

Family

Deaths

Delvin D. Teel

Delvin D. Teel, 84, of Bella Vista, Ark., died Sunday, Oct. 9, 2005, at his home. He was born Aug. 31, 1921, on a farm near Menlo to Frank and Cathrine Badgley Teel.

On July 15, 1942 he married Opal Turner of Menlo and they had three children, Janice Klaurens of Universal City, Texas; Patricia who died in infancy; and Randy Teel of Wichita.

He was a member of the "Greatest Generation" — those individuals with an indomitable spirit, a strong will, and a "spit-in-your-eye, never-give-in" attitude who won World War II and survived the Great Depression and the 1930's Dust Bowl.

During W.W.II, he and Opal were stationed at many Army camps until he was sent to the Philippine Islands as part of the force for the invasion of Japan.

He was in the Philippines when the war ended and after returning

home, he and Opal went back to Menlo to assist with the family farm. They farmed and owned a small business for a period of time in Menlo. He was also an avid collector of stamps, coins, phonograph records and guns.

They moved to Bella Vista in 1986 where they enjoyed the camaraderie of good friends and neighbors, visits to their children and their families until they became unable to travel and having family visit them. He enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Mr. Teel is survived by his wife Opal; his daughter Janice and son Randy; a son-in-law and daughter-in-law, Rex Klaurens of Universal City and Susan Hedge Teel of Wichita; three grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Burial will be in the Rexford cemetery on Friday following a short service.

Brrr! It's been cold here lately!

Marla Rogers and Doris Jean Oliver went to Norton to see the new grandbaby! Jordyn Lynn was born on Oct. 3 to Mindy and Eric Fleckenstein, Dresden. Jordyn has one sister, Taryn who is 3-years-old. The grandparents are Marla and Dennis Rogers, Selden and Leonard and Doris Fleckenstein, Jennings; great-grandmothers are Eleanor Rogers, Selden and Doris Jean Oliver, Rexford. Congratulations!

Cheryl Colson, Brady and Marcus from Colby took Edna Colson on Saturday to the children's (grades three and four) football games in Oberlin, where Colby was playing. The third grade lost to Oberlin, but the fourth grade won their game. When the group returned to Edna's home, her daughter Roberta Colson, Goodland had arrived and brought a meal for them.

Social Hour Club was held at the home of Sondra Barnett, hostess. Other members present were Grace Cheney, Deb Stepper, Deborah Gamboa, Vesta Roth, Jean Hawkins, Marjorie Leh, Hulda Wark, Ruth Luna, Eileen Dible, and Clea Moeder, with guests Patty Purcell, Berneda Zoerberst and Velma Barnett.

Sondra gave a demonstration on ways to wear a "tube" scarf. Bingo winners were Clea, Hulda, Deborah, and Grace. The hostess prize went to Eileen.

Bridge Results

Colby Country Club bridge results announced

There were four tables of bridge at Colby Country Club Tuesday, Oct. 4.

The group was pleasantly surprised to be treated to a buffet of free hors-d'oeuvres by Glen Kersenbrock in honor of Glen and Mary's 53rd anniversary. Leon Woofert came by to congratulate



Sondra Barnett

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Koffee Klatch attendees at the Barn last week were Velma Barnett, Hulda Wark, Deborah Gamboa, Jean Hawkins, Vesta Roth, Delores Dible, Doris Jean Oliver, Margaret AraSmith, Berneda Zoerberst, Eunice Sanford, Clea Moeder and Sondra Barnett.

Several Rexford people attended the funeral of Ted Rall in Hoxie on Saturday. Our sincere condolences to the family.

Tony Bice is now out of the Army Reserve and is home with the family. Lisa reported that the twins are just about ready to walk, being almost a year old. Jadeyn had her tonsils out, but is doing fine now.

Mike and Evelyn Johnson went to Lindsborg to pick up Mike's parents, Lee Vern and Joyce Johnson and bring them to spend the week with them in Rexford. Andy Johnson took his grandparents back to their home.

Bradley Moos, son of Connie and David Moos of Byers, Colo. and Lisa Collins-Shoop were married in a beautiful outdoor ceremony at Eaton, Colo. recently. Those family members attending from this area were Liz Rall; Donald and Colleen Rall, Amanda; Jerry and Chris Rall; Maxine Ross; and

Alisha Rall from Manhattan.

Lane Purcell made a quick trip to Nebraska where his dad had some surgery. Lane is back home now and his dad is doing well.

Roger Wark, from Topeka, was here overnight to visit his mother, Hulda Wark and his sister Sondra Barnett.

Bob Leach returned to Rexford for a couple of days get a vehicle that he owned and to work on the electronic bell at the church. We are enjoying the beautiful sound of chimes floating through the crisp fall air!

Darrell Leh is back in the hospital in Colby. Please keep him in your prayers. Dennis and Vicki Allison were there to see him on Sunday.

There were a number of teens from the entire northwest Kansas area in Rexford for the Punkin Chunkin' contest. It was a windy evening, but the pumpkins "sailed" out of the catapults. If the young people would have been able to get the right angle at the right time, they would have gone a nice distance. It's always fun to watch the event and to eat a delicious cheeseburger with friends.

Scoop on the School:

The middle school teams played against Sharon Springs last week. The junior varsity volleyball team won their game, but the varsity lost theirs. The football team also lost their game.

The high school won their football game against Winona. The volleyball teams played in a triangle meet at Grainfield. The varsity team won their game over Northern Valley, but lost to Grainfield. The junior varsity lost their game to Grainfield and didn't play Northern Valley because Northern Valley doesn't have a junior varsity team.

On Saturday the volleyball team was in a tournament at Hill City. They won over La Cross, Hill City and Ness City; they lost to Brewster and Wakeeney.

Elaine Ptachek, the school counselor took 14 seniors and 25 juniors to the Colby Community College Career day on Thursday. There were several colleges represented.

Makin' it Happen: Hats off to Lane and Patty Purcell for being a stabilizing influence in the community.

Tips can make Halloween safer for parents and kids

Parents of trick or treaters can get so caught up in the fun that they might forget some simple safety ideas that could save everyone some trouble. Below are just a few common sense tips that can help.

Know the route your kids will be taking if you aren't going with them. The best bet is to make sure that an adult is going with them. If you can't take them, see if another parent or a teen-age sibling can go along. Know what other activities a child may be attending, such as parties, school or mall functions. Make sure you set a time that they should be home by. Make sure they know it is important it is for them to be home on time. Explain to children the difference between tricks and vandalism. Throwing eggs at a house may seem like fun but they need to know the other side of the coin as well, clean up and damages can ruin Halloween. If they are caught vandalizing, make them clean up the mess they've made.

Explain to your kids that animal cruelty is not acceptable. Kids may know this on their own but peer pressure can be a bad thing. Make sure that they know that harming animals is not only morally wrong, but punishable by law and will not be tolerated.

Anytime a child has an accident, it's tragic. The last thing you want to happen is for your child to be hurt anytime. There are ways to keep

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your child safe on Halloween, when they are more prone to accidents and injuries. Simple common sense can do a lot to stop tragedies from happening. Help your child pick out or make a costume that will be safe. Make it fire proof, the eye holes should be large enough for good peripheral vision.

If you set jack-o-lanterns on your porch with candles in them, make sure that they are far enough out of the way so that kids' costumes won't accidentally be set on fire.

Kids always want to help with the pumpkin carving. Small children shouldn't be allowed to use a sharp knife to cut the top or the face. There are many kits available that come with tiny saws that work better than knives and are safer, although you can be cu by them as well. It's best to let the kids clean out the pumpkin and draw a face on it, which you can carve for them.

Teaching your kids basic everyday safety such as not getting into cars or talking to strangers, watching both ways before crossing when the lights tell you to, will help make them safer when they are out trick or treating. Make Halloween a fun, safe happy time for your kids and they'll carry on the tradition that you taught them to their own families some day!

Babies

Brayden Scott Berens

Chris and Shannen Berens of Colby announced the birth of their son, Brayden Scott Berens. Brayden was born on Wednesday,

Sept. 7, 2005 at Hays Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds and 5 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Barb and Loyall Nichols of Colby, Gary and Marsha Berens of Colby, Judie Thomas and Dan Peddycoart of North Platte, Neb. Great-Grandparents are Robert and Pansy Barton of Colby, Lee Nichols of St. Francis, Selma Keller and Regina Thomas both of Vincennes, Ind. Brayden was welcomed home by brother Hunter.

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