

# Oakley business branches out, opening new sales site in Colby

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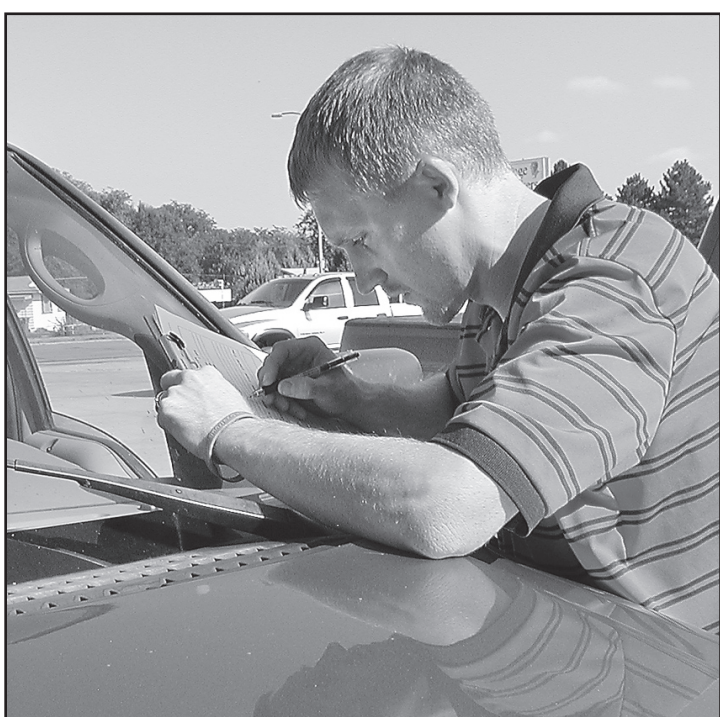
Oakley Motors, a 53-year-old business, has expanded its used car, parts and repair business to 930 S. Range in Colby. In addition to selling used cars, the firm offers parts and repairs for major models, including Chevrolet, Dodge, Chrysler and Jeep.

Dustin Sullivan, a 2002 Colby High School graduate who has been working at the Oakley location since 2005, has been named sales manager for the Colby store by owners Dan Robben, his son Larry, and Dan's brother Eric.

"Colby is a great place to expand our business," Sullivan said, "because there aren't many places that repair and sell Chevrolet models. We're looking to fill the gap and provide great service to our surrounding communities."

Sullivan has worked for the Oakley location since 2005. He is married to Katrina, a gymnastics teacher. They live in Colby with their 4-year-old daughter and a 1-year-old son.

Sullivan said they invite ev-



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Dustin Sullivan, manager of Colby Motors, filled out vehicle identification paperwork on one of the cars at the new business at 930 S. Range Ave.

everyone to come out and see what their shop has to offer, and to ask questions.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Call (785) 460-0222.

# Reunion draws from both coasts

Seventy-five descendants of Ernest Howard (1873-1948) and Elsie (Evans) Grover (1880-1953) from nine states attended a Grover family reunion in Colby on Aug. 7.

The Grovers lived in the Menlo area and raised 11 children: Effie Leah, Mildred Rossetta, Almond Robert, Veda Virene, Ernest Howard Jr., Kenneth Gilbert, Elsie LaVerene, Thelma Mae, Gerald Eugene, Ethelyn Elizabeth and Twila Fay.

A signature quilt, signed by everyone at the last reunion and made by Cindy Grover, was auctioned, with Dora McCarty the high bidder.

Attending, by family, were:

- **Leah and Roy A. Kistler family:** Hal and Judy Kistler, Calvin Kistler, Tim, Jessica, Zac and Josh Kistler, Wilma Pabst, Lois and Larry Struckmeyer, Larry and Berna Towns, Ernest and Anita Kistler, Don and Dorothy Kistler, all of Colby; Leroy and Jean Towns, Chapel Hill, N.C.; Diana Dellere, Wichita; Lydia Dellere, Fort Hood, Texas; Regan, Lincoln, and Kasen Stramel, Winona; Tracy, Terry and Taylor Johnson, Holcomb; Travis and Carrie Towns, Monument; and Christy, Alan and Landon Heim, Hoxie.

- **Almond and Willa (Raid-**

- er) Grover family:** Barbara and George Farinsky, Rolling Hills, Calif; Greg Farinsky, Newport Beach, Calif; Lynn Olson, Alex and Ryan, Aurora, Ore; Ken and Kim Farinsky, Jill and Meg, San Diego.

- **Veda and Orville Farmer family:** Keith Farmer, Dale Farmer and Marvin Farmer, all of Colby.

- **Kenneth and Glendora (Newberry) Grover family:** Art and Cindy Grover, Salina.

- **LaVerene and Fred Rikoff family:** Norma and Ron Higerd, Kent, Janet and Aaron Higerd, William Rikoff, Colby; Tyler and Susan Rikoff, Peabody.

- **Thelma and Carl Depperschmidt family:** Bernard and Darlene Depperschmidt, Wayne and Colleen Depperschmidt, Sharolyn Nolde Lopez and family, Alan and Glenna Depperschmidt, Loveland, Colo.; Debbie, Duane and Daniel Schable, Milliken, Colo; Leo and Barbara Depperschmidt, Leesburg, Fla.

- **Gerald and LaVerene (Benda) Grover family:** Virginia and Bob Taylor, Meridan, Idaho; Gary and Cheryl Taylor, Eagle Bend, Minn.; Dorothy Grover, Eugene, Ore.

- **Ethelyn and Art Koenemann family:** Dora McCarty, Waskom,

Texas; Robert and Louise Koenemann, Wichita.

Three family members who passed away since the last reunion were remembered: Leora (Mrs. Roy J.) Kistler, Mabel Farmer Langley, and Nina May (Mrs. Keith) Farmer.

The next reunion, No. 15, will be held in 2012.

# Leader program marks 20th

The Kansas Agriculture and Rural Leadership program celebrated its 20th anniversary at a benefit in Garden City with alumni, current participants, donors and special guests.

President Jack Lindquist said the curriculum has evolved and adapted over the last 20 years to the changing trends and challenges of the agricultural industry and rural Kansas.

A new addition is a graduate program, which offers continuing educational experiences for alumni and their guests.

"KARL is now a lifelong educational and enrichment experience," Lindquist said. "We've already had an entrepreneur's workshop this past April, and a recent inaugural study tour to Ireland drew a full group of 30 participants."

This winter, the group will hold a summit to address enhancing economic literacy. In addition, an

intrastate domestic tour will be held next year.

"The graduates and their guests loved the experience in Ireland, and every single one is ready to sign up for the next travel experience," Lindquist added.

The group's basic two-year program offers intensive study, training and travel for future leaders in agriculture and rural communities, financed by donations, said co-founder Barry Flinchbaugh, K-State Research and Extension professor of agricultural economics.

The alumni program is a self funded "pay-as-you-go" component, so no expenses are drawn from the money donated for the two-year program, Flinchbaugh noted.

To learn about the program as a prospective donor or applicant for Class XI (2011-2013), visit the website at [www.ksre.ksu.edu/karl/](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/karl/).

# Wheat-seeding tips help yields

Getting a good stand of wheat during the optimum time in the fall is an important first step in getting good yields.

Often, problems with plant growth and development later in the year can be traced back to poor emergence or inadequate root growth and tiller development in the fall and early winter, said Jim Shroyer, Kansas State University Research and Extension wheat agronomist.

Shroyer provided farmers with information to improve their chances of getting a good stand of wheat in a recent Extension Agronomy e-Update, available on the department's website at [www.agronomy.ksu.edu/extension](http://www.agronomy.ksu.edu/extension). Shroyer advised these steps:

- Proper tractor speed. Use a tractor speed of between 5 and 6 miles per hour when drilling wheat.

- Proper, uniform seeding depth. The ideal planting depth for wheat in most cases is about 1.5 inches.

Getting a uniform seeding depth is important.

- Firm seedbed. When seeds are planted into loose soils, rains in the fall will settle the soil and leave the crowns of the seedlings too close to the surface. Having a good closing system behind the drill openers, with adequate down pressure, should help.

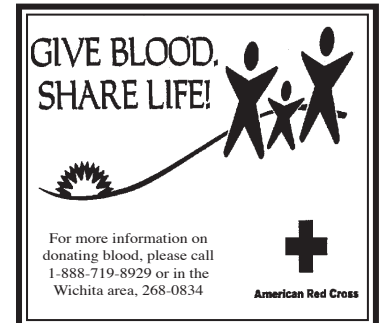
- Plant during the optimum time. In general, wheat should be planted somewhere around the Hessian fly-free date, about Sept. 15 in northwest Kansas.

- Adequate soil fertility. Farmers should apply at least part of their nitrogen before or at planting time to get the plants off to a strong start.

- Use a seed treatment. Fungicide seed treatments may help with stand establishment in certain situations. For seed production fields, a systemic seed treatment is recommended to help keep seed-borne pathogens such as bunt and loose smut out of seed stocks.

- Make adjustments for planting into row-crop stubble. When planting wheat into grain sorghum stubble, farmers will need an extra 30 pounds of nitrogen per acre over their normal rate. When planting wheat into soybean stubble, don't reduce the rate, since the nitrogen fixed by soybeans doesn't take effect until the following spring.

If the wheat is being planted no-till after row-crop harvest, Shroyer said, the rate should be increased by 20 pounds per acre. Seeding rates should be increased when planting wheat late after row-crop harvest, he said.



# SERVICES DIRECTORY

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## Schedule of church services

**GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP**, 2nd and Sunrise, Oakley. Pastor James Bloom, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:15 a.m., Wednesday evening Bible Study and Intercessory Prayer 6:30 p.m. 785-671-4020.

**COLBY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH**, 730 E. 3rd (former Jaycee's building). Pastor Bernard Heinz, 785-460-0313, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

**ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL**, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 785-462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday, Evening Prayer, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May, Christian Education for Youth, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, September through May.

**COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD**, 245 W. College Dr., Colby. Pastor Steve Todd. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 9 a.m. for all ages. Wednesday Youth at The Rock 3:30 and 7 p.m. Sunday evening services at 6:30 p.m. on all Sundays except the 5th Sunday of every month. 785-462-8234. [cdag@st-tel.net](mailto:cdag@st-tel.net).

**BEREAN CHURCH**, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, [www.colbyborean.com](http://www.colbyborean.com); Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. and Saturday, 5:30 p.m.. Pastor Mark Carlton, Senior Pastor and Pastor Jason Purdy, Youth Pastor. Middle School Group Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Attic and High School Youth Group Sunday 6 p.m. at the Attic. AWANA Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the church.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Rev. Craig Crossman, 615 W. Webster, 785-462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.; RC Club 2nd and 4th Sundays at 2 p.m.

**COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH** (Affiliated with Southern Baptist), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 785-460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m. Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday's.

**PLEASANT HOME CHURCH**, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-890-3375, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

**WINONA METHODIST CHURCH**, 501 Bellview Ave. Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)

**MINGO BIBLE CHURCH**, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Tom Peyton. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Worship Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Evenings 6:30. 3rd Sunday informal fellowship - bring a snack to share! First Sunday of month - carry-in dinner following morning worship.

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC**, 785-462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 a.m. and 9:25-9:40 a.m. on Sunday.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, Rev. Carol Rahn, 515 W. 4th, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website [colbypres.org](http://colbypres.org).

**WESLEYAN CHURCH**, 320 W. Pine - 785-462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**, 1145 S. Franklin - 785-460-6605, President Andy Rose, 785-460-6807; Erwin Mitchell, 1st counselor, 785-460-1952; Calvin Haverfield, 2nd counselor, 785-953-1043. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 p.m.; Family History Center open, 7-9 p.m. Thursdays or by appointment. Call 785-462-3571.

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**CHURCH OF CHRIST**, Minister, Jarrod Spencer. 510 E. 4th, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Bible Study 7:00 p.m. [www.colbychurch.com](http://www.colbychurch.com)

**OASIS WORSHIP CENTER**, Colby, Pastor J. Curry, 785-462-0913. Sunday Service at 2 p.m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**, (Disciples of Christ), Pastor Lyle Knebel, 385 W. 3rd - 785-460-2718, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church at 10:00 a.m.

**OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Brewster, Sunday worship 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Rev. Robert Alexander. East 5th & Country Club, 785-462-3497, Services, Sat., 5:30 p.m., Sunday; Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m.; Services, 10:30 a.m. Visit us at [www.trinitycolby.com](http://www.trinitycolby.com).

**LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH**, 205 1st St., Pastor Charles Taff, 785-586-2376, Sunday School (classes for 3 years & up and 3 adult classes) 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

**BREWSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, PO Box 250, Brewster. Pastor Dorine Chambers, 785-462-6044, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

**THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD**, Joan Dingworth, Director, 785-687-2565.

**REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 785-687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

**BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 785-694-2720, Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Wed. mornings 6:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Wed. 7:00 p.m. - Children's Ministries (Royal Rangers/ Missionettes), Wed. 7:15 p.m. - Intercessory & Prayer, Tue. 5:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study.

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