

## Bieker and Williby married

Jessica D. Bieker and Jason J. Williby were married Nov. 25, 2000, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Hays. Father Don Zimmerman officiated the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Duane and Phyllis Bieker, Hays, and Robert and Juanita Williby, Oberlin.

The bride was escorted by her father. Maid of honor was Katie Bollig. Bridal attendants were Brandy Kuhn, Melissa Vehige, Summer Niernberger and Julie Schmidt.

Best man was Galen Wildeman. Groomsmen were Heath Holopirek, Matt Bieker, Darren Fortin, and Cory Nagel.

Guests were seated by Derrick Tice, Chris Kitzke, Mitch Mayo, and Ryan Bourell. Candlelighters were Holly Wasinger and Jackie Leiker.

The bride graduated from Hays High School and attended Fort Hays State University. She is employed by Mission Med Vet, Kansas City.

The bridegroom graduated from Decatur Community High School in Oberlin and Fort Hays State Univer-



Mr. and Mrs. Jason J. Williby

sity. He is employed by The American Red Cross.

They are at home in Kansas City. They are planning a honeymoon to Orlando, Fla., and the Bahamas in April.

Family and friends who attended were Gerry and Theresa Tally and boys, Matt and Jenny Kasson and boys,

Doug Williby, Cami, Josh and Justin, Mayumi, Brett Dickinson, Darren Fortin and Erica Stanley, L' Marie Robertson, Darrell and Kay Jones, Oberlin; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Carswell, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hawkins, Rexford; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pauls, Danielle Sauvage and Kain, Selden, and Pat Williby, Colby.

## Holiday Bingo/Birthday Party scheduled for Friday

Several are still gone for their Christmas vacations, so things have been very quiet around Brewster this past week. There are some who have family visitors and are spending the time shopping or just visiting across their kitchen tables. And, there seem to be some who are battling sore throats, flu or stomach revolutions from too many Christmas treats. The **Holiday Bingo/**

### Deaths

#### Jesse J. Thompson

Jesse J. Thompson, 74, died Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2001, at Citizens Medical Center, Colby.

He was a truck driver, and the father of Barbara "Bobi" Brown of Colby. Other survivors include a son David Thompson of Saginaw, Texas, brother David Boyd of Florida, and sister, Mary Jo Livingston, Decatur, Ill.; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at Trinity Lutheran Church, Colby, Pastor Alvin Bruenger, Oakley, officiating. There will be no visitation. There was cremation.

Harrison Chapel, Colby, is in charge of arrangements.

#### Aldene Darlene Beringer

Aldene Darlene Beringer died of cancer Jan. 2, 2001, at Greeley, Colo. She was the mother of Mark Beringer of Colby.

Funeral services will be Friday at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Bethune with Pastor Wesley Dunbar officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery, Burlington, Colo. Visitation will be from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday at Love Funeral Home, Burlington.

Memorials may be left in Aldene's name at the Bank of Burlington and at Immanuel Lutheran Church Bethune, Colo. Love Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

#### Alvin L. Donn

Alvin L. Donn, 76, of Stuart, Fla., died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2000 at the Martin Memorial Medical Center, Stuart.

A native of Levant, he had been a resident of Stuart for three years, coming from Hialeah, Fla.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He was a flight engineer on a B24 and after having been shot down was an MIA/POW for 18 months and received the Purple Heart. Later, serving in the U.S. Air Force for 21 years, he was a Master Sergeant and the Crew Chief on a B52.

Mr. Donn was an avid Denver Broncos and NASCAR fan.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Frances Donn of Stuart; four sons, Michael R. "Mickey" Donn Sr. of Miami Lakes, Fla., Gary L. Donn and wife Catherine of Miramar, Fla., David A. Donn of Hialeah, Fla., and Kenneth Donn of Stuart; a daughter, Jacqueline McGuire and her husband Dennis of Stuart; two brothers, James E. Donn and John Donn, and two sisters, Erma Hein and Shirley Parnell and her husband Dick, all of Colby; and eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Forest Hills Funeral Home of Palm City, Fla., was in charge of arrangements. A Vigil Prayer Service was held in the funeral home chapel on Friday, Dec. 29, and a Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 30 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Stuart. Entombment followed in Forest Hills Memorial Park Mausoleum with full military honors.



Sally Michael

• Brewster Correspondent

**Birthday Party** will be on Friday, Jan. 5, so that we might have more around the table. We'll start the afternoon with a bowl of chili for our noon meal, and then begin the Bingo about 1:30. It's more fun to have several play, instead of just a few.

**The benefit soup supper for Rosa Garcia** was a great success. Organizers with to thank everyone for their help in donating food, time or money. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

The winter has been quite cold, especially the last couple of weeks. The last several years folks have been saying it hasn't gotten cold enough to kill the 'green bugs'. We've surely nipped their tails this year, and maybe some of the 'blue' and 'purple' critters, too.

### Hospital

**CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER**  
Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2001

#### Admissions

Alycia Medina, Colby  
Jessica Brenn, Colby  
Anna Sullivan, Brewster  
Eldine Neill, Colby  
Danton Morgan, Colby  
Irene Hayes, Colby

#### Dismissals

Alycia Medina, Colby

We spent the afternoon, today, Saturday, watching a video of the birth of Andrew, our grandson, in Salina, three weeks ago. There were also scenes of him in the hospital in Salina and in Wichita, which is where he still is. What a cutie, and I am impressed with that blonde hair I mentioned previously.

**Joyce and Willis Crabtree** hosted Christmas at their home this year. Those attending were **Jeff and Tanya Gray, Bryan and Jed, Shane and Bonnie Holmes** and family of Utica; and **Lionel and Carol Gray** of Missouri. Gifts were opened Christmas morning, and following dinner, there were

## Silver haired candidates wanted

The Kansas Association of Area Agencies on Aging and the Kansas Department on Aging announce elections of Kansas Silver Haired Legislature members to be held on Tuesday, March 20, at sites across Kansas. The deadline for filing as a candidate will be Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Any Kansan aged 60 and over who is a registered voter may file for candidacy. The term of office is two years and members may be re-elected for three successive terms.

The Kansas Silver Haired Legislature is a unicameral legislature composed of 125 representatives. All are over 60 and are elected from their county residence. The legislature provides an educational experience in the political process and provides an opportunity to identify priority concerns of Kansas senior citizens. The Legislature develops bills and resolutions that are presented to the Kansas Legislature and the Governor as recommendations for state policy.

## Annual meeting and election scheduled

The following activities have been scheduled at the Senior Progress Center for the week of Jan. 8-12. Inside walking is available whenever the center is open.

**Monday** - Cards at 1 p.m. (Any senior over 60 may join this afternoon activity; Pinochle is played almost every week day at 1 p.m.)

**Tuesday** - Low impact exercise class at 9:30 a.m.; Cards at 1 p.m.

**Wednesday** - Line dance class at 10 a.m.; Cards at 1 p.m.

**Thursday** - Low impact exercise class at 9:30 a.m.; Senior Bridge at 1 p.m.

**Friday** - Share-a-Memory/Coffee Time at 9:30 a.m. Bring any memorable item you would like to share.

Snooker, pool, puzzles and cards are available whenever the center is open... and the coffee pot is always on! Planning a party? The center may be rented to fit your individual need. Call Deb at 462-2901 for more information.

**Homestead Nutrition Jan. 8-12.**

**Monday** - Salmon patties, seasoned broccoli, parslid potatoes, bread, cottage cheese w/pineapple. **Tuesday** - Chicken and dressing casserole, mashed potatoes w/gravy, Italian blend vegetables, bread, apricots. **Wednesday** - Roast pork, coleslaw, sweet potatoes, bread, strawberry shortcake.



Lois Myers

• Correspondent

**Thursday** - Hamburger/mushroom/Stroganoff, noodles, green beans, stewed tomatoes, bread, jello w/Mandarin oranges and pineapple. **Friday** - Philly steak sandwich, bun, Au-gratin potatoes, peas, cherry cobbler. Meal reservations need to be made before noon, 24 hours in advance at 462-2901. Cancellations should be called in as soon as possible. Menu is subject to change.

#### Annual meeting and election

The annual meeting and election of board members for Senior Progress Center will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 16, at the center with David Belling, attorney for the Area Agency on Aging from Hays Legal Services, presiding. Ralph Jones and Mary Sonnenfeld, nominating committee members, have a slate

of nominees who have accepted nominations for three year terms on the board. They are: Merle Wolf, Maxine Jones, Glenn Hamme, Lenora Haney and Pat Hartford. (introduction below.) Nominations will also be accepted from the floor prior to the election. This is an important yearly meeting, and the annual report will be given. Voting is open to all seniors, 60 or older, who are participants in any Senior Progress Center activity. David Belling will have a special presentation at 11:30 a.m., on Jan. 16, on topics of interest to seniors.

**Pat Hartford** has lived in Colby for the past two and one half years, coming here from Stillwater, Okla.. She has a degree in nursing and was employed at Citizens Medical Center, prior to owning her own business, "Phase Enterprises" located at 315 N. Franklin, (next to Cellular One.) Pat's husband, Reed is minister at First Christian Church. A daughter Bethany attends Colby High School, and two sons reside in Oklahoma.

## Community Calendar

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 7

Postal rates go up  
Sunday Morning Alcoholics Anonymous, Ramada Inn, 9 a.m.  
Higher Ground, High School Youth Group, Berean Church, 6 p.m.  
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, Citizens Medical Center cafeteria, 8 p.m.

### MONDAY, JANUARY 8

Duplicate Bridge, airport, 1 p.m.  
Quit smoking support group, 775 E. College Drive, 1 p.m.  
Monday Afternoon Bridge, Meadowlark Manor, 1 p.m.  
Take Off Pounds Sensibly, United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.; weigh-in, 6-6:30 p.m.  
Rexford Lions, Rexford Cafe, 7 p.m. (2nd & 4th Mondays)  
High Plains Lions, Ramada Inn, 7 p.m.  
Colby Jaycees, East Highway 24, 7 p.m.  
Pride of the Prairie Orchestra practice, Colby Community College Band Room, Cultural Arts Center, 7:30-9 p.m.  
American Legion, 8 p.m.  
St. Thomas Lodge, 215 N. Franklin, 8 p.m.  
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, (smoking), City Hall Basement, 8:30 p.m.  
Al Anon, (nonsmoking), 1275 W. 6th, 8:30 p.m.

### Markets

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\*Wholesale natural gas prices are the national average price paid for gas in the wholesale market. In January 2000, the wholesale price of natural gas was approximately \$2.12 per MMBtu, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. For January 2001, the likely price of natural gas will be \$8.53 per MMBtu. This is the price of natural gas delivered in January of 2001, as listed on the New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX).

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**Colby Wesleyan Church**  
invites you to honor  
**DON & JAN FAIDLEY**  
January 7, 2001 • 10:40 a.m.

A covered dish dinner will follow at United Methodist Church at 12:30 p.m. Mark and Sandy Mueller, missionaries to Australia will be presenting the worship service.

The Faidleys will be moving to Kansas City soon and in honor of their service to our church and our community, we will present them with a scrapbook of memories. If you would like to contribute, you may design an 8 1/2" x 11 1/2" sheet and mail it to 320 W. Pine in Colby.

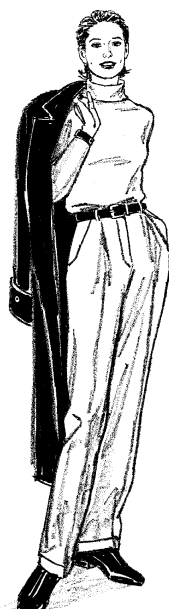
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