

# Family

## Deaths

**Lureta Johnson**  
Lureta Johnson, 98, of Colby, died Friday, Jan. 9, 2004 in Colby. Services are pending with Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel of Colby.

**Donald L. Wilson**  
Donald L. Wilson, 61, Wichita, died at LakePoint Nursing Home in Wichita on Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004. Mr. Wilson was a long-time resident of Thomas County before moving to the Wichita area.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2004 at the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Sidney with Pastor Edgar Schambach officiating. Burial was at the Dalton Cemetery.

Memorials have been established to LakePoint Nursing Home and Reformation Lutheran Church in Wichita. Mr. Wilson was born on April 24, 1942 in Bridgeport, Neb. the son of Harry and Ellen Wilson.

He was a sporting enthusiast and never missed an opportunity to watch a ball game or attend an annual elk hunt.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy, of Wichita; sons, Konn Wilson of O'Fallen, Mo. and Kory Wilson of Wichita; daughter, Kylie Stupka of Wichita; and six grandchildren.

He is also survived by his brother Lewis Wilson of Loveland, Colo.; and sisters, Rita Ring of Sidney, Neb., Peggy Covalt and Ellen Lessman both of Broadwater, Neb. Gehrig Funeral Home, P.O. Box 54, Sidney, Neb., 69162, was in charge of the arrangements.

## Happenings

### Ag Profitability Conference planned next month

The 2004 Ag Profitability Conference will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 5 in Colby. The event begins with registration at 8:30 a.m. followed by a presentation on water issues in western Kansas, breakout sessions, lunch, a presentation on land values and cash rents.

Registration is due by Jan. 29. For information, contact the Thomas County Extension Office at 462-4582.

### After 5 Club hosts party

The High Plains Kansas After 5 Club is hosting a dinner party "Old McDonald had a "Healthy" Farm



Amber Voight and Jeremy Kersenbrock set wedding date.

## Couple to wed

Amber Voight, daughter of Norman and Carol Voight of Ozark, Ark., and Jeremy Kersenbrock, son of Jerry and Rebecca Kersenbrock of Colby announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect is a 2001 home school graduate and attended the University of the Ozarks and Colby Community College.

She is employed by Prairie Senior Living Complex of Colby.

The prospective groom is a 1997 homeschool graduate and 1999 Colby Community College graduate.

He is self-employed as a farmer and computer consultant and is also employed by Baker Seeds of Colby.

The wedding is planned for March 20 at the Pleasant Home Church of Edson.

# Rachal, Epard marry in Louisiana

Emilie Eugenie Rachal and Kenton Leslie Epard, both of Mountain View, Calif., were united in marriage Saturday, Oct. 25, 2003 at the Cathedral of St. John Berchmans in Shreveport, La. Rev. Karl Daigle officiated the 7 p.m. evening ceremony.

A reception was held at the Petroleum Club of Shreveport where the Bill Rush Combo entertained wedding guests.

The bride is the daughter of Diane and Wallace Rachal of Shreveport. She is the granddaughter of the late Kermit Ducote and Odessa Ducote of Baton Rouge and the late Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Rachal. The groom is the son of Neva and Richard Epard of Colby.

He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bert VanDeWege and the late Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Epard.

Given in marriage and escorted by her father, the bride wore a strapless gown of rum pink silk duchess satin with a hand-embroidered bodice.

Her veil featured matching embroidery.

Jennifer Rachal, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Elizabeth Johnson of Nashville, Tenn., Wendy Nave of Alexandria, Va., Alyson Douthitt of Shreveport and Melanie Couvillon of Baton Rouge. Madeline Fahey and Anna Catherine Devall were flower girls.

Cameron Epard, brother of the groom, served as best man.



Mr. and Mrs. Kenton Epard

Groomsmen were Scott Truhlar of Iowa City, Iowa, Todd Stramel of Colby, Mark Schultz of Nashville, Tenn. and Scott Wissman of Washington, D.C. Harlan VanDeWege, of Prairie View, uncle of the groom and Bennett Rachal and David Rachal of Shreveport, La. both brothers of the bride, were ushers. Cade Wurm was the ring bearer.

Emilie is a graduate of Loyola Prep College in Shreveport. She attended Louisiana State University where she was a member of

Kappa Delta.

She is a graduate of Louisiana State University in Shreveport.

Kenton is a graduate of Colby High School and Kansas State University where he was a member and president of Theta Xi.

He is currently employed as a product-marketing manager at Texas Instruments in San Jose, Calif.

The couple took a honeymoon to New Zealand and made their home in Mountain View, Calif.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$3.66
Corn	\$2.46
Milo	\$4.05
Soybeans	\$7.35

## Former Brewster resident is now Ohio columnist

Mary Crabtree, a graduate of Brewster High School and Fort Hays State University and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Crabtree of Brewster, is a new columnist for the *Wooster Daily Record* in Wooster, Ohio.

Crabtree is writing a column on vegetarianism for the newspaper. She got her chance when she submitted a recipe for the paper's holiday cooking contest.

Her Garlicky Cilantro Roasted Potato Salad recipe earned her a place as a finalist in the contest, sources said.

Her column "Veggin' Out," appears in the Living section of the Daily Record on the last Sunday of each month.

She is the technology resource coordinator for Buckeye Local Schools in Medina County, Ohio.

Crabtree has two teen-age children who aren't vegetarians.

## Finley-Willis to wed in February

Pat and Betty Finley of Colby announce the engagement of their daughter, Anne, to Andy Willis, son of Jeff and Barbara Willis of Wichita.

A 1999 graduate of Atwood High School, Anne will graduate from Kansas State University in Dec. 2003 with a bachelor of science degree in business administration, majoring in accounting.

Andy, a 1999 graduate of Trinity Academy in Wichita, received his bachelor of science degree in industrial engineering from Kansas State University, Manhattan, in December of 2003.

The couple is planning a wedding for Feb. 7, 2004 at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Manhattan.



Andy Willis and Anne Finley

*The children of Dorothy Kleinsorge announce a Card Shower for their mother on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, Friday, January 16, 2004.*

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