

Family

Deaths

James Dwight Sowers

James Dwight Sowers, 80, of rural Colby, died Wednesday, April 6, 2011, at his home. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 9, 2011, at the College Drive Assembly of God Church in Colby.

Winston K. Whitley

Winston K. Whitley, 74, Manhattan, a Colby High graduate and a former telephone worker here, died Monday, April 4, 2011, at the Meadowlark Hills-Sloan House in Manhattan.



W. Whitley

He was born Sept. 12, 1936, in Tyrone, Okla., the son of Henry T. and Twila (Robertson) Whitley. He was raised in Colby and graduated from Colby High, then attended Kansas State University. He served for a few years with the Army National Guard in Colby.

On Aug. 31, 1956, he married Marilyn Miller in Colby.

Mr. Whitley was a "telephone man," born in the family apartment above the United Telephone Office in Tyrone. Both of his parents worked for independent telephone companies, but at 19, he took a job with Southwestern Bell, working on the line gang in Colby and on a cable-splicing crew which traveled across the state. In 1960, he took a permanent job in Manhattan and remained in the central office there until he retired in 1991.

He was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church in Manhattan. His professional memberships included the Communication Workers of America and the Telephone Pioneers.

Preceding him in death was his father, Henry T. Whitley, in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a son, Robin R. (Kim) Whitley, Crete, Neb.; a daughter, Jill (Edward) Orr, The Woodlands, Texas; his mother, Manhattan; and two grandchildren.

A graveside inurnment service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, April 11, 2011, at the Sunrise Cemetery in Manhattan.

A memorial has been established for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londene Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Ave., Manhattan, Kan., 66502.

On-line condolences may be left for the family at www.ymlfuneralhome.com.

Lunches highlight Library Week; new catalog starts the week after



Melany Wilks

Library Links

National Library Week begins Monday. Each day the library celebrates by having a special luncheon with a speaker or author sharing about a specific book. We are also excited about the silent auction we are holding.

A week after National Library Week, we will roll out our new library catalog system. With this, we will be giving new library cards to all library patrons. When you come in you will receive a new, updated-looking (and might I say, attractive) library card. These are free to members of the community.

All you have to do is come on Wednesday, April 20, or after and update the information on your account. This enables you to sign into the new catalog system and begin experiencing its many advantages.

When the rollout of the new patron cards was discussed with library trustees and Friends members, many thought we should have a silent auction to help the library raise funds for special library projects.

Hence the Friends of the Pioneer Memorial Library will be helping us with a silent auction so community members can bid

on special numbers. We will auction off card numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 50, 77, 88, 99, 100, 555, 777, or your choice of number under 1000. Each number will have a special bidding sheet placed on the reference area beginning Saturday, April 8. Bidding ends on Friday, April 15.

Come in and bid. One person is going to bid on 77 – when they graduated. One wants a blessed number of 777.

I think it would be great to have 10 because I'd never forget my number. Another patron wants to keep their old memorized number of 764. So, come and help the library with special projects.

We have added activities this year and hope for more in the future, but all take extra funds and resources. Our Friends want to help us grow, so come bid on a card. If you want a sneak peak at what the cards will look like, come

and view the bidding sheets.

On Monday of Library Week, we will review "Always Alice," by Kipp Van Camp.

Tuesday, author Judith Miller will speak on her book "Daughters of Amana," set in the Amana Colonies of Iowa during the 1800s. The settlements were founded by devout Christians who believed in cooperative living, a simple lifestyle and faithful service to God.

Our own retired librarian from Colby, JoAnne Sunderman will speak Wednesday on the book written by Eric Metaxas and Timothy J. Keller, "Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy."

Thursday will feature author, Paul Schneider reviewing his Kansas Reads Book of 2010 called "Silver Shoes," based on the premise that the silver shoes in L. Frank Baum's story "The Wizard of Oz" were real. When a family traveling through Kansas acquires an old silver shoe, strange and ominous things begin to happen.

Friday Nancy Saddler, our adult librarian, will speak on "What is Everyone Else Reading?" Saddler will share something new and something different to read. She will share not only the best sellers, but best circulators.

Another special event is a drawing at Friday's lunch for seven new library card numbers. Everyone who comes to a luncheon can write their name on a card and place it in a barrel – only one per person per day. You do not have to be present Friday to win because we recognize not everyone can attend all days.

If you have never attended one of our special lunches please know it is free; if you would like to leave a donation you can. If you only have a short time for lunch, stay while you can and quietly slip out when you must leave.

I am out of space, but I will tell you we have gotten in some new DVDs, books and audio books for you to check out this week. Also, remember, if there is a book that we do not have on our shelves, we can request it from another library – unless it is brand new! This is called an interlibrary loan. It cost you nothing and allows us to serve you better.

The library is your Internet access place. We have wireless and broadband for you to use. The librarians hope to see you at the library during National Library Week!

Shakespeare Club

The Colby Shakespeare Club met at the Fairview Estates home of Verna Wiens on Friday. The meeting was delayed from March 25.

Joyce Hansen called the meeting to order and followed with the flag salute and club collect. Club members and five guests answered roll call by noting when they or members of their families first came to Thomas County.

Members were reminded that the Three of Clubs gathering Friday will be at 1:30 p.m. at the Pioneer Memorial Library. The program will be about the Colby Community College classes at the Norton State Prison. The next

Shakespeare Club meeting will be Friday, April 22, with Hansen as hostess and Sheryl Brenn giving the program.

Following a brief business meeting and announcements, Hansen began her program by sharing the fruits of her research about Thomas County. She noted her guests as fellow early-morning walkers and exercise colleagues. They have heard her telling about her excitement of learning and plans for this program and wanted to attend.

Hansen referred to several Thomas County books, including "Thomas County – The Early Days, 1870-1900," by Bill James, and "The Golden Jubilee Anni-

versary of Thomas County and Its Neighbors, 1885-1935."

Of particular interest for club members was information about how Beulah Cemetery was established, the first person to be buried there and how it has developed more recently. Club members enjoyed reviewing our heritage, the contributions of our early settlers and opportunities open to us for the future.

After the program, Hansen and Wiens shared a spring strawberry shortcake with coffee, tea, decorated chocolates and almonds. The afternoon was spent visiting and planning for future meetings.

—Sheila Frahm, secretary

Daughters of the American Revolution

The John Athey Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met March 23 at the home of Fran Mann in Quinter. Sharon Maureth opened the meeting; minutes were approved and the treasurer's report give.

Cards were sent to Irene Cressler, Gladys Rowley and Delphin Biggs.

Kay Weber gave an Indian Moment concerning the Kaw Indians, who were the first in Kansas.

Judy Watkins spoke on the DAR schools. Weber and Maureth had attended a meeting in Hays on the schools helped each year. She also gave a book review about the poor black domestics in Mississippi

on sharecraft.

Roll call was presented by Mann and Erin Jamison, who had baked a bread dove baked breads for the breakfast. Each member was given a loaf to take home, along with a recipe. Soup, spreads and sherbet were also served.

The meeting was closed with a prayer and members drove to the cemetery for a prayerful goodbye for Mary Jo Jamison.

The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 27, at the LandMark Inn in Oberlin.

—Eva Lee Wheeler, secretary

Exhibit features stained glass

April is Stained Glass Art Month at the Carnegie Arts Center in Goodland, featuring a stained-glass exhibit by Gary and Cynthia Kickler.

The couple say they both were fascinated with church stained-glass windows since childhood. After they married, they became collectors, which led to a desire to learn more about producing glass art. They opened a stained-glass studio in 1980, where they conduct workshops throughout the year in copper foil and lead tech-

niques, as well as mosaics.

Both teach through the Northwest Kansas Technical College Outreach Program. Cynthia has also taught through Garden City and Colby community colleges.

Cynthia has worked at ADM Northern Sun for 15 years, and Gary is an electrician and a former electrical instructor with the Goodland college.

They have two daughters and three grandsons, and live on a small farm in Ruleton.

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Darrell D. Leh

A military memorial service and inurnment for Darrell D. Leh will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 9, 2011, at the Gem Cemetery, with Ryan C. Edmundson officiating.

The family will meet friends for fellowship and refreshments at the Gem Community Building after the service.

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