

Family

Best sellers kick off plans for May, June

We at the library had a wonderful time with patrons during National Library Week.

Our last Booked for Lunch for winter and spring season will be Wednesday, May 6. Stuart Aiken will be discussing "Blank Spots on the Map: The Dark Geography of the Pentagon's Secret World," by Trevor Paglen. This book is about the CIA's operations around the world. It may prove to be an exciting and intriguing nonfiction book that will make for a very interesting review.

Now, it's time to now focus on preparations for the summer events here at the Library. This year's theme for the kids summer reading and other programs is "Be Creative @ Your Library." Thus, we are preparing lots of ways to inspire your children to think outside the box and indulge in creative expression.

Speaking of creative expression, I want you to know that we have lots of *The New York Times* Best Sellers in our library. Seven are available in both print and audio book (CD) versions. The seven are "Just Take My Heart," by Mary Higgins Clark; "Long Lost," by Harlan Coben; "The Associate," by John Grisham; "Borderline," by Nevada Barr; "True Detectives," by Jonathan Kellerman; "Lavender Morning," by Jude Deveraux; and "Corsair," by Clive Cussler and Jack Du Brul.

Other current best sellers in print are "The Host," by Stephanie Meyer; "Handle with Care," by Jodi Picoult; "Fatally Flaky," by Diane Mott Davidson; and in large type and regular print, "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society," by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.

A recent book that I read was by Alison Johnson, who grew up in Palisade, Neb. She was a granddaughter of the Krotter family. Grandfather Krotter was successful in creating wealth and a dynasty for his two sons, Dean and Chauncey. Dean, Alison's father, ultimately inherited much of the family estate. He was a man driven by the need to save and yet be prepared for another depression.

He believed that money could be made by waiting for the right opportunity during a downturn to create wealth and buy materials at a lower price. However, his eccentric traits caused extreme hardship for his family. Johnson discusses her family's lifestyle, and ways they spent their growing-up years.

McCook, Neb., is mentioned several times in the book. You see that the family had wealth and did use it, but not to their enjoyment or real benefit. Another interesting snippet of the book is that Dean Krotter knew Warren Buffet and had been invited to invest with him. He just had a different agenda for investment.

The end of the book discusses how the author and her siblings had to deal with the wealth. Their father amassed his wealth by hid-



Melany Wilks

Library Links

ing it in every nook and cranny. If you love drama and family history, you will enjoy this. My heart goes out to this author and her family however – broken relationships in the family are the most painful to endure.

And related to money, I want you all to know that we as citizens of Colby need to get behind Gray Henry and Kayla Sloan, who will going to a national forensics competition. Gray Henry will be presenting an Oral Interpretation of Poetry, while Kayla Sloan will be presenting an Oral Interpretation of Prose.

During the Rotary meeting this week, I had the opportunity to hear both of them do the material they will be using during the competition. We Rotarians were all very impressed. To help these deserving students, plan to eat pizza at Pizza Hut on Tuesday. Pizza Hut will give a portion of the proceeds to help pay for their trip.

Come and use your library. We are at 375 W. Fourth Street in Colby. Our phone number is (785) 460-4470. The Pioneer Memorial Library website, www.colbylibrary.com, has the catalog and other informational links.

This week we will add information about the books reviewed for National Library Week, just in case you missed the luncheon discussions. Look under the area that says Quick Links (to the right of the screen) and find the link that says Book Reviews.

Our blog tells of events and happenings at the library at colbylibrary.blogspot.com. Soon you may be able to find a few photos from National Library Week there on the blog.

We love to serve you, so come enjoy your library and the great resources we have prepared. The library has books, videos on disk and tape, computer games, audiobooks, cake pans, and computers with wired and Wi-Fi Internet access, all free.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$5.08
Corn (bushel)	\$3.43
Milo (hundredweight)	\$5.10
Soybeans (bushel)	\$9.41

Corrections

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.



Chad Steven Focke and Amanda Sue Morgan

August wedding planned in Leoville

Amanda Sue Morgan and Chad Steven Focke plan to marry Saturday, Aug. 1, 2009, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Leoville.

Mandy is the daughter of Dude and Carol Morgan of Colby. A 2001 graduate of Colby High School, she is a customer

service representative at The Bank in Selden.

Chad is the son of the late Dennis and Sylvia Wachendorfer of Selden. A 1993 graduate of Golden Plains High School, he is a farmer near Selden.

The couple will be living on a farm west of Selden.

Booking Log

Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Maria de Jesus, 19, Lexington, Neb., April 9, aiding and abetting, possession of stolen property, less than \$1,000, aiding and abetting theft, Colby Police Department, released April 14 on signature bond.

- Michael Anthony Ciulla, 25, North Hollywood, Calif., April 14, possession of marijuana with

intent, no drug tax stamp, possession of hallucinogenic drug with intent, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Thursday on \$100,000 bond.

- Moira Ann McClowry, 24, California, April 14, possession of marijuana with intent, no drug tax stamp, possession of hallucinogenic drug with intent, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Thursday on bond.

Babies

Cyler and Camden Luck

Cyler Vincent Luck and Camden Allen Luck were born April 10, 2009, at Hays Medical Center to Mark and Jessica Luck of Hays. Cyler weighed 5 pounds,

10 ounces and was 19 inches long; Camden weighed 5 pounds, 6.8 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. Corbin John Luck, 3, welcomed his brothers home. Grandparents are Jerry and Montine Alstrom and Larry Long, Oberlin, and Robert and Lynette Luck, Colby. Great-grandparents are Nora Bearley and Kieth and Dorothy Alstrom, Oberlin; Helen and Harvey Ehrlich, Brighton, Colo.; and Agnes Lyon, Norton.



Cyler Luck



Camden Luck

Aaron Floyd Samuelson

Aaron Floyd Samuelson, son of Barry and Sarah Samuelson of Oakley, was born April 16, 2009, at Citizens Medical Center. He weighed 9 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 20 inches. Grandparents are Dan and Carol Rietcheck, Grinnell, and Dale and Lorraine Samuelson of Oakley. Great-grandparents are Bessie Allen, Lebanon; Jeanie Rietcheck, Grinnell; and Floyd and Pearl Samuelson, Oakley.



A. Samuelson

Design a reusable grocery bag

To celebrate Earth Day this week, Dillons and other Kroger stores are asking customers to design the logo for a reusable shopping bag through an online contest.

Customers can go to www.dillons.com/green to enter. Software tools to help the customer design and create images are available on the site. A "wizard" will walk you through the process.

The contest is open to anyone 13 years and older. People can go the site to vote on their favorite design also.

Anyone who designs a bag and has a valid Kroger shopper card, including Dillons, King Soopers or City Market, will receive an electronic coupon loaded directly to their card for a free reusable bag where available.

Designers can also buy a reusable bag featuring their own logo. Every reusable bag has the potential to save 1,000 plastic bags over its lifetime, the store said. Last year, the stores sold more than 6 million reusable bags in a push to help the country go green.

The winner of the contest will receive a \$1,000 Kroger gift card

and a chance to see their design on bags. Four finalists will win \$250 gift cards and five runners-up will receive \$100 cards.

Deadline is May 15 for customers to create their design and vote on their favorite entries on line.

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