

OBITUARIES

Martha Margaret Frack

Sept. 29, 1925 - Oct. 7, 2011

Martha Margaret "Peg" Frack, age 86, of Holdrege, Neb. died Friday, Oct. 7, 2011 at Mary Lanning Hospital in Hastings, Neb. after a year and half battle with lung cancer. She was born Sept. 29, 1925 in Heartwell, Neb. to Abie and Eula (Bull) Elliott.

Peg, as she was known, graduated from Heartwell, Neb. High School in 1943. She moved to Omaha where she was employed as a telephone operator following graduation. Later she moved to Hastings, Neb., where she worked at the Navy Depot, where she met and later married Harold Lowell Frack on April 19, 1946 at the Methodist Church in Hastings. In 1947 Peg graduated from Cosmetology School in Hastings. Following graduation they moved to Holbrook, Neb. where she was a beauty operator.

They built and operated a grocery store in Holbrook, Neb. Later, a locker plant was added and Harold's brother, Duane "Corky" and his wife, Mary Frances, came into the business. After several years, Harold and Peg decided to move and operate the family farm south of Hendley, Neb., which they did until the mid-1980's.

Peg had many careers during this time. She worked as an assistant Postmaster in Holbrook, an ASCS associate in Beaver City, Postmistress in Hendley,

and finally worked 16 years at B-D in Holdrege until her retirement in 1984. They enjoyed wintering in Texas for several years and moved to Norton in 1995. While in Norton, Peg enjoyed her membership in the Methodist Church and was active in UMW, where she devoted a lot of volunteer time to the After School Program, United Methodist Thrift Shop and Meals on Wheels.

In 2007, she moved to Holdrege, Neb. to live with her daughter, Betty. She again became active in the Methodist Church and was a member of the Ladies Group. She was a 50-plus member of the Methodist Church and she was also a member of the Hard Times Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Harold; sisters: Lenora Nelson, Ilene Karnes; brother-in-laws Claris W. "Steve" Nelson, Lawrence "Bud" Karnes, Duane Frack; and nephew Larry Karnes.

She is survived by son, James E. Frack and wife Rhonda of Norcatour; daughters, Betty Frack of Holdrege, Neb., Debra and husband Mike Chesterman of Nebraska City, Neb.; sister, Barbara A. Elliott of Lincoln, Neb.; sister-in-law, Mary Frances Frack of Lincoln, Neb.; grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Russell Frack and wife Gina and their children Brendon and Kara, of Norton; Kimberly

and husband Dan Pearson of Cambridge, Neb., and their children, Sam and Matt; Dianne Nelson and former husband Doran Nelson of McPherson, and their sons, Zach, Gabe, Seth and Ethan; Christopher Frack and wife Lacy of Norton, and their sons, Colton and Cooper; Shawn and wife Marianne Chesterman of Holdrege, and their children, Jackson and Marlena, Mindy and husband Christopher Driskell of Nebraska City, Neb., and their son Ashton; nephews, Ronald Karnes and wife Sharon of Hastings, Neb.; Jeff Frack and wife Donna of Lincoln, Neb.; Rodney Frack and wife Ann of Minneapolis, Kan., Stephen Frack and wife Susan of Lincoln, Neb.; niece Kathy and husband Lane Luttrell of Baton Rouge, La., and many cherished friends, cousins, neighbors, great nephews and great nieces.

Condolences or personal reflections can be left at www.wenburfuneralhome.com.

Memorial has been established in her memory, they can be left at funeral home or at the services.

Memorial Services will be Saturday, Oct. 29, at 11 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Holdrege, Neb., with Rev. Dale Lambert officiating. Private inurnment will be at a later date. Wenburg Funeral Home of Beaver City, Neb. is in charge of arrangements.

A new beginning



To help celebrate the renovation and relocation to a new location, the Norton City/County Economic Development and Norton Area Chamber of Commerce held an open house Thursday morning at the Norton Business and Visitors' Station. The open house included tours of the facility and a ribbon cutting to celebrate the grand opening of the renovated service station. Pictured are Lindsay Wilson and Sherry Rushton, both of Norton, talking with Verla Gryschn, Norton, about changes to the location. -Telegram photo by Carleen Bell

Advisories lifted for Kansas waters

Advisories have been lifted at Milford Lake, Dillon Park Lake, Harvey County Camp Hawk Lake and Santa Fe Lake, but experts still advise caution.

Samples taken by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) have concluded that hazardous conditions no longer exist for Milford Lake (Clay, Geary and Dickinson Counties), Dillon Park Lake (Hutchinson and Reno County), Harvey County Camp Hawk Lake (Harvey County), and Santa Fe Lake (Augusta and Butler County) and the Public Health Advisory can be lifted.

"Our testing showed that there are no high areas of concern at the moment," explained Tom Langer, Director for the Bureau of Environmental Health. "That said, if you see any green material floating in the water, you, and especially your pets, should avoid it."

WARNING: High levels of toxic blue-green algae have been detected at the following public waters. A Public Health Warning indicates that water conditions are unsafe and direct water contact (wading, skiing and swimming) should not occur.

Current concentrations of algae in these waters exceeded the KDHE recommended level of less than 100,000 cells/ml for recreational water use.

Kansas public waters currently under warning:

Memorial Park Lake, Great Bend, Barton County

Harvey County West Lake, Harvey County

Warnock Lake, Atchison County

When a warning is issued, KDHE recommends the following precautions be taken:

-Do not drink lake water.

-Avoid swimming, wading or other activities with full body contact of lake water.

-Clean fish well, consume only the fillet portion, and discard all other parts.

-Keep pets from having contact with or drinking lake water.

ADVISORY: Harmful blue-green algae has been detected at the following public waters. A Public Health Advisory indicates that a hazardous condition exists. Water activities like boating and fishing may be safe;

however, direct contact with water (wading, swimming) is strongly discouraged for people and pets. Additionally, KDHE recommends the following precautions be taken: do not drink the lake water; clean fish well and consume only the fillet portion, discarding all other parts and keep pets from having contact with or drinking the lake water.

Kansas public waters currently under advisory:

Augusta City Lake, Augusta, Butler County (Downgraded from a Warning to an Advisory)

Harvey County East Lake, Harvey County

Logan City Lake, Phillips County (Downgraded from a Warning to an Advisory)

KDHE will continue to monitor these public waters and will update these statements as conditions warrant.

More information on algae and algae blooms, including up-to-date conditions, can be found at the following links: www.kdheks.gov/algae-illness/index.htm

Don't save your hybrid seeds

By Kay Melia

One of my most vivid memories of the backyard garden as a kid was saving seed from some of the vegetables we grew each year. When I look back on that project now, a smile always comes to my face.

Those were hard times, those years of the 30's and early 40's. A packet of just about any kind of seed probably cost at least a dime, and a dime in those days would buy a loaf of bread or a small sack of sugar. So we would save the seeds from some of the vegetables to plant in next year's garden and save a few dimes for other essential uses.

I can remember my parents watching for the largest and sweetest cantaloupe or watermelon, the best looking cucumber, or the nicest looking pumpkin, and when the goodie had been removed and eaten, the seeds would be spread out on a newspaper, dried thoroughly, and then stored in fruit jars for next year's plantings. Several different species of flowers were given the same treatment. And the crops the following year were just as good as always, and we saved quite a few dimes.

I thought about those days this summer when I picked a big, beautiful Ambrosia cantaloupe. But I didn't save the seed, despite the fact that a packet of Ambrosia cantaloupe seed next spring will cost me at least \$3.50.

You see, an Ambrosia cantaloupe is a hybrid, and if I were to plant this year's production of seeds next year, no telling what I might get. But you can be sure that any production you might get would not be true to the species. The same would be true for Sweet Success cucumbers, Celebrity or Northern Exposure tomatoes, Maestro peas, or Derby green beans. Those are all my favorites today, and all are hybrids. All are much more productive than Straight Eight cucumbers, Little Marvel peas, Kentucky Wonder beans; or Brandywine, Sioux, Rutgers or Marglobe tomatoes. Those are all open pollinated, the kind we used to plant before hybrids came on the scene in the 50's and 60's. Those old timers are still available, but none of them can approach the growth habit or production of the hybrids, although many gardeners

will argue that the oldies taste better than the newer models.

So, I do not save seeds like my parents did. Unfortunately, there are gardeners today who will save some of this year's seed and plant it next year, expecting to duplicate this year's production. That cannot happen unless you harvested the seed from open pollinated parents. The sad part of the story is that it is occasionally difficult to determine which packet of seed is hybrid and which is open pollinated. Read the information printed on the seed packet before you buy. Most seed catalogs will give you the information in their description of the seed.

The rule of thumb should be.....if it's a hybrid, forget about saving the seed. If it's an open pollinated "heirloom" variety, feel free to save enough seed for next year's plantings.

Hey! Time marches on, and as a result of that march, next week's ranting in this space will be the last of the season. Please hold the applause. Watch for my season ending special offer that just might be of value next spring!

Duplicate Bridge

There were three tables for Duplicate Bridge on Wednesday. Top honors went to Jackie Porter and Joyce Summer. Second place went to Jerry Moritz and Doug Johnston, and third place went to Bob Jones and Carla Latimer.

Students help refugees

Wichita State University students enrolled in the class "WSU Seminar in Health Communication" are inviting volunteers to join the statewide Swipe Out Hunger Campaign, sponsored by Numana Inc., a nonprofit organization dedicated to "saving the starving."

Help is needed any time from 7 a.m.-9 p.m. on Saturday, Oct.

22, in the university's Rhatigan Student Center ballroom. Numana will provide materials for the 20,000 meals free of charge. It will be up to students, faculty and staff, and others in the Wichita community to package them from noon-3 p.m.

Volunteers are encouraged to sign up at www.wichita.edu/j/?1286.

CLUB NEWS

The members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs Mid-Century started this club year with a salad supper. Hostesses were Cheryl Scott, Lyn Linde and Kaylene Hahn. Guests for the meeting were Mary Luhrs, Director, Norton Public Library; George Seaman, Director of Northwest Kansas Library System and Gladys Shook, President, GFWC of Kansas.

Following supper, Mary Luhrs spoke about the Norton Public Library and its services. It was interesting to hear that there were 11,000 sessions on computers during 2010; that 210 children and 70 adults participated in the summer reading program. George Seaman informed the group about the Northwest Kansas Library System and the services provided to member libraries as well as new programs being introduced. George reported about inter-library loan, mail books and training for librarians. After the presentations the group toured the library and the Northwest Kansas Library facilities.

Virginia Will, President, GFWC Mid-Century Club, conducted the business meeting.

She introduced Gladys Shook, who spoke about the programs and projects of GFWC of Kansas. One of these projects is Operation Smile. Kansas received a national award in 2010 for funds raised for Operation Smile. GFWC of Kansas supports art, music, conservation and education programs.

Beverly Kinder reported about the Sixth District Convention of GFWC of Kansas. At that meeting she received certificates of Recognition for GFWC Mid-Century for outstanding programs and projects during 2010. Certificates were received for arts in the community, conservation, education, home life, international outreach, public affairs-veterans, fund-raising, leadership and membership.

The club also received a certificate indicating a blue award for its 2011-2012 program book.

Geraldine Packer presented a GFWC web site report about libraries. Virginia reported from the GFWC Clubwoman publication.

The next meeting will be Guest Night on Oct. 27 as the club observes Federation Day.

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Soup Supper Benefit and Silent Auction

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at the Norton Eagles Lodge for Lacy Zillinger

For More Information or to Donate Items for the Auction, Please Contact:
 Dale Mulford - 785-871-0047
 or Corey Roy - 785-874-4310
 ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE ZILLINGER FAMILY

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Fall Supper
 Prairie View Reformed Church
 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26
 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
CHURCH
 SUPPER
 Turkey and Ham Dinner with all the Trimmings
 Pies and Desserts
 Free Will Donation

Let's "Pack the Pickup" for God's Pantry at the Phillipsburg-Norton Football Game Thursday, Oct. 27

YOU CAN ALSO LEAVE YOUR DONATIONS AT THE NORTON GROCERY STORES

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Abduction

1 Hour, 56 Minutes (PG-13)
 Friday and Saturday: 8:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 5:00 p.m.
 Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

Real Steel

Presented in Digital Sound
 2 Hours, 17 Minutes (PG-13)

Since both movies are non-premieres, all passes accepted

Abduction is General Admission \$6.00 and \$5.00 - \$3 Sunday Ticket
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