Family

Student News

Colby High to recognize seniors next week

The 2003-04 Colby High School Senior Awards Night is planned for Monday, May 10, starting at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. The public is invited. For questions about the event, call 460-5300.

Correction

The location of the Colby Trap Club was incorrect as published in the Thursday, April 29 edition of the Free Press.

The article, which appeared on page 3, said the facility was located five miles west of Colby on K-25 and then a mile south. It should have read that the facility is located five miles west of Colby on U.S. 24 and then a mile south.

The trap club was reorganized so that everyone in the area would have a place to shoot and that it will be used with the "utmost fre-

For questions about the club, call Jeff Unger at 462-7659.

The information provided to us was in error.

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Carson Joseph Van Eaton

Colby announce the birth of their

son, Carson Joseph Van Eaton on

March 19, 2004 at Hays Medical

He weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces

and Mary Beth Gorden of Leoti. and Rachel, 4.

and was 18 inches long.

Chris and Jennifer Van Eaton of

Babies

Tips offered on summer safety

Editor's note: The following article is provided as a public service

Healthy Haps from the Thomas County Health Department on a variety of topics ents can apply a minimal amount of

The Thomas County Health Department is offering summer safety tips provided by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

For babies under six months of age, the academy suggests avoiding sun exposure and dressing infants in lightweight long pants and longsleeved shirts and brimmed hats, which are still the top recommendations to prevent sunburn.

However, when adequate clothing and shade aren't available, par-

Square dance

Lanny Weaklend of Omaha, Neb.

will be calling for the Golden

Buckle's Square dance at 8 p.m.

(CDT) this Saturday, at the Colby

Community Building. Visitors are

Torn flag collection underway

taking part in the proper disposal of

U.S. flags again this year, said

Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer,

troop leader. A collection sitewas

placedin the foyer area of Pioneer

Paternal grandparents are Steve and

Eunice Rambo of Annawan, Ill.;

Martha Gorden of Cambridge, Ill.;

G.W. and Mae Van Eaton of Oakley

and Raymond and Bernice Straub

of Oakley. Carson was welcomed

Great-grandparents are Bill and

Pam Van Eaton of Monument.

Brownie Troop 165 in Colby is

welcome.

Maternal grandparents are Arlan home by his sisters, Courtney, 5,

Happenings

that could affect people of all ages. sunscreen to small areas, such as the infant's face and the back of the

> Young children should have sunscreen applied at least 30 minutes before going outside and use sunscreen even on cloudy days. The sun protection factor should be at least 15.

> For older children, the first and best line of defense against the sun is covering up. Wear a hat with a three-inch brim or a bill facing forward, sunglasses (look for sun-

Memorial Library, 375 W. 4thfor

anyone wanting to dispose of flags

glasses that block 99-100 percent of ultraviolet rays), and cotton clothing with a tight weave.

Stay in the shade whenever possible and avoid sun exposure during the peak intensity hours between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Use a sunscreen with a sun protection factor of 15 or greater. Be sure to apply enough sunscreen about one ounce per sitting for a young adult. Reapply sunscreen every two hours or after swimming and sweating.

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Community Calendar

TUESDAY, May 4

in the proper manner.

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, United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 5

Booked For Lunch, Pioneer Memorial Library, noon 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) - Jennifer Anderson, coordinator, (800) 432-7422.

Solid Rock Junior High Youth Group, Armory, 7-8:30 p.m. Pinochle, American Legion, 7:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous & Al Anon), 1275 West 6th, 8:30 p.m.

Alice Lucille (Koons) Olson, 75 passed

ALICE LUCILLE OLSON

away April 23, 2004. Alice was born on the family farm NE of Winona, KS, August 14, 1920, to William (Bill) H. Koons and Maude Ellen (Frazier) Koons. She attended Page City Grade School and graduated from Winona High School. After attending Fort Hays Kansas State College for one year, she achieved her dream of teaching by starting at a one-room country school (District 22) south of Colby. After one year she was recruited to teach in Gem (District 33) where she taught for one year until the outbreak of WWII. Due to gas and tire rationing, she began teaching at the Page City Grade School, which was nearer her home on the family farm. She taught there until the end of the school year of 1946. In March of 1946 she married Gilbert R. Olson on his return from the Pacific theater

and discharge from the army in February of 1946. They set up housekeeping on the Olson family farm SW of Colby, where they started their lifelong involvement in farming. Their only son, Richard, was born in March of 1947. They moved to their own farm in 1950, also SW of Colby. Lucille returned to teaching at Page City when Richard started grade school in 1953. She continued attending Fort Hays Kansas State College on Saturdays and evenings and by correspondence. She taught combinations of the first, second, third, fourth and fifth grades at Page City until 1966 when the school was closed due to consolidation. In 1967 she was recruited to teach at the Russell Springs Grade School where she remained until 1971 when her health failed due to kidney failure. She received the first of her two kidney transplants in 1971, with the second transplant occurring in 1977. The second kidney remained healthy right up until her death. She was proud of the letter she received in late 2002 stating that she was the oldest transplant patient and had the longest surviving kidney transplant to come out of the Kansas City St. Luke's Hospital kidney transplant program. She and Gilbert continued to farm until Gilbert's death in December of 1992, at which time she moved to Colby where she lived her remaining years. She worked as a greeter at the present Farmers and Merchants Bank until the program was discontinued. Lucille and Gilbert were active in the Kidney Foundation of Kansas and Western Missouri raising funds and presenting informational lectures on kidney disease and dialysis. Lucille was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma teaching sorority, the Colby United Methodist Church and the Thomas County Historical Society.

Lucille was preceded in death by her parents Bill and Maude, brothers Harold and Howard, and infant brother and her husband Gilbert. She is survived by her son Richard and his wife Randi, of Silver City, New Mexico; three grandsons: Nathan of Olympia, WA.; Jeremy and Rebecca of Carbondale, IL.; Scan and Amanda of Mulvane, KS.; and great-granddaughter Claire of Olympia, WA.; nephews Lynn Koons and his wife Randy of Colby; Dennis Koons and his wife Rhonda of Salina and sons Mathew and Mark; David and Judy Olson family of Great Bend, Jon and Dee Olson family of Colby; Pam Olson of Palo Alto, CA. and many friends and former students.

Memorial services where held Friday, April 30, 2004 at the Colby United Methodist Church with Rev. James Mardock Officiating. Services were conducted by Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel.

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