

Graduation is first step on life's long pathway

As I come in the back door with two grocery bags Mama's presence in the kitchen is made known by her wordless version of "Swanee River" and the tantalizing aroma of baking cookies. I am loaded down with potato chips, a box of those fancy Ritz crackers, bottles of Pepsi and 7-Up.

Child of the 40s

Liza Deines



and Jan go to Hays tomorrow to enroll at Fort Hays State, all planning teaching careers, while Betty, sporting a sparkly new diamond engagement ring, is moving to Hutchinson soon. Mary Lou is off to nursing school, Karen and Kay and I will be starting secretarial classes in Salina next week. Joye is going to Manhattan to study home economics at K-State.

Whether we achieve the lofty goals we have set is still to be seen. Suddenly our long-awaited future seems awfully close and more than a little scary. And yet...and yet, we are all eager to try our wings, to go off to conquer the worlds of college and careers, marriage and motherhood. Here we are at this fleeting moment in time with one foot in girlhood and one foot out the door, all laughing and crying together as we exchange plans, addresses and promises to stay in touch.

Too soon, too soon. I collapse on the divan, surrounded by disheveled party fixin's. Mama sits down, too, nibbles a cracker.

"It'll never be the same again," I say, pretty close to tears. She nods and I know she is thinking of her own graduating class, Mollie, Amelia, Cora and all the others she's told me of over the course of years.

"Well, Liza Beth," she says, "life is kind of like reading a loose manuscript in a high wind. You'd love to linger on a page but it blows away and try though you may, you cannot catch it. The trick is to enjoy every page completely before you let go, kiss it goodbye and go on to the next."

"And the story gets better as you go?" I ask.

"That's up to you. It all depends on how you write your story," she says. "Let's get the kitchen cleaned up — this story starts right now!" We share a hug and set to work. And my story continues...



Beverly Kindler was the guest of honor at a reception held Saturday afternoon in the Fellowship Hall of the Norton United Methodist Church. Miss Kindler was recently elected president of the Sixth District General federation of Women's Clubs of Kansas.

—Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

Reception/tea honors women's club president

By JEAN WHITE

A reception was held Saturday, June 7 in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church, honoring Beverly Kindler, new president of the Sixth District General Federation of Women's Clubs of Kansas. Her cabinet was also honored.

Hostesses were members of the Mid-Century Club. Out-of-town guests were Marguerite Curry, Phillipsburg, past president of the Sixth District and a member of the Rainbow Club; Joy Radcliffe, Hill City, president of Helios Club; and Lori Green, Hill City, past president of Helios Club. Also attending was Carolyn Plotts, Norcatour.

Darlene McEwen was master of ceremonies. Mrs. McEwen hosted a program honoring Miss Kindler and her term as president. Musical selections were performed by Sue Ann

Stutheit, Norton and her accompanist, Eric Nevins, Hill City.

Miss Kindler has chosen "Dare To Dream" as her theme and tulips as the district flower.

Letters of regret were read from Helen Carter, president of Kansas General Federation of Women's Clubs and Ruth Herman, past president of Kansas Federated Women's Clubs.

Refreshments were served from a lovely appointed table using the "Dare To Dream" theme and blue tulips.

Rose Ditto, Wamego, will be installed as president of the General Federation of Women's Club International at the convention June 16-July 2 in Chicago.

There will be 44 club women from Kansas, including Miss Kindler and two others from the Sixth District, attending this convention.

Municipal Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the Norton Municipal Court. The traffic and criminal cases were given to the paper with the date of the hearings.

Traffic

May 29 — Terrell Lane, Norton, driving in violation of restrictions and no seat belt, fine \$60.

May 29 — Consuella Park, Norton, failure to use child safety restraints, fine \$60, court cost \$70.

May 29 — Kaenon Keiswetter, Norton, failure to wear seat belt, under the age of 18, fine \$60.

May 29 — Justin Gibson, Norton, basic speed, driver's license restricted for 60 days, fine \$60, court cost \$70.

May 29 — Kathleen Beckman, Norton, failure to use child safety restraints, fine \$60, court cost \$70.

Criminal

May 29 — Nicolas Dawa, Norton, unlawful hosting and

minor in possession. To receive Diversion. Diversion fee \$100, Assessment fee \$200, during 1 year Diversion, will be subject to random drug and alcohol testing. Court cost \$70.

May 29 — Brandon Gitchel, Norton, dog running at large with a license, suspended with proof of proper restraint, court cost \$70.

May 29 — Andy Horesky, minor in possession of alcohol. To receive 6 month Diversion. Diversion fee \$100, Assessment fee \$200, court cost \$70.

Animal Shelter For Adoption

Female Bassett Hound, 1 year old.

Male Bassett Hound, 3 year-old.

Male Patterdale, 2 to 3 years old

Male Terrier, 1 to 2 years old.

Female Labrador (black) 5 months old.

Found

Male Labrador 2 to 4 years old, Elmwood Park area.

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Family Reunion

The Grandchildren of
Steven E. Ervin and Mary L. Bryant
cordially invite anyone having family connections to join us

Sunday, June 22, 2008
at the Izaak Walton League
11 miles North of Highway 89 and 283
Junction or 2 miles South of Arapahoe, NE
from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Pork sandwiches, iced tea and table service will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert. A free will donation will be accepted to defray expenses
RSVP: Jan Anderson, 308-784-4550 bjander@cozadtel.net

READERS

— Steak and seafood night, Legion. Members and guests. Thursday, 6-9 p.m. American

Give the gift of life: give blood.
—Blood Drive set for June 17—

Whether you rock around the clock or just love to rock and roll all night, the American Red Cross wants you to Rock and Roll up Your Sleeves this summer and donate blood. Giving the gift of life can truly make music for someone else in Norton. Come Rock and Roll up Your Sleeves at the Norton blood drive, June 17 from noon to 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion and receive a special rocker-style T-shirt and the opportunity to win an authentic Lynyrd Skynyrd platinum album. The need for blood is especially high in the summer due to an increase in travel because of family vacations and school breaks.

have been particularly difficult on the community's blood supply and the Red Cross urges not only rockers but everyone to call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) or visit givelife.org to make an appointment to help save a life.

You need to be in good health, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be at least 17 years old (16 with signed American Red Cross parental consent form). The Red Cross reminds those coming to donate to bring a picture ID.

"It doesn't matter if you love Elvis, download hip-hop to an I-pod or sing in the shower, music gives life and so does donating blood," said Kim Talkington, Red Cross Donor Recruitment Representative. "It's not the Red Cross that needs your donation; it's a friend, relative, neighbor or co-worker who is counting on blood being on the hospital shelves."

In recent years, summer months

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to receive a free gift and enjoy coffee, tea and cookies from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in our lobby

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Antique Parade of Power - Saturday and Sunday, 1 p.m.

Admission to Entire Show for Both Days: \$3 Adults; 12 and Under FREE when accompanied by an adult
Prizes to be given away Sunday, June 15 - \$1 Donation - 1st: 1950 Massy Harris Tractor; 2nd: Quilt; 3rd: Handmade Linen Chest; 4th: Intarsia Wooden Pheasant

Events Both Days: Small Engine Display, Saw Mill, Threshing, Corn Shelling, Hand Tie Baling, Steam Engines, Cars, Trucks, Tractors, Windmill Display, Tractor Pull Saturday, Car Show Saturday; Quilt Show in Depot Both Days; Food Stand Both Days; Breakfast Both Days-6:30 a.m.

Entertainment: Larry Henderson and Lee Ann Shearer
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June 6- June 11

Showing at the
NORTON THEATRE
Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull
2 Hours, 13 Minutes (PG-13) Premiere

Both Movies Play:
Friday and Saturday: 7:00 and 9:20 p.m.
Sunday: 5 and 7:20 p.m.; M-T-W: 7 p.m.

Kung Fu Panda
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Both Movies are the Premiere Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00

June 13Baby Mama (PG-13)
June 20Get Smart (PG-13) (Premiere)
June 27Wall-E (G) (Premiere)
July 2Hancock (PG-13) (Premiere)

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