

OBITUARIES

Leigh Anne Davis

February 6, 1959 - January 13, 2011

Leigh Anne Davis was born Feb. 6, 1959, in Hays to Donald J. Davis and Judy (Broadbooks) Davis. She died Jan. 13, at the Via Christi St. Francis Hospital in Wichita, at the age of 51.

Leigh and her siblings grew up in Norton. She attended Norton schools and graduated from Norton Community High School in 1977 and Kansas Wesleyan University in Salina, earning a Master's Degree in Education.

In 1981, Leigh moved to Oberlin, where she taught English, Speech, and Drama and served as a Senior Class Sponsor at Decatur Community High School. She started the Drama Club at Decatur Community High School. Leigh was a member of the Lund Covenant Church and Kansas National Education Association.

Leigh loved her pets, enjoyed reading, and had a soft spot in her heart for her students and all children. She touched and influenced the lives of many during her 30 years of teaching.

Survivors include her mother, Judy Davis, of Oberlin; father

and stepmother, Donald J. Davis and Helen Keller-Davis, of Palco; brothers, Donald Jr. and Cynthia Davis, of Phoenix, Ariz., and Larry Davis, of Denver, Colo.; sister, Barbara Balsler, of Salina; seven nieces: Monica Graves, Lisa Balsler, Erica Balsler, Sarah Davis, Madeline Davis, Kallista Davis, and Gabrielle Davis; two great-nephews, Steven and Jayson Graves; in addition to other relatives and many friends.

Leigh was preceded in death by an infant sister, Kimberly, and three cousins, Myron Klusener, Keye Westbrook, and Steve Broadbooks II.

Funeral services were held Monday at the United Methodist Church in Oberlin with the Rev. Linda Willey officiating. Memorials have been established to Decatur County High School Drama Club and Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Burial was in the Oberlin Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Pauls Funeral Home, Oberlin and Selden.

Moma's quilting parties

Child of the '40s

Liza Deines



of February. So we live in the dining room and kitchen during the winter and crawl under the quilt to get to the bedroom hallway. Daddy refers to this as a darned nuisance but Roger and I think it's fun.

I love quilting season. Underneath the quilt is a great place to play on Saturday and Sunday. It's even more fun to creep under there after school and listen to the conversation while the ladies quilt. I pretend to be a mouse, quiet as quiet can be and sometimes they forget I'm even there. It's fun to watch the needles flash in and out through the white muslin backing. Some of the ladies stitch fast and neat taking the tiniest little stitches but others tear out as much as they stitch in. Today I have homework so I sit at the dining room table

and work on subtraction. Second grade arithmetic is getting harder every day.

Most of the quilts are made as wedding gifts for daughters, pieced from our special dress scraps saved for years, lots of colors and patterns. This quilt is for Eva's daughter who goes to K-State in Manhattan. I'm not sure what that means but it must have something to do with purple because she's going to have an all purple wedding in June with six bridesmaids and orchids. Her quilt is mostly purple, too, the Dresden Plate design. I sure hope I get a quilt one day, maybe a Little Fan or a Double Wedding Ring. Mama says there's no hurry, though, because it'll be a long time before I have to decide for sure. I know she already has my box of scraps started.

As they stitch the ladies tell about how simple their weddings were, how young and poor they were, about living with their folks for two or three years before they could rent a house. It sounds just awful so I don't understand why

they all laugh and smile when they talk about such hard times. I asked Mama about that once and she said they were too much in love to notice. That's why they make quilts for us, to sew love and blessings and good fortune into every stitch to protect us from hard times. I guess they think girls now won't ever fall as much in love as they were?

Mollie calls, "Liza Beth, there's a little snack for you in the ice box". That's the best part of quilting day! The ladies take turns bringing in little sandwiches for lunch. Today I know Myrtle brought the sandwiches because she cuts each one in pretty star and circle shapes. There's a fancy devilled egg, too. I make sure to tell the ladies thank you so I don't embarrass Mama. Arithmetic sure goes easier with a sandwich to munch.

It's too bad quilting day only comes once a week!

MY MAMA SAID: Quilting needs ten stitches to the inch and twelve is better.

DEATH NOTICE

Max Schmitz

January 16, 2011

Max Schmitz, Norton, died Jan. 16, at the Logan Manor, at the age of 92.

Funeral services are pending with Enfield Funeral Home of Norton.

BIRTH

Kaydee Rose Bolt, daughter of Tyler and Lisa (Kiser) Bolt, was born Dec. 15 at Stormont-Vail, Topeka. Kaydee was 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grandparents are Don and Paula Bolt of Jennings, and Randy and Jean Kiser of Logan.

Great grand-parents are Dewayne and Dee Kiser of Delphos, Carolyn Rauch of Belleville, Maxine Zollinger of Hutchinson, the late Orland Zollinger, Jewell



Kaydee Rose Bolt

and Roselyn Bolt all of Goodland, the late Cyril and Kilianna Schmidt of Hays.

Student News

Zoey Meyers, Norton Community High School, has been awarded a Garvey Competitive Scholarship from Washburn University. Up to \$28,000 will be given to the recipients who attend Washburn University. Garvey Scholarships may be renewed up

to four years if the student enrolls full time at Washburn and maintains a cumulative grade point average of 3.0

The late Ray Hugh and Olive White Garvey, both Washburn graduates, established the scholarship fund.

FYI

Breast Cancer is the topic for this week's program in the sixth season of Doctors on Call on Smoky Hills Public Television.

Anne O'Dea, MD at Hays Medical Center and Charles Schultz, MD, Southwind Surgical in Hays will answer questions in this live viewer call-in program.

The half-hour-long program will air Tuesday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. with a repeat recorded program scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 23 at 3:30 p.m. during which no calls can be taken.

The Norton County Senior Center announces the distribution of government surplus food for low income persons of all ages in Norton County. Food available: Canned pork, peanut butter, rice cereal, mixed vegetables, corn, apple juice, rotini, fig pieces and boxed milk.

Distribution times and places are: Jan. 26. 2-4 p.m. Senior Center, Norton; Jan. 28. 2-4 p.m. Senior Center, Lenora; Jan. 28. 9-11 a.m. Senior Center, Almena; Jan. 29. 2-3 p.m., Library, Clayton.

Students will jump rope for hearts

From Jan. 31 to Feb. 18 students at Norton's Eisenhower Elementary School will be jumping at the chance to fight heart disease and stroke, our nation's No. 1 and No. 3 killers.

The third through sixth grade Physical Education classes are gearing up for the worthwhile program.

Jump Rope for Heart teaches students how physical fitness benefits the heart and shows them that volunteering can be a fun and positive experience for the whole

community. The need to educate children about the importance of physical activity couldn't be timelier. According to recent studies, about one-third of children ages 2 to 19 are overweight and obese.

"By including physical activity into their daily routines, kids can significantly reduce the onset and burden of heart disease," said Joan Bolt. "By raising money through Jump Rope for Heart, we are preventing heart disease and obesity for the next generation

of Americans. Kids are literally jumping into a heart healthier life while becoming passionate about raising money for others with sick hearts."

For over 32 years, Jump Rope for Heart has raised more than \$810 million for the fight against heart disease and stroke. Millions of students have jumped rope and learned about heart health and how nutrition and physical activity can help prevent heart disease and stroke. Jump Rope for Heart is co-sponsored by the American

Heart Association and the Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Please help our students help others by making a donation. Contact Joan Bolt, Eisenhower Elementary School jbolt@usd211.org or call 877-5113.

If you would like to help more, call the American Heart Association at 1-800-AHA-USA 1 (1-800-242-8721). You can also visit us online at americanheart.org/jump.



Maxine and Stan Harbers

Celebrating 65 years

Maxine and Stan Harbers were married on Jan. 24, 1946 at Prairie View and will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on Jan. 24. Their daughters, Sandy Preuss,

Terry Ames and Marcia Tuell would like to honor them with a card shower. Cards can reach them at 708 N. Grant, Norton, KS, 67654.

Card shower

A card shower has been requested for Levina Ingram in honor of her 92nd birthday on Jan.

27. Cards can reach her at: Levina Ingram, c/o Andbe Home, 201 W. Crane, Norton, KS, 67654.

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