

# Brewster residents mourn losses after two recent deaths

Michael Mills passed away at his home in Washington state on Tuesday, Feb. 17. He was the oldest child of Nettie and the late Ben Mills, and brother of Ken and Jack who both attended school in Brewster. Our condolences are with this family on their loss and those who would like to send Nettie a note can reach her at the following address: Nettie Mills, c/o Ruth Cooper (her sister), 1103 Business Highway 81 and 287, Decatur, Texas 76234. We were pleased to hear that Nettie and



**Sally Michael**

• Brewster Correspondent

her youngest son, Jack, were able to make the trip to Washington state to visit Michael and his family last month and I know that gives Nettie some peace.

Another loss is longtime area

resident Muriel Palmgren who passed away on Feb. 19 at the age of 93. She was the mother of LaVelle Palmgren and our sympathy is with this family as well as Muriel's daughter Anita and her family of Ohio. Muriel and her husband Leo, who passed away in 1998, lived much of their married live near Levant and were strong supporters of their children and grandchildren in their sports and activities. Their love of the Lord was a very important part of their

lives also.

We enjoyed having our daughter Beth and family here for the weekend. They are busy people and we appreciate the time they take to visit. One of the things that keeps them busy is training a young dog, Ranger, into becoming a mite less active. He is a very busy dog but was on good behavior (and a strong leash) while they were here. If any of you saw a family leading a big dark red dog around town this weekend, that was probably them

because it seemed that they took many walks. David said Ranger made it up to the school yard so many times he surely learned something. We'll see! Anyway, we were happy to have them here and sorry to see them leave. While they were here we had LaVelle join us for lunch on Sunday as well as Mae and Delbert Smith from Oakley.

In case any of you want to feast on Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, the Brewster Senior Class is taking orders for delivery toward the last of

March and the proceeds will go toward their senior trip. Chris Hoyt said they will probably take orders up until the 20th of March or so and I'm sure the school office will be glad to direct you to someone to give your order to. The Senior Center sends a special "Thank You" to Carolyn Richards and the Craft Peddler for thinking about us on ordering day.

I will close for now but hope you all have a great week. See you next time!

## 'Swirl Queen' crowned during Tri-Plains game

Some things don't go out of style. Only the name has been revised. What used to be the sweetheart swirl was this year the basketball swirl. Friday evening several 2003 Tri-Plains graduates attended the basketball game and crowning of the swirl queen, Amber Mackley. Sarah Smith, last year's queen, was in attendance.

Sarah is a student at Ft. Hays State University. Trey Potter relinquished his title to Jake Harper. Trey attends Colby Community College.

A few members of the community received life line calls from person in the "hot seat" at the Winona United Methodist church Sunday evening. After a bountiful pot-luck meal, Art (Regis) Koster was assisted by celebs, Pat Koster, Pam Lewallen, and Tiffany Kirk entertaining with a game "Who



**Jean Lowe**

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Wants To Be A Millionaire?" The A-L team, winners of a contest held during Advent, were hosted by the M-Z team who also assumed KP duties for the evening. There were several one million point winners, the evening ending with applause and hilarity.

Weekend guests of Pauline Smith were her son and granddaughter, Ron Smith of Overland Park and Staci Smith of Cameron, Mo.

A happy reunion of friends took place on Saturday at Pauline's home when Dalene Bartell and Kyle Bartell of Winona, Rick Ausmus

and Casey of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Becky Darling of Colby came to visit.

Juanita Repshire baked a cake and she and Kay Repshire called on Helen Thacker in Russell Springs where they shared cake and coffee in observance of Helen's birthday.

Susan Schertz and Guy Gaskill held south bound plane tickets in order to avoid the dip in the mercury in Western Kansas in February. At Iquacu Falls in Brazil the thermometer soared to extreme centigrade temperatures.

The heat, however, didn't distract them from the phenomenal sight of the falls and surrounding area. Remember the neat Brazilian exchange student who pronounced his name so flowing? He made his home with Steve and Dianne Schertz and he was just "Joe" to his classmates. Joao Silveira extended

an invitation to Susan Schertz and guy Gaskill to come to Brazil and meet his family. They began their flight to Rio de Janeiro from DIA and changed planes in Miami. They were greeted by Joao and his family and began a week of intense travel and entertainment. Susan said, "It was good to see Joao and he has a really nice family." Guy was impressed with the quality and quantity of the food. The barbecue was his favorite meal.

Guy was appreciative of their hospitality and the time they took from their busy schedules to entertain them. Their flight from Rio ended at DIA and they returned to Winona Sunday.

Congratulations to Rachel Smith, daughter of Dan and Ruth Smith of Winona, on winning the Logan County spelling bee in Oakley Thursday.

Overnight guests of Jean Lowe, enroute to Colorado Springs to visit Chris and Dara Lowe, were Caren Lowe, Michelle Kirk, Gavin, Elle, and Caroline of Lawrence. They were looking forward to getting acquainted with Cameron Jack Lowe, son of Chris and Dara Lowe. He was born Friday, February 13 at Ft. Carson army hospital. Paternal great grandmother is Jean Lowe.

## Red Cross offers caregiving sessions

Beginning on Thursday, the Thomas County Red Cross office is sponsoring a series of one-hour sessions aimed at providing help to those who care for a loved one at home.

The sessions will assist participants in providing a safe environment and the most basic care when adding in stress factors such as a job or raising children, said Mary Smith, Thomas County Red Cross director. All meetings will be held at the Red Barn Senior Center in Rexford starting at 7 p.m. with the first session dealing with general caregiving skills. To register, call 462-7161.

Those interested can attend one


or all of the informational meetings and learn how to provide the best care possible. The following is a partial list of sessions planned in early March:

- Tuesday, March 2 — Assisting with Personal Care
- Thursday, March 4 — Positioning and Helping Your Loved One Move



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A carry-in dinner preceded the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Birthday cake and ice cream were served for dessert, honoring the Worthy Matron's birthday. Happy Birthday to the W.M. Martha Hullet and a gift was presented to her.

The meeting was presided over by the Worthy Matron, Martha

Hullet, minutes were read and bills were paid. One get-well card was sent.

A report was given on the visit of the Worthy Grand Matron, Kathy Johnson from Belleville.

A letter was read from the Grand Chapter concerning the Grand Chapter office and other matters concerning Grand Chapter. A discussion was held on all these matters.

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