



Ranae and Jerome Nelson

After Colby wedding, couple's home in Texas

Ranae Kristine Suter and Jerome LeRoy Nelsen of El Paso, Texas, were married Saturday, June 25, 2011, in a double ring ceremony at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Colby. A reception, dinner and dance followed at the 4-H building in Oakley.

The couple's parents are Alan and Yolanda Suter of Oakley and Mark and Julie Nelsen of Fredonia.

The bride is the granddaughter of Lee Ann Rehmer and the late Joseph Rehmer Sr. of Grinnell and Dale and Marie Suter of Oakley.

The groom is the grandson of Delores Nelson and the late Wayne Nelsen of Fredonia and the late Earl and Violet Brunton of Nebraska.

The bride was escorted by her parents. She wore a white A-line satin gown with cap sleeves and a chapel-length train with a fingertip veil. Her bouquet was red hydrangeas and green zinnias.

Bridal attendants were Cristi Anholtz; Kristyn Glavin, the bride's cousin; Melinda Linnebur, the groom's sister; and Melissa Flavin.

The groom escorted his parents to the altar wearing his Army dress blues.

Groomsmen were Ron Rice; Brian Suter, the bride's brother; Jeremy Waugh; and Broody Flavin.

Brooke Linnebur, the groom's niece, was the flower girl. Trent Blackwell, cousin of the bride, was ringbearer. Ushers were Nathan Nelsen, the groom's brother; Ryan Linnebur, brother-in-law of the groom; Russell Brown; and Jason Seipel.

A memory candle on the altar recognized deceased grandparents and the groom's sister, Heather Nelsen. Soloist Jennifer Koel, cousin of the bride, and organist Lori Nelson, aunt of the groom, provided the music.

Duane and Michaela Baalman, uncle and aunt of the bride, and Ken and Kerry Swinney were hosts of the reception. The groom's family catered the dinner. Paul Heskett was the disc jockey.

The bride graduated from Grinnell High School in 2004 and from Fort Hays State university in 2009 with a degree in elementary education.

The groom graduated from Fredonia High School in 2003 and from Hutchinson Community College with degrees in diesel mechanics and fire science.

Following a honeymoon in Washington, D.C., the couple is living at the Fort Bliss Army Base in El Paso, Texas. Jerome Nelsen is currently on active duty in Afghanistan.

Universities bid on triple-x addresses

By Gene Meyer
Kansas Reporter

TOPEKA — Some of Kansas' most prestigious universities are purchasing X-rated website names to prevent possible associations with pornography.

The Kansas universities in the Kansas Board of Regents system that have been buying the .xxx names said they purchased the domain names to protect their existing similarly named .edu, .org, .com and other domains, and not to sell them.

"The whole thing is a little troubling," said Ted Ayres, vice president and general counsel at Wichita State University, which bought two of the .xxx names to protect its Shocker and WUShocker trademarks.

"It's not just the triple X business, but that anyone can take over your trademark. Your trademark means nothing if you don't take step one to protect it," Ayres said.

ICM Registry, a Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., firm that is the exclusive manager of .xxx names, began offering to sell the .xxx names directly to universities, businesses and other potential buyers with similar .com, .edu, .org and other names two months ago. About 80,000, including some in Kansas, were sold before the company opened the list for public sale last week.

ICM was awarded the exclusive right to sell and manage the names by Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, or ICANN, which the U.S. government formed in 1998 to run the Internet's address system.

University of Kansas in Lawrence was one of the biggest purchasers of domain names that end in .xxx.

The university's athletic department has spent just a bit less than \$3,000 to put about 200 Internet names such as www.KUgirls.xxx off limits to users or to reserve the rights to use similar names exclusively for KU, said Paul Vander Tuig, the department's trademark licensing director.

The university has no intention of using the Internet addresses for anything, Vander Tuig said.

KU bought the names to keep them out of reach of the adult entertainment industry and protect the school's Jayhawk, KU and other logos and images, he said.

Purchasing the domain names now, as part of between \$4,000 and \$7,000 a year the university

spends to maintain its trademarks, "is a lot cheaper than litigation, which gets very expensive and is the last thing you want to do," Vander Tuig said.

No taxpayer funds were used to buy the addresses KU is taking off the market, he said.

"The money comes out of our trademark and licensing funds," he said. Those come from a sliver of the money that consumers pay when they buy a ball cap, T-shirt or some other item licensed by the university.

Wichita State University so far has spent about \$200 each to protect two of its trademark words, the school nickname Shockers and WUShock, for 10 years, said Ayres. That \$400 total was drawn from taxpayer provided general funds, he said.

"You try to do a balance between what's out there and what makes sense," Ayres said.

Kansas State University in Manhattan also bought .xxx names to protect "a couple of names," said Erinn Barcomb-Peterson, the university's news service director.

But Barcomb-Peterson said she didn't know any further details of that transaction. University Vice Provost Ken Stafford, to whom she and other university workers referred further questions, couldn't be reached Monday.

Washburn University in Topeka also blocked triple-x access to two of its trademarks for \$660, which came out of the school's regular operating budget, said Amanda Hughes, an assistant director of university relations.

"On advice of our legal counsel, we chose not to go any further," Hughes said. "You could spend a lot of money otherwise."

And people do spend a lot of money to buy website addresses, said Jocelyn Johnson, a spokeswoman for ICM Registry.

One buyer, whom she was unable to identify, paid \$500,000 to register the name gay.xxx, she said.

The results of the sales numbers aren't available, but ICM Registry processed more than 155,000 registrations from applicants in the first 24 hours that the triple-x addresses became available last week, Johnson said.

Many name-brand businesses, such as Nike, Target and Pepsi, also bought triple-x addresses, she said. She said contractual agreements with registrants prevented disclosure of specific information about who bought what.

Deaths

Lore E. Depe

Lore E. Depe, 88, a Brewster homemaker, died Friday, Dec. 16, 2011, at the Logan County Manor in Oakley.

She was born March 22, 1923, in Mannheim, Germany, the daughter of Carl F. and Christiane (Walter) Braun.

Preceding her in death was her husband Julius Depe on Nov. 23, 1997.

Survivors include four sons, John C. Dierks, Goodland; Herman D. Dierks, Round Rock, Texas; Henry Dierks, Rocky Ford, Colo.; and Lloyd R. Dierks, Wichita; three stepsons, Harry Depe, Trenton, Neb.; Carroll Depe and Alvin Depe, both of Colby; two stepdaughters, Marilyn Siruta, Garnett; and Karen Dierks, Round

Rock; four grandchildren; 17 step-grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2011, at the Brewster Community Church, with the Rev. Mike Pinkelman officiating and burial in the Brewster Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby.

In case of delays due to bad weather, contact the funeral chapel at (785) 462-7979.

The family suggests memorials to the church or to the Brewster Senior Center, in care of the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club

Christmas caroling and a soup supper preceded the regular monthly meeting of the Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club Dec. 5. Brenon Ziegelmeier called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. in the Thomas County 4-H Building. Connor Scott lead the club members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Club secretary Josh Koon called roll which was answered by the member's favorite reindeer. Twenty members attended.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read by Josh Koon. Taylor Todd gave a parliamentary tip for the meeting. Cassie Wells reported the November meeting was printed in the *Colby Free Press* on Nov. 9. Tucker Gerstner gave the treasurer's report and club leader Brandi Todd

reported on the upcoming pizza sales fund raiser and announced Genesis needed help with the Christmas packages.

After the short business meeting Taylor Todd announced the program.

Jacob Koon gave a project talk on hie new shooting sports project. Kaley Shields gave a demonstration on recycling for Christmas and how to build a cardboard Christmas tree. Kylie Chain gave a talk on her photography project.

Lincoln Denny led recreation for the meeting with Heads Up 7 Up. Taylor Todd announced the January meeting. Tucker Gerstner lead the club in the 4-H Pledge and the meeting was adjourned.

— Cassie Wells

Protect tree transplants

Frosty winter days mark the end of the growing season, but homeowners may not be finished with outdoor chores. Young tree transplants are vulnerable until they develop tough bark and strong roots.

"If you don't protect them through winter, you can lose your investment to wildlife or the weather," said Ward Upham, K-State Research horticulturist.

He suggested the following:

- Stake young trees exposed to harsh winds. (Remove staking next spring.)

- Make sure they're well-watered as winter begins — with moisture about a foot deep. Water deeply several times through winter, if the weather warms up.

- Apply a 3-inch mulch layer over the root zone, leaving a half-foot of bare space/soil on all sides of the trunk. Mice view mulch piled up against tender bark as their winter's room and board.

- Create a barrier to exclude rabbits. The traditional one is a 2-foot-tall cylinder of 1-inch-mesh chicken wire.

- Apply a light-colored tree wrap from the ground to first branches. (Remove in spring.) New trees need protection from direct sunlight and shifting temperatures for at least two winters.

Young trees with smooth, thin bark such as ashes, all fruit trees, honey locusts, lindens, maples, oaks and willows — need wrapping for five or more winters.

Provider's credential renewed

Kim Schlageck, a home day-care provider, has been awarded the Child Development Associate credential renewal.

This is a national credential that signifies knowledge in child development and competence to work with young children. To qualify requires 480 hours experience working with children birth through age five in a group setting, and 120 clock hours of formal early childhood education, along with written and oral exams.

Smart Start Northwest Kansas offers programs, trainings, and technical assistance to child-care providers and commends Schlageck for her accomplishment.

Corrections

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Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$5.94
Corn (bushel)	\$5.73
Milo (hundredweight)	\$9.80
Soybeans (bushel)	\$10.00

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Christmas Services

First Presbyterian Church

Christmas Eve - Saturday Dec. 24:

Christmas Eve Worship ~ 11 p.m.

Lessons, Carols & Candlelight Service

Christmas Day - Sun. Dec. 25 ~ 11 a.m.

Rev. Carol Rahn

515 W. 4th • 785-462-6342

College Drive Assembly of God

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24th
Candlelight Service at 7 p.m.

Christmas Day
Sunday, December 25th
Worship Service
at 10:15 a.m.

Pastor Steve Todd

245 W. College Dr., Colby • 785-462-8234



Advent, Christmas & New Year's Eve Worship Services

Advent Worship - December 21 • 6:45 p.m.

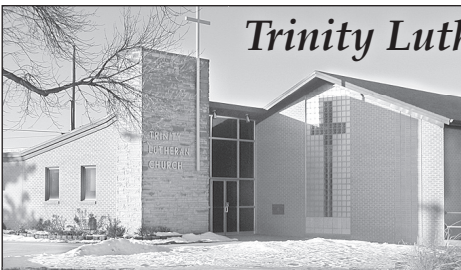
Advent Meals served 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
each Wednesday before Advent Worship

Christmas Worship - December 24 • 7 p.m.

Celebrative Candlelight Service, NO Communion

Christmas Day - December 25 • 10:30 a.m.

New Year's Eve - December 31 • 5:30 p.m.



Trinity Lutheran Church

Tell all your family & friends to join us for this Christmas Season!

East 5th & Country Club • 785-462-3497 • Rev. Robert Alexander



Father Dana Clark

585 N. French • 785-462-2179

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Christmas Eve • Sat. Dec. 24

Services: 4 p.m.

7 p.m. (Children's Mass)

Christmas Day • Sun. Dec. 25

Service: 9 a.m.

New Years Eve • Sat. Dec. 31

Service: 5:30 p.m.

New Years Day • Sun. Jan. 1

Service: 8 a.m.

10 a.m.

Colby United Methodist Church

Christmas Eve - Saturday Dec. 24:

Evening Services ~ 6:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

Church Service - Sunday Dec. 25:

Morning Services ~ 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Pastor James Mardock

950 S. Franklin • 785-460-2761

