On the Beat

COLBY POLICE Thursday

3:12 a.m. – Man in a wheelchair stuck in front of the library on W. Fourth, escorted home.

6:03 a.m. - Vehicle with flashers in the 900 block of E. Fourth, possibly hit something. Subject hit a deer at unknown location on U.S. 83. Turned over to Highway

6:45 a.m. – Report on warrant out of Bourbon County Sheriff's Office on Justin D. Suhajda.

8:41 a.m. – Walk through at Sacred Heart School.

flower pot from porch at 400 S. Franklin, No. 40.

2:23 p.m. – Yelling coming from on phone.

10:26 p.m. – Suspicious person inside 275 W. Third.

Wednesday

9:07 a.m. - Found green tipper north of I-70, brought it to Law

Enforcement Center. U.S. 83 at mile 179.

Thursday

10:26 a.m. – Postmaster reported mailbox shot and damaged at County Rds. 15 and H.

12:24 p.m. – Assisted Highway Patrol on traffic stop westbound

on I-70 at mile 52. 1:25 p.m. – Criminal summons

served on Kimberly Renee Chase. 1:49 p.m. – Criminal summons served on Marc Randall Pearce.

6:33 p.m. - Trucks parked on road loading grain carts without lights on County Rds. 9 and X.

Ham a hit

ATLANTA (AP) - Celebrity chef Paula Deen got an unexpect-10:20 a.m. - Theft of large ed serving of ham - across her

The Food Network star was helping unload 25,000 pounds of Haines Laundromat was someone donated meat for an Atlanta food bank last month when someone threw a ham like a football and accidentally smacked her.

Deen tells WGCL-TV: "I THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF thought it busted my lip, but it didn't."

Through smiles and laughter, can on County Rd. 15 1/2 mile Deen added: "I'm OK. It just knocked me for a little bit."

She says she was unloading 7:47 p.m. – Injury accident on hams when she tossed one to a man, who then said "Back at 'ya." Thinking he meant it only as a sentiment, she turned around to get another ham when the errant chunk of swine came at her.

Insurance success takes planning

I love to cook. It's something I find rewarding for myself and for my family.

During this holiday season, many of us expend considerable thought and activity (not to mention dollars) to prepare and serve memorable meals to our families and friends. We think about what our families like to eat, basic ingredients we need to prepare the meal, and what extra ingredients we could add that would "spice it up." In turn, we hope our families know we love and care about them.

When it comes to insurance coverage for yourself and for your family, I hope you follow the same recipe for success, not only during the holidays but throughout the year. Let

You think about what they like. Cooking everybody's favorite foods during the holidays shows a loving commitment to making them feel good. When you talk about insurance with your family, just as in asking them what they would like to eat, you consider what coverage opportunities provide the financial security and independence they seek. How much coverage do they need? What kind of insurance works best for their goals, not only for a specific time period but for the future?

Within those considerations, "loading up" on one type of insurance could be like eating too much at one meal; when it comes time to eat again, you might not have any room left. With insurance, that could mean you don't have the financial ability to add any more coverage or diversify what you already have in order to meet changing family needs.



Sandy Praeger

• Kansas Ins. Commissioner

You look at the basic ingredients. By knowing a family's food desires, a good cook can seek out the best basic ingredients at the best prices. It works the same for insurance. As our Kansas Insurance Department Consumer Assistance representatives rightly point out, consumers need to be educated and savvy when it comes to their insurance choices. The ability to "shop around" is commonplace now.

Compare companies' prices for insurance products, but also make sure you compare the "ingredients" (policy coverages). Just as with groceries, the cheaper, "low priced" insurance products might contain fewer benefits or unwanted claims procedures.

From our web site, www.ksinsurance.org, you can print or order several publications that will give you tips on choosing insurance coverages. You can also find agents or company information there.

You look at what extra ingredients would 'spice it up." Once the basic meal has been assembled, a cook sees what could be added for flavoring or complementing the food. This is where a good cook looks to enhance but not overpower the meal with too many additions

Working with a basic insurance portfolio of products is very similar. While you want to make sure you have covered the basics of your insurance (life, health, home, auto), there are other insurance products (annuities, long-term care insurance, Medicare supplement plans) that can - if they work for your financial consideration - give you added piece of mind in protecting yourself and your family.

If you need help with understanding those products, call our Consumer Assistance Hotline, (in Kansas) (800) 432-2484, and our Consumer Assistance representatives can as-

Cooking up a successful insurance recipe takes all the same thought, preparation and action as preparing a great meal for your family. This holiday season I urge you to discuss your insurance situation with your family — maybe even during that delicious time at the dining

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