

Amanda Lynn and Steven Michael Juenemann

Rite at Sacred Heart joins Colby couple

Steven Michael Juenemann, both of Colby, were married on Saturday, Aug. 13, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby with Father Dana Clark officiating.

Parents of the couple are Joe and Sheryl McIlnay and Steve and Sara Juenemann, all of Colby. The bride is the granddaughter of Doreen and the late William Kennedy of Hoxie and the late Leland and Celeste McIlnay of Colby. The groom is the grandson of Eleanor and the late Stan Rogers and Mary Ann and the late Lawrence Juenemann, all of Selden.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Lydia Weed was her maid of honor. Her sisters, Angela Tinkham and Melissa Johnson, along with Jessica Shaw, were bridesmaids.

The best man was Todd Ziegelmeier. Groomsmen were the groom's cousin, Mark Juenemann, and Scott Johnston and Reagan Coulter.

Ushers were Brad McIlnay, brother of the bride; Levi Von- ter honeymooning in Colorado.

Amanda Lynn McIlnay and Lehe, cousin of the groom; and Trevor Siebert, Jared Flanagin

and Brent Luedke. Rylie Minium, the groom's niece, and Emma Johnson, the bride's niece, were flower girls. The ring bearer was the bride's nephew, Ted McIlnay. Candle lighters were the bride's nieces, Caitlin Tinkham and Courtney Tinkham.

Ali Leavitt and Kayla Foltz-Anderson were greeters. Katie Coulter was personal attendant.

The bride is a 2008 graduate of Colby Community College with an associate degree in business technology. She received a bachelor's degree in childhood education from Fort Hays State University in 2010. She works at CHS Agronomy Center in Colby.

The groom received an Associate of Science degree from Colby in 2009 and a bachelor's degree in agricultural business from Fort Hays in 2011. He works at BP Miller Farms in Colby.

The couple lives in Colby af-

Resurrection most important

It was the summer after my sophomore year in college. I remember because my father had died a little over a year before and my sophomore year had become my year of undergraduate angst.

My mother and I never talked religion, but one day, for some reason I happened to say to her, "I believe in Jesus and all, but I don't think I believe in the resurrection." She calmly answered, "But that's the most important thing." End of conversation.

That was the first and last time we ever talked religion. And my mother had been smart enough to simply plant an idea in my head rather than argue or try to scare the "hell" out of me. Don't tell me what to do; give me something to think about. She knew me well.

My faith waxed and waned over the next several years, and my beliefs were all over the place. But in the midst of my doubts I continued to believe that both my father and my husband, who had died after we had been married less than five years, were both living eternally in God's presence.

But Jesus' resurrection still remained a mystery I preferred not to deal with, intellectually or spiritually.

I don't remember when things changed. There was no great epiphany, no sudden "ahha" moment when everything made sense, but I'm certain that my unconscious had been pondering my mother's words, even if I had not been aware of it.

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truly been raised from that stone-cold tomb and whose lives reflected the new life they knew in Christ. Whatever it was, over time the resurrection became real for me, too.

There is no scientific proof that Jesus was ever raised from the dead. We have the reports of evewitnesses, but these vary in content and were written down a generation or more after the event happened. There is nothing recorded in the histories written at that time available to us of a Jewish rabbi showing up alive after being crucified as a traitor and criminal. There is nothing to say that the resurrection happened absolutely - for sure, without a doubt, period end of discussion.

I think, in the end, it was the realization that I wasn't looking for hard proof, but for the soft evidence of what changed after that first Easter. In chapter 12 of John's gospel, Jesus talks about his death when he says, "Unless a single grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains a single grain; but if it dies it bears much fruit" (verse 24). Then in verse 32 he adds, "And I, when I am lifted up from the

Jesus' death and resurrection, at least in John's gospel, was for the purpose of bringing together a community of faith who would continue to show the world the fullness of God's love. This love was embodied in Jesus, and the crucifixion and resurrection became the way the world could understand the enormity of God's grace and desire for all people to share in and share of that love.

With Jesus' resurrection we are fully joined to the Father through Christ. The resurrection is the demonstration of the power of God over all the powers of sin, death and destruction in the world and the formation of a community transformed by God's amazing power to continue to be God's Good News in the world.

As I began to open my eyes to the power of Christ to transform and make new, to bring people together to show God's love in their lives, and to witness to the joy that this new life could bring, that's when I believed. Jesus' resurrection was real. Sin and death had been conquered. Love had won. The eyewitness proof I had been looking for had been around me all the time in the people of faith I encountered every day.

"Christ is risen! Alleluia, he is risen indeed!" we proclaim on Easter Sunday morning. Then on Easter Monday, we begin proclaiming this wonderful news with our lives. Alleluia, again and again and again. That's the most important thing.

Carol Rahn is pastor of the First Presbyte-Perhaps this pondering was also aided by the earth, will draw all people to myself" (New rian Church in Colby. She may be reached at 462-6342.

Beware of mortgage modification scams

Schmidt has warned homeowners to beware of phone solicitations from scam artists claiming to provide assistance related to the recent national mortgage settlement.

"It is illegal to charge an upfront fee for loan modification services," Schmidt said. "Third parties that claim to offer homeowners access to funds under the national mortgage settlement may be operating a scam. Homeowners receiving such solicitations should not provide any personal or financial information and should report the solicitation to the Kansas Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division."

Kansans seeking relief under the state's recent \$49 million mortgage settlement should avoid falling prey to scams that often arise

Kansas Attorney General Derek around high-profile settlements. tional mortgage settlement. Schmidt offered this advice:

• Do not give your personal financial information to a solicitor such as your bank account number, social security number or even the name of your loan servicer. Your bank will already have this information.

• Never pay an up-front fee for mortgage-related services.

• Call your bank to see if you qualify for relief under the settlement.

• Be skeptical of third party phone solicitations. Only your bank or loan servicer can assist you with regard to the recent na-

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for relief under the national mortgage settlement, call your bank directly. Schmidt also urged consumers 2310.

seeking information on the mort-If you think you may be eligible gage settlement to visit the attorney general's website, www.ag.ks. gov/mortgage, or call the toll-free consumer hotline at (800) 432-



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Buyers won't pull the trigger unless they become emotionally invested in your home. Build a good strong first impression. An experienced agent can help you stage for success. 4. Offer incentives

Parade held to rid city of evil spirits

DETROIT (AP) – Detroit is Detroit News (bit.ly/GPAfoH). Dave Bing is recovering from surnearly broke, and the mayor is re- "Anything that's new and differ- gery on a perforated intestine. He covering from surgery. Maybe it's ent is good for the city." because of an evil red dwarf sus- The tale goes that a red dwarf three days before the parade.

was hospitalized Thursday – just

bected of casting a spell centuries ago.

Some 3,000 people in masks, feathers and beads turned out March 25 for a third annual lighthearted parade to rid Detroit of that devil and his cruel intentions. People who thought force might be necessary carried pitchforks.

Shari Lombardo of Grosse Pointe dressed her dog in a tutu.

"I read on the (event) website that anything goes; that's obviously true," Lombardo told The

cast a spell on Detroit 300 years ago after being struck with a cane plans already are in the works for by one of the city's founders, Antoine Cadillac. A man dressed as the feared dwarf taunted spectators

by declaring, "I own this town." "Do you think this silly parade is going to get rid of me?" he said before being lowered to a stage from a crane.

Detroit lately has been taking its Wheat (bushel) lumps. City and state officials are trying to strike a deal to manage Detroit's poor finances. Mayor Soybeans (bushel)

Organizer Peter Van Dyke said future events.

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ings 6:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Wed. 7:00 p.m. - Children's

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mer Jaycee's building), Pastor Bernard Heinz, 785-460-0313, Baptist), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 785-460-7144, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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