

Family

Deaths

Maxine E. Latimer

Maxine E. Latimer, 89, of Wichita, died Sunday, April 6, 2003, at Sandpiper Bay Nursing Home in Wichita.

Graveside services will be held Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Rexford Cemetery. Pastor Gary Taylor will officiate. Visitation will be today from 4 to 8 p.m. at Pauls Funeral Home in Selden.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman A. Latimer; a son, Robert Wayne Latimer in 1938; her parents Clarence and Bessie (Eales) Barnett; a brother, Clifford Barnett; and a sister Bertha Latimer.

Mrs. Latimer was born July 15, 1913 in Miami County and was raised in the Rexford area. She attended Cracker Box Rural School and graduated from Rexford High School.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Rexford Community Church and Worthwhile Club.

Memorials are suggested to the Rexford Community Church.

George R. Wiens

George R. Wiens, 81, died on Friday, March 28, 2003, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Services were held on April 1, 2003, at 10:30 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Colby. Pastor Jim Mardock officiated. Burial followed in the Summers Township Cemetery.

Mr. Wiens is survived by his wife, Verna, of Colby; two daughters, Georgetta Schoenfeld of Oakley and Berna Towns of Colby; a brother, Walter of Oakley; two sisters, Mary Ann Westfahl of Haven and Helen Janzen of Alva, Okla. As well, he is survived by four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother William.

Mr. Wiens was born on July 26, 1921 at Inman to Abe T. and Sara (Regher) Wiens. His family moved to Meade when he was four and he was baptized as a young teenager in the Evangelic Mennonite Brethren Church at Meade.

He married Verna Janzen on Oct. 7, 1943 and served his country during World War II through alternate service in Norristown, Pa. In 1947, he and his wife moved north of Monument and began farming. During this time he raised cattle, sheep and various crops. In January of 1997, they moved to Colby.

He and his wife were recognized at Kansas Master Farmers in 1993.

He also served on numerous boards which included Farm Management, High Plains Co-op, State Cornhusking Association, Thomas County Bank Board, and Rotary Club, in which he was awarded the Paul Harris Fellow Award. He was also instrumental in developing the State and the Northwest Kansas Corn Growers Association.

Memorials may be made to the Northwest Kansas Corn Growers Association Scholarship Fund or to the United Methodist Church in Colby. Any memorial can be left at Harrison Funeral Chapel or any Colby bank.

Leona Powell

Leona Powell, 93, died Sunday, March 30, 2003, at the Lone Tree Compassionate Care Center in Meade.

Services were held April 4, at the United Methodist Church in Meade with Rev. Susan Green officiating. Burial followed in the Graceland Cemetery in Meade.

Mrs. Powell is survived by one son, J.T. Powell and a sister, Maxine McCoy of Salem, Ore. As well, she is survived by two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Loyal Ned Powell in 1962, one brother, Dallas Dean Bray; and two sisters, Ethel Regina Smith and Winona Emalena Williams.

She was born Nov. 29, 1909, to Barclay Thomas and Emma Marie (Anderson) Bray in Concordia.

She was a graduate of Colby High School. After graduation she attended Fort Hays State University, receiving her bachelor's and master's degree in education.

After her marriage in 1945, she and her husband moved to Plains and later moved to Meade in 1954.

After moving to Meade she began her teaching career. She taught in both Plains and Meade.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, Rebecca Guild, Priscilla Club, Meade Historical Society and many other community organizations.

Memorials are suggested to the Meade Public Library or the United Methodist Church in care of Fidler Ortho Mortuary, P.O. Box 70, Meade, Kan., 67864.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

Kiwanis, Student Union, noon
Family History Center, 1145 S. Franklin, 7-9 p.m.
Tumbleweed Chorus, United Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
Blood Pressures, Rexford Red Barn, 9-10 a.m.
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8:30 p.m. (non-smoking)
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.
NWKL League Art Show at St. Francis Grade School Gym, 8 a.m.
Colby Community College presents, "Vanities", 7:30 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center.

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.
NWKL League Art Show at St. Francis Grade School Gym, 8 a.m. - noon.
Kindergarten Spring Tea, 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the Colby Grade School.
Colby Community College presents, "Vanities", 7:30 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center.
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

Rexford bridge club has many winners

Rexford bridge club met with Bobbie Young on March 26, at Oberlin. Prizes were won by Bobbie, Margurite and Val. Helen Karls was a guest. Next meeting will be with Joan Vaughn in April in Colby.

Edna Colson received laser treatment to her eyes on March 20 at the Colby hospital. On March 27, Arthur and Nancy took her to Garden City for a check-up with Dr. Clifford. Charles Coleson went with them to Garden City.

I want to make a retraction on Jean Hawkins: her surgery is on April 8 not April 5. We wish her the best.



Zula Horinek

• Rexford Correspondent

The social hour club met in Colby at the Fairview Estates with Eileen Dible as hostess. Janette Dible helped her. There were ten members present. Eileen served a delicious lunch. She had filled plastic Easter eggs with candy eggs for each of us. Bingo prizes were won by Jean Hawkins, Vesta Roth, Cleda

Members of Fercha family visiting

Omar and Badyr Fercha, who were students in the Colby Public School system until August of 2002, are back for a week-long visit here.

Omar is now a sophomore and Badyr a freshman in the Electric City, Wash. school system. Electric City is about one hour east of Spokane.

Omar said he and his brother flew from Washington to Denver, arriving Saturday, to be with friends during their spring break.

About Town

They are staying with Bill and Bonnie Dinkel of Colby.

Both boys hope to hear from many of their friends while in Colby. The family moved to Washington when Dr. Mohammad Fercha, who was the Colby-based surgeon, accepted another position in that area. Both Omar and Badyr said they are glad to be here and ask that people call and visit.

Happenings

The Golden Buckle Square Dance Club

The Golden Buckle Square Dance Club has a busy week-end planned, with a square dance on Saturday Night and a 40th Anniversary Reunion Reception planned for Sunday afternoon.

Steve Bailey of Holdrege, Neb. will be the caller for the dance on Saturday evening, at the Colby Community Building at 8 p.m.

Anyone who used to be in the club or who danced with the Golden Buckles is encouraged to come to the Reception on Sunday at 2 p.m., also at the Community Building.

This will be a good time to renew old friendships and enjoy visiting.

The Shooting Stars Singles Square Dance Club

The Shooting Stars Singles Square Dance Club will have the Graduation Dance on Sunday, April 13, at 2 p.m. at Roosevelt Elementary School, 2000 MacArthur, in Hays.

Al Braun will call the squares and Ray Moran will que the rounds. Everyone, singles and couples, are welcome to attend.

There will be refreshments and door prizes.

Thank You....

Words cannot express the gratitude we feel for the offers to help, prayers and monetary gifts that we have received. You are all such special people and we will never forget your kindness. To our church family, thank you for the potato bar free will offering. God bless each and everyone of you.

John & Jeanene Lee

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In case of bad weather, listen to KXXX/KQLS for information.

Triplains music students head for state

Congratulations to the Triplains music students who participated in the high school music small ensemble festival in Oberlin on Saturday, March 29. Mr. and Mrs. Alaire Homburg took Mrs. Homburg's students to participate in the following musical selections: Susanna Smith entered a flute solo and received a number 1 rating. Karen Robben received a 2+ rating on a drum solo. Susanna Smith, Sarah Smith, and Karen Robben each received a number 2 rating on their vocal solos. The vocal quartet, consisting of Ashley Walters, Karen Robben, Sarah Smith, and Susanna Smith received a number 1 rating. These girls, under the direction of Arla Hamburg, will all advance to the state festival in Wichita in April.

Ron and Cher Smith of Overland Park spent from Wednesday to Sunday in Winona with Ron's mother,



Jean Lowe

• Winona Correspondent

Pauline Smith.

Erma Latham, Donita Goyen, and Jean Lowe attended a pastoral/laity cluster group meeting at the Grainfield United Methodist Church in Grainfield Sunday evening March 30.

Aaron and Nichol Homburg spent the weekend in Lindsborg. Saturday, Aaron had a reunion with former college friends. On Sunday, they went to Marquette for the 125th anniversary of the church where Aaron was baptized. His uncle, August Homburg, delivered the morning message. Andrew Homburg, Aaron's brother, joined them for the special occasion. KaiLee, August, and Terran spent the weekend with Scott and Christy Schertz, Fred and Jess.

Dorothy Latham, Tina Latham, Erma Latham, Pam Lewallen, Kalin Lewallen and Anna, spent Friday and Saturday in Denver. Erma was an overnight guest of her sister and husband, Judy and Virgil Piland.

Tim Arndt was a house guest of Paul and Dorothy Kirkham. He came to help his mother, Dorothy, celebrate her birthday. He enjoyed meeting Paul's and Dorothy's friends as all shared a time of fellowship and food before the morning worship service at the Winona United Methodist Church. Tim resides in Orlando, Fla. but at present is working in Chicago, Ill. He returned to Chicago on Monday.

Roger and Marge Ausmus were in Garden City on Monday to call on Roger's sister, Dorothy Peitz and her son, Frank.

A scrap-booking workshop was led by Virginia Arnberger in Larned on Friday evening and another one on Saturday. Bob and Virginia were overnight guests of Dean and JoAnn Couch Friday. Saturday night they were over night guests of Ron and Annetta Kyler in Kanopolis, where Virginia led a scrap-booking workshop on Sunday.

Many people from the Oakley area attended the soup supper at the Winona United Methodist Church

Monday, March 31.

The Triplains high school students presented a matinee and evening performance of "They Run in Our Family" on Thursday, April 3. The cast consisted of Erin Barrett, Trey Potter, Kalin Lewallen, Jake Harper, Nathan Plummer, Mattie Presson, Chelsey Moser, Mason Mackley, Jordan Barrett, Christina Hefner, Amber Mackley, Courtney Moser, Kysha Nichols, Sarah Smith, Rene Rodriguez, Joao Renato, Candace Palmer, and Susanna Smith. Andrea Plummer directed the play.

Heyde and Wilbur Tiede from Goodland, were calling on friends and family in Winona Sunday.

The Winona United Methodist/Ecumenical Choir will be singing the "Alive in Christ" cantata Palm Sunday afternoon, April 13 at 4 p.m. in the Winona United Methodist Church.

The following interesting article is a first person account of a trip John and Kay Repshire took to Norfolk, Va. to attend a U.S. Navy reunion:

John and Kay Repshire left March 18 for a Swift Boat Sailors Reunion in Norfolk, Va. Enroute it rained a good share of the way and the country was pretty and green. Upon arrival in Norfolk we visited the Atlantic Ocean and then toured the neighborhood where John and family had lived years before when they were stationed in Norfolk, while serving in the U.S. Navy. We also toured the Naval Base. John then was reacquainted with a fellow Swift Boat Sailor who served on the same Swift Boat with John in Vietnam.

On Saturday we took a luncheon cruise on Spirit of Norfolk and then attended a banquet with the Honorable Anthony J. Principi, Secretary of Veteran's Affairs and Admiral Robert J. Natter, U.S.N. ComLANTFLT, and 200 plus Swifties, spouses and guests.

On return trip home we stopped at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Ky. We also spent a day in Missouri with Kevin and Rose Nagel then stopped in Topeka, and visited Darrell and Marge Bencken. On the way home, we also stopping in Hays and enjoyed dinner with Charmion and Steve Arthur, Cole, and Erin, arriving home March 26.

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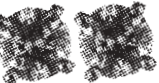
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