

OBITUARIES

Polly Roth Bales

June 30, 1920 - June 28, 2013

Polly Roth Bales (Pauline Elsie Roth), 92, of Lawrence, passed to a better life on June 28, 2013 at home. She was born to the late John P. and Anna (Rutschman) Roth on June 30, 1920 in Whitewater, where she was reared on the family farm. The lessons of humble servitude she learned from her parents' example colored her outlook on life and set the standard for her life of service to others. She embodied the belief that "to whom much is given, much is required" and was always happiest when being useful and helping others.

In 1938, she entered the University of Kansas, where she studied organ. There she met the love of her life, Dane G. Bales, whom she married on Nov. 29, 1941. After his return from WWII, they relocated to Logan, where Dane worked with his uncle, Dane G. Hansen, an area businessman and philanthropist, and where their son, Dane G. Bales Jr., was born. There Polly established an impressive record of service to various causes. Because of her caring nature, she was deeply involved in community activities, women's groups, and church, and also numerous activities with the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum, the University of Kansas, and the Republican Party. In recognition of her community activities she was recommended by city leaders for, and was included in, the "Outstanding Civic Leaders of America". She served as an officer and board member for the Kansas State Historical Society, P.E.O., the Phillips County Hospital Guild, Logan Community Concerts, the Wesley Foundation, the President's Advisory Committee at Bethany College, the Huck Boyd Foundation, KOOD-TV, and the Travel Industry Association of Kansas. Polly also served as president of the Business and Professional Women's Club, who twice named her "Woman of the Year," the Logan Library Board, the Phillips County American Red Cross, the Native Daughters of Kansas, and the Sunflower Knife and Fork Club.

Polly worked tirelessly developing and promoting the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum in Logan, serving as the first museum board president from 1972 until her resignation in July, 2004. Amongst her many contributions to the museum, she brought a great number of Smithsonian Museum traveling exhibits to this "Smithsonian of the Plains", more than have gone to any other museum in the USA, culturally enriching the lives of those in her community and beyond.

Music was an important part of Polly's life. She began piano lessons at 5 yrs. old (she always said her folks decided to have her take lessons out of self-de-



fense) and enjoyed playing both piano and organ all her life, anywhere she was asked or found a piano. Polly served her church as organist for 45 years. She played piano at the Kansas Day and Native Sons and Daughters festivities for 40 years, and received their Distinguished Service Citation in 2008. She organized spontaneous sing-alongs on many of the Flying Jayhawk trips which she and Dane enjoyed so much, including on the former Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev's boat traveling Russia's Volga River.

Polly studied organ at KU. At that time the organ used for lessons sat on the floor of Hoch Auditorium, and she and the KU basketball team practiced at the same time. She became acutely aware of KU's need for an adequate organ facility! She and Dane, with help from the Hansen Foundation, funded the Dane and Polly Bales Organ Recital Hall at KU, which opened its doors in 1996 and has since become a world-renowned venue for both teaching and listening to organ music. They endowed scholarships to attract exceptional organ students, and endowed the Dane and Polly Bales Organ Professorship, held since its inception by Dr. James Higdon, who is responsible not only for selecting the exceptional Wolff organ but also for the unique made-to-order building which houses it. Polly endowed the Bales Visiting Artists Series which attracts the highest level of worldwide artists, for public performances and also for masters' classes for KU organ students.

Polly was recognized on numerous occasions for her outstanding support of Kansas higher education. Accolades bestowed upon her include the University of Kansas Alumni Association's Fred Ellsworth Medallion for unique and significant service to the University, the University of Kansas Distinguished Service Award, the Fort Hays State University's Distinguished Service Award, induction into KU's Gallery of Outstanding Kansans and into the KU Women's Hall of Fame. She received the University of Kansas Fine Arts Distinguished Service Award, was named Chancellor's Associate for Devoted Service to KU,

was a member of the Fine Arts Advisory Board, and also Life Trustee of the KU Endowment Board of Trustees. At KU, Polly was a member of the Chancellor's Club, the KU Development Committee, the Williams Fund, the KU Alumni Association, the Elizabeth Watkins society, the Fine Arts Deans Club, and the Historic Mount Oread Fund. Polly loved and promoted her beloved Kansas and KU wherever she went.

Polly was active in the Republican Party, serving or holding office on the Republican State Executive Committee, the Phillips County Republican Women's Club, Big First Republicans, and the Kansas Day Club. She was twice a delegate and once an alternate to national Republican conventions. Polly was a member of the [Bob] Dole for President Exploratory Committee, and also was Regional Co-Chair of Dole for President. The pond in front of the Dole Institute at KU is named after the Bales, but is fondly referred to as Polly's Pond.

Polly's husband Dane Bales, Sr. passed away in 2001, and their son, Dane Bales, Jr. passed away in 1998. She moved to Lawrence in 2007 and greatly enjoyed performances at "The Bales", as well as performances at the KU School of Music, Rock Chalk Revue, football and basketball games, and other University activities with her nieces Suzanne Lara and Sally Company.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Ruth Voth, of Buhler KS; twelve nieces and nephews: James Voth (Barbara) of Buhler; Suzanne Lara of Lawrence; Sally Company of Lawrence; Mark Voth (Rebecca) of Edmond, OK; Judy (Don) Schellenberg of Dallas, OR; John Roth of Telluride, CO; Dale Roth of Reno, NV; David Roth of Dallas, OR; Debra (Monty) Fouts of Denver, CO; Don Mauck (Archie) of Benton, KS; Paul Mauck (Diane) of Calera, OK; and Ron Mauck (Ginger) of Benton, KS.; numerous cousins and great- and great-great-nieces and nephews; and daughter-in-law Carol Bales of Logan.

Private burial at the Logan Cemetery will be followed by funeral services on Saturday July 6, 2013 at 2 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 303 W. Church St. in Logan, Ks. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to KU Endowment for Bales Organ Recital Hall, P.O. Box 928, Lawrence, KS 66044, or to the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum, Logan KS.

Friends may sign the book from Noon until 5 p.m. Thursday and again from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at the Logan Funeral Home. The casket will remain closed.

Logan Funeral Home, P. O. Box 217, Logan, Kansas 67647 is in charge of arrangements.

William Roger Garrett

Feb. 27, 1935 - June 27, 2013

We note with sorrow the passing of William Roger Garrett, age 78, of Georgetown, Texas on June 27, 2013.

Roger was born Feb. 27, 1935. He attended Norton Community High School and the University of Kansas. He served in the Army National Guard.

He is preceded in death by son Mark, and is survived by his wife Linda of Georgetown, Tex-

as; son Kirk of Brooklyn, N.Y.; granddaughter Coy of Lawrence and sister Georgia Garrett-Norris of Scottsdale, Ariz.

Roger was a partner with McInteer, Jukes, Garrett & Green in McPherson and later with Insurers & Investors out of Salina.

He loved all things KU and never faltered in his hopes for KU football. He was a devoted

husband, son, father, brother and grandpa and always a loyal and devoted friend to many.

Roger and Linda retired to Sun City, Texas in 2005.

A memorial will be held in Lawrence, Kansas in September. The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or The Special Olympics.

qualifying young women each year. Eight of these went to Kansas women this year.

Deb McClymont gave a short summary of her experience at state convention in Wichita.

The program was group participation; each member wore an item they'd worn to their wedding or a recent nuptial. Trudy Stockham won the prize for the funniest true wedding story.

We meet July 9, 7:30 p.m. in the back yard of Cindy Boller. Sue Ann Stutheit will be co-hostess.

PEO is a philanthropic, educational organization that promotes educational opportunities for women and continues to work through six projects of the international chapter.

Reduce heat stress in cattle

With plenty of summer left to go, soaring temperatures and humidity can take a toll on cattle, resulting in everything from reduced rates of gain to death loss.

"Cattle will adapt to heat if it happens gradually, but that's often not the case," said Kansas State University veterinarian Larry Hollis, citing the quick wide temperature and humidity swings that can happen in the central High Plains.

"USDA has information including forecast maps that show geographically, where it expects the heat to cause problems," said Hollis, who is a beef cattle veterinarian with K-State Research and Extension. See the maps at <http://1.usa.gov/14KSLg2>.

The website takes into account weather parameters that influence livestock comfort or stress, including temperature, wind speed, humidity and solar radiation. The site also includes a breathing equation that producers, feedlot managers and others can use to evaluate their animals.

"Cattle don't have the ability to sweat like we do," Hollis said. "Instead they'll start panting."

The USDA site has information to help producers gauge cattle heat stress by how many breaths an animal will take per

minute. If an animal is taking less than 90 breaths per minute, the rate is considered "normal." A rate of 90-110 breaths per minute indicates "alert," 110-130 indicates "danger," and above 130 breaths per minute indicates "emergency."

"If you see them in the morning and they're already over 100 breaths/minute, you know it will likely get worse as the day goes on," Hollis said.

Beef cattle extension specialist Terry Mader and his colleagues at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln also have developed information that can be helpful to cattle producers. The extension publication is available at www.ianrpubs.unl.edu/; search for managing feedlot heat stress, publication number G1409.

"We can't control the temperature or humidity, but we can control some things, Hollis said, as he outlined several steps.

-Provide cool drinking water. There is a difference between water heated by the sun all day and cool water.

-Make sure there is ample space around the drinking source, so cattle don't bunch up as they are accessing the water.

-Provide shade - whether it is moving animals to a different pasture with more trees or stretching a screen over pens.

-Remove anything that im-

pedes airflow. Do not pen cattle near windbreaks. Mow weeds if they are tall enough to function as a windbreak. If there are mounds, cattle will use them to try to catch a breeze.

-Control flies. Cattle will come together to help each other deflect flies but air circulation is impeded when they bunch up, so controlling flies helps with controlling heat stress.

-If handling cattle, do it early in the day. Have all work done by 10 a.m.

-Where possible, use sprinklers, but do not use mist. Mist raises humidity, which adds to stress. Instead, use a system that dispenses large droplets.

"Some operations have what looks like large water cannons and some fire departments will come out and help soak the cattle," Hollis said. He noted, however, that fire equipment and powerful hoses can be extremely frightening to the animals.

"If you're going to put water on them, do it right or don't do it," he said, adding that the goal is to soak the cattle, not lightly mist.

"At the end of the day, cattle that are not alive don't do us much good. When we have performance losses, that's one thing, but when your animals don't survive, that's not a good situation at all," Hollis said.

Nex-Tech employees recognized



(Left) Justin Carter reached 5 years of service with Nex-Tech on Feb. 20, 2013. He is a Warehouse Assistant based out of Lenora.



(Right) Shelley Ellis reached 15 years of service with Nex-Tech on March 16, 2013. She is a Customer Sales Coordinator at the Lenora office.

New veterans' website available

KanVet features state education and employment resources

The state of Kansas announced a new website recently that will serve as a central, comprehensive resource for services that the state provides to veterans. KanVet will connect veterans with higher education information and job searching tools designed specifically for veterans. The website address is www.KanVet.gov.

"The women and men who have served our country deserve our support when they transition out of the military," said Gov. Sam Brownback. "KanVet will be a wonderful resource for the veterans in our state by providing them an easy way to access the educational and job searching programs available in Kansas."

Brownback and Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, Kansas adjutant general, unveiled the new KanVet website at a news conference today. They were joined by representatives from the Kansas Board of Regents, the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs and Black & Veatch, a KanVet sponsor and a company that has hired more than 600 veterans.

"This new resource will be invaluable to our National Guard, Reserve and Active Duty troops and veterans all across Kansas," Tafanelli said. "Helping them to find employment, training, education and other assistance is one way for the state to give back to them for their willingness to serve their state and country and to thank them for the many sacrifices made to fight for our freedoms."

KanVet houses employment and education information in an easily navigable website with links to Kansas programs available for veterans. Employment resources include information about KANSASWORKS, the KanSERVE program, opportunities with the Kansas Army and Air National Guard and explanations of other employment services. Education tools provide the ability to search for higher education programs for veterans at all Kansas Board of

Regents universities and community and technical colleges. Several agencies were involved in developing KanVet, including the departments of Commerce, Labor and Children and Families; the Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs; Kansas Board of Regents, and the Kansas Adjutant General's Office.

"KanVet is a valuable resource for the veterans who have served this country," Kansas Commerce Secretary Pat George said. "It's

great that state organizations have partnered to provide this website, and KanVet's sponsors also deserve recognition for their support of veterans."



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CLUB NEWS

Chapter AA, PEO met at the home of Bev Kohfeld on June 11, for a delicious morning brunch. Nancy Sebelius and Trudy Stockham served as co-hostesses.

Casual coffees will continue twice a month at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Guests are welcome.

A brief PEO Star Scholarship report was given. These \$2,500 scholarships are awarded to