

Family

Deaths

Margaret K. Schiffner

Margaret K. Schiffner, 90, of Colby, died Tuesday, July 1, 2003 at Lantern Park Manor in Colby. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, July 5 at 9 a.m. at the Beulah Cemetery in Colby. Visitation will be Friday from 2 to 7 p.m. at Harrison Chapel, 190 S. Franklin.

Mrs. Schiffner is survived by her son, Glenn D. Schiffner of Colby,

Donna E. Gierhart

Donna E. Gierhart, 69, of Colby, died Wednesday, July 2, 2003 at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Lena Patterson

Lena Patterson, who for more than 50 years conducted the Menninger Bible Study course, died Saturday, June 28 at Lantern Park Manor in Colby. She was 97.



L. Patterson

Mrs. Patterson was born Lena Minerva Jane Williams Metzler to Edward Everett and Olive Coyle Metzler on July 19, 1905 in a sod house on a homestead near Ordway, Colo. She was the fourth of 10 children.

In 1926 she married Loyd Franklin "Pat" Patterson, who operated service stations and farmed in Colby most of his adult life. Except for briefly locating to eastern Colorado during the Great Depression, the couple lived in Colby throughout their lives. They had five children, all of whom graduated from Colby High School. Mr. Patterson died in 1965.

During her early youth Mrs. Patterson's family moved from the Colorado homestead to Sugar City, Colo. where they owned and operated a hotel. In 1913 the family moved to Mountain View, Mo. In 1915 Mr. Patterson's father came to Colby and secured employment at George Beaver's lumberyard. Mrs. Patterson's mother and the children followed, making the journey in a covered wagon pulled by a team of horses.

In Colby as she grew to womanhood, Mrs. Patterson received her secondary education, worked at various times at the family-run dairy operation and as a housekeeper for Colby families, and joined the United Methodist Church in 1918.

While her children were young, Mrs. Patterson was a full-time homemaker and she was dedicated to church activities. She was asked by a Mrs. Maude Alcott to teach Sunday School at the Methodist Church, a role she accepted and filled for more than 60 years. In the 1940s under Mrs. Frances Schroeder she took Menninger Bible Study, a four-year, in-depth study of the Bible. After completing the course in 1948, Mrs. Patterson was asked by Mrs. Schroeder to take over teaching the class. Her decision to accept was, to her, pivotal, and conducting the

daughter Connie L. Wrench of Denver, Colo., two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was born Sept. 4, 1912 in Goessel.

She was a homemaker and a member of First Christian Church, Rebekahs, Farm and Fireside Unit, T.O.B. and Shakespeare Club.

Memorials are suggested to First Christian Church and can be left at any Colby bank or Harrison Chapel.

Services are pending with Harrison Chapel in Colby.

She is survived by her daughter, Donna Corbett of Colby.

class became her life's work. During the next 52 years, hundreds of Colby residents participated in Menninger Bible Study, and the instruction she provided is her legacy to the community.

A long-time member of Women's Society of Christian Service (the name later changed to United Methodist Women), she was named Methodist Woman of the Year in 1960. She was also an active member for many years of the Colby Garden Club and Coffee Club.

In the early 1960s, Mrs. Patterson took employment at St. Thomas Hospital, where she worked in Central Service. What began as a part-time job became full-time and she retired in 1981 after nearly 20 years with the hospital.

Mrs. Patterson was a representative of a generation whose industry, commitment to the land and to community, and confidence in agriculture made Colby the community it is today. The children of homesteaders, this generation's faith and tenacity carried the town through the Dust Bowl days and two world wars, and built on the economic and technological changes of the twentieth century.

It was characteristic of Mrs. Patterson that she looked back fondly on the Dust Bowl years - though trying and demoralizing - as a time of closeness when people pulled together.

For her, work and the tasks of daily living were rewarding, and they complemented her dedication to serving her Lord and her ongoing efforts to perfect her faith.

Mrs. Patterson is survived by her sister, Mrs. Ollie Kersbrook of Colby; her daughter, Ms. Patricia S. Patterson of Long Beach, N.Y., and her son, Mr. L. Ferrell Patterson of Colorado Springs, Colo.; grandchildren Ms. Sue Ann Gurwell of Colorado Springs, Colo., Mr. Craig McKenzie and Mr. Steve McKenzie of Fort Worth, Texas, Mr. Richard Patterson of Denver, Colo., and Mr. Patrick Toth of Colby; 10 great-grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her eight brothers; her husband; and children Maxine Patterson, Verla Lea McKenzi and Marie Monaghan.

Services were held on Tuesday, July 1, at 2 p.m. at Harrison Chapel of Colby in charge of all arrangements. Pastor Dorine Chambers, Colby, officiated and burial was at Beulah Cemetery.

Many books reviewed

There are so many good summer-reading books available and I hope you are taking advantage of all the Library has to offer. For instance, Robert Ludlum is back with another in his Covert-One series. This one is titled *The Altman Code* and is a novel of international intrigue. The story begins in the middle of the night on the dark waterside docks of Shanghai when a photographer records cargo being secretly loaded onto a ship. He is brutally murdered and his camera destroyed. Covert-One Director Fred Klein brings word to the President that there's a Chinese cargo ship rumored to be carrying tons of chemicals to be used by a rogue nation to create new biological weapons. *The Altman Code* will make you shiver as the world comes to the very brink of war.

Still Life With Crows by popular authors Douglas Preston and Lin-



JoAnne Sunderman

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coln Child tells the story of what happens when a killer turns the heartland of America into a hunting ground. It takes place in Medicine Creek, Kansas, where the body of an unknown victim turns up in a small clearing in a sea of corn, mutilated and arranged in an elaborate tableau. The authorities begin assuring the public that this is just an isolated killing but when neighbors begin to disappear and then reappear in horrific displays, everyone knows something is very, very wrong. Nothing has ever happened in this small town before and the

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Two attend planning meeting

Colby Community College Board of Trustees member Don Kready and President Mikel Ary recently returned from the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees annual strategic planning meeting.

The association's executive director Sheila Frahm also attended the two-day session held June 22-23 on the Highland Community College campus.

During the two days the trustees conducted a training session for 14 new trustees from the 19 Kansas community colleges, said Debbie Schwanke, public information for Colby College.

The strategic planning meeting included over 75 trustees, presidents and college officials in the two day sessions. In addition, the

trustees conducted their annual business meeting and the presidents of the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference conducted a planning session.

As those assembled discussed the organization's vision and mission to meet the educational needs of the people of Kansas, they were joined by Kansas Lt. Governor John Moore.

Moore added to the discussion by sharing his vision of how the community colleges can be a catalyst for workforce training in the state.

While other states are investing millions of dollars in creating new systems to meet the challenges of developing a qualified workforce,

Thank You!

We wish to express our thanks to our families, friends and relatives who sent us cards, flowers and distributed Bibles in observance of our 60th Anniversary.

God Bless You All!
Alvin & Allie Helin

FUNDRAISER

Sacred Heart Sr. CYO will be having a fundraiser through Pizza Hut all day on **Tuesday, July 8th**. Pizza Hut will donate **20%** of their sales to the CYO participants who will be attending the NCYC (National Youth Conference) in Houston in the fall.

Baptisms

Shelby Lynne Crampton

Jenna Marie Crampton

On Saturday, June 7, Shelby Lynne and Jenna Marie, daughters of Martin and Teresa Crampton, were baptized at Sacred Heart Church, Colby, with Father Galen Long officiating. Shelby's godparents are Carmel and Mike Crothers, and Jenna's godparents are Bob and Krystal Standage.

Peyton Campbell Wahlmeier

Peyton Campbell Wahlmeier, infant son of Mark and Amanda (Stover) Wahlmeier, was baptized on Sunday, June 8, at Sacred Heart Church, Colby, with Father Galen Long officiating.

Godparents are Brandon and Laura Labertew.

Jordan Reed Wahlmeier

Jordan Reed Wahlmeier, age 9, son of Mark and Amanda (Stover) Wahlmeier, was received into the

Catholic Church, made his First Holy Communion, and was confirmed on Sunday, March 8, at Sacred Heart Church, Colby, with Father Galen Long officiating. Jordan was sponsored by his father Mark.

Adam Joseph Schacker

On June 15, Adam Joseph Schacker, infant son of Kendal and Rose (Micek) Schacker, was baptized at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Colby, with Father Galen Long officiating. Godparents are Alfred and Alyce Micek.

Jade Andrew Ketzner

Jade Andrew Ketzner, infant son of Noel and Tabetha (Boyles) Ketzner, was baptized in Sacred Heart Church, on Saturday, June 28, with Father Galen Long officiating. Godparents are Nick Ketzner and Amber Ketzner.

Jacob Carter Franz, infant son of Shane and Kim (LaBarge) Franz, was baptized in Sacred Heart Church, on Saturday, June 28, with Father Galen Long officiating.

Godparents are Damien Stephens and Summar Stephens.

Markets

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

Wheat	\$2.67
Corn	\$2.28
Milo	\$3.27
Soybeans	\$5.82

Community Calendar

FRIDAY, July 4

New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.
Kiwanis Fireworks Display, Thomas County Fairgrounds, at dusk (bring lawn chairs and enjoy the show)

SATURDAY, July 5

Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.
Bingo, Jaycees Center, 7 p.m.
Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous, 1275 West 6th, 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, July 6

Sunday Morning Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous, 9:30 a.m.
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 2-8 p.m.
High School Youth Group, Berean Church, 6 p.m.
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

Public Notice

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PUBLIC HEARING

Notice of Intent

Preliminary Notice of Possible Impact to an Important Land Resource

The City of Colby is in the process of submitting an application to the USDA Rural Development for loan/grant assistance to complete a project consisting of purchasing land and constructing a new WWTP (Waste Water Treatment Plant) facility including auxiliary system improvements for collection, sewer main, manholes, and reuse improvements.

On Tuesday, July 8, at 7:00 P.M., in Council Chambers at City Hall, a public hearing will be held to discuss the proposed project and the continuation of the application for a loan/grant with Rural Development.

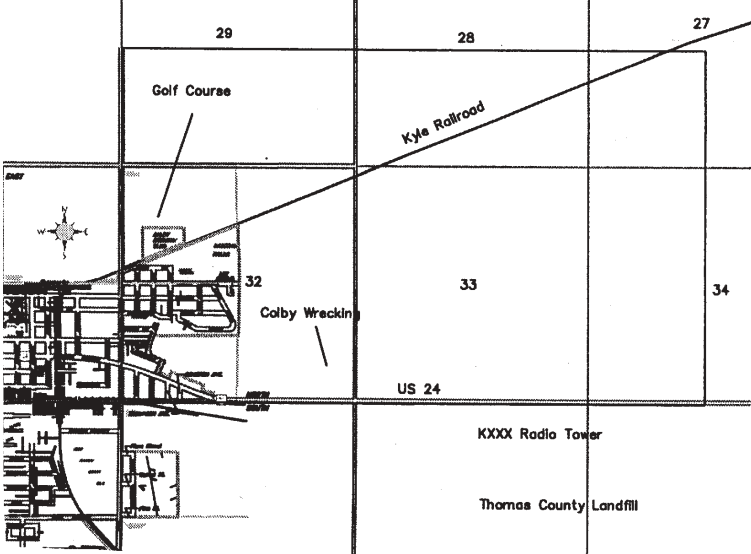
The purpose of this notice is also to request environmental comments concerning the project, alternative sites, actions or methods that would avoid any impacts to the environment.

The environmental documentation regarding this proposed project is being prepared by Miller & Associates, Consulting Engineers, 109 East 2nd, McCook, NE 69001-3719. For questions regarding this proposal, contact Thaniel Monaco at 308-345-3710.



Any person interested in submitting environmental comments on this proposal may do so by sending such comments to the above address within thirty (30) days from the date this publication is first published.

A general location map of the proposed action is shown below.

Beverly J. Stieken
Beverly J. Stieken, City Clerk



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