

Windy days good time to excite kids about books

In the tradition of a wonderful children’s book, I greet you “Happy Windsday!”

This windy weather reminds me of one of my favorite stories, “Winnie the Pooh and the Blustery Day” by Teddy Slater. If you have not read this in a while, you will find a freshly illustrated edition in our new-book section in the children’s room.

Several things I like about this book are the creatively written poem about the leaves “rustling gustily,” and Piglet being blown away by the blustery wind. And of course I cannot let you forget that this was the story when Tigger was blown into Pooh’s life.

Other books for middlers or teenagers that the library has go beyond just the run-of-the mill fiction. Not long ago, the library added three books that provide insight into other cultures, eras, or even creative stories.

“Younguncle Comes to Town,” written by Vandana Singh, has won three recent awards. This friendly and enjoyable book is written for grade level 3-5 or ages 8-10.

Younguncle is the name of the youngest uncle in the family. He is known by his family and people who encounter him to be good-hearted and brilliant. Many strangers who meet him come to love his ways, while others just do not understand Younguncle. He thinks and does things differently.

After living with his elder brother’s family, Younguncle decides to go to another province and visit Ancient Auntie and Uncle. While there, he solves many evils and problems of the people in the community. This loving, engaging story presents relation-



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ships that many families in India would experience. The author also uses some language and cultural terms to help educate her young readers. It’s a truly delightful and lighthearted book for both boys and girls.

A new book that is classified for youths, but enjoyable also for adults, is “Eulalia!” The protagonist, Gorath, a young badger, is accosted by the wicked Captain Vizka Longtooth and his crew. This brings Gorath into a destiny of events that will dramatically change his life, and many others.

This book is written in a type of brogue, so that it takes the reader into an old time and mystical setting. The characters are created in a way that makes each have an important part to play in this dramatic saga. It’s an exciting read, with many surprising twists and events that bring the book to a satisfying conclusion.

Another book that the library has recently obtained is “Black Horses for the King,” written by Anne McCaffrey. The author weaves a plausible story of how King Arthur may have strategized the defeat of the Saxons through the importation and breeding of larger Libyan horses.

Galwyn rapidly becomes involved in this dramatic plan. He and others pledge their loyalty to help accomplish this difficult task.

The Pioneer Memorial Library constantly looks for ways to link with businesses and organizations to serve our youth and community better. Recently, the Kansas State Kiwanis Foundation donated \$400, with a matching grant of \$400 from the local Kiwanis Foundation of Colby, to buy a Wii system. A Wii (pronounced as “we” in English) is a video-game console that allows several players to play a game with wireless controls that can project their movement on the wall or screen.

When we purchase this, there will be several games included. We hope to be able to have such group games as Rock Band, where players perform different parts. A Wii is a social game station that has the capacity to draw middlers and teens to play together rather than sit at home alone on their computers. It could also be extended to allow multi-generational games. We will let you know when we get this exciting equipment ready for use.

During these blustery days, let the wind blow you into the library, check out a book or video for cool evenings or get out of the house, stretch your legs and come read in the warmth of the library. Remember we still have the Wi-Fi Hot Spot in the lobby just for you.

Broadcast students air news



DEBBIE SCHWANKE/Colby Community College
Colby Community College students Heather Temple, El Dorado, and Michael Gustason, White City, went over scripts for their twice-weekly newscast. Television students produce a newscast which airs live at 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays on S&T Communications cable channel 118. Department grads include KAKE-TV anchor Jemelle Holopirek.

Family wants birthday cards

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Cattle focus of meeting

A beef cattle reproduction seminar is planned for Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 2-3, at the Hilton Hotel in Fort Collins, Colo.

The cost is \$150, or \$75 for students, until Monday, Nov. 17. After that, the cost increases to \$200 per person.

The Robert Taylor Memorial Symposium, Applied Reproductive Strategies in Beef Cattle, will focus on new methods and technologies to improve reproduction in beef cattle.

“This meeting is for anyone ... including producers, veterinarians, AI technicians and extension specialists,” said Sandy Johnson, one of the conference coordinators.

Continuing education credit will be available for veterinarians.

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH

LAUREN BTHELL
Grade: Senior
Parents: Tom & Anne Bethell

Lauren, a Senior at Colby High School, is the November Student of the Month. Lauren’s school and community activities include FCA, International Club, Service Club, Choir, School Musical, Tennis, Softball, Berean Church Youth Group, Hurricane Katrina Relief, Genesis Food Drives, and Relay for Life. Her special honors include Superintendent’s Honor Roll and National Honor Society. Lauren’s academic emphasis has been the Regent’s Curriculum. She plans to attend Taylor University in Indiana and major in Psychology.

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9	10 Cardiac Rehab	11	12 Dr. Frankum Surgery Diabetic Clinic Cardiac Rehab Echocardiograms Ultrasounds Mammograms	13 MRI Mobile Unit Vasc Ultrasounds	14 Cardiac Rehab Echocardiograms Ultrasounds	15
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