

Senior Progress Center

The Senior Progress Center will have a Halloween party Monday. There will be a costume contest. Activities for the week: Monday: 11 a.m. Halloween party. Tuesday: 10 a.m. exercise; 11 a.m. Health Department; board meeting after lunch; no bus service. Wednesday: 10:30 a.m. popcorn. Thursday: 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinochle. Friday: 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pool game. Menus for the week: Monday: Polish sausage with kraut, green beans, mandarin oranges, cook's choice complement. Tuesday: pasta beef and tomato casserole, corn, tossed salad, pineapple. Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables,

peaches. Thursday: harvest turkey soup, gelatin with mixed fruit, crackers, brownies. Friday: meat balls in gravy, parsleyed potatoes, pea salad, plums.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center invites anyone 60 and older and guests to lunch Monday through Friday at the senior center. Home delivery is available, as is pick-up service. A contribution of \$3 per meal is suggested for seniors, \$5.25 for others. For anyone under 60, home delivery is \$5.75. Make reservations at (784) 460-2901 by noon the day before.

High Plains Lions Club

The Colby High Plains Lions members met on Monday, Oct. 24, with seven members in attendance. Melinda Morton called the meeting to order with the flag salute. Elmer Lawver gave the prayer and introduced his wife Donna as his guest. Melda Moore was recognized with a card and song for her upcoming birthday. Secretary Roger Hale reviewed minutes from the last meeting; they were approved. He then gave a financial report on behalf of treasurer Larry Brenn, who was absent.

Morton announced that members are needed to volunteer from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 22, as the club will serve Thanksgiving dinner at the public school. Moore and Larry Koon volunteered. Two volunteers are still needed. The third annual pancake feed will be from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, at the community building in Colby. Koon will purchase sausage and Virgil Jones will get other supplies. Hale reported that the Kiwanis Club has donated their unused syrup for the pancake feed. The club also discussed this

year's Christmas light parade and agreed that the vice district governor, Sheryl Brenn, should participate. Koon will finish the flooring for the Whittaker trailer. The trailer will be painted blue and gold. Hale said it would be nice to have photos of all the Colby members who are Melvin Jones fellows. It was suggested that the State Lions Band photo should also be displayed. The club decided to have a special night and ceremony for the fellows, inviting band participants to be recognized. - Roger Hale

Lawns like a little late fertilizer

Tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass lawn owners know September is fertilizer time. What they may not realize, however, is that September's meal typically gets used up by Thanksgiving. It's gone into helping the cool-season turfs not only green up again, but also recover from summer stress. So, the plants have limited help when the time comes to get ready for winter. "That's why some people call a second application in November the turfs' winterizer fertilizer," said Rodney St. John, turfgrass specialist for K-State Research and Extension. The turfs' top growth slows down as the weather cools. But, so long as the plants are showing some green, they're still making carbohydrates - food.

And, an application of nitrogen will boost their photosynthesis rate, St. John said. A second feeding also helps tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass stay green longer. In turn, the plants become stronger by improving their root growth, shoot density and winter hardiness, he said. Any food reserves that remain will help the lawn green up earlier the following spring and sustain growth into May. St. John recommends applying 1 to 1.5 pounds of soluble (quick-release) nitrogen per 1,000 square feet of lawn. If lawn owners choose a turfgrass 'winterizer' formula, it will have nitrogen as its major ingredient. But, owners will have to do some math to figure out how much to apply based on the size of their yard.

Agency term limits finally legal after 40 years

NEW CASTLE, Pa. (AP) - An agency that oversees sewage issues in one western Pennsylvania township will finally be legal, for the first time in nearly 40 years, when its board members meet next week. The Herald newspaper of Sharon, Penn., reported Thursday that officials with the Shenango Town-

ship Municipal Authority Board learned last month they've conducted one aspect of their business incorrectly. Members of the board didn't have term limits and generally served until they died or were otherwise became physically unable ever since the board was created in the early 1970s. The issue came to a head when

a board member who was being replaced in August began to question the legality of the move. An attorney who advises the board determined the law requires its members to have five-year terms. Those limits have since been imposed.

What's an emergency? Depends who's asking



Jarrod Spencer

From the Pulpit

"What are you going to be when you grow up?" If you ask my son this question, his answer will be "a fireman." Over his short 45-month life, he has told us that he is going to be a Chinese-food worker, a Pizza Hut worker, and a few other occupations, when he grows up. The latest, a fireman, has come after being introduced to the movie "Fireproof." Though it is a movie on the subject of marriage, what my son takes from it is the thrilling life of "Fireman Caleb." Caleb is the main character in the movie, played by Kirk Cameron. Wanting to be a fireman has invoked a wide range of imaginative play. He takes the plug-in side of a cell phone charger to be the walkie-talkie that a fireman uses. He has used his bicycle helmet to be fireman's helmet. He uses a smaller oatmeal container with a bungee cord through it as an oxygen container. It is rarely a dull moment when his imagination is in full swing and "Fireman Caleb" comes out to save the day. Recently, I found a toy fireman's hat and got it for him. When I showed it to him, he was very excited. I love his over-the-top showing of excitement when he receives something he really likes and the receiving of this new toy was no exception.

where he watches us scurry around in our "emergency" situations. My son's "emergency" situation was no emergency at all. For him he was just playing fireman. However, in his pretending he was serious. He wanted to make sure and have his hat on so that he would be protected for the job. As I go through my life being on God's "team" there are times that I see a situation as an emergency and he must think, "Relax, I have this all under control." Do you go through situations like that? Are there situations that come up that are major to you, at the time, causing you to become frazzled? However, in the grand scheme of things they are pretty little? Maybe it is losing your keys, missing a turn, forgetting an assignment at home, or a host of other issues we face. Does God become worked up over those types of examples? I seriously doubt it. So why do we? One reason - because they are an "emergency" to us. When you miss your turn you may be heading to a job interview or some other event in which you are on a timeline. When you forget an assignment at home you are in jeopardy of having your grade lowered. When the Israelites were in front of the Red Sea and the Egyptians were coming from behind, they, in their mind, were in an emergency. "Emergency, emergency!" they exclaimed, though their words are paraphrased, "Why did you bring us out here to die to the Egyptians? You should have left us back in Egypt!" Putting the human aspect to the scene, I wonder if God was thinking something like, "Relax, I have it all under control. I need the Egyptians to come closer so that they will follow you across the Sea and then I can wipe them out, protecting My people."

Are you in the middle of an emergency? I have my own emergencies often as deadlines approach. However, we must remember that God has these things all under control. As for a real emergency, that's for another time. Jarrod Spencer is the minister, at the Colby Church of Christ, 510 East Fourth. He can be reached at (785) 460-6322 or by e-mail at jarrods@att.net.

Recently, my son was going through his bedtime ritual when I heard him exclaim, "Uh oh, Dad, your razor is in the toilet." I ventured into the bathroom to find that one of the attachments to my moustache trimmer located at the bottom of the toilet. Upon my arrival at the toilet I said "Yep, that's what it is." My 14-month old daughter is growing more capable of taking things she finds in the house and putting them in places where one would commonly find water. As I start to reach into the water I hear my son come running from his room exclaiming "Emergency, emergency!" He had gone into his room to put on his newly acclaimed fireman's hat. Now he came into the bathroom with only a T-shirt, underwear, and his toy fireman's helmet. As I pulled the attachment out of the toilet, I couldn't help but laugh hysterically. The scene provided quite the entertainment. As I thought about this situation, I couldn't help but to think about how God must have his moments

Corrections

The minutes of the Ladies Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary on Page 3 of the Wednesday, Oct. 26, edition of the Colby Free Press combined two donations to the Cancer Aid and Research program. One donation was made as a token of appreciation for a Senior Vice President's visit and a second \$300 donation was also made. This was a transcription er-

ror. The minutes have been reprinted in their original form on Page 7.



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No turkeys fall on festival

YELLVILLE, Ark. (AP) - Turns out turkeys don't fly. The Baxter Bulletin (http://bit.ly/oaNN9V) reports that attendees at the Turkey Trot festival in Yellville were disappointed when no turkeys dropped from planes. The turkey drop is a mainstay of the event in northern Arkansas, though organizers don't sanction it. Supporters say the turkeys can fly just enough to descend safely, but animal-rights advocates call it cruel. The People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals posted a

\$5,000 bounty for information leading to an arrest. The Federal Aviation Administration said any pilots dropping turkeys could lose their licenses. People at the festival wore "I am the Phantom Pilot" T-shirts, and at least one sign offered a \$10,000 reward for the arrest of the PETA employee who came up with the \$5,000 bounty.

Red Barn

Activities for the week: Tuesday: 7 p.m. book club. Wednesday: 10 a.m. ladies' Bible study. Thursday: 2 p.m. "Come On Down." Friday: 2:30 p.m. "Stitch and Chatter."

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Markets

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Wheat (bushel) \$6.70, Corn (bushel) \$6.41, Milo (hundredweight) \$10.73, Soybeans (bushel) \$11.05. Includes text: Quotes as of close of previous business day. Hi-Plains Co-op

The 2011 Sacred Heart Parish Auction Committee

would like to extend a HUGE "Thank You" to all of the businesses and individuals who donated to our auction and to everyone who attended the event. Without the generous donations and bidders, our auction would not be the success it was! We look forward to your continued support of this annual event.

We would also like to thank Tom Bruggeman, Steve Bugbee, and Rock Bedore for auctioneering for us. We could not hold our auction without you.

Finally, we want to thank the staff of Someplace Special for the centerpieces, decorations, and wine fountain. Once again, you made our event beautiful.

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