

Family

Deaths

Harold "Cowboy" Repshire

Harold "Cowboy" Repshire, 81, of Oakley, died Monday, July 4, 2005 at Hays Medical Center in Hays.

He was born Nov. 12, 1934 in Trego County to Clarence and Clara (Woods) Repshire.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the United Methodist Church in Winona. Burial will be at Russell

Mildred Lewallen

Mildred Lewallen, 84, of Abilene, died Saturday, July 2, 2005 at Village Manor Nursing Home in Abilene. She was born Oct. 4, 1920 in Thomas County to Cecil and Phoebe Simonton Dearaffanreid. She grew up in Monument and later moved to Kenton, Ohio.

On Jan. 1, 1939 she married Cecil Clayton "Herbie" Thrasher. All of their married life was spent in Kenton and Bellfontaine, Ohio.

She later returned to Oakley and married Lewis Lewallen on March 31, 1972. They made their home in Oakley.

Mrs. Lewallen later moved to Solomon and to Village Manor in March, 2005.

She was a member of Oakley United Methodist Church.

Spring Cemetery in Russell Springs. Visitation will be from 2-9 p.m. Thursday at Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home in Oakley.

Memorials are suggested to the Butterfield Trail Association and can be sent in care of Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home, 217 Freeman, P.O. Box 221, Oakley, Kan. 67748.

Mrs. Lewallen is survived by two daughters, Janet LaMar of Abilene and Judy Christian of Salina; one step-daughter, Shelly Nickel of Tucson, Ariz.; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her first husband in 1955 and her second husband in March, 2000.

Funeral services were at 10:30 a.m. this morning at Oakley United Methodist Church. Burial was at Oakley Cemetery.

Visitation was held Monday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby. Danner Funeral Home in Abilene was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials are suggested to the Alzheimer Foundation.

Harvest in Rexford almost complete

We have heard some reports that the harvest is doing great and is almost completed. Praise God for that!

Those that attended Koffee Klatch this week were Hulda Wark, Deborah Gamboa, Eunice Sanford, Fran Leach, Berneda Zoberst, Jean Hawkins, Vesta Roth, Grace Cheney, Freda Ketchum, Doris Jean Oliver, Delores Dible, and Sondra Barnett.

Tamera and Angela Searls, Quinter were in Rexford for a visit with Tamera's mother, Hulda Wark on Friday afternoon.

Doris Jean Oliver spent a week in the mountains visiting friends. While there, she did some fishing and canned thirty pints of cherries and even froze some for pies.

Visitors at the home of Deb Stepper this week were her two nieces from California, Phyllis King, Redlands and Jan Salcido of



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Westminster. During their enjoyable time together, they visited Bert Dible in Colby and museums in Logan and Colby.

Red Barn Band practice will be on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at 1:30 p.m. Others are invited to join the group.

Evelyn Johnson accompanied her son Kenny Johnson in the car to his new home in Massachusetts. Kenny recently graduated from a course in auto restoration, with an associate degree (two year program) from McPherson College. The school also offers a masters degree in that specialty field, requiring four years to com-

plete. Kenny will be working in Essex, Massachusetts and is an apprentice in the metal fabrication area of the restoration of Mercedes, Ferrari and Gull Wing cars. Paul Russell, the owner of the facility is on the board at McPherson College and did interviews this spring. Kenny feels that this is a terrific opportunity for him.

Birthdays for the month of July are Sue Hayes, first; Deborah Gamboa, second; Nancy Dahl, third; and Jeannette Bencken, July 23. Happy birthday to all of you!

This week is the tenth year of Creative Arts Camp at the Shepherd Staff in Rexford. There are thirty-some campers, both resident and day campers and staff from Arlington, Texas; North Platte, Neb.; Goodland; Garden City; Hays; Russell; Oberlin; Colby; and Rexford.

Fran Leach's daughter, Joyce and

Dave Lawson, from near Peoria, Ill., were here visiting her. During the time they were here, Fran joined them and they all went to Colorado to the Horn Creek Conference Center for a week. Fran's home church, Blue Ridge Bible Church in Kansas City goes there every June for a week and she enjoys getting together with them. The special speaker for the camp was Jerry Muckenstraw, who played for the Chicago Bears for eight years, and is now in full time ministry.

Overnight guests of Fran Leach were Dr. and Mrs. Ed Oman and their grandson Scotty from Kansas City.

After Five Christian Women's club will hold their July meeting at the Colonial Steak House in Oakley on Tuesday, July 12 at 7 p.m. The theme is "Fun at the Malt Shop", with the feature at the hop being Paul and Jamie Heskett, taking us back to the 50's with some music and trivia. The special music will be the very talented Lanita Sheperd, with a wonderful trip down memory lane. The guest speaker for the evening is Bev Brungardt, sharing about her "Happy Days." It should be a fun-filled evening and the cost is only \$9 for the buffet supper. For reservations, call Deb Stepper by Saturday, July 9.

Sondra Barnett attended the Aglow President's Summit in Seattle Wash. recently. The last time that the international headquarters called all the presidents in was in 1993, so this was a really exciting time for all of them.

Having arrived a day early, Sondra and a friend from Moscow, Kan. took a day-cruise to Victoria, Canada. The whole experience was a dream of a lifetime, with perfect weather the entire time!

There were absolutely NO bugs, no screens on the windows and no air conditioners! The flowers and flowering bushes and trees were breathtaking!

Makin' it Happen: Hats off to the Rexford Pride Committee for the community Fourth of July picnic and fireworks display. The crowd of about 100 people was a bit smaller than in the past, but still everyone had a good time and enjoyed getting together.

Babies

Rhett Walker Shay

Ryan and Diane Shay of St. Francis announce the birth of their son, Rhett Walker Shay on Monday, July 4, 2005 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 22 inches long.

Grandparents are Rodney and

Jordan Kree Smull

Matt and Trista Smull of St. Francis announce the birth of their son, Jordan Kree Smull on Sunday, July 3, 2005 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Jordan weighed 5

Kay Shay of St. Francis and Joe and Charlene Kramer of Brewster.

Great-grandparents are Margaret Shay of St. Francis and Ellen Kramer of Otawkie.

Rhett was welcomed home by siblings Riley, 8, Kailey Anne, 7, Reid, 5, and Rayden, 2.

pounds, 8 ounces and was 18 inches long. Grandparents are Rick and Deanna Krieh of Fort Morgan, Colo. and Tom and Sandy Smull of St. Francis.

'Dragons and more' at Fike Park on Saturday

Families are in for a "roaring" good time Saturday, July 9 at Colby's Fike Park. Pioneer Memorial Library, with the support of the Kiwanis Club of Thomas County, is bringing storyteller and puppeteer Priscilla Howe to town in conjunction with the Summer Reading program. Her show "Dragons Galore... and More" is a medieval mish-mash of stories, songs and puppets. Though geared for the younger set it will definitely delight and entertain an audience of all ages.

Since 1988 Howe has been telling stories to listeners of all ages, mixing folktales with literary stories and her own original works, served with a generous dollop of humor. Undoubtedly, her mouthy handpuppet, Trixie, will make an appearance, too.

A native New Englander, Priscilla lives in Lawrence and travels all over the U.S. and to Europe telling stories. In addition to criss-crossing Kansas with her dragon tales this summer, she performed at this year's Storytelling Festival in Downs.

Beginning at 1:15 p.m., watermelon slices will be served to those attending the performance and Colby's own Larry Booth will share his musical talent before Priscilla takes the stage. The venue will be at the gazebo at the north end of the park. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets for their personal comfort. In case of inclement weather, the performance will be moved to the library at 375 W. Fourth St. For more information, call 460-4470.

Outdoor equipment use requires safety precautions

Yard work is a continuous chore through the summer months. Take the following precautions to prevent injuries from lawn and garden equipment: Dress properly. Wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts (to avoid injuries from thrown objects like rocks or sticks), close-fitting clothes and no jewelry (to avoid getting anything caught in moving parts), sturdy shoes with slip-resistant rubber soles, eye protection, heavy gloves (protects hands when changing, sharpening or cleaning blades) and hearing protection, such as ear plugs when using motor-driven equipment.

Before starting up machinery, remove objects from areas that could cause injury or damage equipment, such as sticks, metal, wire and glass. Make sure safety devices on the equipment are in place properly before starting work.

Never let a child ride or operate a garden tractor or riding mower, even if the child is supervised. Teenagers should exercise caution and should only be allowed to operate such equipment if they possess adequate strength and maturity. A responsible adult should supervise them.

Keep children indoors and supervised at all times when any outdoor power equipment is being used. Young children move quickly and are attracted to mowers, especially if they have been given rides on mowers before. Be alert and turn off

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the mower if children enter the mowing area.

Use extra caution when backing up or when approaching corners, shrubs and trees. Unplug electrical tools and disconnect spark plug wires on gasoline-powered tools before making adjustments or clearing jams near moving parts. Be sure power tools are turned off and made inoperable if they must be left unattended to prevent use by children.

Handle gas carefully. Never fill gasoline tanks while machinery is on or when equipment is still hot. Wipe up spills. Store gas in an approved container away from the house.

Kansas organization goes global

Kansas SAFE KIDS is now Safe Kids Kansas, a local coalition of Safe Kids Worldwide. The parent organization was formerly known as the National SAFE KIDS Campaign. This evolution reflects the union of the nearly two-decade-old Safe Kids grassroots network in the United States with the burgeoning international Safe Kids movement, each with the mission of preventing accidental injuries to children ages 14 and under.

In addition to the new name, a new logo and brand identity have been introduced. Safe Kids Kansas will adopt the new logo in addition to its new name and will share the new identity with all Safe Kids member countries and other local

coalitions around the country. Currently, there are 16 member countries and more than 450 local coalitions. The organization has already made significant progress in reducing the risk of accidental injury to children - in Kansas, the accidental injury death rate among children ages 14 and under has decreased 24%

For more information go to: www.kansassafekids.org.

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