

Couple weds in a fall wedding

Amanda Dawn Dvorak and Blake Richard Matzke were united in marriage at North Oak Community Church in Hays the afternoon of Sept. 8, 2007. The double-ring ceremony was officiated by Pastor John Wicker.

Parents of the bride are Jerry and Rhonda Bunch of Ellsworth. Grandparents of the bride are the late Kenneth and Mildred Smith.

Parents of the groom are Richard and Mary Matzke of Ellis. Grandparents of the groom are Emily Matzke of Lexington, Neb., and the late Reverend Dick Matzke; Rex and Gwen Shaver of Wray, Colo.; and the late Patsy Shaver.

Arrangements on the altar were yellow and white roses and white lilies. There were two angel wing candelabras which were wrapped in black tulle.

Every other pew had a small bouquet of yellow roses with black ribbon.

(The altar was glowing while the congregation seating was darkened to create a romantic ambiance.)

"How Great Thou Art" was sung by Mark Carlton, uncle of the groom, at the beginning of the ceremony while the candle lighters lit the candelabras and the parents were being seated.

"Fairest Lord Jesus" was played during the processional of attendants. During the key change the bride was escorted down the aisle.

"Power of Your Love" was played during the lighting of the unity candle. "Give Thanks" was played during the recessional.

The bride was given in marriage by Jerry Bunch.

Flowers included a cascading bouquet of yellow and white roses, white lilies and greenery with white ribbon and pearl strands weaved throughout.

The bride wore a pure white A-line gown with a V-neck in the front and in the back. The entire bodice was covered with sequins, pearls and diamonds. The bodice itself came to a point in the front as well as in the back. A chapel-length train was embellished with pearls starting at the waist and tapering down the train.

Two veils were worn. One a chapel length scattered with pearls. The other was a finger-tip

veil with pearls embellishing the bottom and tapering upward. A tiara of crystals was worn in the bride's hair. Tear-drop diamond earrings and a butterfly inspired diamond necklace were worn to add to the glitter of the dress.

Ashley Matson was the maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Shelley Ritter, Terri Magee and Wendy Geschwentner, a sister of the groom. They wore two-piece black-satin gowns with floor-length skirts and V-neck halter tops. Sparkling black sequins and jewels covered the front of the bodice. They carried arrangements of yellow and white roses and white lilies.

Casey Windler was the best man. Groomsmen were Luke Karlin, Todd Walker and Heath Dvorak, a brother of the bride.

The men wore single-breasted black pin-strip tuxes with a solid black vest and a patterned tie. They had a single yellow rose in their lapels.

Ushers were Todd Smith, uncle of the bride, and Stan Faulkender, uncle of the groom.

Hayden Dvorak, nephew of the bride and Noah Gerschwentner, nephew of the groom were ring bearers.

Moriah Geschwentner, niece of the groom, was the flower girl.

Guest book attendants and candle lighters were Kirstyn Dvorak and Kayla Dvorak, nieces of the bride.

Sherry Faulkender, aunt of the groom, was the videographer and Todd Smith, uncle of the bride, was the florist.

The pianist was Ken Holle.

As the bride and groom were ushered out after the ceremony a shower of bubbles awaited them. A midnight blue limousine escorted the wedding party to the reception.

The reception was held at the Fox Pavilion in Hays. The area was decorated with white linen table cloths and napkins covering every table. There were white china and crystal goblets, yellow rose petals and clear crystals scattered on the tables. Mirrors with a candle arrangement were on every table. Icicle lights illuminated the reception.

The server was Pam Burgardt. The wedding cake was a five-tiered round white and spice



Mr. and Mrs. Matzke

cake, with white frosting with ivy dripping down the sides of each tier and a cascading flower arrangement of yellow roses and white lilies.

The dinner menu was honey pecan chicken, beef tips, twice-baked potatoes, corn, green beans, white and wheat rolls.

A slide show of the couple was played throughout dinner. The pictures ranged from when they were growing up to pictures they had taken together.

A disk jockey provided the music.

The couple went on a two-week eastern and western Caribbean cruise which included stops at Fort Lauderdale, St. Marten, St. Thomas, Jamaica, Grand Cayman Island, Princess Cays and Cozumel.

The couple is at home in Ellis.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree in speech-language pathology from Fort Hays State University and works at Hays Medical Center in the Imaging Department. She will be seeking a master's degree at the university in the fall of 2008.

The groom received a degree from Topeka Technical College and is working at Hays Medical Center in the Information Technology Department as a network analyst.

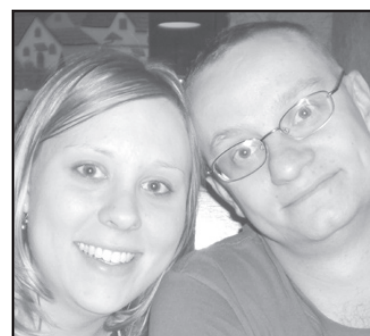
Couple plans fall wedding in 2009

Heidi Rohweder and Tim Gohl plan to wed in the fall of 2009 after the groom returns from active duty in Kosovo.

Parents of the couple are Dick and Michele Rohweder and Deb Gohl and DeLynn Gohl.

The bride-elect is employed as a registered nurse at Hays Medical Center, Hays, while the prospective bridegroom is an electronics technician at General Electric in Grain Valley, Mo.

Tim is currently deployed



Rohweder-Gohl

with the 3175th Military Police Company of the Missouri National Guard.

Club Clips

Lawn Ridge 4-H Club

February

The Lawn Ridge 4-H Club met on Feb. 2 at the Equity meeting room. Acting president Taylor Archibald called the meeting to order. Daniele Schmid led the flag salute. Caitlin Northrup led the club in singing "Home on the Range."

Roll call was answered by "What is your favorite Disney movie?" Dale Northrup reported on the 4-H Council and Junior Leaders. Penny Archibald gave the leaders' report and the Quilt Raffle Committee report.

There was no program. Announcements were read. Bailey Merklin led the 4-H Pledge.

The Culwell family served refreshments. The club then practiced for model meeting.

Valerie Wurm, club reporter

March

The meeting of the Lawn Ridge 4-H Club was held March 10 at the clubhouse. Tristian Archer led the flag salute. Kattie Ford and Ally Northrup led the club singing "If your happy and you know it." Roll call was answered by "your favorite basketball team."

A communication was read from the St. Francis Fire Department. Kattie reported that the 4-H Council is looking for a food stand coordinator and that everyone was encouraged to take part in the photography contest.

Penny Archibald asked every

family to bring a finger food to the County 4-H Day on Friday for the hospitality table.

Ericka Wieck reported on the Relay for Life.

There was no old or new business.

Heidi Yonkey gave a talk on safety tips in the water. Valerie Wurm gave a demonstration on Thread eggs and Tristian gave a demonstration on how to make paper airplanes.

Recreation was flying the airplanes that were just made. Gaten Cooper read the announcements. Kattie led the club in the 4-H Pledge. The Wurm family served refreshments.

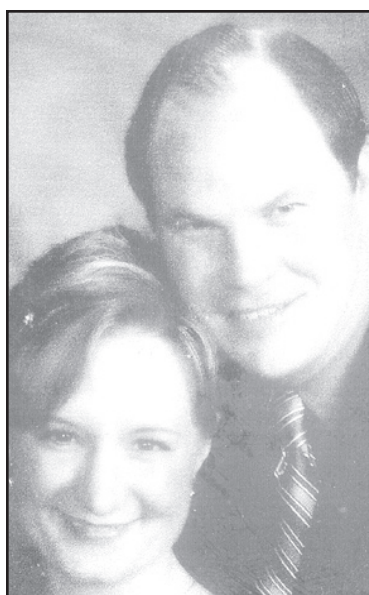
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Recent visitors of LaVera Beringer include Sylvia Queen, Art Knodel, Pastor Chris Farmer, Darlene Merklin, her aunt, Leila Hilt, Reuben Hilt of Seattle, Wash.; John and Elaine Kite, Victor Zwegardt and Kim Queen.

Debbie Grizzel of Macksville was a guest of he parents, Milton and Betty Lampe, from Saturday, March 15 to Thursday, March 20.

On Tuesday evening, Betty's birthday was celebrated. Guests, besides Debbie were Elmer and Dorothy Kellner. Cake and ice cream were served.



Kerwin - Weeden

Wedding planned

Holly Kerwin and Jeff Weeden will marry on July 12.

Parents are Dave and Fran Rigert of Rapid City, S.D., and Gaylen and Dorothy Weeden of St. Francis.

Holly graduated from Rapid City Central High School in 1994, and College America in 2003. She is an artist and school bus driver.

Jeff graduated from St. Francis Community High School in 1986, Colby Community College in 1988, and attended Kansas State University from 1988 to 1990. He is a motor coach operator for Arrow Bus Lines.

Village receives grant for upright freezer

The Good Samaritan Society—St. Francis Village applied to Midwest Energy for a grant during its previous grant cycle. The Village sought funds for an upright freezer for the dietary department, and on March 18, received \$300.

Midwest Energy is known for its generosity through its community fund, administered by Kay Unruh,

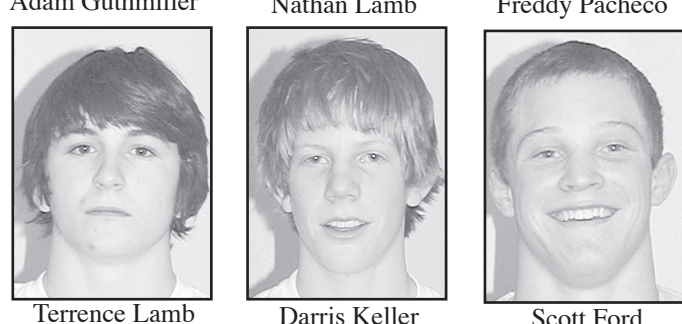
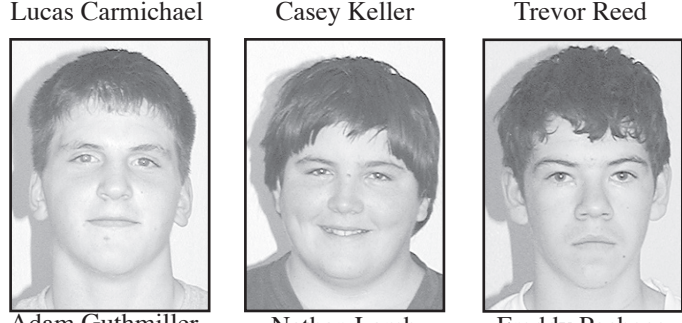
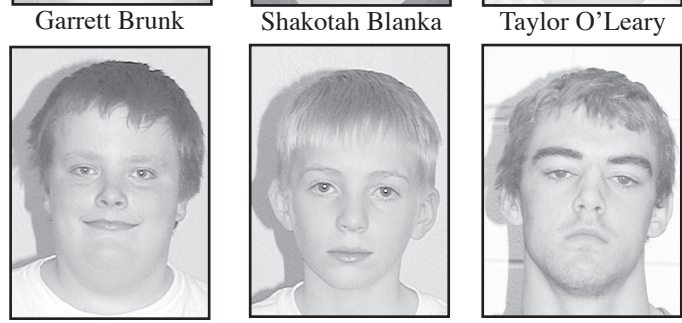
rates and services representative. By coincidence, the Village received another \$250 for the freezer from a local donor, making it possible for the Village to purchase the freezer. It was purchased locally from Lampe Hardware and has been delivered.

"Cool stuff!!!" said Carol Redding, resource development coordinator.

NOTICE

People planning to have a controlled burn are asked to call 785-332-8880. Do not call 911.

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