

OBITUARIES

Melvin Harper May 12, 1923 - July 19, 2010

Melvin Harvey Harper, son of Harvey and Marie Harper, was born May 12, 1923, in Miland, Mo., and died at the Norton County Hospital on July 19, at the age of 87.

Melvin grew up in Goodland, and graduated from the Goodland High School. On Sept. 8, 1948, he married Betty Jean Cayton in Oakley. They made their home in Oakley, Colby and Hays before moving to Norton, where Mel worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone. Betty died September 9, 2006.

Melvin was a member of the Masons, American Legion, Eagles, and the Rotary Club. Melvin was a veteran of the U.S. military.

Survivors include: four children, James Harper, Norton; Linda Melaine and husband, Dennis Molzahn, Independence, Mo.; Marilyn Harper, Shawnee; and

Lynn Harper, Norton; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; five sisters, Joyce Dean, Oberlin; Lucy Ackerman and Carol Tupper, both of Goodland; Erma Alger, Dodge City; and Linda Hawks, Yreka, Calif.; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, three brothers, and three sisters.

Funeral service will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Norton Christian Church. Burial will be in Norton Cemetery.

A memorial has been established to the Melvin Harper Memorial Fund. Friends may call at Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton on Wed. from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Condolences may be left at the website www.enfieldfh.com.

Arrangements are by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

Laura Leidig

December 8, 1937 - July 15, 2010

Laura Leidig died July 15 at Norton County Hospital, Norton, at the age of 72. Laura was born on Dec. 8, 1937 in Pine County, Minn. She was a twin daughter of Otto and Hazel (Harmon) Colstrud.

Laura was a long time resident of Lenora where she was a homemaker and bookkeeper. She married Dale Leidig on Nov. 7, 1959, they were later divorced.

She was a member of the United Parish of Lenora and she worked for Rural Telephone in Lenora for 31 years.

Laura was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, two

sisters and her son Mickey.

She is survived by her son, Kenneth, Morland; brother Clarence Colstrud, Renton, Wash.; sisters, Joanne Loper, Olympia, Wash. and her twin Lois Christian Tumwater, Wash. and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held today at the United Parish in Lenora with Rev. Gary Dudder and Rev. Jack Kersenbrock officiating. Burial was in Lenora South Cemetery. Memorial established to United Parish, Lenora.

Arrangements were by Stinemetz Funeral Home of Hill City.



Nina Melroy and Francis Mosier

Birthday volunteer

For 45 years Nina Melroy has volunteered at the Andbe Home. Yesterday she celebrated her 99th birthday in her usual way, it was Monday. Every Monday and Tuesday she transports Andbe Home residents back to their rooms after their visit to the beautician.

-Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Accident Log

July 1
Dona Jo Harvey, Norton, was north bound on E-9 when she met another vehicle. As she pulled to the far right side of the road she lost control in the sand and hit a dirt embankment, causing damage to the passenger's side of the vehicle. Accident investigated by Under Sheriff Rich Wenzl.

July 11
Rikki R. Wait, Norton, was traveling north bound on W-6 when a deer entered onto the roadway from the east ditch. Wait was unable to avoid striking the deer, causing damage to vehicle. Accident investigated by Deputy Robert Annon.

July 15
Helen Rhea, New Almeno, was north bound on Highway 283 when a deer ran out of the west ditch onto the highway. Rhea was unable to avoid striking the deer causing damage to the vehicle. Accident investigated by Deputy Larry Land.

July 16
Shawn Gosselin, Norton, was east bound on Highway 383 when a deer ran out in front of the vehicle. Gosselin was unable to avoid striking the deer causing damage to the driver's side of the vehicle. Accident investigated by Under Sheriff Rich Wenzl.

Fine arts auction, part 2

Collector Chat Liza Deines



ried detailed pastoral, romantic or hunting scenes of lords and ladies. Many were inscribed both inside and out with short verses or love poems. The dozen or so sold here brought between \$200-300, bargain prices according to my Schroeder's price guide, which showed only a few examples, all of which were valued between \$500-1000.

In the category of miniature collectibles was a consignment of fragile, elaborately painted furniture fit for a tiny fairy princess. The set was identified as Viennese enamel from Austria, circa 1700, most pieces measuring two to four inches at the largest.

An elegant piano, complete with keys and pedals, opened to reveal a velvet lined jewel cache. With a matching miniscule piano stool, it sold for \$825.

A wee secretary bureau with its high back chair brought \$350

while a companion dressing table, containing a functional music box and including a tiny three-legged stool, went to \$850.

Settees, arm chairs, and a folding dressing screen brought similar bids to complete this group. All were intricately enameled with detailed scenes of country life, vines, tendrils, microscopic flowers and birds, complemented with gilt curlicues.

Only a few pieces of glassware sold but they were spectacular. An imposing pair of cut glass candlesticks, identified as Irish crystal, sold for \$500 and could have graced any dining table with their sparkling foot-tall presence.

Bringing \$525 was a heavy cut glass basket, the largest one I'd seen for awhile, twenty inches tall, fifteen inches wide with a beautifully arched handle.

More than sixty pieces of German crystal stemware, cobalt cut-to-clear diamond pattern, sold for \$1100.

A castor set of three stoppered condiment bottles, also cobalt cut-to-clear, Cloverleaf pattern, were sold with their filigreed silver carrier. Although attributed to the French manufacturer, Baccarat, it

was unmarked and brought only \$650.

Twelve cobalt blue rimmed Rosenthal charger plates sold for \$500. Can you imagine how elegant a dining table would have looked set with all these pieces? I'd be willing to bet the menu did not include any economy casseroles!

Several other consignments of odds and ends roused my interest, but I had no luck at all.

A pair of hammered copper candlesticks marked Roycroft went for \$450; three unusual glass sculptures by Finnish artist, Nanny Still, went for \$1500 each to a telephone bidder from Finland.

There were many telephone and internet bids, which made it difficult to follow who had high bid at any given moment. The auctioneer was on his toes all the time, though, and in the course of the whole afternoon there was only one disputed bid.

Looks like this very small dog is going to spend a lot of time under the porch, but I'll hope to be able to attend an auction occasionally just to keep you up on what's hot and what's not. Happy hunting!

New library exhibits displayed

By BEVERLY KINDLER
Changes have been made. There are new exhibits at the Norton Public Library.

Are you dreaming of a vacation by the sea? If you aren't doing that, you can still enjoy the collection of sea shells that Ada Arford has shared for our enjoyment. Ada said, "Flatlanders love sea shells as much or more than ocean side dwellers because they are such a novelty to us."

Sea shells can be considered skeletons as the living creatures who once inhabited them have died. The shells in Ada's collection, were purchased at local auctions from others who lovingly collected them. Identifying them has been a challenge.

Shells represented are Conch Shell, Trochus Shells, Spider Conchs, Helmet Shells, Augers, Scallops, Clams, Snails, Whelks, Abalones, Cone shells and Ada's favorite, the chambered Nautilus.

Amber Nuttycomb has shared her collection of Breyer horses and other brands of horses. Breyer horses are horse models often designed after real horses - all different breeds, sizes, color and disciplines. Amber's favorite is Salpicado, an Argentine Criollo horse. His name, in Spanish, means splashed. He is a limited edition.

Amber started collecting horses when she was little. Since she could not have a horse of her own,

she would ask for models. Some of her horses have come from England and other countries. (If you are hunting for models, eBay is a great place to find them.)

The collection of cast iron banks belongs to Donna Leuszler. In the early 70's credit card companies offered the banks as premiums. This is the way Donna acquired her collection. She was interested in cast iron banks because, as a child, she had played with banks owned by her grandparents.

The collection of seven has a story about the original banks. Donna has included notes in the display for you to read about them.

Dona said that several youth enjoyed a close-up of the banks as

she was putting in her collection and demonstrated how coins were captured.

In the art gallery you can enjoy the art work of Amber Nuttycomb. She started drawing when she was little. In Kindergaten, she won the school competition in a contest using pastels. Amber has done some color pencil doodles and/or drawings, but plain pencil and graphite are her favorite mediums. Her favorite piece in this display is the paint horse eye.

Take time from your busy schedule to stop at the library to see these interesting exhibits by Ada Arford, Donna Leuszler and Amber Nuttycomb. These exhibits will be in place July through September.

Police Log

June 25
12:15 a.m. Report of peeping tom
12:42 a.m. Report of someone knocking on window
12:42 a.m. 911 hang-up
12:56 a.m. Report of fight
2:21 a.m. Barking dog complaint, 300 block W. Washington
6:03 a.m. Report of individual involved in fight now at Norton County Hospital
7:44 a.m. Activated alarm, Dollar General
1:14 p.m. Report of individual not to be driving
3:01 p.m. Report of vehicle swerving all over the road, West St.
5:32 p.m. 911 report of crazy driver
5:40 p.m. Report of dog following individual home
5:47 p.m. Report of dog tied up with old water
6:22 p.m. Report of vehicle that failed to yield

7:46 p.m. Individual thinks someone is letting her dog out
10:23 p.m. Report of individual throwing trash out of vehicle
June 26
1:22 a.m. Report of fight, 300 block Graves
3:18 a.m. Report of suspicious vehicle, Valley Hope
8:25 a.m. Report of dog running loose, 300 block Penn
10:50 a.m. Report of break-in which happened earlier
2:11 p.m. Keys locked in vehicle
2:46 p.m. Request to speak to officer concerning belongings that had been gone through
7:10 p.m. Request to assist Sheriff's Department
8:39 p.m. Report of one vehicle accident
9:25 p.m. Report of individual taking camper, 400 block Pearl
10:34 p.m. Report of child out with someone they shouldn't be with

FYI

Norton Boy Scout Troop 181 will have a garage sale in Pamida's parking lot on Sat. from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Hot dogs, chips and pop will be sold during the garage sale. The troop needs funds to finance the purchase of boy scout items.

Thursday, July 22 Special
Prime Rib
Norton American Legion
NORTON, KANSAS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 5
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