

# McDonald News By Vera Kacirek

The big snowfall that came last weekend left 18 or more inches of snow.

The correspondent noted: "One good thing that comes from such a storm is to see what a great community we live in. Many residents of McDonald have had their driveways and walks cleared off, and they don't even know who has done it. Also many have received phone calls from friends who are checking up on their well-being."

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson accompanied Sue Heinbigner to Lincoln, Neb., last Tuesday for a doctor's appointment. Enroute home on Wednesday they stopped in Kearney to visit Mary Fahrenbruch in the hospital.

Lois and Jim Morelock enjoyed the holidays as all of Lois's children and several grandchildren came to visit and helped celebrate Christmas.

R.J. and Susie Sabatka entertained on Thursday evening with a post-Christmas supper. Guests were Agnes Sabatka, Rachel and Taylor Wilson, Chanda Sabatka, Kasey and Jennifer Sabatka, Gracie, Tyler and John and Laddie and Vera Kacirek.

Rachel and Taylor Wilson and Chanda Sabatka returned to Manhattan on Friday morning, just ahead of the road closings.

Owen and Phyllis Wingfield drove to Denver Tuesday, Dec. 19. Instead of flying to California, they were stranded in a motel until Friday at which time they flew to Oakland, Calif. They were guests of Phyllis's brother, Don Larson and wife and family in Livermore, Calif. Debbie Wingfield of Tucson, Ariz., met her parents and spent the holidays

with her family. Debbie flew back to Arizona on Thursday, Dec. 28. Owen and Phyllis were not able to fly home until Jan. 1, at which time they came back to McDonald.

Guests of Joan Tongish for Christmas dinner were Doug Tongish, Jamie, Mikayla and Katlin Cody and friend, Preston, Linda and Clinton Hopkins and Mike and Diana Tongish.

Rick and Kathy Frisbie entertained with a Christmas dinner for Bud and Helen Frisbie, Fred and LaVina Waters, Marvin and Marsha Tischhauser, Becky, Ryan and Ava Parshall of Lee's Summit, Mo.

Lynn and Rita Officer brought supper and enjoyed Christmas Eve with Ratha Lea Loker.

Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson had a Christmas dinner for Rod, Lisa and Josh Johnson, Norman and Tessa Davis, Barney Kacirek, R.J. and Susie Sabatka, Shawn Wilkinson, Laddie and Vera Kacirek and Kent and Marilyn Lorens, Rebecca and Matthew. Greg and Cheryl Wilkinson and Ryan, J.J. and Lori Denny and Lakin, Arik and Jamie Harris and family were evening visitors.

Christmas dinner guests of Ray and Marlene Johnson were Ted and Dixie Bethell, Mr. and Mrs. Blake Bethell and daughters, Jo Ann Brand, Brian and Connie Sabatka and Deanna and Dillon Johnson of Chandler, Ariz. Afternoon visitors were Carrie Magnani, Dalton and Danae, Dana and Mitchell Howard and Tish Loker. David Johnson stopped in for the evening as he was enroute to Cheyenne, Wyo.

Christmas Eve dinner guests of Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison were Tami and Wade Carmichael and children, George and Kathy Banister and family, Kent and Joan Banister and Jim and Cheryl Banister.

Travis Knapp arrived home on Friday and Brenda came home on Sunday. On Christmas, Jerry and Betty Knapp, Travis and Brenda took Christmas dinner and spent the day with Stan and Becky Purvis and family in Goodland.

Jerry and Betty Knapp were Dec. 22 supper guests at the Frosty mug as guests of Joan Tongish and Betty Lewis.

Christmas dinner guests of Kay and Gail Miller were Blaine and Val Hubbard and family of Siloam Springs, Frances Erickson, Randy, Sue and Justin Miller, Brian and Kelsey Miller and Twila Miller.

Christmas guests of Craig and Jeri Antholz and family were Hal and Becky Antholz, Cristi, C.J. and Kjade; Gilbert and Janice Antholz, Bobbie Miller, Tina and Brett Smith and boys of Seward, Neb., and Gene and Roy Koons.

Barney Kacirek returned home to Denver on Tuesday after spending the weekend with Norman and Tessa Davis.

Tuesday morning visitors of Ray and Marlene Johnson were Lois Morelock, Raydene, Laura and Gary Johnson, Tish Loker and Allison Konitzer.

Greg and Cheryl Wilkinson, J.J. and Lori Denny and Lakin, and Arik and Jamie Harris and children were Christmas dinner guests of Gery and Shirly Skolout of Colby.



CALLING BINGO is Leonard Vyzourek, left, and Ray Johnson during the Santa Day held in McDonald.  
Times staff photo by Melinda Basnett

## Wedding plans set

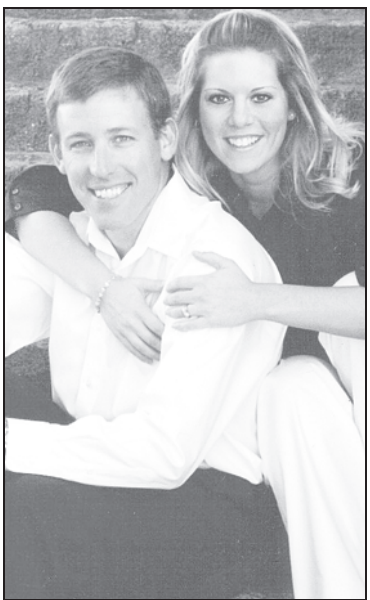
Gary and Mary Moore of Bird City announce the engagement of their daughter Brandi Moore to Terry Niblock of Brewster.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cheylin High School and York College. She currently coaches at Grinnell/Wheatland Schools and works for Thomas County Head Start in Colby.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of Winona High School. He is currently employed by Frontier Equity in Brewster.

Brandi is the granddaughter of Bob and Leona Scantland of Greeley, Colo., Willard and Dorothy Moore of Bird City, and the late Maxine Moore.

Terry is the son of Loretta Niblock of Stockton and the late Henry Niblock. He is the grandson of the



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late Charles and Cecilia Kolbet and the late Rachel Niblock.

They will be united in marriage at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby on Jan. 20.

## Meeting held Dec. 15

On Dec. 15, representatives of the Kansas Department of Commerce, Dan Steffen, regional project manager; and Susan Nickerson, Kansas First West Regional Director, met in Bird City with Cheyenne County economic development representatives Cathy Domsch, Bird City Century II Foundation, and Carol Redding, Cheyenne County Development Corporation.

Local representatives appreciate an update on kinds of assistance available from the Department of Commerce, and encouragement to utilize their resources. Several business entities — existing and beginning — could benefit from available resources.

Feel free to contact either Cathy at 734-2556 or Carol at 332-3508 for additional information.

# South of McDonald News By Sandy Binning

Linda Dewey was a Christmas weekend guest of her parents, Ote and Ellen Dewey.

Christmas Eve guests of Ote and Ellen Dewey and Linda were Tom, Kelly and Tayten Dewey.

Christmas Day guests of Tom, Kelly and Tayten Dewey were Craig and Barb Morton, and Ote, Ellen and Linda Dewey. Clinton and Linda Hopkins joined them for supper.

The George Banister family were Christmas Eve dinner guests

of Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison.

Amelia Banister and Karlyne Atchison were Christmas Day guests of George and Kathy Banister and family.

Amanda Banister left Thursday for Andale to attend a wedding.

Colleen Shrader was a Tuesday evening and supper guest of the George Banister family.

The George Banister family attended Santa Day in McDonald Saturday.

Amanda Banister arrived home Saturday evening for Christmas break.

Dan and Margie Hubbard and Bethel Goltl were among those south of McDonald residents attending Santa Claus Day in McDonald Saturday.



# Coming Soon: Winter Sports Special Section



This supplement will feature St. Francis and Bird City Jr. High and High School Basketball players, Wrestlers and Cheerleaders! To be inserted in your paper in January.

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