

OBITUARIES

John William (Bill) Mathes, Jr.

Dec. 31, 1926 - May 11, 2014

Long time businessman and cattleman, John William (Bill) Mathes, Jr. passed away on Sunday, May 11, 2014, at the age 87. Bill was born Dec. 31, 1926, in Norton, in the back room of the Scott Brantley Funeral Home (currently Enfield Funeral Home) where his father worked as a caretaker. He was the oldest of six children born to John W. Mathes and Margaret (Ford) Mathes. Bill grew to manhood on the family farm southeast of Clayton, and enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1943, at the age of 17. Shortly thereafter, he was selected for advanced training in guerrilla warfare and sent to Japan on the USS General William Weigel. In Japan, Bill became part of the 77th Infantry Division, 11th Regiment, 306th Infantry Battalion. He soon attained the rank of First Sergeant.

After his discharge, Bill married Rosemary L. McClelland on July 10, 1948. Bill and Rose-

mary owned several grocery stores in Norton, and purchased the Norton Ice and Locker, and the Slaughtering facility in 1961. It was during this time period that Bill was also a wholesale dealer for the Wald Fireworks Co. In 1978, they purchased the 'Root Beer Drive Inn.' He was also an agent for the Mutual of New York Life Insurance Company and the Jackson National Life Insurance Company for several years. While tending to his other businesses, he operated his feed lot for over 50 years, which was his passion. At one time or another his pens were home to cattle, Shetland ponies, hogs, goats, sheep, rabbits, and numerous species of fowl.

Throughout his life, Bill was devoted to his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He was a member of the Norton Christian Church, was an Elder for many years, and served as a Sunday school teacher for over 50 years.

Bill is survived by his wife

Rosemary; two daughters, Marilyn (Gary) Ochsner of South Fork, Colo.; and Susan (Floyd) Smith of Overland Park; a son, Steve (Janet) Mathes of Norton; three grandchildren, Nathan Mathes, Phillipsburg; Amanda (JP) Bockes, Lee's Summit, Mo.; and Megan (Mike) Volo, Gardner; and four great-grandchildren, Breanna Volo, Kolby, Kaleb, and Paige Bockes; two sisters and two brothers.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, and one brother-in-law.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton. Burial will follow at the Norton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Norton County Health Department.

Condolences may be sent to www.enfieldfh.com.

Arrangements are by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

There will be no visitation.

Gladys 'Lorraine' Long

April 9, 1919 - May 6, 2014

Gladys "Lorraine" Long was born April 9, 1919, in Norton County, to William and Ora (Regester) Gillette. She passed away Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at Via Christi Village in Hays, at the age of 95.

Lorraine and her two sisters were raised on the family farm in Almelo Township in southwest Norton County. She attended St. Joseph Grade School in New Almelo.

On Aug. 2, 1939, Lorraine was united in marriage to Marion F. Long at St. Joseph Catholic Church in New Almelo. They made their home on a farm near New Almelo all of their married life and were blessed with 15 children.

Lorraine was a very loving wife, mother and grandmother who enjoyed making a home for her family while they were growing up and spending time with them after they had grown up and had families of their own. Her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were such a joy and blessing to her.

After raising her family, Lorraine served as the postmaster

in New Almelo for 15 years and worked at the local grocery store for ten years. She was a woman of faith, was a lifetime member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and member of St. Ann's Sodality in New Almelo. In addition, she belonged to the Eagles Auxiliary in Norton and Senior Center in Lenora, for which she served as a board member.

Lorraine was preceded in death by her husband, Marion; parents, William and Ora; infant son, Lawrence Joseph Long; daughter, Imogene McDougal; and two sisters, Amanda Hickert and Millie Hahn.

She is survived by nine sons and their spouses, Kenneth and Dorothy Long of Nixa, Mo., Roger and JoAnn Long of New Almelo, Joseph and Rose Ann Long of Climax Springs, Mo., Tom and Jan Long of Woodruff, Floyd and Karen Long of Kimball, Neb., Frank and Leticia Long of St. Elizabeth, Mo., Fred and Mardie Long of Independence, Gary and Carolyn Long of Hill City, and Lenord and Joan Long of Logan; four daughters and their husbands,

Rita and Bill Barker of Hays, Rhonda and Dennis Johnson of Lindsborg, Irene Schieferecke of McPherson, and Geraldine and Mark Baalman of Grinnell; a son-in-law, Doyle McDougal of North Platte, Neb.; 36 grandchildren and 70 great-grandchildren; several nephews and nieces, other relatives and friends.

A Vigil Service was held Friday, May 9, at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church parish hall in New Almelo.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, May 10, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church in New Almelo with Father Vincent Thu Laing officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Memorial funds were established in Lorraine's memory to the Hospice at Hays Medical Center and Via Christi Village and Healthcare Center.

Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin and Selden, was in charge of arrangements. www.paulsfh.com.

Preschoolers visit Andbe Home



The students at Rosalie McMullen's Good Beginnings Preschool made their last visit of the year to the residents at the Andbe Home on Tuesday. The preschoolers sang songs for the residents, made little french blueberry pies and planted a small garden.

—Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

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.

May 1

April 17-Lynn Duane Abbott, Goodland; Charge: Speeding 73 in 55; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$189.

Nov. 23- Joshua Evan Bock, Aurora, Colo.; Charge: Speed-

ing 78 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$183.

March 31-Lisa M. Draper-Benus, Maysville, Mo.; Charge: Speeding 69 in 55; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$165.

April 21-Jessica L. Durante, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Charge: Speeding 75 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$141.

April 16-Dale Devere Hancock, Centennial, Colo.; Charge: Speeding 75 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$141.

April 29-Daniel Leo Harnett, Dakota Dunes, S.D.; Charge:

Speeding 76 in 65; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$147.

Oct. 20-Lynn A. Harper, Norton; Charge: Improper driving on laned roadway; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$1,071.

Oct. 20-Lynn A. Harper, Norton; Charge: Refusal to submit a preliminary breath or saliva test; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$0.

Oct. 20-Lynn A. Harper, Norton; Charge: Driving under the influence; 1st conviction; Found: Guilty; Fine: \$0.

CLUB NEWS

By Beverly Kindler

The General Federation of Women's Clubs of Kansas held their annual convention in Wichita, May 2-3. Margaret Thomas and Beverly Kindler were delegates from GFWC Mid-Century to attend the convention.

In addition to the general business meeting there were reports from District Presidents, a Rosemary Hour Service and the presentation of awards by the state chairman.

Marian St. Clair, GFWC International Secretary, was the guest speaker. Her topic was, "Living the Volunteer Spirit." In her presentation she said that during the past year club women had contributed 45,000 volunteer hours in their local communities; had donated \$66,000 to projects and provided \$10,000 through in-kind donations. GFWC has projects and programs in arts, conservation education, international outreach,

home life, public issues and the signature project - domestic violence awareness. Marian also noted that the Women's History Resource Center was observing its 30th anniversary. She encouraged club members to keep up-to-date by reading News and Notes weekly on the web site.

Election of officers for the next two-year terms was held. Sabra Clarke, Ness City, was elected the new president.

GFWC Mid-Century received certificates for outstanding programs and/or projects in membership, conservation, creative writing, ESO and their yearly program book received a blue

ribbon.

Three members had stitchery exhibits in the arts and crafts display. Doris Johnston's entry was hardanger embroidery on which she received a "Best of Show" ribbon." Lynn Nelson received a red ribbon on the knitted scarf she entered. Beverly Kindler received blue ribbons on the quilted table topper and the quilted wall hanging she entered.

Members of GFWC Mid-Century will conclude this club year by attending the Norton Community High School Exhibit Night and Band Concert on Tuesday night.

Kansas permits recognized in two more states

Two more states have agreed to recognize Kansas concealed carry licenses, Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said Thursday.

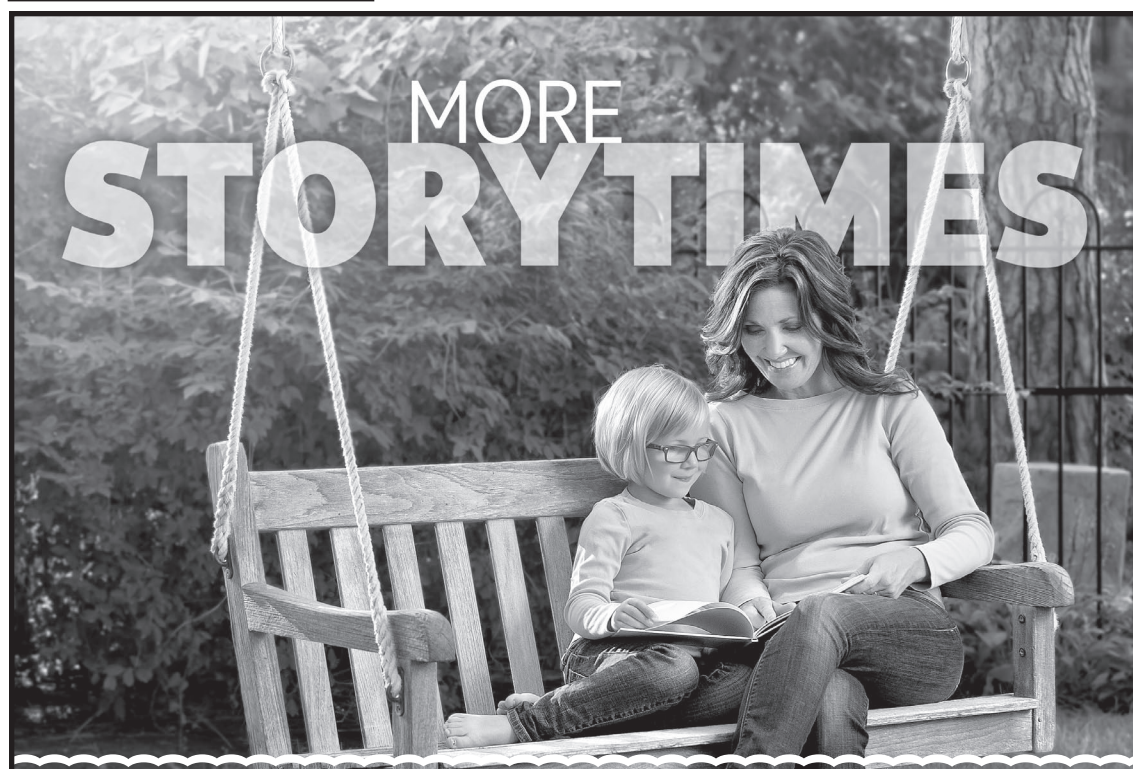
The states of Virginia and Washington have each notified the Kansas Attorney General's office that Kansas-issued permits are now recognized in their respective states. This brings the number of states where Kansas licenses are recognized to 36, up from 24 at the start of 2011.

A law passed last year by the Kansas Legislature, recommended by Attorney General Schmidt, allows all valid out-of-state permits to be recognized in Kansas when the non-resident permit holder is traveling temporarily in Kansas. As a result of this law, many states that require their permits to be recognized in Kansas before reciprocally recognizing Kansas permits have now done so.

A complete list of states that recognized the Kansas concealed carry license is available on the Attorney General's website at www.ag.ks.gov.

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