

Family

Deaths

Frances Ruby Shanks

Frances Ruby Shanks, 84, of Colby, died Friday, Nov. 4, 2005 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She was born July 22, 1921 in Kenton, Okla. and was a homemaker.

Mrs. Shanks is survived by a son, Kenneth Shanks of Colby; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Beulah Cemetery with Rev. James Mardock officiating. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby.

Memorials are suggested in her name, to be designated at a later date. They may be left in care of the funeral home.

Babies

Grace Elizabeth May

Jason and Debora May of Pratt announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Elizabeth May, on Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2005 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. Grace weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and is 18 inches long.

Grandparents are Theresa Spore of Springfield, Mo.; Tom and Vicky

Waldschmidt of Colby and Chet and Myrna May of Wichita.

Great-grandparents are Neal and Pat McManigal of Waldport, Ore. and Claude and Viola May of Caldwell.

Grace was welcomed home by brothers Hayden, 8, and Grant, 3 1/2.

Colby residents attend conference on education

Janice Frahm and Karen Larmer, Family and Community Education member, attended the Kansas Association for Family and Community Education state conference Oct. 18 and 19 in Great Bend.

The conference was a chance for members to renew their vision in the organization's mission to strengthen individuals, families and communities through educational, leadership and action workshops. Tours included the Kansas Quilt Walk, Mural Walking Tour and a home-based business in the craft, quilting and sewing industries.

They enjoyed a presentation from featured speaker Susie Oberdahlhoff of Bowling Green, Mo. who shared her experiences

from the perspective of a farm wife that was city-born.

Other presentations were the "Traveling Black Dress Show" by Diana Schmidts of Anthony, which illustrated ways to stretch wardrobe dollars. Joe Boley, a musician and storyteller from Great Bend, was the entertainment at the annual banquet.

Student News

Valerie Broeckelman of Selden was chosen as a state finalist for the Wendy's High School Heisman. Broeckelman attends Golden Plains High School in Rexford. She received a bronze medal.

The annual award celebrates high school seniors who excel in athletics, academics and community service.

Two state winners were chosen from each state and will compete in the next round of the national competition. Each winner receives a silver medal.

At the national level, 12 finalists will be chosen.

November brings new columnist

Vicki Allison

● Rexford Correspondent

pared by Darrel Dible on Sunday after the morning service. Darrel will deliver the gifts to a distribution center in Colorado Springs where the gifts will be sent to kids in other countries.

Colleen Rall, daughter, Amanda Rall, and Jami Wark traveled to eastern Kansas on Friday. Colleen visited with her children Brian Rall and Alisha Rall in Manhattan while Amanda and Jami spent the weekend in Lawrence with Jami's sister Kristin Wark who is a freshman at the University of Kansas in Lawrence. Kristin gave them a tour of the campus and treated them to the KU - NE football game. The girls had an awesome experience cheering in a crowd of 51,750 fans and then rushing onto the field after the Jayhawks defeated the

Plain Sense

The stress of the holiday season is something that is discussed and written about every year. Society defines this time of year as full of merriment, parties and social gatherings where everyone is happy and joyful.

The media, advertisements and songs foster high expectations. Stress does not come only from holiday related activities. It is understandable to feel less than happy when dealing with a significant life change or loss, such as divorce or the death of a loved one.

Loneliness, health problems, family grudges, drinking problems and job pressures can also contribute.

When a person doesn't feel so cheery, they think that something is wrong with them. Quite often, those feelings of discouragement are due more so to trying to do so much and attempting to make the holiday season a wonderful experience for all involved.

Taking on that much responsibility can result in a big strain on a person, as well as on the rest of the family.

Opinions, attitudes and expectations for celebrating the holidays are not the same for everyone. Personal history and past experiences differ, and affect how individuals and families view holiday activities. Wanting others to react in a certain manner or to change their behavior is just not realistic and can result in frustration and bad feelings for all involved. For some reason people are expected to behave differently (usually better) during the holiday season, and when that doesn't happen, others who are involved in the planning and preparation tend to feel that they failed in their efforts. The reality is that strained relationships cannot be mended in one day. Expecting other family members to get involved, to

Cornhuskers 40-15.

Thursday, at the Red Barn, the Come on Down group had eight card players: Rex and Betty Carswell, Jean Hawkins, Darlene Robben, Deb Stepper, Grace Cheney, Dick Sanford, and Lawrence Horinek. If you play cards, please, Come on Down and join in. There is plenty of room.

Koffee Klatchers this week were Jean Hawkins, Berneda Zoberst, Cleoda Moeder, Grace Cheney, Eunice Sanford, Deb Stepper, Margaret Arasmith, Liz Rall and Vesta Roth.

Saturday, Nov. 12, the Lions and Royal Neighbors will host the annual ham and turkey dinner.

Janell Antholz, the Golden Plains Middle/High School music instructor, took Jordan Rogers, Andrew Broeckelman and Brittany Ritter, who are sophomores, and Valerie Broeckelman a senior, to Hays for District Honor Choir auditions. The four were selected and will perform in Hays December 3 at the Kansas

Music Education Association mini convention. The middle/high school fall concert will be Thursday, Nov. 10, at 7 p.m.

The high school play "A Golden Fleece" will be Friday, Nov. 11. A chuck wagon meal, catered by Golden Plains alumni, Dana Broeckelman Lieja, will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the school or at the door the evening of the play. Please R.S.V.P. at the school, 687-3265.

Correction

Clarification made on Art Club article


In the Thursday, Oct. 27 edition of the *Free Press*, page 5, Nancy Swartz did not paint the picture in the art club article.

It was painted by a famous artist named Eliot O'Hara. Swartz didn't know how famous O'Hara was when she put the picture on ebay. Then the lady who bought the picture returned it to Swartz, not Fritz Ostmeier, as stated in the outline, and let Swartz keep the \$950 she paid her for the picture.

This was a production error.

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