

Family

Deaths

Joan Messamore

Joan Messamore, 82, of Colby, died Monday, March 14, 2005 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Mrs. Messamore was born Dec. 4, 1921 in Thomas County. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth W. Messamore of Colby; two sons, Kenneth Messamore of Littleton, Colo. and Bill Messamore of Wichita; five daughters, Mary Messamore of Goodland, Beth Wieck of Littleton, Colo., Jane David of Wichita, Janet Messamore of Wichita and Marge

Bartlett of Springfield, Mo.; two sisters, Frances Bremenkamp and Eva Cersovsky both of Colby; 16 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby.

Burial will be at Beulah Cemetery in Colby.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel. Memorials are suggested to Pioneer Memorial Library in Colby.

Anna F. Riedel

Anna F. Riedel, 89, of Colby, died Monday, March 14, 2005 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Mrs. Riedel was born July 4, 1915 in Sheridan County. She was a homemaker and farm wife, and a member of Colby United Methodist Church.

She enjoyed working in her garden and raising flowers.

She is survived by her husband, Anton Riedel of Colby; two sons, Richard L. Riedel of Gardner and Ronald L. Riedel of Wichita; one daughter, Kaylene Crabb of Lee's Summit, Mo.; one sister, Maxine Larsen of Great Bend; five grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

dren. Mrs. Riedel was preceded in death by her parents and nine brothers and sisters.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Colby United Methodist Church with Rev. James Mardock officiating.

Burial will be at Beulah Cemetery in Colby.

Visitation will be from 1-8 p.m. Thursday at Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel.

Memorials are suggested to Colby United Methodist Church and Citizens Medical Center and can be sent in care of Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel.

Katharine L. Carlson Sullivan

Katharine L. Carlson Sullivan, 73, of Cambridge, Neb., died Friday, March 11, 2005 at Cambridge Hospital. She was the mother of John Sullivan of Colby.

Mrs. Sullivan was born June 8, 1931 in Holdrege to Lawrence August and Edleen Eldora (Florell) Carlson. She grew up in Holdrege and graduated from Holdrege High School in 1949.

She worked as a secretary for Clausen, Olsen and Benner before marrying LeRoy Sullivan on Jan. 18, 1951 in Holdrege.

They lived there until 1974 when they moved to rural Bertrand. In 1977 they moved to Decatur County, Kansas; in 2000 they went to live in Kearney and later Cambridge, Neb. in 2002.

Mrs. Sullivan is survived by her husband, LeRoy of Cambridge; seven children, Jim Sullivan of Oberlin; Kaylon Hubbard of Elm

Creek, Neb.; John Sullivan of Colby; Kerry Myers of Bertrand, Neb.; Karen Koppinger of Unadilla, Neb. Tom Sullivan of Central City, Neb. and Carol Brown of Oberlin; 20 grandchildren; one step-granddaughter and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, Maxine Samuelson and her twin brother, James Lawrence.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Trinity Evangelical Free Church in Holdrege with Revs. Murray Jones and Bruce Lester officiating. A private family interment will be at Prairie Home Cemetery in Holdrege before the service.

Solt Funeral Home in Central City, Neb. is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are suggested to the family.

LeLard "Ray" Parker

LeLard "Ray" Parker, 65, of Garfield, died Monday, March 14, 2005 at the Hutchinson Hospital in Hutchinson. He was the father of Gary Parker of Colby.

Mr. Parker was born Oct. 24, 1939 in Lyons to Garland Boyd and Margaret Leona (Bloom) Parker. A Garfield resident since 1997, he had lived in Larned and Hutchinson. He was a retired firefighter and security officer at Larned State Hospital.

Mr. Parker is survived by his wife, Stella, of Garfield; three sons, Carl of Garfield, Kenneth of Kanapolis and Gary of Colby; one daughter, Marilyn Chism of Larned; two sisters, Doris Redinger of Burton and Talma Miller of Great Bend and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a

twin brother, Lloyd "Roy," a sister, Margaret Deloris Maxson, a grandchild and one great-grandchild.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Beckwith Mortuary Chapel in Larned with Pastor Ken Walker officiating. Visitation will be until 9 p.m. Wednesday and from 9 a.m. until service time at the mortuary on Thursday. Burial will be at Larned Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the Larned Volunteer Fire Department or Garfield Emergency Medical Services and can be sent in care of Beckwith Mortuary, Inc., P.O. Box 477, Larned, Kan. 67550.

Winona resident renews family ties



Jean Lowe

• Winona Correspondent

Their great-granddaughter, Ashley Kennedy, is a member of the Hoxie team.

Susanna Smith had the opportunity to audition a flute solo and try out for a scholarship at Fort Hays State University Saturday. Susanna and her mother, Ruth Smith, went to Hays Friday and were house guests of Sarah Smith who is a student at Fort Hays.

The Triplains senior class packed their luggage in Suburbans and departed from the school at 6 a.m. Wednesday. From Denver they flew to San Diego to spend spring break in sunny California. Sponsors Scott and Christi Schertz accompanied Kysha Nichols, Susanna Smith, Candace Palmer, Mason Mackley, Dillon Potter, Warren Bretz, Jordan Barrett and Brian Moore.

Marge Ausmus was one proud grandmother when the winning

photos were unveiled Saturday at Pioneer Memorial Library. Her 11-year-old grandson, Wyatt Werth, son of Larry and Michele Werth of Brewster, had entered the photo contest on Jan. 29 depicting life in Thomas County. Wyatt's photo won first place in the child's division. Marge attended a reception at the library Saturday where the winners were announced prior to opening to the public.

Sunday was a beautiful spring-like day. Many ventured out to hear the Texas Boys choir perform in the Oakley High School auditorium. Members and others from the WPC area in attendance were Lucille Bruns, Emma Latham, LaVonne Baxter, Jean Lowe and Tom and Nancy Schertz.

Jean Lowe hosted four southern guests from the Texas Boys Choir overnight Sunday. The fun began with pizza after the concert. There wasn't a dull moment throughout the evening with the 15-through 18-year-olds. They were Russell Troxel, Jonathan Richard, John Lake and Josh Drewes. The four handsome young men dressed in

their light trousers, black blazers and red ties were returned to Oakley in time for their 9:00 performance in the Oakley High School auditorium.

David and Judy Gfeller spent the weekend in Marion with Andy and Staci Hansen, Kirsten and Kourtney.

Art and Pat Koster went to Wichita for the weekend and were house guests of Joel and Mandy Koster.

They attended the home and garden show.

Bob Pfeiff is in the hospital in Garden City where he had a hip replacement and knee surgery. He will transfer to Oakley this weekend for rehab.

The community was shocked and saddened with the news of the death of Doneta Gates Tuesday morning. She had spent two weeks in St. Joseph Hospital in Denver.

The choir will sing "My Faith Still Holds" Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. in the Winona United Methodist Church. Refreshments will be served in Dunlap Hall following the performance.

Rexford correspondent takes Caribbean cruise



Sondra Barnett

• Rexford Correspondent

The Rexford News Column will be submitted by Vicki Allison the next two weeks while Sondra is cruising the Caribbean and therefore, she has missed the spring snow fall which was a delightful surprise Sunday morning.

A first birthday celebration for Morgan Wark was at the home of her grandparents Vicki and Dennis Allison over the weekend. Those helping to celebrate were Morgan's parents, Chad and Desire, her aunts Kristin & Jami Wark of the home, Rebecca Wark from Fort Hays State University and special friend Chance Rains from Sharon Springs, and great-grandmother Madonna Anderson from Gem.

Jeremy Gould came home March 8 for a 10-day leave from the Navy and is visiting his grandparents, Jay and Nancy Dahl, and his uncle Tim Dahl. Jeremy visited the school Thursday, March 10 and shared his experiences with the Navy and what living in Florida is like where he is stationed.

Saturday evening Shepherd Staff hosted the area "Teens for Christ Rally" feeding 150 teens. Monday, March 14, the annual program for The Regional Assembly of God Leadership team was held at Shepherd Staff with 60 participants from the Western Plains of Kansas.

Pastor Lane Purcell and the Rexford Youth Group will be helping with an area Youth Rally "Project 7," March 16 at the Colby Community Building. The event starts at 6 p.m. with a free supper. The evening will consist of various means of ministering, prizes and games. (Rumor is that a car will be given away.) The Shepherd Staff

will be housing the crew members through the week. Pastor Purcell encourages all teens to attend. BE THERE!

The Rexford Youth Group is taking orders for beef burritos and chicken enchiladas. If you have not been contacted, call Kristin Wark, 687-2525 and she will be glad to take your order.

The Red Barn "Come on Down" gathering included Dick Sanford, Rex Carswell, Lawrence Horinek and were later joined by the Royal Neighbors: Darlene Robben, hostess, Betty Carswell, Jean Hawkins, Grace Cheney and Deb Stepper after their Lodge meeting.

Those attending the Koffee

Klatch March 11 were Eunice Sanford, Vesta Roth, Jean Hawkins, Grace Cheney, Deb Stepper, Fran Leach, Clede Moeder, Delores Dible, Darla Kay Dible and Berneda Zoberst.

Saturday evening Dick and Eunice Sanford hosted a Seniors Bingo Party at the Red Barn. There were 18 players leaving two empty chairs. The caller was Vesta Roth and the winners got to choose between a candy bar or fruit.

This activity is under consideration for becoming a monthly event.

Scoop on the school: Tuesday, March 14, the middle and high school had an assembly titled "Project 7." Academics, character,

abstinence, alcohol and drug abuse were some of the topics covered.


Golden Plains report cards will be in the mail this week. Wednesday, March 16, school will be dismissed at 1:35 p.m. for teacher inservice. Friday, March 18, the junior class will have the annual School Carnival starting at 6 p.m. There are some terrific bingo prizes and lots of games to enjoy.

Also remember that the gym is available for you walkers from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. during the week.

Makin it Happen: Hats off to Bill Scott who takes care of Rexford City Maintenance.

The paved streets and gutters have been swept of excess gravel and we thank you.

Frances Zoberst is celebrating her 90th Birthday at the Quality Inn from 2:00 - 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, St. Patrick's Day.



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