

Family

Death

Ruby J. Urbom

Ruby J. Urbom, 75, of Wichita, died Thursday, Dec. 16, 2004. Mrs. Urbom was a retired Caldwell-Highland realtor associate and Via-Christi volunteer.

Services were held Monday, Dec. 20, 2004 at College Hill United Methodist Church.

Preceding her in death was her husband, Edmond, four brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include a daughter, Donna Urbom-McClure of Topeka; three sister-in-laws, one of those Natalie Urbom of Colby, and one grandson.

State offers outdoor safety tips

For many children, winter does not bring an end to outdoor fun.

From sledding to skiing, snowmobiling to ice skating, children find lots to do when the snow starts to fall.

Unfortunately, more than a quarter million children a year are injured while participating in winter sports. However, when children are

properly prepared, they can enjoy a safe and fun-filled winter wonderland.

"The inviting snow draws children to ice-covered lakes and sledding slopes each winter, regardless of the frigid temperatures," says Jan Stegelman, Coordinator, Kansas *Safe Kids*. "

Set reasonable time limits on outdoor play. Call children in periodically to warm up with drinks such as hot chocolate.

For more information about Kansas SAFE KIDS Coalition, visit www.kansasafekids.org.

Babies

Samantha Munk

Jeff and Jodie Munk of Colby announce the birth of their daughter, Samantha Bryn on Monday, Nov. 29, 2004 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Samantha weighed 6lbs., 12 oz., and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Her grandparents and great-grandmother are Sammie and Glenva Coburn of Quinter; Paul and Sharon Munk of Menlo and Mary Ellen Meier of Hoxie.

Elections planned next month at center

Senior News

Election of officers for the new year at the Senior Progress Center, 165 Fike Park, will be held in January. There are three positions open. Maurice Phelps, Dorothy Bourquin and Ed Dean would like to be re-elected to those positions.

Anyone else that would like their name on the ballot needs to contact Donna Schielke by Jan. 4. Election meeting is open to the public and is tentatively set for Jan. 11.

There are plenty of other activities scheduled at the center for the

week of Dec. 27-31, including name the planets at 11:30 a.m. Monday. Exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and also tell your favorite age to be. Wednesday will feature a meaningful discussion at 11:30 a.m. Thursday exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. and share your New Year's resolution at 11:30 a.m. It's also Denim Day so don't forget to wear those denim duds. Friday,

Dec. 31, the center is closed for New Year's Eve. There will be no meals or bus service.

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. Those under 60 are welcome to eat at the center also. She did remind everyone that a reservation is needed by noon the previous day.

The menu for the next week in-

cludes: Monday - wieners with kraut, mashed potatoes, beets, bun, rosy pears. Tuesday - chicken and noodles, peas, apricots, dinner roll, cranberry whip.

Wednesday - cook's choice entrée, asparagus, sweet potato casserole, bread, peaches. Thursday - chili with shredded cheese, pineapple ambrosia, crackers, cinnamon roll.

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

Colbyite reappointed to state's art commission

Sharon Kriss, Colby, has been reappointed to a second three-year term on the Kansas Arts Commission by Gov. Kathleen Sebelius.

Information released from the governor's office said that Kriss is a private piano instructor and has taught piano to more than 450 students.

She has served as president of the Western Plains Arts Association and is a member of Music Teachers

National Association, vice president of Education for the Kansas Music Teachers Association, and president of the local Northwest Kansas Piano Teachers League as well as serving on many other local

community boards. In addition to Kriss' reappointment, Sebelius has appointed John Divine of Salina, Christine Downey of Inman, and Suzanne Montano of Topeka. Each serves a three-year term. In addition

to the appointments, the Governor also appointed the officers of the Kansas Arts Commission to include: Anita Wolgast as Chair, Judy Langley as Vice-Chair, and John Divine as Secretary-Treasurer.

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