

## Thomas County Jail

Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Timothy John Towey, 23, Colby, Sept. 16, probation violation, Thomas County Sheriff's Office/Court Services of Thomas County, released Sept. 30 for time served.
- John David Miller, 33, Hays, Sept. 19, aggravated assault, reckless driving, driving under the influence, Thomas County Sheriff, released Sept. 26 on \$100,000 appearance bond.
- Danny Ray Hillard, 55, Sunset, Texas, Sept. 20, driving under the influence (second offense), possession of drug paraphernalia, Kansas Highway Patrol/Logan County Sheriff's Office, released Sept. 23 of \$5,000 appearance bond.
- David J. Rosales, 35, Garden City, Sept. 22, failure to appear/child support, Thomas County Sheriff, released Sept. 26 on recognizance.
- Jeffrey Daniel Cobb, 64, Santa Barbara, Calif., Sept. 23, possession/distribution of certain hallucinogenic drugs, Highway Patrol, released Sept. 25 with charges not filed.
- Erica Lynn, 25, Goodland, Sept. 24, obstruction of official duty, disorderly conduct, battery against law enforcement officer, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.
- Tami Kay Downing, 32, Hays, Sept. 24, failure to appear/theft, Colby Police/Thomas County Sheriff, released Sept. 26 on probation.
- Brandit Lynn Schutte, 37, Colby, Sept. 25, battery, Colby Police, released same day on notice to appear.
- Taylor Linn Brown, 22, Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 27, failure to appear, Thomas County Sheriff, released same day on bond.
- Gregory B. Friedberg, 47, Lafayette, La., Sept. 27, possession of certain hallucinogenic drugs, criminal possession of a firearm, possession of drug paraphernalia, speeding, Colby Police, released Sept. 29 on \$100,000 signature bond.
- Destiny Anne Mikkelsen, 27, Colby, Sept. 27, stop sign, driving with license suspended or revoked, no proof of insurance, Colby Police, released same day on notice to appear.
- Sherika Marie Ellison-McNeil, 25, Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 29, theft—less than \$1,000 (El Paso County, Colo.), Gove County Sheriff's Office/El Paso County, released Oct. 3 for extradition.
- Kelly Yvonne Duvall, 41, Colby, Oct. 1, speeding, driving without a license, driving under the influence, driving left of center, Thomas County Sheriff, released Oct. 2 with charges pending.
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# Rexford enjoys fall fun, weather

It has been wonderful to experience beautiful fall weather this week.

Tim and I are relatively new to the Rexford community, having lived here for 18 months, and have found each new season to have its own beauty. As a bit of background, we have three wonderful children and have been married for 14 years. It will be our pleasure to relay the Rexford news each week.

About half a dozen people from Rexford traveled to Oakley on Tuesday to attend the Western Plains Arts Association concert "Tonic Sol Fa." Their blend of a capella music and audience participation kept everyone engaged in the entire concert. The next Arts Association concert is "Squeeze Play," an accordion event Sunday in Goodland.

Shepherd's Staff had a good turnout for its corn maze and pumpkin patch on Sunday af-

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ternoon. Families from Gem, Colby and Mingo came to find their way through the two mazes and then pick out pumpkins to take home.

The corn maze and pumpkin patch are open from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons in October. Admission is \$7 per person or \$5 in groups of four or more; admission includes both corn mazes and a free mini-kin from the patch while supplies last. The corn maze and pumpkin patch are a half

mile east of Rexford (turn north at the Joker's gas station, turn east at the stop sign, take the first possible turn-in on the north side).

Call (785) 687-2565 for more detailed directions or to schedule a private appointment.

The Golden Plains volleyball and football teams met Cheylin over the weekend. While putting out their best efforts, they were not able to overcome the opposing school.

That's it for this week from Rexford. News can be sent to griffithsgang@gmail.com or called to 687-2076.

Have a great week!

*Tim and Gwen Griffiths are our new Rexford correspondents. We want to welcome them to the Colby Free Press family.*

## On the Beat

### COLBY POLICE

**Friday**

12:19 a.m. – Secured building at Fike Park.

8:44 a.m. – College needed officer for possible criminal trespass. Report filed.

11:52 a.m. – Rape report filed.

2:15 p.m. – Provided traffic control for Colby High School Homecoming Parade.

4:13 p.m. – Accident at Dillons parking lot.

6:10 p.m. – Removed bricks from roadway at 200 block of N. Franklin.

6:39 p.m. – Gave directions to citizen at Service Oil.

7:09 p.m. – Helped individual with civil matter.

9:46 p.m. – Caller reported accident.

9:47 p.m. – Caller reported suspicious person. OK.

11:03 p.m. – Secured Fike Park.

**Saturday**

6:40 a.m. – Unlocked building at Fike Park.

2:52 p.m. – Caller advised subject has been calling and harassing her. Everything OK, no report.

9:08 p.m. – Walk through at Walmart.

9:50 p.m. – Caller reported two huskies out at College Drive and

Summer Sun. Not found.

**Sunday**

12:18 a.m. – Locked building at Fike Park.

6:04 a.m. – Unlocked building at Fike Park.

11:45 a.m. – Helped stranded motorist in the 700 block of S. Franklin.

11:07 p.m. – Death investigation: subject called 911. Report filed; coroner contacted.

**Monday**

7:21 a.m. – Caller reported vehicle driving on the wrong side of the street left Oasis and turned in McDonald's drive. Located vehicle, subject was OK.

10:30 a.m. – Report of theft.

10:32 a.m. – Helped subject pick up items in road Range and Pine.

10:45 a.m. – Assisted Social and Rehabilitation Service.

6:50 p.m. – Report filed for suspicious incident Friday.

7:23 p.m. – Caller stalled vehicle in the 700 block of S. School. Not found.

7:56 p.m. – Caller reported being assaulted. Report filed.

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**Friday**

11:27 a.m. – Warrant arrest made.

## Employees promoted

Lang Diesel Inc. has promoted Brent Lang, Hays, as Western Regional Manager, overseeing locations in Hays, Smith Center, Colby and Garden City.

Lang began as wholegoods administrator in 2007 and moved into the inventory manager position in 2009.

David Spady of Hays has moved up into the inventory manager position. Spady has worked in wholegoods administration since April.

Dan Byers of Baldwin City has been promoted to technology division manager. He began working at the company as a technology specialist in June 2010.

"On behalf of everyone at Lang Diesel, I would like to thank Brent, David and Dan for their hard work and dedication, and I would like to congratulate them on this achievement," said Brian Lang, president.

## Enrollment up at Tech

Northwest Kansas Technical College, which has more than doubled its enrollment over the past decade, announced yet another all-time headcount record for the official 20th-day of the fall semester, which was Monday, Sept. 12.

"We had significant increases in enrollment on the Northwest Tech campus," Dr. Ed Mills, Northwest Tech president, said during the September board meeting. "Our total 20th-day headcount is 473, which is a 23.2-percent increase

from one year ago. Northwest Tech the highest percentage increase of enrollment in the state."

The Kansas Board of Regents uses the 20th day of classes as the official enrollment day to provide a standard basis for comparison from year to year. This year's numbers were announced after the last of the Regents universities passed its 20th day.

For information about Northwest Tech, go to www.nwktc.edu or call (800) 316-4127.

## New head at public TV

The Smoky Hills Public Television board of directors has promoted Michael Quade to take the helm as general manager and chief executive officer at the station serving central and western Kansas.

Quade was appointed interim general manager in April. He started at SHPTV in May of 2002 and was appointed production manager in 2008. Growing up in Hoisington, he graduated from Barton County Community College and Fort Hays State University where he earned a bachelor's in business administration and accounting.

"I have been with Smoky Hills for nearly 10 years now so obviously this station and our mission to enhance the lives of Kansans through our programming and educational services really means a lot to me," Quade said.

Referring to possible federal and state funding cuts to Smoky Hills next year, Quade acknowledged that while it may be a "challenging" time, he remains confident about the future of Smoky Hills.

Smoky Hills is a non-profit organization. For information visit www.smokyhillstv.org.

1 p.m. – Provided traveler's aid.

2:15 p.m. – Helped Colby Police provide traffic control for high school homecoming parade.

2:55 p.m. – Caller reported horse is missing and saddles taken from 300 block Sixth Street in Gem. Report filed.

5:07 p.m. – Protective custody: caller reported incident in Brewster. Report filed.

11:18 p.m. – Driving while suspended report filed for traffic stop at I-70 mile 42.

**Saturday**

9:51 a.m. – Stranded motorists in the 3000 block of U.S. 83 OK, had help coming.

10:59 a.m. – Removed tire debris from roadway at westbound I-70 mile 68.

4:11 p.m. – Caller reported suspicious items on I-70 westbound rest area. Report filed.

5:23 p.m. – Report filed for motor vehicle accident at County Roads B and 32.

7:16 p.m. – Caller reported three buffalo out at the Nine Mile Corner on U.S. 24. Everything OK, livestock contained.

**Sunday**

1:34 a.m. – Caller reported loud music in the 1300 block of First Street Annex. Spoke with subject,

## Dirty thieves stole the dryers

SUMMERVILLE, S.C. (AP) — Police say more than a dozen coin-operated clothes dryers have been stolen from apartment complexes in southeastern South Carolina in recent weeks.

Police say the machines are valued between \$400 and \$1,500 each. Summerville Police Capt. Jon Rogers says investigators think the thieves are after the money in the coin-operated machines.

Officers say the thieves hit one apartment complex two days in a row, taking four dryers and a washing machine. Five dryers were taken from another complex.

The thefts started last month. No arrests have been made.

## Square dance in Hays Saturday

The Shooting Stars Square Dance Club will have a square dance from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday at Roosevelt Elementary School, 2000 MacArthur in Hays. Bob Tucker will call the squares.

Singles and couples of all ages are welcome to attend. Refreshments are provided by Pot O'Gold.

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