

Family

Deaths

Charlotte Jo Metz

Charlotte Jo “Charlie” Metz 64, of Colby, died Thursday, Feb. 15, 2007, at her home in Colby. Mrs. Metz was born Sept. 7, 1942, in Gipson City, Ill.

She was a medical assistant with Northern Colorado Allergy and Asthma Clinic.

Mrs. Metz is survived by husband, Harvey J. Metz of Colby; three sons, Douglas S. Metz, Scottsdale, William J. Metz of Brighton, Colo., and John DeBauche of Henning, Minn.; one brother, Carl Boyd of Benton, Ky.;

Mary E. Hedden

Mary E. Hedden, 93, of Colby, died Thursday, Feb. 15, 2007, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Mrs. Hedden was born July 24, 1913, in Colby.

Mrs. Hedden and her husband were owners of Hedden’s Grocery Store in Colby.

Joseph William Hayes

Joseph William Hayes, 48, of Long Beach, Calif., died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2007. He was an employee of the *Colby Free Press* from September, 2006 to January. Mr. Hayes was born July 3, 1958.

He was a graduate of Long Beach Polytechnic High School in 1976.

Mr. Hayes is survived by his mother, Dorothea Hayes of Long Beach, Calif.; brothers Paul Hayes and wife Marilyn of Riverside, Calif., Michael Hayes of Irvine, Calif., and James Hayes and wife Cathy of

three sisters Evelyn Bennett of Bloomington, Ill., Norma Gilliam of Bloomington, Ill. and Mary Collins of Huston, Texas; and five grandchildren.

Services will be 10:30 a.m. at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, Colby with Rev. Paul Holderman of Loveland, Colo., officiating.

There will be no visitation as cremation was chosen.

Donations in her name may be sent in care of Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, 745 S. Country Club Drive., Colby, Kan., 67701

She was preceded in death by her husband Harold June 23, 1989.

Mrs. Hedden is survived by two sons, Steven K. Hedden, Lawrence, Michael Hedden, Colleyville, Texas; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services will be set for a later date.

Pasadena, Calif.; sisters Penny Hayes of Portland, Ore., Joanne Narayan and husband Ranjit of Irvine, Calif., Teri Biga of Palm Desert and Ann Hill and husband Grant of Cypress, Calif.

A mass was held Friday, Feb. 16 at St. Barnabas Catholic Church. Interment was at All Souls Catholic Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas, Attn.: Keil, P.O. Box 1016, Hays, Kan., 67601.

Focus on relationship instead of wedding

MANHATTAN — A wedding is typically a happy occasion. Even so, the extensive planning and extravagant spending often focus on one day, rather than the couple’s future together, said Charlotte Shoup Olsen, Kansas State University Research and Extension family systems specialist.

“Celebrate the couple and their new life together,” she advised, “but focus on the relationship, rather than the wedding itself — which

lasts only a few hours.”

In some cases, for example, money spent on a wedding might easily make a down payment on a house, thus helping the couple buy a home in which they can start their married life.

More information on managing marriage and family life and on family finance is available at county and district K-State Research and Extension offices and on the Web at www.oznet.ksu.edu.

Biosecurity discussed

MANHATTAN — David R. Franz, director of Kansas State University’s National Agricultural Biosecurity Center, gave a presentation on some of the vulnerabilities and threats to the nation’s livestock industry at a symposium on agricultural biosecurity, a part of the annual meeting of the American Academy for the Advancement of Science, Feb. 15-19, in San Francisco.

Franz made his presentation, “Biosecurity: Protecting Our Livestock Industry,” Feb. 18.

Because animal populations are now more concentrated than ever before and are transported more widely, even internationally, few technical barriers exist to prevent the intentional introduction of highly infectious and contagious biological agents that could cause significant economic damage to the livestock industry, according to Franz.

“Protecting our herds and flocks from intentional disease is at once more difficult and it requires a different set of tools than we have used in our ongoing struggle with natural disease,” he said.

Franz, who also is the chief biological scientist at the Midwest Research Institute, has served as director of K-State’s National Agricultural Biosecurity Center since fall 2003.

The center, which coordinates K-State’s interdisciplinary efforts in agricultural safety and security, is dedicated to protecting the nation’s agricultural infrastructure through planning and training for threats, whether natural or intentional.

Franz also has served as commander of the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious

Diseases, and has been deputy commander of the Army’s Medical Research and Materiel Command.

He served as the chief inspector on three United Nations special commission biological warfare inspection missions to Iraq, and as a technical adviser on long-term monitoring. He also served as a member of the first two United States/United Kingdom teams that visited Russia in support of the Trilateral Joint Statement on Biological Weapons, and as a member of the Trilateral Experts’ Committee for biological weapons negotiations.

In addition, he was technical editor for the Textbook of Military Medicine on Chemical and Biological Defense released in 1997.

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Winona resident celebrating 75 years

A jonquil is the birthday flower for March. The jonquils will perhaps still be under a bed of snow but there will be cake and punch and probably balloons in the Chardon Room at the Comfort Inn in Colby Saturday, March 5. Janet Wright’s children want you to come and reminisce with Janet, her family, and friends in honor of her 75th birthday. Come to 2225 Range Avenue anytime from 2 to 5 p.m. to celebrate the special occasion.

Friday afternoon in the Triplains Auditorium, Auntie Em (Katie Hillery) and Uncle Henry (Jasen Mackley) appeared on the stage. Autumn Mays began narrating for the first and second grader’s version



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of “The Wizard of Oz.” Dorothy (Maddie Lamb) and Toto were swept from Kansas to the Land of Oz in a tornado. She was soon joined by Straw Man (Hudson Stramel) Tin “girl” (Brandy Ballentine) and Cowardly Lion (Rose Smith) (Cheyenne Palmer) was a real crowd pleaser as the Wicked Witch. The Wizard (Verlin Plummer) completed the cast. They

memorized many lines and revealed talent of potential “children’s theater” performers. Their teacher, Cindy Gfeller, produced and directed the presentation. Andrea Plummer assisted with props and back stage. The costumes and elaborate scenery added to the authenticity. The audience consisted of parents, siblings, grandpas, grandmas, aunts, uncles, and special friends. Mrs. Gfeller’s mother, Nancy Schertz, presided at the punch and cookie table in the class room after the program.

The Colorado ski slopes have been utopia this season. Mark and Jill Hanson, Skylar and Brianna enjoyed skiing at Silver Creek. Jill’s

mother joined them to enjoy the weekend.

Steve and Dianne Schertz spent the weekend in Hesston with Rex and Jeana Schertz. They went to Yoder and enjoyed dining at the Carriage Crossing Restaurant.

Denise Shoff participated in the Pride of the Prairie Orchestra classics concert in Colby Sunday afternoon. They play like professionals and could be considered the pride of anywhere.

One hundred and seven people dined on steak, baked potato, corn, salad, roll, and dessert Valentine’s Day evening. A few people ventured out in the frigid weather to dine in a cozy nook with a romantic setting, at the Winona U.M. Church, complete with red roses. The youth group girls dressed in black and white served their guests, while the boys delivered meals to those choosing to dine at home. Delivering meals each month has been a fund raiser for the youth. Pam Lewallen and Andrea Plummer are the adult sponsors.

Many WRSPC WPAA members and theater enthusiasts will still be climbing over snow drifts and fighting muddy roads Saturday, Feb. 24 but you can bet it will be worth it to attend “From Country to Broadway” in Hoxie. The Hughes Brothers from Branson will perform in person in the Hoxie High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Student chosen as flight instructor

SALINA — Michael Middleton of Goodland was one of 10 students selected to serve as a flight instructor at Kansas State University at Salina. He will be an instructor during the spring semester.

The new instructors, along with current staff and faculty, are responsible for training incoming flight students in both ground and flight instruction.

K-State employees around 40 student instructors at any given time.

Marlon Johnston, head of the aviation department at K-State at Salina, says that faculty know they can rely on student instructors because they’ve been trained at the school.

“We have observed them through their early years of flight training and have a good picture of their professionalism, as well as their knowledge and skills,” he said. “Certified flight instructors also often fulfill the role of mentor to new students. Through that relationship, the in-

structors directly contribute to solidifying these individuals’ relationships with K-State and its professional pilot program.”

The new flight instructors were selected from a pool of student applicants.

To be considered for the job, applicants must be Federal Aviation Administration certified flight instructors and must have previously earned their certified flight instructor certificate. Applicants also were required to attend standardization training, during which personal interviews were conducted. All flight instructors are majoring in professional pilot.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY, FEB. 20

Senior Parents Night at Colby High School basketball game, Colby Community Building
Music Booster meeting, Colby High School workroom, 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21

One hour late start for Colby Schools canceled
Colby Community College women’s basketball, Colby Community Building, 6 p.m.
Colby Community College men’s basketball, Colby Community Building, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22

“My Guy and His Health,” by Thomas County Extension, Thomas County Office Complex, noon
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8:30 p.m.

Markets

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