

Colby couple has son

Lynk Lyn-nix Reed was born on Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010, at Hays Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 20 inches.



Lynk Reed

His parents are Robyn Schmid and Tyson Reed, both of Colby.

His grandparents are Bernie and Dana Schmid and Bruce and Tina Hansen of Colby and Ronnie and Debbie Reed of Goodland.

Daughter joins family

Makenna Raye Schick, daughter of Brad and Amy Schick of Goodland, was born Feb. 10, 2010, at Citi-zens Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds 11 ounces and measured

19 inches.

Grandparents are Don and Beth Van Rockel and Edith and the late Raymond Schick, all of Logan.

Junior high music students go to contest

Grant Junior High music students participated in the Northwest Kansas junior high music contest which was held at Colby Community College on Wednesday, Feb. 10. Goodland directors, Randy Berls and Deanne Langness, were in charge of all of the planning, scheduling and hiring of judges this year. Nancy Shores and Lisa Dejong were the accompanists for the Goodland solos and ensembles.

The following students received a I rating for a vocal solo: Ian Bonsall, Tim Fugelberg, Holton Witman, Milan Brannick Bracelyn Redlin, Lauren Espinoza, Stephanie DeLaRosa, Kristina Stasser, Alec Hamelton and Ryleigh Paxton. II ratings for vocal solos went to Ellie House, Taylor Ratcliff, Jordan Knitig, Matt Murray and Amber Smith. Kate-Lynn King and Kyler Amthor received a III rating for their vocal solos.

Vocal Ensembles receiving a I rating were: the eighth grade men's

quartet, eighth grade women's ensemble and eighth grade mixed ensemble. Both seventh grade mixed ensembles received a II rating. The mixed choir which was composed of all seventh and eighth grade vocal students received a I rating.

The Junior High Band received a III rating. The Alto Sax Trio received a II rating.

Instrumental soloists receiving a I rating were: Nicole Sederstrom, flute; Cheyenne Stegman, clarinet; Halie Price, clarinet; Berkley White, alto sax; Makayla Kennedy, trumpet; and Ace Arteaga, trombone. Instrumentalists receiving a II rating were: Telanie Reicks, flute; Ian Bonsall, trumpet; Tim Fugelberg, trumpet; Aaron Avelar, trumpet; Brianna White, mallets; and Amber Smith, snare drum.

Berkley White received an Advanced Performance on her piano solo. Brianna White and Ryleigh Paxton each received a I rating on their piano solos.

sunflower 4-h

February

The Sunflower 4-H Club met on Monday, Feb. 15, at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. President Ryan Irvin called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Following the flag salute and 4-H Pledge, Austin Neufeld led the club in singing "Home on the Range." Roll call of "Who is your favorite professional athlete" was answered by 17 members, one leader and eight parents.

Following the business meeting, Jessica Johnson gave a parliamentary procedure tip, Austin Neufeld gave a project talk on his puppy project, Kendra Promise gave a demonstration on a scrapbook, Jake Anderson gave the current event and Shelby Arnold read a poem. The club enjoyed piano solos by Ryan Volk and Christopher Berls.

Refreshments were served by the Fitzgibbon and Johnson Families.

The next club meeting will be on Monday, March 15.

Austin Neufeld, Reporter

January

The Sunflower 4-H Club met on Monday, Jan. 18, at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Vice President Tyler Neufeld called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Following the flag salute and 4-H Pledge, Ryan Berls led the club in singing "Home on the Range." Roll call of "How Many Books You Have Read This Month" was answered by 16 members, one leader and eight parents.

Following the business meeting, Jessica Johnson gave a parliamentary procedure on tapping of the gavel, Shelby Arnold gave a project talk on her sheep and goat projects, Jessica Johnson gave a project talk on her photography, Ryan Volk gave a demonstration on his entomology project and Chase Eggart gave the current event. The club enjoyed a piano solo by Ryan Volk.

Sarah Johnson led the club in a fun game of races and refreshments were served by the Berls Family.

The next club meeting will be on Monday, Feb. 15..

Austin Neufeld, Reporter



Couple wed on beach

Amanda Rodriguez of Hays and Tyler Brown of Meade were married in a double ring ceremony on Oct. 10, 2009, at a Fr. Lauderdale Beach at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. with Linda Gaudia officiating.

The couple became engaged on the beach in Cancun and chose to have a small, informal destination wedding on the beach in Florida. It was a sand ceremony and the officiant presented the couple with a clear heart-shaped glass bottle which they filled with sand from the beach.

The bride's parents are Karen Rodriguez of Goodland and Ramon Rodriguez of Holcomb formerly of Goodland and the groom's parents are Jim and Jo Brown of Meade. Her grandparents are Howard and Dolores Peter of Goodland and his grandparents are Duane Brown of Buffalo, Okla. and Jean Barker of Waynoka, Okla.

The bride was given away by her mother.

The matron of honor was Larisa Waters, sister of the groom and the best man was Damon Waters, brother-in-law of the groom, both of Yukon, Okla.

There was a dinner at Timpano's Restaurant of Ft. Lauderdale. The couple went on a three-day cruise to the Bahamas for their honeymoon.

The bride graduated from Cheylin High School of Bird City and from Fort Hays State University. She is presently employed at the Social Security Administration in Oklahoma City.

The groom graduated from Meade High School of Meade and is presently employed by Sears in Oklahoma City as the manager of the appliance department.



Tyler and Amanda Brown

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New Physician Helps Keep Patients Closer to Home



Help has arrived for those patients in Western Kansas suffering from kidney disorders. This summer Hays Medical Center hired its first in-house nephrologist, Johanna "Joni" McCullagh, M.D. The addition of Dr. McCullagh, medical director of the Nephrology Center program, means advanced kidney care is now available for patients closer to home.

Dr. McCullagh and the Nephrology Center staff provide a variety of services, including caring for patients with:

- Kidney failure
- Hypertension and hypertensive kidney disease
- Diabetes and diabetic nephropathy
- Inflammation, scarring or hardening in the kidney
- Cystic kidney disease (polycystic)
- Inflammation of blood vessels in the kidneys
- Kidney stones

Management of dialysis patients, transplant patients and those with end stage renal disease

One of the biggest benefits of this addition to Hays Medical Center is that the hospital now has greater capacity to care for patients in need of regular dialysis. While the hospital previously treated dialysis patients, they can now treat more patients – and patients who need a higher level of care – eliminating the burden and stress of travel for additional families in the area.

Dr. McCullagh, a Wichita native, grew up in Kansas City and completed her education at the University of Kansas School of Medicine. She completed both her residency in Internal Medicine and her fellowship in Nephrology and Hypertension at the University of Kansas Medical Center. Dr. McCullagh is certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and holds memberships with the American Society of Nephrology, American College of Physicians and the American Medical Association.

Wanting to stay within driving distance of family and friends, Dr. McCullagh and her family were excited to make the move to Hays.

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