

## Babies



### Annzlee Kohleen Berry

Annzlee Kohleen Berry, daughter of Justin Berry of Brewster and Carie Lilly of Colby, was born Tuesday, July 10, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Grandparents are Mickey Miller of Colby, Ellen Berry of Hays and Gordon Berry of Brewster.

### Alyvia Marie Kraft

Alyvia Marie Kraft, daughter of Aaron and Lindsay Kraft of Colby, was born Saturday, July 14, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 20 inches.

She was welcomed home by her brother Kaden, 8.

Grandparents are Galen and Loree Krier and Jesse Solorio and Sandy Jenkins, all of Ashland, and Cheryl Kraft of Colby.



Alyvia Kraft



### Noble Jess Finley

Noble Jess Finley, son of Taylor and Shea Finley of Colby, was born Friday, July 6, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches.

He was welcomed home by brother Legend Guy, 3.

Grandparents are Pam and Tim McKee and Mike and Sondra Finley, all of Colby.

### Landon Thomas Nickols

Landon Thomas Nickols, son of Joey and Jill Nickols of Colby, was born Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012, at Gove County Medical Center in Quinter. He weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces and measured 18 inches.

He was welcomed home by his sister Ainsley, 2.

Grandparents are Jerry Zerr of Oakley, Ken and Martha Brewer and Tom and Vicki Nickols, all of Colby.

Great-grandparents are Joe and Norma Darnall of Russell Springs, Jean Brewer of Colby, Jack and Leona Steiger of Oakley and Betty Nickols of Rexford.

He is the great-great-grandson of Martha McKean of Cheyenne Wells, Colo.



Landon N.

### Londyn Marie McKee

Londyn Marie McKee, daughter of Parker and Whitney (Adams) McKee, was born Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at Hays Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Londyn was welcomed home by sister Landrie.

Grandparents are Richard and Peggy Adams and Tim and Pam McKee, all of Colby.



Londyn M.

### Liam Matthew Wright

Liam Matthew Wright, son of Dagan and Rachel Wright of Colby, was born Saturday, June 30, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Grandparents are Brad and Sharon Funk and Duane and Melanie Wright, all of Colby.

Great-grandparents are Don and Donna Wright and Lucille Wright, all of Bird City, and Monroe Funk of Salina.



Liam Wright

## Soup recall includes Kansas

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service has announced the recall of 94,850 pounds of corn chowder soup.

The recall is in response to reports from two consumers who found pieces of a marker in the soup product, said Karen Blakeslee, K-State Research and Extension food scientist.

The soup products were marketed under a variety of brands in

several states. In Kansas, the recall involves Chef's Cupboard Chunk Chicken Corn Chowder. The 18.8-oz. cans are marked with a "best-by" date of March 1, 2014.

Consumers who have already purchased the products can return them to the point of purchase for a refund.

Information about the recall is available at [www.fsis.usda.gov/News/\\_&\\_Events/Recall\\_043\\_2012](http://www.fsis.usda.gov/News/_&_Events/Recall_043_2012).

## Candy thief has a favorite

LORAIN, Ohio (AP)—Police in northern Ohio are trying to identify a candy thief who has stolen hundreds of dollars in peanut butter cups from a gas station store.

Employees reported that a young man usually comes in after midnight, snatches Reese's peanut butter cups and exits the store before they can call police. The workers say the candy stolen over the past few months was worth

\$400 to \$600.

*The Morning Journal* (bit.ly/N8f3yg) reports a theft report indicates the man stole peanut butter cups and went for a saltier snack, grabbing a bag of chips. He was dressed in black clothing, with a hooded sweatshirt over his head.

A clerk says he tried to stop the thief.

# With ongoing heat, what will garden do?

This business of searing heat and lack of fruit-set on tomato plants is beginning to get on my nerves!

The very thought of many more days of triple-digit temperatures makes you wonder if we're going to have any semblance of a tomato crop at all this summer. Most of us have lots of blooms, the plants show good growth and good color, and the blooms just fall off. You know the routine. As of Friday, there have been 20 days of 100 degree heat on my garden.

So, I decided to try to get to the bottom of what we can expect from our tomato crop for the rest of the summer by going straight to the top to consult with those who know more than I do about such problems. Noted White House gardener Michelle Obama was out of town, so I made contact with a couple of other folks who might be able to offer some semblance of hope for the crop.

One of my contacts was Shirley Buller, longtime Master Gardener, former greenhouse operator and current columnist whose "Hoe and Tell" garden column appears in at least 15 southwest and northern Oklahoma weekly newspapers. Shirley gardens big time just outside of Montezuma, south of Dodge City. Her column covers just about every facet of gardening from flowers and vegetables to fruit trees, shrubbery and lawns.

Last summer, Southwest Kansas experienced more than 30 days of triple-digit temperatures, and tomatoes suffered greatly. Shirley told me that her plants never recovered, despite careful summer attention, and she eventually pulled up the plants at the end of September. She said there had been other summers of intense heat when the tomatoes survived



### Kay Melia

• The Gardener

and produced well when temperatures finally cooled in late summer. Shirley added that she was going to try to be patient in hopes of a decent harvest when things cooled down a bit.

I also had an e-mail visit with a young extension horticulturist from Salina, Jason Graves, who writes a widely-read weekly garden column on the Thursday Home and Garden page of the *Salina Journal*. Jason told me that once the temperatures settle down, the blossoms will begin to set fruit again and should grow to harvestable size before the first frost.

He said he had experimented the last couple of years by giving his indeterminate plants a light pruning during the hot part of the season. The idea was to encourage new growth on the plant that would encourage fruit-set rather than plant growth. Jason added that even without pruning, he was confident that most plants would return to production once temperatures return to a proper range.

I find myself somewhat encouraged, and will continue to carefully tend to my tomato patch, heat or cold. Surely, Al Gore notwithstanding, cooler air and maybe even a few sprinkles of rain will favor us soon. As Buller told me, gardeners are made of tough stuff, and even if we end up on the losing end, you know we will put out another crop next spring, as if nothing was amiss.

To all tomato growers, patience is the key word. Things will get better in the backyard.

## Even in hot weather, Rexford folks stay busy

It's been another hot week in Rexford. Even with the heat, Rexford residents have been out and about.

The crowd at the Selden ball field was a little smaller this week, but the kids still had a good time playing T-ball and softball.

The 40 and over crowd met Thursday night at the Red Barn for the monthly Spuds and Splits event. There was a good turnout, about 26 people. Everyone enjoyed baked potatoes, banana splits and good conversation. This event is held on the third Thursday of every month, so plan to check it out in August.

A group of about 16 youth and sponsors spent the weekend camping at Merritt Reservoir, south of Valentine, Neb. This event is put on each year by churches in Nebraska. There were 110 kids attending this year. The kids got to spend a portion of each day doing fun activities on the lake, but the bigger focus was learning about God. They had a daily small group



### Gwen Griffiths

• Rexford Correspondent

study time and the main speaker was Jeremiah Knoop, of Scotia, Neb. He and his wife Elizabeth were part of the Village Missions Summer Connection conference held at Shepherd's Staff earlier in July.

That seems to be the news from Rexford this week. I'm always happy to put your important events or gatherings in this column; just call 687-2076 or e-mail [griffithsgang@gmail.com](mailto:griffithsgang@gmail.com). Have a great week.

## Deaths

### Marguerite L. Black

A memorial service for Marguerite L. Black, 86, Hays, formerly of Rexford, will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, July 28, 2012, at the Rexford Community Church, with Pastor Lane Purcell officiating and inurnment in the Rexford cemetery.

Born Nov. 25, 1925, near Selden, to Elsie (Kober) and Joseph Maddock, she died Sunday, July 15, 2012, at Hays Medical

Center. No visitation. Condolences for the family may be left at [www.paulsfh.com](http://www.paulsfh.com).

The family suggests memorials to the Dreiling-Schmidt Cancer Center, the Hays Medical Center Hospice or the donor's choice, in care of Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn Ave., Oberlin, Kan., 67749.

## High Plains Lions Club

The High Plains Lions gathered for a meal before their July 9 meeting at the Colby Community College Student Union.

President Melinda Morton conducted the meeting. Guests introduced included Kenneth Gatlin, Don Tedford, Donna Lawver and the family of Sheryl Brenn's daughter, Wendy and Leroy Worley and children Brenn and Evan, who were visiting from Virginia.

In old business, Roger Hale reported on the Fourth of July celebration. Thanks were sent to those not in the club who helped announce the event in church bulletins next year.

Morton asked about replacing the concession deep freeze. It was decided to do so.

Work schedule for the Thomas County Fair was passed around. A committee was appointed to plan an awards night, consisting of Caroleta Herl, Mary Hurtt and Roger Hale.

District Gov. Sheryl Brenn had the program. She and Larry Brenn recently returned from the Lions International Annual Convention in Korea, where 208 countries were represented. They met new International President Wayne Maden, of Indiana, whose motto is "a world of service." Brenn will show photos of their trip at a future meeting.

Diane Fritz won the drawing. The next meeting was to be tonight at Mary Hurtt's home.

— Roger Hale, secretary

## KU releases names on spring honor roll

Several students from Colby and Atwood have been named to the University of Kansas honor roll for the spring semester.

Honor roll criteria vary among the university's schools. Some honor the top 10 percent of students enrolled, some a minimum grade average and others raise the average each year.

**Colby:** Matthew Hull, senior in visual art; Katrina Kaus, sopho-

more in pre-sport sciences/community health; Rachel Lamm, senior in communication studies and law; Tera Raymond, sophomore in pre-pharmacy; Rochelle Shoemaker, pharmacy; Scott Smith, pharmacy; Corbin Stephens, sophomore in pre-medicine.

**Atwood:** Macy Migchelbrink, senior in management and leadership.

**THOMAS COUNTY FAIR 2012**  
**JULY 30<sup>TH</sup> - AUG 4<sup>TH</sup>**

## F&M BANK NIGHT

Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>

- 1st 100 people that come to our main bank location will receive a 1/2 priced wristband for that night only. (one per person)
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## Thomas County Fair Demo Derby Saturday, July 28, 2012

*Sponsored by Cornerstone Ag*

**Thomas County Fairgrounds, Colby, KS**  
 Track is located 2 miles north of I-70 at exit 53 Colby, KS  
 This is a NO-WELD derby.

**Fullsize Cars**  
 Entry Fee for car and driver -- \$40 • Pit Passes --\$20

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**Event Schedule**  
 Pit Gate will open at 4:00pm CT  
 Demo will start at 8:00pm CT  
 Heats will be determined by Pill Draw

For more information please contact:  
**General Info:** Audrey Hines 785-443-0544  
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## Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$8.74
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