

# OBITUARIES

## Ellen M. Archer

Oct. 12, 1908 - Feb. 13, 2006

Ellen Matilda Archer, 97, died at the Andbe Home Monday.

Born Oct. 12, 1908, southeast of Densmore, she was the daughter of Walter William and Ester Anne (Henry) Withington.

She attended the Whitfield rural grade school, and graduated from Densmore High School. She also attended Normal Training in Norton.

On May 14, 1931, she and Claude Elmer Archer were married in the Methodist Church in Stockton. They made their home on a farm north of Densmore before moving to a farm in the Cactus community. In 1953, they moved to a farm north of Almena, and upon their retirement, moved into Almena. Mrs. Archer enjoyed being a homemaker, mother, and teacher.

She loved crocheting, quilting, gardening and canning, and putting together puzzles. Her greatest joys in life were her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two grandsons,

Mertain Conard and Corky Conard, Jr.; four brothers, Leo, Leonard, Walter, and Henry; and sister, Beulah; and one step-sister.

Survivors include: her husband, Claude, of the Andbe Home; one daughter, Wava and Corky Conard, Norton; one son, Wayne and Shari Archer, Almena; one sister, Bessie Nicholas, Shawnee; four grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 3 to 8:30 p.m., Friday at Enfield Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday at the Almena United Methodist Church with Kathy Aeillo officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

A memorial has been established to the Almena Senior Center. Contributions may be sent to the center at 508 Main, Almena, Kan. 67622.

Enfield Funeral Home, Norton, is in charge of the arrangements.

## Jessie G. Colip

Dec. 13, 1910 - Feb. 12, 2006

Jessie Gladys Colip, 95, died Sunday at the Andbe Home in Norton.

The daughter of John Willis and Clara Myrtle (Kent) Hendricks, she was born Dec. 13, 1910 in Lenora.

She attended District No. 82 rural grade school, and graduated from Lenora High School. She also attended Fort Hays State College. Between the years of 1929 and 1943, she taught in rural Norton County grade schools and one year in the Almena Grade School.

On May 23, 1943, she and Ivan Manson Colip were married in rural Lenora. They made their home in Norton County where she was a homemaker. Mr. Colip died Dec. 7, 2000.

She was a member of the Almena United Methodist Church and the Almena Rebekah Lodge No. 334.

She was preceded in death by

her parents; her husband; one son-in-law, Kent Carpenter; two grandchildren, Stephany Colip and Jason Colip; and two sisters, Lota Woods and Olive Swift.

Survivors include: one son, Gordon, and Karen Colip, Goodland; one daughter, Marie Carpenter, Dodge City; four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one brother-in-law, Ralph Swift.

Friends may call today from 3 to 8:30 p.m. at Enfield Funeral Home in Norton.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Wednesday at the funeral home with Wilmer Severns officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Almena.

A memorial has been established to the Almena United Methodist Church. Contributions may be sent in care of Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

## Fern R. Jones

Jan. 13, 1919 - Feb. 9, 2006

Fern R. Jones, 87, died Thursday at Norton County Hospital.

Mrs. Jones was born Jan. 13, 1919, the daughter of Russell R. and Blanche K. (Hinkle) Andrews, in Chardon.

She attended school in Colby and Goodland.

On Aug. 21, 1938, she and Vernon C. Jones were married in Goodland. They made their home in several communities in Kansas, Colorado, and Nebraska, before moving to Norton.

She was a farmer's wife and a lifetime homemaker and caregiver. She had been employed as a Certified Nurse's Aide at the Andbe Home in Norton, and had worked at the Phelps County Hospital and Brewster Clinic in Holdrege, Neb.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Howard, Ralph, and Joseph

Andrews; two sisters, Jane Shultz and Marjorie Bell; two daughters-in-law, Beulah and Mary Etta; and one grandson-in-law, Doug Otter.

Survivors include: her husband, Vernon, Norton; two sons, Elton Jones, Washington, W.V., and George Jones, Norton; two daughters, Mary Kathryn and Kenneth Campbell, Dearing and Judi Jones, Norton; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at the First Church of God with Pastor Terrill Worthington officiating. Burial was in Norton Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested in her memory to the Norton County Hospital, 102 E. Holme, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Arrangements were by Enfield Funeral Home, Norton.

## Barton G. Willey

Sept. 5, 1941 - Feb. 13, 2006

Barton Greg "Bart" Willey, 64, Hays, son of Phyllis Willey, Norton, died Monday at his home in rural Hays.

Mr. Willey was born Sept. 5, 1941, at Nebraska City, Neb., the son of Robert and Phyllis (Gregory) Willey.

On July 21, 1978, he married Doris "Dee" Bretton at Stockton. He graduated from Sergeant Major Academy at Fort Bliss, Texas.

He was a retired master Sergeant for the Kansas Army National Guard.

He was preceded in death by a son, Andrew Willey.

Survivors include his wife, Dee, of the home; a son, Dale Robert and Michelle Willey, Hays; a

daughter, Ann and Jeremy Hand, Larned; his mother, Phyllis Willey, Norton; a sister, Michelle Marsh, Norton; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. this evening at Hays Memorial Chapel Funeral Home, and again Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. at the funeral home with burial in the Kansas Veterans Cemetery, WaKeeney.

A memorial has been established in his name and will be designated at a later time. Contributions may be sent in care of the funeral home, 20th and Pine, Hays, Kan. 67601.

## February Share orders are due Thursday

The deadline for ordering the February Heartland SHARE food package is noon, Thursday. To order, call the Norton Senior Center, 877-5352, Ermalea Mason at 877-3098 or 877-4096 or Karen VanSlike, 877-5511.

Distribution will begin at 8 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Norton Senior Center.

The February Heartland SHARE food package contains 14 ounces of Van De Kamp's pollock filets, 1 pound of diced chicken chunks, 1 pound of Schwan's beef taco meat, 12 ounces deli-style turkey breast, 1 pound of Italian-style chicken breast, cucumbers, lettuce, green onions, potatoes, Jonagold apples, kiwi fruit, naval oranges, package of flour tortillas, and an 8 ounce package of American cheese shreds.

For \$18.50 plus two volunteer hours, you can receive all of the

food listed in the SHARE. You may order as many shares as you want.

You may also order a meat only (first five items) package. Cost of the meat only share is \$10.50 plus one additional volunteer hour.

After you purchase your SHARE, you can order as many February Specials as you want. Special No. 1 is the Wintertime Hog Wild Special. It includes 6, 4 ounce bacon-wrapped pork tenderloins, 4, 6 ounce smoked pork chops and a 2 pound boneless pork roast. Special No. 1 costs \$16 plus one additional volunteer hour.

Special No. 2 is the Good For You Chicken Breast Delight. It includes a 6 pound box of 24, 4 ounce boneless, skinless chicken breast filets. Each piece is in its own plastic compartment for easy handling. Special No. 2 costs \$12 plus one additional volunteer hour.

## READERS

— **Steak and seafood night, Thursday and Saturday 6-9 p.m. American Legion. Members and guests. 2/14**

— **PINOCHLE Tournament, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19, Norton American Legion. 2/14**

## Foundation will offer health scholarships

The Dane G. Hansen Foundation will again be offering health career scholarships to students in the Phillipsburg/Norton area.

Each scholarship carries a \$3,000 annual grant and is renewable year by year.

Recipients must agree to return to the Phillips County Hospital to serve in a professional capacity for at least one year for each year the scholarship was awarded. If there

are no openings in the Phillips County Hospital, the recipients services will be offered to the Norton County Hospital.

Applicants may obtain information by writing: Health Scholarships, Attn. Human Rescources, Phillips County Hospital, P.O. Box 607, Phillipsburg, Kan. 67661.

The deadline to apply is March 10.

## MARKETS

At close of business Feb. 13

Wheat .....	\$3.78
Milo .....	\$1.71
Corn .....	\$1.93
Soybeans .....	\$5.09

# Buyer knows what makes a good auction

If recent auctions are any indication, Norton is well on the way to maintaining a reputation as a hot town for auction action. Local auctioneers as well as some from around the area are booking for the coming spring season, so if you're planning a sale, don't dilly dally around getting it scheduled.

## Collector Chat



Liza Deines

A good auction requires certain key elements. First you must have a seller with some worthwhile merchandise and an auction firm that can run a tight ship. Location, a good date and sufficient advertising are essential to ensure a good crop of buyers. But everyone knows the major draw is the food stand full of pie! And here's a little tip from an old auction hand — the quality of the pie and noodles is directly proportional to the age of the ladies running the food stand. Those older gals never met Mrs. Smith or Sara Lee.

small cranberry tumbler in a charming gilt carrier. Unfortunately, my bid did not prevail.

It's always amusing to go people-watching at an auction. Matter of fact, a lot of people do that and only that. The spectators arrive early, take the best seats, watch all day, and never bid once. Dealers arrive early, too, but only estimate bids opposed to resale profit. Collectors, however, come with one or two items in mind and bid until the cows come home to get them. Two collectors bidding against each other for a coveted trifle can be vastly entertaining to those without the deep pockets to compete. Impulse bidders are those who really just came to visit and eat lunch but somehow end up with a car full of \$1 boxes to haul home and hide in the garage. Young couples seeking to furnish a house with some vintage style are often seen hauling out really good buys on lightly used furniture. If your talent lies in refinishing, an auction can be a delightful hunting ground for your next project. My home is furnished with forty years of auction furniture but when I saw what quality pieces sold in Norton recently, I longed to start all over again.

Some unusual offerings have drawn good crowds to town in the last few weeks. Somebody somewhere is probably getting a canopied heart-shaped bed for Valentine's Day. Others may be receiving a set of modern pink Fiesta dinnerware that sold at a terrific bargain, or a sparkling piece of lead crystal or cut glass that will brighten a heart. An arrangement of polar bear pictures went for a song and so did new and pretty pink flowered enamel cookware.

A multi color bell collection brought more than original prices while an extensive Italian porcelain Capodimonte grouping sold very reasonably. Several intricate Capodimonte baskets and decorated bowls, overflowing with fragile flowers, were crafted to look so real you bent to sniff the roses. What really drew the bidders a couple of weeks back, however, was an astounding array of glowing cranberry glass.

The two cardinal rules for auction enthusiasts? Come hungry and hold that bidding number up high. See you at the next auction and don't forget to bring a friend and a pickup truck.

MY MAMA SAID: When it comes to auction bidding, if you can't run with the big dogs, better stay under the porch.

Cranberry glass has never lost popularity since its first appearance shortly after the Civil War. The color is so distinctive and breathtaking that it has been manufactured by many companies and embellished in myriad ways. It is ticklish to figure out the vintage of a beautiful piece unless you have years of experience viewing and buying pieces. Fenton is reproducing it still today. This is one place where it may be advisable to buy what you cannot resist, regardless of age or value. While there was plenty to go around in this offering, there was spirited bidding from a number of determined buyers. Hopefully everyone went home happy. My personal favorite was a set of four

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## Pianists qualify for state contest

Three local piano students all received I ratings at the recent Regional Piano Festival held in Hays. Naomi Streck, daughter of Steve and Joan Streck, and Mat Sheperd, son of Paul Sheperd are the students of Donna Severns. Stanton Nelson, the son of Terry and Sara Nelson is the pupil of Jennifer Ruder.

All three pianists will compete Saturday at the state contest in Wichita.

### McMullen and Wyatt Auctions

## ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT Auction

Consignments are now being taken for the annual farm and farm related consignment auction. Consign your vehicles, machinery, tractors, trucks, livestock equipment and other related items for the March Auction. Consign early for advertising and to have your items placed on the sale bill. Several nice items are already consigned.

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