

McDonald News By Vera Kacierek

Amy and Mike Whitenberg, Liza, Amelia, Sidney and Isabelle of Springdale, Ark., are spending the week with Norman and Tessa Davis. On Tuesday they will go to Denver to visit the museums and other interesting places.

Family members attending the Kacierek reunion at the Atwood PDC were Bernard Kacierek, Norman and Tessa Davis and their guests, Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson, R.J. and Susie Sabatka, Laddie and Vera Kacierek, Kent and Marilyn Lorens, Rebecca and Matthew all of Stratton, Neb.

Joan Tongish, Eleanor Swihart and Betty Knapp attended the Thresher

Show in Bird City on Saturday.

On Saturday, Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson attended the funeral of Wilma Burk in Goodland. In the afternoon, they drove to Burlington, Colo., and visited Duane Smith in the Assisted Living Home. On Sunday, they visited Jim and Ruby Tracy in the Atwood Good Samaritan Home.

Jennifer Sabatka accompanied Brian and Jacque Hanson to the funeral of Jason Kanak in Scott City. Grace and Ty stayed with Grandma and Grandpa Micek and John stayed with Grandma and Grandpa Sabatka.

Club Clip

McDonald Senior Citizen

The McDonald Senior Citizens met on Monday, with 35 seniors and health nurse, Rose Whitehurst present. Cards were signed for Eldean Cahoj and Jim and Ruby Tracy. Joan Tongish welcomed everyone and birthdays and anniversaries were acknowledged. Ray Johnson read a humorous reading and led the meal blessing.

Phyllis Wingfield had very cleverly decorated the tables with a paper race track down the center of each table. Little race cars made of green plastic bottles with red wheels were ready to race down the table.

After a delicious lunch, bingo was played with Neva DeGood

and Leonard Vyzourek sharing the blackout prize.

At the business meeting, Joan Tongish thanked everyone who had helped in the kitchen and thanked Owen and Phyllis Wingfield for donating a new clock. She also thanked Ray Johnson for painting the trays.

All reports were accepted as read. Ray will repair the storm door which was damaged by the wind.

The September meeting will be on Sept. 1, which is Labor Day. Committees will be bingo, Ray Johnson; poem and prayer, Vera Kacierek; prizes, Marlene Johnson; kitchen help, Annie Antholz, Marlene Johnson and Joan Tongish.

South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Dan Hubbard returned home Saturday after spending a week in Denver and Hays hospitals.

Josh Moyer was a Sunday supper guest of the George Banister family.

Bethel Goltl took part in the

Bird City Steam Engine Show this week.

Thursday evening Joe and Charlene Kramer joined the Shay family in St. Francis to celebrate Rayden's sixth birthday and Ronan's first birthday.

Couple plans wedding

Lynn Marie Ormsby of Dallas, Texas, and Tim Shaun McCaffrey of Loveland, Colo., announce their engagement and will be married on

Oct. 4, at Breckenridge, Colo. Tim of the grandson of Gwen Boswell and the late Dick Boswell.

Obituary

Connie Jean Huxman
Dec. 28, 1949 July 3, 2008

Connie Jean Huxman, 58, died July 3, 2008, at Tulsa, Okla. She was born Dec. 28, 1949, at St. Francis, Kan., the daughter of Glenn and Mildred (Jones) Glasco.

She married Ronald L. Huxman on Aug. 23, 1970, at Bird City.

Connie was an engineer coordinator at Excel Industries, Hesston.

She was a longtime Moundridge area resident and a member of the Hesston Mennonite Brethren Church, Hesston.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald L. Huxman, Moundridge; daughters, Tasha (Tim) Cain, Lenexa, and Tracy Huxman, Imperial, Calif.; a granddaughter, Sloan Cain; Leneza; parents, Glenn and Mildred Glasco, Bird City; and brother, Lynn (Candy) Glasco, Bird City.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, July 9, at Hesston Mennonite Brethren Church, Hesston.

Memorial donations may be given to the Harvey County Homeless Shelter in care of the Moundridge Funeral Home, P.O. Box 410, Moundridge, KS, 67107.

Cousin's reunion is held

A Cress Family Cousin's Reunion was held July 19, at the Senior Center in Goodland. A potluck dinner was enjoyed by 28 relatives.

There were two uncles present—Leonard Amsbery of Goodland and Junior Cress of Bird City. There were also four aunts there—Julie Amsbery and Betty Cress of Goodland, Jerry Cress of Bird City and Vera Cress of Wilson, Kan.

There were 12 cousins present, seven spouses and three second cousins.



BIG STEAM ENGINES race across the Threshers Show grounds.

Times staff photo by Linda Schneider

Attendance's good at Thresher Show

By Linda Schneider
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It was a typical northwest Kansas weekend for the Antique Engine and Thresher Show — hot and windy. However, Thresher Show co-presidents, Clayton and Lori Janicke said in spite of the weather, attendance was good throughout the three-day event.

On opening day, the 2008 Thresher Queen Lucille Wright was crowned. She wore a tradi-

tional prairie-woman dress and bonnet. She and her husband of 69 years, Maynard, greeted show attendees.

Mrs. Wright received her crown from last year's Thresher Queen Millie Glasco, who also donated her own Thresher doll to the museum. The doll was carved out of wood. It had special meaning because it had been given to Mrs. Glasco by her daughter, Connie, who had recently died in a motor-

cycle accident.

The tractors, steam engine tractors, farm equipment and antique automobiles parades had very little problems or breakdowns. The 1922 Red Holt Combine did not make the parade this year. The Holt is own by the Antique Engine and Thresher Association and is one of only three surviving machines still in operation. Most of the tractors and equipment were driven by family members of the original owners, many dating back to the late 1800s and early 1900s.

The Antique Car Club named their 2008 Antique Car Queen Judy Brenner, Goodland. She then rode in the parade in a 1948 gray Chevy. Bob Dillow from

Colorado Springs shared an interesting item about some of the antique cars and trucks that had drove up from Colorado Springs, it took them 12 hours to drive a three-hour trip!

This the second year for the kite flying event at the show. Old and young alike had kites flying in the open field in the center of the Thresher grounds. The conditions were just right and windy for successful kite flying.

There were many new and returning swap meet vendors with rare and antique items to sell.

This year's Antique Engine and Thresher Show was made possible by the many men and women who donated their time and money throughout the year.



GUINEVERE BURR washes a load of clothes in the old fashion washing machine during the Threshers show.

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