Tuesday, October 4, 2011

OBITUARIES

Mary Frances Rozean Feb. 18, 1938 - Sept. 30, 2011

Mary Frances Rozean, daughter of George Francis and Janie Jewel (Lawrence) Doshier, was born Feb. 18, 1938, in Redstone, Okla., and passed away at the Norton County Hospital on Sept. 30, 2011 at the age of 73.

Mary attended school in Washita and Gracemont in Oklahoma, and graduated from Gracemont in 1956 as valedictorian. She then went to Draughon Business College in Oklahoma City for one year. Her first job was with Southwestern Bell Telephone as a clerical clerk for 10 years.

On April 8, 1966, Mary and John Dorrance Rozean were united in marriage and one year later their first child, Scott, was born. Six years later, their second son, Russell was born. Due to John's work with the Civil Service at Tinker Air Force Base and later Altus Air Force

Freda Ilene Morgan, 90, Os-

kaloosa, a 1943 graduate of De-

catur Community High School

died Thursday, Sept. 22, 2011 at

the F.W. Huston Senior Living

Mrs. Morgan was born April

9, 1921 in Sheridan County, the

daughter of Albert and Theresa

Boutz. She was the oldest of 13

children. She taught school in

the Oberlin area for a few years

before moving to Kansas City

where she worked for Folgers

Coffee and National Bell of

Hess. She later worked for the

After retiring she worked at

the Oskaloosa schools as a cus-

railroad in Atchison.

Center, Winchester.

Base. They made their home in Blair, Okla. Mary worked at the Jackson County Health Department, JCM Hospital, JC Home Health Product, and had volunteered with the Ladies Auxiliary at the Altus Hospital.

Mary accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior at 11 years old in her hometown of Gracemont. She was a member of the Blair Baptist Church and later attended the Altus Baptist Church where she was involved in the prayer ministry. She was involved in several school and church activities with her children and she was also a member of the Blair Sorosis Club.

Survivors include her husband, John Rozean, of their home in Densmore; two sons, Scott, and wife, Pam Rozean, Northfield, N.H.; Russell Rozean, Belton, Texas; two grandchildren. Mollie and Matthew

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Rozean, Northfield; two sisters, Janice, and husband, Jim Tennison, Tuttle, Okla.; Dorothy, and husband, Lewis Jordan, Moore, Okla.; one brother, George Doshier, Anadarko, Okla.; one niece and three nephews; other relatives and friends.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her grandparents, several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Graveside service and interment will be held Tuesday, Oct. 4, 10:30 a.m., at the Norton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, KS on Monday, Oct. 3, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m.

The Mary Rozean Memorial Fund has been established. Condolences may be sent to

www.enfieldfh.com. Arrangements are by Enfield

Funeral Home of Norton.

Celebrating 90th birthday

A card shower has been requested for Vern Roberts for his 90th birthday on Oct. 9. Vern was born and raised in Almena. He is a World War II veteran and served three years in the European Theatre, Operations 3rd Army, under the command of General George S. Patton.

After his return from the war, Vern was employed with the Kansas Department of Transportation. He retired in 1986 after 41 years in the Construction and Engineering Department. He is a licensed Kansas land surveyor and worked individual survey-



ing projects for several years. Cards can be sent to Vern at

502 West Crane, Norton, KS 67654.

Raise the roof to restore history

by Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University.

"Raise the roof." That sounds like something done by loud fans at a sports arena, or maybe by your teenage son's rock band. Today, in our continuing series about Kansas barns, we'll learn about a historic round barn in central Kansas which literally needed to have its roof raised. Its owners have successfully managed to raise the roof, and now they are opening the barn to the public.

Terri and Jon Reece are owners of the Round Barn Ranch in Derby. It features a round barn, built by the eminent barn-builder Benton Steele back in 1910the oldest remaining Benton Steele barn in Kansas.

The barn is called the Foley-Reece barn, after the original and current owners, respectively. The Foley family had it built for use as a dairy barn. It is a striking, two-story circular structure surmounted by a big dome. In 1945, another owner added two long, gable-roofed wings to the north and south. From the air, the round barn with its two long wings looks like a large red propeller. Local pilots even used the barn as a navigational landmark.

In 1960, Dr. Richard and Imogene Fleming bought the barn. The milk room in the south wing was converted into a clinic for Dr. Fleming's medical practice - for years, the only medical facility in the area.

The rest of the south wing was converted into an antique shop and the north wing was turned into a meeting facility. The Round Barn itself was used for parties, dances and other large events. Later, the south wing and the clinic were converted to residential housing. Mrs. Fleming lived on the place for years after her husband passed away.

Meanwhile, Terri moved from California to Kansas where her family had roots. Terri's mother came from the rural community of Madison, population 862 people. Now, that's rural. Terri met and married Jon, who is an Oklahoma/Kansas boy.

The Reeces settled in Haysville, where Terri became a real estate agent and Jon a restaurant manager. "My husband wanted to do a B&B ranch kind of thing when he retired, so I was looking for a place to do that," Terri said. "I was on my way to another property when I drove by the round barn. I said to myself, "If I was ever to get a historic property, that would be the one I'd want. So on a wild hair, I just went door-knocking.'

Mrs. Fleming answered the door. "She was the sweetest old lady," Terri said. "She didn't know me from Adam, but she invited me in and we talked for hours." However, Mrs. Fleming was not prepared to sell the round barn.

Terri stayed in touch, and by 2008 Mrs. Fleming was ready to sell and the Reeces bought it. What they found was scary: The barn had suffered neglect and was at major risk.

"We brought a structural engineer in here when we first bought it," Terri said. "He said, if we get a lot of ice and snow, that roof might not last the winter." It was starting to cave in, and one side was four feet lower than the other.

It was time to raise the roof. The Reeces brought in a crew and equipment, stabilized the roof, and then embarked on a renovation. The roof renovation was completed in fall 2010. Other interior work is underway.

In October 2011, the Round Barn Ranch is opening to the public. "I love old buildings with architectural uniqueness," Terri said. "Our goal is to preserve this magnificent structure for generations to come, while at the same time, opening the property as a unique venue for group functions and special events. We've already hosted some weddings and private parties."

For more information, go to www.roundbarn.webs.com.

"Raise the roof." No, not a rock band or sports arena, this refers to the work that was done to stabilize the dome on this historic round barn. We commend Terri and Jon Reece for making a difference by preserving this heritage so that the round barn roof is once again standing tall.

Listeriosis cases tied to multi-state outbreak

Kansas Department The of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) have received word that the five isolates sent to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention do match the Listeria multi-state

todian. She moved to a farm near Oskaloosa before moving to the senior living center.

In 1973, she married Carl Morgan. He died in 1974.

She was preceded in death by her husband; three brothers, Doyle Boutz, Luther Boutz and Leo Boutz; and two sisters, Leona Somers and Waneta Nilson.

She is survived by four brothers, Darrel and Dorothea Boutz, Manhattan, Everett and Bonnie Boutz, Jefferson City, Mo., Glen and Anita Boutz, Mulvane, Homer and Marcia Boutz, Colorado Springs, Colo.; three sisters, Flora Edwards, Clarkson, Wash., Frances Mosier, Norton and Doreen Boutz, Salina; brother-in-law, Eldon Nilson, Alcester, S.D.; sisters-in-law, Betty Boutz, Englewood, Kan., and Arlene Boutz, Concordia; and her caretakers, Rex and Cheryl Forbes, Oskaloosa.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, Sept. 28 at the Oskaloosa United Methodist Church. Inurnment followed the service at Pleasant View Cemetery, Oskaloosa.

Memorial contributions may be made to Jefferson County Friends of Hospice sent in care of Barnett Family Funeral Home, 1220 Walnut St., P.O. Box 602, Oskaloosa, Kan. 66066.

ing older adults, persons with weakened immune systems, and pregnant women, to not eat cantaloupes marketed from Jensen Farms in the Rocky Ford region of Colorado because of potential contamination with Listeria

Listeriosis primarily occurs among older adults, persons with weakened immune systems, pregnant women and newborns. Symptoms include fever, muscle aches, diarrhea and vomiting. People with these symptoms should consult a phy-

Agency on aging announces new counselors

The Northwest Kansas Area Medicare and other insurance vices.

outbreak. KDHE anticipates the addition of Kansas on the CDC updated report, as a state matching the ongoing multi-state outbreak.

CDC reports as of 5 p.m. EDT on Sept. 20, a total of 55 persons infected with the 4 outbreak-associated strains of Listeria monocytogenes have been reported from 14 states. All illnesses started on or after Aug. 4. The number of infected persons identified in each state is as follows: California (1), Colorado (14), Illinois (1), Indiana (1), Maryland (1), Montana (1), Nebraska (4), New Mexico (10), Oklahoma (8), Texas (9), Virginia (1), West Virginia (1), Wisconsin (2) and Wyoming (1). These cases are in addition to the Kansas cases.

CDC recommends consumers and especially persons at high risk for listeriosis, includmonocytogenes, a bacterium that can cause serious illness. Rocky Ford cantaloupes

from Jensen Farms were distributed in Kansas and several other states. The cantaloupes were grown at Jensen Farms of Holly, Colo. which is located in the Rocky Ford region of Colorado. The cantaloupe may be labeled: Colorado Grown, Distributed by Frontera Produce, USA, Pesticide Free, Jensenfarms. com, Sweet Rocky Fords. Some cantaloupes may also have been unlabeled. Jensen Farms has issued a voluntary recall of Rocky Ford Cantaloupe on Sept. 14.

Kansas has eight cases of listeriosis reported since Aug. 26, with 5 cases now matching the multi-state outbreak. Two of these eight patients have died and the causes of death are being investigated. Typically, Kansas reports fewer than six cases of listeriosis per year.

sician. Symptoms typically occur three to 70 days after exposure.

For additional information regarding this outbreak, visit the CDC multi-state food borne illness outbreak page at www. cdc.gov/outbreaknet/outbreaks. html and the FDA recall media release at www.fda.gov/Safety/ Recalls/ucm271879.htm

Agency on Aging announces that the following people have completed the training to become Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas counselors: Ramona Pabian, Norton Senior Center: Hazel Ames and Beth Ponstein, Long Island.

The program is a free, unbiased and confidential program that uses trained volunteers to answer people's questions about

You Are Invited to the

St. Francis Society

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

MENU: • Turkey and Dressing • Roast Beef • Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

•Green Beans or Corn •Jell-O Salad •Pie or Cake •Tea or Coffee

CARRY OUT ORDERS AVAILABLE - Add \$1.00 to the cost

of each meal. Call 877-2711 to place your order. Cost: 1-5 Years of Age - FREE 6-12 Years of Age - \$5.00; 13 and Up - \$7.00 issues. The program is funded by a grant from the Centers for Aging, 1-800-432-7422 or 785-

Contact the Area Agency of



Stroke and osteoporosis screenings coming to Norton

Residents living in and around the Norton community can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or bone fracture. First United Methodist Church will host Life Line Screening on Oct. 11, at 805 W Wilberforce Street in Norton.

Four key points every person needs to know:

1. Stroke is the third leading cause of death and a leading cause of permanent disability

2. Eighty percent of stroke victims had no apparent warning signs prior to their stroke

3. Preventive ultrasound screenings can help you avoid a stroke

4. Screenings are fast, noninvasive, painless, affordable and convenient

Screenings identify potential cardiovascular conditions such as blocked arteries and irregular heart rhythm, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women.

Packages start at \$149. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-877-237-1287 or visit our website at www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Call Mike with your social news. 877-3361

