

Family

Deaths

Kim William Ahrens

Kim William Ahrens, 59, Oakley farmer, died Saturday, Feb. 19, 2011.

He was born in Greensburg on Dec. 13, 1951, the son of James and Alberta Ahrens.

Survivors include his parents of Oakley; two sons, Jason James (Kelly) Ahrens, Minnesota; and Joshua Joe Ahrens, Oakley; former wife Cheryl Ahrens, Oakley; a sister, Kerry Cejka, Kansas City; and two grandsons.

There will be a memorial service at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 12, 2011, at the United Methodist Church in Oakley. Cremation.

Friends will be received by the family from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday in the coffee bar of the church.

The family suggests in place of flowers donations be made to his memorial for the family's designation or to bipolar research in care of Baalman Mortuary, Box 204, Oakley, Kan., 67748.

Jay D. Bowman

Jay D. Bowman, 69, a retired telephone technician who worked and lived in Colby, died Monday, March 7, 2011, at his home in rural Smith County.

He was born June 20, 1941, in Smith County to Vernon and El-dora (Freburg) Bowman.

Survivors include his wife Connie (McGuire) Bowman, of the home; two sons, Steven T. (Connie) Bowman, Whitewater; and Kurtis T. (Jessica) Bowman, Hillsboro; a sister, Vae Jene (Don) Herron, Lawrence; a sister-in-law, Robyn Bowman, Windom; and a

granddaughter.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 12, 2011 at the Simmons-Rentschler Mortuary in Smith Center, with Pastor Dennis Lambert officiating and burial in the Cora Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at the mortuary.

The family suggests memorials in his name to the donor's choice in care of the mortuary at 116 West First, Smith Center, Kan., 66967.

Online condolences may be left at www.simmons-rentschler.com.

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

Friday

12:02 p.m. – Callers advised of inappropriate behavior with older male. Report filed.

1 p.m. – Request to speak to an officer about harassment. All subjects spoken to.

1:45 p.m. – Subject came to station to speak to officer about possible future problem.

2:26 p.m. – Assisted ambulance crew.

2:33, 3:52 p.m. – Four report filed for criminal use of a financial card.

5 p.m. – Served arrest warrant.

9:12 p.m. – Driving while suspended report filed on traffic stop.

9:35 p.m. – Report filed on violation of protection from abuse order.

Saturday

12:47 a.m. – 911 caller reported girlfriend took kids from residence. Went to speak with subject; subject shut door in officer's face.

1:58 a.m. – Provided escort to Citizens Medical Center.

4:44 a.m. – 24/7 requested officer because of suspicious subject walking around store. Everything OK.

5:13 a.m. – Walk-through at Walmart.

1 p.m. – Assisted ambulance crew on call.

4:40 p.m. – Erratic driver in the area of the 100 block of W. Willow. Unable to locate.

6:15 p.m. – Assisted Sheriff's Office.

7:23 p.m. – Security check at Walmart.

8:35 p.m. – Spoke with pedestrian in the area of 2000 block of S. Range. Subject headed back to Oasis Travel Shop. Everything OK.

9:25 p.m. – Report of harassing phone calls.

10 :44 p.m. – Assisted ambulance crew.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Friday

12:18 a.m. – Booked Shasta Bolin.

6:34 a.m. – Released Bolin.

11:17 a.m. – Transported inmate from Rawlins County Sheriff's Office to Law Enforcement Center.

2:26 p.m. – Assisted ambulance crew.

3:18 p.m. – Released Taylor Jon McClure.

6:34 p.m. – Caller advised of one-vehicle rollover in the 1700 block of County Rd. 5.

10 p.m. – Booked Anita Laine Tippets.

10:28 p.m. – Released Tippets.

Saturday

11:14 a.m. – Assisted stalled vehicle at eastbound I-70 mile 64.

12:57 p.m. – Gathered preliminary information for Rawlins County Sheriff's Office about accidental shooting victim.

3:58 p.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop at eastbound I-70 mile 50.

Weed control offers options



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There are several herbicide options for controlling winter annual broadleaf weeds in wheat. Generally, fall applications provide the best control of winter annual weeds with any herbicide, as long as the weeds have emerged. The majority of winter annual weeds usually emerge in the fall, although you can still have some emergence in the spring, especially if fall precipitation after planting is limited. However, those that come up in the spring often are not very competitive with the crop.

Some herbicides can work well even when applied during the dormant part of the season, while others work best if the crop and weeds are actively growing. The key difference relates to the degree of soil activity provided by the herbicide. Herbicides that have good residual activity, such as Glean, Finesse, Amber, and Rave can generally be applied in January and February and still provide good weed control, assuming you have proper conditions for the application. Most herbicides which depend on foliar uptake, will not work nearly as well during the mid-winter months, when the wheat and weeds aren't actively growing.

Spring herbicide applications can be effective for winter annual broadleaf weed control as well, but timing and weather are critical to achieve good control. Spring applications are most effective soon after green-up when weeds are in the rosette stage of growth, and during mild weather. Once weeds begin to bolt and wheat starts to develop more canopy, herbicide performance decreases dramatically.

Huskie is a relatively new herbicide that can provide good control of a variety of broadleaf weeds with excellent crop safety from the 2-leaf to boot stage of growth. This is a premix herbicide. Because it has limited residual activity, it works best when weeds and wheat are actively growing and with milder weather.

Another important consideration is crop tolerance at different application timings. For example, 2,4-D should not be applied in the fall or until wheat is fully tillered in the spring. On the other hand, any herbicide containing dicamba can be applied after wheat has 2 leaves, but should not be applied once the wheat gets close to jointing in the spring. Herbicides containing dicamba include Banvel, Clarity, Rave, Pulsar and Agility SG.

There has been some discussion about wheat tolerance to herbicides, especially when applied with fertilizer carrier. The best advice regarding crop safety with herbicide-fertilizer combinations and application timing is to follow the label guidelines. We generally see minimal crop injury and no yield loss from top-dress fertilizer/residual herbicide appli-

cations during the winter months. However, these combinations can often burn the wheat if applied when the crop is actively growing and with warmer weather. The foliar burn is generally temporary and wheat usually will recover if good growing conditions persist.

Research at Hays several years ago found as much as 47 percent injury to the wheat four days after treatment following a late March treatment of Amber plus 2,4-D, but wheat recovered and yields were not reduced. However, research in Nebraska did show some yield loss from Ally plus 2,4-D applications with fertilizer applied in late April to more advanced wheat and with moisture stress conditions. Crop injury with herbicide-fertilizer combinations will depend on the total amount of fertilizer applied, dilution with water, and the addition of surfactant. Again the label provides the best guidelines regarding if, when, and how herbicides can be applied with fertilizer.

With the wheat in its current state and the unknown of what types of yield you may receive, it is still best to plan to take your wheat to harvest at this time. By doing that you should plan to give the wheat its best chance to survive and thrive. Managing weeds helps eliminate competition for water and nutrients.

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Property Transfers

Real Estate recorded Feb. 28 to March 7

The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Thomas County register of deeds:

• Feb. 21, Geraldine J. Anschutz to Allen L. Bretz; Lot 2, Block 3, Colby Pleasant Valley Addition.

• Feb. 22, W.W. Woerpel Trust to Aaron D. and Kerri M. Schiffelbein; Lots 11-12, Block 38, Colby South Park Annex.

• Feb. 24, Herman J. Ockels, Susan L. Ockels and William Dewey

to Northwest Mortgage Company Inc.; W/2 of Sec. 4, T6, R32; NE/4 of NE/4 of Sec. 9, T6, R32; N/2 of NW/4, SW/4 of NW/4 of Sec. 10, T6, R32.

• Feb. 28, Dora B. Hopson to Lesley G. and Teresa H. Hopson; Lots 11-20, Block 42, Gem, Eatons Third Subdivision.

• March 1, Richard L. and Peggy D. Higerd to Ronald L. Haremza; SW/4 of Sec. 28, T7, R32.

• March 1, WWWW Inc. to Michael D. Woofter; .791-acre tract

of NW/4 of Sec. 18, T8, R33.

• March 2, Warren L. and Rita J. Billips to Andrew J. and Jennifer S. Kraemer; Lot 14, Block 4, Colby Pioneer Subdivision.

• March 3, Cache Valley Bank, custodian for Steven L. Camp I.R.A. to Michael D. Woofter; Lots 1-6 less north 556' of Lots 1-2, less east 241' of lots 4-6, less east 241' of north 28.34' of Lot 3, Block 1; Lots 4-6, Block 2; Lots 1-

8, Block 3; Lots 1-6, Block 4; Lots 1-7, Block 5; Lots 1-4, Block 6, Colby I-70 Industrial Park.

• March 3, Michael D. and Jennifer H. Woofter to Colby Implementation LLC; 4-acre tract of NW/4 of Sec. 18, T8, R33.

• March 4, Keith and Mary Ann Downing to N and A Farms; E/2 of NE/4 of Sec. 9, T6, R34; E/2 of SE/4 of Sec. 4, T6, R34.

Corrections

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$7.39
Corn (bushel)	\$6.34
Milo (hundredweight)	\$10.94
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.52

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March 12, 2011
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Wife, Mother, Grandma, and Friend; You're a Real Angel.

If an angel is someone who's so filled with love; it's a gift that you constantly shared.

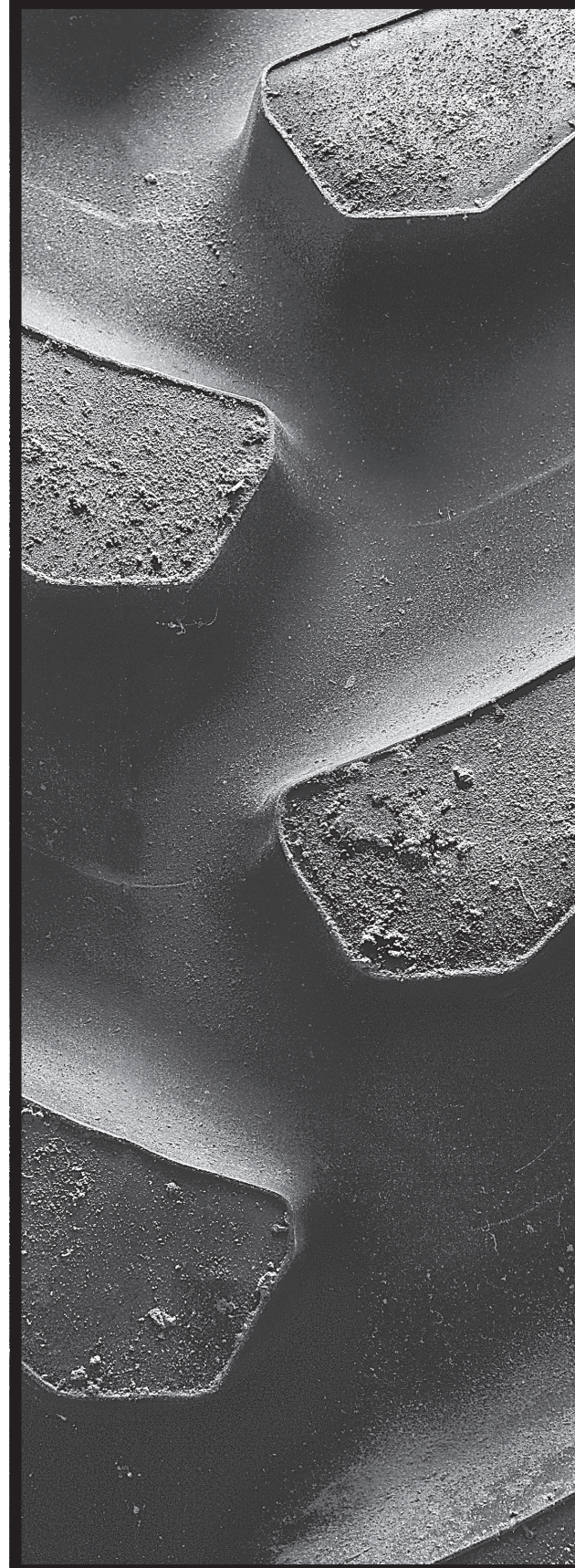
If an angel is someone who looked out for others and gave them a nudge here or there... it would be you.

If an angel is someone who touched your life; your heart was always joyful and wise.

Then even though you didn't have a halo or wings; you're a real angel today... looking out for me.

Thank You

The family of Theresa (Tess) Luckert would like to extend our deepest gratitude for the flowers, cards, memorial gifts, and food from family and friends. Tess was a Wife, Mother, Grandmother, and a friend; she is greatly missed but will forever be in our hearts. Thank You.





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