

OBITUARY

Rose Marie Zimmerman

Nov. 6, 1937 - Jan. 14, 2005

Rose Marie Zimmerman, 67, daughter of Catheryn Leiker, Norton, died Friday at Via Christi-St. Francis Medical Center, Wichita.

Mrs. Zimmerman was born Nov. 6, 1937, the daughter of Herbert John and Catheryn Leiker. She was a technician for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in Wichita.

She was preceded in death by her father and twin sons, Darrell and Duane.

Survivors include her husband of 48 years, Cloyd Zimmerman; two sons, Dennis and Kimberly, Wichita, and Steven and his fiance, Wendy, of Wichita; three daughters, Robin and Ward Garrison,

Jefferson City, Mo., Teresa and Glenn Rose, Wichita, and Angie and Harold Crawford, Springfield, Mo.; her mother; three brothers, Al Leiker, Herbert M. Leiker and Ronald Leiker; four sisters, MaryAlice Munk, Barbara Hansen, Patricia Canfield and Tamera Maddy; 14 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Culbertson-Smith Mortuary, Wichita, with a memorial service at 1 p.m. Thursday at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Wichita.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, 313 S. Market, Wichita, Kan. 67202.



Keith Miller and Karen Mathison

Couple to say vows in April

Karen Mathison and Keith Miller of Lanesboro, Minn., plan to be married on Saturday, April 16, in Cherry Grove, Minn.

Parents of the bride are Larry and Irene Mathison, Cherry Grove, Minn.

The bridegroom's parents are Bernie and Othelia Vacura, Oberlin; and Melvin and Frances Miller, St. Louis, Mo. His grandmother is Hulda Goossen, Colby.

The bride-to-be graduated from Fillmore Central High School in Preston, Minn., and the University of Wisconsin River Falls with a degree in Agricultural Marketing and a minor in Animal Science. She is employed in the Agri-News division of the Rochester Post Bulletin in Rochester, Minn.

Her fiancé graduated from Prairie Heights High School in Jennings; attended Tabor College in Hillsboro, and is employed at Fisk Farm Supply in Cresco, Iowa.

READERS

— Home owned carnival (NCCSA) yearly meeting, 7:30 p.m., Jan. 19 at Norton Library meeting room. 1/18

— Soup and dessert, serving begins at 5 p.m., Friday, January 21, Trego High School, WaKeeney. 1/18

— Steak and seafood night, Thursday 6-9 p.m. American Legion. members and guests. 1/18

HANSEN MUSEUM

By LEE FAVRE

As a young man, John Woodman Higgins (1874-1961) had a passion for medieval tales about knights and castles.

Growing up in the late nineteenth-century Worcester, then a leading center of American manufacturing, he observed blacksmiths, factory workers and entrepreneurs, and developed an interest in metalworking and industry. These two passions would merge in the Higgins Armory Museum, today the sole dedicated museum of armor in the western hemisphere.

In 1931, John Woodman Higgins Armory opened as an industrial museum depicting the evolution of metalworking. Showcased were modern metalwork, automobile parts, a Piper Cub airplane, and suits of armor.

Ten years after the death of Higgins, the mission of the museum was altered to focus on the suits of armor that he felt repre-

sented the pinnacle of the metalworker's craft. Today, his legacy lives on in the museum's collection of over 5,000 artifacts, centering on the armor and arms of the Middle Ages and Renaissance, including pieces from around the world.

The Higgins Armory Museum can be visited at 100 Barber Ave., Worcester, Mass., or you may want to simply travel to the Hansen Museum, Main Street, Logan.

The Hansen Museum now displays many fabulous pieces of this private collection including a horse head and neck plate, a Corinthian helmet from about 550 B.C., weapons and a mail shirt from the fifteenth or early sixteenth century.

Don't miss this opportunity to view "Age of Armor", organized by Smith Kramer Fine Art Services and showing at the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum through March 13.

Quilting club learns about tools

By BEVERLY KINDLER

Thirty-eight members of the Heritage Quilt Club attended the Jan. 10 meeting at Prairieland.

The program was demonstrations on "Using Special Quilting Tools" presented by Janet Kugler, owner of Quilters Delight, Holdrege, and Shirley LaVene and Celia Liffrit, also of Holdrege.

Each demonstration focused on different rulers, tapes and grips. Joyce Trumbo received the door prize.

Jerris McMullen conducted the meeting with several members displaying the row, "Mosaic", they had completed for the "Row Upon Row Quilt" and claimed a quarter for their efforts.

Plans were announced for coming events including "Bo's Quilt", by Janette Callaway; "Chenille Scarfs" by Norma Carman and sessions at Northern Valley and Eisenhower schools for a school quilt project.

Members voted to provide a pair of shears as a fair premium at both Norton and Phillips county fairs in 2005.

Lavonne Juenemann joined as a new member. Hostesses were Janice Beale,

Audrey Wiltfong, Kathy Skrdlant and Trish Fischer.

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 7, at the Long Island Community Building. Sheila Gaines will present the program on "Applique".



Mr. and Mrs. Van Der Wege

Couple celebrates 69 years

Veryl and Freida Van Der Wege were married in Norton on Jan. 23, 1936.

The couple will be celebrating their 69th wedding anniversary Sunday and would enjoy hearing from their friends. Cards and letters will reach them at 803 Timber Creek, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Heat from woodstove warms the heart too

Central heating is one of the magnificent inventions of mankind, without a doubt. Still, every now and then I find myself remembering what it was like to have something to "back up to"

Every time I see an interested collector bidding on a blackened poker or a dented scuttle I wonder if they are even old enough to have known how those implements were used once upon a time. They were a major part of my growing up experience, along with kindling slings, ash pans, and hot coals on the rag rugs.

As recently as my childhood, a lot of homes in this area were heated with coal or wood burning stoves. Only the upper echelons had oil burners or basement furnaces. We carried coal and kindling in, ashes and cinders out and were usually cold on at least one side while doing so. Dad rose early and shivering to get the fire stoked before the rest of us grabbed our clothing and made flying dashes from under the covers to the stove corner. We huddled on the tin mat that prevented the wood floor from scorching while we all dressed together in comparative modesty under heavy flannel nightgown tents. Many mornings it was so cold there was ice inside the window frames. We wore woollies.

Our parlor stove was a tall, burgundy porcelain monolith that had a little fire door with an isinglass window where the flames flickered cheerfully. It was fully equipped with a hot water tank for shaving and washing convenience and had a nice flat top for the teakettle or the coffee pot. Sometimes

Collector Chat

Liza Deines



a plate of oatmeal cookies warmed there, sometimes a jar of Vicks Vaporub, sometimes small cats or pups bundled in a soft old towel in a dishpan. The stove was truly the heart of the home, where the boots were left to warm, the mittens laid to dry out, and where coat tails were flipped up for a quick jolt of intense coal heat on frozen flanks. We were always cold. We wrapped hot bricks from beneath the stove to take to bed to keep our feet warm and carried baked potatoes to school in our pockets as hand warmers, multitasking as lunch.

Our old porcelain stove went off to the second hand shop the day the new oil burner was delivered and not too many tears were shed by those of use who had catered to its every need but that stove has the last laugh now. You wouldn't believe what a hot decorating find a porcelain parlor stove is in 2005. Speckled sky blue, yellow or red porcelain stoves are dragged triumphantly out of barns, polished and shined. Even the more common navy, red and white, pea green and ivory ones are in demand. Some want them for purely decorative purposes; others recondition them for use as heat sources in areas where firewood is plentiful. Clever reproductions are being made for use as kitchen ranges that have not only the old style and

comforts of warming ovens and griddles but the newest of conveniences as well.

One of the most artistic categories of stove collectibles is that of the ornate nickel nameplates that graced the front of every stove. Written by creative men with delusions of royal grandeur, the brand names were an education in high latin' — Atlantic Queen, Her Lady Duchess, Kitchen Princess, not to mention the jewels of the kitchen, such as Diamond Chef, Emerald Jewel, or the famous Pink Pearl. You could hardly bear to bake a meatloaf in one of those fancy ladies. Parlor stoves, on the other hand, often had cozy names — Villa Hearth, the Quilted Comforter, the Library Burner or Buck's or Little Eva's. Those fancy scrolled latches, catches and face plates can be assembled into a very enticing display when polished up and hung against a velvet background with a potlifter, a lid or two and a vintage poker and shovel. It may take awhile to accumulate a good group but it sure opens up a nostalgic window on the days when warmth was not taken for granted.

And no, I am not going to mention those of us who backed into a hot stove plate in a soggy diaper and ended up with an involuntary permanent tattoo on a now-adult hip.

CONTENT: A cuppa hot tea, a mystery novel, a snowy evening and central heat. Who needs a porcelain parlor stove? Snuggle down and enjoy.

Tax credits will help this area

The Kansas Department of Commerce has awarded \$2.5 million in tax credits to seven regional foundations, including the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission covering this area.

The group, based at Hill City, will receive \$357,143 worth of credits from the Kansas Economic Growth Act.

The program is designed to help regional groups use tax credits to

help rural towns create and retain jobs, provide business support services, develop leadership and make technology improvements.

Individuals or businesses making contributions of \$250 or more to regional foundations will receive a 50 percent credit on their Kansas income taxes. These contributions will generate capital investment to build economic prosperity.

"These seven foundations are

strong partners with the state of Kansas in addressing rural development," said Commerce Secretary Howard Fricke. "The \$2.5 million in awarded tax credits will generate \$5 million in new capital investments in the rural communities of Kansas, resulting in more jobs, new or expanded businesses, enhanced business counseling, and collaborative regional leadership that addresses priorities unique to each region."

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2005

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Robert C. Albers, M.D.
HAYS ORTHOPEDICS
February 15
Gregory A. Woods, M.D.
CARDIOLOGY
February 10
Ahmed Kutty, M.D.
February 8
Daniel McGowen, M.D.
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No February Clinic
James Black, D.O.
ONCOLOGY
Jan. 27 and Feb. 24
George K. Bascom, M.D.

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January 25 and March 1
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February 7 and February 28
Darrell D. Werth, M.D.
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Jan. 24 and Feb. 28
Mohammed Janif, M.D.

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February 15
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February 11
Gregory Burns, DPM

Note: All Visiting Specialist Clinics, Unless Emergency, Need to be Scheduled Prior to Day of Visit

The Norton Telegram...
News you need!

SOUP SUPPER
Fri.,
Jan. 21

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Reminder To Dog Owners

Every owner of any dog over six months of age should register his or her name at the City Office, with the name, breed, color, approximate weight, length of hair, sex and description of each dog so owned. The owner must also present a current, completed certificate of rabies immunization. Upon registration and payment of \$5 per dog, a tag will be issued for each dog. The license year shall be from February 1 through January 31 of each year.

MARKETS

At close of business Jan. 14	
Wheat	\$3.15
White Wheat	\$3.11
Milo	\$2.73
Corn	\$1.71
Soybeans	\$4.69