

Family

Deaths

Joan Pauline Pochop Griggs

Joan Pauline Pochop Griggs, 74, of Colby, died Tuesday, April 10, 2007, in Colby. Mrs. Griggs was born May 30, 1932, in Burntwood Township north of Beardsley to Peter Paul and Rosina (Jesch) Pochop.

She married Wilbur Clyde Griggs June 5, 1954. They divorced in 1990.

He was a homemaker and later worked delivering the Denver Post in Colby. She later retired.

Mrs. Griggs is survived by sons Edward Griggs of Norfolk, Va., William Griggs of Colby and Gerald Griggs and wife Judy of Colby; daughters Rebecca of Colby and Bernice Skiles and husband Frank of Colby; a brother, John

Pochop of Colton, Calif.; a sister, Rose Ann Bayes of El Segundo, Calif.; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Peter and Rosina Pochop; brothers Peter, Simon and Paul Pochop; sisters Ann Solko, Monica Solko, Lillian, Rose Marie and Theresa Pochop and granddaughter Ratabitha Griggs.

Services were Monday, April 16, at Harrison Chapel in Colby with Pastor James Mardock of Colby and Father Galen Long of Atwood officiating.

Burial was at St. John's Cemetery in Atwood.

Arrangements were by Harrison Chapel in Colby.

Historical society's annual meeting Sunday

On Earth Day Sunday, visitors to the Prairie Museum of Art and History, can hear from an early preservationist of buffalo. The Thomas County Historical Society Annual Meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the museum.

There will be a brief business meeting followed by a first person interpretation of Charles J. "Buffalo" Jones by Dr. Phillip Thomas, Wichita State University. At one time "Buffalo Jones" was a buffalo hunter, but he later became famous for the preservation of the American bison. In the 1860s, many farmers, ranchers, railroad companies and townbuilders saw the buffalo as in the way of progress.

Professional hunters and sportsmen hunted the buffalo not only for food but for the money they could make selling hides and bones. So few were left that Buffalo Jones, originally a hunter, started his own

herd, selling buffalo to zoos and parks. Jones devoted the rest of his life to the preservation of animals. Theodore Roosevelt appointed him as a game warden in Yellowstone Park. He was featured in Zane Grey's Last of the Plainsmen. "Buffalo Jones" was one of the founders of Garden City, Kan. Enjoy this tale of adventure as Jones talks about the buffalo hunts and his change of heart.

Dr. Phillip Thomas portrays C.J. "Buffalo" Jones. Dr. Thomas has broad interests in the history of science, art, and the West. He teaches environmental history at Wichita State University. The program is provided by the Kansas Humanities Council.

Following the meeting members can enjoy refreshments and see the new space which will include the Kansas Kids Corner, classroom and changing exhibit space.

Anniversaries

Card shower requested for 60th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Beckman will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on April 22. Their family would like to honor them on

this special day with a card shower. Cards of congratulations may be sent to them at: HC 1 Box 47, Menlo, Kan., 67753.



The Sumners on their wedding day, left, and today, right.

Couple celebrates 40 years

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

Their children are Christina and Dave Price of Ashland, Ohio, and Lisa and Pat Ribble of Arlington, Texas. They have two granddaughters and two grandsons.

Teacher nominated for award

Jodie Ackerman, formerly of Colby, was nominated for the Educator of the Year award by the parents of her kindergarten class at Morgan Elementary in Hutchinson.



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tion for teachers. Ackerman is a graduate of Fort Hays State University and a graduate of Colby High School.

She started teaching at Morgan Elementary in special education in 2004 and is now a kindergarten teacher.

Ackerman is the daughter of Darlene and Lyle Gillispie of Colby. She was born and raised in Colby, and worked at Colby schools for many years as a para.

Popcorn Day planned at senior center

By Emma Rogers

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Wednesday is Popcorn Day at the Senior Progress Center, 165 Fike Park. Come early and enjoy popcorn and fellowship with friends.

Note that exercise has been changed from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

There are plenty of activities scheduled at the center for the week of April 23-27, including Yellow Monday. Exercise is at 10 a.m. Tuesday and bingo is at 11 a.m.

Wednesday is Popcorn Day. Exercise is at 10 a.m. Thursday. Exercise is at 10 a.m. Friday. It's also Denim and Orange Day.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center in Colby wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend daily luncheons in Colby Monday through Friday. Reservations may be made by calling (785) 460-2901 the day before. Home delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or

physical disabilities. Those who work are also invited to come to pick up a meal. Those meals are available at noon to be picked up. For individuals 60 and over a contribution of \$2.50 per meal is requested.

Anyone under 60 years of age is invited to attend or pick up a meal at a cost of \$4.50 per meal.

The menu for the next week includes: Monday - hamburger patty, bake beans, tater tots, bun, rosy pears. Tuesday - pork roast with gravy, mashed potatoes, steamed cabbage, carrots and onions, bread,

cranberry fluff. Wednesday - barbecue meatballs, mixed veggies, apricot halves, bread, rice. Thursday - oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread, pear slices. Friday - chili with beans, citrus slices, crackers, cinnamon roll.

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

The Thomas County Public Van is owned by the county but is scheduled and dispatched by the Senior Progress Center. The van is not a taxi service. It will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

It must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance of its use and be ready at least 30 minutes in advance of appointment. Sometimes there are four to six calls per time frame.

Calls for the van need to be made between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday.

To contact the public transportation van after 12:30 p.m., call (785) 443-9208.

Hansen Museum offering art classes

The Dane G. Hansen Museum in Logan will have two certified Bob Ross instructors that will teach classes on a regular basis.

The first class will be from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 2. The class will be painting "Wheelbarrow with Flowers." The second class will be "Landing

Duck" Sunday, June 3. The hours will be the same as the Saturday class.

Participants may enroll for one or both days.

T.R. Mathews and Sandy Seamone of Arriba, Colo., will entertain and instruct step by step, revealing how easy and fun it is to

paint the Bob Ross Way. No previous experience is necessary and anyone can do it.

The learning opportunity is provided by the Hansen Museum Continued Education Program and offered at reduced prices to the public. For information or to register by phone, call (785) 689-4846.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 1-6 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

Prairie Land Food delivery, Sacred Heart School gym, 10:30 a.m.
Lutheran Care in Community clean-up, 9 a.m., Trinity Lutheran Church
Alzheimer's Memory Walk, 1 p.m., Fike Park
Girl Scout 50th anniversary open house, Colby Country Club, 2-3 p.m.
Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce banquet, City Limits Convention Center, 6 p.m.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$4.64
Corn	\$3.51
Milo	\$5.76
Soybeans	\$6.07

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