Couple to marry on May 15

Joni Wildeman and Kirby Smith of Pratt plan to marry May 15 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville.

Parents of the couple are Kenny and Rhonda Wildeman, Jennings, and John and Luanne Smith, Brookville.

The bride-to-be is a 1997 graduate of Jennings High School. She graduated from Dodge City Com-



Joni Wildeman and Kirby Smith

Hampton and Hampton in Pratt. Her fiancé graduated from Ell-Saline High School near Salina and Fort Scott Community College and earned a degree in Animal Science from Kansas State Unimunity College in 1999, and from versity. He is an agricultural in-Wichita State University in 2001 structor and assistant rodeo coach in accounting. She works for at Pratt Community College.

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dents earning a place on the Deans' list for the fall semester from the University of Nebraska/Kearney.

Joy Lauer and Andrea Martinez-

Skinner were listed among stu-

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Cookie jars are real keepers

On top of my refrigerator stands a worn McCoy Pottery cookie jar in the shape of a clown. It is one of the few items I have from my husband's family. This cookie jar is remembered among the brothers because it was guaranteed that not one of them could get the lid off without making some telltale sound that alerted their mother to the fact that "those boys" were at the cookies again.

Cookie jars remain one of the favorite collectibles around, perhaps because everyone remembers the treats hidden within them at Grandma's house. Figured jars often featured animals appealing to children. Puppies, kittens, bunnies and elephants were commonly found.

My mother's jar was a colorful rooster and I've seen owls, ducks and geese in the poultry lineup. Shawnee Pottery made dozens of designs of sweet-faced pigs, puppies and kittens. McCoy Pottery was famous for characters, such as my clown, Little Red Riding Hood, Dutch girls and boys, Indians and their very rare (and pricey) Irish Leprechaun. An imported character container that is very popular with today's children is Thomas the Tank Wagon, adapted from the children's books and tele-



vision series.

Some collectors like to accumulate only cookie jars that bear advertising messages or mascots. Vivid yellow and green tractors from John Deere are big favorite with farm families.

Dog lovers like the dog food company jars with realistic depictions of dogs that were premiums intended to hold doggie treats and biscuits. One of the cleverest of the advertising jars looks like a bag of Pillsbury Flour just sitting on the kitchen counter. It takes a close look to realize it's ceramic and a peek inside to find the flour has been made into something yummy. Pillsbury also produced their famous Dough Boy in a cookie jar design.

Most of the advertising jars are of newer manufacture.

The age of a cookie jar can sometimes be determined by the condition of the paint. Before 1940 most jars were crockery decorated

with "cold" paint, which wore away with a few years of handling and washing. Painted decorations under glaze were manufactured later and tells you the jar may be newer since it has held up much better to wear and tear.

Because little hands were not too careful cookie jar lids are often cracked, chipped or chunked. When looking a jar over, always check the lip inside the lid and the top rim for this kind of damage. Another spot to check is the inside bottom where "star" cracks are found. A hairline crack could be created when a lid was dropped back on with too much force. Damage can be hard to spot on dark or complicated glazes. Always look before you leap.

A few clever manufacturers made jars with alarm lids. One is a neat little school house with a bell that rings when you remove the lid; another was called a tattletale jar because it had a tone that sounded when the lid was removed. Apparently every mother did not have ears as sharp as LeRoy's mother. Perhaps raising six children enhances your sense of hearing.

ADVICE from the old antique: Smile and the world smiles with you; cry and your nose turns red.

Chaston Andrew VanDerVeen March 23, 1997-February 14, 2004

Chaston Andrew VanDerVeen, 6, died Feb. 14, 2004, at the Wesley Medical Center in Wichita.

He was born March 23, 1997, in Dallas, Texas, to Kenberlea VanDerVeen and Victor Montes. In 1998, he and his mother moved to Prairie View. Later they lived in Goodland, where he attended kindergarten before moving on to Hill City. Chaston was a first grader at Hill City Grade School.

Chaston enjoyed reading, coloring, singing and spending time with his mother. He liked playing Nintendo, being outside and riding his bike. He liked to read, especially about lizards, snakes and dinosaurs.

spending time with his Grandpa and Nanna Montes. When visiting his grandparents in Prairie View he loved going to the workshop and building things; even if it was just driving nail into a board.

He is survived by his mother, Kenberlea VanDerVeen of Hill City; his father, Victor Montes of Central Point, Ore.; his grandparents, Jay and Judy VanDerVeen of Prairie View; Victor and Leelynn Montes of Dallas; Patty and Gary Carlson of Missouri; and his greatgrandmother, Marie Delimont of Norton.

Funeral services were held Feb. 19 at Luctor Christian Reformed Church with The Rev. Jeff Van Der He enjoyed going to Dallas and Weele officiating. Vocalists were

Alyssa DeBoer and Sean Newlan who sang, "Jesus Loves Me"; and Kooten was the organist.

Casket bearers were Steven VanDerVeen, William Anglin, Andrew Lovington, Justin Miller, Stephen Desaire and Larry Pakkebier. Burial was in the Luctor Cemetery.

Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel was in charge of the arrangements. **Card of Thanks**

We'd like to express our overwhelming gratitude for all of the love and support you've given our family since Chaston's passing. Every kind word, every prayer, each and every hug, and the time spent remembering our special little boy will forever remain in our hearts and help bring us comfort in the days and weeks ahead. For all of your thoughtfulness, we sincerely say "thank you".

The family of Chaston Andrew

Karen Huiting and Jerry DeWitt who sang "Amazing Grace"; Make your plans before power goes out Gloria DeWitt was the accompanist. "Angels Among Us" was a taped selection and Helen Van-

Before a power outage happens...

of electricity is a problem, plan ahead. Keep your freezer as full as possible by freezing water in plastic containers and using them to fill any empty spaces not occupied by food. Keep a cooler on hand. Buy freeze-pack inserts and keep them frozen Know in advance where you can buy ice.

When it happens to your freezer: Keep the freezer closed. Open the door as little as possible. You will be relieved to know that a full, freestanding freezer will stay at freezing temperature about two days; a half-full freezer about one day. So try to limit the number of

times that you open your freezer

until power is restored.



If your freezer is not full, quickly group packages together to insulate the food and maintain the coldest possible temperature.

If food has started to thaw, what can safely be kept? Evaluate each item. Be careful with meat, poultry, fish and shellfish products, foods containing eggs, milk, cream, sour cream, soft cheese and all cooked foods. When in doubt, throw it out! The risk of food-poisoning is never worth the cost of

food. Frozen foods that have reached temperatures of 40 degrees F and above for more than two hours are not safe to eat. Discard.

You may safely re-freeze foods if: they still contain ice crystals, or; they have not exceeded 40 degrees F for two hours or more, or; they have been held at refrigerated temperature (40 degrees F) no more than two days.

Never taste food with questionable odor or color. Always dispose of these. And remember, if the food is not safe for you it is not safe for your pet.

If you have further questions about food during power outages, please contact your local county Extension Office or e-mail me at twwatts@oznet.ksu.edu.



Ruth Jamison

<u>DEATHNOTICE</u>

Ruth Jamison, 103, died Feb. Logan, Kan. 67646. 22, 2004, at the Logan Manor. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the United Parish Church, Lenora, with Pastor Jack Kersenbrock officiating. Burial will be in the Lenora South Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Parish Church, 140 E. Iowa, Lenora, Kan., 67645, or to Logan Manor, 108 S. Adams,



charge of the arrangements.

Logan Funeral Home is in

VanDerVeen

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Patricia A. (Melroy) Martin! February 2004 marks a special birthday Mom. Help us celebrate by sending her a card! Mom's address is:

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Couple plans to wed in Phillipsburg

Stephanie Ann Hawks and Nicholas Lynn Brandyberry are planning a May 15 wedding in Phillipsburg.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hawks, Almena, and Mr. and Mrs. Neal Brandyberry, Howells, Neb.

Grandparents of the couple are Bob and Bernadine Shick, Ocala, Fla.; Virginia Nickelson, New Almelo; and Phyllis Brandyberry, Hill City. Virginia Brandyberry of Hill City is the groom's greatgrandmother.

Miss Hawks is a graduate of Northern Valley High School and will be a spring graduate from Fort Hays State University with a bachelor of arts degree in secondary mathematics education. She is student teaching at Phillipsburg High School.

Mr. Brandyberry is a graduate of Lenora High School and is employed by Kyle Railroad in Phillipsburg.

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