

OBITUARIES

Joseph 'Joe' R. Fagg

Jan. 30, 1925 - May 27, 2004

Joseph "Joe" R. Fagg, 79, of Wichita, died May 27. Mr. Fagg was born Jan. 30, 1925, in Norton, the son of George W. and Claire L. (Enlow) Fagg. He was a retired engineer technician with the Kansas Department of Transportation. Mr. Fagg is survived by his wife, Naomi of Wichita; two sons, Richard Fagg, Dallas; and Royce Fagg, Loveland, Colo.; a daughter,

Becky Zavala, Wichita; and three grandchildren. Funeral services were held today at Westlink Christian Church, Wichita. A memorial has been established to the Westlink Christian Church, 2001 N. Maize Rd., Wichita, Kan., 67212. Resthaven Mortuary, Wichita, was in charge of the arrangements.

DEATH NOTICE

Rita K. Boltz

August 23, 1927-May 31, 2004

Rita K. Boltz, 78, died at the Norton County Hospital on Monday. She was born August 23, 1927. Survivors include a brother Edwin and Mariam Slipke, New

Almelo, and a sister Mary and Marvin Wudke, Norton. Services are pending. Pauls Funeral Home in Oberlin is handling the arrangements.

READERS

Jessica L. Keiswetter graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Pittsburg State University during spring commencement exercises which were held May 14 and 15. Miss Keiswetter is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Keiswetter, Norton.

ously worked in human resources at Sykes in Hays.

Courtney Fredde was listed on the Fort Hays State University's Dean's Honor Roll for the spring semester.

Gary Aufdemberge accepted the position of business technology manager with Nex-Tech on Jan. 5. He has served as a manager with the company since August 1997. Mr. Aufdemberge attended Fort Hays State University and earned a bachelor of science in agribusiness, as well as a masters of business administration. He lives in Hays with his wife, Karen, and their three children.

Heather Bausch, Norton, graduated May 15 from Manhattan Area Technical College, completing her studies in practical nursing.

Frank Mattox began work as an account representative with Rural Telephone in Lenora on May 17. Mr. Mattox has an associates degree in business administration and 21 years of experience in yellow page sales. He lives in Wichita with his wife, Judith.

—PITCH TOURNAMENT 7 p.m. Sunday, June 6, Norton American Legion. 6/1

Mrs. Shirley Ambrose and her daughter, Bryn, of St. Augustine, Fla., were Monday guests of Claudia Bridges, Norton.

—Steak and seafood night, Thursday 6-9 p.m. American Legion. Members and guests. 6/1

Abbey Tacha, Norton, graduated May 15 from Manhattan Area Technical College, with her degree in graphic arts technology.

Nicole Beilman began working as a receptionist/customer service assistant in Hays for Nex-Tech, May 10. Ms. Beilman, a Hays resident, has a bachelor of science degree in psychology and previ-

Husky student takes sixth in state 'bee'

By KRISTEN BRANDS

Stanton Nelson, Northern Valley seventh grader, placed sixth in the Kansas State Spelling Bee held at Washburn University on March 27.

After successfully going 13 rounds, Stanton went out of the competition as he was unable to successfully spell the word "lallation."

During the first 12 rounds, Stanton spelled the words: amass, jest, obedience, debut, citadel, visage, labyrinth, quarantine, rendez-

vous, inanimate, xylophone, and fissure.

Third place went to an eighth grade student from Bourbon County who was eliminated after misspelling the word "reminisce." Second place was secured by a Riley County eighth grader who eventually could not spell the word "noisome." The first place honor went to a Labett County eighth grader who successfully spelled "noisome" and then "callow."

Prizes were awarded to the top winners by *The Topeka Capital Journal*, which sponsored the event. The first place state winner is to compete in the National Spelling Bee held in Washington this week.



S. Nelson

The 'cowboy way' was once the style

Hi Ho, Silver, Away! That famous phrase could be used to describe the prices of the western collectible market in the last few years.

The values of western memorabilia have truly run away, as you will see at any auction you attend. This is not real ranch equipment, but the items sold in the 1930-'40 era were the first glamorization of the western frontier life.

One of the fastest rising categories includes anything that has a famous movie cowboy connected with it. Roy Rogers or Dale Evans, Gene Autry, the Lone Ranger and Red Ryder are hot commodities these days.

Western serial books and comic books that sold for just a bit of your allowance when you were a child now command what was the grocery cash for the week then. Double feature western movies on Saturday nights fed the kids plenty of drama for their 12 cent admission. Does anybody remember "Rocky" Allan Lane?

Every little boy and a lot of the girls, too, played Cowboys and Indians.

This involved a lot of running and chasing and hiding behind lilac bushes while shooting at

Collector Chat Liza Deines



people with your trusty six shooter. It also required "chasing" music, which was bellowed at the top of the lungs. With your holster around your waist, gun in hand, straw cowboy hat bouncing down your back on a string, you galloped around the yard for hours yelling.

No obese kids then and Mom always knew right where you were. You should see the prices those little dime store guns, holsters and hats bring these days.

Fringed leather vests and occasionally skirts for the girls were major Christmas gifts. And if your parents would indulge you with real cowboy boots, life was absolutely complete.

My vest had red reflective studs on it but alas, I never scored the boots no matter how much I hinted. I was, however, the proud owner of a wondrous feathered Indian chief war bonnet provided by my brother as a birthday gift. Of course that meant I always

had to be the Indian, but then someone had to be the person shot, didn't they?

Sadly, my finery was lost to the tornado. Any of these costume items are quite collectible today, but seldom found in good condition. Juvenile cowboy life was hard on them.

There were all kinds of cereal premiums in the 1940s that featured the guys in white hats. And even red coats — Dad and I accumulated about 27 square inches of land in the Yukon, courtesy of Sergeant York of the Yukon Mounted Police and his famous dog, Rin Tin Tin.

This goal was achieved by downing 27 boxes of wretched shredded wheat cereal and gaining title to a square inch with each box top. Dad assured me there was gold on that land but somehow we never got there to check it out. Do you suppose I still own it?

Household furnishing were not exempt from the cowboy craze.

Maple frame furniture popular in the same era was manufactured with cattle brands burned into the wood and saddles, hats, boots and lariats embossed on vinyl cushions, or western printed bark cloth

covers.

Brown and orange were the "in" colors and a wagon wheel coffee table was almost a requirement for stylish living. Every possible spot had a wheel motif, including floor and table lamps and chandeliers.

Bunk beds were first seen for children's rooms, usually with wagon wheel headboards.

Even kitchenwares got in on the act. Foods served on FireKing dishes decorated with campfire scenes were a sure way to get reluctant children to eat. Peanut butters and jellies were sold in reusable glasses or mugs that sported cowboys on horses and horseshoe handles. Milk from those mugs went down easy.

Brown enamel granite camp dishes with longhorn steers, whips and rope designs are especially valued by collectors, particularly the coffee mugs. All these western motif items are collectible right now.

Suffice to say that today everything Old West is new again.

MY MAMAS AID — A stitch in time saves nine... and a lot of embarrassment if you should end up at the emergency room.

Colby graduates 24 area students

Colby Community College held its 39th commencement ceremony May 15 in the Colby Community Building.

Listed among the 351 degrees were several local graduates.

Almena: Sandra Dole, Laura Schemper and Luke Schemper; Jennings: Bryan Stephens; Norcat: Michael Karnes; Norton: Leigh Davis, Joyce Fischer, Carla Kumke, Megan Mapes, Claire Rotering, Sarah Snow, LeAnn Wyatt, April Bashford, Shawna Engelsman, Sherry Hickman, Barret Hesson, Monte Miller, Carman Sittler, Jane Wyatt, Donna Foley and Mary Montgomery; Logan: Samuel Jackson; New Almelo: Joni Otter; and Lenora: Jennifer Wildeman.

BIRTH

Carter Underhill

Keith and Cindy Underhill of Hill City are the parents of a son, Carter Lane, born April 30 at Norton County Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds 1/2 ounce and was 19 inches long.

Mr. and Mrs. Underhill have two other children, Darrien and Maggie.

Grandparents are Joe and Debbie Lorimer, Norton, and Keith and Carol Underhill, Hill City.

Great-grandparents are Ito Lorimer, Scott City and Carl and Shirley Bowen, Goodland.



Celaine Bloomer and John Worden

Wedding bells will ring for couple on June 26

Celaine Bloomer and John Worden have chosen June 26 as their wedding day.

Parents of the bride are Robert and Shelley Bloomer. The groom's parents are Charles and Sandy Worden, Norton.

Miss Bloomer graduated from Osborne High School in 1999, and the University of Northern Colorado in 2002, with a bachelor of arts degree in musical theater. She

is pursuing a masters degree in language arts at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

Mr. Worden graduated from Norton Community High School in 1999, and attended Kansas State University. He is in his fourth year of pharmacy school at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

The ceremony will be held at the Bloomer family summer home in Cuchara, Colo.

"Stanton does quite well in these spelling events, and dedicates many hours in his studies at home," said Northern Valley spelling coach Jim Springer. "He studies hundreds of words a night, using a unique system with masking tape. He also utilizes both audio and video taping to record himself spelling his practice words." As a sixth grader, Stanton placed 18th in the state spelling bee. That year he also won the Norton County Spelling Bee. This year, Stanton won the Northern Valley School Spelling Bee held in January. Then he won the county bee again. "I am so impressed with Stanton's commitment and dedication, especially with his individual study-time at home," Mr. Springer said. "We expect great things from him again next year." Mr. Springer started the school's spelling program and has been the spelling coach for 32 years at Northern Valley Junior High.

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YOU MUST HAVE THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

Jesus said; "If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever - the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept Him. But you know Him for He lives with you and will be in you. (John 14: 16, 17)

It is the special privilege of the born again Christian to have the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. He is the third Person of the Trinity and He is to be known, not just talked about or heard of. He is much more than just a name mentioned in a creed, in a hymnal or during a baptism service.

Non-Christians do not know Him and sadly many church attendees only know about Him. That is why the sins of the flesh, the world and the devil so easily overtake them. The Bible says, "For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. (Romans 8: 13, 14) Therefore, "Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you - unless, of course you fail the test?" (2 Corinthians 13: 5)

The litmus test for seeing if you are living a life led of the Holy Spirit is the Word of God. It tells us in Galatians chapter five of the fruit of the Holy Spirit which will be evident in an obedient Christian's life. These are:

Love: A genuine self-sacrifice for the good of others.

Joy: Great pleasure and delight in who God is and what He has provided.

Peace: A sense of well-being, rest, tranquility not Dependant on circumstances.

Gentleness: Kindness toward others, reasonableness and flexibility.

Patience: Stability under pressure, self-controlled under provocation from others.

Faithfulness: Reliability and perseverance.

Meekness: Willingness to be governed. A submissive attitude toward authority and circumstances.

Self-control: Especially of one's passions.

True Christians "...are not controlled by the sinful nature but by the [Holy] Spirit... And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ." (Rom. 8: 9) Friend, if you don't have Christ, you are not saved.

Invite Christ into your heart today! Be empowered to overcome the flesh, the world and the devil. You can then enjoy the fruit of the Holy Spirit in your life, instead of being destroyed by the wages of sin, which is eternal death.

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