### OBITUARIES Marcelle Melody Allen Jan. 18, 1925 - July 27, 2014

Marcelle Melody Allen, daughter of Roy and Mildred (Power) Strickland, was born Jan. 18, 1925, in Kirwin, and passed away at the Norton County Hospital in Norton, on July 27, 2014 at the age of 89.

Marcelle was a graduate of Lenora Rural High School, Lenora, in 1945. She married her high school sweetheart Joe H. Allen on June 15, 1942. They made their home in Zarah, Kan. and Trinidad, Colo. before moving into their current family home in Norton in 1952.

Marcelle was a stay at home "Mom" until 1970. She worked as Executive Housekeeper for the Norton County Hospital for over 30 years, retiring as the Director of Environmental Services.

Marcelle was a member of the United Methodist Church of Norton, a life Member of the American Legion Auxiliary serving in all offices in the Harmonson Redd Post # 63 and as Kansas 6th District President. She was a life member of the Disabled Veterans of America and of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was active in the Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts of America.

Marcelle will be remembered for the love of her family and the enjoyment she received in being with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, daughter Sharon Smith (Hatfield), grandson Chris Hatfield, her parents and 9 siblings. Survivors include five chil-

dren: John Allen and his wife Anna of Leawood, Kan., Joseph and his wife Linda of St. Louis, Mo., Nancy and her husband Russell of Golden, Colo., Jean Johnson of Norton, Jane Gilman and her husband Keith of Hays, and son-in-law P.D. Hatfield of Greeley, Colo.; 12 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral Services for Marcelle will be held on Wednesday, July 30 at 10 a.m. at the Enfield Funeral Home in Norton. Interment will follow at the South Cemetery in Lenora.

Friends may call at the Enfield Funeral Home on Tuesday, from 5 - 7 p.m.

Memorial Contributions are suggested to the American Legion Auxiliary Harmonson Redd Post # 63 and The Daughters of the American Revolution Courtney-Spalding Chapter, Havs. Kan.

The Enfield Funeral Home in Norton is in charge of the arrangements.

## Mutton Bustin'



The Equine Center at Elmwood Park was the place to be Friday night for the Mc-Clain's Mutton Busting. (Pictured) Clayton Esslinger was hard at work making sure the kids had fun and didn't get hurt. A large crowd was on hand as over 30 youngsters participated in the event.

-Telegram photo by Mike Stephens

# **Cooking class for kids**

We're looking for 3 rd - 5th grade kids (8 - 12) to join in the fun this summer and participate in an absolutely free activity called "Breakfast - 101." Classes will be conducted to teach kids how to prepare their own simple breakfasts. The classes will be held at the Norton County 4-H Building on Monday through Friday from August 11 - 15. That's five days when youth will have the opportunity to come together, prepare some simple breakfast foods, learn a little about nutrition and basic food preparation skills, play some games, have fun, and best of all, eat the breakfast foods that they prepare. Classes will run from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. depending on the complexity of the foods prepared.

We are also looking for three teens or adults fourteen and older to help as small group leaders



who will work with four of the younger youth. There will be an adult leader present to lead the educational sessions.

Because of the cost of purchasing food and other supplies, it is vitally important that participants and teen leaders make the commitment to attend all five days.

If you are interested in participating in this one-of-a-kind summer opportunity, please contact the Twin Creeks Extension District Office at 785-877-5755 or e-mail twwatts@ksu.

edu. Ask for a registration form to participate as a youth or request an application to become a group assistant. Participant registration and application forms must be completed and returned to the Twin Creeks Extension District Office in Norton (107 S State Street) no later than Wednesday, August 6. If you wish to be a youth assistant, your application is also due August 6 to the same location.

Priority will be given to those who have not attended previous sessions. Act now as some are already signed up because of large numbers in the first session this summer.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Tranda Watts, Multi-County Extension Specialist - Food, Nutrition, Health and Safety at twwatts@ ksu.edu or call 785-443-3663.

## Poster contest begins for kids

All Kansas kids ages 5 to 13 are encouraged to enter artwork in the 13th annual poster contest for Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day - a nationwide effort to increase roadway safety and reduce traffic fatalities.

Three statewide winners will receive family packages at the Great Wolf Lodge in Kansas City and also \$50 gift cards from Dillon's of Kansas.

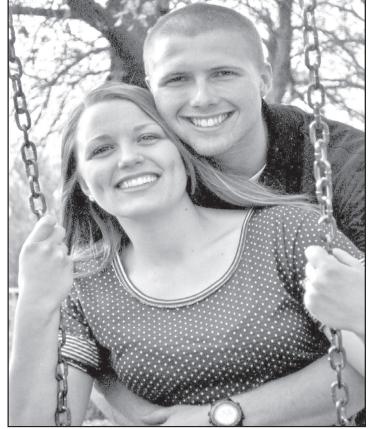
A total of 18 regional winners in the six regions and age groups (ages 5-7, ages 8-10 and ages 11-13) will each receive a bicycle and a helmet donated by Safe Kids Kansas.

All entries must be postmarked by September 19, and should be mailed to: AAA Kansas, Public Affairs, 3545 SW 6th Street, Topeka, KS, 66606. On the back of the 8 1/2 by 11-inch

paper entry must be the child's full name; age at time of entry; mailing address; county; a parents' name; and contact phone number. Numerous transportation safety organizations in Kansas sponsor the contest.

For more information, go to Kansas Department of Transportation's website at www.ksdot.org.





of Norton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Lea Ann Delimont, to Zachary August Peterson, son of Martin and Laura Peterson of McPherson, Kan.

The couple met while Hutchinson attending Community College, in Hutchinson, Kan.

The future bride recently received a Bachelor of Science degree in Park Management Conservation from and Kansas State University and is currently working in the McPherson area. The future groom received an Associate of Fire Science degree in 2012 from Hutchinson Community College. He is now employed with the McPherson Fire Department.

An October 2014 wedding is planned for the happy couple to take place at the Norton Christian Church in Norton.

United States Department of Agriculture and Farm Service Agency Administrator, Juan Garcia, reminds farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers that Aug. 1, 2014, is the deadline for local Farm Service Agency county committee nominations.

County committees are an important link between the farm community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Farmers and ranchers elected to local committees share their opinions and ideas on federal farm programs.

"There's still time for eligible farmers and ranchers to get involved in this year's county committee elections," said Garcia. "Nominate yourself or a candidate of your choice to serve on the local county committee. I especially encourage the nomination of beginning farmers and ranchers, as well as

women and minorities. This is your opportunity to have a say in how federal programs are delivered in your county."

While Farm Service Agency county committees do not approve or deny farm ownership or operating loans, they work closely with county executive directors and make decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs and other agricultural issues.

Members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are about 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on Farm Service Agency county committees. Committees consist of three to 11 members that are elected by eligible producers.

To be eligible to serve on an Farm Service Agency county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a pro-

gram administered by Farm Service Agency, be eligible to vote in a county committee election and reside in the local administrative area where the person is nominated.

To become a candidate, an eligible individual must sign the nomination form, Farm Service Agency-669A. The form and other information about Farm Service Agency county committee elections are available at www.fsa.usda.gov/elections. Forms for the 2014 election must be postmarked or received in the local U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center by close of business on Aug. 1. Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 3 and are due back to the local U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Centers on Dec. 1. The newly elected county committee members will take office on Jan. 1, 2015.

