

# Family

## Library readies for tax season

As the New Year begins, so do last year's taxes. If you want to get a jump on filing your taxes this year the library has all of the current 2004 tax forms and schedules available. If you have questions about tax changes for this year we have *The Ernst & Young Tax Guide 2005*. This guide has step-by-step instructions on filling out your tax form as well as information on how to file your taxes electronically. I have a feeling this tax guide will be in great demand the first two weeks of April so it might pay (literally) to get a head start!

If you are not masochistic and have someone else prepare your taxes then you might have time for one of the following books *A Child Called It* by Dave Pelzer is one of the most dramatic and appalling books that I have yet to read. Dave had the dubious distinction of being one of the worst child abuse cases ever recorded in California. Now Dave's brother Richard Pelzer has a memoir of his own life, the book *A Brother's Journey: Surviving a Childhood of Abuse*.

After Dave was removed from the Pelzer household at the age of twelve, Richard was left to the will of his extremely abusive and alcoholic mother.

In this book, Richard recounts his own life experiences after taking Dave's place as the recipient of his mother's wrath and ultimately how he managed to rise above it all.



**Jeff Friesen**

### •Library Link

Jamie is the widow of a New York firefighter following the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. In an effort to piece her life back together, she dedicates her efforts to a small chapel across the way from the twin towers.

Unsure of what direction God is leading her, Jamie finds herself developing a strong relationship with a NY policeman and fireman that have come to the chapel looking for answers. The guilt she is feeling about any type of relationship is keeping Jamie closed off from the world. What she needs is something to move her past that fateful Tuesday morning of September 11. Read this fictionalized story of Jamie Bryan's life in *Beyond Tuesday Morning* by Karen Kingsbury.

Young Adult Book

Linda Zinnen provides us her latest book *The Dragons of Spratt, Ohio*. John Salt is a pretty tough kid, though a bit of a couch potato. Candi Clark appears to have little time for anything other than applying make-up.

What they have in common are saving nine baby dragons that are in immediate danger. The babies were

hatched in the wildlife preserve owned by John's parents. The dragons are safe until John's aunt shows up, all the way from Paris, France.

Children's Book

Dan Santat reinforces the concept that the most important treasure in the world is time. In his book *The Guild Geniuses*, even four of the smartest people in the world overlook how much time means to Mr. Pip (a monkey). His friend Frederick can't seem to figure out why Mr. Pip hasn't been happy since his birthday. The geniuses give Mr. Pip everything from an "Unmanned One-Man Band" to a trip to outer space but nothing seems to cheer him up. Finally, after arriving home from a trip promoting his next big movie, Frederick figures out what it is that is making Mr. Pip so unhappy.

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## Blessings from friends



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John Sipes of Norman, Okla. (left) and James Blackbear, Jr. of Gary, Okla. (center) talked with Sheriff Mike Baughn (right) and looked at items they used during a reception for Baughn and Undersheriff Jason Moses Monday at the law enforcement training center. Sipes and Blackbear did a ritual Cheyenne blessing for Baughn during the reception.

## Rexford residents keep busy with visitors, travel, activities and more

I absolutely can't believe it! Every street in the whole town was perfect for cross-country skiing one day and the next day, it was like a wet sponge! One day when school was called off because of the terrible weather, some children were using the ramp at the church to get some speed while sledding! It sure looked fun! I even found a large, nicely accessorized snowman in the yard of the McCurdy family!

January birthdays on the 1st-Edna Colson and Dorothy Knudson; 4th-Gary Withers; 11th-Sondra Barnett; 14th-Bernard Ritter; 15th-Darlene Robben; 19th-Anogene Rogers; 27th-Evelyn Proffitt; and 31st-Ruth Luna.



**Sondra Barnett**

•Rexford Correspondent

Cleda Moeder went to Hays on Saturday to watch her grandson, Taylor at a wrestling match.

Zula Horinek had some really good news. Instead of radiation treatment, she will be taking oral medication and will be able to remain in Rexford. We're all happy about that.

Twelve seniors took the AARP Driving Class at the Barn on Saturday. Those that participated

were Deb Stepper, Grace Cheney, Betty Nichols, Fran Leach, Lawrence Horinek, Betty and Rex Carswell, Jean Hawkins, Delores Dible, Gene Rogers, Ruby Weed, Colby; and Florence Johnson, Hoxie.

Last week because of the ice and very cold temperatures, several things were canceled in Rexford, including the Wednesday morning Bible study, Social Hour Club and several days of school. Weather permitting, the Bible study will resume this week.

Koffee Klatch attendees this week were Berneda Zoberst, Eunice Sanford, Marge Leh, Margaret Arasmith, Delores Dible,

Vesta Roth, Cleda Moeder, Jean Hawkins, Hulda Wark, Deb Stepper, Fran Leach, Grace Cheney, and Sondra Barnett.

Bill Arasmith is steadily improving in Lantern Park Manor.

Vesta Roth rode with her son and grandsons, Rick and Jason Roth, Stockton and Eric Roth, Smith Center to Dodge City for the wedding of Rebecca Roth and Christopher Runquist. Rebecca is the daughter of Dan and Janice Roth and is also Vesta's granddaughter.

The American Legion pinochle tournament will be held this Saturday, Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. at the American Legion building in Rexford. All interested card players are invited

to join them.

There were 175 Teens for Christ at the Shepherd Staff on Saturday night, in spite of the cold weather. This was the meeting set for honoring the senior members.

Although most people have taken their Christmas decorations down some time ago, my family just celebrated our belated Christmas last week. My decorations are coming down this week. Those present on Saturday were Bryan and Lori Barnett, Elijah and Joshua, Tyrone, Okla.; Todd and Mandy Barnett, Kerry, Taylor and Melia, Garden City; Scott and Linda Barnett, Michael, Tiffany, Lacey and Megan, Holcomb; Cory and Tessy

Barnett, Tabitha, Corban and Obadiah, Liberal; Shalom Kruse, Gabriel and Kaleb, Pretty Prairie; Tatum and Alicia Barnett and Alex, Garden City; Velma Barnett, Gem; Hulda Wark and Sondra Barnett. Some of the families arrived on Friday and by Sunday they had all gone back home.

### Markets

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