

Family

New flower choices offer spring sparkle

In my excitement and eagerness to present information about some of the new vegetables each spring, I sometimes forget that there are many gardeners out there whose interests aren't necessarily weighted toward vegetables.

A lot of gardeners who do their thing each summer spend most of their time planting and maintaining beds and borders of beautiful flowers. The ability to brighten up the neighborhood with colorful flowers and blooming shrubs requires an effort every bit as exciting as any other garden project.

I enjoy writing and talking about the new offering of vegetables each year, and I also want you to know about some of the sparkling new flowers that are available for the first time. Once again, the plant scientists have been working overtime.

One of the new 2010 All-American Selections that stands out in my mind is the unbelievable "Twinny" peach snapdragon. I love snapdragons, but I've never seen one like this. It's a DOUBLE snapdragon in a color combination of peach, yellow and orange. The "Twinny" title comes from the double feature. There are also other colors available, but this one wins the All-American designation.

For several years, flower gardeners have become acquainted with the Zahara series of zinnias, which is a gorgeous follow-up to the Profusion series that has offered so much beauty the last decade.

This year, the breeders of the Zahara line have outdone themselves with a new landscape phe-



Kay Melia
• The Gardener

nomenon called Starlight Rose. It also won an All-America designation and you won't believe its tremendous eye appeal of pink, rose and white with a yellow center. The growers say it is the easiest of all zinnias to grow. A packet of 25 seeds will cost you \$2.75 from the J.W. Jung Seed Co.

A double award winner this year is the outstanding Mesa Yellow Hybrid Gaillardia. Not only did it win All-America honors, but it also won the Fleuroselect Gold Medal. Small wonder! It is the very first gaillardia that is both hybrid and perennial and offers masses of three-inch sunshine yellow on plants that grow 16 to 22 inches tall.

Rose lovers will appreciate a new 2010 All-America Rose Selection winner, the only new rose to win that honor this year. It's a floribunda, call Easy Does It, and offers a flamboyant fruit salad for your rose garden of swirling shades of mango orange, peach pink and honey apricot blooms that are ruffled and spiraled to form a bloom not unlike a big carnation.

There are new hostas, new violas, new rudbeckias and new vinca's that simply jump out at you this year. Watch for them at your favorite garden center, as you set out to make your flower garden the brightest in the block!



Justin Trey Potter and Kimberly Caitlin "K.C." Roblyer

June wedding planned by Triplains graduate

Kimberly Caitlin "K.C." Roblyer and Justin Trey Potter plan to marry Saturday, June 12, 2010, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hays.

The bride, daughter of Dan and Marsha Roblyer of Westmoreland, is a 2004 graduate of Rock Creek High School. She graduated from Fort Hays State University in May 2008 with an associate's degree in radiologic technology and a bachelor's degree in medical diagnostic imaging. She will finish Washburn

University's radiation therapy program in July. She is a radiologic technologist and CT tech at Hays Medical Center.

The groom, son of Blake and Debra Potter of Winona, is a 2003 graduate of Triplains High School. He graduated in May 2009 from Fort Hays State with a bachelor's degree in health promotion and wellness. He is a health unit coordinator in the emergency room at the hospital.

Deaths

Richard Moses

Richard Moses, 62, Imperial, Neb., son of Leta and the late Emery Moses of Colby, died Sunday, March 14, 2010, at the Chase County Hospital in Imperial. He was born May 18, 1947.

Services will be at 11:30 (Central Time) Wednesday, March 17, 2010, at the First United Method-

ist Church, 420 Holland St., Imperial.

Liewer Funeral Home in Imperial, (308) 882-4642, is in charge of arrangements.

The family suggests memorials to the Imperial library, in care of the funeral home, 841 Court St., Imperial, Neb., 69033.

Wyoming artist to teach painting workshop soon

The Dane G. Hansen Museum of Logan will hold a four-day painting workshop by Wheatland, Wyo., artist Barbara Schaffner from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday to Saturday, April 14 to 17.

Cost of the workshop is \$140, with a discount available for museum members. Call (785) 689-4846 to register. The class is limited to 20.

Schaffner, was an honors stu-

dent at West Texas State University, returns to Logan for her eighth oil-painting workshop. Her western scenes and wildlife paintings have hung in galleries in six western states and Canada. She was honored as the Wyoming Ducks Unlimited Artist of the Year in 2003. Schaffner recently completed a historic painting of "The First Steamship to Arrive at Fort Union-1832."

Honor society inducts new members from Hoxie

The Phi Theta Kappa academic honor society at Garden City Community College inducted 33 new members this spring, including Shayla Niermeier and Stephanie Eberle, both of Hoxie.

Phi Theta Kappa is the international scholastic honor organization for students at community and two-year colleges. Membership is based on scholarship and academ-

ic accomplishment for full-time students. Members dedicate themselves to campus and community service focused on the concepts of wisdom, aspiration and purity.

It's python season in Florida

Florida's special python hunting season is underway. From March 8 until April 17, any person with a hunting license who pays for a \$26 permit can take these alien reptiles on state lands around the Everglades in south Florida.

Last year, Florida officials decided to take a more aggressive stance against the invasive species, creating a hunting season and issuing permits to experts to kill as many as possible. The state has held workshops for folks inexperienced with pythons, which focused on how to identify, stalk and capture these reptiles.

In addition to the introduced and established Burmese pythons, Northern African pythons, and Nile monitors, permit-holders can also take the as yet not-established

green anacondas when encountered.

For information, go to myfwc.com/recreation/hunt_pythons.htm.

Corrections

A photo caption on Page 1 of the Thursday, March 11, Colby Free Press incorrectly identified Toni Ackerman and her son, Seth Ackerman. This was a reporting error.

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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.

Bridge Club

Meadow Lake bridge winners on Tuesday were first, Joy Davis; second, Mary Kersenbrock; third, Dave Ulmer; fourth, Thelma Shalz; fifth, Mary Molstad; sixth, Margaret Denneker; seventh, Elaine Ptacek.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$3.90
Corn (bushel)	\$3.07
Milo (hundredweight)	\$5.05
Soybeans (bushel)	\$8.08

MOVIES

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Deadline is April 26, 2010!!!

The Colby Free Press is now planning the Senior Graduation Tab and will be giving parents a chance to put a baby picture in along with a short message from the family for a small fee.

We will automatically feature your student's picture and information, but this will be your chance to put in a baby picture to show how much your senior has really changed over the years!

Call Andrea, Heather or Shaly @ 462-3963 for more information or stop by the office at 155 W. 5th in Colby.

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WHITNEY COLETTE ADAMS

•• Small Sample ••

I plan to attend Colby Community College and play softball

PARENTS:
Richard & Peggy Adams

It's been a real hoot, Whitney - go get em girl, and Godspeed.
Love, Mom & Dad

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