

# Obituaries

## Earl Arthur Martell

Earl Arthur Martell, 81, Goodland, a retired Lutheran minister, died Monday, June 2, 2008, at Hays Medical Center.

He was born April 25, 1927, to Edwin and Anna (Johnson) Embretson at Crookston, Minn. His name was later changed to Martell. When his father went to work for George A. Hormel Meatpacking Co., the family moved to Austin, Minn. Mr. Martell went to elementary school there and graduated from Austin High School in 1943. A veteran of World War II, he served in the Navy for 1944 to 1948.

On Sept. 30, 1946, he married Clarice Yaste at Alameda, Calif., after returning home from the South Pacific.

He attended Austin State Junior College and later the Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul, where he graduated in 1964.

Mr. Martell served congregations at Keewatin, Minn., for his intership year; a three-point parish at Gully Trail, Minn.; Bethune, Colo.; and Newman Grove, Neb., before his retirement in 1989. He was also an interim pastor at La Junta, Colo., and Liberal for six months each. Page City twice a month for five years and a short time at Salem

Lutheran Church of St. Francis, and Emmanuel Lutheran of Goodland.

He and his wife spent many miles and nights in their motor home since retirement. They started camping in 1953, and he enjoyed fishing and pheasant hunting.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a son, Jeffrey Martell of Goodland; and two granddaughters, Jennie and Laura Martell.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; a daughter, Judy (Les) Sorenson of Gully; five sons, Edward (Julie) Martell of Palmyra, Va.; Rick (Carolyn) Martell of Burlington, Arthur (Marilyn) Martell of Mason City, Iowa, the Rev. Luther (Laurie) Martell of Manhattan Beach, Calif.; 14 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2008, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 222 W. 13, Goodland, with Pastor Jane Rothmann officiating and burial in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 1 to 7 p.m. on Monday, June 9, 2008, at the Bateman Funeral Home, 211 E. 11, Goodland. The family will be there from 5 to 7 p.m.

Memorials to the church can be left at the funeral home.

## Linda Ann Holzhuter

Linda Ann Holzhuter, 44, Ottawa, step-sister of Donna (Harvey) Swager of Goodland, died from undetermined causes Saturday, May 31, 2008, in Ottawa.

She was born Monday, March 16, 1964, to Theodore and Pauline (Wirtz) Stoecklein in Colby, Kan. Mrs. Holzhuter graduated from Colby High School in 1982 and Colby Community College in 1984 with an associate's degree. She then attended Emporia State University and transferred to the University of Kansas, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Education in 1988. She continued to take graduate courses for her Master of Education at Emporia State.

In 1986, she and John M. Holzhuter married at St. Paul's Parrish in Olathe, Kan.

She started her teaching career in Topeka, then moved with her husband from Lawrence to Ottawa in 1989. In the fall of 1991, she began teaching first grade at Sacred Heart Catholic School. She was building co-chair for accreditation and a member of the Student Improvement Team.

She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Ottawa, where she sang in the choir.

Preceding her in death were her parents; an infant brother, Kenneth Stoecklein, and a step-sister, Sue Riggs.

Survivors include her husband,

of the home, two sons, Sean Holzhuter and Scott Holzhuter, both missionaries in China; six brothers, Mike (Peg) Stoecklein of Minneapolis, Minn., Mark (Tanya) Stoecklein of Seattle, David (Carol) Stoecklein of Chino Hills, Calif., Dale Stoecklein of Denver, Paul (Jodi) Stoecklein of Lenoir, N.C., and Father Red Stoecklein of Spearville; a sister, Mary (Russell) Disberger of Glenwood Springs, Colo.; her step-mother, Barbara Scheopner Stoecklein of Phillipsburg; three other step-sisters, Cindy Scheopner of Boulder, Colo., Jeanette (Joel) Hornung of Council Grove, and Mary (Steve) Yewell of Olathe; and a step-brother, Ken (Laina) Scheopner of Akron, Colo.

A funeral Mass was to be at 9 a.m. (Mountain Time) Thursday, June 5, 2008, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 408 S. Cedar, Ottawa, with burial at 9 a.m. (Mountain Time) Friday, June 6, 2008, at Mount Calvary Cemetery, 801 S.W. Westchester Road, Topeka.

Visitation was Wednesday, June 4, 2008, at the Dengel and Son Mortuary, 235 W. Hickory, Ottawa, with a vigil and rosary at the church that day followed by family visitation.

Memorials may be made to the Linda Holzhuter Fund for Children to People's Bank, Box 20, Ottawa, Kan. 66067, or the Angel's Fund at the school.



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## Leonard L. Elliott

Leonard L. Elliott, 89, a retired Sherman County farmer, died Saturday, May 24, 2008, at St. Anthony Central Hospital in Denver.

He was born June 12, 1918, to Bert and Nettie (Smalley) Elliott on a farm north of Edson. His family moved in the early 1930s to Edson, where he went to school, graduating with the class of 1937.

After graduation, he went to Wichita and worked for Cessna Aircraft Co. until he was drafted. Mr. Elliott served in the Navy from 1943 to 1946. After returning to Edson he did custom farm work.

On Sept. 29, 1948, he and Mary Weis married in Goodland. The couple moved to Goodland, where he worked for George Phillips at the Westside Grocery. In 1951, they bought a farm and had a dairy until 1980, when he retired.

Mr. Elliott loved all sports, playing baseball and softball for many years, bowling, golf and horse-shoe pitching. He was named an honorary member of the G-Club and presented with a letter jacket for his many years of support to Goodland High athletes. He also enjoyed cabinet making, making furniture

for his family, and was a member of the Sugar Hills Golf Club.

Preceding him in death were his parents; four brothers, Elmer Elliott, Edgar Elliott, Charles Elliott and Eugene Elliott; two sisters, Reha Elliott and Thelma Felzien; a sister-in-law, Marie Elliott; and two brother-in-laws, LBert Elliott and Harold Wright.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; two daughters, Marcia (Curt) Way of Goodland and Carol (Kim) Colby of Assaria; a step-mother, Virginia Elliott, and a sister, Betty Wright, both of Goodland; two brothers, Henry (Dolores) Elliott of Goodland and John (Eleanor) Elliott of Edson; a sister-in-law, Esther Elliott of Edson; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A graveside inurnment service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 14, 2008, at the Goodland Cemetery.

Memorials to the Goodland High School athletic programs may be sent to the family or to the Bateman Funeral Home, Box 278, Goodland, Kan. 67735.



Elliott

# County built fair buildings



## marcia smith

• from the vault

With the approaching summer season in 1927, residents of Sherman County knew that the future of their county fair was an exciting one. According to a front page story in The Goodland News-Republic, construction plans were finally announced for a large pavilion and grandstand, which is still in use today—81 years later.

**NEW BUILDINGS at FAIR-GROUNDS**

Large Pavilion, Horse Barns, and Grandstand to be Built

For the past two or three years the Sherman County Fair Association has been making plans for the building of a large pavilion in which to properly display the agricultural products of the county, and the board after several meetings have made plans for such a building that will adequately take care of the exhibits for years to come. After a discussion with the board of county commissioners they were unanimous in their approval of the plans presented to them.

The program, as outlined, calls

for an auditorium 100 x 200 feet. The building is designed to take care of all agricultural products, home science, canning, club exhibits, floral displays, fancy work, and school exhibits.

There will be an outer ring 20 feet wide with a concrete floor to care for the farm machinery and auto show during the fair. A grandstand with a seating capacity of 2000 will be constructed connecting the east part of the new building and it is planned to have the main entrance to the grandstand from inside the pavilion.

A new draft horse barn is also designed 40 x 50 feet to be built along the line of the present barn. This will accommodate 40 draft horses.

Other changes will be moving the race horse barns closer to the

northwest side of the race track.

When these improvements are made, Sherman County will have one of the best equipped fairgrounds in Kansas. The Sherman County fair was one of the very few county fairs in the state last year that did not show a loss.

After the construction and success of the Rock Island railroad across Kansas, came the automobile and a well-traveled road through Sherman County (better known now as Highway 24). This created the need for accommodations for the cross-country travelers—the early day motor hotel or motel, for short. Construction plans for one located in Goodland were announced in the spring of 1927.

**To Build Tourist Camp**

A modern tourist camp, with electric lights, shower baths, toilets, and a filling station is being planned

by June Parker and Jim Michael. This camp will be built on the block where the old livery barn now stands on West 10th Street. Ten cottages, 12 by 12 feet, will be constructed with a kitchenette in each one. The buildings at the camp will be stucco. The old barn will be torn down at once and construction work will begin immediately.

The newspaper also carried a weekly column, "Purely Personal," which contained items of interest in our community in 1927.

Grover Johnson left Friday for Canada where he is employed by the Hudson Bay Co. as chief engineer on a freighter carrying supplies to trading posts along the Mackenzie River in the northwest part of Canada. Mr. Johnson has been here for the past 2 months visiting his father, Lofe Johnson and family.

Ed MacDonald resigned his position at the White House Grocery on Saturday. Mr. MacDonald will devote his entire time to his potato chip factory."



2008 graduates of the Goodland Learning Center at their commencement on Sunday, May 18, included Adam Ford (from left), Juan Peña, Miranda Peña, Olevia Peña, Dustin Short, Kerri Vasquez, Bryan Lewis, Lisa Carson, Heather Thiem, Nina Simon and Ivonne Martinez. Not pictured is Tyrel Smith.

# Goodland Learning Center graduates 12

Three of the 2008 graduating class of 12 from the Goodland Learning Center are a man and his wife, Juan and Miranda Peña and his sister, Olevia Peña.

Commencement was Sunday, May 18, at the Goodland High School auditorium.

Other members of the class were Lisa Carson,

Bryan Lewis, Nina Simon, Heather Thiem, Adam Ford, Ivonne Martinez, Dustin Short, Tyrel Smith and Kerri Vasquez.

Thiem, representing the students, talked about being able to reach their dreams, saying that is possible.

Director Lori Graybill talked about how each

graduate had overcome obstacles to reach their goals and gave a slide show showing the graduates at the center.

The center offers people a way to get their high school and also offers current high school students a way to make up credits.

# Couple marries in New Year's Eve ceremony

Anna Kristina Daez Jurey and Ian Charles Scherling, both of Manhattan, married Monday, Dec. 31, 2007, at the University Christian Church in Manhattan with Pastor Chris Herrington presiding.

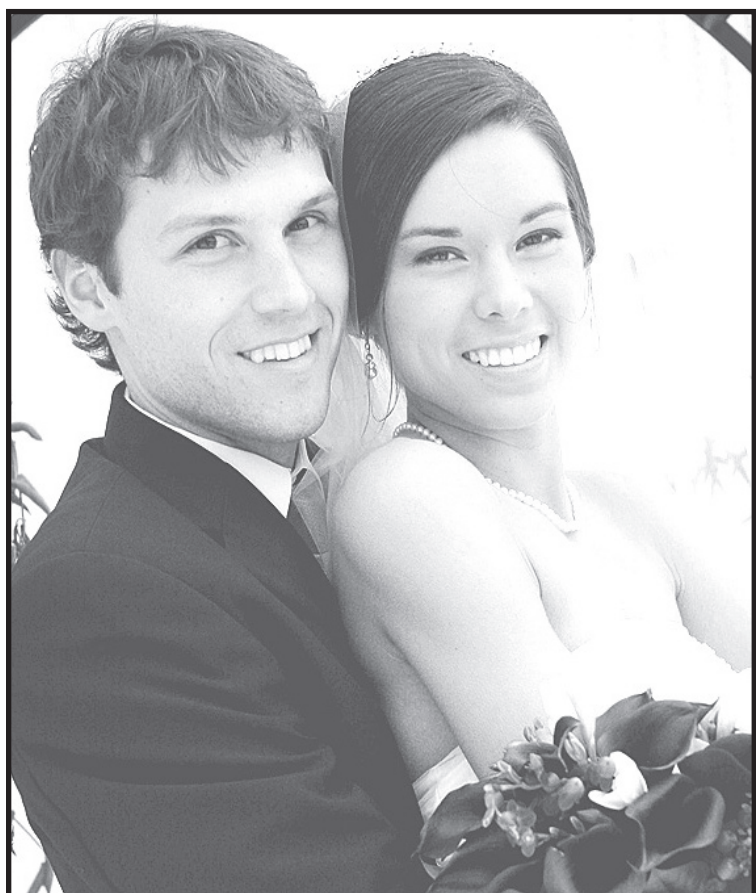
Dwight and Crescencia Jurey of Oakley are the bride's parents and Dane and Micki Scherling of Goodland are the groom's. Kenneth and Orcena Jurey of Clifton and the late Lope and Eudosiz Daez of the Philippines are the bride's grandparents and Judy Overmiller of Lebanon and the late Bob Overmiller and Marilyn Scherling of Smith Center and the late Christian Scherling are the groom's.

The bride was escorted by her father. She wore a strapless, ivory organza gown with an ivory veil made by her mother and carried a bouquet of eggplant cala lilies and ivory dendrobium orchids.

Britni Kelly was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids Veronica Blair, Megan Stewart, Micah Janzen and Megan Prothe wore strapless grape satin dresses and carried bouquets of purple spider mums and ivory orchids.

Ren Scherling, brother of the groom, was the best man and Timothy Kafka, Anthonly Fox, Jordan Henricks and Nathan Lenz were groomsmen. They wore black tuxedos with grape vests and ties. The groom wore a black tuxedo with a champagne vest and tie.

Drew Daum was the ring bearer; flower girls were Sophia and Margaux Thompson. Vocalists Daniel and Megan Gensch sang "Find My



Ian and Anna Scherling

Sobczynski and Karen Honeyman attended the guestbook.

Dessert and dancing followed the ceremony at the Houston Street Ballroom in Manhattan.

The bride graduated from Oakley High School in 2003 and from Kansas State University in 2007 with a major in English with an emphasis in creative writing. She has been a communications secretary for University Christian Church in Manhattan and Chocolate by Mueller in Philadelphia.

The groom graduated from Goodland High School in 2004 and is a fourth-year landscape architecture student at K-State. He is completing an internship with Olin Partnership in Philadelphia.

The couple will return to Manhattan in August for the groom to finish his Master of Landscape Architecture degree.

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