

OBITUARIES

Carla Nadine Oberkrom July 12, 1929 - Sept. 7, 2013

Carla Nadine Oberkrom, daughter of Arthur and Eva (Aumiller) Shoemaker, was born July 12, 1929, in Lucerne, and passed away in Woodland Park, Colo., on Sept. 7, 2013, at the age of 84.

Nadine grew up in Norton County and graduated from Norton Community High School. She was married to Virgil Stamey, Johnnie Moss, and Kenneth Oberkrom and to her union with Johnnie Moss her six children were born. She made her home with her family in western Kansas and western Colorado.

She attended the Church of God in Lenora. She enjoyed gardening, watching game shows on TV, bird watching, and visiting with her friends. Her greatest love in life was her family, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors include: seven children, Jennifer (Glenn) Richmeier, Marie (Larry) Lee, Kathy Jo Bashford (Greg Frankum), Carla (Gary) Cochrun, Jonilyn Campbell (Donald Boden), and Jim (Jolene) Moss, and Donna Sullivan (adoptive daughter); 26 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren; other relatives

and friends. Nadine was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, Alfred, Donald, and Victor, and one grandson, Christopher.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 11 at 10 a.m. at Enfield Funeral Home, 215 W. Main, in Norton. Burial was at the Lucerne Cemetery in Lucerne.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Nadine Oberkrom Memorial Fund.

Condolences may be sent to www.enfieldfh.com.

Arrangements by Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

Creativity that ropes you in

By Ron Wilson

Huck Boyd Institute

Chickasha, Oklahoma. A young rodeo rider is being laid to rest after a tragic accident. Upon his casket is laid a 4-foot-long cross, fashioned from his rope and belt buckles by a remarkable craftswoman in rural Kansas.

Carrie Sanborn is the owner and operator of Sanborn's Rope Creations, the company that produced this unique 4-foot cross. Carrie and her husband Gary Sanborn live in Cowley County.

Carrie and Gary grew up in the eastern part of the county. "We rode the bus together," Carrie said with a smile. "I couldn't stand him."

Things took a turn for the better when they were reunited after high school in Arkansas City and the two ultimately were wed. Carrie now works as an agriculture and farmstead appraiser for the county. Gary is a supervisor with an oilfield chemical company. He also worked on several ranches and is a team roper. He and a partner go to rodeos and compete in the team calf-roping events.

"We had a lot of ropes around the house," Carrie said. One day she was leafing through the Western Horseman magazine and saw an ad for a clock with a rope for a border. The design caught her eye, but the price was expensive.

"I think I could make something like that," Carrie said. So she took one of her husband's

old ropes and fashioned it into a border for a clock, and then tried other items. She found she could heat and melt the nylon rope together into various designs.

Her grandmother saw one of her creations and wanted one like it, and then others wanted them too.

So, Carrie established a business known as Sanborn's Rope Creations. From used lariet ropes, she creates elegant and rustic decorative items such as baskets of various sizes, coaster sets, salt and pepper holders, card holders, napkin holders, crosses, lamps, custom frame pictures, mirror borders, and more. The items can be made with or without tassels and with or without the honda. (No, not a car. On a rope, the honda refers to the honda knot which creates a loop where the rope passes through.) The point is, these can be individually designed and customized.

"I freehand everything, because each rope and each design is different," Carrie said. "If I don't think it looks right, I won't sell it." One person told her that she had the best quality of work on such products that he had ever seen.

Carrie and Gary Sanborn sell her products at craft fairs, rodeos, and western events. They use the proceeds for their annual trip to the National Finals Rodeo. Her items have been sold around the western U.S. and shipped as far away as China and Australia.

That's a remarkable achievement for a business based in the Sanborns' home near the rural community of Burden, population 558 people. Now, that's rural.

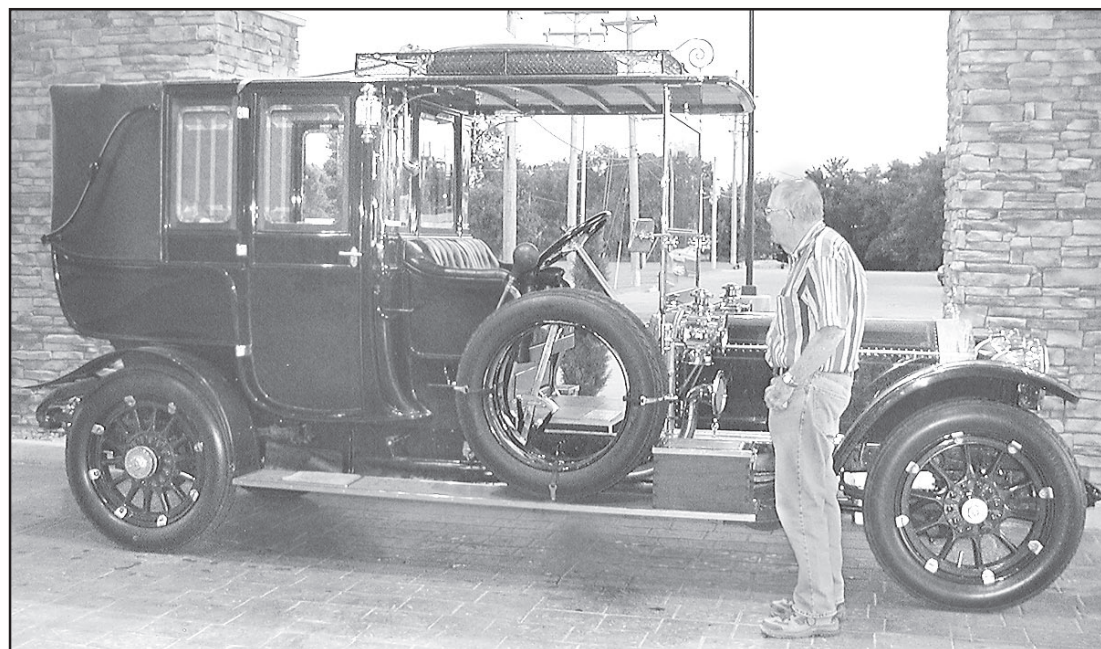
Carrie enjoys making special designs for customized needs or special events. For example: One bride wanted a western-themed wedding so Carrie made a bridal bouquet from rope and used the hondas in the grooms' boutonnières.

Another time, a family brought Carrie their grandfather's rope and asked to have something made out of it. That creates some pressure. "It makes you want to be extra careful with the rope, but it ends up as something very special for that family," Carrie said.

For more information, contact Carrie at 620-438-3529 or carriesanborn@hotmail.com.

Chickasha, Oklahoma. Here was a sad case where Carrie's skills came into play in a way that helped a family through grief. A young rodeo rider was about to get married. Three days before the wedding, he came home for lunch, started the oven, and fell asleep. The house caught fire and the young rider tragically perished in the blaze. In their grief, the family brought his ropes and buckle to Carrie. From those elements, she created a 4-foot-long cross to go on his casket. We commend Carrie Sanborn for making a difference by using her creativity in this unique way. It's the type of creation that can rope us all in.

A ghost from the past



By DANA PAXTON
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Gayle Bechtold of Denver checks out this 1911 Rolls Royce Ghost that was parked at the Sleep Inn as it passed through Norton this week. The owner is Bill Kennedy of Taylorville, Illinois and he and some friends were on their way to Colorado Springs to take part in the 1,500 mile Wholly Ghost Tour.

Silver Ghost cars are the only vehicles to take part in the tour and Kennedy expects approximately 35 cars to be involved. The couple that was traveling with Kennedy will also be driving in the tour but their Ghost will be delivered

to them in the Springs. They planned a three day tour of the Springs and then the caravan will proceed through Colorado for three weeks.

The Ghost 7 has a six cylinder engine and a top speed of 60 miles per hour. There is no air conditioning so in the Kansas heat of the day it makes for a warm drive. So far they were averaging 300 miles a day.

Parts aren't easy to come by, most would have to be made but Kennedy lucked out when a rim broke on a tire and he was able to stop at a muffler shop and do some welding on it. It is always smart to bring along extra tires because you can't pick them up at your lo-

cal Goodyear.

The car oozed class, dark burgundy in color with red pinstripes, beautifully upholstered seats and an interior that left you feeling like royalty just to sit in it. The top back half of the roof is able to be lowered, making it a convertible. The engine was like new, yet it was all original, nice and clean with a lot of copper in it.

The members of the Silver Ghost Association take these tours on an annual basis so if you ever get the chance to stop and see one, do, they are an elegant car that only a very few get the honor to own and they truly are a piece of automotive history.

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CLOUDY 2: Revenge of the Leftovers (PG)

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Norton County contracts with CodeRED

Norton County has contracted with Emergency Communications Network, LLC to license its CodeRED high-speed notification solution. The CodeRED system provides Norton County officials the ability to quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire County of Norton.

Such systems are only as good as the telephone number database supporting them. "If your phone number is not in the database, you will not be called." One of the reasons the CodeRED system was selected is it gives individuals and businesses the ability to add their own phone numbers directly into the system's database, which is an extremely important feature.

"No one should automatically assume his or her phone number is included." We are urging all individuals and businesses to log onto DiscoverNorton.com, and follow the link to the "CodeRED Community Notification Enrollment" page. Those without Internet access may call the Norton County Sheriff's Department (785-877-5780), Mon-

day through Friday, (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) to supply their information over the phone. Required information includes first and last name, street address (no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number, additional phone numbers can be entered as well.

All businesses should register, as well as all individuals who have unlisted phone numbers, who have changed their phone number or address within the past year, and those who use a cellular phone or VoIP phone as their primary number. "CodeRED allows geographically based delivery, which means street addresses are required to ensure emergency notification calls are received by the proper individuals in a given situation. The system works for cell phones too, but we need to have an associated street address to provide relevant messages."

CodeRED gives those who want to be included an easy and secure method for inputting information. The data collected will only be used for emergency notification purposes. Questions should be directed to the Norton

County Sheriff's Department.

About Emergency Communications Network

Headquartered in Ormond Beach, Fla., Emergency Communications Network, LLC (ECN) has pioneered high-speed emergency notification services capable of reaching millions of citizens in minutes. ECN's sophisticated network supports a web-based product suite featuring four major services: CodeRED which enables local government officials to communicate time-sensitive, personalized messages via voice, email and text messaging; CodeRED Weather Warning which provides automated alerts to citizens in the path of severe weather just moments after a warning has been issued by the National Weather Service; My Daily Call for scheduling calls to check on at-risk individuals, including the elderly, infirm and latchkey kids; and CodeED for use by school systems to improve communications with their communities. To learn more, visit www.ecnetwork.com.

MEALS ON WHEELS

The schedule for Meals on Wheels for Sept. 9 through Nov. 10 is as follows:

Sept. 9-15, Norton Correctional Facility - Contact: Kelly Gill (877-6667)

Sept. 16-22, Community volunteers

Sept. 23-29, Church of God - Contact: Terry Hillman (877-

2265)

Sept. 30-Oct. 4, Northwest Kansas Library System - Contact: Alice Evans (877-5148)

Oct. 5-6, Community volunteers

Oct. 7-13, Mid-Century Federated Club - Contact: Eunice Neiltopp (877-2439)

Oct. 14-20, Knights of Co-

lumbus - Contact: Chriss McDiffett (877-2216)

Oct. 21-27, Norton PEO - Contact: Deb McClymont (877-5441)

Oct. 28-Nov. 10, United Methodist Women - Contact: Lila Fisher (874-4095)

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