

Couple married in university gardens

Kimberly Ann Townsend and Jonathan Carl Dansel were married Saturday, Aug. 9, 2003, at University Gardens on the Kansas State University campus in Manhattan.

Officiating the double ring ceremony was Pastor Pat Bennett of West View Community Church in Manhattan.

Parents of the couple are Stan and Tonia Townsend of Weskan and J.E. and Karla Dansel of Jetmore. The bride's grandparents are Cy and Peggy Pearson, Richard Townsend, Barbara Dolan and the late Dale Hauser.

Her great grandparents are Ray and Clara Welsh and Emma Townsend. The groom's grandparents are Aielene Dansel and the late John W. Dansel, and the late Carl and Mildred Bamberger.

The bride wore a strapless satin A-line gown, featuring beaded two-toned lavender embroidery flowers. The split front overskirt flowed into a long train.

Her empire back was laced to give her a Victorian look. Her headpiece was a ring of pearls and rhinestones. The bride carried a bouquet of fresh lavender and white roses. Her father escorted her through the garden to a white arbor decorated with lavender and white roses.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a silver vest and matching Windsor tie. His boutonniere was a lavender rose with white miniature flowers and ivy.

Elizabeth Townsend, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. She wore a strapless Victorian lavender street length dress; her bouquet was a mixture of purple and pastel summer flowers.

Best men were Joe Dansel, brother of the groom and Drew Dansel, nephew of the groom. Joe was attired in a black tuxedo with a

sage green vest and bow tie.

Bridesmaids Summer Broeckleman, Tori Cox and Mindy Poe wore dresses and carried bouquets identical to the maid of honor's.

Serving as groomsmen were Michael Cossman, Eric Shriwise and Zach Dechant, in black tuxedos. Ushers were Josh Nuss, Keith Pernber, Tom Ochs and Myles Vulgamore.

Luke and Caroline Pearson, cousins of the bride, served as ring bearer and flower girl. Luke pulled Caroline down the aisle in a little red wagon, as she scattered rose petals.

After the ceremony as they followed the couple out, a "Just Married" sign and trailing wedding bells were placed on the back of the wagon.

Candle lighters were Megan Unruh and Justine Kropp, cousins of the bride. Vocalists were Chad Cohoon and Shayne and Aaron Aldridge. Solos chosen by the couple were "A Parent's Prayer" and "I Will Be Here."

Guest book attendant was Casey Dansel, sister-in-law of the groom.

Program attendants were Isaiah Richardson, cousin of the groom, and Nathan Unruh, cousin of the bride.

Gift attendants were Nicole Richardson and Brittney and Macey Fagen, and Jazmine Bland and Molly Fagen passed out the going-away bubbles; all are cousins of the groom. Alison and R.J. Dweese, cousins of the bride, also passed out bubbles.

Colleen Kramer, Jill Wenger, Cori Woelk, Andrea Janzen and Bridget Burke served as needed with sound system, decorations and photography assistant.

The reception also was in the garden. Jeneal Parker, Jana Grisier, Gretchen Gehrt and Beth Shan-



Kimberly and Carl Dansel

holtzer attended to the reception table. The four-tiered wedding cake was decorated in eyelet lace fondant icing and shades of purple and lavender fresh flowers.

The groom's cake was decorated with his jersey number, 53, a football and a Powercat. Carla Cossman made the cakes.

Clint and Sherry Lawless served as host and hostess of the wedding.

Following the reception, the couple had a wedding dance at the Manhattan Veterans of Foreign Wars with a deejay, Nick Cossman, providing the music.

Following a honeymoon to Estes

Park, Colo., the couple is living 1829 College Heights, Apt. 4 Manhattan, Kan. 66502.

Kimberly, a 2000 graduate of Weskan High School, is pursuing a bachelor's degree in life sciences at K-State. Jonathan is a 1999 graduate of Jetmore High School and a 2001 graduate of Garden City Community College. He is pursuing a bachelor's in secondary education. Both will graduate May 22.

They plan to move to Wichita, where Kimberly will be in the physician assistant program at Wichita State University. Jonathan plans to teach and coach.

Phony health cards offered in Kansas

Phony discount health cards are being promoted in Kansas, and Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger warns consumers to beware of companies selling them.

Solicitations in Wichita appear to target the Hispanic community, she said. These so-called health care plans offer family benefits and coverage for as little as \$40 to \$100 per month and boast there are no limits on age, usage or pre-existing conditions, she said. The solicitation frequently comes by fax or e-mail.

"This is a sad example of how a few unscrupulous businesses target and take advantage of the most vulnerable members of our society," said Commissioner Praeger. "These businesses are making false promises to Kansans who already have a hard time finding traditional means of insurance. While these cards appear to be a form of insurance, they are anything but real protection."

When people go to the doctor or hospital and attempt to use the fake discount cards, she said, they discover they are responsible for the entire bill.

"Not only do they have to pay 100 percent of the costs, they are out whatever amount they paid for the

phony coverage," said Praeger.

The Kansas Insurance Department's Fraud Unit has received several complaints from doctors about the, she said.

"Solicitations in Wichita seem to be specifically targeting the Hispanic community," said Praeger. "Consumers need to be on high alert until these companies are put out of business in Kansas."

"My office is working with other state and federal agencies to stop the solicitation of phony discount cards."

Some discount health cards do offer legitimate price reductions, she added, but they are still not considered health insurance. Consumers should verify coverage with their doctor or other providers before purchasing or using any discount cards. Many entities selling these services are not truthful about the providers they have contracted with for discounts.

Anyone considering the purchase of a discount health card should call the department's toll-free Consumer Hotline at 1-800-432-2484 before they buy, she said. Information is also available at www.ks-insurance.org.

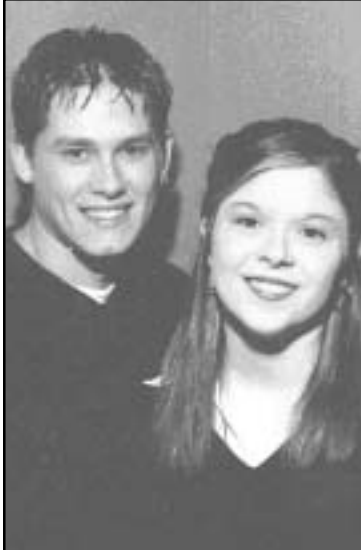
Couple to marry this summer

Justin Van Vleet of Goodland and Crystal Foss of Elwood, Neb., plan to marry Tuesday, July 20, 2004, at the Excalibur Hotel in Las Vegas.

George and Mary Ann Van Vleet of Goodland are his parents, and Doug and Barb Foss of Elwood are hers.

Harold and Emma Van Vleet and Lee and Ruby Tubbs, all of Goodland, are his grandparents. Don and Norma Foss of Elwood and Rosemary Stansbury of Lubbock, Texas, are hers.

The prospective groom graduated from Goodland High School in 2002 and from the Northwest Kansas Technical College in May of



Van Vleet and Foss

2004 with a degree in auto body. He works at Wal-Mart.

The bride-elect graduated from Elwood High School and will be attending college next year. She also works at Wal-Mart.

club news

The Lincoln Larks Family, Community and Education Club met at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, in the assembly room.

Three members were present and enjoyed the lesson on "Breathing Easy: Controlling Asthma Triggers" by Melenda Daily from Wallace County.

Do you know what causes asthma? was the question asked. Asthma is a chronic condition that occurs when the air passages of the lungs and bronchial tubes become swollen, irritated and inflamed. It can be serious if not treated.

Asthma triggers are household dust mites, cockroaches, dander

from furred or feathered animals, fungi and pollen.

Leaflets were handed out, and much was gained from the lesson. LaDonna Frerichs, Arbutus Topliff and Lavaughn Glasco were present. After the lesson, members stayed and talked about Recognition Days in April with several unit ladies

from other counties coming to Sherman County.

Ideas were tossed around, and the club adjourned to eat at a local restaurant. The club will meet again in March or early April.

Those eating together were Frerichs, Topliff, Colleen Duell and Lela Wilkinson.

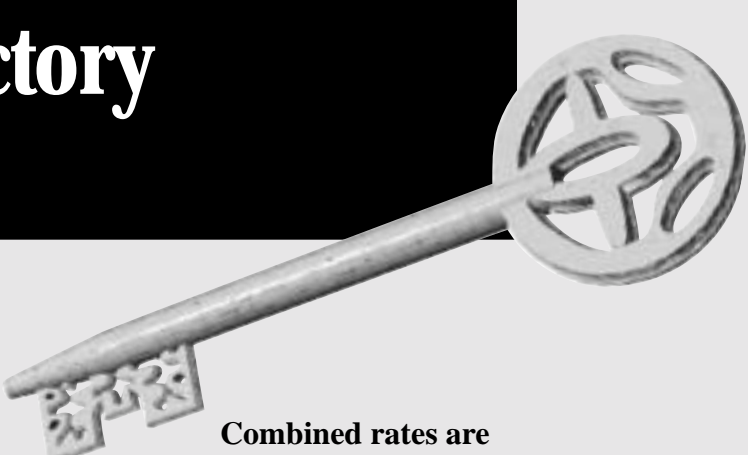
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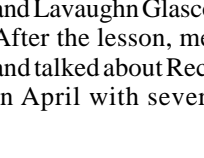
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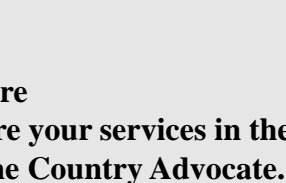
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