Clubs

United Methodist Women The United Methodist Women sponsored a Legislative Breakfast,

Saturday, Mar. 8, 2003. Millie Horlacher, president, introduced the guest speaker, Sheila Frahm, who is the Executive Director of Community College Trustees. One of the items Ms. Frahm talked about was the budget crunch that is facing our state.

All the states except three are facing similar budge problems. This year Kansas had a \$750 million deficit. There is a law in Kansas that we have to maintain a 7.5 percent reserve in the state treasury.

Everything in the Kansas budget took significant cuts, and everything but education took additional cuts. This week was the deadline when the Senate bills have to be out of the Senate and the house bills have to be out of the House.

The budge is still the biggest issue. This year the state couldn't pay schools what was due because of the cash flow. They will get the money eventually. Where is the additional needed revenue coming from? Several things have been discussed as potential sources: gaming, property tax, consolidation of schools, dividend taxation, tax on Interment sales, sales tax on services, and rethinking sales tax exemptions. \$7.5 million dollars was raised by not sending money back to the cities and counties.

Forty-five percent of the funding for community colleges comes from local property taxes. There are 19 community colleges in the state of Kansas. The reason there are more in southeastern Kansas is that there are more people there and less money, so they are needed.

Ms. Frahm handed out papers that took a bill through each step in the legislature, explaining each step that is carried out from its introduction to becoming a statute. She also gave us suggestions on how to lobby for bills.

She discussed the major components of senate bill 345, which deals with new Sate Board of Regents.

She remarked that this bill is unique to the nation and is incredibly successful. She gave as an example the way the academic affairs committees are able to sit down together to assure that the classes in each institution are comparable.

The breakfast was prepared by the Ruth Cluster. Additional guests at the breakfast were Norma Johnson of LaPlata, Md., and Freda Thieler of Colby. A new member, Gloria Maddox, was presented a UMW afghan.

Brewster UMW

Women met in the Fellowship Hall for their monthly meeting on Feb. 26 with six members. Wanda Fulwider presented the program on "Restorative Justice: Compassion and Solidarity". Joyce Crabtree gave the report from the Response magazine. Vice President Bonnie Reid conducted the business meeting. Refreshments were served by Joyce Crabtree.

The next meeting is March 26, 2 p.m with Eva Lou Selby as the program leader.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op Wheat

\$2.40 Corn

\$3.91 Milo Soybeans \$5.26

Didn't take long for Mother Nature to turn on us

The first Monday in March was a lovely sunny day with 58° weather - then on Tuesday - wham - a cold front arrived with very cold temperatures, strong winds, and snow!! Hard on my old system!!

Elmer Stoner, 85, passed away on Feb. 16 in Lee's Summit, Mo. He was the father of Anne Lowe and was a resident of Winona for many

Marge Ausmus, Michele Werth on Thursday, Feb. 27. They were with Albert Denning and Cheryl



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overnight guests of a niece, Brenda Rotel. On Friday, Wyatt had an appointment with an eye specialist. Later they stayed overnight with and Wyatt traveled to Denver, Colo. Norma Straub. They also visited

urday afternoon.

Archie and Verla Moser attended the basketball games in Goodland on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. They had several grandkids

Verla Moser was in Colby Monday afernoon to visit her mother, Florence Schertz.

The Winona United Methodist Church honored United Methodist Bishop Fritz Mutti and Mrs. Mutti with a brunch before the morning Goodland, where they enjoyed a Grand Island, Neb.

Bishop Mutti delivered the mes-

Erma Latham and Jean Lowe attended the potluck meal at the United Methodist Church in Oakley honoring Bishop and Mrs. Mutti after their church services.

Following that, Erma Latham and Jean Lowe joined Donita Goyen, Lucille Bruns, Doneta Gates, and Pauline Smith in

Denning. They returned home Sat- worship service on Sunday, March Western Plains Arts Association concert featuring "Denver - A Capella Project". This was held in the high school auditorium.

Kathryn D. Furches, 50, died Wednesday, Feb. 26 at her residence in Page City. She was the daughter-in-law of Chris Furches,

a Winona resident. Her services were held Tuesday, March 4 at the funeral home in Oakley.

Burial will be at a later date in

Social Hour Club, pinochle tournament highlights in Rexford

Jose, Anna, and Fernando Huendes of Hoxie were visitors of Cleda Moeder last week.

Wednesday the Social Hour Club met at The Barn. Deb Stepper was the hostess. She served a nice lunch and goodies.

There were two guests, Edna Colson and Freda Ketchum. We were won by Cleda Moeder, Freda



Zula Horinek

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played robber bingo. The prizes Ketchum, Hulda Wark and Grace will be at the Legion Hall. There are

Cheney. The hostess prize was won by Zula Horinek. Next meeting will be with Eileen Dible in Colby.

Thursday the "Come On Down" pinochle group played cards at The Barn.

There were twelve of us. We always enjoy getting together.

The Legion pinochle tournament

three prizes for the highest total Hunter, my grandson Shannon score for the three couples. The starting time is 7 p.m.

My son Gary took me with him to friend Cody. Wichita Wednesday evening and we came home Sunday.

We visited Patty Ann, my daughter, my granddaughter and her husband Michelle and Randy, and her Ann's birthdays that were March 5 four sons Chance, Blake, Aston and and March 9.

Casey and his friend Merci, and another grandson Brandon and his

There were thirteen of us. We saw Randy and Michelle's new home at the Maple Dunes.

We celebrated Shannon and Patty

Resident at Fairview Estates welcomes

Penelopie Bonner and her granddaughters, Desiree and Sonny of Wray, Colo., visited Ardis Boersma for lunch at Fairview Estates on Sunday, March 2. Desiree was celebrating her seventh birthday. All the residents sang "Happy Birthday" to her.

Lenora Haney visited Bessie Erickson last Saturday and Sunday. Calliham and Vida Toburen last Sunday afternoon.

Cole of North Platt, Neb. were March 2. Memorial services were



Lula Thieler

Fairview Estates

Our sympathy is extended to Dorothy Crabb whose brother, Don Sharon Lohoefener and grandson Phillips, passed away last Sunday,

Wednesday afternoon. Dorothy's daughter, Janice Hanna from Florida is her this week for a visit. Olive Kersenbrock spent a few

days in the Citizens Medical Center this week. Eleven members of the Pi

Gamma Club met here at Fairview Estates Friday afternoon. Rosalie Waterman, the children's librarian, was the speaker.

We are happy to welcome Russell Childers of Bird City as a new resiguests of her parents, Erik and Jean held for him at the Harrison Chapel dent this week. He has a leg injury

from an accident a few weeks ago and is using the electric wheelchair that was given to Fairview Estates by the Sondberg family in memory

Rich B. Calliham, a grandson of Bessie Calliham celebrated his March 4th birthday with a family party at Fairview Estates. Rich, a 5th generation of Thomas county farmers, lives with his family southwest of Colby on his great didn't have to get out in the cold.

of their mother, a former resident.

grandparent's place. His wife, Suzie teaches at the Vocational School in Goodland.

They have two children, 4 year old Christian and first grader, Chelsie, who were great help in singing "Happy Birthday" and opening the several presents. Then we all enjoyed eating the delicious devil's food cake that Suzie had baked. Bessie was happy that she

Progress Center plans St. Patrick's Day event

Ila Richards, a registered nurse,

will be at the center on Thursday at

11:30 a.m. to present a short pro-

gram on careful care giving. Alive

With Exercise will be held at 9:30

Twinkle Toes Dance class, which

Meals for March 17-21:

will be held at 11:30 a.m.

The Senior Progress Center will celebrate St. Patrick's Day by listening to the Young at Heart Group at 11:30 a.m. They will include a 9:30 a.m. is Alive With Exercise. few Irish folk songs in their presentation. Wednesday, March 19 is Necktie Day. Everyone is encouraged to wear a necktie.

A bright or ugly necktie is fine, and this event includes the ladies. a.m. Friday, March 21, is the

4-H News

Colby Comets

Colby Comets 4-H Club met on Dec. 5, 2002, at the 4-H Building. President Jeremy Harter called the meeting to order. Roll call for the evening was giving a color of the U.S. Flag. Guests for the meeting were Marcus and Brady Colson. Kaylee Keck led the group in sing-The Brewster United Methodist ing "The First Noel". Leader, Teri Keck informed the group of upcoming 4-H activities. Matt Lindberg led the group in recreation. Hosts for the evening were the Harters.

Colby Comets 4-H Club met on Jan. 8, 2003 at the Colby 4-H Building. The group had parents' night. Sue Harter presided as president for son Jeremy. Roll call was answered by naming a city. Katie Zerr was guest for the meeting. Teri Keck took over daughter Kaylee's job as song leader by leading the group in "Bear Over the Mountain." The group had an installation of officers ceremony lead by leader Kathy Lindberg, and also an initiation of our new members ceremony, led by leader Teri Keck. New members joining the club: Rachel Juenemann, Quinne Icke, Emilea Finley, Kenzie Curry, Shelby Ohrman, Marcus Colson and Brady Colson.

mix veggies, pears, bread, cook's **Senior Savvy** choice dessert.

Tuesday - Porcupine meat balls, potatoes romanoff, stewed tomatoes, roll, peaches. Wednesday - Ham, sweet pota-

toes and apples, pineapple, bread, pasta salad. Thursday - Swiss steak, baked potato/toppings, mixed fruit, bread,

birthday cake. Friday - chef's salad (meat on the side), mandarin oranges, bread Monday - Polish sausage, winter sticks, gingerbread.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY, March 18

Rebekahs, Betty Carney, 10 a.m. (2nd & 4th Tuesday) Rotary, Student Union, noon

Alcoholics Anonymous, city hall basement, noon (non-smoking) Ladies cards and social, Country Club, 5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers, United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m. Domestic Violence Support Group, 7 p.m. Call 462-2860 Sweet Adelines International, Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, March 19

Genesis Thomas County, 350 S. Range, 10 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m. TeleFriend Information meeting, 5:30 p.m. (call 462-6996) Caregiver Support Group, Colby College Student Union, 7 to 9 p.m. (1st Wednesday of each month) - (800) 432-7422.

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