

# Family

## Deaths

### S.A. "Bus" Finuf

S.A. "Bus" Finuf, 87, of Colby, died Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2002, at Citizens Medical Center.

Services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby. Father Galen Long will officiate. Burial will follow in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Tully.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel. A vigil will be held at 7 p.m. that night.

He is survived by his wife Bessie of Colby; two brothers, Wilfred and Bernard Finuf; and two sisters, Mary Sutter and Ruth McCullough.

Mr. Finuf was born May 14, 1915 in Flush and was a retired road worker for Thomas County. He was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the VFW, and the American Legion.

Memorials are suggested to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and can be left at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel.

### Theo Oswald (T.O) Haas

Theo Oswald (T.O) Haas, 87, died of heart failure in Lincoln, Neb., Sunday, Dec. 1, 2002, only 24 hours after undergoing abdominal surgery. He was the founder of T.O Haas Tire Incorporated. One of his locations is in Colby.

Mr. Haas is survived by his wife, Terry; a son Randy; a daughter Rebecca and seven grandchildren.

Haas, who was born on a farm in Kansas, went to work in 1933 for his brother, J.D., in a small southwest Texas town just four miles from the Mexican border. He learned to retread tires and later sold the tires up and down the lower Rio Grande Valley.

In 1941 he joined the Air Force. While studying at the Lincoln Aeronautical Institute, he met his wife, Terry. After the war, the couple returned to Lincoln and went into business for themselves. He established his company in 1947. Within two years Haas had bought his first retreading facility and became a district representative for O.K. Rubber Welders in Nebraska and northern Kansas.

He continued to grow the business through the years by aligning himself with Tire & Battery Corporation, wholesaling and retailing private brand tires and batteries in a multi-state area before selling the business to his children and retiring in 1978.

In 1997, he was awarded the Humanitarian Award by Tire Business Magazine, and inducted in 2000, into the Tire Industry Hall of Fame, by the Tire Industry Association.

## Community Calendar

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

Sunday Morning Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous, 9:30 a.m.  
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 2-8 p.m.  
Higher Ground, High School Youth Group, Berean Church, 6 p.m.  
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.  
Santa City Open, 1 to 5 p.m.  
Colby Christmas Parade, 6 p.m. downtown Colby  
United Methodist Women "Experience Christmas" 2 to 5 p.m.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

Duplicate Bridge, airport, 1 p.m.  
Monday Afternoon Bridge, Meadowlark Manor, 1 p.m.  
Take Off Pounds Sensibly, United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.; weigh-in, 6-6:30 p.m.  
Housing Authority Board, Meadowlark Manor, 5 p.m.  
High Plains Lions, Quality Inn, 7 p.m.  
St. Thomas Lodge, 215 N. Franklin, 8 p.m.  
Jaycees, East Highway 24 at 8 p.m.  
American Legion, 8 p.m.  
Rexford Lions, Rexford Cafe, 7 p.m.  
Pride of the Prairie Orchestra practice, Colby Community College Band Room, Cultural Arts Center, 7:30-9 p.m.  
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, (non-smoking), City Hall Basement, 8:30 p.m.

## Clubs

### Rotary

President Les Brown presided over the Colby Rotary Club on Dec. 3. He recognized guests Bruce Frahm and WG Romine, pastor of Redeeming Love Church. It was reported that last week's attendance was 43 percent, while the whole month of November yielded 60 percent.

Community Service committee will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 10, prior to the regular lunch meeting.

The president's Rotary history focused on recent history - the placing of hundreds of billboards on highways, busses etc. publicizing the Polio Eradication project.

Next week's meeting will include membership ratification of the slate of officers for 2003.

Travis Siebert, a junior at Colby High School and recent recipient of a Rotary donation, reported on his trip to San Francisco for a national youth Tobacco and Health conference. Forty of the 4000 attendees were Kansans - in line with our population.

Siebert related some of the fun and educational experiences at the conference, as well as some humorous lobbying incidents many of the groups engaged in. Beyond the conference, Siebert enjoyed the many cultures found in the Bay Area, a trip to Alcatraz and the sights along the piers.

Member Ron Evans, Colonel USAF retired, provided his own program, stating that it was a rerun of one done in the early 1980s.

In 25 fast-paced minutes Ron reviewed his experiences serving our country in the military. From ROTC at KU and pilot training at Vance Air Force Base starting November 1965, Evans ticked off assignments flying F-4s at Eglin Air Force Base, 2 combat tours in the Vietnam war stationed at Uban Air Force Base in Thailand, and a tour in England where he married Sue Smith.

Four years at Nellis Air Force Base in Las Vegas teaching at Top Gun school were followed by assignment to Langley Air Force Base where Ron worked on the F-16. Next the couple returned to Asia - this time to Korea where he again flew the F-4. Evans' final assignment was the A-10 Warthog tank buster, which capped 20 years in the Air Force.

Ron engaged in some "hangar flying". He described survival schools set in jungle, sea and winter environments. His 378 combat missions is among the highest achieved in the Viet Nam con-

flict, and Evans considers himself fortunate to have never taken any hits. However he did describe a couple close calls.

Slides augmented his discussions of midair refueling, Viet Nam combat areas, and the planes he's flown. His service flight suit and helmet were among interesting props.

Among the many service friends Col. Evans has made are Gen. Richard Myers, current chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and graduate of Kansas State University.

During a question and answer time, Evans noted jokingly (?) that, during this time of budget cuts, mandates, and changing roadwork jurisdictions, "combat flying was easier than being a current county commissioner".

### VFW Auxiliary

VFW Auxiliary met Dec. 2, at the Post Home with President Doris Voisin presiding.

Roll call of officers was read and opening prayer offered. Patriotic instructions were read, followed by the flag salute and POW-MIA prayer.

Correspondence read was General Orders and the President's Message. Thank you notes were read from the Chamber of Commerce for Santa City donations, Meadowlark Manor for potted flowers and Colby Schools for kids coats.

Youth Chairman reported 34 essays were received from area schools for the youth contest.

There were 191 hours reported for community service hours.

Plans were made to bake cookies for VA hospitals on Dec. 19.

Monetary donations were allowed for The Thomas County Amusement Association project and Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

Bills were presented and allowed for payment. The Quarterly audit for Sept. 30, was read.

National home prayer was offered and the meeting closed per ritual with the closing prayer.

The next meeting will be Jan. 6, at the Post Home at 8 p.m.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day  
Hi-Plains Co-op

Wheat	\$3.82
Corn	\$2.52
Milo	\$4.10
Soybeans	\$5.25

# Seniors to hear eye presentation by local doctor

The following activities have been scheduled at the Senior Progress Center for the week of Dec. 9 through Dec. 13. All area residents and visitors, 60 or older are invited to participate.

On Thursday, Dec. 12, at 11:30 a.m., Dr. Mark Wahlmeier, a local optometrist, will present an informative program on "low vision." Dr. Wahlmeier will also demonstrate the use of some of the machines used to detect vision problems.

Monday: board games at 10 a.m.; cards at 1 p.m.

Tuesday: low impact exercise class at 9:30 a.m.; board games at 10 a.m.; Senior Center Board monthly board meeting at 1 p.m.; cards at 1 p.m.

Wednesday: line dance class at 9:45 a.m.; cards at 1 p.m.



Lois Myers

### • Senior Savvy

Thursday: low impact exercise class at 9:30 a.m.; board games at 10 a.m.; program by Dr. Mark Wahlmeier at 11:30 a.m.; senior bridge at 1 p.m.

Friday: Share-a-memory and coffee time at 10:30 a.m.; Wheel of Fortune quiz at 11 a.m. Come join the fun of this popular quiz game and stay for lunch. (Note the time changes on activities for Friday.)

Indoor walking, exercise bikes, Cablevision, VCR, snooker, pool, puzzles and cards are available when-

ever the center is open, and the coffee pot is always on!

Planning a Christmas party? You do not need to be a senior to rent the center. Call Donna at 462-2901 for information.

### Homestead Nutrition Menus for Dec. 9 - 13

Monday - hot dogs on a bun, macaroni and cheese, Italian blend vegetables, and cinnamon apple slices.

Tuesday - taco salad, chips, tropical fruit salad, and cherry cobbler.

Wednesday - meat balls with tomato sauce, bread, buttered potatoes, corn, apricots in gelatin.

Thursday - hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas, and mandarin oranges.

Friday - stew, crackers, banana, and

cranberry spice cookies.

Meal reservations need to be made before noon, 24 hours in advance at 462-2901. Cancellations should be called in as soon as possible. Menus are subject to change.

## Hospital

### CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER

Wednesday, December 5, 2002

#### Admissions

Florence Horinek, Colby

Barbara Gregory, Hoxie

#### Dismissals

Wayne Horlacher, Colby

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### ALLERGY

Kathryn Black, D.O. (December 10 & 27)

### HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY

Martin Rubinowitz, M.D. (December 2 & 3)

### PLASTIC SURGERY

Conrad Tirre, M.D. (December 20)

### CARDIOLOGY

Christina Fisher, M.D. (December 17)

### NEUROLOGY

Brad Miller, M.D. (December 11)

Khoi D. Pham, M.D. (December 11)

### PODIATRY

Steven B. Larsen, D.P.M. (December 6 & 20)

James Reeves, D.P.M. (December 12)

Donald Yoder, D.P.M. (December 13)

### COUNSELING SERVICES

NewLife Clinic - Angie Witman  
(December 5, 12, 19, & 26)

### OPHTHALMOLOGY-ADULT

William K. Keats, M.D. (December 5, 6, 19 & 20)

### PSYCHIATRY

Donald Curran, D.O. (December 9 & 16)

### DERMATOLOGY

Wallace Weber, M.D. (December 12)

### ORTHOPAEDICS

Timothy J. Birney, M.D. (December 10)

Theodore Clark, M.D. (December 3)

James Holmes, M.D. (December 17)

Stuart Kennedy, M.D. (December 10)

Ted Parks, M.D. (December 23)

Howard Wilcox, M.D. (December 12)

### PULMONARY (Chest)

Timothy Kennedy, M.D. (December 11)

### SURGERY

W. Duncan Davis, M.D.

### FAMILY PRACTICE

Victor Hildyard, M.D.

LaDonna Regier, M.D.

### FOOT CLINIC

(December 16)

### OTOLARYNGOLOGY (Ear, Nose, Throat)

James Black, D.O. (December 18)

Jerrold Cossette, M.D. (December 4)

Gary Whitesell, M.D. (December 3)

### UROLOGY

Kevin McDonald, M.D. (December 19)

Carl Newman, M.D. (December 12)

### GASTROENTEROLOGY

Jeffrey D. Huston, M.D. (December 2 & 9)

### GYNECOLOGY

David Forschner, M.D. (December 18)

### PEDIATRICS

Raymond Ketting, M.D.

### VASCULAR STUDIES

Stephen Annest, M.D. (December 11)

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