

Student News

Kansas University

Taylor D. Leibbrandt, a Cheylin graduate, and Sara B. Miller, a St. Francis Community High School graduate, are among 6,500 Kansas University students, who received privately funded scholarship support this year at Kansas University.

Virtually all scholarships, fellowships and awards at the university come from private contributions to the university's Endowment. Though Kansas University Endowment raises support for scholarships and other student aid, the

university determines the distribution of available support.

Leibbrandt, the son of Sarah Clogston and Douglas Leibbrandt, a pre-law freshman, received the Christina M. Hixson Opportunity Award.

Miller, the daughter of Terry and Mary Beth Miller, a pre-business freshman, received the Non-traditional Undergraduate Student Scholarship and the Dr. Robert Ord Christian Memorial Scholarship.

Obituary

Sheridan R. Magnani Jan. 5, 1933 - Dec. 15, 2008

Sheridan R. Magnani, died Monday, Dec. 15, 2008, at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Neb., at the age of 75.

He was born on Jan. 5, 1933, to Sheridan "Ray" and Anna (Pettit) Magnani, in Cheyenne County, Kan., near the farm where he grew up and spent most of his life. Sheridan attended elementary school in a small country school near his home. He attended and graduated from Benkelman High School in 1951.

On May 10, 1963, he was united in marriage to his wife, MaryAnn Kahler at the Lutheran Church in Curtis, Neb. Sheridan and MaryAnn made their home on their family farm in Cheyenne County in northwest Kansas where they raised their family.

Sheridan took pride in farming the land that his father farmed before him. He and MaryAnn raised Hampshire pigs for the first several years of their marriage which he enjoyed. Even after the decision was made to get out of the hog business and concentrate on alfalfa and cattle, Sheridan continued to have a soft spot for pigs.

Sheridan was an accomplished welder and mechanic; skills that helped keep machinery running on his farm and many of the neighbors as well. He was also an excellent electrician, plumber and carpenter.

He supplemented the family income by driving a school bus for the Cheylin School district and then for Dundy County. When he retired from farming, he also helped numerous people with harvest. He ran grain carts in the fields, but especially enjoyed running the trunks.

Sheridan and MaryAnn opened a fireworks stand over 40 years ago. Sheridan liked knowing that

he was selling fireworks to at least three generations of people. He enjoyed hearing people tell him that they came to the stand as children even while their own children picked out fireworks.

After retirement, Sheridan also had the opportunity to travel. He and MaryAnn spent time in Texas with family as well as in California. They took two very memorable trips with their grandchildren during this time as well.

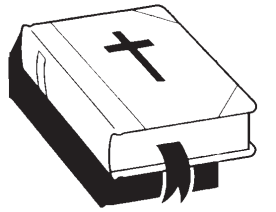
Sheridan was a life-time member of the Good Sam Club, a camping club, he and MaryAnn joined right after they bought their first camper.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Ray and Anna Magnani; his beloved wife, Maryann; an infant son; a granddaughter and his brothers and sisters.

He is survived by his sons, Jim Magnani and wife, June, of rural Benkelman, Ray Magnani and wife, Carrie of Bird City; daughters, Dixie Slade of Fort Morgan, Colo.; Schelly Magnani of Bird City and Evonne Emig of Benkelman; 12 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and numerous other relatives and friends.

A memorial service to honor his life was held on Dec. 20, at Forch Funeral Chapel in Benkelman, with Reverend Sean Redmond officiating. Services were concluded at the chapel. The family will gather for a private inurnment at a later time.

A memorial has been established in his name.



JUMP BALL— Sam Sowers(54) attempts to tip the ball to one of his teammates. Those waiting for the ball are Jacob Riedel (24), Trent Kinen (12) and Trent Raile (23)

Boys play basketball game at home

*By Betty Jean Winston
betty.w@nwkansans.com*

St. Francis had their first home basketball game on Tuesday, Dec. 16, and it was also the beginning of Northwest Kansas League competition. Colby played a strong fourth quarter and took the 61-38 victory.

The Decatur Community/Oberlin Red Devils visited St. Francis on Friday night for the final pre-holiday action of the season. This was also a league game with Oberlin taking a 51-26 victory.

It is now time for the teams to have a break from the rush of practices and games. They will resume practice on Monday, Dec. 29, and have their first January competition on Tuesday, Jan. 6 at Rexford, playing Golden Plains.

St. Francis goes into the break with a 2-4 record. They defeated Brewster and Stratton to place second in the Sagebrush tournament, lost the opening game of the season to Dundy County, lost the final game of the Sagebrush tournament to Rawlins County and this past week were defeated by Colby and Oberlin.

Colby 61, St. Francis 38
Trent Kinen with 15 points and Matt Raile with 10 points led the scoring for the Indians in the Colby game. Kinen had three three-pointers and three other field goals while M. Raile had two threes and two twos.

The team had 43 field goal attempts and connected on 14 of them. At the line they were 4-of-5 with Trent Raile and Jacob Riedel each being 2-of-2.

"The loss to Colby will haunt me for awhile," Coach Jeff Beims said. "We had them right where we wanted them through the first half of the third quarter. Defen-

sively I thought we really turned a corner, and we really controlled the defensive boards for most of the game.

"In order to beat good teams though, we have to turn in 32 full minutes, and our offense went stagnant at the end of the third quarter into the fourth. At the same time Colby determined to pound it in to their big guy and we really had no answer. We went to a zone, and they started raining threes on us. They turned up the defensive intensity, and we didn't answer the bell."

Colby outscored St. Francis 18 to 6 in the fourth quarter.

"Having said all that, I am really pleased with the boys' effort. They came out and concentrated on the defensive side of the game, and rebounding, and hopefully they got a glimpse of how good they can be when they commit to that side of the ball. Offensively we can improve, but a lot of our issues there have to do with confidence."

Sam Sowers contributed two blocks during the contest and the team had a total of 21 rebounds, all but five of them defensive. Leading in boards was Kinen with five.

SF 6 15 11 6 38
C 13 14 16 18 61

Scoring: Kinen 15, M Raile 10, T. Raile 6, Riedel 2, Ethan Zweygardt 2, Sowers 2.

Rebounding: Kinen 6, M. Raile 5, Riedel 3, Sowers 3, Drew Zweygardt 2, T. Raile 2.

Decatur Community 51 St. Francis 26

"Quite bluntly, I was embarrassed by the thumping Oberlin handed us Friday, and I hope our boys feel the same," Coach Beims said. "We defended pretty well through most of the game, but our

issues, I believe are much deeper than X's and O's. It comes from a general lack of understanding of the game.

"One might think that scoring only 26 points in a varsity game is a product of great defense or poor offense. To some extent each of those may be true, but when executing any offense, players have to understand the little things, like how and when to make a pass, how to get open off a screen, how to protect the ball from defenders, and how to score when the opportunity presents itself.

"Those skills are not learned only in practice. They are learned by playing the game, not just on Friday nights, but when they're in fourth grade, in the summer, over Christmas break, when they're supposed to be doing the dishes. My point is, in order to turn St. Francis basketball around, and turn it into a successful program, I need help.

"I intend to help facilitate a love of this great game however I can, and we continually work on fundamentals in practice, but honestly if the first time a young man plays the game is in seventh grade, it will be tough to shape that young man into a star basketball player.

"So moms and dads, when your son or daughter is complaining of nothing to do, toss them a ball and tell them to call their buddies and get a game up down at the courts. Basketball is a great game that kids can enjoy well into adulthood, but

they have to have a passion for it. By the way, are you looking for a last minute stocking stuffer for your little "Michael Beasley?" How about a Nerf hoop? Merry Christmas."

Two varsity players missed the Friday competition with Oberlin due to illness. Senior M. Raile and junior Drew Zweygardt were unavailable for action.

Kinen scored 15 points against the Red Devils. He hit two three-pointers, two additional field goals and was 5-of-8 from the free-throw line.

T. Raile was 4-of-6 from the line for the best free throw percentage.

The team had one assist by Fig-gins; three blocks, two by Sowers and one by Alex Long.

T. Raile and Long each had two steals in the game but the team had a total of 15 turnovers.

Kinen with nine, Sowers with eight and T. Raile with seven, were the leading rebounders for the Indians.

SF 5 10 5 6 26
DC 6 18 10 15 21

Scoring: Kinen 14, T. Raile 4, Sowers 4, E. Zweygardt 2, Fig-gins 1.

Rebounding: Kinen 9, Sowers 8, T. Raile 8, Long 2, E. Zweygardt 2, Fig-gins 1.

C-team game scheduled

There will be a C-team boys basketball game at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 30, in Oberlin. This is an opportunity to give some court time to some younger players.

The Saint Francis Herald and The Bird City Times Will be CLOSED
At Noon on Wed., Dec. 24
All Day on: Thurs., Dec. 25 & Fri., Dec. 26
Close at noon on Wed., Dec. 31 All Day on: Thurs., Jan. 1 & Fri., Jan. 2

ATTENTION TRUCKERS
— WE OFFER —
Mono Line Physical Damage and Bobtail
ALSO A FULL COMPLEMENT OF TRUCKING COVERAGE
Ask for Jeremie at Bridges Group
785-877-4016

BUSINESS CARD DIRECTORY
To list your business drop us a card!
Call 785-332-3162 today.

DISH Network
Sunflower Satellite Sales and Repairs
Randy Lee
Goodland, KS 67735
785-728-7103

DISH Network upgrades, new installs, receiver and TV add-ons, new home cable work for TV's. Satellite systems for homes, trucks, and RV's.
* Get your local channels with a converter box. Only \$50!

Bison Rx compounding & Therapy
James E. Hampton, RPh, PCCA Member
416 State Street, Suite A
Atwood, Kansas 67730
(785) 626-3237
(800) 696-3214
Bison Rxcompounding@atwoodtv.net

Ken Johnson Computer and Network Service

785-734-7075

<http://biz.kennethmjohnson.net>

Western Auction & Real Estate, LLC

GARY L. WICKWAR
KANSAS SALES AGENT
W. Hwy. 36 - P.O. Box 928 - St. Francis, KS 67756
785.332.8990 office - 785.728.7049 cell
785.332.8994 Home
BETTY L. PETERSEN, BROKER AND APPRAISER
www.westernauctionandreal estate.com
gcwickwar@att.net

Goodland Regional Medical Center
220 W. 2nd
Goodland, KS 67735
785-890-3625
"Your Access to Quality Healthcare"

JANUARY CONSULTANT SCHEDULE

ALLERGIST**	Jeffrey Rumblyrt, M.D.	Jan. 19
CARDIOLOGIST	Barry Smith, M.D.	Jan 14 & 28
CARDIOLOGIST	Vijay Subbarao M.D.	Jan. 8
CARDIOLOGIST**	Babar Ali, M.D.	Jan. 26
COUNSELING SERVICES		Thursdays by Appointment
DERMATOLOGIST	Charles Ruggles, M.D.	Jan. 8 & 29
DIETITIAN	Sarah Linton, RD, LD, CDE	Mon. - Fri.
EARS, NOSE, THROAT	Alfred N. Carr, M.D.	Jan. 9, 16 & 30
ENDOCRINOLOGIST	Gerald Poticha, M.D.	Jan. 9, 15, 16, 29 & 30
GASTROENTEROLOGIST	Jeffrey D. Huston, M.D.	Jan. 21 & 22
GENERAL SURGEON	David D. Beck, M.D.	Jan. 8 & 22
GENERAL SURGEON	Jeffrey Cross, M.D.	Jan. 15
GYNECOLOGY	Laura Rokosz, M.D.	Jan. 14 & 28
NEUROLOGIST	Steven J. Gulevich, M.D.	Jan. 7, 14 & 21
OBSTETRICS/GYNECOLOGY	David Forschner, M.D.	Jan. 21
ONCOLOGY	Gary Doolittle, M.D.	Jan. 9, 16, 23 & 30
ONCOLOGY/HEMATOLOGY	Martin Rubinowitz, M.D.	Jan. 6
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	Brian Joondeph, M.D.	Jan. 21
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	David Pfoff, M.D.	Jan. 12, 19 & 26
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	Ronald Wise, M.D.	Jan. 16
OPHTHALMOLOGIST**	Eric Fry, M.D.	Jan. 8
OPHTHALMOLOGIST**	William Clifford, M.D.	Jan. 9
ORTHOPEDIST	Tim Birney, M.D.	Jan. 12
ORTHOPEDIST	Armond Hatzidakis, M.D.	Jan. 5
ORTHOPEDIST	James Holmes, M.D.	Jan. 26
ORTHOPEDIST	Edward Parks, M.D.	Jan. 19
ORTHOPEDIST	Raj Bazaz, M.D.	Jan. 12
ORTHOPEDIST	Kevin Nagamani, M.D.	Jan. 8
ORTHOPEDIST	Gareth Shemesh, M.D.	Feb. 12 & 13
PATHOLOGIST	Pathology Services P.C.	Call for Availability
PODIATRIST	Erik Ouderkirk, D.P.M.	Jan. 14
PODIATRIST	Daniel Mallett, D.P.M.	Jan. 21
PULMONOLOGIST	Ken Weisiger, M.D.	Jan. 5 & 12
RADIOLOGISTS	Professional Radiology Services	WEEK DAYS
SPEECH THERAPY	Lisa Paxton CCC-SLP	Mon. - Thurs.
SUBSTANCE ABUSE DIR.	Fred Waters, CADC III	Mondays
UROLOGIST	Darrell D. Werth, M.D.	Jan. 6
UROLOGIST	Wallace Michael Curry M.D.	Feb. 10
UROLOGIST	Kevin McDonald M.D.	Jan. 20

**For an appointment with the Allergist please call 1-888-849-8424
**For an appointment with Dr. Ali please call 1-888-625-4699 select option 4
**For an appointment with Dr. Fry or Dr. Clifford please call 1-800-526-3937
Goodland Family Health Center, 106 Willow Road (785) 890-6075
Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m./Walk-in Clinic M-F 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
Dr. Mohedine Shafei (Out of office on Monday)
Dr. Travis Daise (Out of office on Wednesday)
Dr. David Younger (Out of office on Thursday)
Jackie Jorgensen, ARNP
Lindsay Taylor, PA