

OBITUARY

Marie K. Armbrister Jan 25, 1920 - Nov. 30, 2008

Marie K. Armbrister, age 88 of Ellis, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008 at the Ellis Good Samaritan Center. She was born Jan. 25, 1920 in Trego County to Adam and Leontina (Wagg) Sauer. She married William "Bill" Armbrister on April 16, 1941 at Christ Lutheran Church in Ellis. He preceded her in death on Oct. 15, 2003.

She was a homemaker who led a Christ-centered life and was devoted to her family and friends. She took great pleasure working in the garden and kitchen and was

forever sharing. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church in Ellis. She was very active in Sunday School activities at the church.

She is survived by three sons, Verlin and wife Carol, Alvin and wife Margaret, all of Ellis, and William and wife Pamela of Wichita; eight grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren; two half-brothers, Alfred Sauer of Moundridge and Gus Sauer of Hays; and a half-sister, Anna Kingham of Norton.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William; two brothers, Adam and Ernest; a sister, Martha; two half-brothers, Ludwig and Rudolph Sauer; and two half-sisters, Minnie and Louise.

Funeral services were at 2:30 p.m. today at St. John Lutheran Church, north of Ellis. Burial was in the St. John Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to St. John Lutheran Church or the American Diabetes Association. Condolences may be sent to the family at wkfc@gbta.net.



Joan Bolt, Eisenhower Elementary physical education teacher in Norton, went through some dance moves with her sixth grade students Thursday morning. Mrs. Bolt recently received an award from the Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. — Telegram photo by Brandy Leroux

BIRTH



Victoria Rose Eggleston

Sabrina and Don Eggleston, Norton, welcomed their first child, Victoria Rose, into the world on Nov. 5, 2008. Victoria was born at the Norton County Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 6.5 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Kathy Carlin, Norton, and Heidi and David Sweeney, Omaha. Great-grandparents are Carol and Willie Carlin, Norton, JoAnn and Don Eggleston, Brighton, Colo., and Bob Sweeney, Roswell, N.M.

FYI

Duplicate Bridge met Wednesday evening at Norton Manor with three tables. Bob Jones and Carla Jones won first place, with Alberta Slaby and Bonnie Manning placing second.

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum said this week that Kerry Ferguson, Kensington, will be offering dance lessons for beginning and advanced learners. Eight weekly sessions will be held on Sunday afternoons, beginning on Jan. 11.

Beginning dance classes will be from 2 to 3:30 p.m. with the advanced sessions from 3:30 to 5 p.m..

Classes will be held at the Logan City Building in Logan. Participants must be 13 years or older. Instruction may include waltz, two-step, swing, polka, cha cha and lots of new fun steps. Registration deadline is Monday, Jan. 5.

This outstanding learning opportunity is brought to you through the Hansen Museum Continued Education Program and offered to the public. For more information or to register by phone call 785-689-4846.

Museum Hours are Monday-Friday, 9-noon and 1-4 p.m.; Saturday, 9-noon and 1-5 p.m.; Sunday and holidays, 1-5 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years. The museum is handicapped accessible and there is never an admission fee.

For more information about this and other exhibits, contact Shirley at 785-689-4846 or check out our web at www.hansenmuseum.org.



Lisa Anderson Rockefeller and Edward K. "Ned" Sebelius

Florida wedding planned

Lisa Anderson Rockefeller, daughter of Regina and Andy Rockefeller of Lexington, Mass., and Edward K. "Ned" Sebelius, Topeka, son of Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius and The Honorable K. Gary Sebelius, United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Kansas, are engaged to be married in a November 2009 ceremony in Boca Grande, Fla.

Lisa is a graduate of Deerfield Academy and Princeton University, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English with honors. Lisa expects to earn her Masters in Business Administration from the Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College in June.

Ned is a graduate of Topeka High School and the Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University. He expects to be awarded a law degree

in June from the Georgetown University Law Center and a Masters in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School. He will join the Boston office of Ropes & Gray in September 2009.

Lisa's mother is a partner in the law firm of Nixon Peabody, LLP. Lisa's father is the Chief Marketing Officer for Green Disk, an electronic materials recycling firm. Lisa is the granddaughter of Constance H. Wallace of Boca Grande, Fla., Godfrey A. Rockefeller, Sr. of Delray Beach, Fla. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Philip Strazzulla of Vero Beach, Fla.

Ned is the grandson of Ohio Governor John Joyce Gilligan of Cincinnati, and the late Mary Kathryn Gilligan and the late U.S. Representative Keith George Sebelius and the late Bette Roberts Sebelius of Norton.

Norton alum graduates

On Dec. 19, former Norton resident and 2001 Norton Community High School graduate, Brandon Washburn



Washburn

will receive a Degree of Master of Science in Dental Surgery from the University of Gothenburg in Gothenburg, Sweden. During his time at the university, Brandon has been active in student politics and has served as a student council board member for the last four years. Additionally, he is the

current student president for the Gothenburg chapter of the Swedish Dental Association. Apart from his studies, Brandon has also worked as an English teacher and has spent his summers as a travel guide working in the U.S., England and Malta. Upon graduation, he will begin practicing at a private clinic in central Stockholm.

While at Norton Community High School, Brandon was a member of the honor roll and lettered in cross country, basketball, National Honor Society, Scholars' bowl, and Blue Crew.

He is the son of Karen Vogt, Norton, and Roland Washburn, Norton, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dole, Almena.

For more information contact the RC&D office at 785-425-6647 or teresa.webb@ks.nacdnet.net.

Award given by state association

Joan Bolt, Physical Education teacher at Eisenhower Elementary in Norton, received the 2008 Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance award during the association's annual award banquet. The association yearly recognizes outstanding educators for meritorious service in the fields of health, physical edu-

education, dance, adapted physical education and recreation.

The association advocates for the health and fitness of Kansas children and youth and is the leading support organization for physical activity related fields.

According to the association's news release, "Mrs. Bolt is very creative and develops new lessons and activities to get the

students moving.

"She teaches a variety of dances throughout the year ranging from the chicken dance to the electric slide. She promotes dance in a positive way and helps her students gain confidence in their ability to dance. She has recently incorporated the Geo Motion Fitness curriculum into her program."

Senior Center menu

Monday, Dec. 8 — Hamburger, potato salad, pork and beans, bun and cinnamon apple slices. **Tuesday, Dec. 9** — Mac and cheese with smokies, seasoned carrots, fruit cup #1, bread and cook's choice complement. **Wednesday, Dec. 10** — Swedish meatballs, winter mix vegetables, beets, noodles and strawberries and bananas. **Thursday, Dec. 11** — Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, apricots, bread and cookie. **Friday, Dec. 12** — Tater tot casserole, corn, bread and heavenly hash.

Monday, Dec. 15 — Smothered steak, gold rush casserole, peas and carrots, bread and

rosy pears. **Tuesday, Dec. 16** — Chicken fajita salad, citrus slices, tortilla chips and bread pudding. **Wednesday, Dec. 17** — Bierock casserole, Italian blend vegetables, ambrosia fruit salad and apple crisp. **Thursday, Dec. 18** — Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed fruit, roll and birthday cake. **Friday, Dec. 19** — Cook's choice entree, creamed peas, spinach salad, bread and mandarin oranges.

Monday, Dec. 22 — Tuna noodle casserole, stewed potatoes, cook's choice fruit, bread and pudding. **Tuesday, Dec. 23** — Ham, sweet potatoes, cranberry apple salad, roll and cake.

Wednesday, Dec. 24 — Sausage patties, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, biscuit and peaches. **Thursday, Dec. 25** — CLOSED. **Friday, Dec. 26** — CLOSED.

Monday, Dec. 29 — Wieners with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, apricots, bread and pudding. **Tuesday, Dec. 30** — Chili, cook's choice vegetable, orange pineapple salad, crackers and cinnamon roll. **Wednesday, Dec. 31** — Chicken and rice casserole, California blend vegetables, pears, bread and cherry cobbler.

The senior center will be closed on **Thursday, Jan. 1** and open on **Friday, Jan. 2**.

Changes in controlled burns begin

By BRANDY LEROUX
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Starting Dec. 1, changes in how Norton County handles controlled burns began.

Norton County Sheriff Troy Thomson said the Kansas regulations have always been there, but now, with the increase in acreage being burned and a few controlled burns that got out-of-control last year, the regulations are going to be enforced.

"In the past, we hadn't had enough controlled burns too hard to manage," the sheriff said.

Now, landowners need to follow a procedure before they can have a controlled open burn of any kind, he said.

A questionnaire needs to be filled out, which has questions such as the location and directions to the burn, name and contact information for the person responsible for the burn, duration and schedule of the burn, size of the area to be burned, ignition method and material, the location of any public roadways within 1,000 feet of the burn, and the number and location of all occupied dwellings within 1,000 feet of the burn.

"Anyone can come in to the sheriff's office and pick up the form at any time," Sheriff

Thomson said.

"The form can be taken home to be filled out, and the landowner can call the sheriff's office to relay all the information on the form to a dispatcher," the sheriff said.

"Calling it in or bringing in the form is not permission to do the burn," said Sheriff Thomson. "We still have to call the Rural District Fire Chiefs and get their approval before any burn can take place."

Sheriff Thomson asks that the form be called in or brought in to his office a couple of days before the proposed burn so there is time to contact the appropriate district fire chief.

"We will not disturb any of the chiefs at their regular jobs," said Sheriff Thomson.

"So we might need a couple of days to get a hold of them to get their approval. If weather conditions change between the time we get the proposed burn information and the date it was supposed to take place, just call

my office and we can have it rescheduled."

The sheriff continued, "I know it's a hassle, but if you just get it done and get it to our office, it'll be less of a hassle than if things get out of control," he said.

"This is a safety precaution to help prevent serious incidents, and it makes it easier on the county's staff to know beforehand of any controlled burns.

"We used the regulations in the manual and made it as simple as possible for everyone to fill out."

Steve Otter, Norton Rural Fire District #2 Chief, issued this cautionary note:

"If we get called from our regular job to a controlled burn that no one at the sheriff's office knows about, we will put it out and there could possibly be fines against the person responsible."

Both Sheriff Thomson and Chief Otter said they appreciate everyone's cooperation.

No-till meeting to be held next week

The Kansas Black Farmers Association, along with the Solomon Valley Resource Conservation and Development Area, will host a No-till Informational Session on Friday, Dec. 19 at 1 p.m. in Hill City.

The event should last about two hours and will be held at the Frontier Stage Theater at 305 East Main.

There is no charge and the public is welcome to attend.

Dr. Maysoon Mikha and Dr. Merle Vigil, both Research Soil Scientists with the Agricultural Research Service in Akron, Colo., will present information regarding soil organic matter and residue and tillage management.

Conservation Innovation Grant and Teff Project Coordi-

nator, Josh Coltrain will share information on the growth and harvest of teff in the area this year.

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