## OBITUARIES

### Harold Lloyd Cook July 9, 1947 - Oct. 13, 2008

Harold Lloyd Cook was born July 9, 1947, in Manning, Kansas, the third of four children of Wade A. and Grace Elizabeth (Wilken) Cook. He passed away Monday, October 13, 2008, at his home in Norton, Kansas, at the age of 61.

Harold moved with his family to a farm northeast of Oberlin, Kansas, on November 4, 1953. He attended Vallonia Grade School eight years and graduated from Decatur Community High School in 1967. Mr. Cook then attended Goodland Vocational Technical School, graduating with an electrical degree. He served a tour of duty with the U.S. Army

After his honorable discharge, he returned to Decatur County. He worked for the Electric Hose Plant in McCook, Nebraska for a number of years. He later moved to Florida and worked for their plant there.

When he returned to the Northwest, he lived in Oberlin, Mc-Cook and Marion, Nebraska, and Norton, where he made his home the last ten years of his life. He enjoyed fishing and hunting over the years, and his dogs were the joy of his life.

Survivors include two sisters, Jeanette Miller of Oberlin and Connie Quaduor and husband Ed of Pueblo West, Colorado; one sister-in-law, Vickie Cook of McCook, Nebraska; a number of nephews and nieces in addition to two very special friends, Tom Baker and Brandy Kohart of Norcatur.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Merlin

Graveside services were today, Oct. 17 at 11:00 a.m. at the Oberlin Cemetery, with the Rev. James Jennings presiding. Military Committal Rites were given by the Oberlin American Legion Post #70. There is a memorial fund with the Disabled Veterans of America. Arrangements were by Paul's Funeral Home in Oberlin.

### Vera Merle John Aug. 20, 1921 - Sept. 25, 2008

Vera Merle John passed away on Sept. 25 at Harbor House Hospice in Las Vegas, Nev. She

She was born on a farm in Norton County on Aug. 20, 1921 to Katherine Scott Kingham and Orson Oliver Kingham, one of 14 children. Being the oldest daughter, she was a constant help to her mother and father on the farm, working in the fields and at home with the cooking and helping with the younger children. She went to rural schools in Kansas and later met and married Thomas Brigham John. They were married for 31 years before he passed away. They were sealed in the Las Vegas Temple.

Mrs. John was hardworking, compassionate and loving. She was always ready to help wherever she was needed. She was not blessed with children of her own, but helped to raise the children of

many people. She was a talented seamstress. She made clothes and loved to quilt and crochet. She was also an upholsterer for many



years. No matter what she made, her workmanship was always exceptional.

She loved fishing, hunting, camping and gardening. She also had a passion for temple work. She spoke often of the wonderful women in her ward who worked with her in the temple.

Vera was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; two sisters, Orine Alice Kingham and Abbie Sauer; two brothers, Albert and Fred Kingham; four infant siblings; two brothers-in-law, Robert Linza and Ernest Sauer; and one sister-in-law, Minnie Kingham.

She is survived by her stepson, Jack John and his wife Darlene; four step-grandchildren, Karen and her husband Rick Dietric of Henderson, Nev., Kim and her husband Tom Fey of Chandler, Ariz., and Danny and Mike John both of Las Vegas; three sisters, Clara Linza of Salida, Colo., Rena and her husband Charles Sinclair of Loveland, Colo., Katherine and her husband Walter Donaldson of Clifton Colo.; two brothers, John Kingham and his wife Anna of Norton, and Orson Kingham and his wife Janette of Las Vegas; one sister-in-law, Karolyn Kingham of Norton; 31 nieces and nephews and too many great and great-great nieces and nephews to count.

Her sweet happy laugh and her gentle smile will be missed by all.

# Women's club reports on meetings

**September meeting** 

Mid-Century GFWC members went to Logan on Sept. 25 to visit the Dane G. Hansen Museum. Following a welcome tot he museum by Ovina Tidball, assistant director, the club members viewed the "The Purse and the Person" exhibit. This is a collection of twentieth century purses that show the shapes, sizes and materials that reflect the century's changing fashions, culture and economics. Major themes of the twentieth century - prosperity, financial hardship, war, peace, women's rights, sexual liberation and the inexorable march of technology — are clearly visible among these purses and their contents.

Beverly Kindler, president, called the business meeting to order and welcomed the 13 members and thanked the hostesses, Virginia Will and Geraldine Packer. She read a letter from GFWC thanking us for our donation to the WHRC's Research Collection.

Lynn Nelson thanked everyone for their work during the Norton County Fair in running the Plinko game. Eunice Neiltopp an-

### **October Meeting**

Members and guests of Mid-Century GFWC met at 10 a.m. on Oct. 11 at Prairie Land Electric for their annual Federation Day Brunch. Hostesses were Darlene McEwen and Rosalie McMullen. The tables were lovely with antique crocheted doilies, miniature tea sets and tea candles. Guests were Cindy Mordecai, Hayley Mordecai, Clarissa Snow, Lauren Mordecai, Carol Wyatt, Coterie Club members Shari Archer and Georgie Rorabaugh, and 20th Century members Charlene Westcamp, Janice Monier and Lavonne Juenemann.

Beverly Kindler, president, welcomed everyone and thanked the hostesses. The theme of the day was "Dream of Good Health." Everyone enjoyed the musical selections performed by the lovely Mordecai sisters, Hayley and

Lynn Nelson introduced the guest speaker, Gina Frack, Administrator of the Norton County Health Department, who spoke about "shingles." Shingles is a painful skin rash, often with blisters. It is also called herpes zoster. Shingles is caused by the same virus that causes chicken pox. Only someone who has had nounced Mid-Century delivered Meals on Wheels Sept. 29 through Oct. 13. Maxine Wiltfong, Veterans chairman, announced requests she had received for the veterans. Following a motion it was decided to send \$1.00 per member for this fund.

Geraldine Packer, vice president, presented the yearbooks for the 2008-2009 club year. The theme for this year is "Dare to Dream." Miss Kindler expressed concerns from GFWC District officers concerning the annual District Music Auditions. Aquestionnaire was filled out expressing Mid-Century's recommendations for the auditions. It was announced that the 6th

District GFWC Fall Convention would be Sept. 27 in Hill City. Miss Kindler will preside at this meeting. Darlene McEwen presented the baskets that the club had made for the money raising event at the convention. One basket, wrapped in beautiful purple, contains 19 beauty articles and the other basket has eight articles for "Tea Time." Lynn Nelson reported that we are furnishing muffins for the Coffee Hour.

a case of chicken pox — or gotten the chicken pox vaccine — can get shingles. The virus stays in your body and can reappear many years later to cause a case of shingles. There is no cure, but in 2006 a vaccine for shingles was licensed. A single dose of the vaccine is indicated for adults 60 and older. If you suspect you have shingles, call your doctor as soon as possible. The sooner treatment is begun, the more effective it is.

Geraldine Packer reported on the 107th 6th District GFWC Fall Convention held in Hill City on Sept. 13. Miss Kindler, 6th district president, presided at the meeting. The Hill City Helios GFWC was also celebrating their 100th anniversary. Norton Mid-Century was in charge of the coffee hour for the 52 club women from across the district in attendance. Miss Kindler reported on the 117th International GFWC Convention she attended in Chicago this summer. There were 1,400 GFWC Club women from around the world in attendance. One of the service projects of the convention was "Shoes" for the domestic violence shelters in the area. 847 "slightly worn" shoes were brought to the convention and \$6,235 was donated to buy shoes for this project.

It was decided that our "Annual Pie Sale" was one of the most outstanding projects of the year. Miss Kindler thanked the club for the reception they had given in her honor in June.

Geraldine Packer gave her report from the Kansas GFWC Club Woman that Helios GFWC in Hill City is celebrating their 100th anniversary this year. Miss Kindler gave a report of the 117th GFWC Annual International President. There were 1,371 attendees, 538 awards given, 847 pairs of shoes donated for the Annual Service Project and 883 books sold.

The DVD "Celebrating What's Right With The World" by Dewitt Jones was shown. A beautiful film showing much that is right with the world. The roll call was answered with sharing a special

The next meeting will be the Federation Day Brunch, Oct. 11 at Prairie Land Elecric. Guests will be GFWC members from Helios, Hill City, Coterie and 20th Century Club. The meeting closed with the Club Collect.

The next meeting will be Oct. 23. Everyone please meet at the Trinity Episcopal Church at 7:30 p.m. for a tour of "God's Pantry." Please bring non-perishable items for the pantry. Following the tour will be a business meeting with Jean White.

Campbell Gale Husted entered this world on Oct. 14, 2008 at 2:27 p.m. at Pratt Regional Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long Parents are Steven and

Megan Husted, Haviland, Maternal grandparents are Gale and Ranelle Hays, Almena. Paternal grandparents are Randy and Brenda Husted, Almena. Maternal greatgrandparents are Grace and Charles Gebhard, Phillipsburg, and Faith and Kenneth Hays, Almena. Paternal great-grandparents are Darrell and Donna Mintzmyer, Norton and Dean and Ann Husted, Norton. Great-great grandma is Margaret Husted, Hoxie.

### Margie Loraine Thompson Rogers Nov. 21, 1921 - Oct. 13, 2008

Margie Loraine Thompson Rogers, daughter of Harry and Lela (Runyan) Baird, was born Nov. 24, 1921, in Levant, and passed away at the Leonardville Nursing Home in Leonardville, on Oct.13, 2008, at the age of

Margie lived with her family in Brewster, until they moved to Almena when she was 14. She attended the Brewster Grade School and graduated from the Almena Rural High School.

On May 15, 1940, Margie and Robert Thompson were united in marriage in Norton. They made their home in rural Almena, where they farmed and Margie was a nurse's aide. Husband Bob died Aug. 25, 1990, after 50 years of

marriage. In October 1993, Margie and Bob Rogers were married in Almena, where they made their home. In 1998, Margie moved to the Andbe Home in Norton, and then moved to the Leonardville Nursing Home in 2002.

Almena Congregational Church. Neighborly Neighbors, Eagles Lodge, and several card clubs. She had also served as a 4-H

Survivors include one son and his wife, Ronald and Kathy Thompson, Almena; two daughters and their husbands, Shirley and Gene Moherman, Manhattan, and Jacqueline and Bob Knake, Syracuse, Neb.; one brother, Harold Baird, Hanford, Calif.; 11 grandchildren, 13 greatgrandchildren, one great-greatgrandchild; and other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, Bob Thompson, one daughter, Betty Margie was a member of the Kent, one brother, Dick Baird, one grandchild. Steven Knake. and one niece, Shelly Baird.

Services were held this afternoon at Enfield Funeral Home, Norton. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Almena. Memorials are suggested to the

Almena Congregational Church and the Leonardville Nursing Home, for benches and birdbath at the water garden.

Arrangements were handled by Enfield Funeral Home.

Galen McFarland, an Almena native living in the community of Hays, joined the firm of Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball as the audit/assurance quality control manager. He is a 1974 graduate of Fort Hays State University, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Business and received his Master's in Business Administration from the University of Kansas in 1976. In 1981, he completed his CPA requirements.

Duplicate Bridge. Three tables. First place, Joyce Sumner and Jackie Porter. Second place, Sam and Bonnie Manning.

A former Norton resident shared this note when renewing her subscription to The Norton Telegram: Dear Friends,

It's past time to renew my subscription to the Norton paper. I don't want to miss a copy.

I've had several changes in my life this past year. I married a wonderful man — Arthur Barker, so I added another name on the

We had a big auction of our excess and duplicate furniture, etc. I have a new address and telephone number.

I'm planning a trip to Norton next spring, but for now it's just recovering from all of the activ-

Arthur also enjoys the Norton paper as he is a retired farmer. Hello to my many friends in

The Cheyenne County Trail Ride has been rescheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday at the Kelly and Penny Gienger farm, north of St.

Francis. Rain forced the post-

Virginia Lang Barker

Chillicothe, Mo. 64601

116 Hillcrest St.

ponement on Sunday

The Colby Community College Equestrian Team earned Reserve High Point honors at the first show of a two-show event held Oct. 11 in Lincoln, Neb. The team, coached by Shanda Draper, was second behind host school the University of Nebraska at

In the Beginner category, Norton's Melissa Vogt, placed 5th.

## Club learns new recipes for using slow-cookers

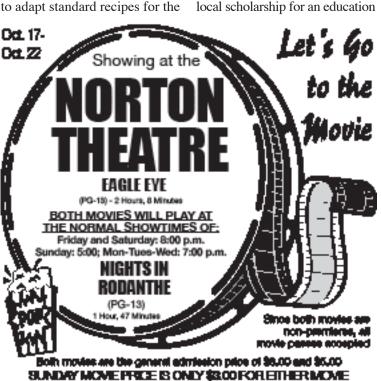
The meeting of the Beta Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International was held on Oct. 6 at the home of Terry Hillman. Cohostesses were Joyce Morel, Trudy Stockham, Sally Clydesdale and Alberta Slaby. Fifteen members and one guest, Tranda Watts, were

Mrs. Watts, Multi-County Extension Specialist, presented an informative program on slow-cooker cooking. She explained how to test your slow cooker for safety and how to adapt standard recipes for the slow cooker. She also discussed the importance of food placement and the timing factor for foods such as vegetables and pasta.

The co-hostesses served a triple chocolate dessert which they had prepared in a slow cooker using a recipe from Mrs. Watt's cook-

President Lynn Hehn called the business meeting to order. The minutes were read and approved with an additional note being added to state that Naomi Streck was awarded the major. A thank you from Naomi was received.

The treasurer's report was given. Money the Fun Way was won by Lynn Hehn. There was no unfinished business. For new business, the increase in state and national dues was discussed. Program chairman Julie Schrum announced the November meeting which will be Nov. 3 at the home of Pam Menagh. This will be the annual silent auction. Each member is encouraged to bring a box of cereal for donation to God's Pantry.



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