

Family

Deaths

Glendora June Bastin

Glendora June Bastin, 75, of Selden, died Monday, March 26, 2007, in Colby. Mrs. Bastin was born June 4, 1931, in Concordia to Clifford August and Helen Elizabeth (Basehar) Camp.

She grew up on farms around Selden and graduated from Selden Rural High School. She attended Central Business College in Denver, and worked at Smith Electric and the Federal Land Bank in Colby.

She married H. Dean Bastin June 16, 1953, at Selden Methodist Church. They lived on a farm north of Rexford.

She was a member of Selden Methodist Church and later Rexford Community Church. She taught youth and adult Sunday school classes, helped in Pioneer Girls and served on their committee. She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, Worthwhile club and Past

Worthy Matron of Eastern Star. She enjoyed gardening, reading, music and travel.

Mrs. Bastin is survived by children Regena Barnum and husband Evan of Colby, Dale Bastin and wife, Dagmar, of Germany, Kenneth Bastin of Selden, Louise Lahman and husband Larry of Gilbert, Ariz., and Louis Bastin of Fort Smith, Ark.; and seven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Dean on Aug. 3, 2003, and two siblings, Clell Milton and Linda Elaine camp.

Services are at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Rexford Community Church with Pastor Lane Purcell officiating. Burial will be at Rexford Cemetery in Rexford.

Memorials are suggested to Rexford Community Church.

Arrangements are being handled by Pauls Funeral Home of Selden and Oberlin.

Tumbleweed Chorus to perform Saturday

The Tumbleweed Barbershop Chorus of Colby will perform its 26th annual show at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Frahm Theatre on the Colby Community College campus.

The theme is "When the Circus Came to Town," celebrating America's love affair with the circus, which lasted more than 200 years, and has survived the minstrel show, the medicine show, and vaudeville.

The men of the Colby Tumbleweed Chorus are very excited about the production of their upcoming show, said show chairman Bruce Bandy.

Their performances are intended to duplicate or re-live much of the excitement and nostalgia of those bygone traveling circus show days. Bandy's plans for the production of this year's show are both ambitious and exciting. The "big top" circus tent stage setting, costuming and other production details are shaping up to be even better than last year's 25th Anniversary Show.

The headliner quartet for this year's show is a young [all in their mid-twenties], Tennessee-based vocal group, The Four Voices, founded out of a love of pure harmony and musical excellence. They have been thrilling audiences since 1995. These four young men met as students at Lee University and began creating a sound which would later gain international recognition, pushing the limits of four-part a cappella singing.

The Four Voices masterfully creates a unique experience for the audience characterized by vocal excellence, humor, rock-solid harmonies, and a genuine spirit. They are the only quartet in the Barbershop Harmony Society to win both the International Collegiate Championship Gold Medal (in 1996 at Salt Lake City) and six years later, they won the International Quartet Championship Gold Medal (in 2002 in Portland, Oregon).

Their diverse appeal and broad repertoire is guaranteed to be a success.

And, also as a second added attraction, The Salina Crossroads Barbershop Chorus, directed by Mike Linden, will be a guest performing chorus during this show. They will be presenting an encore performance of their own recent show in Salina. The Salina chorus will have about 20 voices singing their current show repertoire, and they will also have one quartet performing on the show. Mike Linden is a former director of the Tumbleweed Chorus.

"It will be exciting to have so many singers, offering so much quality entertainment to our patrons on this 2007 Annual Show. This promises to be one of the best shows the Tumbleweed Chorus has ever presented," Bandy said.

Tickets are \$8 in advance of \$10 at the door.

Brewster student on a mission in Chile

By Jan Katz Ackerman
Colby Free Press

A former Brewster man struck out alone on a journey he will likely never forget.

Joel Selby, 21, wanted to share his love for God with others and strengthen his language skills in Spanish, so he decided to immerse himself in a Spanish speaking culture.

"I had planned to travel straight to Castro on the Island of Chiloe to begin working on a church," Selby said. "The church has some major problems with the structure and is actually dangerous to hold meetings in. My mission trip has changed into a culturally educational experience as well as a way for me to learn the language of Spanish."

Located along the western border of the peninsula of South America, Chiloe Island is 3,241 square miles of land and is the second largest island in Chile and the fifth largest in South America.

Selby first thought of going to Mexico, but did not have any contacts which would get him there.

"My pastor in Salina told me about a man, Glen Pummel, who had lived in Chile for eight years, so I asked Glen if he could help me," Selby said. "Only by God's planning, Glen was going to be traveling to Chile a week and a half after we first discussed my intentions."

Selby said because of the conver-



Joel Selby's mission trip to Chile in South America has turned out to be an educational and inspirational experience for him. Traveling alone, Selby headed south to serve others and teach them about God and has ended up learning about another culture and strengthened his Spanish language skills.

sation, Pummel was able to speak with some Chileans about hosting him in their house.

"The Aldana family accepted the proposal; however, I could not be in their house as early as I wanted to be, so we asked another family, the Ramirez Lefenda family. If I could reside in their home for the first two months. They agreed and this is what I have done," Selby said.

Selby left the United States on Jan. 4, and will return June 22.

"Work on the church had been planned to begin in March," Selby said. "I have discovered that repairing this church would really just be a waste of money; because of this it is likely that I will only be doing some very minor, preventative repairs."

Besides helping the church mem-

bers, while in Chile, Selby has visited Santiago, Maitencillo, Vina del Mar, Baños Morales, Puerto Montt, and Castro.

"I have been to the national capital and other national landmarks like San Cristobal and some very old church buildings," Selby said.

Upon Selby's return to the United States, he will move to Arizona where he will begin work for Archer Western Contractors in Phoenix starting July 1.

Selby is a 2004 graduate of Brewster High School. After studying one year at Colby Community College he transferred to Kansas State University at Salina where he earned an Associate Degree in construction engineering technology in December of 2006.

He is the son of Lonnie and Patricia Selby of Brewster, and has two brothers, Karman, 19, and Devan, 15. Selby said despite his travel plans changing from that of a Christian mission trip to one having more educational aspects he could not have been treated more kindly by the people of Chile.

"The people of Chile are patient, helpful, and kind the people," Selby said. "They truly have a hearts of hospitality. Even though they don't have the wealth that we take for granted in the United States, they are just as rich with family relationships and friends. My experience with the people has exceeded my expectations."



The Sumners, then and now



They have two granddaughters and two grandsons.

Couple celebrates 40 years

Pat and Lois Sumner are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary Sunday, April 1. They were married April 1, 1967 in Damar at St. Joseph Church.

Their children are Christina and Joe Price of Ashland, Ohio, and Lisa and Pat Ribble of Arlington, Texas.

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