

Family

Area Happenings

Reception planned for honorary associate degree recipient

Colby Community College will host a public reception to honor David Jennings on Wednesday, April 27, beginning at 3 p.m. in room 108 of the Student Union. Jennings has been selected as the 2005 Honorary Associate Degree Recipient. The degree will be conferred during commencement exercises on May 14 in the Community Building.

Heritage Quilt Club trunk show Saturday in Norton

The Heritage Quilt Club is holding a trunk show and lecture by Peg Pennell of Omaha, Neb. at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 22 at the 4-H Building,

126 Park St. in Norton.

She will talk about the using color in quilts and about getting over the fear of using color and covers the mystery of "darks" and "lights."

Anyone interested in quilts and quilting is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Square dance planned Saturday

The Golden Buckle Square Dance Club will be holding its regular dance on Saturday at 8 p.m. in Activity Room 1 of the Colby Community Building. Bob Householter of Russell will be the featured caller. All squaredancers are invited. Spectators are also welcome. For questions or other information, call Bonnie Adams 672-4396 or in Colby 460-3000.

Babies

Katelyn Elizabeth Eastland

Toby and Jackie (Lowenthal) Eastland, of Lawrence, announce the birth of their daughter, Katelyn Elizabeth, on Monday, April 11, 2005 at Lawrence Memorial Hospital. She is welcomed home by her older sister, Taylor Macy Eastland.

Gabrielle Nicole LeDou

Jay and Jenea LeDou of Olathe announce the birth of their daughter, Gabrielle Nicole. She was born at Menorah Medical Center in Overland Park on Tuesday, April 5, 2005 at 6:54 a.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and as 18 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mark and Billie Fiedler of Gardner. Pater-

nal grandparents are Richard and Kathy Lowenthal of Scott City and David and Cheryl (Roy) Calvin of Wichita. Paternal grandparents are Ronald and Penny Eastland of Houston. Great-grandparents are Al and Ruth Lowenthal of Colby.

nal grandparents are Phillip and Carolyn LeDou of Colby.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bill and Della Shepard of Overland Park and Joan Hinz of Kansas City, Mo. Paternal great-grandfather is Harley Burch of Leoti and late paternal great-grandparents are Dorothy Burch of Leoti and Raymond and Dortha Bennett of Scott City.

Aspen Len Melvin

Aspen Len Melvin, daughter of Len and Summer Melvin of Hays, Kansas was born Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at Hays Medical Center. She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Gracemary Melvin of Colby, B.J. Melvin of Las

Vegas, Nevada and Eldon and Karen LaBarge of Damar.

Great-grandparents are Max and Katherine Melvin of Colby and Robert and Rita Stover of Denver, Colo.

Great-great-grandmother is Josephine Stover of Beloit.

Bridge Results

Colby Country Club bridge winners for Tuesday, April 5, 2005 have been announced. They were:

Sarah Jane Barnett, first; Charles Davis, second; Marge Roulier, third; and Helen Donelan, fourth.

Driver's safety course offered at center

Senior News

Thumb Tack Day is Wednesday. Help the center by giving a pack. Exercise is at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday and the driver's safety class is at 8 a.m. Friday exercise is at 9:30 a.m. and it's Denim Day, wear your denim duds.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center in Colby wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend daily luncheons in Colby Monday through Friday.

Reservations may be made by

calling (785) 460-2901 the day before.

Home delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities.

We also invite those working who would like to pick up a meal.

Those meals are available at noon to be picked up.

For individuals 60 and over a contribution of \$2.25 per meal is requested. We also invite those under 60 years of age to attend or pick up a meal at a cost of \$4.50 per meal.

The menu for the next week includes: Monday - hamburger, po-

tato wedges, winter mix veggies, bun, fruit mix.

Tuesday - ham and beans, carrot raisin salad, Dole tropical fruit, cornbread, cook's choice complement. Wednesday - hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, bread, cranberry fluff. Thursday - chicken fajita, Spanish green beans, Jello with peaches, tortilla, cookie, orange juice. Friday - lasagna, corn, tossed salad with carrots, garlic bread, pineapple.

The building is also available for rental for events. For information or lunch reservations, call 460-2901.

Antique organ collection open to all

SHARON SPRINGS — Dick Rhea's pump organ collection has a new home on Main Street in Sharon Springs.

The old drugstore building at 117 N. Main Street houses most of his 56 restored antique pump organs, family members said.

Rhea has been a collector of pump organs for many years and was running out of space to store and display them.

He and his wife, Bernice, have traveled throughout the Midwest, including Wyoming, Colorado,

Kansas, Missouri, Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico and put over 34,000 miles on his pickup to retrieve these antique organs.

He recently purchased the building and has transformed it into a museum for his restored organs. The organs are all different and unique from one another and were built between 1848 and 1914.

The public is welcome on Sunday afternoons from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Special arrangements to see the organs may be made by calling (785) 852-4951 or (785) 821-1101.

Bill approved to protect child predators, disabled

TOPEKA (AP) — Criminals preying on children will face harsher penalties under a new law signed Monday by Gov. Kathleen Sebelius.

The governor also signed legislation protecting disabled Kansans from abuse in hospitals, mental health centers or group homes, and banning racial profiling by law enforcement officials.

All the new laws go into effect July 1.

The proposals combatting child predators and abuse of the disabled were advocated by Attorney General Phill Kline.

"We have an absolute duty to protect our children and that means putting child predators and child pornographers behind bars," Sebelius said in a statement. "This bill will help law enforcement do just that."

The penalty for indecent solicitation of a child under age 14 was increased, which in many cases would mean prison rather than probation for those convicted of the crime.

Under the new law, prosecutors will be able to charge those possessing child pornography with a crime for each image.



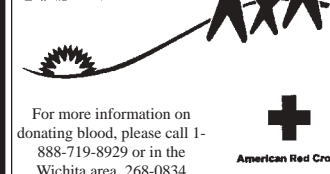
Dick Rhea of Sharon Springs has traveled more than 34,000 miles to find antique organs and now has his collection open to the public in an old drugstore building.

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