

Family

Deaths

Gordon Blane Sekavec
Gordon Blane Sekavec, 30, of Albuquerque, N.M. died Saturday, Jan. 17, 2004 in Albuquerque.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24 at Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home in Oakley with Pastor Mike Eurit officiating. Inurnment will be at Oakley Cemetery in Oakley.

Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home.

Mr. Sekavec is survived by his parents, Glenn and Judy Sekavec of Albuquerque, N.M., his grandmother, Josephine Reed Bricker of Colby; two uncles, and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents Dr. Gordon B. and Lucile A. Sekavec and Kenneth M. Reed.

He was born March 10, 1973 to Glenn B. and Judith Jo Reed Sekavec in Morehead City, N.C. He lived the past 14 years in Albuquerque after moving from Craig, Colo. He was a student at the University of New Mexico.

Mr. Sekavec was a member of Albuquerque United Methodist Church, a member of All Star Rugby Team, CitiCorp Awards Program and a volunteer with the Animal Rescue Society.

Memorials are suggested to the Animal Humane Society and can be sent in care of Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home, 217 Freeman, P.O. Box 2221, Oakley, Kan. 67748.

Scott Dean Armstrong
Scott Dean "Giggles" Armstrong, 41, of Fayetteville, N.C. died Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2004 at his home in Fayetteville.

A memorial service will be held in Goodland in early summer. There was cremation.

Mr. Armstrong is survived by three sons, Nicholas Armstrong of Chapel Hill, N.C., Patrick Armstrong and Daniel Armstrong, both of Hope Mills, N.C.; one daughter, Elizabeth Armstrong of Hope Mills, N.C.; his parents, Merle and Donna Armstrong of Goodland; one brother, Michael Armstrong of Fairway; two sisters, Vickie Haremza of Flagstaff, Ariz. and Brenda Lingo of Maricopa, Ariz.; and paternal grandmother Evelyn Armstrong of Goodland.

He was born Aug. 24, 1962 in Goodland to Harry Merle and Donna Collins Armstrong. He graduated with the class of 1980 from Goodland High School.

He served his country in the United States Army for 15 years, earning the rank of staff sergeant. He enjoyed performing and creating balloon animals for children at parades and at other functions as "Giggles the Clown."

Preceding him in death were his paternal grandfather Harry M. Armstrong and his maternal grandparents Lewis and Mae Collins.

Memorials are suggested to the Scott Armstrong Children's Education Fund and may be mailed to Koons Funeral Home, 211 N. Main, Goodland, Kan. 67735-1555.

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Church group discusses state conference in April

Immaculate Heart of Mary Circle #747 met in the Knights of Columbus room Jan. 8, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

Gail Bremenkamp, Regent, called the meeting to order. The opening prayer was led by Marj Robben and said as a group. The opening ode was sung. The flag salute followed.

Three thank you notes were read. Highlights of the November Parish Council minutes were read. Gail read the state and international Daughters of Isabella correspondence. The letter from the state chaplain, Father Joe Popelka was read.

Gail told us the theme of the state

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conference in Great Bend is "Let the Spirit Soar in 2004." It will be held April 17 and 18 at the Highland Motel and Convention Center and the Dominican Sisters' Convent. Saturday there will be a good spiritual theme such as "The Rosary" and "Adult Prayer." The banquet will be in the evening. Three members expressed their interest to attend. Gail wondered if the circles in Northwest Kansas could host a convention in Colby. It was discussed but no real plans were made.

The obligation and closing prayer

was said as a group and the closing ode sung.

The hostesses for the evening were Loretta Zerr and Rosemary Bange who served delicious cookies and coffee.

The next meeting is in February and the hostesses will be Joan Ziegler and Marla Crumrine.

Solomon Valley 4-H holds January meeting

Last Monday on Jan. 12 was Parent's Night for the Solomon Valley 4-H Club. The meeting was called to order by President Lonnie Wilson. Jennifer Woofert led the club in the flag salute. Roll call "Your New Year's Resolution" was answered by 18 members and 14 parents.

Secretary, Kay Splattstoesser read last months minutes and they were approved as corrected.

The club was reminded to turn in pizza sales sheets and encouraged to be thinking about County Club Days.

We started a Parent's Night program with Mark Kendrick giving a

very informational talk on his job with the KBI (Kansas Bureau of Investigation). He even passed around his bullet proof vest for all to see. Leland Wilson followed giving a talk on a 4-H hog he had taken in 4-H back in 1969.

Wayne Wilson shared about his newest crop on the farm - alfalfa. It's a crop he really enjoys.

Lisa Schroeder gave a demonstration on how to sew a hooded baby towel. Jeanne Wilson led the club in the song "Row, Row, Row Your Boat".

For recreation, Dena Huttles involved parents and members in a ball relay.

Club visits Prairie Senior Living Complex

The Solomon Valley 4-H Club met at 6 p.m., Dec. 8, at the Thomas County Office Complex to check water samples they had brought from their home wells. Shirley Weber from the Northwest Kansas Local Environmental Agency, gave members and parents helpful and informative information on

water testing. Each member and family watched and participated as their sample was tested. The club then went to Prairie Senior Living Complex and sang Christmas Carols for the residents.

The meeting followed at the 4-H building with Amy Wilson presiding as president. Fourteen members answered roll call by sharing their favorite Christmas carol. Dustin Splattstoesser led the flag salute and Keri Kendrick led the club in singing "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

A service project suggestion was "Ring the Bell for the Salvation Army". The idea failed for a lack of time and interest.

Amy Kendrick volunteered to be our Pizza Sales chairman and each member was asked to sell at least five pizzas.

Dustin Splattstoesser gave a fun project talk on Steps to Good Dog Grooming. Lindsey Wilson showed the club a good time with a game for recreation.

Julia Huttles and the 4-H members recited the 4-H Pledge.

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