

Family

Deaths

Fred L. Lager

Fred L. Lager, 100, of Grinnell, died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2003 at the Gove County Medical Center Long Term Care Facility in Quinter.

Mr. Lager was born on May 18, 1903 to John T. Lager and Gertrude Wesselkamp Lager in St. Louis, Mo.

He lived in Angelus and Grinnell since 1907 and was a farmer, stockman, petroleum dealer and antique dealer.

Mr. Lager was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Angelus; charter member of the Angelus Knights of Columbus; on the church committee of St. Paul's Church and a member of the S Sheridan County Farm Bureau.

He married Irene Comeau on Sept. 16, 1926 in Denver and after her death in July of 1982, he married Sally Murphy Baalman on March 3, 1984 in Grinnell. His second wife also preceded him in death on Dec. 17, 1998.

Survivors include two sons: Alfred "Bud" Lager, Grinnell, and Edwin "Ed" Lager, El Reno, Okla.; three sisters, Rose Hughes, Oakley; Patricia Hampel, Kingman; and Janet Kaiser, Quinter; five stepsons, Jim Baalman, Grinnell; Bob Baalman, Quincy, Calif.; Tom Baalman, Grinnell; Jack Baalman, Utah; and Dan Baalman, Colby; one stepdaughter, Rose Anderson

of Goodland; 22 grandchildren, 4 step grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, 9 step great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren and 2 step-great-great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his two wives, and one son, LeRoy Lager in 1934.

Services will be Monday, Feb. 2, 2004, at Immaculate Conception Church in Grinnell with John Lager, OFM Capuchin and Father Roger Meitl officiating.

Burial will be at Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Grinnell. Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m., Sunday, at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, Grinnell. Arosary wake service will be at 7:30 p.m., Sunday, also at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall. Memorials may be made to masses and Hospice Services.

Olive C. Moore

Olive C. Moore, long-time former resident of Colby, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, in Kansas City, Mo., with interment in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was the wife of Monte M. Moore, who preceded her in death.

Survivors include her son, Charles Moore of Silverton, Colo., two daughters, Marjorie Swaim of Auburn, Ala., and Dorothy Patterson, Leawood; and 6 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Identity theft bill meets with skepticism from panel

TOPEKA (AP) — Senators reacted with skepticism Monday to a bill aimed at combatting identity theft, even though the measure passed the House unanimously last year.

The measure would make it a misdemeanor to steal someone's identity but not cause the victim direct economic harm. Current law says identity theft involves an intent to defraud "for economic benefit."

Supporters contend the law makes it difficult to prosecute people who steal someone's identity to obtain employment, or when someone gains access to another person's credit.

However, the Senate Judiciary Committee took no action on the this week after hearing testimony. "I think there are some problems with the way the bill is drafted," said committee Chairman John Vratil, R-Leawood. Vratil questioned why

one form of identity theft would be a misdemeanor, while one that resulted in economic loss would be a felony. Also, he said the bill's legal definitions may not be clear.

Another committee member, Sen. Ed Pugh, questioned whether the bill is even necessary. He said Kansas law already makes it a crime to forge documents or signatures, submit a false document to someone else or to commit fraud.

"Tell me where there can be an identity theft without making a false writing, without forgery or without an intent to deprive," said Pugh, R-Wamego. But Rep. Peggy Long-Mast, the bill's sponsor, said judges sometimes do not think a crime has been committed until a victim has suffered a big financial loss.

"The intent is to allow for earlier intervention, before people suffer economic losses," said Long-Mast, R-Madison.

Local art club meets at new location

Members of High Plains Art Club gathered in a new location when they met on Tuesday, Jan. 13 for their regular monthly meeting.

They are now located in the former wine room above the Kansas Store at Southwind Plaza where they will be meeting on the second Tuesday during the winter months.

Club members are also inviting other local artists to meet with the group.

President, Marlene Carpenter conducted a short business meeting during which a discussion was held about their upcoming show to be held on the campus of Colby Community College during the month of April.

Treasurer, Bev Kern, announced

Clubs

that there would be a four-day oil painting workshop in Logan from Jan. 22 to 25 and that she and Marj Brown will be attending.

She invited any one who might be interested to go with them.

Bev also discussed the upcoming show the club will be having in the Dane Hansen Museum in Goodland in October.

Since the person in charge of the lesson for January was unable to attend, there was no lesson for the day.

The members spent the day working on their paintings and went out to eat lunch together



Wade Baker, administrator of Prairie Senior Living Complex, presented High Plains Art Club President, Marlene Carpenter, with a plaque thanking them for painting murals at the complex. Those art club members who painted murals included: Fritz Ostmeyer, Margaret Denneler, Marj Brown and Ms. Carpenter

Fundraising workshop planned Wednesday

The Western Prairie Resource Conservation and Development will be holding a Fundraising and Marketing Workshop on Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Colby Community Building, Colby.

The presenter is Shannon Thom of Professional Grant Services,

Pratt. Workshop topics include fund raising 101, long-range planning, special event planning, grant writing basics, and publicity and marketing techniques.

Those attending will leave with great ideas and an overview of each element in the fund raising pyramid. At day's end participants will have

developed their own long-range fundraising and marketing plans.

Thom's experience as a grant writer coupled with a background in marketing and fund-raising allows her to assist those who represent schools, non-profit organizations, government officials and others who need to raise funds and/or

learn marketing techniques to help their organizations.

Registration fee for the workshop is \$100. This fee includes the cost of a resource packet.

To register, or for more information call 785-462-2602. There is a workshop minimum of 10 participants.

Babies

Maverick James and Madelynn Janelle

Jim and Molly Malcolm of Centennial, Colo., announce the birth of their twins, Maverick James and his sister, Madelynn Janelle, on Tuesday, Jan. 6.

Maverick weighed 5 lbs., 10 oz. and Madelynn weighed 5 lbs., 12 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Kristin Brotherton and the late Lynn Brotherton of Salina.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Malcolm, Sr. of Colby.

Nathan John Stramel

Todd and Melissa Stramel, Colby, announce the birth of their son, Nathan John Stramel, on Monday, Dec. 29, 2003. Nathan weighed 6 lbs., 12 oz., and was 19 inches long.

"We want to thank everyone for their prayers for this healthy baby boy," the parents said.

Markets

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