

Family

Death

Annie Mardelle Tjaden

Annie Mardelle (Harrington) Tjaden, 86, died Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003, in Clearwater. Mrs. Tjaden was a homemaker and retired from Home State Bank in Clearwater as an accountant.

Services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, at the First Baptist Church in Clearwater with Webb Mortuary handling arrangements. Visitation continues today until 8 p.m. at the mortuary.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald; sister, Rosalie Watt; brother, James Harrington; grandson, Joseph Tjaden and granddaughter, Kelli Tjaden-Dodson.

Survivors include three sons, Jake of Byers, Rick of Clearwater and Randy of Everett, Wash.; a daughter, Vicky Ann Waldschmidt of Colby; 9 grandchildren, 5 step-grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren.

Memorials have been established to benefit the Clearwater Ambulance Service, 129 E. Ross, Clearwater, Kan. 67026 and First Baptist Church, 306 E. Ross, Clearwater, Kan. 67026.

March filled with sporting events; legislators plan visit

Leilani Thomas

• On the Road Again

Dave Knudson and Bob Lewis addressed the class and answered questions in the Supreme Court.

Other activities included observing the House of Representatives and Senate in session, tour of the capitol, visiting the Kansas Museum of History and a behind the scenes tour of the Museum of Natural History being built at Rolling Hills Zoo.

This trip not only creates awareness of our state government at work and an opportunity to meet some of the officials, but a chance for interaction and dialogue with class participants from neighboring counties. Evaluations proclaimed the trip a success.

March brings the beginning of spring and many activities in our community. Rep. Morrison and Sen. Stan Clark will be in Colby Monday, March 3 at the Thomas County Office Complex at 10:30 a.m. to present a legislative update.

Colby College will host the first round of regional play for the Jayhawk Conference on March 5, at 7 p.m. at the Colby Community Building. A tailgate pre-game part will precede will be held at 5 p.m. in the basement of the Community Building.

Colby will host SubState 4-A Basketball March 6, 7, and 8 at the Community Building. The Annual Gun, Coin and Antique Show will be held March 8 and 9 at both the Armory and 4-H Building with the show opening at 9 a.m. each day.

Colby Kid's sub-state wrestling will be held at the Community Building on Saturday, March 15

and MAYB Spring Fling for grades 3-8 will be held on March 15 and 16. Games will be held at the College, High School, Elementary Gym and Brewster gyms. Sunday the NWKS All Star Basketball games will be held at the Community Building at 3 PM. CCC will be holding an Invitational Track Meet at Dennen Field on Saturday March 22.

The Home, Garden & Better Living Show will be held March 28-30 at the Community Building. This show is sponsored by the Chamber and produced by KXXX-KQLS. A pancake feed hosted by the Bluegrass Committee will be held at the Community Building beginning at

7 a.m., March 29. There are many activities for all during this month, we encourage you to take part in as many as possible.

RUMORS:

Hospital board says that I have done a 180 degree turn around....

I don't think so!

Watch and see!!

Hank Vette

We would like to extend our appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown to our family during the loss of our loved one. Your generosity and support will never be forgotten. A special thanks to Hospice for the many calls and visits. You provided a sense of comfort and support when we needed it most.

The Family of Jeannine Lewallen

Housewarming guest takes souvenir

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I invited an acquaintance — I'll call her June — to our housewarming party.

As I was showing her the bedroom, June asked to see an opal ring that she noticed me wearing on the day we met.

I opened my jewelry box and watched as she tried it on.

Just then, the doorbell rang and I rushed to answer it. With all the goings-on of the party, I completely forgot about June and the opal ring until she said her goodbyes. June laughingly told me the ring had gotten stuck on her finger and she couldn't get the "damn thing" off. Then she was gone.

That was two months ago. June moved out of town and left no forwarding address. My husband and I couldn't locate her. The ring belonged to my husband's late grandmother and was a gift to me on our wedding day. My husband's mother and sister are furious with me for allowing June to walk off with an heirloom.

They have been pressing me to track her down and take her to court. I continued to search for her with no luck until last week, when June



Abigail Van Buren

• Dear Abby

called and said she was in town and would like to drop by.

She never showed up. I'm beginning to wonder if she will ever return my ring.

I want to avoid conflict and am trying to think of a way to get it back without having to go to court. Can you help me, Abby?

— MISSING MY OPAL IN COLORADO

DEAR MISSING: Pick up the phone, tell the police what happened, and file a theft report. It appears that June has sticky fingers in more ways than one, and depending on the value of the ring, has committed grand theft.

Please don't wait. Sometimes conflict is unavoidable, and in this case, you have every right to scream, "I wuz robbed." Good luck.

DEAR ABBY: I have been going with "Jeremy" for five years. He's 28, I'm 25. We love each other dearly.

We've talked seriously about getting married and having children.

The problem is he's asked me twice to marry him — only to take

his proposals back.

The first time, we set a date and started making wedding plans. When Jeremy changed his mind, I asked if it had anything to do with me. He said no — that he loves me and can't picture a life without me — but he was scared.

Now when the subject of marriage comes up and we talk about a wedding and future together, Jeremy makes remarks like, "Yes, if we make it that long." Then he starts naming all the people we know who have gotten divorced.

I blame Jeremy's mother for his attitude. She's been married and divorced five times. (Her most recent marriage lasted less than a year.)

I want to spend my life with Jeremy more than anything in the world, but his negative outlook on marriage worries me.

I hate to say it, but I'm beginning to resent him for it. Should I break it off or stay?

— UNSURE IN INDIANA

DEAR UNSURE: Before this mating dance goes any further, you and Jeremy should get premarital counseling. It's an understatement to say that he has poor role modeling when it comes to marriage and what it entails. Counseling will give him the chance to express all his fears in a supportive setting. Without it, I see no future in this on-again, off-again romance.

Editor's note: Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069.

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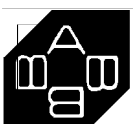
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