

# A fair week long remembered

Oh boy, oh boy, oh boy! Roger is going to take me to the carnival tonight and I am so excited I can hardly wait. I'm not quite sure how this happened. Usually I'm nothing but a nuisance to my big brother. I wonder if Mama talked him into it? Couldn't have been Dad's idea; he disapproves of anything that's a waste of money and declares carnival people are called gypsies because they gyp you out of hard-earned cash.

## Child of the '40s

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to skip an exotic gypsy lady telling fortunes. She wears a green silk scarf, big hoop earrings and has a gold tooth. She wants us to cross her palm with silver and we can't figure out how much that might be! As we walk away Roger tells me not stare but she is so interesting I keep looking over my shoulder and she winks at me. We stand a long time at the age and weight booth to watch a barker flim flam the mayor and the police chief and other locals, then move on to watch the football team boys trying to ring a bell with a sledge hammer. It doesn't ring often.

Roger says he's too old to ride the merry-go-round but he buys four tickets for me. I try a different horse every time. We both go on the ferris wheel, the Octopus, the Rat Catcher, the Tilt-A-Whirl and the Bullet. Our favorite has airplanes that rise and fall, circling, while they roll over and over and over. Each plane has a silver dollar spinning around in it but no one ever catches it.

There are barkers with horns out yelling about the "rassing" contest and the hoochie koochie dancers but Roger says Dad will scalp him if he takes me to either tent. We compromise on the Florida Swamp Alligator and Snake Show featuring man eating 'gators, jungle snakes and poisonous reptiles. The ticket man won't let me in. Rog says it's late anyhow so we sit and eat cotton candy before he drives me home.

He and his buddy, Jerry, are meeting at the stock car races later, so I give him a big sticky hug and a thank you. Privately I resolve to try not to be so aggravating tomorrow and, of course, I'll never tell that we ate gypsy food for supper!

MY MAMA SAID: "Did you have fun?" "Oh yes," I said. "I rode the merry-go-round."

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# Strategy and tactics



The Friends of the Library sponsored a chess tournament on Saturday. Nine players showed up to compete. Pictured, Justis Posson plays against Darius Shields in the game of strategy. All participants received a chess piece key chain and medals were given to the top three spots in two age groups, 10 and under and 11 and over. Nick Mandl won the door prize of a glass chess set. The group, is open to anyone interested in playing, and meets every Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m. during the school year.

— Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

It's fair week in Trego County. Mama and Daddy took me to see the flower exhibits and look at the 4-H animals and projects yesterday afternoon but Daddy wouldn't even walk over where the carnival was setting up. He used to like going to the horse races at the fair but since they switched to stock cars and motorcycle races, all he enjoys are the produce exhibits with jars of wheat and milo and boxes of garden sass.

Mama gave us money to buy supper at the Methodist ladies' hamburger stand but we get corn dogs instead and Roger promises me cotton candy later, if I won't tell. These forbidden fruits are bought from a ramshackle wooden cart run, no doubt, by gypsies. They also sell lemonade, taffy apples, caramel popcorn and huge hot pickles on sticks.

We first pitch pennies at a booth with dishes cleverly tilted so the coins slip or flip right out to be swept up later. Roger wins a green glass vase for Mama. Then we go to a crowded booth lined with closed glass cases full of trinkets. For \$1 you get to "fish" with a grabber claw on a chain. In each case there is a nice wrist watch that looks easy to snag. We watch awhile but never see anyone get a watch. Roger tries his luck and gets a life size plastic lizard.

Next he knocks down a pyramid of wooden milk bottles and I get to choose a stuffed toy, a monkey I name Henry. There are wooden ducks to shoot, darts to toss at balloons, a baseball you pitch into a clown's mouth - he tries them all while I watch the bingo booth nearby. It has better prizes but costs a quarter a card so we pass it by. We also agree

# BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Luke Henry Gottschalk was born July 7, 2012 He was born at 1:06 p.m. at Norton County Hospital, weighing in at seven pounds, six ounces and measured 20 inches long. Parents are Brittney Braun and Ethan Gottschalk.

Mother and baby will be living in Logan before moving to Great Bend. Brittney is employed by Orschlen's in Phillipsburg, and Ethan is an auto technician for the Chrysler Dodge division of Marmie Motors in Great Bend.

Welcoming little Luke to the world are grandmas and grandpas Brenda and Terry Holterman, Almema; Brad Braun and Wanda Stephenson, Norton; Vonda Gottschalk and Merlin Gottschalk, both of Logan; and Uncle Sean Braun, Almema; plus numerous great aunts, great uncles, cousins and family friends.

Great-grandmas and great-grandpas are Lavon and Bernard



McCormack, Norton; Allen and Gingles and the late Armand Beth Braun, Norton; Geneva Gingles, Logan.

# Schick Family Reunion

The 17th Schick Family Reunion was held July 20-22 in Phillipsburg. The event began on Friday with an informal supper at the Branding Iron II with 39 in attendance.

Saturday morning, Max Schick conducted tours of the St. Peter and Logan Cemeteries, paying tribute to our deceased loved ones. The family then gathered at the Huck Boyd Center for a catered lunch provided by Bigge's Country Kitchen, followed by the business meeting conducted by William Schick. Sixty-nine attended on Saturday.

The return of the Schick Chick's (Lynn Calhoon, Carol Dodds, Dixie Geary, Lila Hamit and Pat Krueger) entertained the crowd with their Tina Turner rendition.

This year's graduates were honored: Kama Aeillo, nursing school in Topeka; Charlie Becker, Beloit Vo-Tech; Brent Gould and Traver Mullen, Flinthills Vo-Tech; Travis Powell, Creighton University; Angela Aeillo, Rachel Smith and Shanea Wyatt, Fort Hays State University;

New family additions, marriages, deaths were given by families present.

Certificates were given to the following:

Traveling the farthest: Jim, Sam, Drew and Zach Shepard from Glendale, Ariz.

Shortest distance: Merlyn Schick

Most grandchildren present (with four): Larry and Shirley Shepard.

Longest married: Richard and Dorothy Hill, 64 years.

Most recently married present: Bryan and Paula Keffeler, 17 years.

Oldest lady: Eulalia Scherer

Oldest man: Edwin Hickman

Youngest present: Brayden Keffeler

A raffle was held to help offset expenses:

Birdhouse gourd and butterfly house made by Dalbert and Karen Bruning won by Rainell Voss and Michelle Geary; Afghan made by Darlene Merrill won by Merlyn Schick; Decorative cane made by Ira and Carol Dodds won by Anita Powell; Flower arrangements made by Eulalia Scherer won by Max Schick and Rainell Voss.

Family photos were taken later in the afternoon and Bill Clarke's train room was opened for everyone to enjoy.

Thirty-three attended Sunday morning church services. Dick Hamit gave the morning message. Kim Munyon served as the accompanist. The morning offering was given to Blanche Moon, Lafayette, Colo. Noon lunch and more visiting followed the church service.

The 70 family and guest members attending one or more days included:

Albert Schick Family: Myron and Sherland Bietz, Andrew Gleason, Norton; Dalbert and Karen Bruning, Oberlin; Bryan and Paula, Kate, Brayden Keffeler, Holdrege, Neb.; Larry and Shirley Shepard, Rachael Shepard, Gary Shepard, Lenora; Jim, Sam, Drew, Zach Shepard and their friend Maddie of Glendale, Ariz.; Donna Weeks, Cawker City.

Carl Schick Family: Edith Schick, Logan.

Pauline Schick-Hickman Family: Lloyd and Deloris Becker, Darren and Dorothy, Charlie, Renee Becker and friend Brayden, Rainell Voss, Logan; Chuck and Eulalia Scherer, Hutchinson; Dwight Hickman, Denver, Colo.; Edwin Hickman, Littleton, Colo.; Donovan and Deb Wallgren, Shanea, Landon, Layton and Brielle Wyatt, Phillipsburg.

Richard Schick Family: Richard and Dorothy Hill, Wheat Ridge, Colo.

Fred Schick Family: Lynn Calhoon Bartlesville, Okla.;

Ira and Carol Dodds, Dixie and Michelle Geary, Lebo; Dick and Lila Hamit, Overbrook; Ron Jean and Francis Delaney, Topeka; Pat Kruger, Minonk, Ill.; Tim Kruger, Flanagan, Ill.; Tonya Kruger, Streator, Ill.; Dane Schick, Dennis and Bonnie, Alan Schick, Peotone, Ill.; Joel and Anita Powell, Colby; Mike and Nancy, Tori, Toni Jenner, Ransom; Trevor Jenner, Hays; Max and Norma, William, Merlyn, Steve Schick, Darlene Merrill, Phillipsburg.

Guest of the family on Sunday was Carol Bales of Logan.

Next year's reunion will be held July 19-21, the third weekend of July.

## VOTE for...

# Carolyn Applegate

### COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT II

Your support will be greatly appreciated!

*"Real Solutions to Rural Problems"*

Pd. for by Applegate Campaign Fund, Russ Erbert, Treasurer

# PUBLIC RECORD

### District Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse.

Traffic and Wildlife and Parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid.

### July 26

July 4-Shayne Ira Anderson, Jennings; Charge: Speeding 77 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fines: \$155.

July 6-Brad D. Long, Norcat; Charge: Failure to wear seatbelt; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$10.

July 1-Nicholas S. Thomas, Burchard, Neb.; Charge: Speeding 83 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$191.

July 4-Huy N. Lam, Westminster, Colo.; Charge: Take/possess illegal length black bass (x2); Found: Guilty; Fine: \$148.

Come One - Come All!

Come Early Stay Late

MAKE PLANS NOW TO ATTEND

## St. Joseph's Parish Annual New Almelo Bazaar

### Saturday, August 11, 2012

Featuring at 5:00 p.m. Smoked Beef and Pork Buffet Supper with all the Trimmings

- Bake Sale • Fancy Work • Bingo
- Hamburger Stand • Games for Young and Old

**QUILT AUCTION AT 8:00 P.M. WITH HANDMADE QUILTS**

Dance to the Music of "Dustin Juenemann"

Starting at 9:00 p.m.

## RE-ELECT

### Cynthia Joan Linner

#### County Treasurer

*"Experience That Works For You"*

- \* Born and Raised in Norton County
- \* BS in Business Degree, Major in Accounting, 1985
- \* Elected to office in November, 1996
- \* Streamlined Tax Receiving with Bar Code System, 2001
- \* Completed KCTA Educational Courses as Certified Finance Executive, 2003
- \* Implemented Instructional Permits, Driver Education Restricted Licenses and Out-of-State Licenses, by appointment, Fall 2008

PAID POLITICAL AD BY CYNTHIA JOAN LINNER, CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY TREASURER

## HELP UPDATE OUR THEATRE!!

There will be a Fundraiser

### Sunday, August 5 at 2:00 p.m.

at the East Campus Auditorium

with a concert by Stanton Nelson

Admission: A Donation to the Theatre

July 27 Aug. 1

Showing at the

# NORTON THEATRE

## The Dark Knight Rises

(PG-13) 2 Hours, 55 Minutes (Digital Sound)  
Friday and Saturday - 7:00 p.m. ONLY  
Sunday - 2:00 and 5:00 p.m.; Mon., Tues., Wed., - 7:00 p.m.

### Ice Age 4: Continental Drift

Friday and Saturday - 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 2:00 and 5:00 p.m.  
Mon., Tues., Wed., - 7:00 p.m.  
1 Hr., 43 Min. (PG)

Let's Go to the Movie

Since both movies are premieres, only premiere passes accepted

The Dark Knight Rises is Premiere Admission Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00 - No Sunday Discount  
Ice Age 4: Continental Drift is Premiere Admission Price of \$7.00 and \$6.00 - No Sunday Discount

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