Busy library is your top source for books, fun and information

The Pioneer Memorial Library is preparing for a few events. The Spooktacular Book Sale is scheduled for 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. next Thursday, 9 to 4:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, and 9 to 3:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28.

The annual Trivia Pursuit Night will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3. Questions are being prepared or assembled for the great contestants who love mind bending questions! Sign up your team or yourself at the library. We will also be holding our monthly *Booked for Lunch* at noon Wednesday, Nov. 2. Patrick Toth will be honoring veterans by discussing the book, "What It Is Like to Go to War," by Karl Marlantes. Come have lunch with

Today, I want to remind you about all the wonderful magazines that the library has that you as a library patron, can checkout or come in and read. We subscribe to over 110 magazines in different areas just so our citizens can enjoy these publications. The library does not do this without help how-

The Friends of the Pioneer Memorial Library have a special program called Adopt-A-Magazine. Each year the Friends organization asks citizens, businesses and organizations to adopt a magazine at the cost of \$25. In economic times such as these, if we pool our resources together, and then share the materials, we can save a bun-clude: Fitness, Cycle World, Natu-



 Library Links

dle. Magazines continue to be very popular at the library. In 2010, our circulation for magazines was up with an average of 24 magazines being checked out per day.

women can't enjoy or use them!!): Esquire, Men's Health, Sports Illustrated, Outdoor Life, Outside, Popular Mechanics, Four Wheeler, Hot Rod, Field & Stream, Motor Trend and Road & Track.

For the ladies we have: Good Housekeeping, Better Homes and Gardens, More, Country Woman, Family Circle, Glamour, Ladies Home Journal, O: The Oprah ogy, Popular Science, Sky & Tele-Magazine, Redbook, Vogue, Woman's Day and Brides.

For the cook: Cooking Light, Fine Cooking, Real Simple, Simple & Delicious, Southern Living and Taste of Home. For home decoration and building ideas: Country Living, House Beautiful, Living, Romantic Homes, Traditional Home, Town & Country, This Old House, Unique Homes ply: Parents, Parenting, Disney: and Veranda.

ral Health, Health, Men's Health, include: Colby Free Press, Hays Prevention, Sports Illustrated, Daily, Salina Journal and USA Horse & Rider, Garden Gate, Organic Gardening and Mother

In finances we have: Forbes, The Week, Kiplinger's, and Money. For purchases and consumer advice we subscribe to Consumer Reports: Buying Guide (yearly), and Consumer Reports monthly

Weekly news magazines available are: Time, Bloomberg Busi-Some men's titles are (not that nessweek, People Magazine, and Saturday Evening Post.

> Some specialty magazines are: Farm & Ranch, Family Handyman, Wood, Architectural Digest, Treasures: Antique to Modern Collecting, Kovels: on Antiques & Collectables, Antique to Modern Collecting, Antiques, Creating Keepsakes, Reminisce, Chronicle (genealogy), Quilting, Archeolscope, Psychology Today, Readers Digest (large print), Conde' Nast Traveler, Traveler (by National Geographic), National Geographic, Natural History, National

Magazines specific to Kansas: Kansas Heritage, Kansas, Kansas Midwest Living, Martha Stewart History, and Kansas Wildlife and

For family magazines we sup-Family Fun and Family, as well as Health and fitness magazines in- magazines for youth and children.

Daily newspapers subscriptions

Today.

If these are not enough or you need to find an article online, be sure and checkout the Kansas Library databases of online subscriptions. Go to the Kansas State Library webpage (http://kslib. info) and then click on "Explore Our Online Resources."

There you will find many great resources: Chilton's Auto Repair, medical and health information, genealogy resources, business and technology information, 150 newspapers, hospitality, tourism and leisure, academic magazines and journals, databases and learning resources for children and youth, and much more.

Be aware that if you are using a broadband or DSL connection you can just click to the sources and information you need. If you are using a wireless connection, you will need a State Kansas Library card. Why?? Because our local wireless IP's are routed with a Colorado IP verification. Since the databases are only set up to accept Kansas IP addresses, the wireless customer needs to jump through one more hoop. If you need a State Kansas Library Card, simply call the library 460-4470 or come in and we can issue you a state library card.

See you in the Library!

Cards honor day

Friends are invited to send a card to

retired Atwood first- and second-grade

teacher Anna Sullivan for her 89th birth-

Deaths

Charles E. Richardson

Charles E. Richardson, 83, Col-2011, at his home. He was born 2331. July 7, 1928, in Oakley.

Services are pending with Harby, died today, Thursday, Oct. 20, rison Chapel in Colby, (785) 462-

Solomon Valley 4-H Club

The Solomon Valley 4-H Club met Oct. 10 at the Thomas County the 2012 fair dates. Deadline for 4-H Building. President Dana Kansas Youth Leadership Forum Wilson called the meeting to order with 18 people present. Taylor Thummel led the club in the flag salute and James West led the 4-H

Club leader, Danita Comfort man. reported that six members, Chandler Comfort, MaKalya Hoffman, talk given by Caitlyn Comfort on Quinlee and Lander Niblock, Chelsie and Julie Schroeder took projects to the state fair.

Council representative Cole er's and Wilson family. Ziegelmeier said that pizzas

would be sold in January and gave was Monday and camp is at Rock Springs.

There was no new or old business. The song "Mary had a Little Lamb" was led by Maggie Nie-

"How to have a Happy Horse." Meeting was adjourned.

The program was a project

Host families were the Schroed-

- Chandler Comfort, secretary

Electronics aid Medicaid waivers

ing and the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Servic- end of service delivery. The proes are announcing the start of an gram uses the worker's unique Electronic Verification and Monitoring system for home health care providers known as Kansas the service being provided and the AuthentiCare for use in selected Medicaid waiver programs. AuthentiCare is a web-based

scheduling, time and attendance views and confirms the claim via tracking and billing system designed specifically for the needs of Medicaid home and communitybased services. The paperless sysservices management and will assist providers in streamlining their business practices and reducing dependence on paper reporting and billing processes.

Claims are generated automatically when the worker calls a tollfree phone number from the con-

The Kansas Department on Ag-sumer's home or uses the mobile application at the beginning and identification number and the consumer's phone number to verify consumer receiving the service. The system submits the claim for adjudication after the provider re-

Kansas has contracted with First Data to provide the system. This system has been successtem provides real-time access to fully implemented in other states, information needed for consumer which have seen a 3 to 10 percent savings in claims. Training will be provided

to home care providers free of For information, contact Kris-

ta Engel at krista.engel@aging.

Grant offers hazard training

The Tree Care Industry Association has been awarded a federal grant for \$165,000 from the Oc- injuries and fatalities with respect cupational Safety and Health Administration.

The grant was awarded through the Susan Harwood Training Grant Program, which provides funding for nonprofit organizations to conand educational programs for employers and workers on the recognition, avoidance, and prevention their workplaces.

'With the help of this grant, we and hard-to-reach workers can work toward keeping workers sociation's president. "It is an im- 314-5380 or tetreault@tcia.org.

ing our industry's goal of reducing to electrical hazards in tree care

portant component toward achiev-

The association will develop approximately 25 free workshops and train 750 employers and emplovees of tree care companies in duct in-person, hands-on training safe ways to handle electrical hazards associated with trees. These select workshops, financed 100 percent through federal funds. of safety and health hazards in will be offered to small businesses and limited-English, low-literacy.

safe," stated Mark Garvin, the as- contact Amy Tetreault at (603)

For information about the grant,

Daughters of the American Revolution

The John Athey Chapter of the Daughters of Day. Repair was also made to damaged graves the American Revolution met Sept. 28, 2011, and updated lists were sent to Kansas State at the home of Fran Mann in Quinter.

Regent Sharon Maurath opened the meeting, secretary Eva Lee Wheeler gave the National Defense and Judith Watkins gave the president general's message.

Eighteen members responded to roll call by sharing where they were on Sept. 11, 2001. Guests were Gayle Bremenkamp and Stephanie Powers. Minutes were read by Wheeler, corrected and approved. Maurath announced an invitation from the

Courtney Spalding Chapter of Hays to attend a meeting at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Hays Public Library to hear a program by State Regent Mary Frisch. Gladys Rowley gave the treasurer's report

and announced membership fees are due. She also gave a report on bills due. It was reported that 34 flags were put on

graves of deceased members on Memorial

Historian Susan Lee. Pictures of graves were taken in the Hoxie and Oakley cemeteries.

Maurath announced a new district director will be chosen this fall.

Following a lunch recess, members were reminded to turn in box tops, Campbell labels and postage stamps to Rowley, who has sent 63 box tops to Topeka.

Sharee Fromholtz gave an "Indian Moment" and recommended reading the book "Flags of our Fathers," by James Bradley

Watkins reported on the War of 1812. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mann and a moment of silence observed for Pearl Harbor.

The next meeting will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at the Pioneer Memorial Library in Colby. Visitors are welcome.

– Eva Lee Wheeler, secretary

Cards may be sent to Colby Care Center, 105 E. College Dr., Room 102, Colby, Kan., 67701.

Corrections

day Sunday, Oct. 23, 2011.

The Briefly entry "Kiwanis to serve pancakes on Oct. 27" on Page 2 of the Wednesday, Oct. 19, edition of the Colby Free Press listed an incorrect date for the Kiwanis Club's pancake feed. The feed is Saturday, Oct. 22. This was an editing error.

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The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Ghost-hunting team investigates Missouri hauntings smoke. My grandfather always SEDALIA, Mo. (AP) – A group and poltergeists, in which objects

of Missourians is checking homes move without explanation. and other buildings for hauntings by spirits and ghosts.

The group of investigators reports that they have had plenty of firsthand encounters but indicate that about 60 percent of their cases can be attributed to normal explanations such as odd lighting, old pipes and the wind. The remainder, they say, stem from the

The Sedalia Democrat reports (http://bit.ly/o6Yr21) that the Sedalia Ghost Hunters were formed in 2005 by Britt Faaborg and now includes about a dozen members. Faaborg said the group has encountered intelligent spirits with which they can interact a sleep-study team.

Logic doesn't always apply in

For example, clay-heavy soils

are slow at both absorbing water

and drying out. Sandy soils are the

reverse. So – logically – mixing

the two should result in soil that's

Ward Upham. "What you usually achieve is soil with the consistency of a paved patio. You make a

Upham, who coordinates K-State Research and Extension's

Master Gardener program, ex-

• For sand to break up clay soil effectively, the grains must touch

one another – create pore spaces

between their angular sides. Those

spaces can hold air and/or water,

thus improving both absorption

• If the grains do not touch, clay

will fill the voids between sand

particles, leaving no room for

pores. This is another application

of the principle used to make con-

crete, and the result is somewhat

• For an effective mix, 80 per-

cent sand and 20 percent clay are

generally sufficient.

said horticulturist

the gardening world.

"Wrong,"

and drainage.

bad situation worse."

Sand-clay soil makes concrete

Faaborg said most common are residual hauntings such as a case last year where people claimed to another in what seemed to be the every-night occurrence of a former resident.

The Sedalia investigators can spend five or six hours investigating a case and must be wary of people with a tendency to report false occurrences. Faaborg said his team believes that ghosts exist but do not approach new cases with assumptions.

The group includes a psychiatrist and someone who works with

"In most cases, this makes us-

ing sand to improve clay soils im-

practical," Upham said. "Besides,

incorporating organic matter is a

better way to improve both clay

and sandy soils."

"I'm very proud of our team," Faaborg said. "It's very wellrounded and that helps in our investigations.

"Sometimes people will say, see a woman walking across the 'I woke up and saw this.' Well, dining room from one bedroom to maybe you weren't totally awake when you saw it. So we have a lot of different avenues we can pursue in our investigations."

> For Faaborg, who is a middle school music teacher, one of his earliest experiences also was the most personal.

When he was in high school and several weeks after his grandfather died, Faaborg said he said hello to him while driving past a cemetery.

"When I got home, I walked into the kitchen and smelled cigar

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op

Wheat (bushel) Corn (bushel) Milo (hundredweight) Soybeans (bushel)

smoked cigars. I went into the living room and my parents said, 'Who have you been around that's been smoking?" Faaborg said.

ELLEBRATE Tuesday, October 25 11am-1pm **Charge!**



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