

Family

Honor roll released

Colby High School has announced its honor roll for the fall semester. Students had to post a grade average of 3.5-3.99 to qualify for the Principal's Honor Roll and 4.0 (straight A) for the Superintendent's Honor Roll.

**Superintendent's Honor Roll Freshmen:** Morgan Bell, Emilia Finley, Madison Gawith, Julia Hutfles, Rachel Juenemann, Brenna McKee, Christina Ostmeyer, Jennifer Schwanke

**Sophomores:** Brittany Bange, Megan Dougherty, Audra Fleming, Sam Kendrick, Bailey Koepferich, Matthew Lambert, Sara Martin, Tera Raymond, Kylie Reitcher, Shanell Sager, Anna Taylor, Shelby Terrell

**Juniors:** Seth Bredemeier, Gray Henry, Jacob Hutfles, Anna Juenemann, Preston Krzycki, Braden McKee, Kalen Rasmussen, Collin Rous, Dylan Stithem, Jordan Voss, Jill Withington, Caitlin Wright, Keesa Wright.

**Seniors:** Kelsie Barrett, Lauren Bethell, Jared Bixenman, Cade Carter, Jeremy Harter, Jordan Hockersmith, Darya Hrechko, Kiri Kendrick, Tanner Kriss, Jordan Krzycki, Jessica Leiker, Tyson Miller, Cory Sager, Levi Schlick, Laura Schmid, Luke Schroeder, Taylor Young, Garrett Zweygardt.

**Principal's Honor Roll Freshman:** Jessica Applebaugh, Jaydon Bixenman, Andrea Dizmang, Katera Harter, Leah Jennings, Konnor Kriss, Hannah Matchell, Jared Nally, Jordan Rasmussen, Paul Schiferl, Josh Schroeder, Megan Schroeder, Ariel Severson, Kayla Skiles, Haley Stickel, Michael Tubbs, Kayla Weber.

**Sophomores:** Amanda Barnum, Amanda Edmundson, Andrew Flanagan, Kimberly Gerstner, Grace Hankin, Kayla Hockersmith, Laura Juenemann, Katherine Kaus, Katrina Kaus, Kate Ostmeyer, Brock Roemer, Kelsey Shields, Sean Skiles, Ashley Standage, Kelsey Voss, Caitlyn Wark, Kaid Wark.

**Juniors:** Alli Barton, Barbara Bickner, Jaylea Black, Dani Dietz, Jeremy Funk, Jonathan Funk, Ryley Haas, Megan Higerd, Kristal Kriss, Mary Lambert, Rhett Martin, Brandon Rasmussen, Nathan Reed, Jacob Rose, Samantha Schmidt, Robert Schroeder, Torey Taylor, Brock Wagoner.

**Seniors:** Cody Anderson, Breck Arnberger, Brent Arnberger, Treat Bugbee, Kelly Coen, Stephen Dinkel, Alexa Garcia, Kylie Kennedy, Shelby Klinger, Shelby Klippert, Scott McCoy, Tara Powell, Matthew Ryan, Adam Schroeder, Brittany Schuette, Kayla Sloan, Heath Stephens, Kirstie Strutt, Emily Terrell, Samantha Tolle, Avalon Verrijken, Kendall Wehkamp, Thomas Wieland, Kayla Williams, Lindsey Wilson, Quinnlyn Woofter.

Deaths

Andrew J. Black

Andrew J. Black, 91, formerly of Rexford, died Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2009, at his home in Hays.

He was born Dec. 3, 1917, in Courtland, to Lewis M. and Esther (Anderson) Black, and raised in Thomas County. He attended Brewster, Colby and Menlo schools, graduating from Menlo High School. After Army service during World War II, he returned to live in Rexford. He married Marguerite L. Maddock on Sept. 20, 1954, in Tucumcari, N.M.

He was a member of the Rexford American Legion and worked for the Thomas County Highway Department as well as farming.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Lewis Black; two sisters, Madeline Kirkendall and Marceil Mead; and three brothers-in-law, Roy Dible, Arden Kirkendall and Don Mead.

He is survived by his wife, of the home; two sons, John Black of Aurora, Colo., and Randy (Cheryl) May of Dallas, a daughter, Julie Black of Hays; two sisters, Eileen Dible of Colby, and Joan Hancock of Des Moines, Iowa; a sister-in-law, Frances Black of Colby; and four grandchildren.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, 2009, at the Rexford Community Church, with Pastor Lane Purcell officiating and burial in the Rexford Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Pauls Funeral Home in Selden, and after 9 a.m. Saturday at the church.

The family suggests gifts to the Rexford American Legion, in care of the funeral home, 121 N. Penn, Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

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Concert set for Oberlin

The Pride of the Prairie Orchestra will present its winter concert, "Celebrate the Love of Sound," at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22, at The Gateway civic center in Oberlin, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association.

This performance will feature Sharon Kriss performing Grieg's "Piano Concerto in A Minor." Other selections will be from "The Wizard of Oz," "Comedy Tonight," "The Lord of the Dance," "Summon the Heroes," "Scenes From the Old West," "Hatikvah," and "Rootbeer Rag."

The orchestra is directed by Andrew Salvador, Burlington High School band director. Members come from area towns. Participating in the February concert will be Donna Engel, Kathy Spencer, Mary Beth, Kendra and Josiah Akens, Megan and Kristi Gay, Mary Beth Myers, Jan Wolf, Haley Kistler, Kriss, Leona Dickman, Katherine Jones, Chelle Shoemaker, Danielle Pettibone, Birkley Barnes, Eileen Jones, Nathaniel Ekberg, Matt Kleopfer, Carol McGuire, Rianna Melton, Alysa Shubert, Leanna and Nick Larm-er, Stacey Williams, Bruce Frahm, Bob Kelly, Jonathan Bosserman, Steve Golden, and Mary Shoaff.

Admission to the concert will be by Western Plains season tickets, Friends of the Orchestra membership or tickets available at the door.

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Babies

Layne Bill Getz

Layne Bill Getz, son of Shelby Steerman and Logan Getz, was born Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2009, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. Grandparents are Robert and Lisa Steerman of Grainfield, and Dean and Candy Getz of Gove.



Layne Getz

Ag instructors meet

Shawna Howell, agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor at Colby High School, joined others from across Kansas at the 2009 Kansas Association of Agricultural Educators Symposium last Wednesday to Friday in Hays.

The theme for the conference was "Preparing for the Future," focusing on helping students gain the skills necessary to be successful in their chosen careers.

Agriculture educators attended workshops focusing on career clusters, teaching strategies, professional networking and student award programs and applications. Other activities included tours to the Fort Hays State University Agricultural Department, EnerSys and Goodman Energy Center and the Kansas State University Agricultural Research Center.

The association is a professional development organization of active and student members working to develop and promote agriculture education in Kansas. Go to www.ksaged.org for information.

Students recognized

MANHATTAN – Four graduates of Thomas County high schools earned semester honors from Kansas State University for their academic performance.

Area students on the honors list were Courtney Ann Albers, Katie Lynn Friesen and Blake Matthew McEmore from Colby and Andrew Gerald Broeckelman, a Golden Plains High School graduate.

Jordan Harris



Nov. 17, 1984 - Feb. 5, 2005

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**Thank You**

The Committee for the Reid Atkins Benefit would like to thank all of the people for helping make the day a success. A special thank you to McCarty Dairy, Wal-Mart, Dillons, Kansas Quick Lube, Uptown Style, Farm Credit, Colby Bowl, Tubbs Chiropractic, Taylor Motors, TO Haas, Mary Maxwell, Johnson Transport, Made of Iron and Trinity Lutheran Church.

**Jordan D. Harris**  
November 17, 1984  
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