

Spring shows coming in March

Ah, it's March, and officially the beginning of spring. It's the time of year when many of us begin to have serious bouts with Spring Fever.

We just returned from the Travel Industry Association of Kansas Legislative Day and board meeting in Topeka and then traveled to Wichita for the Sports and Travel Show.

The show was successful despite some rather miserable weather. Folks were planning ahead for those fishing trips and day and/or weekend trips. There is a lot of interest in traveling Kansas!

A new sign is being erected at the Colby Visitor Center which we hope will be helpful for our travelers. All hotels, including those just being built, are listed. Hotel information includes name, address and telephone number along with a number, all color coded to a map. This should make finding accommodations much simpler after hours when the center is not staffed.

Two of our larger annual events are held in March. The Gun, Coin and Collectibles Show will be Saturday and Sunday, March 13 to 14, at the Community Building. About 50 exhibitors are expected. This show has been going on for many, many years.

The Home and Better Living



Leilani Thomas

• On the Road Again!

Show will be held Friday to Sunday, March 26 to 28, at the Community Building. The show will open at 4 p.m. Friday night, 10 a.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday. There is no admission fee. This one will truly get you into the mood for spring.

Other special activities include the popular *Murder Mystery at the Library*, with dinner and a play, on Saturday, March 6. Tickets are going fast, so call the Pioneer Memorial Library now.

At the library Thursday, March 18, is another of the pre-Chautauqua events, a book discussion of "Mules and Men" led by scholar Ann Birney at 7 p.m. The library has several copies of the book which may be checked out.

The Max Pickerell Lecture Series will feature Dr. Ron Green, author of "Babies by Design," at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, at the Colby Community College Cultural Arts Center. Sue Evans will be reviewing this work at Booked for

Lunch at the library at noon Wednesday.

A first grade program, "The Unity Tree," will be presented at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, in the Colby Grade School auditorium.

Pre-Easter activities include Brown Bags and Bibles, which will be held every Wednesday at noon this month at the First Presbyterian Church. The Colby Kiwanis Club's Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 27. This is a favorite activity for the children.

A weather spotter and safety training class is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11, at in the Community Building. The class, for everyone interested in High Plains weather, is offered by the National Weather Service and Thomas County Emergency Management.

March brings new sports schedules. Basketball will finish up with regional and state finals. The Class 1A substate tournament will be held at the Community Building from Thursday to Saturday. Games all three days will begin at 3 p.m.

Baseball, softball and track are scheduled for March. The college has a softball tournament sched-

uled for Saturday and Sunday, March 20 and 21. A horse sale is set for 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Agriculture Center east of town.

Although it doesn't seem possible, Daylight Savings Time begins again Sunday, March 14. That surely is a first sign of spring. There are lots of activities during March, and I hope to see you at many of them.

Summer ag courses offered teachers

The Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom will again offer graduate-level summer courses through Kansas State University this year.

The courses are designed to introduce delivery methods and materials to incorporate agriculture into the school curriculum. From investigating a flower's reproduction system to exploring the science behind a dairy farm, they open the door to the many opportunities agriculture can provide to teachers. Scholarships provided by agriculture donors are available.

Three courses will be offered this year: "Connecting Your Classroom to Kansas Agriculture" is a week-long hands-on experience that assists teachers in integrating agriculture into all classroom subjects. This course will be offered in Manhattan Monday to Friday, June 7 to 11.

"Plants Have a Place in the Classroom" introduces

teachers to the idea of a school garden through topics, including soil science and plant growth and development. This two-day course will be offered in Wichita Monday and Tuesday, June 14 and 15.

"What You Can Learn from a Tomato" is a food science course that focuses on the scientific aspects of food from harvesting to processing to consumption. This two-day course will be offered in Kansas City, Mo., Thursday and Friday, June 17 and 18.

The courses are offered through the K-State Division of Continuing Education, and participants earn university graduate credit. Each course is approved for continuing education hours.

Applications are available on the web site at www.kstagclassroom.org. The application deadline is May 1. Contact Cathy Musick at (785) 532-7946 for information about courses and scholarship availability.

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