

Family

Maier and Conley married

Melissa Lynn Maier and Cory Ray Conley, both of Hays, were married June 30, 2001, at St. John Lutheran Church, Russell, the Rev. Henry Hartman officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Thomas and Donna Maier, Russell. She is the granddaughter of Doris Maier of Natoma and the late Ruben Maier, and Lillian Jones of Colby, and the late Carl Jones.

The groom is the son of Danny and Mary Conley, Grand Island, Neb., and Kenneth and Kathy Darling, Lodgepole, Neb. The groom's grandparents are Lee and Estella Waldo, Oberlin, and Richard and Daisy Conley, Russell.

The bride was escorted by her father. Matron of honor was Tami Coleman, sister of the bride. Bride's attendants were Carissa Doctor and Erin Vonfeldt, friends of the bride, and Sarah Thon, cousin of the bride.

Best man was Brent Conley, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Donnie Coleman, friend of the couple, Dustin McClanahan and Greg Shumaker, friends of the groom.

Ushers were Chad Maier and David Maier, brothers of the bride.

Candle lighters were Melinda Jones and Janelle Thon, cousins of the bride.

Flower girls were Brittany Coleman and Shelby Coleman, nieces of the bride. Ring bearer was Logan Jones,



Melissa and Cory Conley

cousin of the bride. Soloists were Ami Adams and Cory Funk.

The bride graduated from Russell High School in 1998, and received an associate in art degree from Colby Community College in 2000. She is employed at Warehouse, Inc., Hays.

The groom is a 1998 graduate of

Russell High School; and a 1999 graduate of Northwest Kansas Technical School in automotive technology. He is employed at Clay Chevrolet in Hays.

After a wedding trip to Estes Park, Colo., the couple is at home at 524 west 23rd street, Hays.

Friendship is needed for a stable marriage

MANHATTAN – Being friends first can give a couple a stable foundation for marriage, said Charlotte Shoup Olsen, Kansas State University Research and Extension family systems specialist.

"Building a friendship allows a couple to develop intimacy gradually. People often think of intimacy as a physical relationship, but true intimacy is much more: it's a comfort zone that allows individuals to share personal thoughts and feelings. And, it's the freedom to share that can help a marriage survive the ups and downs of life long after the honeymoon is over," she said.

"The euphoria of romance fades, but couples who started as friends and who make an effort to nurture their friendship as well as their relationship

About Town

Marge Roulier and Mary Gunter of Quinter participated in the State Senior Women's Golf Tournament held Sept. 24-26. The tournament was played at the Pawnee Prairie Golf Course in Wichita.

Carol Lovenstein hosted a birthday dinner for her husband Marvin, Saturday evening, Sept. 22. Others attending the celebration were: Sharon Ketchum of Rexford; Alvin and Cookie Koenig; Sean and Kelli Hankin and Matthew. Sandy Wilson of Waunita, Neb., was a visitor of Marvin and Carol Lovenstein on Sunday, Sept. 23.

Hospital

CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER
Thursday, Sept. 27, 2001
Admissions
Cassandra Ballentine, Wallace
No dismissals

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day
Hi-Plains Co-op

Wheat	\$2.57
Corn	\$1.98
Milo	\$3.20
Soybeans	\$4.05

75th Birthday Celebration

Reception for Sylvia Hurst
Saturday, September 29th
1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
First Christian Church in Goodland
8th & Arcade
Come and go. No gifts please!

sider possible solutions.

- Set aside at least 15 minutes a day for each other.

A quarter of an hour doesn't seem like much. But setting aside a few minutes of quiet time for each other can nurture a healthy friendship and help build a successful relationship, Olsen said.

For more information on building interpersonal relationships, contact the local K-State Extension office.

Farmstead For Sale
22 acres, brick home, 3 bedroom, 2-bath ranch w/ fireplace. Full basement and attached garage. Five out buildings and corral. New water well, roof, kitchen and updated bathrooms. 40x80 metal building with cement floor. 9 miles W. of Hoxie, 22 miles East of Colby on Hwy 24 and 3 miles South. Call 636-926-7577

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Weddings - All weddings, including picture, will be published Free of charge if received within four months of the event. Wedding information coming to our attention after that period of time, will be given to our advertising department and the couple can make arrangements to purchase space.

Engagements - There is also no charge for this service.

Anniversaries - Anniversaries, accompanied by pictures, for those special occasions of 25 years and more, at no charge.

Cards of thanks - There will be a charge of 10¢ per word to have Cards of Thanks placed.

Card showers - Notices of card showers, without pictures, will be offered free of charge. They will appear in an appropriate column on the Family Page as space allows.

Women's duty conflicts with being friend

DEAR ABBY: I am a female supervisor of a staff of 30. My friend "Diane," who is also the office manager, is my problem. She constantly entertains personal calls and is very loud. She's a smart lady, but her work isn't up to par. (She knows her job, but does it "at her convenience.") Diane is also very bitter because she hasn't received a promotion. She had been told many times by the head of the department and by me to curtail her personal calls and to be more careful with her work.

Recently I was forced to take a lengthy medical leave. Diane was wonderful, calling and coming to visit. But I have recently returned to work, and my boss has asked me to talk to her again about the antics I mentioned. I'm afraid if I do so, I'll damage our friendship. Please tell me how to diplomatically approach her.

BETWEEN A ROCK AND A HARD PLACE, BRONX, N.Y.

DEAR BETWEEN: As a supervisor, your first responsibility must be to handle the problems with the staff you supervise. While you are on duty, that responsibility must take priority over personal friendships, which are after-hours relationships. Explain to your co-worker/friend that while you don't want to jeopardize the friendship, counseling your staff is part of your job. Tell Diane that you are calling her unacceptable practices to her attention so that she can meet company standards necessary for her to be successful. If you are tactful, she should be able to distinguish between your work relationship and your personal one.



Abigail Van Buren

• Dear Abby

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DEAR ABBY: With the end of summer comes the time of year I dread the most — the holiday season.

It isn't the holidays that get me down, it's the prospect of visiting my husband's family with our new baby girl. They are all lifelong smokers who think nothing of holding a baby and a lighted cigarette at the same time.

My sister-in-law's kids have allergies and asthma, but she smokes around them anyway. Parties at my in-laws' are literally a cloud of smoke. When my husband's family are guests

in our smoke-free home, they smoke outside. These folks think that as long as the baby is away from the smoke, it won't affect her. They don't realize the smell lingers on them — whether they're smoking in or outside.

With the colder weather approaching, all our visits will be indoors. Our daughter's pediatrician says no one is to smoke around her. My husband refuses to say anything to his parents about the smoke and insists we take our baby to their house. What can I do? Our daughter is only 6 months old, and exposing her to all that smoke scares me.

I should add that I get along well with my in-laws except for this one issue. Please tell me how to handle this.

SMOKELESS BUT OUTNUMBERED IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR SMOKELESS: Schedule a session with your baby's pediatrician and take your husband. He needs to be told by a professional that a smoke-free environment for your infant is "doctor's orders." Once he understands the importance of a smoke-free environment for the baby's health, the two of you can restrict the family visits at his parents' house and do it with a clear conscience.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

Club News

National Association of Retired Federal Employees

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees met Thursday, Sept. 27, for a dinner meeting at the Ramada Inn. Vice-president Don Davis presided in the absence of President Mary Reitchcheck of Hoxie.

Dennis Chandler, Thomas County Extension agent, gave the program. He said Extension was an extension of K-State University. The purpose of extension is to provide educational programs to residents of Thomas County, in four areas — Agriculture, 4-H and youth, Family and Consumer Sciences, and Economic Development. He said there are over 1,400 youth in the county, age 4-11, and approximately 162 are in 4-H. Extension has a responsibility to all the youth in the

county.

He urged members to return the ballots which were sent in the mail, to vote on the board which determines the direction and programs of Extension.

Davis appointed Peg Greenwood and Maxine Nelson to the nominating committee. Elections will be held at the Oct. 18 meeting.

Past Matrons Fern Club

Past Matrons Fern Club met Thursday, Sept., 21 at Fairview Estates. A noon luncheon preceded the meeting which was called to order by Marjorie Leh, president.

The pledge of allegiance was re-

peated in unison and Pauline Layland gave the prayer and devotions.

Minutes were read and roll called. Eight members and four guests from Oakley, and three guests living in Fairview Estates answered roll call.

Joan Harper joined the club. A donation was given to Fairview Estates with which to buy bingo prizes.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 18, at noon at Fairview Estates. All past matrons are welcome.

We welcome your news
mnelson@nwkansas.com

Community Calendar

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Rotary, Student Union, noon
American Legion Auxiliary, 3 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous, city hall basement, noon
First Year Webelos, Fire Station, 5:30 p.m.
Second Year Webelos, LDS Church, 1145 S. Franklin, 5:30 p.m.
Bear Cubs, United Methodist Church, 5:30 p.m.
Wolf Cubs, United Methodist Church, 5:30 p.m.
Ladies cards and social, Country Club, 5:30 p.m.
Weight Watchers, United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m.
Domestic Violence Support Group, 7 p.m. Call 462-2860
Domestic Engineers, Village Inn, 7 p.m.
Family night story time, Pioneer Memorial Library, 7 p.m.
Sweet Adelines International, United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Rebekahs, (2nd & 4th Tuesday) 7:30 p.m.
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

Ringneck Country
will host these upcoming events:

NATIONAL UPLAND CLASSIC SERIES

TEAM HUNT

October 6 & 7

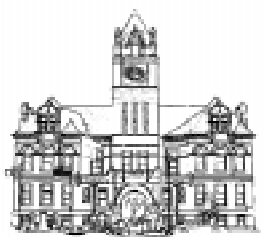
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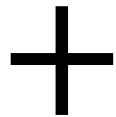
TEAM HUNT AND INDIVIDUAL EVENT

October 27 & 28

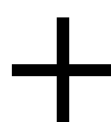
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