

# OBITUARIES

## Bernice I. Jakubowski

Oct. 31, 1935 - March 21, 2005

Bernice I. Jakubowski, 69, formerly of Almena, died March 21 in Gilbert, Ariz.

She was born in Long Island, Oct. 31, 1935, the daughter of Clyde and Sarita (Patzman) Hartzog and was raised on a farm in Almena. She attended Almena High School, graduating in 1953. On Sept. 10, 1955, she and Ivan Jakubowski, Norton, were married. They lived in Almena until 1961, then moved to Goodland and lived there until 1967. In 1967, her family moved to Arizona where she remained until her death.

She was a homemaker, wife and mother and an active member and president of the Val Vista Lakes "Nifty-Fifties" club. She regularly attended the Val Vista "Aqua-Not" morning exercise swim group, and the In-Joy Seniors Bible study at Arizona Community Church.

Preceding her in death were her parents and her husband. She is survived by a son, Mar-

tin A. and Nancy Jakubowski, Mesa, Ariz., a daughter, Sheree M. and Rick Fiske, Mesa; a brother, Lloyd and Cathy Hartzog, Nicoma Park, Okla.; and five grandchildren, all in Mesa.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, at Mariposa Gardens Chapel, in Mesa, with Pastor Guy Davidson, a long-time family friend, officiating. Burial was in Mariposa Gardens Cemetery.

Over 200 friends and family were in attendance to celebrate her life and friendship. The Aqua-Not swim group is planting a tree with a marker in her memory by the beach pool at the Val Vista Lakes Club house.

Contributions can be made in remembrance of Mrs. Jakubowski to: Arizona Community Church In-Joy Seniors, 9325 East Rural Road, Tempe, Ariz. 85284.



Jennifer Sloan and Trenton Hanni

## Couple to marry on June 18

Jennifer Dian Sloan and Trenton Louis Hanni, both of Manhattan, are planning to be married June 18 at the United Methodist Church in Norton.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jon Sloan of Norton. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Richard and Shayla Boyd of Topeka.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Norton Community High School, and will graduate in May from Kansas State University with a degree in secondary education of English and journalism.

The prospective groom is a 2001 graduate of Silver Lake High School, and attended Kansas State University, majoring in construction science. He works for L and B Development of Manhattan.

The couple plan to continue living in the Manhattan area following the wedding.

Grandparents of the bride are Gerald and Wanda Sloan of Norton and Marietta Gilmore of Pratt.

Mr. Hanni's grandparents are Roger and Sharon Hanni and Leroy and Helen Meyer, all of Bern.

# BIRTH

## Erika Beth Miller

Erika Beth Miller was born March 21 at Medical City in Dallas. Her parents are Brock and Jennifer Miller. She weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces and measured 20 inches long.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller have another daughter, Emily.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mick Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Skrdlant, Norton.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sharp, Rancho Viejo, Texas; and Beth Sharp, Ethel Miller, Ernest Sauer and Vivian Skrdlant, all of Norton.

## Agency expands local program

Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas, which has been providing employment services here for 30 years, has expanded its program.

The employment program is now called "Employment Connections" to better reflect the services provided to individuals, businesses and customers in the 18 counties served in Kansas.

Employment Connections works to match the needs of employers with a skilled work force.

To contact developmental services call (785) 625-2018.

# Ladies' head vases are once again all the rage

Isn't it a pleasure to see hats coming back into vogue?

Easter, in earlier years, involved shopping for a special hat to celebrate the holiest day of the church year. Even when a new hat was an economic impossibility, no woman appeared in church with an uncovered head. A few artificial flowers or a new ribbon or two must be somehow squeezed from the egg money to refurbish an old one.

Hats figure largely in the design of one of the most popular collectibles around — that of head vases.

At a recent auction it became apparent that those who saved these once common floral containers are now in possession of quite a valuable asset. Out of a dozen lovely lady vases sold, only one went for under \$85, most brought over \$100 and one or two garnered twice that much with enthusiastic bidding all around.

Vases molded in the shape of beautiful women's heads were commonly used by florists only a few years ago. Most homes had one tucked up on a shelf someplace because they were too pretty not to keep even after the flower arrangement wilted.

While there were a few American manufacturers that produced this florist ware, almost all head vases were imported from Japan.

Most are unmarked because they carried paper stickers that peeled away with time, but the manufacturer has little to do with value in this collectible category. Here the condition of the vase and the originality of design are of

## Collector Chat Liza Deines



paramount importance.

Elaborate hairdos featuring pompadours or cascading ringlets and abundant waves crown daintily pretty faces.

Perched atop these fancy coiffures are truly spectacular hats. Straw boaters with trailing ribbons, velvet bonnets with feather plumes, sunbonnets tied under the chin, perky pillboxes, or clusters of flowers adorn our ladies who smile demurely, secure in the assurance that they were the height of fashion.

Impossibly luscious eyelashes flutter against rosy cheeks as the ladies glance downward, have both eyes softly closed or wink flirtatiously.

Many wear tiny pearl earrings attached to their china ears with little wire loops; some hold a delicate hand to their face, perhaps with a glittering ring embellishing it, or sometimes gloved in pastel mitts with ruffles. Pearl necklaces, high lacy collars, buttons and bows all serve to decorate wherever possible.

A very rare example holds a beautiful parasol aloft, another cuddles a kitten to her pink cheek. Equally rare are a nun's head with folded hands, and a sweet baby face whose chubby hand clutches a rattle.

Look for the Oriental lady,

Jackie Kennedy or Uncle Sam. One famous vase resembles Marilyn Monroe. It is usually seen in ivory and gold, head turned seductively to the side, featuring closed eyes and a sleek, chic upswept hairdo.

There were even a few gentlemen head vases produced and one with a lady and a gentleman cheek-to-cheek. A limited run of very small heads did not prove popular, nor did unusually large ones, but they do make nice additions to a comprehensive collection.

With all the tiny and intricate design details, it is easy to see why condition is so important in this field.

A missing earring, a finger broken away, or a chipped hat brim may not detract from the attractiveness of the piece, but they do devalue it for a collector. Models with individually molded eyelashes are most susceptible to damage and so are very valuable when intact.

Be persnickety and look closely at any prospective purchase before you invest, but never pass up that sweet face that moves your heart. Almost every one makes me sigh with delight, damage notwithstanding.

FROM THE COOK: Humorist Dorothy Parker once wrote, "The definition of eternity is two people and a ham." Easter ham left in your refrigerator? How about grilled kabobs with ham squares, pineapple bites, green pepper and onion chunks? Add a little rice and some sweet 'n sour sauce and you've got supper.

## Ethel Leona Wyatt

Sept. 1, 1911 - March 24, 2005

Ethel Leona Wyatt, 93, formerly of Norton, died Thursday at St. John's Nursing Home in Hays.

The daughter of Frank and Clara (Lockwood) Betterton, she was born Sept. 1, 1911, in Furnas County, Neb.

She attended country school in rural Norton County and graduated from Norton Community High School in 1932.

She married Hervey Aden Wyatt in Oberlin and they lived on a farm northwest of Norton. Mrs. Wyatt enjoyed being a homemaker and mother to her three sons. She also worked at the Norton Sanitarium.

She was a member of the Methodist Church in Norton and the Sunshine Club. She enjoyed studying her Bible and doing handiwork, including needlework

and making quilts for all her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son, Darrell, and three grandchildren.

Survivors include sons Clair and Georgia Wyatt, Hays, and Richard and Margaret Wyatt, Norton; 12 grandchildren; several step-grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at the First United Methodist Church, Norton, with Pastor Lew Van Der Wege officiating. Burial was in the Norton Cemetery.

A memorial has been established to the Senior Citizens of Norton. Contributions may be sent in care of Enfield Funeral Home, 214 W. Main, Norton, Kan., 67654.

# READERS

— PITCH TOURNAMENT, 7 p.m. Sunday, April 3, Norton American Legion. 3/29

Nex-Tech, a subsidiary of Rural Telephone, has hired Brenda Robben as a receptionist/customer service assistant in Hays, beginning Jan. 31. Mrs. Robben lives in Victoria with her husband Chris and their three children.

— Steak and seafood night,

# HONOR ROLL

The Prairie Heights schools at Jennings have released the names of students qualifying for the third nine weeks honor roll. They are: seventh grade, Marissa Baker;

Thursday and Saturday, 6-9 p.m. American Legion. Members and guests. 3/29

Ashton Lofgreen, Norton, a freshman at Bethany College in Lindsborg, recently had art work chosen for exhibition at the 2005 Messiah Juried Student Art Exhibition. She is the daughter of Dennie and Joyce Lofgreen, Norton.

eighth grade, Jacinta Carter and Stephanie Stone; sophomore, Marcus McKenna; and seniors, Rocki Bochart and Kyle Kinser.

# 4-H NEWS

By TIMOTHY BECKER  
March 20, the Busy Jayhawkers held their monthly meeting at the 4-H Building. For roll call, members were given a noise to make and had to find their match among the members.

At County Club Days, the club received a blue rating for its skit. The club donated accelerated reader prizes, gave Red Cross bloodmobile cookies and worked at the theater as community service projects.

Following the meeting, members ate tacos. The next meeting is Parent's Night, April 17, at the 4-H Building.

# MARKETS

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## Expo to focus on aspects of aging

By CYNTHIA DIXON  
Rawlins/Decatur county extension agent

"Full Circle", an aging expo will be held at 9:30 a.m., Thursday, April 21, at the Gateway in Oberlin and Friday, April 22, in Hays. Registration deadline is Tuesday, April 12.

This expo deals with aging including health issues, finances, physical activity, dementia, insurance, nutrition and end of life issues.

Two sessions will be devoted to nutrition. Dr. Mary Higgins, assistant professor, Department of Hu-

man Nutrition at Kansas State University will be the presenter.

A session will be devoted to "Diabetes Awareness and Management". Dr. Higgins will discuss diabetes, which is a common and costly illness. Complications can be prevented if people know what to do. This session will show you how simple lifestyle changes can help you take charge.

"Eating for Health and Enjoyment" is the topic for Dr. Higgins second presentation. Good nutrition habits can include foods that

are flavorful and at the same time meet nutrition guidelines. Find out how your eating practices stack up and how good nutrition provides benefits from head to toe.

For more information on this program contact your Kansas State Research and Extension Office at 877-5755.

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