

# Family

## Death

### William J. "Bill" Broeckelman

William J. "Bill" Broeckelman, 86, died Wednesday, March 31, 2004, at the Logan County Manor in Oakley.

Mr. Broeckelman was born on July 5, 1917 to Joseph and Margaret (Schippers) Broeckelman in Sheridan County.

He was a lifetime resident of the Angelus and Oakley communities with a career in farming and as a stockman.

Mr. Broeckelman was a member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church, past member of St. Paul's Church in Angelus, was a 3rd Degree Knights of Columbus-Council 2866 member, WWII Navy veteran, Oakley VFW lifetime member, past school board member at Oakley Public Schools and the Northwest Kansas Technical School in Goodland.

He married Emelyn A. Moelering on Sept. 27, 1944 at Angelus.

Survivors include his wife of Oakley; six sons: Greg Broeckelman of Colorado Springs, Colo., Michael Broeckelman of Lakin, Bob Broeckelman of Wichita, Tom Broeckelman of Quinter, Joe Broeckelman of Selden, and Jim Broeckelman of Norton; six daughters: Kathy Kuntz of Park, Linda Van Horn of Colby, Mary Ann Sahlfed of Salina, Susan B. Taylor, Grand Prairie, Texas, Margie Broeckelman of Oakley, and Donna Gonzalez of Wichita; one sister: Mary Penland of Brush, Colo., 45 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, two brothers, Herman Broeckelman and Steve Broeckelman and sister, Lucy Nieman.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Oakley with Father Roger Meitl officiating. Burial will be at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Oakley, with military graveside rites by the U.S. Army from Fort Riley.

Visitation is Sunday from 4 to 9 p.m. at Kennedy and Koster Funeral Home, 217 Freeman, Oakley, Kan. 67748. Rosary will be Sunday at 7:30 p.m., also at the funeral home. Memorials can be made to Logan County Manor and may be sent in care of Kennedy and Koster Funeral Home.

## Happenings

### Square dance Saturday in Hays

The Shooting Stars Singles Square Dance Club in Hays will have a square dance on Wednesday, April 7, from 8 to 10:30 p.m. at the Roosevelt Elementary School, 2000 MacArthur.

John Orlowski, Jr., a Nebraska caller will call the squares and Ray Moran will que the rounds. Everyone is welcome to attend next Wednesday's event.

# Senior Progress Center offers 'unusual' activity

## Senior News

"Help make it a fun day by participating."

There are plenty of activities at the center for the week of April 5-9, including a paint class with Fritz Ostmeyer at 9 a.m. Monday. Tuesday exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, line dancing with Deb

Koon will be at 10 a.m. and income tax filing assistance will be available from 1-3 p.m. Thursday, exercise will be at 9:30 a.m. and wear something you don't normally wear to lunch. Friday exercise will be at 9:30 a.m.

Everyone over 60 is welcome to eat lunch at the center.

Donna Schielke, director of the center, says no special invitation is

needed to join in the lunchtime fellowship and all are welcome.

She did remind everyone that a reservation is needed by noon the previous day.

The menu for the next week includes: Monday - sloppy Joes, California mixed veggies, rosy pears, bun, cook's choice complement. Tuesday - baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, asparagus, din-

ner roll, apricots. Wednesday - turkey pot pie, spinach and cheese salad, biscuit, banana half. Thursday - ham and beans, coleslaw with carrots, cornbread, pineapple. Friday - chef's salad with meat on the side, tropical fruit salad, crackers, blueberry cobbler.

The building is also available for rental for events. For information on lunch reservations, call 460-2901.

# Mental health specialists talk about living with losses

Experiencing changes and losses are often an uncomfortable part of the aging process and the longer a person lives the more losses are experienced.

In middle to late adulthood, one of the first major changes that may occur is the transition from a career and employment to retirement.

As a person ages, health problems, chronic illness and even disability can become problematic, often resulting in the loss of mobility, including the ability to drive a vehicle. The loss of a lifelong home, in lieu of a smaller residence can be another significant loss. The death



## High Plains Mental Health

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of a spouse is often the beginning of having to live alone and may also involve financial losses and many other changes.

Older adults often lose their own adult children to death, which is extremely difficult.

Most parents do not expect to outlive their own children, and in ad-

dition, those children may have been serving as caregivers for their aging parents.

While other changes and losses continue, and as same-age acquaintances and family members experience similar difficulties, the circle of friends and caregivers also diminishes. Older people experience

strong emotional reactions when friends and neighbors move into retirement centers or become handicapped and enter long-term care facilities, especially when their friends develop illnesses such as dementia or Alzheimer's and communication becomes difficult or impossible.

Loneliness and problems associated with the tasks of daily living are two of the most common and difficult adjustments for older bereaved persons.

Living alone becomes even more difficult as the survivor must learn new tasks and roles at the same time

they are experiencing extreme emotional loss. Successful aging requires coping with these losses, grieving or mourning appropriately and finally accepting one's new status in life.

Caregivers, too, often need outside help as they struggle to provide aging friends and relatives with assistance with daily tasks and with emotional support.

If you have concerns about an aging friend or relative, there are many sources of help including the local Area Agency on Aging, the faith community and mental health professionals.

# High Plains After 5 Club to meet in Colby

The High Plains After 5 Club will be in Colby on Saturday, April 17, for a special night honoring teachers and offering a guest night with men welcome.

Dinner and programs begin at 7 p.m. at the Colby Community College Student Union, organizers said.

Kevin and Cindi Kriss of CK Lumber and Supply Co. will be presenting a program entitled, "U Want It, We'll Get It," with information

on the newest decorating ideas, said Teri Adams, one of the coordinators.

Entertainment will be provided by the local Barbershop Quartet, singing "If You Had a Hammer," with their special blend of harmonizing.

The guest speaker is Larry Laas from Concordia, who was named outstanding high school teacher in 1985 by the Kansas Speech Communication Association. Laas will

be talking about facts everyone will want to know.

His presentation is entitled, "Wouldn't You Like to Know."

Reservations and cancellations are due by Friday, April 9 and those planning to attend can call either

Carol Bohme, 462-2791, Janis Baken, 672-3809 or by e-mailing Teri Adams at: biohw@st-tel.net

Nursery is provided by reservation only.

To inquire call Brandy Todd at 687-4465.

## Markets

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# Senators review finance bill

TOPEKA (AP)—Senators have reviewed two House-passed school finance measures that differ broadly in how much additional money they would provide to education.

The Senate Education Committee held hearings Wednesday on the measures, but Majority Leader Lana Oleen said Republican leaders are still trying to determine what might pass the chamber. Oleen, R-Manhattan, said she expects a proposal will emerge.

Sebelius said it made sense for the Senate to consider ideas already approved by the House. Her full, three-year plan, phasing in a \$304 million increase in school spending, has found little support in either chamber.

"I think that's a reasonable approach," Sebelius said of the Senate's strategy. "I want them to get something done before they

leave permanently."

Legislators plan to recess Friday, then return April 28 to wrap up their business for the year.



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