## Death

Walburga "Burgie" Albers Walburga "Burgie" Albers, 91 of Oakley, died Sunday, Sept. 15, 2002, at the Logan County Hospital in

Services were held Friday, Sept. 20, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Oakley at 10:30 a.m. Father Jim Grennan and Father Don McCarthy officiated.

Burial followed at St. Joseph's Cem-

She is survived by four sons, Bernard of Houston, Texas, Henry of Oakley, Robert of Garden City, Mo., and Fred of Oakley; six daughters, Joan Lobmeyer of Garden City, Mary Jean Delzeit of Dodge City, Frances Ryan of Colby, Ann Albers-Mages of Topeka, Rosanne LaBarge of Oakley, and Carla Deckert of Topeka; four brothers, Robert Dickman of Grinnell. Edmund Dickman of Menlo, Gilbert Dickman of Denver, and Al Dickman of Mesa, Ariz.; and two sisters, Sister Mary Martha Dickman of Salina and Jean Rietcheck of Grinnell. As well she is survived by 49 grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; 66 great-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchil-

dren; and two great-great grandchil-

She was preceded in death by her parents, Barney and Regina Dickman: her husband, Joseph C. Albers; three sons, Joseph C. Jr., Frank, and Ronnie; a daughter, Reinette Schoepner; two grandsons, Todd Albers and Jimmy Lobmeyer; a great-granddaughter, Alexandria Leavitt; five brothers, John, Tony, Monsignor Bernard, Vince, and Dave Dickman; and two sisters, Sister Regina Marie Dickman and Martha Feldt Hamer.

Mrs. Albers was a lifetime area resident and was a homemaker, cook at the Twin Twist and Oakley Manor, and a seamstress.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Oakley, a charter member of St. Catherine's Circle, Daughters of Isabella, St. Joseph's Church and Altar Society, past member of St. Paul's Catholic Church of Angelus, the Bible Study Group and the Oakley Garden Club.

Memorials may be made to St. Joseph's School or Logan County Manor in care of Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home.

#### About Town

A birthday coffee, honoring Elva Livingston and Merle Wolf, was held at the Wolf home, on Saturday morn-

Those present were Elva Livingston, Jay Gilbert, Duane and Peggy Saddler, Dale and Marge Koenig, and Mason

# Staats and Higerd marry in double-ring ceremony

Levi Higerd were united in marriage on Aug. 10, 2002, at 3 p.m. at the Colby United Methodist Church. Pastor Leonard Burgess officiated the doublering ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Robert and Diane Staats of Garden City. The groom's parents are Larry and Kathren Higerd of Gem. Grandparents of the bride are Frank and Gloria Staats of Buffalo, Mo. and Elizabeth Schaffer of Garden City. The grandparents of the groom are Elnora Remmich of Norfolk, Neb. and Ruth Higerd of Gem.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father. She wore an ivory princess-cut gown with a satin corset bodice accented with beaded lace motifs and a tulle shirt. Her fingertip veil was adorned with beads. Elbow-length satin gloves completed the attire. The bridesmaids wore floor length royal purple satin gowns. The bride and bridesmaids all carried brightly colored wildflowers

The groom wore a classic black tux with purple satin vest and tie. The groomsmen wore black tuxes with silver vests and ties.

The maid of honor was the bride's best friend, Ora Gere, of Garden City. Other bridesmaids included: friend, Jody Hammerschmidt, of Garden City, Amanda Staats, sister of the bride, of New Brunswick, N.J., and Crystal Center.

Nathalie Diane Staats and Jonathan Staats, sister of the bride, of Pittsburg.

The best men were friends of the groom, Dustin Vrbas of Colby and Russell Moore of Manhattan. Groomsman were friends, Ben Hopper of Gem and Michael Kempke of Girard.

Leah Staats, sister of the bride was the flower girl, while sister Vanessa Staats was the candle lighter. Guest book attendant was sister, Alicia Staats.

Cake table attendants were Jeannie Cox, friend of the couple, Norma Higerd, the groom's aunt, and Carrie Rinehart, friend of the couple, all are

Rick Wessel, uncle of the bride, of Garden City, Adam Remmich, cousin of the groom, of Norfolk, Neb., Michael Remmich, cousin of the groom, of Manhattan, and Coby Moke, cousin-in-law of the groom, of Amarillo, Texas were ushers for the cer-

Greeters were Kristin and Matthew Wessel, cousins of the bride, from Colorado Springs, Colo.

Music was provided by Pat Ziegelmeier on the piano and Amber Staats sang Your Love Amazes Me and I Love the Way You Love Me.

A reception and dinner was held in the church fellowship hall following the ceremony, and a dance was held later at the Comfort Inn Convention

**DEAR MAD: Your mother-in-law** 

has the right to wield that kind of

control only if her son and you allow

her to. What she did may have been

well-intended, but it came across as

to have a talk with his mother and tell

her that while you appreciate her

gift, you chose the pattern you se-

You both liked it. And while she

may prefer the pattern she selected,

she is not the person who is going to

have to live with it. Therefore the sil-

ver is being exchanged for the one

Once you put the subject on the

table, it's less likely to be rehashed

at subsequent family gatherings

It's time for you and your husband

insensitive and heavy-handed.

lected for a reason.

vou prefer.

### Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Higerd

The bride is a graduate of Garden City High School and Kansas State University with a bachelors of science degree in Psychology and a masters degree in Family Life Education and Consultation. She works as the Education Coordinator for Smart Start Northwest Kansas in Colby.

The groom is a graduate of Colby High School and Kansas State University with a bachelor of science degree in Agricultural Technology Management. He works for his father on the family farm near Gem.

Higerd's are at home in Gem.

sonville, Fla. and Dovie Lowe of Hope,

After a honeymoon to Colorado, the

# Curfew comes too early for teenager eager to go out

DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-year-old girl about to start my sophomore year in high school. I play sports, help out with chores around the house, and tend to my little sisters after school until Mom gets home from work.

I've always tried to live up to everyone else's expectations of me, because I don't want to let anyone down.

I now want to start dating and hanging out with school friends and go to parties. I don't intend to be wild. I just want to have some fun every now and

The problem is my mom is strict about my curfew — 11 o'clock. I have asked for midnight, but she thinks that's too late for me to be out. I have friends younger than me who have midnight curfews.

Mom tells me she doesn't want me to make the same mistakes she made. But how will I learn about life if I can't experience things for myself? I'm smarter than she realizes.

old enough to find out who I am. Abby, us to register the pattern we selected

Duplicate Bridge, airport, 1 p.m.

Rotary, Student Union, noon

American Legion Auxiliary, 3 p.m.

Band Room, Cultural Arts Center, 7:30-9 p.m.

Al Anon, (nonsmoking), 1275 W. 6th, 8:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous, city hall basement, noon

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

in, 6-6:30 p.m.

8:30 p.m.

**Abigail** Van Buren

Dear Abby

do you think I'm asking too much? -WANTING TO GROW UP IN **CALIFORNIA** 

you're asking too much depends on the kind of dates you have in mind. If you're going out with groups of friends — and it's supervised — 11 o'clock is fine for a 15-year-old. If you continue to be as responsible as you are, renegotiate the curfew when vou turn 16.

DEAR ABBY: Before our wedding, my mother-in-law offered to purchase DAKOTA a set of sterling silver flatware for her Iknow right from wrong. Ithink I'm son and me as our gift. She instructed

and said she'd buy the set. Two weeks prior to our wedding, my

in-laws came to visit and brought our wedding gift with them. Imagine my shock when I opened the box and found a totally different set than the one we

Without thinking, I said, "Oh, this isn't the silver we picked!" My motherin-law replied that her selection was

I want to exchange the set for the one **DEAR WANTING: Whether** my fiance and I wanted in the first place. My husband says to drop the subject, unless I want his mom to comment about it every time we sit down for a meal together.

> This has become a bone of contention between my new husband and me. Does his mom have the right to wield that kind of control over us, Abby? What should I do?

- MAD AT HIS MOM IN SOUTH

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than if she arrives for a dinner party and is "surprised." Your brand-new hubby owes it to you to back you up

on this, and you can tell him I said so.

## Thank You!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who prayed for me, sent cards, visited, sent flowers, etc. during my recent stay in the hospital. I would also like to thank my office staff (Jennifer, Jeannie, Jeanne) and school secretary (Kathy) for all they have done. But most importantly, I want to thank Dr. Hildyard for his experience, knowledge, and expertise in the diagnosis of my heart disease. I have a very rare heart disease, which according to the electrophysiologist, many doctors would have missed. At the same time this disease is very deadly if left untreated. I thank Dr. Hildyard for realizing that something wasn't right and sending me to Denver to be treated. I also thank his staff for all they did. Thank you all!!

Rev. Galen J. Long Pastor, Sacred Heart Parish,

## Baby

**Darcie Renae Lowe** 

Dane and Donna Lowe of Olathe announce the birth of their daughter, Darcie Renae. She was born on Sept. 18, 2002. She weighed 8 lbs. and 13 oz. and was 20.5 inches in length.

Grandparents are Don and Nadine Shull of Colby and Dale Lowe of Jack-

## Hospital

CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER Thursday, September 26, 2002

Admissions Madeleine Bond, Colby

Loretta Woodall, Colby **Dismissals** Desiree Schippers, Oakley Ryan, Jory, Tyler, Erik and Krystal

welcome their new sister home.

## Thank You!

I would like to thank everyone for the thoughts, prayers and cards following my recent surgery in Hays. Thanks also to the wonderful staff at Goodland Medical Center for the considerate care I received while I was a patient there. A very special thank you to Dr. Hildyard for taking such good care of me.

Dorothy Crabb

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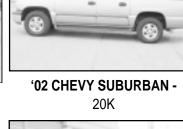
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Take Off Pounds Sensibly, United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.; weigh-

Pride of the Prairie Orchestra practice, Colby Community College

Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, (smoking), City Hall Basement,

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1** 

Sweet Adelines International, United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

Quit smoking support group, 775 E. College Drive, 1 p.m.

Monday Afternoon Bridge, Meadowlark Manor, 1 p.m.

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