

# Auto tragedy strikes the family of well-known Ricks coed, Julie Virchow

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Six members of the family of a former Ricks College student were killed in an automobile accident last spring while traveling to the Denver Temple.

Carl Virchow, 49, his wife LeAnne, 43, and their four sons Paul, 22, David, 16, James, 14, and Mark, 8, were traveling to the temple in Denver when a car veered across the centerline and hit the car in which the Virchows were riding. The family's only survivor, Julie, was attending Ricks when the accident occurred.

Four days later, over 1,500 people paid their respects to a family who was described by Pres. Paul M. Goodfellow of the Sante Fe, New Mexico Stake as

being "...the kind of people others looked up to and admired."

The Virchow's came from Los Alamos, New Mexico, a small scientific community of 18,000 where Bro. Virchow was an electrical engineer and the manager of a scientific research company. In the LDS Church, he was the High Priest leader of his ward, Sis. Virchow was the Stake Primary and Ward Chorister and Paul had recently returned from Switzerland where he served a mission. The younger boys were very active in the church as well.

Julie, who displayed stamina and faith when confronted by the media, told the Albuquerque Journal, "I'd like people to know the Church helps

me to understand what has happened to my family. It gives me comfort to know where they are. I believe that my family is together right now and that they are happy and that they have a job to do there."

According to Student Life Vice President, Mack Shirley, Julie is now Julie Virchow Parkinson. She was engaged previously to the accident and followed through with her plans this summer.

Her husband is from Los Alamos and they are currently residing there. Julie will return to Ricks College next week to give her Homecoming Queen crown to her predecessor.

# KRIC-FM signal spreads in the 3-state region

Idaho's only all-classical public radio station, KRIC-FM, is continuing to expand its signal and soon will be heard in parts of Wyoming and Montana as well as Idaho.

Earlier this spring, the college-owned classical music and information station installed a transmitter southwest of Afton, Wyo.

Later this fall a transmitter will be in place to service the Dillon, Montana area. Costs to bring the signal into southwestern Montana are being paid by a citizen's group, said John Haeberle, station manager.

KRIC, with a radiated power of 75,000 watts, covers an area from Ashton to the north, Driggs to the east, Arco to the west and Fort Hall to the south.

Existing transmitters rebroadcast the signal into the Pocatello and Jackson Hole, Wyoming areas.

KRIC, at 100.5 FM, began broadcasting all Viking football and basketball games last fall.

The station features such news programs weekdays as "Morning Edition," from 6-8 a.m., and "All Things Considered," from 4:30-6 p.m.

"These are probably two of the best news and information programs in the nation," said LaMar Barrus, program director. "It's amazing how many calls we get from out-of-staters who have just moved to Idaho and thank us for offering such fine programs."

Although the station's emphasis is on classical works, a wide variety of programs from Broadway hits to folk and country western are also available.

One popular weekly feature is the Ricks College devotional heard every Tuesday at 2 p.m. They are also rebroadcasted that evening at 7 p.m.

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