

Family

Deaths

Virginia Hickman

Virginia Hickman, Colby, died Sunday, June 6, 2010. Kersencrook Funeral Chapel in Colby, (785) 462-7979. Services are pending with the

William K. Latimer

William K. Latimer, 69, Gem, died Saturday, June 5, 2010, in Oakley. He was born Dec. 19, 1940, in Atwood. Services are pending with the Harrison Chapel in Colby, (785) 462-2331.

Donald E. Lundgren

Donald E. Lundgren, 73, Peosta, Iowa, formerly of Colby, died Friday, June 4, 2010, at Mercy Medical Center in Dubuque, Iowa. Leonard Funeral Home and Crematory of Dubuque, (563) 556-6788, is in charge of arrangements. There will be no public visitation or services. Burial will be in

Stacey Lynn Winger

Stacey Lynn Winger, 41, Arlington, Texas, brother of Mark (Tonya) Winger of Colby, died Tuesday, June 1, 2010, following a home accident on Thursday, May 27.

He was born Oct. 1, 1968, in Johnson, to Richard and Marie Collings Winger. Raised in southwest Kansas, he graduated from the University of Kansas.

On Dec. 29, 1990, he married Shanna Hill.

He had lived in Arlington for the past 15 years and was an active member of Trinity United Methodist Church, where he served in the youth programs. He enjoyed biking, camping, boating, wake boarding, model rocketry and model airplanes. A youth sports coach, he was an avid sports fan of the Kansas Jayhawks football and basketball teams. He was an organ donor.

Mr. Winger was an aerospace

engineer at Bell Helicopter in Hurst, Texas.

Survivors also include his wife, children Mikayla Winger, 14; Alex Winger, 10; and Mackenzie Winger, 6, all of the home; his parents; his in-laws, Larry and Lynn Hill of Ulysses; three sisters, Melodie (Don) Casey, Johnson; Kim (Paul) Tucker, Colorado City, Colo.; and Susan (Mike) Johnson, Garden City; a brother, Jeff (Anita) Winger, Starkville, Miss.; and a brother-in-law, Chris Hill, Amarillo.

Memorial services were to be Thursday, June 3, 2010, at the church in Arlington, with Dr. Scott Youngblood, the Rev. Miriam Georg and the Rev. Brenda Beaver officiating.

The family suggests memorials in his name in care of the Bank of America, 3908 Glade Rd., Colleyville, Texas, 67034, account No. 707319.

Conservation cut-off is Friday

Friday is the cutoff date to apply for 2010 money from the Kansas Conservation Stewardship Program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The program is for land owners and farm operators who have already applied conservation practices and earn points towards conservation payments, officials said.

"Since they already have implemented conservation practices," said Andy Burr, soil conservation specialist at the Colby office of the Natural Resources Conservation

Service, "this program lets them decide if they'd be willing to take on one new activity, such as going to continuous no-till farming, rotating mineral placement in grassland or to adopt drift-reducing nozzles, lower the pressure at the nozzle and lower the nozzle height (on irrigation sprinklers)."

Information is available at the service's office on Country Club Drive. Call 462-7671 for information, or go to www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/new_csp/csp/html.

Ladies Golf

Twelve women came out to play in a two-person scramble on June 1. First place went to Audrey Hines and Susan Wark, with a tie for second between Becky Peterson and Suzanne Schielke and Anita Beckman and Lauren Felter.

Tuesday, the 6 p.m. game will be scotch play.

Reception honors couple on Saturday

Alan and Rita Wade of Gem invite friends and family to a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church to celebrate the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Stephanie Wade, to Drew Fowler, the son of Dewayne and Donna Fowler of Berryton.

The couple plans to marry Thursday, July 17, 2010, at the Campus Lutheran Church in Columbia, Mo.

The bride graduated from

Colby High School in 2002, and from Emporia State University in 2008. She is working toward a doctorate in the psychology of neuroscience and cognition at the University of Missouri, Columbia.

The groom graduated in 2002 from Shawnee Heights High School in Topeka and from Emporia State in 2007. He is a doctoral student in chemistry at Missouri.

Golden Plains activities recognized at banquet

By Judy Rogers

At the annual Golden Plains High School Awards Banquet on May 13, students were recognized for their extracurricular accomplishments.

Extracurricular activities are an important part of the high school experience. According to the college planning web site collegeboard.com, colleges pay attention to life both inside and outside the classroom.

Director Janell Antholz said the music program had successful concerts this year and the students performed well at contest. She said the pep band came together early and played at home football and basketball events.

Although the choir was small, it was a pleasure to work with, and she said she was proud of its performances at the state contest. Eight students auditioned for the Kansas Music Educators Association ensembles and three, Isaac and Jonathan Broeckelman and Hannah Antholz, were chosen to perform. The marching band, also small, came together and sounded great, she said.

Sponsor Cathy Broeckelman re-

capped the forensics season. Four students participated and three made it to state. Brandy Gilbert received a I rating in poetry at the state festival while Jonathan Broeckelman competed at state championships in extemporaneous speaking and with his brother Isaac in duet acting. Even though they placed at most meets with these events, they did not qualify for finals at state.

Judy Rogers recognized the yearbook staff for their hard work all year. Fourteen students were responsible for taking photos, writing articles for the newspapers and documenting the school year in designing and developing the 2010 Yearbook. She also acknowledged the Student Council for their leadership this past year and thanked Jacy Moss for serving as president.

In closing, Activities Director Travis Smith thanked the families, faculty, staff and community members for the support they provide all year.

"Be proud of Golden Plains schools," he said. "By working together, we can continue to keep our school great."

Idea exchange benefits gardeners

I, for one, missed having the opportunity to attend the KLOE Home and Garden Show at the Max Jones Fieldhouse this spring. For the first time in 23 years, the show was not held and I missed seeing the exhibits and the chance to visit with fellow gardeners about the new season. The show was apparently moved to Colby this year, and I wasn't able to get over there to enjoy the occasion.

One of the real joys of each gardening season, in my opinion, is the chance to converse with other gardeners, or gardening wannabes, concerning their progress from year to year. Or better yet, to actually visit their garden plot and yard to see how they do things. I like to visit with others about their watering system, about the different varieties of flowers and vegetables they like to grow, or even their methods of eliminating weeds and insects.

I like to compare other practices with my own. And please believe me when I say I have learned so many valuable tips about gardening from other people. A chance to actually see what others are doing is a chance I seldom pass up. No matter how long a gardener has been dropping seeds in the ground, he or she can learn new things from someone else.

This gardening season has certainly offered high plains gardeners many new challenges. I cannot remember a cooler early garden season in the 50 years I have lived here. Surely, there has been other years with abnormally cool springs, but his one has been so much different than usual. Soil temperatures have risen out of the



Kay Melia

• The Gardener

50's only in the last week or so.

Not only has it been difficult for gardeners to take a chance on planting some of those "warm weather" crops, but many farmer have had unusual difficulty in coaxing their newly planted corn to emerge. The month of April was five degrees below normal on average in Denver and when final numbers are in for May, the figures may be similar.

Rainfall totals are well above normal, adding to the difficulty of preparing soil for the planting season. I seldom hear anyone complaining about too much rain in this country, no matter what time of the year, and seldom have we seen pastures so lush in late May.

Still, for those of us who grow stuff, the challenge of producing a crop changes dramatically from year to year and even season to season. A cooler than normal spring may merge into a warmer than expected summer. Mother Nature has her unique way of forcing us to pay attention.

Opportunities to talk to others about unusual garden problems, or just compare notes on the things we do to overcome those problems, are opportunities we should not pass up. Never turn down the chance to visit with a fellow gardener. You might learn something that will make you a better gardener in the years to come.

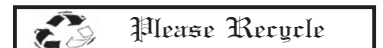
Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$3.45
Corn (bushel)	\$2.81
Milo (hundredweight)	\$4.55
Soybeans (bushel)	\$8.20

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Sunday - Thursday 7:00

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