OBITUARIES

Arlene Mae Stephens May 5, 1931 - Sept. 12, 2011

Arlene Mae Stephens, daughter of Charles and Ethel (Boyd) Dutton, was born on May 5, 1931, on her grandmother's farm near Edmond. She was the first born of this union, followed by Leonard, Edith and Judy. Arlene passed away on Sept. 12, in Littleton, Colo.

Arlene attended the Silver Creek rural school grades, first through sixth, and graduated from Edmond High School in

She married Harold Waufle in November 1949, and to this union 2 children were born, Ginger Lea and Brad Lee.

In April 1962, Arlene married Harold Stephens and to this union 2 children were born, April Ann and Michah Wayne.

Ed and Melba Witt, Norton,

and Rick Rhoades, Oakley,

announce the engagement

and approaching marriage of

their daughter, Abigail Leann

Rhoades, to Jacob Dale Cran-

dall, son of John and Glenda

Grandparents of the couple

are Flossie Mowry, Hoxie,

Wayne and Phyllis Rhoades, Wichita, Gene and Beverly

Witt, Danbury, Neb., the late

Vic Mowry, the late Doris

Rhoades, the late Marvin and

Bessie Murphy, and the late

Robert and Pauline Crandall.

graduate of Norton Com-

munity High School, a 2006

graduate of Nebraska Chris-

tian College with an associ-

ate's degree in Deaf ministry

and a 2008 graduate of Fort

Hays State University with a

bachelor's degree in music.

She is currently pursuing a

master's of liberal studies degree in organizational leader-

ship at Fort Hays State Uni-

versity.

The bride-elect is a 2003

Crandall, Kearney, Mo.

All who knew her will always remember her dedication and love for her children, and the wonderful aroma of the kitchen as she enjoyed the cooking of meals and desserts for the family. Arlene loved working barefoot in her garden, and working in the yard enjoying the golden warmth of the sun. She loved watching the afternoon storms build up over the mountains, and dumping precious rain onto the plains. But most of all, Arlene will be remembered as a beautiful, loving mother with a wonderful smile.

Survivors include, husband Harold Stephens, daughters, Ginger Marcus and April Breckel, Littleton, Colo.; sons, Brad Waufle and wife Pam, Hillsdale,

Engagements

Wyo.; Michah Stephens and wife Marla, Loveland, Colo.; stepdaughters. Sherry and husband Doug Strayer, Norton; Shan Riley and husband, Paris, Texas; brother, Leonard and wife Rosie Dutton, Phoenix, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and siblings Edith and Judy.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made to: National MS Society, Colorado-Wyoming Chapter, PO Box 172685, Denver, CO 80217-2685. The memo line of the check should include, "In memory of Arlene Stephens."

Mr. and Mrs. Donald M.

Mindrup announce the en-

gagement of their daughter,

Amanda Dawn to Jonathan

E. Strauss, son of Mr. H.G.

Mark Strauss and Mrs. San-

dra McCain of Virginia. Ms Mindrup graduated from Bethel College with her

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and is a nurse in a doctor's office. Amanda is the

granddaughter of Alfred and

Dorothy Mindrup of New

Almelo. Mr. Strauss gradu-

ated from Fort Hays State

University with his Bachelor

of Business Administration

in Business Communica-

tion and is a senior Micro-

soft system engineer. A June

wedding is planned.

Fathers Matter program planned

Are fathers losing value in our society? A special program "Fathers Matter" will discuss society's responsibility in looking at the role of the fathers in child rearing and changes in views of the male role. Jen Schoenfeld, K-State Extension Agent from Gove County will be in Norton at the County 4-H Building Thursday, September 29th. Please pre-register at 785-877-5755.

Chuck Smith, a family studies specialist at Kansas State University says that "although fathers have become more involved with their families beyond the role of breadwinner, need 'Championship Fathers'

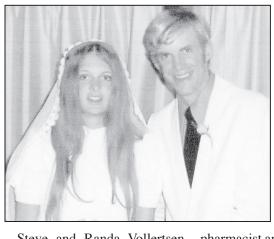
their cultural value may still be questioned. Advances in bioscience and reproductive technology make it possible for a woman to become a mother without a father in a child's life. A gradual cultural shift of permissiveness toward single parenting has given both women and men the impression that fathers don't really matter. Divorce has become a tool for achieving self-actualization."

The need for actively involved fathers is great. As a society we need to balance out the pendulum once again and honor and respect the role of the father. We

who are committed to fulfilling their commitment to love their children, coach their children, model consistency, faith and values to their children, and encourage other children who may not have a strong father figure in

Please join us on Thursday, September 29th at the Norton County 4-H Building at 6:30 to learn more about the value of fathers. We ask that you preregister for this event by noon on Thursday, September 29th. We need at least five people preregistered to have this event.

Vollertsens celebrate 40th anniversary



Steve and Randa Vollertsen will celebrate 40 years of marriage on Sept. 25. The couple were united in marriage on Sept. 25, 1971, in Lawrence.

They both graduated from

pharmacist and Randa is a physical therapist. They have three daughters,

Carly Vollertsen (Rohan), Chicago, Ill.; Leslie Pfannenstiel (Mike), Norton; and Shelly Kansas University. Steve is a Gaskill (Trevor), Chesapeake,

The Vollertsens have six grandchildren, Dalton, Tucker and Bodie Pfannenstiel, Anistyn and Garrett Gaskill and Amara Woodley.

Income tax institute coming in October

Kansas State University will host the 63rd Annual Kansas Income Tax Institute in eight locations beginning in late Oct.

The two-day institute is designed for bankers, accountants, attorneys, farmers, ranchers, government employees, and tax and law firm employees, or anyone who wants to learn more about tax issues as they pertain to agriculture.

The institute is a cooperative effort of the Kansas State Department of Agricultural Economics, Kansas State Research and Extension, the Internal Revenue Service and the Kansas Department of Revenue.

The locations and dates of the institute include:

* Topeka- Oct. 26-27 - Holiday Inn, 605 Fairlawn.

Hays- Nov. 7-8 - Ft. Hays University Memorial Ballroom, 600 * Garden City- Nov. 8-9, Clar-

ion Inn, 1911 E. Kansas Ave. * Colby- Nov. 9-10, Comfort

Inn, 2227 S. Range (I-70 and Kansas Highway 25). * Olathe- Dec. 5-6, Holi-

day Inn-Olathe, 101 W. 151st Street.

(former Holiday Inn), 1616 W. Crawford.

Inn Select, 549 S. Rock Road.

Student Center, 1701 S. Broad-

Happy Birthday Danny!

Love, Mom, Dad,

Alex, Wesley, Leah

Grandma and Grandpa

clude: New Legislation; Rulings and Cases; Individual Taxpayer Problems; AMT; Retirement; Long-Term Care; International Tax Issues; Kansas State Tax Issues; Ethics; IRS Update; Agricultural and Rural Taxation Issues; Small Business Problems; Estate Planning for 2011-2012; Depreciation; and Partnerships.

Continuing education credits will be available through several professional organizations.

The registration fee for the full two-day institute is \$245 if

Friday and Saturday: 8:00 p.m.

Sunday: 5:00 p.m.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Sept. 23-

Sept. 28

the particular institute (date and site) for which a registrant enrolls and \$270 if received later than that or at the door. The oneday fee is \$190 if paid at least two weeks prior to the institute and \$215 after that.

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Information and registration are available on the web: www. agmanager.info/ (click on "2011 Kansas Income Tax Institute") or contact Rich Llewelyn at 785-532-1504 or rvl@ksu.edu.



The prospective bridegroom is a 2000 graduate of Milan High School and The University of Missouri in 2004 with a location manager for the Mid-State Farmer's Coop at their Alexander location.

A Nov. 19, wedding is planned at the Norton Christian Church, Norton.





