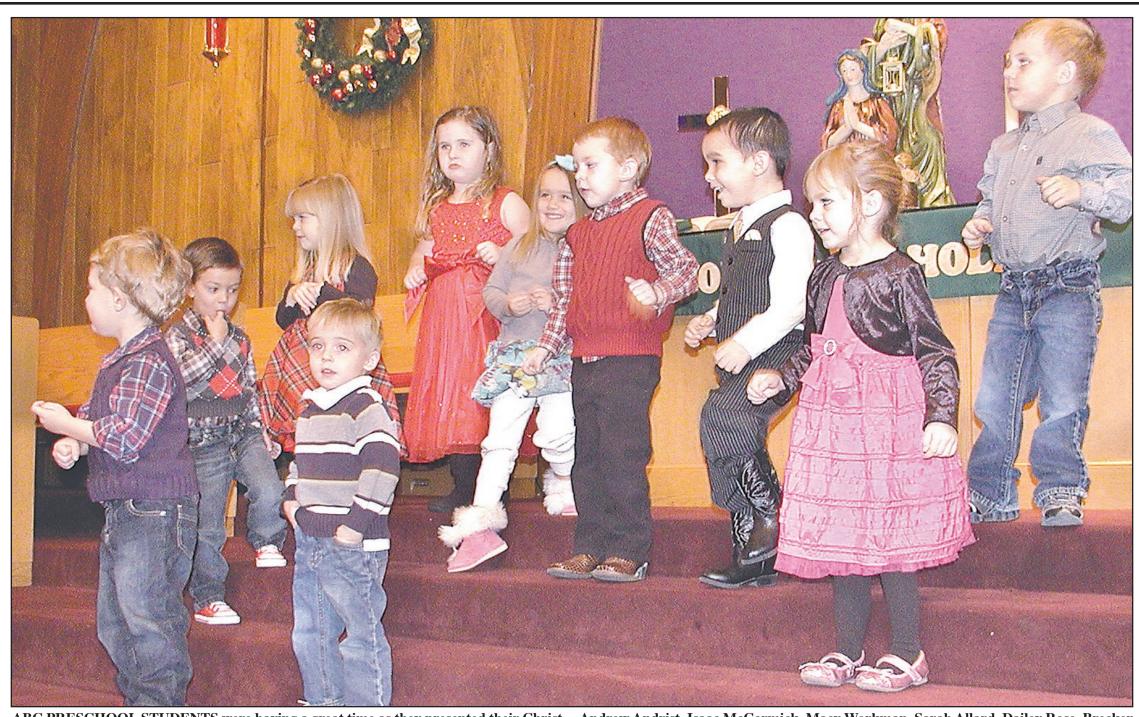


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ABC PRESCHOOL STUDENTS were having a great time as they presented their Christ- Andrew Andrist, Isaac McCormick, Macy Workman, Sarah Allard, Dailey Rose, Brecken mas program on Dec. 19. Pictured standing in front is Aiden Meyer; (left to right) are Tiegs, D.J. Hoard, Reagan Milne and Zarik Enfield.

Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Top five happenings in Cheyenne County

things that happen throughout the There are new businesses, people and groups receiving awards and many events of interest.

Karen Krien, publisher.

The Herald and Times staff came up with five topics they thought

Each year, there are many Airport runway, the drought and to where they felt it was sufficient the county for \$1. In exchange, Samaritan Society facilities were be looking at the budgets of the year and 2012 was no exception. harvests, the completion of the of patient beds it had before the Robinson-Griffin-Bacon Memori- October 2010 fire. An open house al building, along with the nearing was held to show the public the completion of the Legion hall in improvements. Everybody has their opinion on Bird City, and opening of the new what they think is important, said Prairie Land Electric Co-op east ald, the Society's director of opof St. Francis.

Good Samaritan Village

were the most important through started in February visiting about profit sharing with the county. the year. They included the con- the lease between the county com- However, they didn't want to have tinuing saga of the Good Samari- missioners and the Society. The ownership of the facility. They tan Village ownership, the com- Society said the Good Samaritan offered the nursing home and the pletion of the Cheyenne County Village had been renovated back independent living apartments to

Six weeks later, Randy Fitzger-The Good Samaritan Society the Society would not consider building a new facility.

the nursing home, with the county picking up all expenses.

said, the people have voted to owns the St. Francis property. subsidize the Village up to 6 mills (approximately \$200,000) a year. erations, was unable to meet with In 10 years, that is \$2 million. being treated differently? It really ther along. One of the main holdthe commissioners but said that That would go a long way toward isn't a gift because our lease is dif-ups was the lack of a proposed

> Mr. Fitzgerald was at a May commissioners' meeting. He had a proposed lease. Dr. Mary Beth Miller was there, asking questions as to why three other area Good

how it affected the wheat and fall but, was not back to the number they wanted a 5-year lease to run operated with less money than the St. Francis facility. Mr. Fitzger- earlier. We are not going to be ald said the Society never owned wasting money. our administra-Ernie Ketzner, commissioner, those buildings but the Society still

> (county) pay the dollar, are we maritan Society was not any furferent?

said, have historically done well. I thought we had done well, too, Dr. Miller said.

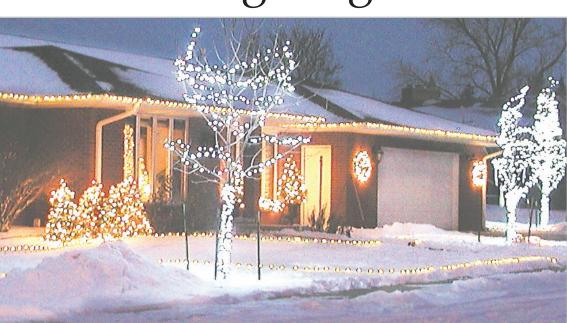
Mr. Fitzgerald said that he will

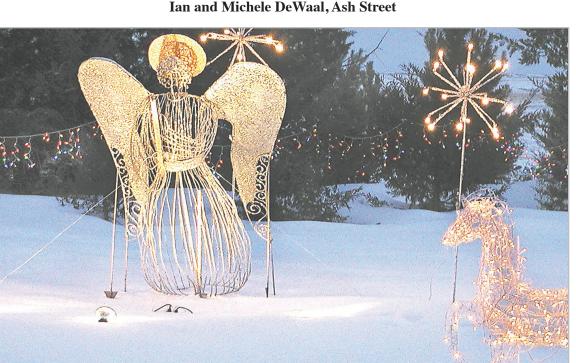
three nursing homes mentioned tors are held accountable, too.

Two weeks later, the lease be-But, she said, why, after we tween the county and Good Sabudget from the Society. We need Those facilities, Mr. Fitzgerald to know why the society wants \$200,000 from Cheyenne County but others pay only \$20,000, said Andy Beikman, commissioner

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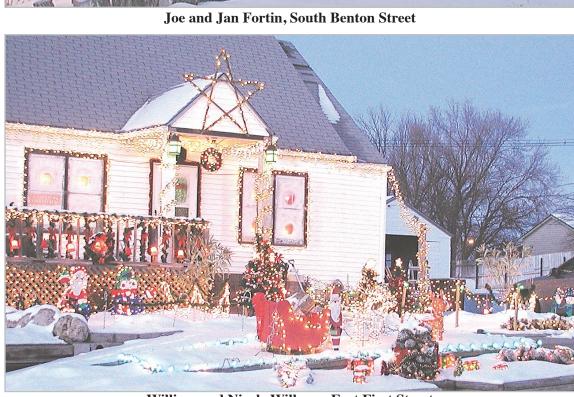
Christmas lighting winners





Don and Jennifer Krien, north on Parks Road





William and Nicole Wilburn, East First Street