

Family

Deaths

Iola Marie Howe

Iola Marie Howe, 100, grandmother of Don (Jennifer) Phillips of Colby, died Saturday, Jan. 23, 2010, at Hospice House in Hutchinson.

She was born Jan. 9, 1910, in Concordia, Mo., to Adolf G. and Nona B. (Finch) Hartwig, and graduated from high school in Vona, Colo. in 1929.

On Oct. 22, 1929, she married Henry Howe in Burlington, Colo. He died Nov. 3, 1993. They lived in Belpre from 1930 until 1949, when they moved to Hutchinson.

She was a pediatric technician, working at Grace Hospital and the former Hutchinson Hospital, until her retirement in 1980. She was a member of the First Southern Baptist Church, where she taught Sunday school. She belonged to a hospice support group.

Mrs. Howe loved quilting, ceramics, and bingo. She won many state-fair ribbons, including two blues for crocheting and quilts.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Jocene Love; a brother, Lusture H. Hartwig; and a sister, Rena Mae Borders.

Survivors include two sons, Doyle F. Howe, Arbuckle, Calif., and Robert H. Howe, Hutchinson; two daughters, Joanne M. Phillips, Palco, and Mary Jane (Scott) Gividen, Wichita; 10 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2010, at the First Southern Baptist Church in Hutchinson with Pastor Ray E. Kempel officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. (Central Time) Thursday at Clairmont Cemetery, in Stratton, Colo. Visitation was to be until 9 p.m. tonight at the Elliott Mortuary in Hutchinson.

The family suggests memorials to the church or the Hospice of Reno County in care of the mortuary, 1219 N. Main, Hutchinson, Kan., 67501.

Condolences may be left at www.elliottmortuary.com.

Donald G. Sheley

Donald G. Sheley, 74, Colby, died Friday, Jan. 22, 2010, in Denver.

He was born Oct. 24, 1935, in Norton, the son of Gareld and Adrienne (Bullock) Sheley.

He was a communication technician for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. before he retired.

Survivors include his wife, Erma E. Sheley, of the home; a son, Michael D. Sheley, Colby; a daughter, Debra S. Waldron, Manitowoc, Wis.; a sister, Sandra M.

City’s calendar skips a day

GRAND FORKS, N.D. (AP) — North Dakota residents and others relying on a new calendar issued by the city of Grand Forks will get a jump start on February.

The recently issued City of Grand Forks 2010 Calendar is missing Sunday, Jan. 31.

City spokesman John Bernstrom says the error was noticed when boxes of the calendar printed by Fine Print of Grand Forks were opened before Christmas.

Feb. 1 appears on the calendar as a Monday, so the rest of the year is correct.

Fine Print President Kevin Kuntz says January is the coldest month of the year and having one day less works for him.

Stutheit, Waverly, Neb.; and four grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Colby, with Pastor Don White officiating and burial in the Beulah Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel.

The family suggests memorials in care of the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.



Amy Shawn Carpenter and Skylor Glenn Flaska

Brewster wedding planned for couple

Amy Shawn Carpenter of Brewster and Skylor Glenn Flaska of Victoria plan to marry Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Brewster Community Church.

The bride is the daughter of Lowell and Becki Carpenter of Brewster. She is a 2006 graduate of Brewster High School and plans to graduate from the Colby Community College vet tech program in May. She works at Swartz Veterinarian Hospital in Colby.

The groom is the son of Steve and Gail Flaska of Victoria. He graduated from Victoria High School in 2006 and from the Engineering Technology Department at Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland in 2008. He works at CH2M Hill Engineering in Denver.

The couple plans to live in Denver.

Rotary Club

Twenty-seven members of the Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday, Jan. 19, at the Prairie Museum of Art and History with Freddy Bryan, Eric Griggs and Amanda Zimmerman as guests.

Jeff Horlacher talked about the annual district cruise raffle, which raises money for the Rotary Foundation.

Melany Jackson gave a program featuring the “Journey Stories” exhibit at the museum. Museum Registrar Chris Griffin talked about the background of “Journey Stories” before the club toured the exhibits.

Next meeting will be at noon Tuesday at the Colby Community College student union, the club’s normal meeting place.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$3.94
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Corrections

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

The Colby Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary met Wednesday, Jan. 13, at the post home. President Peggy Ohlrogge presided.

Thank you notes were read from Colby Chamber of Commerce, American Legion Auxiliary, Colby School District and Fort Dodge Soldiers Home.

A letter was read regarding cancer aid and research from the district cancer chairman.

Veteran and Family Support reported a funeral dinner was served for the Mildred Gake family.

Community Service reported 12 projects done and 82 hours of volunteer time for October and 15 projects and 142 hours volunteer time for November. Santa City was given 52 teddy bears.

Poppy Chairman reported \$134 was received for November poppy campaign on Veteran’s Day.

Legislative Chairman reported on new laws regarding veterans.

Publicity reported meeting item and Briefly item about cards for St. Jude’s in Free Press.

Historian discussed information about the Auxiliary charter and history of organization.

Next meeting will be at 5 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the post home.

– Hazel Duffey

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High Plains Lions Club

The Colby High Plains Lions Club met for its first meeting of the new year on Monday, Jan. 11. President Justin Burris called the meeting to order, saying “I haven’t seen any of my members in a year. I wish you a Happy New Year.”

Sheryl Brenn led the group singing and Elmer Lawver gave the prayer. Lawver introduced his wife Donna as his guest.

Melinda Morton displayed a wooden lion she made. The club voted to have her make one for the club and to take it to the Mid-Winter Rally benefit auction.

President Burris presented a plaque with a bronze lion to Brenn, the Lion of the Year award for 2009-2010. She is the club secretary.

Virgil Jones had a request for financial help from the Colby High School National Honor Society. His wife Linda is the advisor. They want to get mobile recycling bins that could be moved among the classrooms. The Lions Club voted to pay for three bins.

Community and Environment participants were called for the past two weeks. Several members had been involved in recycling, Scouting, and helping others. Koon and Hale attended the Rexford Lions benefit dinner for a woman who had eye surgery in Wichita.

The Lions Club Vision Trailer will be in Colby on Monday, Jan. 25, for the Thomas County wellness event, parked south of the Community Building from 4 to 8 p.m. All tests are free and different from ones offered inside. Five tests can be done: blood pressure, blood sugar, visual acuity, field of vision and hearing. The trailer will be manned by club members and community professionals.

Hazel Estes will go to the Wellness Fair in Sharon Springs to distribute diabetes information and to collect used eye glasses.

Feb. 6 is the club’s annual Ham and Bean Feed at Orscheln Farm and Home Supply Store. The public is invited to this fund raiser.

The next meeting date has changed due the wellness event. The club will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, at the new Northwest Kansas Farm Management office building on South Range. Virgil Jones will conduct a tour of the building before the meeting.

– Roger Hale

Bridge Club

Meadow Lake bridge winners for Tuesday were first, Elaine Ptacek; second, Jean Snyder; third, Ken Ptacek; fourth, Mary Sonnenfield; fifth, Mary Molstad; sixth, Larry Barrett; seventh, Lyle Worthy; eighth, Dave Ulmer;

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