

Couple married in Colby

Sherri Lynn Tubbs and Brent Mathew Wiedeman were married on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby. Father Dana Clark officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jim and Kathleen Tubbs, and the granddaughter of George and Erma Tubbs, Colby, and the late Leland and Celeste McLlany. The bridegroom is the son of LaVerne and Theo (Wagner) Wiedeman, Ransom, and the grandson of the late Herman and Tabea Wiedeman, and Ted and Bernice Wagner.

The bride was escorted by her father as Doug Barta played "Trumpet Voluntary." She chose a white satin sheath gown adorned with beading along the bodice and scalloped bottom edge of the trumpet skirt. Her cathedral-length train also contained hand stitched beads and sequins. Her fingertip tulle veil with scalloped beaded edges fell from a tiara accented with rhinestones and amethysts. She carried an embroidered handkerchief which belonged to her husband's maternal grandmother, Bernice Wagner. She carried a bouquet of white roses, purple ranunculus, mini caly lilies, white hydrangeas, casbia, and a wooden cross made from an Olive tree from Israel, given to her by Father Steve Heina.

Kristi Barta, Parker, Colo., was matron of honor. Shonna Davis, Colby; Ann Gustafson, Monument, Colo.; Michelle Risser, Wichita, and Andrea Ebner, Denver, were bridesmaids. Kacy Claassen, Brewster, cousin of the bridegroom, was flower girl. Kim Eickenberg, Parker, Colo., was personal attendant to the bride and her party.

The bridesmaids wore floor-length eggplant-colored gowns with rhinestone buttons. They carried smaller versions of the bride's bouquet.

The bridegroom wore a black tuxedo with white vest and tie. Tracy Mader, Wichita, was best man. Matthew Urbanek, Kansas City; Lou



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Hines, Colby; J. L. Evins, Scott City; and Grant Harris, Garden City, were groomsmen. Brandon Johnson, Colby, cousin of the bride, was ringbearer. They all wore similar tuxedo attire with purple vests and ties.

George Tubbs, Colby, and Craig Wiedeman and Scott Wiedeman, Salina, brothers of the couple, were ushers.

Amanda Wiedeman, Salina, niece of the bridegroom, and Michael Tubbs, Colby, cousin of the bride, were candlelighters.

Musicians for the Mass included: Marge Miller, Colby, organist; Doug Barta, Parker, Colo., trumpet and soloist, and Kathy Britton, LaDonna Dempewolf and Mike Albers, Colby, Mass vocalists. Todd Johnson, Topeka, was lector at the Mass.

A reception and dance followed at City Limits in Colby. Hosts were Rick and Susan Harmon, Highlands Ranch, Colo., and Mike and Kathie Harris, Garden City. Reception servers were Tracey Perkins, Colby, aunt of the bride; and Denise Wiedeman and Kayla Wiedeman, Salina, sisters-in-law of the bridegroom. Velma Goodheart, Colby, was in charge of the gifts.

The bride is a graduate of Colby High School and the University of Kansas. She is employed by Triple T Farms, Inc., the family farming operation.

The bridegroom graduated from Trego Community High School and Kansas State University. He is vice president of Farmers and Merchants Bank.

After a December honeymoon in Antigua, a Caribbean Island, they are living in Colby.

Club News

PiAlpha eats and prays

The annual prayer breakfast of Pi Alpha Club was held March 27 at the Marty Olson home. Assisting with the meal were her co-hostesses, Joan and Kristy Evans and Janette Votapka.

The 17 members present each received a miniature rabbit as a party favor.

"Angels" was the theme for Mrs. Olson's devotions and she showed and told the story of acquiring five favorite angels in her collection. Rosella Meitl won the hostess gift, a box of angel stationery.

A letter was read from Decatur County Stand Against Violence pertaining to a "Settin' Pretty"

fund-raiser to be held May 2 at the benefit for this group and the Northwest Kansas Family Shelter. Members Pat Wright and Joy Russell will do a "Tea for Two" table for the occasion. It was noted that the annual American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" will be held June 18 and 19.

The death of a former Decatur Community High School wrestling coach, Charles Lyons, was reported. His wife, Loretta, was a charter member of the club in 1951.

Janette Votapka, assisted by Gerry Neff, will host the April 12 meeting for a fun and games evening.

P.E.O. installs officers

Chapter BH, P.E.O. Sisterhood met on March 11 at the home of Dori Pauls with Tonya Tally as co-hostess.

Reports were given concerning the soup supper served at Decatur Community High School on Feb. 17, as well as plans to decorate a room at the Good Samaritan Center. The treasurer reported sending a donation of \$155 to the local Hospice.

Officers for the coming year who were elected and installed were Mary Jo Lohoefer, president; and Joy Russell, corresponding secretary. Plans were

discussed for the Five-Star Reciprocity meeting to be held in Oberlin in April.

The chapter met on March 25 at Sappa Manor with Candy DeJmal as hostess. Peggy Roe was co-hostess.

Plans were finalized for the April 3 Five-Star Reciprocity meeting. President Mary Jo Lohoefer noted that since the next meeting is on Maundy Thursday, a line call will be made to notify all members of an alternate date. Members worked on favors and decorations for the upcoming Reciprocity brunch.

After 5 Club to meet in Colby

High Plains Kansas After 5 Club will hold a dinner party from 7-8:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 17, at the Colby Community College Student Union.

The theme will be "Handyman's Hangout" and Larry Laas of Concordia will be guest speaker. Cindi Kriss of CK Lumber and Supply Company will present in-

formation on venetian plaster and music will be provided by a barbershop quartet.

Reservations and cancellations must be made by contacting Carol Bohme, (785) 462-2791; Janis Baken, (785) 672-3809; or Terri Adams, biohw@st-el.net by April 9.

Gardening seminar Thursday

Millie Fisher of Atwood, a former Oberlin resident, will be sharing her garden secrets with the Master Gardeners and the public at noon on Thursday at the extension office in the court house.

The seminar is the final session of the brown bag lunch, "Gardenmania," which is sponsored by Decatur County Master Gardeners and the Decatur County Extension Service.

Although Mrs. Fisher is not certified through Kansas State Univer-

sity as a Master Gardener, her personal expertise, especially in vegetable gardening, has brought her media attention.

She will share some tips for vertical gardening in small spaces, organic gardening, and organizing plant records.

Her husband, Gary, a retired minister and former pastor of the Oberlin United Methodist Church, has assisted with their success with the conservative watering system he has implemented.

Bridal shower held Saturday

Tammy Gutchewsky was honored with a bridal shower on Saturday at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oberlin. Hostesses were Sarah Uerling, Kaylene Thomas and Shanna Clark.

She will be married at 5 p.m. on Saturday to Kendal Neal at the Oberlin United Methodist Church

and a dance will follow at 8:30 p.m. at the Oberlin American Legion.

Guests were Mary Gutchewsky, Addyson Uerling, Krista Gutchewsky, Catherine Neal, Char and Trina Shields, Kayla Korte, Shirley Axtell, Theresa Diederich, Lori and Cassidy Beeby, Ellen Horn and Connie Olson.

Good Friday service set

A Community Good Friday service will be held during the noon hour on Friday, April 9, at the Oberlin Evangelical Covenant Church, 810 W. Cedar.

The service begins at 12:10 p.m. and is sponsored by the Decatur County Ministerial Association.

Holy Week worship services at Faith Lutheran Church will include

Palm Sunday services at 9:30 a.m. Maundy Thursday services will begin at 7:30 p.m. with Holy Communion. Good Friday services will begin at 7:30 p.m. Easter services are scheduled at 9:30 a.m. with baptism and new members to be received. A potluck Easter brunch and welcome for new members will follow.

Musical program at Oakley

The hit song and dance revue "Red, Hot...and Blue" will present a program at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Oakley High School Auditorium.

Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season ticket, or \$15 for adults and \$8 for students at the door.

Program set at Gateway

The Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission will present Planina, a concert of songs from Eastern Europe, at 2 p.m. Sunday at The Gateway.

Planina is a group of singers from the Denver-Boulder area. Their program includes music from Albania, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Macedonia, Romania, Russia, Serbia and the Ukraine, and the Rom (Gypsy) traditions. They have been performing along the Front Range and elsewhere in Colorado since 1988. Most

of the songs are sung a cappella.

Planina, which means "mountain" in the southern Slavic languages, evolved from a series of "house-sings" in Denver and Boulder in the late 1980s. The group wears authentic costumes and sings in the original languages, with regional vocal styling and explanations for the songs.

Admission is by season ticket, or at the door, \$10 for adults and \$5 for students through high school. For details, contact Mary at (785) 475-3329 or Ella at (785) 475-3557.

'Bully' coming to Oberlin

A one-man show which explores the life and views of President Theodore Roosevelt will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday at The Gateway.

"Bully: An Adventure with Teddy Roosevelt" will be presented by Charles Davies, an owner of Theater of the American West.

The show tells the story about Mr.

Roosevelt as a politician and also as a person. He will portray segments of his life and share some of the famed anecdotes the statesman favored as he incorporates historical data into the show.

Tickets will be available at the door and will be \$10 for adults, \$7 for students, and \$5 for children 12 and under.

Crusaders to perform April 10

The Crusaders, a gospel group which has been singing together for 38 years, will perform at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 10, at Morgan Theater at The Gateway.

As teenagers in the mid-60s, the Crusaders grew to be one of the Midwest's best-known gospel groups. They started traveling full-time in the 1970s sharing the stage with other nationally-known south-

ern gospel groups, including the Blackwood Brothers and the Stamps Quartet, and with more contemporary Christian artists like the Archers and Second Chapter of Acts.

Their mostly teen-age band includes lead guitar, bass guitar, drums, synthesizer, piano and sax. The program is free but an offering will be taken.

Many attend Vacura rites

Among out-of-town relatives and friends who attended funeral services for DeWayne Vacura on March 22 were Jeff and Gayle White, Amanda, Josh and Megan, Goddard; Tom Vacura, Jennings; Adrienne Vacura, Douglas, Wyo.; Kathy Vacura, T.J. and Jenny, Ogallala, Neb.; Vonda Vacura, Buddy and Nakita Graf, Grainfield; Andy Harris and Trish, Hays; Donna and Neil Severns, Norton; Sinda Severns, Lincoln, Neb.; Jan Caple, Fruita, Colo.; Russell and Donna Miller, Elko, Nev.; Warren and Joan White, Bella Vista, Ark.; James and Annie Kaspar, Loveland, Colo.; Jim Kaspar, Parker, Colo.; Rodney Kaspar, Kersey, Colo.; Wanda Kaspar, Fort Collins, Colo.; Duane White, Melvern; Frank and Sue White, Kansas City; Gary and Nancy Janousek, McCook; Roberta Petrack, Neva Jean Taylor, Dean and Dorothy Vacura, Lawrence and Lila Jennings, Mike Tacha, Imogene Keenan, Jana Keenan, Ruth and Aden Schillig, Elwood and Norine Bailey, Dave, Jeanette and Clint Krizek, Don Bolt, Bill and Marilyn Noone, Kenny and Julie Carter, Elmo and Marguer-

ite Bailey, Kenny and Vi Krizek, Galen and Meme Carper, Vickie Bailey, Bud and Helen Rhodes, Darlene LaRue, Eric Fleckenstein, Mindy Rogers, Len Randolph, Arch Harman, Jay Kump, Doris Fleckenstein, Stann Hartzog, Jennings;

Raymond and Dorothy Berndt, Karen Anderson, McCook; Jeff and Sheila Rhodes, Ben and Nickie, Herman and Caroline Jacobs, Loren Jacobs, Todd Jacobs, Dick Vahling and family, Victor Ritter, Dennis Ritter, Keith Muirhead, Lillian Sulzman, Russell Rhodes, Merlin and Bonnie Anderson, Dresden; Rex Shaw, Selden; Mavis Ohlson, Bartley, Neb.; Kim Brumley, Inman; Rhonda Workman, Wichita; Bill and Amy Vacura, Matthew and Brandon, Norton; Gus Steffen, Gering, Neb; Pastor Brad and Cynthia Young, Joyce Young, Goddard; Jim Keenan, Oakley; Dennis and Marilyn Wahlmeier, Cambridge, Neb.; Roger Herren, Cleta and Claude Herren, Colby; Hazel Rippetoe, Del City, Okla.; and Eleanor and Elden Odle, Prairie View.

Friends and relatives attend Noren services

Out-of-town relatives and friends from a distance who attended funeral services for Willard D. Noren at the Herndon Covenant Church on March 20 included:

Larry and Judy Thelander, Salina; Kent and Amy Warden, Tara and Kylie, Olathe; Jeremy and Carissa Thelander, Lincoln, Neb.; Ken and Alice Robson, Ellsworth; Andy Robson, Clearwater; Kirk Robson, Hutchinson; Janelle Bach, Ellsworth; Edwin and Ruth Noren, Cadillac, Mich.; Dan Noren, Big Rapids, Mich.; Gordon and Geneva Christensen, Westminster, Colo.; Susan Lovercheck, Media, Pa.; Michael Christensen and Nathan, Hampton, Va.;

Bob and Connie Smith, Eden Prairie, Minn.; Losson and Leanne Pike, Ashland; Shirley Maresch, Jenna and Tim, Nekoma; Mitch and Beverly Messerly, Paul and Anna, Sublette; David and Ida Marie Erikson, Green Valley, Ariz.; Bill and Myra Sater, Ron Sater, Darlene

Lindskog, Holcomb; Aaron Carlson, Loveland, Colo.; Ralph Carlson, Underwood, S.D.; Pat and Elvera Wendelin, Farah Johnson, Lindsborg; Wallace and Carol Swisher, Sonoita, Ariz.; Patti Carrizales, Aurora, Colo.; Stanley and Beverly Swisher, Golden, Colo.; Joanne Yager, Tucson, Ariz.; Shirley Benda, Michael Benda, Broomfield, Colo.; Marvin McKinney, Menlo; Eldon and Sharon Parde, McCook; John and Jolene Martin, Salina; Ted and Rosa Landon, Dale Hoosier, Marc and Diana Webster, Linda Parry, Loren and Callie Reber, Roger and Jan McCaulley, Sandra Pflughoeft, Sue Arensman, Doug and Debbie Bach, Ellsworth; Doyle Seaman, Abilene; Lorena Schultz, Junction City; Bob Payton, Aaron Decker, Colorado; Pastor Gene and Julie Layne, Holdrege, Neb.; Bob Bearley, Kensington; Mike and Glenda Walinder, McCook; Tina Schmid and Daniele, St. Francis.

Benefit set at Bohemian Hall

A benefit soup and pie supper will be served from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday at the Bohemian Hall in Oberlin for Lucy Stone of Dresden.

"The Bridge Band" from the Norton United Methodist Church, along with other area musicians, will perform during the meal. Proceeds will go to help Ms. Stone with medical bills from her recent illness.

Sponsors are Decatur County Lutherans, Doorway Ministries and the Dresden and Jennings United Methodist churches. The Smoky Hill Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will match up to \$800.

Everyone is invited to join friends for the supper, then attend the all-school plays at 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

Student receives honor

Shayla Cochran, daughter of Roger and Judy Cochran of Oberlin, has been selected by her peers in the computer graphics technology department at Northwest Kansas Technical College as their 2004 Student of the Year.

Shayla, a 2001 graduate of Decatur Community High School, will receive her graphics tech diploma in July.

Each of the 14 departments at the

college selects a Student of the Year and those students become candidates for the all-college Student of the Year, who will be announced during commencement exercises on May 21.

As a student, Shayla participated in campus activities, including being a member of the "Tradewinds" yearbook staff.

After graduation, she plans to seek employment in northwest Kansas.



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