

# OBITUARY

## William N. Leydig Nov. 1, 1929 - Oct. 24, 2006

William Norman Leydig, 76, Kirwin, brother of Darline Brown and Sam Leydig, both of Prairie View, died of a stroke Oct. 24 at the Wesley Medical Center in Wichita.

Mr. Leydig was born Nov. 1, 1929, in Glade, the son of William J. and Bernice (Mutum) Leydig. He was baptized as an infant at the Glade Methodist Church where he is still a member.

He and his brothers and sisters grew up on a farm near Glade, where they worked with their parents cultivating watermelons, cantaloupes, potatoes and other garden crops. He graduated from Phillipsburg High School with the class of 1947. He attended Fort Hays State University and taught in the Phillips County school for several years. He was also a member of the Kirwin Lions Club.

He purchased the Glade Grocery, which he owned and operated for many years. During some of this time, he also owned and managed Martha's Cafe in Phillipsburg. He served with the U.S. Army for two years and was stationed in Germany after basic training. After returning to the states, he continued to operate the grocery store in Glade. He sold the store and went to work for the U.S. Government helping to build missile silos across the northern United States. He then moved to Omaha, Neb., and worked building bridges for a construction company.

On Nov. 24, 1969, he married Queenie (Inman) Pickel of Holdrege, Neb. They lived in Omaha for seven years then moved back to Glade, where they owned and operated the Glade Greenhouse and Flea Market. Seven years ago they sold the business and moved to Kirwin.

His hobbies included gardening and helping others with lawn mowing and gardening.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two nieces, Janel Leydig and Linda (Leydig) Long.

Survivors include his wife, Queenie, of the home in Kirwin; two brothers, Jacob and Lois Leydig, St. Francis, and, Sam and Belva Leydig, Prairie View; two sisters, Darline and Walter Brown, Prairie View and Verlee and "Doc" Clark, Noel, Mo.; a stepdaughter, Cleora and Bruce McPhillamy, Holdrege; six step-grandchildren; 16 step-great-grandchildren; and two step-great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel in Phillipsburg with the Rev. Dr. Kent Scott officiating.

Mike and Lisa Leydig provided music which included "Gentle Hands" and "I'll Fly Away".

Casket Bearers were Bill Brown, Ed Linkous, Michael Iman, Everett Smith, Jonathan Iman and Bill McPhillamy. Burial was in the Marvin Cemetery, Glade



Phil and Mildred Hager on their wedding day, Nov. 11, 1956



Mildred and Phil Hager, 50 years later

## Couple to celebrate 50th with Nov. 11 open house

Phil and Mildred Hager, Gaylord, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Nov. 11 at the Gaylord Community Center.

Phil Hager and Mildred Freeborn were married Nov. 11, 1956, at Cedar Christian Church in Cedar.

They farmed in the Gaylord area for many years. Mrs. Hager worked as the secretary at the Gaylord schools before spending many years at the Gaylord bank. Mr Hager retired from farming

several years ago. He had been involved in the banking business.

The Hagers have been involved in community activities and their church. Though technically retired, they stay active and have enjoyed playing golf, trips in their RV and watching their grandsons grow up.

Their children, Kim Hager of Arkansas City and Kevin and Tammy Hager of Wichita, and grandchildren Cameron, Cole and Carson Hager, will host the event. The couple requests no gifts.

## 4-H NEWS

By COLTON LOWRY

It's been a busy month in the valley.

National 4-H Week was the first week of October. As a club, we set up a display of trophies, ribbons and projects at the Almena State Bank. In addition to the display, the club had a membership drive meeting. Notes were sent to the home of all kids at Northern Valley between the grades of Kindergarten and sixth grade inviting them to the Happy Halloweenie Roast and meeting. (We didn't tell them they had to pick up trash before they could eat).

We gathered at the roadside park

in Almena and picked up trash for our community service project.

At the meeting, which followed, the members discussed November's community service project, what the club wants to do for a Christmas project and correct parliamentary procedure.

By the time the meeting was over, everyone was freezing and very hungry. Bill Lowry had a fire going for roasting hot dogs and to get warm. Everyone shared a potluck meal and hot dogs. It was decided to forego recreation because of the cold. It was supposed to be Frisbee golf.

See 'ya next month!

# Column catches up on family happenings

This column will serve to catch you up on the recent happenings in the Deines clan. I have had many letters and notes inquiring about all of us so I will try to fill in the blanks for you.

My sister Ann is here visiting with me for just a few days. The cloud of chatter hanging over Apartment 230 is almost registering on the Richter Scale. She has been abroad most of this year so the family has had the joy of traveling vicariously through her albums and souvenirs.

Speaking of the family — here's the latest. Daniel's recent kidney/pancreas transplant has truly changed his life. It is just amazing both to him and to all of us. We are all so grateful for this miracle from the Lord via modern medicine. Thanks to all those who kept him in prayers and thoughts, sent cards and letters. He is back to work full time and feeling like a new man.

Joan and Randy are settling into a new apartment in Independence and new jobs in KC. Nice to get better acquainted with Randy. After some years in Florida, Missouri's autumn crispness is a little shock to them. Jo's nose discovered the joys of ragweed all over again. They are only 15 minutes' drive from me and it is great to have them so close.

David and Shannon are even closer since they live right here in Lee's Summit. They take me to medical appointments and to church and out for drives. David is involved with installing a new sound system at the church, which is right down his alley. He and Shannon are also prowling the antique malls to furnish their new house. Don't I wish I felt well enough to tag along.

We get together for lunch or dinner often. It has been years since we could all be together to tease and bicker and laugh over family stories. It's the best part of the move to Missouri.

## Just Chat

Liza Deines



Perhaps some of you talked with David and Shannon when they came out for the household auction. Hitting a cold day and a competing auction did not help the crowd but we thank those faithful auction fans who braved it all to come and bid. Did you buy something you really liked? I'd be delighted to hear from you if so; it would make me happy to know where my treasures found new homes. Thank you to all who attended and bid and a special thanks to my Senior Citizen buddies who provided their usual delicious lunch stand. As you may remember, the only thing I liked better than an auction bargain was a wedge of Ramona's sugar-free pie.

My days at the Carlyle House are happy, brightened by your phone calls, letters and emails from what will always be "home" to me. Some nasty little peritonitis bugs are trying to make their permanent home with me but I am fighting them off tooth and nail. I hope successfully. Suffice it to say doctors, nurses and hospitals are becoming 'way too familiar to this old gal.

My prayers and blessings go out to all of you. How I miss my dear church family, my bridge and lunch girls, my working companions, my good neighbors. New friends are nice but you all will always be in my heart.

Come and visit if you get into this area.

MY MAMA SAID Anyone can be happy when all goes well but it takes some grit and gumption to thrive in adverse circumstances.

## BIRTHS

### Ramsey Olivia Browne

Steve and Julie Browne of Leawood are the parents of a daughter born Oct. 15. Her name is Ramsey Olivia and she weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces. She has a brother, Jack, 17 months old.

Grandparents are David and Norma Browne, Norton and Bob and Kathy Ramsey of Kansas City.

Olive Kasper, Kansas City, is her great-grandmother.

### Gwenivere Rhea Schoenthaler

Clinton and Lizzetty Schoenthaler are the parents of a daughter, Gwenivere Rhea, born on March 15 at the Norton County Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 4



G. Schoenthaler

ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Mr. and Mrs. Schoenthaler have another daughter, Carol, who is 5 years old.

Grandparents are Cliff and Carol Schoenthaler, Norton, and Segundo and Hilda DeCaceres, Trujillo, Peru.

### Isabelle Rene Jones

Jarrood and Stacey Jones, Hays, are the parents of a daughter, Isabelle Rene, born Oct. 10 at Hays Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds and measured 20 inches long.

and Kellie Day, Lenora.

Great-grandparents are Clyde Bryant, La Crosse, Norman and Phyllis Brandyberry, Derby, and Darlene Day, Lenora.

Grandparents are Paul and Nancy Jones, La Crosse, Bonny Day, Hill City and Bob

Great-great-grandmother is Virginia Brandyberry, Hill City.

## MARKETS

At close of business Oct. 30

Wheat	\$4.78
Milo	\$3.13
Corn	\$3.19
Soybeans	\$5.74

## Orphan Train lesson heard by the Mid-Century Club

Mid-Century Club met Oct. 14 at the Prairie Land building for their Federation Day Brunch. Beverly Kindler welcomed everyone and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Special guests were Diane O'Connor, Sixth District Treasurer, Ellsworth; Marguerite Curry, Sixth District Past President, Phillipsburg; Phyllis Lewis and Betty Brooks, Helios Club, Hill City. The theme for the day was "Opportunity For a Better Tomorrow". Lynn Nelson was the song leader.

Doris Wintero gave a program on "Orphan Trains". She explained why there was a need for the Orphan Trains. She said in the late 1800s there was much overcrowding in the big cities, and poor living conditions. Many children were living on the street. The Children's Aid Society and The New York Foundling Hospital developed the Orphan Trains. It is estimated that 200,000 orphaned,

abandoned and homeless children rode these trains into 47 states and Canada.

The first documented train in Kansas arrived in Manhattan in 1867, and it is estimated that between 5,000 and 6,000 children found homes in the state. Concordia is the home of the new National Orphan Train Complex and each June a two-day event is dedicated to celebrate the orphan train riders still able to attend.

Sixteen members and guests answered roll call with "A Person That Influenced Me As A Child". Hostesses were Miss Kindler, Carolyn Applegate, Virginia Will and Darlene McEwen.

Geraldine Packer and Jean White led the closing with the Collect Narration.

The most recent meeting was Oct. 26 and featured a tour of Rawhide Iron Works, Norton. Following the tour, members went to Ginne Concannon's for the meeting. Co-hostess was Maxine Wiltfong.

## READERS

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

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Cindy Wegener began working for Rural Telephone in Lenora as an Administrative Coordinator on Oct. 16. Mrs. Wegener performs high-level administrative work for the Chief Operating Officer/Regulated Services. She also coordinates the daily activities of the administrative staff. She lives in Norton with her husband Bruce. They have two adult children.

**The American Family office will be closed on Nov. 1 for training.**

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Jake Swisher, a senior at Fort Hays State University, assisted with preparations for the school's annual Block and Bridle Junior College Livestock judging contest held Sept. 21.

**PITCH TOURNAMENT 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 5. Norton American Legion.**

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Diane Becker, a 2002 Jennings High School graduate and a senior at Fort Hays State University, has accepted a \$500 Lawrence and Virginia Gould Memorial Scholarship. She is the daughter of Paul

and Linda Becker, Lenora. She is majoring in political science.

Jason Green, a 2005 Norton Community High School graduate and a Fort Hays State University sophomore, has accepted a \$300 Roger Brown Memorial Scholarship.

He plans a career in optometry. Mr. Green is involved in Alpha Lambda Delta and is on the Dean's Honor Roll. His parents are Jim and Connie Green, Norton.

Avery Thalheim, a 2006 graduate of Northern Valley High School, has accepted a \$500 Award of Excellence from the Fort Hays State University College of Business and Leadership. Avery plans to major in business management. He is the son of Kent and Belinda Thalheim, Long Island.



J. Green



A. Thalheim



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