

# Family

## Spelling bee



TISHA COX/Colby Free Press

Colby Grade School third grader Melissa Smollock stepped up to the mike to test her spelling mettle during the practice round before the third grade spelling bee at the grade school auditorium Thursday. Third grader Mishaela Benson placed first, Bailey Terrell was second and Macen Shull was third. The winner of the fifth grade spelling bee was Shelby Terrell; second, Cody Duffy and third was Sara Martin. Fourth grade spelling bee results were Kayla Skiles, first; Brock James, second and Jacob Thompson was third.

## Bioscience measure passes

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP)—Legislation promoting development of the bioscience research industry in Kansas easily won House approval Thursday and headed to the Senate. Billed by Republicans as one of their major jobs initiatives this year, the measure cleared the House on a 119-6 vote. "It shows that the Legislature is serious about economic growth in Kansas," said House Speaker Doug Mays, R-Topeka. The measure would create a Kan-

sas Bioscience Authority to nurture and promote research as well as any products that might result. The authority would work with state universities to recruit star scholars and support research. In addition, the bill would establish a Center for Entrepreneurship to assist in the startup of small businesses through advice and seed money. Mays and other GOP leaders say the legislation could generate 40,000 jobs — half of them in biosciences — by 2015.

## High Plains Art Club holds workshop

The ladies of High Plains Art Club held a two-day workshop on Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 9 and 10, at their meeting place above the Country Store at South Wind Plaza. Hari Walner, a professional illustrator from Loveland, Colorado and a close friend of club member, Bev Kern, conducted the workshop. Mrs. Walner, a graduate of the Art Institute of Chicago, worked as a magazine illustrator and professional artist for several years before opening her own publishing com-

### Clubs

pany. She has written and illustrated two books on her original method of "machine line quilting" and is in the process of writing and illustrating another. She teaches quilting in her studio in Loveland. Mrs. Walner instructed the art club ladies in paint mixing, still-life work and landscape painting. On Tuesday, the ladies had lunch together in the art room and enjoyed

home-made soup served by Linda Taylor, co-owner of South Wind Plaza. In the afternoon on Tuesday the club president, Marlene Carpenter, conducted a short business meeting to discuss their plans for the up-coming art show at Colby College in April and Bev Kern announced that she had visited with Cathy Gordon, art instructor at Colby College, and received assurance that the college would try to bring some art work shops to Colby in the future.

Carpenter was hostess for the day and served angel food cake with fruit and whipped cream for dessert. At the close of the meeting, Mrs. Walner was presented with a Thank-You Valentine and a box of chocolates in appreciation for her instructions. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 9, with Merry Lewis as program chairman and Lillie Plummer as hostess. All local artists are invited to attend.

## Immigrant tuition bill could face trouble

TOPEKA (AP)—A bill allowing illegal immigrants to pay cheaper, in-state tuition at Kansas' public universities won Senate approval Thursday and moved toward an uncertain fate in the House. The Senate passed the measure on a 25-15 vote that pointed up a broad division of opinion. All 10 Senate Democrats voted for the bill but the GOP split 15-15, with support coming from Republicans who traditionally take moderate positions on social issues as well as those usually aligned with conservative-backed stances. Under the bill, students who are in the country illegally but have lived in Kansas at least three years would be charged the lower, resident tuition rate at public universi-

ties, community colleges and vocational colleges. Such students would have to prove that they are seeking citizenship or legal resident status. The House passed the measure in slightly different form last year on an 81-43 vote and must now consider whether to accept the changes made in the Senate. Typically, the two chambers would negotiate over such changes. But House Speaker Doug Mays said he might assign the bill to a committee for another full round of hearings and debate in his chamber. "It's been a long time since the bill came through here," said Mays, R-Topeka. "I think a number of people have changed their minds on this." Some

House members said Thursday they were hearing from constituents opposed to granting illegal immigrants a break on the cost of public higher education. The bill as approved by the Senate provides that to receive the in-state tuition rate, a student who had lived in Kansas at least three years would also have to be a graduate of a Kansas high school or hold a General Educational Development certificate issued in the state. Kansas residents pay significantly lower tuition at the state's public universities than students from outside Kansas. For example, tuition for 15 undergraduate hours at the University of Kansas this semester is \$1,763 for residents and \$5,501 for non-

residents. At Pittsburg State University, the rates are \$1,175 and \$4,086, respectively.

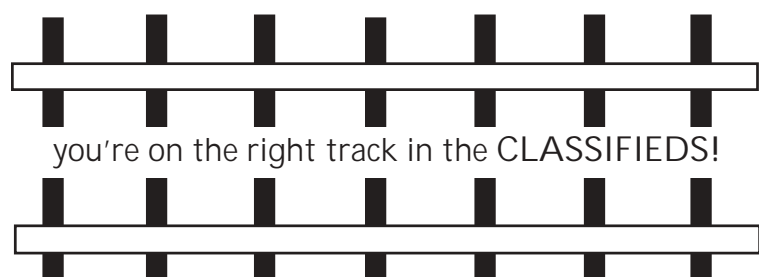
### Happy 16th - Leap Year Baby!



Love - Mom, Dad, Jessica & Kade

### Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$3.64
Corn	\$2.89
Milo	\$4.84
Soybeans	\$8.71



**IT'S LEAP YEAR & THE BOSS IS AWAY!**

The girls at Interior Connection & Quilt Cabin are taking advantage of this and are having a **HUGE SALE!**

- ✓ 29-50% OFF Selected Quilting Fabric & Supplies
- ✓ Selected Home Decor ~ \$1.29/yd
- ✓ Selected Fleece on Sale

**12 - 4 p.m.**  
This One Day Only!

**Hourly Door Prizes & Drawings**

**Lots more savings and special prices! DON'T MISS!!**

**Interior Connection Quilt Cabin**

1525 S. Range • Colby  
**785-462-3375**

*Furniture Accessories*  
*Floor Covering*  
*Howard Miller Clocks*  
*Interior Design*  
*Attic Heirlooms Collections*  
*Brophy*  
*Sealy Posturepedic*  
*Flexsteel Gifts*

**"A BEAUTIFUL STORE THAT OFFERS YOU MORE!"**

**Inlow Interiors**

Monday - Friday 9:30 - 5:30  
Saturday 9:30 - 5:00  
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00

455 N. Franklin • Colby, KS  
462-6000  
*Listed in the Fiest Area-wide Directory*

# BUSINESS DIRECTORY

To have your ad placed in the Business Directory, call Crystal or Shelby at 462-3963.

### NEW BEGINNINGS COUNSELING SERVICES

Specializing in Children, Adolescent, Individual, Marital and Family Counseling.

422 Smith Drive  
Colby, KS 67701  
785-462-3308

EVENING APPOINTMENTS

### Good Tastin! - Lip Smackin!!

#### ENHANCE FLAVOR IN ALL MEATS

- Little Audrey's Hickory Sauce
- Little Audrey's Jalapeno Hickory Sauce
- Little Audrey's Hickory Meat Baste

~ Available in Quarts, Pints and Gift Sets ~

PURCHASE AT: DILLONS - DELI AREA, KANSAS COUNTRY STORE, EM & ME ANTIQUES OR TOWN N' COUNTRY BEAUTY SALON

Made By Saus Haus, Inc. ~ Nyla Domsch, Owner

### START WITH A PLAN!

Listen to "DOs, DON'Ts & DOLLARS"  
KLOE/730 AM • MONDAYS at 9:30 a.m. CST

IRA'S-RETIREMENT PLANS-529 COLLEGE SAVINGS  
MUTUAL FUNDS-ANNUITIES-STOCKS-BONDS  
CD'S-LIFE INSURANCE-LONG TERM CARE INS.

Securities offered exclusively through

**RAYMOND JAMES**  
FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
Member NASD/SIPC



JIM OLIVER, CHFC  
BRANCH MANAGER  
785-460-2226  
800-400-3990

### OFFICE OPENS IN DOWNTOWN COLBY!



### STEPHEN R. ALLEN

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

is a CPA firm providing tax preparation services, book-keeping, tax planning, financial statement preparation and consulting. Steve brings over twenty five years of public accounting experience to the community.

For professional and confidential services, contact Steve at 785-460-0444.

The offices are located at 390 N. Franklin Ave in the William V. Adams, CPA office building.

### New System



### Professional Window Cleaning

650 N. Grant • Colby, KS 67701

Commercial • Residential

~ Now Scheduling Spring Cleaning! ~

Call for your FREE estimate:  
785-462-6995 ~ 800-611-6735

Chris & Beth Lewon ~ "We do windows!"

### Affordable Granite Countertops See our samples at Inlow Interiors

- KITCHENS • BATHS •
- CABINETS • COUNTERTOPS •

Design • Remodel • Installation

"Serving Colby and the Area Since 1984"

785-462-7843

**THE TOOL BOX**



### Warta Chiropractic & Fitness Club

415 N. Franklin • Colby • 785-460-3350



**Dr. A.J. Warta**

25 years of experience as a licensed chiropractor

Where you can still get a full-spine adjustment for 1980's fees!

Monday & Wednesday:  
2:00-7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday:  
10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Science and Nature  
Working Together  
For You!

BC/BS CAP Provider  
Simple Care Provider

### FINALLY!

Health Insurance for Individuals, Families and the Self-Employed at AFFORDABLE Rates.

Insurance is Underwritten by The MEGA Life and Health Insurance Company

**800-783-9417**



### ROUND TRIP TRAVEL

Call for 2004 Bus Tour Schedule

#### •• VACATION SPECIALS ••

	From (per adult)	No. of nights
LAS VEGAS - Air & hotel	\$250	4
DISNEY WORLD - Hotel, air, park passes	\$505	3
MEXICO - Air & hotel	\$450	3
CARIBBEAN CRUISE & AIR	\$1,050	5
ALASKAN CRUISE & AIR	\$1,500	7
HAWAII - Air & hotel	\$740	3
LONDON, ENGLAND - Air & hotel	\$700	3
AMTRAK EXPLORE AMERICA	\$359	Max. 45

ALL SPECIALS MAY BE FOR SPECIFIC DATES AND ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY. CALL IN OR FAX YOUR INTERNET QUOTES AND OTHER ADS! WE CAN BOOK THEM FOR YOU WITH LOCAL, CARING SERVICE!!!

140 W. 4th  
Colby, KS 67701  
1-888-690-7077  
462-6999  
FAX: 462-3824

**WORLDWIDE:**  
Vacation Packages, Cruises, Tours, Groups, Flights, Hotels, Trains, Cars

Ask about AAA, AARP Senior & Companion, Corporate and Government discounts!