

# Family

## Deaths

### Elgin Decker

Elgin Decker, 75, long-time Oakley resident, died today at Bethany Home in Lindsborg.

Mr. Decker had moved to the Solomon-Salina area to be closer to family members.

He is survived by his five children: Randy Decker of Colby; John

Decker of Burlington, Colo.; Russ Decker of Wellington; Charlotte McCrary of Augusta; and Renee Fitzgerald of Hesston.

Two services are pending in both Solomon and Oakley with Carlson-Becker Funeral Home, 208 W. 4th, Solomon, Kan. 67480-9737 in charge of all arrangements.

### Juliana "Judy" Albers

Juliana "Judy" Albers, 81, died Thursday, June 17, 2004 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Mrs. Albers lived on a farm in rural Angelus in Sheridan County until moving to Colby in 1994.

Services will be at 11 a.m., Monday, at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Angelus with Father Roger Meitl and Father Dana Clark officiating. Burial will be at St. Paul's Cemetery

in Angelus. Visitation and Rosary will be Sunday with visitation at 6 to 9 p.m., Rosary at 7:30 p.m. and both at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Angelus. Memorials may be made to either Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Colby, and St. Paul's Catholic Church, Angelus.

Arrangements are through Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home, 217 Freeman, P.O. Box 221, Oakley, Kan. 67748.

### Leone Bernadine Twichell

Leone Bernadine Twichell, 96, who attended school in Colby before moving to Baldwin, died Saturday, June 12, 2004 at Lawrence Memorial Hospital.

Services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 15 at Lamb-Roberts Funeral Home in Baldwin. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Baldwin. Visitation was Tuesday at the funeral home.

Mrs. Twichell is survived by two daughters, Marilyn Rockhold of Olathe and Burdine Taylor, Baldwin; seven grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

She was born Sept. 19, 1907 in Colby to Thomas R. and Jennie B. Sible Campbell.

She attended school in Colby before moving to Baldwin, where she graduated from Baldwin High

School in 1926. She attended Baker University before transferring to Emporia State University where she earned her teaching certificate. Mrs. Twichell moved to Fresno, Calif. in 1938 and returned to Baldwin in 1943. She taught at several rural schools including Independence and Hopewell. She was a substitute teacher at Baldwin Elementary School for several years and also worked for the post office in Baldwin until she retired in 1966.

She married Eugene Victor Twichell on Jan. 2, 1932 in Kansas City. He died in 1980. She was a member of Ives Chapel United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women and was president of the Garden Club.

Memorials may be made to the church, in care of the funeral home, P.O. Box 64, Baldwin, Kan. 66067.

### Rosa (Doty) Bierce Christiansen

Rosa (Doty) Bierce Christiansen, 95, of Colby, died Saturday, June 12, 2004 at Prairie Senior Living Complex in Colby.

Services were held June 16, 2004 at Harrison Chapel with burial in Beulah Cemetery with Rev. Fran Harwerth officiating.

Pallbearers were John Rundel, Bob Rundel, Tom Rundel, Monty Biggs, Brad Rundel and A.J. Williams. Music was provided by Patty Ziegelmeier, organist, and soloist Leany Rundel. Mrs. Christiansen is survived by four children, Betty

Rundel of Colby, Bonnie Biggs of McDonald, Ken of Brewster and Kay Rundel of St. Francis, eight grandsons and 16 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Arley, her parents Charles Bierce and Lucy Lindsey Bierce, nine brothers and sisters and two brothers-in-law.

Mrs. Christiansen was born April 4, 1909 in Oakley. She married Arley Christiansen Oct. 22, 1927 and they made their home on a farm north of Brewster for 54 years.

Memorials may be made in her name to Prairie Senior Living Complex and left at any Colby bank.

## Couple plan September wedding

Kevin and Teresa Mears of McDonald announce the engagement of their son, Jory Jason to Amanda Jo Ansel.

She is the daughter of Bruce and Peggy Ansel of Lakin.

Jory is the grandson of Gene and Carol Mears of McDonald and Ruth Nelson of Topeka. Amanda is the granddaughter of Josephine Coerber and Darlene and the late Verlin (Sonny) Ansel, all of Lakin.

Jory attended Kansas State University and received his Culinary of Arts Degree from Western Culinary Institute of Portland, Ore. in 2000. He is currently managing Rhino Linings in Edmond, Okla.

His fiancé will complete here



Amanda Jo Ansel and Jory Jason announce engagement.

Associates in Applied Science with a Physical Therapist Assistant Degree from Colby Community College in Aug., 2004.

They plan to marry Sept. 4, 2004 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lakin.

## Attorney general answers debt collection questions

By PHILL KLINE

Kansas Attorney General

Dear Attorney General Kline:

I have fallen behind on a few of my bills. Now it seems like I get collection letters and phone calls from my creditors daily. I know that I owe the money, but the calls seem to come at all hours of the day and night. Are there rules that bill collectors have to follow when trying to collect from their debtors?

Dear Kansas Consumer:

Any company attempting to collect a debt is required by law to comply with the guidelines established by the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act (FDCPA).

Below are a few examples of questions that my office has received along with information that I hope will prove helpful to you:

What is the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act?

The Fair Debt Collections Practices Act (FDCPA) is a Federal law enacted in 1986 that provides a set of rules on how debt collectors should treat consumers and that prohibits certain methods of debt collection. This law does not erase legitimate debts owed by consumers.

What types of debt collection practices are prohibited by the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act?

The FDCPA prohibits, for example, debt collectors from doing such things as using threats of violence, publishing a list of consumers who refuse to pay their debts, falsely implying they are attorneys or government representatives or sending anything that looks like an official document from a court or government agency when it is not. They also may not misrepresent the amount of the debt, say you will be arrested if you do not pay your debt or give false statements about you to anyone, including credit bureaus. Many more restrictions apply, as well.

Between what times may a debt collector call me?

Debt collectors may not collect a debt at any time or place that the debt collector knows is inconvenient to the consumer. The FDCPA maintains that anytime between 8 a.m.-9 p.m. is presumed to be convenient unless the consumer has notified the debt collector otherwise.

May a debt collector call me at work?

A debt collector may not call the consumer at work if he has reason to know the employer forbids such communication (for example if the consumer has specifically informed the debt collector that they may not

## Business scholars named

HAYS — Michael Giebler, a 1998 Colby High School graduate, was one of many students named by Fort Hays State University's College of Business and Leadership, which announced the spring 2004 College of Business and Leadership Scholars.

"To become a business scholar, a student must have enrolled in 12 or more credit hours, majoring in the College of Business and Leader-

ship, and have a 4.0 grade point average for the semester," officials in the student relations office said.

Other area students receiving the honor included: Nathan Elliott, a sophomore from Goodland; Jessica Torluemke, a special student from Hoxie; Melissa Zerr, a special student from Oakley; Kasiah Nichols, a junior from Winona; and Christopher Broeckelman, a senior from Selden.

## Bridge & Golf

Results from the bridge tournament earlier this week included Helen Donelan, 1st place; Mary Kersenbrock, 2nd; Charles Davis, 3rd; and Marge Roulier, 4th.

The results from this weeks golf tournament at Colby Country Club for the ladies saw: Sidney Strait and Audrey Hines, 1st in a scramble; Lisa Stithem and Cheryl

Edmundson, 1st in second flight.

Next week's ladies (June 22) golf game will be 2-Lady best ball.

Bridge results from Tuesday, June 8: Helen Donelan, 1st; Marge Roulier, 2nd; Mary Molstad, 3rd; and Charles Davis and Elaine Pteack, a tie for 4th.

More results will appear in future editions.

receive calls of a personal nature while at work).

May a debt collector call me at home on Sundays?

Once again, any day of the week between 8 a.m.-9 p.m. is presumed to be convenient unless the consumer notifies the debt collector to the contrary.

Are debt collectors allowed to use profanity?

All types of obscene profane and abusive language are prohibited by the Fair Debt Collections Practices Act. Abusive language would include religious slurs, profanity, obscenity, calling the consumer a liar or a deadbeat and the use of racial or sexual epithets.

What can I do to get debt collectors to quit calling me?

Once a debt collector receives written notice from a consumer that

he or she refuses to pay the debt or wants the collector to stop further

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## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$3.44
Corn	\$2.87
Milo	\$4.26
Soybeans	\$7.96

## Correction

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

## Kortes Celebrate 40th Wedding Anniversary



GARDEN CITY — On Saturday, May 22, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. a large gathering of family and friends met at the Korte Trucking Shop to share in Alvin and Marilyn Korte's 40th Wedding Anniversary celebration. Prior to the celebration, family and friends attended the 5 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Garden City, where Alvin and Marilyn were recognized for their 40 years of marriage throughout the Mass.

Marilyn is the daughter of the late Bill and Blanche Cheney, lifelong rural Rexford residents. Alvin is the son of the late Henry and Mary Korte, residents of Selden and Colby.

Marilyn Kay Cheney became the bride of Alvin F. Korte on May 22, 1964, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, Ks. To their union three children were born: Tommie Allen (deceased Nov. 13, 1992, age 27), Pamela Louise, and Melinda Kay "Mindy".

For the last 35 years, Alvin and Marilyn have been the owners and operators of Korte Trucking Inc. in Garden City. Marilyn works as the bookkeeper for the trucking company. In addition, they own and operate a beauty salon, "Hairworks" which their daughter Mindy is the manager.

Alvin and Marilyn's two daughters, Pamela and husband Matt Oaks and their children, Melissa, Michael, and Randy, of Calhan, Colo., and Mindy and husband Michael Wallace and their two sons, Austin and Skyler, of Garden City, hosted their parents' 40th wedding celebration.

Special decorations were lace table clothes on each table, red candles, rose peddles, a red and white balloon anchored with a net full of Hershey kisses on both ends of each table, and a red spray of 40s hanging from the ceiling. The dance floor was covered with rose peddles, with lace bows and a long trail of lights around the walls. The third room featured a pool table for those who wished to play.

On the wall, behind the cake, were pictures of Alvin and Marilyn throughout their life, the original engagement announcement and wedding article from the Colby newspaper, Marilyn's original wedding dress and the couple's family photo of their three children.

Marilyn wore a white two-piece floor length suit with a red rose corsage with greenery and ribbon. Alvin wore a black suit and tie, cowboy hat, and a white pin striped shirt with a rose boutonniere. The couple's flowers were compliments of their daughters.

Melissa and Michael Carl, grandchildren, of Calhan, Colo., attended the guest book.

The anniversary celebration began with Alvin and Marilyn cutting their two-tiered anniversary cake, topped with two perched white doves, surrounded by red roses and greenery, with a sheet cake on each side with the same decorations. Two red candles stood in front with a champagne glass on each side of the candles. A round glass mint and nut tray was also on the lace covered table.

After the couple toasted with champagne, their daughter, Pamela, gave a speech ending with "and remember when". The couple were then led to the dance floor where they danced to Allen Jackson's song "Remember When".

The guests were served cold cuts of turkey, ham, and roast beef, a variety of cheeses, potato salad, baked beans, deviled eggs, vegetable tray, olives, and chips. The cake was served later. The food line was assisted by Alvin's sister Darlene Anderson and her daughter Cheri Hulse. Everyone greatly enjoyed dancing into the early morning hours.

Attending the celebration was Marilyn's sister, Lois Ann (Cheney) Hake, of Montrose, Colo., Alvin's sisters: Delores and husband Pete Aumiller and their daughter Roxanne and husband Eric Baker all of Colby; Pat and husband Clem Mumm, of Colby and Pat's three daughters: Jeannie and husband Larry Karre of Cozad, Neb., Nikki and husband Richard Rowlinson and Sharon and husband Gus Hichert all of Jennings, Ks. Darlene Anderson of Colby and her daughters, Darla Kannady of Colby, Cheri and husband Billy Hulse and their two children of Goddard, Ks. Alvin's brother, LeRoy and wife Carol (Cheney) Korte of Oxford, Ks., and three of their children: Robert Korte and wife Bobbie and son of Johnson, Ks., Tony Korte and wife Kayla and their three children, Eric Korte and wife Linda and their two children all of Rexford, Ks. Marilyn's two uncles, Clyde Turrell, of Rexford, Ks., and Billy Turrell and wife Pat, of Colby, Ks. her cousin Ethel (Barnett) Smith, of Dodge City, Ks. Alvin's cousin Don and wife Helen Juennemann of Selden, Ks. Also in attendance were Joe Wallace and wife Pat of Garden City, Ks. They are our son-in-laws parents who had celebrated their 40th anniversary on May 10, 2004. Their daughters, Serinda and three children, and Tami and her two children were in attendance. The truck drivers Wayne and wife Glenda Cunningham and their three children, Alan Atkinson, Rick Bowman and Cecile Clymer, and Dave and wife Randa Hamill and their son. Many friends in attendance also. There were over 85 guests. We are left feeling so loved and blessed to have each one of you in our lives. Yes, we would do it all over again and will "REMEMBER WHEN".

Marilyn & Alvin Korte ~ Garden City, Kansas

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