going to spend her scrip on her family.

"I have Christmas gifts to buy and this (\$50) will help," she said.

Mr. Delano said he was married to Brenda and he was sure she would take care of the money and spend it on Christmas presents.

The Christmas On Us giveaway started two weeks ago, and, next week will be the final week with the grand prize drawing being held at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 16, on



Delano



Hilt



O'Leary



Straub

St. Francis' Main Street. The person holding the first place ticket will leave the drawing with an extra \$1,000 in scrip to spend in the participating St. Francis businesses. The second place winner will have \$100. If no one claims the number in this week's issue of *The St. Francis Herald* and *Bird City Times*, it will also be drawn for.

A ticket will be given for each \$10 purchased in participating businesses. However, it is not necessary to make a purchase to claim a ticket. Those coming to *The Saint Francis Herald* office may each receive one ticket per week.

Participating merchants are advertising sales and specials in the ads on the Christmas On Us pages so be sure to take a good look at the specials.

The person finding the last matching number will need to bring it into *The Herald* office to claim their \$50 in scrip and it is necessary to bring

tickets in on or before Thursday, Dec. 16, at noon before the tickets are picked up for the final drawing. Anyone having Christmas On Us scrip can spend it in one of the following participating businesses:

- Bier's Hometown Store
- Burr Liquor
- Cheyenne Bowl and Dairy King
- Dusty Farmer
- Goodell Greenhouse and Floral
- Krien Pharmacy
- K-Store
- Owens True Value
- Parkhill Restaurant
- St. Francis Super's
- Schultz's
- St. Francis Equity
- Saint Francis Herald

Remember, the contest will end at noon on Dec. 16 and the grand prize drawing will be held that evening. If there is inclement weather, the drawing will start at 6:30 p.m. in the grade school gym.



BIRD CITY SENIORS CELEBRATING their birthdays in November were (left to right): Donna Jensen, Clarence Busse and Roberta Linin. Photo courtesy of Edna Roeseher

McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

On Saturday evening Ray and Marlene Johnson, Jim and Lois Morelock and Bob and Helen Johnson were guests of George and Eula Vandegriffe in Atwood.

Dalton and Danae Magnani were Saturday lunch guests of Ray and Marlene Johnson.

On Sunday Ray and Marlene Johnson attended the seventh birthday party for Danae Magnani at the home of her parents, Ray and Carrie Magnani in Bird City.

Cheryl Wilkinson and Pat Skolout were Thursday visitors of Jamie and Shalyn Harris in McCook.

Rod, Lisa and Josh Johnson were Saturday evening callers of Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Tunney and Leila Loker enjoyed lunch on Tuesday with John Elits of Grand Island, Neb., at the Frosty Mug.

Amelia Banister accompanied Kent Banister to St. Francis on Sun-

day to attend the Christmas party at the Good Samaritan Village. They visited with Viola Jones and with Renee Kehlbeck.

Memorial to be Dec. 12

The Compassionate Friends organization is asking that family and friends join tens of thousands people around the globe to light a candle in the eighth annual Worldwide Candle Lighting. The candles are lit in the memory of all children who have died.

On Sunday, Dec. 12, hundreds of community candle lighting ceremonies will be held in parks, churches and other public places by Compassionate Friends chapters, allied organizations and other compassionate groups. Thousands more will behold informally in homes.

The Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting is held every year at 7 p.m. (local time) on the second Sunday in December. For one hour in each time zone around the globe, there will be a 24-hour remembrance of all children who have died.

On Dec. 12, a "Remembrance Book" will be available from The Compassionate Friends website home page and all who wish to leave a message in memory of the children gone too soon will be able to do so.

In Cheyenne County, the Compassionate Friends Chapter is planning a meeting at 7 p.m. on Dec. 8 at the Peace Lutheran Church. Every family is urged to come and bring a picture of their child and a candle.

The county Chapter meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at Peace Lutheran Church, 202 North College St., St. Francis. For more information, call Karen Moberly, 785-332-3037; Barb Van Allen, 785-332-2519; Toby Cooper, 785-332-2942 or Kim Ritter, 785-332-3054.

Family attends 2004 banquet

Clayton and Lori Janicke, Walker, Devon and Jordan, Bird City, traveled to Kearney, Neb., on Nov. 20 where they attended the awards banquet for the 2004 Nebraska Cornhusker Motorcross Association.

Clayton finished in fourth place in the overall points for his class Vet B (over 30). He received a monetary prize for his finish.

Walker finished 12th in points in this class 65 C. Devon and Jordan both raced in the Pee Wee (50cc) C division. Devon finished in fourth place overall. Jordan didn't start racing until June so he did not have enough races to qualify for end-of-the-year trophies but he did race in nine races this summer and fall.

The Janickes began racing in April and finished racing the middle of October. Races are at several different tracks with the promise of one or two more this next year. They raced at Wauneta, Neb.; Alma, Neb.; McCook, Neb.; Lodgepole, Neb.; Sterling, Colo.; and Norton.



DEVON JANICKE catches air during a motorcross race in Wauneta. He finished fourth place overall in his class.

Photo courtesy of Lori Janicke

They also had a supercross at the Sidney, Neb., fairgrounds in July.

"It is a fun family time for us and we have made lots of great friends

on the circuit," Mrs. Janicke said. "We use Clayton's folk's motorhome and campout the night before the races."

Bird City News

Dave and Teri Busse, Omaha, Neb.; Pat and Jim Cooksey, Houston, Texas; Louis and Ruth Oestmann, Cottonwood, Ariz.; Clarence and Minnie Busse, Cory and Jenni Busse, Tate, Cassidy and Ben, St. Francis were Sunday lunch and dinner guests at the home of Dan and Lynn Busse. Relative came for Clarence Busse's 90th birthday celebration.

Cajun foods from Houston, Texas; turkey soup, hor'doures and salads were enjoyed.

Cassidy Busse's birthday was also celebrated.

Clarence and Minnie Busse, Dave and Teri Busse, Pat and Jim Cooksey, Houston, Texas, enjoyed Thanksgiving supper at Dan and Lynn Busse's home on Saturday.

Louis and Ruth Oestmann Cottonwood, Ariz., Martin Busse, Clarence and Minnie Busse enjoyed

dinner at the Dusty Farmer Restaurant in St. Francis on Monday, Nov. 29.

On Tuesday they had dinner at the Bluebird Junction Cafe.

Afternoons were spent looking at pictures and visiting at the homes of Martin and Clarence Busse. The Oestmanns returned home Wednesday morning.

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- * Designs by Dawn
- * First National Bank
- * Frontier Equity Exchange
- * Hometown Market
- * Krien Farm Supply
- * Laurie Leonard Accounting
- * The Hair Nest
- * Wright Insurance Agency

It's Christmas In McDonald
Saturday, December 18
 *Pancake Day - Served by Lions
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