

Family

Deaths

Beatrice Farber

Beatrice Farber, 92, of WaKeeney, died Saturday, June 26, 2004 at Trego County-Lemke Memorial Hospital Long Term Care Unit.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 10 at Hoxie Cemetery. Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home in Hoxie is handling arrangements.

Mrs. Farber is survived by a son, Garey McGuire of Colby; a daughter, Iola Liester of Hoxie; a brother, Emanuel Brozek of Kanapolis; two

sisters, Olga Blazina of Kanapolis and Helen Blazina of Hutchinson; seven grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Farber was born May 12, 1912 in Wilson to Vaclav and Marie (Brandt) Brozek. She married Kenneth McGuire Sept. 2, 1931.

She owned and operated the Kent Cafe in Hoxie until her retirement.

Memorials are suggested to Trego County-Lemke Memorial Hospital Long Term Care Unit of WaKeeney.

James Goeken

James Goeken, 75, of Norton, died Monday, June 28, 2004 at Norton County Hospital.

Services were at 10 a.m. Thursday at Hill City Cemetery and visitation was Wednesday at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton.

Mr. Goeken is survived by a son, Victor Goeken of Norton; two daughters, Patty Cohen of Mount Laurel, N.J. and Barbara Goeken of Norton; a brother, Norman Goeken of Colby; two sisters, Marguerite Brown of Prairie View and Iva L. Suydam of Boise, Idaho, five

grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by a son, Duaine.

Mr. Goeken was born Aug. 1, 1928 in Edmond to John and Nora (McCormick) Goeken. He attended Edmond schools and Kansas State University. He married Georgia Breiner and later married Marry Draffen who preceded him in death on April 9, 1999. He had been a machine operator with the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Memorials are suggested to Andbe Home in Norton.

Alvin Arlie Bastin

Alvin Arlie Bastin, 84, of Columbia, Md. died Tuesday, June 29, 2004.

Services were Wednesday at Lambeth-Troxler Funeral Service Chapel with Rev. David Crabtree officiating.

Burial with military honors was at Guilford Memorial Park in Greensboro.

Mr. Bastin is survived by his wife, Vera, of Columbia, Md., a son, Donald Bastin, a brother, Cleo Bastin of Clay County and three grandsons.

Mr. Bastin was born on a farm in Menlo Jan. 3, 1920 to Harvey Elberta and Gertrude (Hawkins) Bastin.

He and his fraternal twin Marion were the second born in the family with Cleo being the oldest.

He graduated from Menlo Consolidated High School in 1939 and enlisted in the Army Air Corps Jan. 12, 1942.

He flew as an aerial engineer gunner on a B-24.

He was honorably discharged Oct. 15, 1945 as a tech sergeant.

Shortly after being discharged from the Air Corps he met and married Vera Louise Miller on March 28, 1946 in Topeka.

He was recalled to active duty with the Air Force in 1950 during the Korean Conflict.

In December, 1952 Mr. Bastin was promoted to master sergeant. He retired Jan. 1, 1967 after 20 years of service.

He accumulated several medals during his career, including Good Conduct, Air Medal, American Campaign with one Battle Star, World War II Victory Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award and Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

Mr. Bastin was an instructor at Colorado Aero Tech from 1967 to 1985 and received several awards. He retired Jan. 1, 1985.

Senior Progress Center closes Monday

The Senior Progress Center, 165 Fike Park, will be closed Monday, July 5 to celebrate Independence Day.

There will be no lunches served, including home delivery and the bus will not run. Have a great Fourth of July and come back on July 6th for all regularly scheduled activities.

There are plenty of other activities scheduled at the center for the week of July 5-9. The center will be

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closed on Monday in observance of Independence Day. Tuesday, exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. and tell what you did to celebrate the holiday at 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday will feature a sing-along at 11:45 a.m. Exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. Thursday and dance practice is at 11 a.m. Friday exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. and it's Denim

Friday, wear anything denim. Everyone over 60 is welcome to eat lunch at the center. Donna Schielke, director of the center, says no special invitation is needed to join in the lunchtime fellowship and all are welcome.

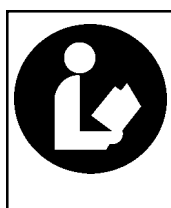
She did remind everyone that a reservation is needed by noon the previous day.

The menu for the next week includes: Tuesday - smothered steak, rice pilaf, Italian mix veggies,

bread, pineapple. Wednesday - baked spaghetti, tossed salad, mixed vegetables, garlic bread, watermelon. Thursday - liver and onions, creamed corn, peaches, bread, blueberry shortcake with topping. Friday - hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrot and raisin salad, bread, fruit mix.

The building is also available for rental for events. For information on lunch reservations, call 460-2901.

New librarian introduces himself, column



Library Link

•Jeff Friesen

I should probably begin my tenure in Colby by introducing myself as the new Pioneer Memorial Library director. My name is Jeff Friesen, and if anybody missed it, I was pictured on the front page of the newspaper Monday, June 21. I hail from Wichita where I was born and raised. My family includes a marvelous wife (Amie) and two wonderful children, Josephine is 2-years-old and Abram is 4-months-old.

For the past two years I have been working towards my Masters Degree in Library Science and at the end of this summer, I will graduate. It is readily apparent that I am walking into a very good situation at the Pioneer Memorial Library.

I am pleased to see both the awareness and support that the Colby community has accorded the library.

For those of you that are wondering, the library plans to continue the programs and services that have been offered in the past. As I become more acquainted with the community, I hope to add to these programs and services where

needed.

So, about my reading interests... Well, I just love romances...not really, but would you think differently of me if I did? I do enjoy westerns and this, I think, helps me identify with romance readers.

"Westerns" and "Romances" have similarities in plot development and simplicity. You can pick both up, read them quickly and feel good about the ending (usually). All in all I am a very simple reader but occasionally I like to mix things up by reading a very deep, complicated book like Gary Larson's *The Far Side*.

Seriously though, I haven't picked up a book for some time that I have not liked. Some of my favorite books include *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls, *Les Miserables* by Victor Hugo (my all-

time favorite) and many of the new young adult fiction books that are coming out such as *Holes* by Louis Sachar, *Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes* by Chris Crutcher and *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen.

If you are short on time I would highly recommend picking out some of the young adult fiction books that are currently at the library. Be forewarned though, these books are much more entertaining than you might think.

Concerning this column, I am going to stay with tradition and continue to review some of the new books coming out as well as keep you posted on events that are happening in (and around) the library. I also want to tweak Library Link a little bit and review some information that might be helpful to you from the Internet. This might include information about a specific Internet site or perhaps ways that might make finding information on the Internet a little bit easier.

Finally, I want to commend the town of Colby on what a friendly atmosphere you portray to newcomers. Before moving here, I had

heard many comments about the incessant wind, the "isolation" and the lack of rain but never once did I hear a negative comment about the quality of people. I have not been here long but already I have met more friendly people than names I can remember.

Please don't hesitate to stop by the library so that I can meet you and remember...the library, as always, is here to serve you.

Pioneer Memorial Library is located at 375 W. Fourth and open seven days a week.

The summer hours are as follows: Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. Sunday.

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