

OBITUARY

Kathleen C. Heikes

March 20, 1947 - March 17, 2007

Kathleen C. (O'Neill) Heikes, 59, Norton, died Saturday at Good Samaritan Hospital, Kearney, Neb.

Mrs. Heikes was born March 20, 1947, in Denver, Colo., the daughter of William D. and Mattie Carleen (Matthews) O'Neill.

She attended Catholic schools in Denver. Following graduation, she relocated to Kansas. In the early 1970s, she made her home in Almena, later moving to Norton.

On June 20, 1981, she and Dwight Heikes were married. She had worked in Norton at several different jobs including: the Andbe Home, the gas company, Coastal Mart, Hillcrest Motel and Pamida. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Eagles Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Dwight Heikes, Norton; two sons,

Damian Campbell, Denver and Darren Campbell, Hutchinson; a daughter, Kerie Keiswetter and fiancé, Mark Donahy, Wichita; a step-son, Brian Heikes, Kansas City, Mo.; a step-daughter, Pam Heikes, Lawrence; three sisters, Lynn and Larry Horstmann, Susie and Shannon Neigenfind and Mike and Nolan Epple, all of Denver; and eight grandchildren, Andrea Campbell, Alexander, Zachary and Elizabeth Keiswetter, Darion Campbell, Nicholas and Miles Austerman and Reagon Heikes.

Funeral services were held today at the funeral home. The Rev. Dennis Gilhousen officiated and burial was at Norton Cemetery.

The Kathleen Heikes Memorial Fund has been established in her memory. Contributions may be sent in care of the funeral home at 215 W. Main, Norton, Kan. 67654.

Couple to wed in Lincoln

Caroline Campbell and Jeffrey Grimes, both of Lincoln, are planning a June 9 wedding at Southern Heights Presbyterian Church in Lincoln. Parents of the couple are Richard and Kathy Campbell, Lincoln and Gregory and Ardith Grimes, Baldwin City.

The groom's grandmother is Dorothy Bernard, Norton.

Miss Campbell graduated with distinction earning a Bachelor of Science degree in business management from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. She is director of development with Village Gardens.



J. Grimes and C. Campbell

Mr. Grimes earned an Associate of Applied Science degree in microtechnology from Southeast Community College and is pursuing a bachelor's degree in actuarial science from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is a systems administrator with the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles.

Former Norton man wins prestigious award

Dr. Bruce Koel, Bethlehem, Pa., has been named the recipient of the 2007 George A. Olah Award. Dr. Koel is a 1973 graduate of Norton Community High School and son of Raymond and Leta Koel, Norton.

The award, which will be presented to him at the American Chemical Society meeting March 27 in Chicago, is a national honor that recognizes, encourages and stimulates outstanding research achievements in hydrocarbon and petroleum chemistry.

Dr. Koel learned about his award three days after his wife, Emily Carter, learned of her award which will be presented at the same time, which also happens to be their wedding anniversary.

Dr. Koel is a professor of chemistry at Lehigh University in Bethlehem. His wife is a physical chemist at Princeton. He taught at the University of Southern California from 1990 until 2005. He has taught at the University of Colorado and was a Miller Fellow at the University of California-Berkeley. At USC he served as chair of the chemistry department and as an adjunct professor of materials science from 1995-2005. He was co-founder of the Laboratory for Molecular Robotics, a new interdisciplinary research center at USC in 1994. Along with his colleagues, he greatly advanced the science and technology of nanomanipulation.

At Lehigh, Dr. Koel is a member of the Center for Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology (CAMN) and is working to expand the capabilities at Lehigh University for atomic and nanoscale imaging using scanning probe methods, both scanning tunneling microscopy (STM) and atomic force microscopy (AFM).

Dr. Koel grew up in Norton and said he had little interest in college beyond athletics. One of his teachers, who had played football for Emporia State University, talked him into going to Emporia State, telling him it had a good track and cross-country program.

As it happens, Dr. Koel never ran a step for the track team. He found himself interested in science early on, but was unsure what to enroll in. His adviser suggested an unusual approach. Sign up for premed, he said. That way you can take all the science classes and sort things out later. Dr. Koel laughed that "The adviser was a fantastic teacher but not such a great advi-



Dr. Bruce Koel

sor, because I took 27 hours my freshman semester. I tested into a lot of stuff and he forgot to tell me to drop the other stuff. I was in the lab and class from 8 in the morning until 5 at the end of each day." Dr. Koel thought he wanted to be a physics major. By the end of his second semester, he learned he had won a chemistry award, but it could only be claimed if he was a chemistry major," he said. "So, I said fine, I'm a chemistry major." He received bachelor's and master's degrees from Emporia State University and his doctorate in chemistry from the University of Texas.

Along with authoring more than 200 publications, Dr. Koel has spoken at technical meetings, universities and laboratories worldwide. Over the course of his academic career, Dr. Koel has supervised the research of 42 graduate students, 25 undergraduate students and 21 postdoctoral researchers.

The Olah Award was established in 1948 as the ACS Award in Petroleum Chemistry and has been supported through a fund initially created by donations from the Morris S. Smith Foundation and the Dow Chemical Company. Nominees for the award must meet a strict set of criteria, and have an established record of outstanding research in the chemistry of hydrocarbons or of petroleum and its products.

Hay loft hosted tea parties and games

Aunt Mabel and Uncle Jack have come to visit us at our new house in WaKeeney. Mama showed them all the nice places, like a real bathroom with a tub and a basement with a fruit room and her glass-front kitchen cabinets. Daddy and Uncle Jack settled right down by the new radio to listen to the baseball games so we hustled right out of the living room. Uncle Jack didn't like to miss a single word of the game.

Aunt Mabel asked me where my favorite play place was. I didn't even stop to think before I answered, "Oh, the barn, up in the hay loft. Wanta come see?" And she really did! She didn't even hesitate about climbing up the ladder to get up to the top of the barn. Most grown-ups don't want to go up but she did and she liked it. Mama said she had to go cook lunch but I showed Aunt Mabel "my" house and she liked it just as much as she liked Mama's house.

Aunt Mabel dresses really fancy and wears high heels and she has red hair. Mama says it's dyed but it doesn't look dead to me. I wonder when it died, and how, but I know better than to ask a grownup snoopy questions. She is more fun than my Aunt Florence, but I love both of them, even though they are really different. It is good to have aunts.

Even have some furniture in my hay loft. Grandpa's old, old bear, Ted, lives in a wooden box with some of my older dolls. Sometimes rain comes in the roof so I have a good lid for Ted's box. He is very old and if he gets wet he smells just awful. Besides, I wouldn't want him to get sick and die. We have tea parties with an old tin tea set that has yellow ducks painted on it. I have a real, honest-to-goodness teakettle Mama gave me. It leaks a little bit but I can

Child of the 40s

Liza Deines



bring water up the ladder in it. Summer days I go down to our little pasture lot and pull wild onions to have for tea and sometimes I sneak a tomato out of the garden or some radishes or green peas for a real feast. Today Aunt Mabel has make-believe chocolate marshmallow cookies in her pocket so we have a little tea party. She plays make believe just like I do. I wonder if she is really a little girl? She even eats Ted's serving since we know his sawdust innards don't digest chocolate very well.

Sun rays come in through some holes in the old barn roof. I have a blue glass medicine jar set where the sun shines on it sometimes and makes sparkly blue spots on the floor. When the daisies in the pasture bloom I pick some and make bouquets in cans. Daddy nailed up all the loose boards and made a fence across the big bale opening so I can play up here without falling out and he brought me wooden boxes, too, from his grocery store. On top of the holes where they used to drop hay into the cattle mangers below, he put a big wooden banana box from the store. I keep my best rocks in it and Aunt Mabel and I spend a long time looking at all of them.

Mama and Aunt Mabel and I eat our lunch out on the porch because the ball game is still on. Uncle Jack loves baseball and used to play, so he sits right up by the radio to listen and when the game is on all he ever says is, "Shhh!". Still, it was a happy day. I hope they come to play another time.

BIRTHS

Kaedence Elaine Brynds

Joe Brynds and Ashleigh Anderson, Overland Park, are the parents of a daughter, Kaedence Elaine Brynds, born at Shawnee Mission Medical Center. She was born Feb. 10



K.E. Brynds

weighing 8 pounds 8 ounces and measuring 20 inches in length.

Her grandparents are Judy

Brynds, Lawrence; Earl and Adrian Brynds; Patrick Anderson, Overland Park and Sheri Anderson, West Des Moines, Iowa.

Great-grandparents are Dennis and Roberta McAllister, Clayton; Lynn Hunston, Benton, Ky.; Phylliss Peterson and the late Merl Peterson; and John and Ruth Anderson, Ft. Madison, Iowa.

Great-great-grandparents are Doris Mizell, Norton and the late Lysle Mizell.

Kaden Joseph Graham

Kaden Joseph Graham was born Feb. 15 at Norton County Hospital to Mark and Melissa Graham, Prairie View. He weighed 6



K.J. Graham

pounds 13 ounces and mea-

sured 18 1/4 inches in length. Mr. and Mrs. Graham also have a daughter, Abigail.

Grandparents are Bernard and Lavon McCormack, Norton and Marvin and Erma Sander, Oakley.

The baby's great-grandmother is Frances Stithem, Plainville.

HANSEN MUSEUM

By SHIRLEY HENRICKSON
The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum takes great pride in bringing to Logan the exhibit "Spirit of the Mask" owned by Carla Hanson of Shawnee. The exhibit includes over 100 masks from five continents, 40 countries and nearly a dozen Native American tribes.

Included in this exhibition are a variety of masks from around the world with explanation of their uses: Carnival, Celebration, Dance, Death, Fertility, Religion, Social Control, Theater and Healing.

The origin of the carnival masks is uncertain, but it has become an integral part of the celebrations. Their use is an essential element in the atmosphere of pandemonium and celebration. Masks from both

Central and South America are created from countless variety of materials: wood, leather, stone, paper mache, shell as well as discarded objects. They are then decorated with paint, hair, animal teeth, straw, seeds, gourds, shells and twine. Anything that is readily available. Contemporary carnival masks may even be decorated with glitter and other modern materials.

The museum's March Artists of the Month are Tom and Mary Ewing from Oberlin. Mr. and Mrs. Ewing have the Artist of the Month corner packed full of leather items.

Please check out our website. The address is www.hansenmuseum.org. If you have any questions please e-mail us at hansenmuseum@ruraltel.net.

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