

July promises to be busy with fireworks, contests and more

Summer is here and we are in full swing of many summer activities. Of course kicking off the month is the annual Kiwanis Fireworks display which will begin at dusk at the Fairgrounds on the 4th of July.

Don't forget the Pioneer Memorial Library photo contest where pictures must be taken the 4th of July. This contest documents "A Day in the Life of Thomas County" where the people, events, and places are photographed. The library will answer any questions and has the film for those wishing to participate.

July is also the month of sports tournaments. Mid-America Youth Bas-

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ketball will be in Colby July 5-7 and we expect 70 teams. State Girls 14 & Under Softball Tournament will be held July 12-15 and the Colby Swim Club is holding their meet the same weekend at the pool.

The showcase events this month are the Pickin' on the Plain Bluegrass Festival, Picnic in the Parks continue ev-

ery Thursday through July and Thomas County Fair.

The Bluegrass festival will be July 19-21 at Bourquin's RV Park and Campground. Returning this year due to their popularity will be Spontaneous Combustion, High Atmosphere, and Black Rose as well as our local favorites. New to the festival this year will be Kansas Heart, Faris Family, Bluestem, and a local favorite Jeff Wagoner Family. Trey Allen will return as emcee and Cowboy Poet.

There will be horsedrawn rides, crafts for the kids, and lots of food. John Schaffner will be here with his Chuckwagon cooking meals over the

open fire in iron kettles. Be sure to take advantage of this wild west experience. The western theme continues with the Thomas County Fair opening July 30.

There will be two nights of PRCA rodeo, demolition derby, and two nights of car races. The parade will be Tuesday July 30th at 5:30 with the theme "A Journey into Imagination". Enjoy the free Barbecue, viewing the exhibits of the 4-H youth and open classes. It is a full July of many and varied activities.

A team of eight attended the Leadership Institute in Wichita. There were two days of dynamic speakers demonstrating the "simple acts make a difference."

Attending from Colby were Terrell Harrison, Jim Myer, Jada Johnson, D'Ette Scholtz, Cynthia Black, Sherri Tubbs, and Leilani Thomas.

Jim Finn of Atwood who is working with area schools was also in attendance with our group. Nomination forms and applications for the 2002-2003 Leadership Thomas County program will be mailed in July. Opening

retreat will be held in October and the program will run through April. If you are interested in participating, please contact the Chamber of Commerce.

Heritage Daze Weekend was a huge success. The combining of the Rod Run and Prairie Heritage Day seemed to work extremely well. There are so many to thank for this event: thanks to the city for the additional electricity which was dropped into the park and to all of the departments for their support and cooperation.

Thanks to Bill Summers who contacted all of the entertainment, provided the sound system and to Keith Reavis and Dennis Meitl who ran the Board. Judy Kleinsorge headed Children's crafts and Jon Eicher worked with the crafters in determining their location and for heading the tractor show. A great big thank you to Farm Credit of Western Kansas for sponsoring the Prairie Iron Show.

Thanks to the Colby Free Press for sponsoring the coloring contest and to Pioneer Memorial Library for providing prizes.

Farmer's and Merchants Bank are to be congratulated for a very well attended Watermelon feed.

A huge thank you to Bev and Bill Biel and the Rod Run Committee for your hard work, the fun walk, horse-shoe tournament and other events for the participants.

A special thank you to all of the businesses who are so very generous with their door prizes and monetary donations to make the Rod Run a reality.

Finally a very special thank you to those who contributed so that the Mile High Party Jumpers could provide free access to the slide and castle for the children.

They were the highlight of the day for the youth. Those very special sponsors are Helen Frahm, Hankie Beckman, Bob & Louise Withers, S & T Telephone, Southwestern Bell, Colby Jaycees, Holiday Inn Express and Charles Davis.

Finally a huge thank you to all who attended, supported our vendors, enjoyed the cars and activities and made Heritage Daze Weekend a success.

Colby College releases honor roll

One hundred sixty-two students earned their place on Colby Community College spring semester honor rolls, said Betty Kruse, college registrar.

The Dean's Honor Roll listed 73 students, while the President's Honor Roll lists 89 more, she said.

To earn a place on a Colby College honor roll, students must earn 12 or more credit hours and have no failing grades. The Dean's Honor Roll includes students with grade point averages of 3.75-3.99. The President's Honor Roll includes only students with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

The following students made the Dean's Honor Roll. They are: Sarah Hawkins, Atwood; Parker Crumbaker, Brewster; Candace Albers, Cynthia Blanton, James Carney, Elizabeth Codner, Michelle Crocker, Daniel Crotinger, Justin Dickson, Ashley Edwards, Nichole Feldt, Angela Germann, Cullen Gilbreath, Sarah Heier, Erica Horinek, Nathan Keiser, Joshua McCaghren, Sherelle Miller, Sheri Printz, Kurt Weishaar, Brian Wolf, and Tyra Woofert, all of Colby.

Others included Carrie Riedel, Gem; Kendra Brack, Lee McCoy, Lonnie Phifer, Rita Scheopner, Jonathan Whisnant, Goodland; Summer Broeckelman, Bridgette Ramey, Grinnell; Amy Long, Gypsum; Candis Stiles, Hanston; Stuart Keltner, Erin Wagner, Hays; Mary Beth Desaire, Hill City; Therese Newman, Hoxie; Matthew Olson, Levant; Trevor Martin, Long Island, Neb.; David Fields, Menlo; Holly Jones, Susan Williams, Norton; Amy Dunn, Suzanne Jones, Paul Ostmeyer, Oakley; Danielle Diederich, Emilie Eldridge, Oberlin; Elizabeth Freeman, Phillipsburg; Dawn Baus, Pratt; Victoria Allison, Tanya Schwarz, Rexford; Jerry Robben, Ashley Siebert, Sharon Spring; Brian Holzwarth, Jared Sowers, St. Francis; Rachelle Ewy, Syracuse; Libby Lister, Topeka; Leslie Foss, Tribune; Dustin Deines, WaKeeney; Lisa Dolton, Wichita; Miquolet Meska, Winona.

In Arapahoe, Colo., Peter Mattaroo; Eckley, Colo., Heath Roundtree; Stratton, Colo., Victoria Woller; Winston-Salem, N.C., Othello Johnson,

Shih Min Lee; Benkelman, Neb. Abbie Hall; Champion, Neb., Kelen Fortkamp; Kearney, Neb., Nancy Christine Carfield; Lawrence, Neb., Melissa Schroer; North Platte, Neb. Ryan Tickle; Stapleton, Neb., Margaret Opela; Oconto Falls, Wis., Justin Marquardt; and Japan, Toshie Nuki

President's Honor Roll recipients from Atwood were Jaime Haffield, Renee Horinek, Jane McCain; Bird City, Annie Dulany, Jordan Sowers; Brewster, Michelle Horney, Jessica Rush, Karen Wilson; Claflin, Travis J. Lank; Clay Center, Quincie Hammond; Colby, Kim Ahrens, Kara Bartlett, Georgia Brown, Kaleena Dey, Mary Ann Flipse, Myrna Hamilton, Angela Harris, Kayla Harry, Shannon Harter, Peter Heier, Lindsay Hurr, Amanda Juenemann, Susan McMahan, Gari Moore, Kelli Moore, Rachael Morrell, Matthew Murray, Lisa Rieth, Troy Siebert, Norma Simonton, Marcella Smith, Erica Stephens, Angela Tinkham, Christopher Veeh; Damar, Leona Dawn Knipp Dresden, Leah Katherine Sewell; Elkhart, Miranda Bloesser Gem Ashleigh Green; Goodland, Jasalyn Franz, Joy Hayden, Kristina Nylander, Tracy Swayne; Hill City, Susan Kessler, Brandon Mauck; Hoxie, Jesse Cooper, Cody Poell; Kanorado, Cody Pettibone; Lakin, Amanda Ansel; Levant, Robert Tubb; Mankato, Landon McDill; Morland, Robbie Ellis; Natoma Ashley Stull, Newton, Amanda Olbricht; Norton, Lilah Hixon; Oakley, Lacey Dumler, Angela Kuhlman, Scott Moeder; Oberlin Angela Musgrave; Phillipsburg, Jason Krafft; Quinter, Allison Berens; Ransom, Britney Willour; Rexford, Angela Albers; Sharon Springs, Danele Benisch, Casey Rhea, Craig Schurr; St. Francis, Brandi Clark, Dale Rose, Michael Wolters; Strong City, Emmett Ty Wilson; WaKeeney, Jana Malsam Wallace, Megan Pilger; White City, Amy Bosomworth; Winona, Lindy Kvasnicka; Stratton, Colo., Michelle Thompson; Vernon, Colo., Cassie Stults; Ellsworth, Iowa, Lindsie Twedt; Haigler, Neb., Sharla Harford; Jackson, Neb., Jerod Davis, McCook, Neb., Lindsay Chance, Kindra Smith, Nelson, Neb., Laurel

Colby Middle School recognizes achievements

Colby Middle School has released the following honor roll for the last nine weeks of school, said Robb Ross, principal. The following students included:

6th grade Orange and Black

Mandie Ackerman, Ryan Baalman, Elizabeth Barnes, Chris Brittain, Bailey Brown, Darci Brown, Jake Cox, Leah Cox, Jordan Erickson, Lindsay Frahm, Amanda Fromholtz, Curtis Fulwider, Kelly Gerstner, Tim Howard, Robyn Hull, Grant Jennings, Chase Keller, Kevin Lang, Brent Luedke, Malory McKee, Hunter Olson, Kayle Phillips, Courtney Ress, Eli Robert, Brady Rundel, Ashley Schippers, Jason Schroeder, Porsha Selley, Justin Shields, Aubrette Stephens, Katie Strange, Coy Talsma, Austin Taylor, Rebecca Theimer, Mitchell Tuma, Chase Vaughn, Amber Wagoner, and Tasha Wagoner.

7th grade Orange and Black

Amanda Albers, April Anderson, Trey Barnett, Chance Benson, Chance Bulmer, Brandy Bussen, Ashley Carswell, Reagan Coulter, Jaron Cox, Carleigh Dempewolf, J.D. Donn, Michael Downing, Ryan Downing, Jared Flanagan, Mitchell Gatz, Nicholas Harlow, Brett Harter, Jesse Hawk, Joseph Heier, Callie Henry, Matt Hildebrand, Ashlee Hudson, Lindsey Jarnagin, Jenna Johnson, Michelle Kaus, Justin Kennedy, Brittany Kersenbrock, Bailey Klinger, Evan Mainus, Renee McEvoy, Jennifer McMahan, Cody Mead, Jennifer Mills, Eric Ohlrogge, Travis Parker, Erik Paulsen, Angela Rasmussen, Denise Repshire, Anthony Rohr, John Schmidt, Tyler Sharp, Kristin Skiles, Brandi Stupka, Weston Talsma, Bobby Weiss, Ryan White, and Hannah Wooster.

8th grade Orange and Black

Stuart Aiken, Brittany Barton, Heath Bieker, Lacey Cooper, Amy Dickman, Jeremy Dietz, Badyr Fercha, Kayla Foltz, Jacquie Fry, Jaime Fry, Cole Garcia, Stephanie Griffith, Chris Haefner, Trey Hamilton, Nic Howard, Kody Huff, Alex Kleinsorge, Rikki Lane, Alison Leavitt, Diana McAdams, Lincoln McClure, Shaly Niemeyer, Janessa Rasmussen, Sierra Rous, Sara Sanford, Paul Schrick, Brian Seemann, Reed Shoaff, Scott Smith, Morgan Stephens, David Voss, Liz Waterman, Brett Wilson, and Hannah Zimmerman

6th grade Academic

Stephanie Albers, Joshua Baden, Rachel Bohall, Bryan Brewer, Phillip Bullington, Jenny Dickman, Emily Geschwenter, Joseph Hutfles, Nicholas Kriss, Lissa Mazanec, Paige Pfeiffer, Taylor Pool, Chelle Shoemaker, Paige Stephens, Cody Wark, Logan Wark, Johanna Wiens, and Todd Ziegelmeier

7th grade Academic

Ashley Barnes, Tisha Bieker, Lindsey Bugbee, Garrett Carpenter, Kristin Cox, Lauren Cox, Josh Dack, Elizabeth Erickson, Caitie Henry, Michael Juenemann, David Kinderknecht, Henry Lamm, Rishonna Martin, Sam Munderloh, Amanda Paulsen, Trenton Powell, Nicole Ritter, Trevor Siebert, Andrew Toth, and Rashaun Wilson

8th grade Academic

Zanae Baird, Emily Dougherty, Katie Friesen, Kassie Jacob, Elaine Lamm, Amanda McInay, Shea McKee, Sarah Redmond, Robyn Schmid, Nikole Schroeder, and Jessica Stephens

Top Academic Students

6th grade: Lissa Mazanec and Todd Ziegelmeier 7th grade: Rishonna Martin and Trenton Powell 8th grade: Kassie Jacob



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The first load of wheat came into the Hi-Plains Coop on Saturday at 8:50 a.m. by Allen Pence of Colby. Tyler Breedden of Quinter, who registered at Farm Credit, was our winner with a guess of Saturday at 9:30 a.m. We had around 150 participating with 9 guessing Saturday as the date of the first load of wheat. Congratulations Tyler and thanks to all who participated.

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