

OBITUARY

Ona Van Gundy

Oct. 6, 1935 - Dec. 7, 2006

Ona Van Gundy, 71, Norcatur, died Dec. 7 at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita. She was born Oct. 6, 1935, at Lyle, the daughter of Archie and Hazel (Huff) Van Gundy. She graduated from Norcatur Rural High School in 1953. For a few years, she operated her own beauty shop in Norton. She moved to Denver and set up her shop there where she worked for 28 years before returning to Norcatur to care for her mother. After her mother died, she began working at Decatur County Hospital, where she worked for the past ten years. She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, Dean Van Gundy, Ival Van Gundy

and Neal Van Gundy. Survivors are her five sisters: Twila and Leland Vernon, Arvada, Colo., Veda Wood, Norcatur, Bonnie Klein, Atwood, Dixie and Elvin Wood, Canadian, Okla., and Sheryl and Richard Patterson, Norcatur. Her body was cremated and memorial services were held Tuesday at the Norcatur United Methodist Church with Jim Plotts officiating. A trio of two nieces and a nephew sang "In The Garden" and Mr. Plotts sang, "One Day At A Time". A memorial has been established in her name. Contributions may be sent in care of Sheryl Patterson, Norcatur, Kan. 67653.

Quilters played bingo with scraps and buttons

By BEVERLY KINDLER "Blue paisley, yellow holiday, green batik, red metallic, blue novelty, pink floral, purple stripe" were some of the choices called as members of the heritage Quilt Club played Quilt Club Robber Bingo at the December meeting. Each member made their own fabric bingo card using their scraps and a suggested fabric selection guide. Members also furnished their own buttons to use as markers. There was a lot of "bingo-ing" and activity as gifts were robbed and exchanged. Show and Tell featured a tote bag, a duvet cover, a jeans quilt, an appliqued ladies shirt, a big block quilt and a baby quilt. Cindy McMullen displayed a table runner with a bell motif and two quilts - one of purple and one blue toile.

Cheryl Roberts displayed a holiday bolster pillow. Marcia Shoemaker shared a Santa wall hanging and a Christmas card holder she had made. Lynn Tacha showed a table cloth, made in the Four-Patch-Fun motif, and a Harvest Spice quilt. During the business meeting, Nancy Arehart was welcomed as a new member. Plans were made for a quilt display at the Norton Public Library early next year. Tables featured holiday decor with a fabric Christmas stocking, candy canes and a jar of "Snowman Jam" for each member. Members brought holiday goodies for refreshments. Hostesses were Jerris McMullen, Pam Cuthbertson and Judi Carlyle.

Jail Log

Dec. 8 — Dan Neubauer, Missouri, holding on a Missouri warrant, released Dec. 12. Dec. 12 — Tracey Stephens, Denver, Colo., failure to pay child support. Dec. 12 — Joelle Gunnell, Hays, warrant arrest, released Dec. 13.

District Court

These transactions were taken from the records of filings in the offices of the District Court clerk at the Norton County Courthouse. Traffic, criminal and wildlife parks cases are given to the paper when the fines are paid. Limited action and small claim cases are reported only after the defendant is served.

Traffic

May 28, 2005 — Donald R. Arehart, Norton, driving under the influence of alcohol, first offense, fine \$850, court cost \$60. Nov. 1 — Timothy J. Dusen, Indianola, Iowa, speeding 78 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$44, court cost \$70. Nov. 19 — Bruce A. Rickerson, Colorado City, Colo., speeding 79 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$50, Court cost \$70. Nov. 22 — Nita M. Currier, Atwood, speeding 77 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$38, court cost \$70.

Nov. 22 — Dustin W. Nairn, Syracuse, speeding 80 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$56, court cost \$70. Nov. 23 — Benjamin J. Rojas, Almena, speeding 85 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$86, court cost \$70. Nov. 26 — Tami S. Gaede, McAllen, Texas, expired registration, fine \$56, court cost \$70. Nov. 26 — Dawn R. Pederson, Colorado Springs, Colo., speeding 80 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$56, court cost \$70. Dec. 5 — Andrew S. Horesky, Norton, speeding 39 in a 20 mph zone, fine \$24, court cost \$70. Dec. 7 — Renee M. Carter, Jennings, speeding 83 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$74, court cost \$70. Dec. 7 — Cody G. Nelson, Elk Creek, Neb., speeding 77 in a 65 mph zone, fine \$38, court cost \$70. Dec. 8 — Karen L. Washburn, Norton, expired registration, fine \$56, court cost \$70.

Wildlife and Parks Fish and Game

Dec. 3 — Joseph Wayne Davis, Norton, hunting deer without proper orange hat and vest, fine \$71, court cost \$70.

Animal Shelter

For Adoption Female, long hair black and white, tailless cat. Male cat, five months old. Puppies, ready to go.

READERS

— A reception to honor Ruby Heikes on her 90th birthday will be held from 2-4 p.m., Sat., Dec. 23 at the Lenora Community Building. 12/15

The Duplicate Bridge Club met Wednesday evening at the Norton

Manor for their regular weekly session with three tables present. There was a tie for first and second place between the teams of Joyce Sumner and Jackie Porter and Dewaine Stapp and Leone Purton; third was Larry Sumner and Jack Graham.

HANSEN MUSEUM

By SHIRLEY HENRICKSON The exhibit "International Turning Exchange" from the Wood Turning Center in Philadelphia will run from Dec. 1, to Jan. 28. Over 50 artists from 10 countries and 17 U.S. states have participated in the International Turning Exchange (ITE). The participants challenge themselves and each other to study, explore new work, and diffuse this freshness in their approaches when they return to their native countries. Artists report that the ITE experience radically transforms their outlook and their work. The exhibit is touring the United States and will travel to the artists' native

countries. This will include Canada, The United Kingdom, Europe, Australia and New Zealand. Please come in and view this outstanding exhibit of wood and other lathe-turned art and furniture. Lori Struik is the museum's December Artist of the Month. Her floral arrangements and wreaths bring a festive air to the Museum. Please check out the website. The address is www.hansenmuseum.org. If you have any questions please e-mail us at hansenmuseum@ruraltel.net.

Norton senior in running for college scholarship

Norton Community High School Senior Annette Becker is one of 2,000 semifinalists in the annual Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation scholarship program. She is the daughter of John and Ann Becker. Approximately 104,000 high school seniors entered the competition and 2,000 were selected as semi-finalists. Students are selected on the basis of four criteria, including leadership in school activities, community and volunteer service, employment and academics.



Annette Becker

Semi-finalists are required to send in an expanded application that requires detailed biographical data, and essay, a secondary school report and two personal recommendations. The program review committee will then select 250 finalists. Coca-Cola Scholarships are awarded based on character, personal merit and commitment. Merit is demonstrated through leadership in school, civic and extracurricular activities, academic achievement, and motivation to serve and succeed.

Fifty National Coca-Cola Scholars will receive a \$20,000 scholarship award over four years. The remaining 200 Regional Scholars will receive scholarship awards valued at \$4,000, over four years. The Finalist selections will be announced in March and these students will then travel to Atlanta, Ga., in April to interview with a National Selection Committee for one of two awards.

Baking Christmas cookies create family traditions

Baking holiday cookies may be a long-standing tradition. It can be a good time for families, working together in the kitchen.

Home ed Tranda Watts, Extension specialist



Nowadays, however, setting aside baking time can be a challenge. Consider cutting back on the number of cookies — or the difficulty of the recipe — both to smooth the way for time together and provide a tasty learning experience for children. Just don't pressure yourself. Give some thought to making just three kinds of cookies: • An easy-to-make drop or bar cookie. • A basic sugar cookie, either shaped into a ball before baking or rolled and cut. • A slice-and-bake cookie that can be baked as needed. Cookies need not be overly rich to be flavorful. You may also want to look for a recipe that could become a favorite holiday slice-and-bake recipe which offers several versions. One version could be one with chopped candied fruit, similar to that found in fruitcake if your

family enjoys that type of cookie. Most cookies freeze well, too. For best results, place cookies in a freezer- container and use waxed or parchment paper to separate the layers to keep the cookies from sticking together. Some cookie dough can be frozen raw and then, as needed, thawed and cooked for fresh-baked flavor. Exactly following their recipe directions can be important, though. Tranda Watts is Kansas State University extension specialist in food, nutrition, health and safety for Norton, Decatur, Gove, Sheridan, and Trego counties. Call her at 785-443-3663 or e-mail twatts@oznet.ksu.edu. For more information, contact the county extension office, 877-5755.

BEAVER CITY

By JOY STALDER Brian Bieghler visited his grandmother, Velda Bieghler Saturday and Sunday. Ernie and Joy Stalder attended the Sunshine Club's annual Christmas carry-in supper and gift exchange at the Norton Manor Saturday evening. Mary Keith was hostess.

several days. Several ladies from the Christian Church enjoyed an afternoon tea Saturday afternoon at the McCook Christian Church. They enjoyed the lovely lunch and entertainment during the tea. Chris and Kendra Bley and Jeremy were Friday evening visitors of Ruth Stalder. Clinton and Vivian Schluntz and Rick Schluntz along with other relatives were Thanksgiving dinner guests of LeRoy and Vicki Schluntz of Huntley.

Ruth and Lawrence Kentfield attended the community Christmas cantata at Southern Valley School Sunday afternoon. Bill and Van Lamb returned home from Florida Thursday evening after visiting Frank and Marie Lamb at Eckland Air Base, Ft. Walton Beach

In Loving Memory of James R. Underwood who quietly left us a year ago December 15, 2005. Sadly missed by his family and friends, but know he is in a better place, with the Lord.

MARKETS

At close of business Dec. 14 Wheat \$4.58 Milo \$3.36 Corn \$3.47 Soybeans \$5.90

Showing at the NORTON THEATRE CHARLOTTE'S WEB (Premiere) 1 Hour, 53 Minutes — (G) \$7.00 for Adults; \$6.00 for Children 12 and Under Show Times: Friday and Saturday: 8 p.m. Sunday: 5 p.m.; Mon., Tues., Wed.: 7 p.m. FLICKA 1 Hour, 40 Minutes — (PG) \$6.00 for Adults \$5.00 for Children 12 and Under Passes Accepted for Flicka No Passes for Charlotte's Web

NORTON MANOR

By DORIS MIZELL Doris Mizell accompanied Ray and Ruth Mizell, David and Jacob and Karlyn Kent to Papillion, Neb. on Saturday. This is where the Nebraska Christian College has been moved. Stephen Mizell was singing with the choir in their

Christmas program. This was held at the Kingsway Christian Church in Omaha. Staying overnight, the family attended church the next morning where the choir was repeating the program. After visiting and trying out different restaurants they returned home that evening.

Have a story idea? Call 877-3361 and let us know ... we'd love to hear about it!

Larry Henderson and Lee Ann Shearer PRESENT A Country Christmas Concert Thursday, December 21 7:30 p.m. EAST CAMPUS AUDITORIUM ADMISSION IS FREE SPONSORED BY Thunder Chord Guitar With Selections of Country ~ Gospel ~ Christmas Special Guest Singers and Santa Claus

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