

Babies



Gaige Beeck

Gaige Jacob Beeck

Gaige Jacob Beeck, son of Tim Beeck and Pamela Siefers of Colby, was born Friday, March 9, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 9 pounds, 12 ounces and measured 20 inches. He was welcomed home by brother Drake Siefers and sister Julia Siefers.

Ikia Jazmin Chavez

Ikia Jazmin Chavez, daughter of Benjamin Chavez and Laura Ramirez of Colby, was born Sunday, March 18, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches.

Sisters Wendy, Cindy and Kathie welcomed the baby home. Grandparents are Cipriana Nava and Sixto Chavez of Hidalgo, Mexico, and Vicente Ramirez and Victorina Cordova of Tlaxcala, Mexico.

Spencer Lain Farr

Spencer Lain Farr, son of Jerry and Nicole Farr of Clayton, was born Wednesday, March 14, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and measured 19 1/4 inches. He was welcomed home by his brother Tanner and sisters Dakotah, Breanna and Myrah. Grandparents are Frank and Glenda Horacek of Burlington, Colo., and the late Kenneth and Gwen Farr of Oberlin.



Spencer Farr

Ellie Bristol Hawkins

Ellie Bristol Hawkins, daughter of Michael and Kelsey Hawkins of Colby, was born Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. She was welcomed home by sis-

ter Hadlie, 9, and brother Kash, 5. Grandparents of Ellie are John and the late Beverly Brannick of Colby, the late Don and Helen Hawkins of Brewster, Anita and the late Keith Focke of Colby and Sherry and the late John Nickel of Tucson, Ariz.

Hunter Ryan Horinek

Hunter Ryan Horinek, son of Gabriel Lee and Normalea Rebecka Horinek of Ludell, was born Monday, March 19, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds and measured

18 1/2 inches. Hunter was welcomed home by siblings Ethan, Gabriella and Lucas. Grandparents are Lester and Marilyn Horinek of Atwood.

Ross Kent Little

Ross Kent Little, son of Bryan and Sarah Little of Atwood, was born Thursday, March 15, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces

and measured 19 inches. Grandparents are Randal and Nancy Little of Rossville and Ross and Debbie Manuel of Delia.

Kamri Jean Ann Nichols

Kamri Jean Ann Nichols, daughter of Carrie Nichols of Oberlin, was born Monday, March 12, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 21 inches.

Brothers Dustin Nichols and Tyler Nichols welcomed the baby home. Grandparents are Robert and Sally May of Oberlin and Donnie Nichols of Danbury, Neb.

Fiona Marie Schroeder



Fiona S.

Fiona Marie Schroeder, daughter of Luke and Laura Schroeder of Colby, was born Monday, Jan. 23, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Grandparents are Fulgence and Rita Schroeder of Atwood and Lance and Brenda Leebrick of Atwood. Great-grandfathers are John Dollar of Sterling and Wilbur Leebrick of Colby.

Jahzara Stinemetz

Jahzara Stinemetz, daughter of Ashley Stinemetz of Colby, was born Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches. Grandparents are Shawn and Angela Stinemetz of Colby.



Jahzara S.

God continues to surprise us

After last month's paper article on God's surprises was published, I received a handful of comments from people who told me how much they appreciated the article and topic. As a follow-up, I wanted to share some of my surprises from the month. My aim is not to be boastful, but to continue to foster your vision to see God in various situations.

To start off, the simple fact that people were willing to let me know they read the article and appreciated it was a surprise enough. It wasn't the first article in three years of submissions that had received comments, but it was probably the most compliments.

One woman, who will likely read this, surprised me by saying something to the effect of, "Whenever I look through the paper and see your picture, I know I'm going to enjoy the article." I was sincerely blown away by that comment. I am thankful to God that I have the platform to write for a wider audience. It is he who gave me and continues to give me the opening to write. I thank those I heard from this past month.

Probably the biggest surprise came a couple of weeks after the publication of the previous article, the Sunday of the time change. The day before, a Saturday, I sent out over 300 text messages to people in my address book on my phone to remind them to advance their clocks.

I am kind of odd that way when it comes to holidays, time change, etc. If it is a holiday, some will respond with gratitude and return the greeting. This was one where people basically said thanks. I did receive a couple that didn't realize it was the day of the time change. The surprise came in the middle of the night after going to bed.



Jarrod Spencer

From the Pulpit

I woke up the next morning to find a message on my phone that read, "I don't know who you are, but you just saved my life." I thought, "What? You are in my phone book and a Facebook friend, of course you know me." But upon further investigation, I noticed a signature the person uses did not match up with the name of my friend. This was someone completely different. Of course, I did not know them, as well.

I responded with, "You're welcome." I was left wondering "How did I save their life?" I don't think it was literal, but when you help someone out with a big favor, it makes a significant difference in their life.

Later, I probed a bit deeper. For one, I think the crossing of our paths did not happen by accident. I think my friend changed her number and this person was assigned this number because God knew we needed to cross paths. Not only would we cross paths, but I would provide something she needed at that time. Kind of reminds me of a "woman at the well" scenario (John 4).

You see, when people have a need and you are open to being surprised by God, there are going to be times that you don't even realize you are meeting a need. Nor do you seek out that need, you just go about daily life and God

does the rest by his Spirit putting things in place. I was meeting over 300 people's need for a reminder to turn their clocks forward. His Spirit put it in place for me to cross paths with someone who I would "save" by meeting an anonymous person's need. That is the beauty of this whole concept.

Since I did meet such a "needed need" in this person's life, I had an open door to communicate. I continued to foster that communication by inviting her to receive my free texts of encouragement each Tuesday, currently going to over 220 people from Scotland to the west coast of America. She said she needed encouragement and looked forward to signing up.

Also, having this open door after providing a need allowed me to learn more about her faith or, in this case, lack of faith. These are the types of scenarios I am hoping that will get you excited and cause you to look for the surprises in your life.

There is a bit more to the story, but I hope you get the point about God's continual surprises. It is an exciting life to lead - where you look forward to an encounter with people you meet rather than dread them. You never know when someone will need something you can provide. See it as a surprise which God's Spirit set in motion.

My e-mail is located at the end of the article each month and I'd love to hear about your "surprising stories."

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Pro offers child development website

A new website for parents focuses on core qualities that serve as the foundation of communities: compassion, courage, conscience, sacrifice, kindness, empathy and related abilities.

By developing the new, interactive site, K-State Research and Extension child development specialist Charles A. "Chuck" Smith is offering parents practical applications in nurturing life skills.

And, while Smith offers tips for

parents with young children, he encourages parents to nurture understanding in children at any age and to build on the skills as children grow and develop.

"Parenting is a learned skill and a skill in which we can continue to grow and improve," said Smith, who has invested his career interests and energies in child development and family life as a preschool teacher, center director, play ther-

apist and K-State specialist with more than 30 years of service to Kansas children and families.

Smith is also the author of "Raising Courageous Kids: Eight Steps to Practical Heroism;" "The Peaceful Classroom," with more than 160 easy activities to teach preschoolers compassion and cooperation; and "The Encyclopedia of Parenting Theory and Practice."

In addition to his new website, www.insightofcaring.com, Smith also maintains "The WonderWise Parent" with tips, activities, and opinions online at www.k-state.edu/wvparent/wondhome.htm.

More information on child development and managing successful family relationships is available at K-State Research and Extension offices throughout the state.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$6.35
Corn (bushel)	\$6.19
Milo (hundredweight)	\$10.57
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.10

Corrections

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

**Bridal Registry**

**Jody Engel**  
**Trent McCain**  
April 7, 2012

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**Pamela Morril**  
**Kyle Askren**  
Shower  
March 31, 2012  
Wedding  
May 5, 2012

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The Tumbleweed Chorus Presents:

**TUMBLEWEED ROUNDUP**

Featured Quartet: Ignition!

Colby Community College Cultural Arts Center Frahm Theatre  
Saturday, March 31, 2012  
3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Advance tickets are available at Eisenbise Insurance Agency, 2780 N. Range, Colby or call Rod Eisenbise at 785-462-2474

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**Services Directory**  
Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.

**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 Interspersory 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. Sunday School 9 a.m. for all ages. Worship 10:15 a.m. Kid's Choring for Kindergarten- 5th grade during Worship Service. Nursery available for kids birth - 5 yrs old. Wednesday night: Family night September - May. Meal served 6 - 6:30 p.m. CD Kidz for kids birth - 5th grade, Youth Group for 6th - 12th graders and Adult Bible Study at 7 p.m. 785-462-8234. cdag@st-let.net.

**BEREAN CHURCH**, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, 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.

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

**TO become a sponsor call Sharon or Kathryn today at 462-3963.**

**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. Contemporary Evening Service at 4 p.m. through the semester.

**PLEASANT HOME CHURCH**, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-728-7380, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (MST)

**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 9:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website 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. 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 by appointment. Call 785-462-3571.

**REDEEMING LOVE MINISTRIES, INC.**, 345 N. Franklin, Dr. W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Equipping Class, Sunday, 9 a.m., Sunday worship, 10 a.m., Wednesday, R.L.M Training Centers (Bible School), 6 p.m. Shop online at: www.rlmregionalchurch.com.

**COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, Rev. James Mardock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 785-460-6521, Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., Fellowship coffee 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., KXXX broadcasts 11:00 worship. www.colbyumc.org

**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

**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.

**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 Mike Baughn, 785-694-2278, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

**THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD**, Joan Dingwerth, 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. - Interspersory & Prayer, Tue. 5:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study.

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