

Family

Deaths

Carol Haselhorst

Carol Haselhorst, 78, of Colby, died Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2006, at Memorial Hospital in Abilene. Mrs. Haselhorst was born Dec. 21, 1928, in Great Bend.

She was the mother of Susan McLemore of Colby. She was a retired daycare provider.

Mrs. Haselhorst is survived by one daughter, Susan McLemore of Colby; one brother, Loren J. Kutina of Great Bend; one sister, Mary I. Brazda of Vinita, Okla., and three grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby with Father Dana Clark officiating. Burial will follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Colby.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, 745 S. Country Club Drive, in Colby.

Vigil and rosary will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral chapel.

Memorials are suggested to Sacred Heart Catholic Church and School, and donations may be left at any Colby bank or the chapel.

Winona residents welcome new grandchildren

Tiny Ava Grace Koster was the center of attention in the Art and Pat Koster home the minute she arrived Friday. Ava Grace's, parents, Cameron and Jessica Koster, of Hutchinson, brought her for her debut to the grandparent's home. Her uncle, Joel Koster, and Alana Brannen of Wichita also arrived Friday for the family pre-Christmas celebration. Great-grandma, Lucille Bruns, joined the family to complete the four-family circle.

The gift the Winona U.M. Ecumenical Choir and children wanted to give for Christmas was their belief that He is still the King of Kings. They delivered that message to a full house in the sanctuary of the Winona U.M. Church Sunday afternoon. Soloists sharing the beauty of the only musical instrument made by God were Kelly Lewallen, Pam Lewallen, Sam Smith, Amy Lorenzen, Art Koster, and Tricia Taylor.

Others contributing to the harmony and beauty of the music and message were Pat Koster, Ruth Smith, Donita Goyen, Charlene Taylor, LaVonne Baxter, Jael Nichols, Glen Ausmus, Norma Lee Plummer, Rachael Smith, Harv Kahle, Doug Margheim, Andrea Plummer, Bryant Plummer, Pastor Sheryl Johnson, and Joy Haverfield. Children in the Nativity tableau and featured in a lively song, "Baby Boy," were Ethan Plummer, Brittany Plummer, Verlin Plummer, Madison Mackley, Eric Rucker, Aaron Rucker, Seth Smith, Rose Smith, Silas Smith, Fred Schertz, Jess Schertz, Kyle Gfeller, Eric Gfeller, Brett Gfeller, Katie Hillery, and Heath Haverfield. Mary and Joseph were portrayed by Kara Gfeller and Brett Gfeller. Steve Johnson narrated the story. Dianne Schertz was accompanist and Jean Lowe directed. Fellowship and refreshments were shared in Dunlap Hall, following the performance.

Monday, Dec. 18, Paul and Susan Casper of Swink, Colo., became first-time parents. Dalton Paul



Jean Lowe

Winona Correspondent

Casper weighed 7.5 pounds and was 20 inches long. He was delivered in a Pueblo, Colo., hospital. Proud maternal grandparents are Steve and Dianne Schertz. Grandma Dianne is spending a few days getting acquainted with Dalton.

The big news is the ice and snow storm that blanketed the area beginning Tuesday, evening through Wednesday and Thursday. The school Christmas program was called off Tuesday evening and vacation began prematurely, beginning on Wednesday.

Lights and garlands are weighted down with the wet snow. Glittering icicles decorate eaves creating glistening beauty outdoors. No doubt now that we will have a white Christmas. On the down-side, tree branches are helter-skelter all over town.

New year packed with many activities

By Leilani Thomas
Tourism Director

Resolution No. 1 this year is writing 2007; the first couple of weeks it always seems very strange when we begin a new year and must develop a new habit. We hope that you all had a very happy holiday season and are ready for the opportunities that the new year will bring. One of the first projects for the Convention and Visitors Bureau is to finish the reader sign with the final case which will go on top. We are hearing from many of you that you are enjoying and using the sign.

Leadership Thomas County met Dec. 13 at the Thomas County Office Complex. Class members interviewed city, county and govern-

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ment leaders. Those interviewed were Paul Steel and Byron Sowers, county commissioners; Police Chief Randy Jones; Sheriff Mike Baughn; Public Works Director Chris Bieker; Colby Mayor Ken Bieber; Fire Chief Bob McLemore; Airport Manager Mark Ostmeyer; City Councilman Tim Hutfles; City Attorney Dave Starkey and state Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer. State Rep. Jim Morrison talked with the group at lunch. The class began the visioning project working towards their class project. Facilitators for the day were Shannon Wells and Roger Herren.

A holiday "reconnect" was held

following the session at 5 p.m. Alumni and financial supporters were invited to join the group for festive food, fellowship and conversation. The social was planned by Pat Sloan, Cathy Harrison and Cindy Black. It was great having so many come out for this special event. The next meeting will be Jan. 10 at the Holiday Inn Express.

The quarterly calendar of events is done and a copy is in your newsletter. Additional copies are available at the motels, library, courthouse, city building, museum, most banks and the Chamber of Commerce office. We hope that you will use this so that you may take advantage of many of the events taking place in our community.

Our first big event for the New

Year is the Colby Community College Wrestling Tournament of Champions which is being held Jan. 5-6 at the Colby Community Building. This brings top-notch wrestlers from all over the country to Colby to showcase their skills. Matches will begin at 10 a.m. both days. Another major sporting event for Colby is the Orange and Black Basketball Classic which will be held Jan. 18-20. Games will be played at both the high school and the community building with 16 teams competing. This is a "must" for basketball fans. Western Kansas Liberty League will also be holding their tournament at the community building beginning Jan. 13. There is lots of high school and college basketball and wrestling action scheduled this month.

The Thomas County Wellness Fair will be held Jan. 13 at the Student Union at Colby Community College. It will begin at 9 a.m. There is a \$5 registration fee, but children under 12 are free when accompanied by a registered adult. If you desire blood testing prior, you may receive your results at the fair. Testing is available Jan. 2, 3, 4, and 6 from 6 to 9 a.m. at Citizens Medical Center. What a great way to start your year off in a healthy way.

Safe celebrations urged for families

All across Kansas, families are preparing to ring in the New Year. While most families celebrate the holidays safely and responsibly, some celebrate with a dangerous tradition, shooting off firearms into the air.

"Celebratory gunfire is usually not malicious but it carries serious dangers and penalties," says Jan Stegelman, Safe Kids Kansas coordinator. "Unfortunately, most individuals involved in celebrating New Year's Eve with gunfire do not realize that their actions endanger themselves as well as their family and neighbors."

"It is important to remember that what goes up will come down, and when a bullet comes down it is traveling at a fatal velocity," says Stegelman. For example, a bullet fired into the air can climb two miles and remain in flight for more than a minute.

The bullet can travel and fall up to 2 miles away. When it falls back to earth, the bullet can reach a speed

of 300 to 700 feet per second. A speed of only 200 feet per second is sufficient to penetrate the human skull.

Safe Kids Kansas reminds everyone to celebrate safely this New Year's Eve and be sure to report any instances of shots fired in your neighborhood to local law enforcement. For more information about firearm safety, visit www.safekids.org.

Safe Kids Kansas, Inc. is a non-profit Coalition of 67 statewide organizations and businesses dedicated to preventing accidental injuries to Kansas children ages 0-14. Local coalitions and chapters are located in Allen, Anderson, Atchison, Clay, Coffey, Dickinson, Doniphan, Douglas, Ellis, Finney, Ford, Franklin, Geary, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Leavenworth,

Marion, McPherson, Meade, Mitchell, Montgomery, Nemaha, Osage, Pottawatomie, Republic, Rice, Riley, Saline, Smith, Shawnee, Wabaunsee, Wilson and Woodson Counties, as well as the cities of Chanute, Emporia, Leavenworth, Norton, Pittsburg, the Wichita Area and the Metro Kansas City Area. Safe Kids Kansas is a member of Safe Kids Worldwide, a global network of organizations whose mission is to prevent accidental childhood injury.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$4.52
Corn	\$3.74
Milo	\$6.17
Soybeans	\$5.91

DON'T MISS THIS ONE!!

Football Widow's Day Sale!!
January 1, 2007
10 a.m to 4 p.m. only!
30 to 50% OFF
Selected Fabrics

1525 S. Range
462-3375

Interior Connection & Quilt Cabin

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Annual **YEAR-END**
OUTRAGEOUS SALE!!!
Saturday, Dec. 30th
7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Thank You!

We want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, calls, visits and help with the farm work while Claude was in all the hospitals and since returning home.

Also a special thanks to Dr. Slavens, Andy Rose and staff for their excellent care and concern. A big thank you to all the staff at the Colby and Atwood hospitals.

We are so grateful for dear family, neighbors and friends.

We love you and God bless you all.

Claude & Gleta Herren

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7	8 Dr. Rubiniowitz Oncology	9	10 Echocardiograms 10:30 Ultrasounds Dr. Frankum Surgery	11 Mammography	12 MRI Mobile Unit 9:30 Vascular Ultrasounds	13
14	15	16	17 Echocardiograms 10:30 Ultrasounds Dr. Curtis Cardiology	18	19 MRI Mobile Unit 9:30 Vascular Ultrasounds	20
21	22	23 Dr. Miller Cardiology Clinic	24 Echocardiograms 10:30 Ultrasounds	25	26 MRI Mobile Unit 9:30 Vascular Ultrasounds	27
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