

Family

Deaths

Jim Schippers

Jim Schippers, 56, a Monument-area farmer, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2010, at his home.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 12, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Oakley, with Fathers Dana Clark and Jim Grennan officiating, and inurnment in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home in Oakley, with a rosary and wake set for 7 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to St. Joseph's School in care of the funeral home, Box 221, Oakley, Kan., 67748.

Enrollment begins for 2011 farm support

Enrollment for two farm-support programs, the 2011 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program and the Average Crop Revenue Election program, with the U.S. Farm Service Agency will continue through June 1.

Adrian J. Polansky, state executive director of the agency, said Farm Service computes direct and counter-cyclical payments using base acres and payment yields established for each farm. Farmers receive payments at rates established by law, regardless of market price.

For next year, anytime after Dec. 1 farmers may ask to receive advance direct payments based on 22 percent of their total payment, Polansky said. Rates vary depending on market prices. Counter-cyclical payments are issued only when the price for a commodity is below its target price.

"We at FSA urge producers to make use of the eDCP automated website to sign up," said Polansky. "The electronic service saves time, reduces paperwork and speeds up contract processing at their local FSA offices."

To do that, farmers must open an active eAuthentication Level

2 account by filling out an online registration at [www.eauth.egov.usda.gov](http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov), followed by a visit to the county office to verify identity. Farmers also can stop by the office to complete their 2011 contracts.

The optional Average Crop Revenue program provides a safety net based on state revenue losses and acts in place of the price-based counter-cyclical payments, Polansky said. A farm's payment is based on a revenue guarantee calculated using a five-year average state yield and the most recent two-year national price for each commodity.

In exchange for participating, farmers forego counter-cyclical payments, their direct payment is reduced by 20 percent and marketing assistance loan rates are reduced by 30 percent.

The decision to enroll in this program is irrevocable. The owner and all producers on the farm must agree to enroll. Once enrolled, the farm will be enrolled for that crop year and remain in the program through 2012.

For information, stop by the county office at 915 E. Walnut, Colby, (785) 462-7671, or go to [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

Rexford match a winner for Golden Plains scholars

By Russ Aumiller  
Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains seventh-grade team took first place when the middle school held its annual scholars' bowl Nov. 1 at Rexford.

The seventh-grade Bulldogs took home the big plaque with a 7-0 record. Team members are Kami Miller, Madison Walz, Koi Wessel, Cole Ziegelmeier and Kade Wessel.

The seven other schools participating were Grinnell/Wheatland, Cheylin, Rawlins County, Triplains, Brewster, Heartland Christian and Weskan.

Cheylin finished with a 6-1 record and took second, while Weskan placed third with four wins and three losses. Many of these rounds were only 10 points (one question) apart.

The sixth-grade rounds were competitive. Cheylin finished

4-1 and took home the first-place plaque. Golden Plains took second with three wins and two losses and Weskan was third, also 3-2. The Bulldogs came in second because they defeated Weskan when the teams went head to head.

The Bulldogs' sixth-grade team members are Dawson Spresser, Austin Rivera, Morgan Ritter, Nick Juenemann and Gabrielle Schiltz.

The eighth-grade division also was competitive. Rawlins County finished 5-1 and took first. Golden Plains came in second with a 4-2 record and Cheylin went 4-2 to take third.

Golden Plains eighth-graders are Joseph Koerperich, Taylor Todd, Ana Bermudez, Brooke Wark, Lucas Hapke and Rebecca Bange.

The teams will get another chance to compete at 4 p.m. Monday in Atwood.

Assistant publisher named to head Oberlin newspaper

Kimberly Davis, a reporter and editor for *The Oberlin Herald* for the last decade, has been named assistant publisher of the 131-year-old weekly newspaper.

Davis will supervise the staff of seven who produce the newspaper, working under owners Steve and Cynthia Haynes. Long-time staff members include Mary Lou Olson, society editor, who first joined the paper in 1954, and Pat Cozad, office manager, with 18 years.

"In her 10 years on the job, Kim has grown and learned as she's matured," Haynes said. "She has become an active member of the community and adopted Oberlin as her home. And for the past two or three years, she has taken on more and more responsibility."

The Hayneses own Nor'West Newspapers, which publishes community papers in Oberlin, St. Francis, Bird City, Goodland, Colby and Norton, plus two regional publications, *The Country Advocate* and the *Norton Monday Extra*. Mrs. Haynes is chief financial officer for the group, and Mr. Haynes, in addition to supervising the other papers, has been acting as publisher of the *Colby Free Press*.

"While Oberlin is our home," Mr. Haynes said, "we both need more time for other duties. We have a regional operation with about 50 employees."

Davis graduated from the the University of Colorado in May 2000 with a bachelor's degree in jour-

nalism and an emphasis in political science. She started as a reporter at *The Herald* the next month.

She and Tim Davis, now the advertising representative at the paper, married in July 2004. They have two daughters and one granddaughter who live in Colorado, and twin 7-year-old foster daughters in Oberlin.

"I have truly enjoyed working at *The Oberlin Herald* and getting to know the Oberlin community over the past 10 years," she said. "In that time, my husband and I have come to call Oberlin home. I look forward to the future and what might be possible here."

Davis was a volunteer and committee member for the former Seeds of Hope Telethon for several years, a member of the United Explorers for two, the Pioneer Club for one and the Oberlin Jaycees for three. Today, she's a co-convenor of the Sappa Park Committee under Decatur Tomorrow and a member of the Decatur Professional Women. Her daughters attend Oberlin Elementary School.

She says she loves photography, growing things, canning, baking, walking at Sappa Park, friends, spending time with her family and scrapbooking, to name a few of her interests.

"I have always wanted to run in a 5K and hope to accomplish that goal in the next few years," she said.



Kim Davis

Colby Rotary Club

Thirty members and guests Bob Ruda and visiting Rotarian Dr. Max Heim, interim president of Colby Community College, attended the Nov. 2 meeting of the Colby Rotary Club.

Judy Kleinsorge, children's librarian at the Pioneer Memorial Library, read the book "Up, Down and Around" by Katherine Ayres. The book will be provided to each of the 47 day-care operators in Thomas County in honor of Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Week from Nov. 14 to 20, she said.

The gift of books is an annual literacy project for the Rotary Club, in collaboration with the library and the Northwest Kansas Child Referral and Resource Center.

Steve Ziegelmeier shared information on farming practices from the past and how they parallel those of today today. He talked about the Homestead Act of 1862, Thomas County's 125th anniversary and the Dust Bowl era.

He told the group Kansas has 52 million acres of farm ground, half of it considered as prime farmland. He noted that the federal Soil Conservation Service, now known as the Natural Resources Conservation Service, is the only farm program from the 1930s New Deal era still in place today.

Lon Frahm won Roto-Loto.

The club meets each Tuesday in Room 106 at the college Student Union.

— Relda Galli, reporter

Sentence: deliver pizza to poor

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) – A Buffalo restaurateur will be feeding pizza to the poor as punishment for cheating the state out of sales tax.

Casa-Di-Pizza owner Joseph Jacobbi could have been sent to prison after pleading guilty to third-degree grand larceny. But *The Buffalo News* reports a state Supreme Court judge thought the city would be better served if Jacobbi fed its neediest.

He sentenced Jacobbi to deliver 12 sheet pizzas from his popular restaurant to the City Mission once a week for a year.

The 57-year-old Jacobbi has

repaid about half of the \$104,000 in sales tax authorities say he withheld from New York over the course of four years. He must make monthly payments to cover the rest.

He declined to comment after his sentencing.

**Markets**

Quotes as of close of previous business day

**Hi-Plains Co-op**

Wheat (bushel)	\$6.47
Corn (bushel)	\$5.08
Milo (hundredweight)	\$8.73
Soybeans (bushel)	\$11.84



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**Thank You**

The family of Dorothy Ann Schroeder would like to express our sincere gratitude for the food, visits, phone calls, cards, prayers, memorial gifts and flowers after the loss of our special wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Your kind words and memories shared were a great comfort to our family.

A special thank you to Jason Baalmann of Baalmann Mortuary for your kindness and compassion shown to our family during this very difficult time. Thank you to those who opened up your homes to our family, to Father Michael and the St. Paul's church choir for the beautiful celebration of the mass, and to the Alter Society and D of I of Angelus for the wonderful meals provided following the services.

To Mom's state runner-up volleyball girls, THANK YOU for your loving tribute to your #1 fan.

*God Bless you All,*

Ray Schroeder, Wayne & Lydia Schroeder & family, Connie & Jerry Bame & family, Brad & Cindy Schroeder & family, Wanda & Jim Fouts & family, Diane Steenson and family, Sheila & Dave VanBuskirk & family.



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Notice is hereby given that the agreement between the Kansas Health Policy Authority and Deseret Nursing & Rehabilitation At Colby, operated by Robertson Properties Midwest, LLC., as a provider of skilled nursing services in the Medicaid Program, is to be terminated if substantial compliance is not achieved by the close of business November 26, 2010.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has determined that the Deseret Nursing & Rehabilitation At Colby, in Colby, Kansas is not in substantial compliance with Medicaid regulations at this time.

The Medicaid Program will continue payments for Medicaid residents currently living in the facility through December 26, 2010 to allow for an orderly relocation of residents.

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Notice is hereby given that the agreement between the the Secretary of Health and Human Services and Deseret Nursing & Rehabilitation at Colby, 105 East College Drive, Colby, KS 67701-3701, operated by Deseret Nursing & Rehabilitation at Colby, as a provider of skilled nursing services in the Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled Program (Medicare) is to be terminated at the close of November 26, 2010.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has determined that the Deseret Nursing & Rehabilitation at Colby, Colby is not in substantial compliance with Medicare regulations.

The Medicare Program will not make payment for post-hospital extended care services furnished to residents who are admitted after November 26, 2010. For residents admitted November 26, 2010, or earlier, payment may continue for up to 30 days of post-hospital extended care services furnished after November 26, 2010.

Paul Shumate, Branch Manager  
Survey, Certification & Enforcement Branch 1  
Division of Survey and Certification  
Kansas City Regional Office

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**Jean Lowe**

is having a birthday party in celebration of her

**85th Birthday.**

You are invited for cake and punch from 4:00 to 6:00

Saturday, November 13th at the American Legion in Colby followed by a Free Dance from 7:00 to 11:00.

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