

Family

Deaths

Sid Harrison

Sid Harrison, a Colby native and cousin of Don (Kathy) Harrison of Colby, died Friday, April 22, 2011, at his home in Lawrence.

He was born Jan. 18, 1937, in Colby, the son of Claude E. and Alice V. (Sible) Harrison. A 1956 graduate of Colby High School, he earned a degree in architecture from the University of Kansas in 1961.

He was a partner in Peters Harrison Williams Architecture firm in Lawrence before moving to Dallas, where he worked for Redmond Construction Co. Returning to Lawrence, he started Harrison Construction Co. and later worked for Hall-Kimbrell before becoming a realtor with Stephens Real Estate in 1995.

During college he served in the Kansas National Guard and was a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity. He was a director for the Lawrence Board of Realtors, on the board for Hannah's House and a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church. He enjoyed his family,

friends, golf, playing cards and hunting.

He married Raydell Hodson on June 6, 1959. She died in 1998.

On Nov. 24, 2001, he married Glenda Jaspersen Reid.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; three daughters, Lisa (Dave) McLoon, Liberty, Mo.; Lynn Ollila and Leslie (Dale) Hazlett, all of Lawrence; a son, Jeff (Cara), Raleigh, N.C.; a brother, Chuck (Anita) Harrison, Lakewood, Colo.; seven grandchildren; a stepdaughter, Amy Fischer, Overbrook; and three step-grandchildren.

Services were Wednesday, April 27, 2011, at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Lawrence, with burial in Calvary Cemetery in Danville.

The family suggests memorials to the church in care of the Rumsey-Yost Funeral Home, 601 Indiana St., Lawrence, Kan., 66044.

Online condolences may be sent to rumsey-yost.com.

Grandson needs a garden, too



Kay Melia

• The Gardener

My five-year-old great-grandson Cole is in pre-school this year, and will be a full-fledged kindergarten next fall. He has spent a lot of time during the summers of his short life "helping" his Grandad Marty in Marty's spacious country backyard.

Several weeks ago, Cole was playing in his backyard over on College Street (in Goodland) with his little sister Lauren, and was observed doing some digging in his large sandbox. He announced to his parents that he was working in his garden.

When Grandad Marty received word of Cole's backyard effort, he proceeded to mark off a small area on the north side of his garden and told Cole he could have that plot for his very own garden if he wished. Indeed, he wished. Marty explained very carefully to

Cole that there was more to having a successful garden than just planting the seeds and harvesting the crop. He must water the plants when they came up, and he must keep the weeds pulled as well as watching out for those bugs who wanted to eat his lettuce as much as he did.

Cole and his Grandad planted most of the cool-weather crops the day before Easter, and left space for cucumbers and zucchini when the soil warms. He planted a lot of green things like lettuce, spinach, mescluns and also a couple of

broccoli plants. (Cole's mother, a registered dietitian, may have had some serious input on what he planted since she is an admitted greens freak.) And now comes the waiting for plant emergence and the road to maturity. The family will learn a lot about Cole's early-age patience as the spring merges into summer.

I, too, learned about the gardening process when I was about Cole's age. In those days, some 75 years ago, my early experience in the garden was not necessarily intended to teach me the finer points of gardening. It was more like an annual "sentence" to spend the summer in the garden where the results would determine whether or not our family would have enough to eat, not only during the summer, but for the following winter, thanks to canning jars and

pressure cookers.

What a nice project for parents of young children – or grandparents – to encourage the youngsters to join them in preparing a small space in the backyard for a garden. It doesn't have to be an area the size of Logan Township, and it doesn't have to consist of only vegetables. Flowers from both seeds and plants can teach children a lot about nature's beauty and the earth's ability to produce wonderful things that are to be enjoyed by everyone.

There's still time. If you're a newcomer to the gardening mystique, remember that there is plenty of help out there. Pose a few questions to an experienced friend or neighbor. Make it a true family garden this year!

Golden Plains students place at April math meet

By Judy Rogers

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Sixteen Golden Plains High School students competed in the Cougar Math Meet at Cheylin on April 18, bringing home several first place ribbons.

Students from Cheylin, Golden Plains, and Weskan schools took a series of math tests which were then graded and ranked. Students with tied scores were placed according to who finished the test first. Golden Plains had several students place first. Ribbons were given to the top five students.

"I am very pleased with how well the students performed at the relays," said math teacher Dena Dellere, "They should be proud of what they accomplished and confident in their skills."

Individual results include:
Polynomials and Rational 2: Trey Schwarz, first; Melissa Ritter, fifth.

Basic Trigonometry 2: Avery Spresser, first.

Polynomials 1: Kylie Jones, second; Jordan Christensen, third; Jacob Antholz fifth; Zach Spresser, sixth.

Basic Trigonometry 1: Morgan Walz, third; Andrew Luna, fourth; Angela Ritter, fifth.

Inequalities 1: Macayla Easton, sixth.

Terms and Symbols 2: Hannah Antholz, sixth.

Calculator Math 2: Avery Spresser, fifth.

Quadratics and Conics 2: Melissa Ritter, third; Hannah Antholz, fourth; Viridiana Beltran, fifth; Trey Schwarz, sixth.

Fractions 1: Macayla Easton,

second; Tristan Schwarz, sixth.

Segment Length 1: Kylie Jones, fifth; Zach Spresser, sixth.

Radical 1: Morgan Walz, fifth.

Analytic Geometry 1: Leea Juememann, second; Angela Ritter, third; Morgan Walz, sixth.

Statistics 1: Tristan Schwarz, first; Jordan Christensen, second.

Factoring 2: Hannah Antholz, fifth; Trey Schwarz, sixth.

Matrices: Avery Spresser, first.

Algebraic Fractions 1: Kylie Jones, second; Zach Spresser, fourth; Jacob Antholz, sixth.

Classic Story Problems 2: Viridiana Beltran, first.

Angle Measures 1: Morgan Walz, fourth.

Quadratic Equations 1: Kylie Jones, third.

Classic Story Problems 1: Leea Juememann, fourth; Jacob Antholz, fifth.

Systems of Equations 1: Avery Spresser, first; Trey Schwarz, second.

Systems of Equations 2: Macayla Easton, first; Tristan Schwarz, second; Zach Spresser, fourth.

Corrections

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Childcare provider recognized

Alicia Knipp, a childcare provider at Kids Port in Colby, recently received recognition for completion of the Child Development Associates Credential.

Widely recognized as a sign of professionalism throughout the early childhood education field, the credential is awarded by the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition.

Requirements include 120 clock hours of training in eight core competencies relating to child development and professionalism, 480 hours of experience in an early childhood setting, an extensive observation of her program, written and oral exams.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$7.58
Corn (bushel)	\$6.88
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.82
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.62

Brewster students win art contest

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Colby sponsored the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest as part of their yearly Youth Activities Program.

This contest encourages students to express their patriotism through art.

The first place winner was Sheena Rall, second was Shane Rice and third was Amber Barrie. All attend Brewster High School.

Rall was also the first place winner in the contest for the 9th District and will advance to the state contest.



Sheena Rall



Shane Rice



Amber Barrie

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary met April 13 with President Anita Thiel chairing the meeting.

The roll call of officer was followed by opening prayer, patriotic instructions and the flag salute. The minutes of the previous meeting, treasurer's report and approval of paying bills were completed.

Correspondence included a letter from National Home in Eaton Rapids, Minn., noting a need for renovation and upkeep.

Community service chairman reported four boxes of greeting card fronts sent to St. Jude Hos-

pital.

Publicity chairman reported news items of the last meeting in the Colby Free Press.

The Americanism report provided a history of the National home. It was begun in 1923 with a dream by a young Amy Ross and a donation of 472 acres to the Veterans of Foreign Wars from a cattleman. A donation was made to the National Home for the Kansas Cottage.

Community concerns were discussed and a donation was made to a local veteran's family for medical assistance.

Thiel reported on the Oakley

convention.

The meeting closed with the national home prayer and the ritual closing prayer.

The next meeting will be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 11, at the Post Home.

— Hazel Duffey, reported

Bridge Club

Meadow Lake bridge winners for Tuesday were first, Lyle Worthy; second, Dave Ulmer; third, Margaret Denmeler; fourth, Gail Vacca; fifth, Thelma Shalz; sixth, Elaine Ptacek.

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