



Keith Ostrom and Jessica Moseley

Hays couple to wed at fairgrounds in Hays

Jessica Moseley and Keith Ostrom of Hays plan to marry Saturday, Aug. 25, 2012, at the Unrein Family Building on the Ellis County Fairgrounds. The bride is the daughter of Stan and Michaela Moseley of Edmond, Okla., and Cheryl Solberg of Grinnell. She is the granddaughter of Bill and Tril Stratton of Abilene, Texas. She graduated from Colby

High School in 2002 and from Fort Hays State University in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in art. The groom is the son of Stephen and Laura Ostrom of Hays. He attended Hays High School and owns a construction and remodeling business in Hays. The couple plans to live in Hays following the wedding.

'Picturing America' exhibit to be at museum

Beginning Friday, the Prairie Museum of Art and History will display Picturing America, an exhibit prepared by the National Endowment for the Humanities as part of its "We the People" initiative, through September. The exhibit is uniquely designed to use works by American artists as vehicles through which to explore our nation's history and culture. Its 40 panels display photographs, paintings, quilts, stained glass, architecture and other media by such artists as Winslow Homer, Edward Hopper and Dorothea Lange, among others. Each panel helps illustrate a particular theme in American history: Emanuel Leutze's Washington Crossing the Delaware explores

the importance of this pivotal moment in the Revolution; Charles Sheeler's American Landscape, painted in 1930, represents a certain uneasiness with the impact of industrialization on the landscape. Picturing America was developed in 2002 and made available at no cost to schools and libraries around the country for use as a teaching tool. Colby Schools and Head Start have made two sets available to the museum so that both sides of each panel can be displayed. There is no charge to view this exhibit. The museum is at 1905 S. Franklin Ave. Hours are 9 to 5 Monday through Friday, and 1 to 5 on weekends. For information, call 460-4590.

State's photos focus of contest

Kansas shutterbugs are called to submit their photos for a Rural Kansas Photography Contest, taking online submissions through Monday, Sept. 17. The contest will award first and second place winners in four categories: **Rural landscape:** a photo depicting scenery in rural Kansas. **Community:** a photo showing Kansasans participating in shared activities, from casual cookouts to town festivals. **Health care:** a photo of anything health care related. **Recreation:** a photo depicting how rural Kansans spend their free time. "We started this contest in 2006 for Kansans to show the majestic

beauty of our state and wonderful way of living rural Kansans are accustomed to," said Joyce Grayson, director of Rural Health Education and Services, work and play. "After all, a picture is worth a thousand words." Entries can be submitted online at www.ruralhealth.kumc.edu, via e-mail to jyuza@kumc.edu or to Jenifer Yuza, Rural Health Education and Services, School of Medicine-Wichita, 1010 N. Kansas, Wichita, Kan., 67214-3199. The contest is open to Kansas residents and individuals who work in Kansas ages 18 and older. Rules and contest entry forms are available online at www.ruralhealth.kumc.edu.

Theron E. Johnson

Theron E. Johnson, 78, died Wednesday, August 1, 2012 at the Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Funeral Mass 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 4, 2012 at Sacred Heart Church, Colby. Visitation 5 - 8 p.m. Friday at the church. Graveside service and burial will be at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Moab, Utah at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, August 6. Memorials to Pheasants Forever may be left at any Colby bank or sent in care of Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home, PO Box 221, Oakley 67748. (Don Kennedy is the uncle of Theron's daughter-in-law.)

Thank You

Thank you to our family and friends for the card shower for our 40th Wedding Anniversary. It was greatly appreciated. - Joe & Sheryl McInlay



Painting unveiling Sunday tops busy week of book sale and parade

This week has been a very busy time at the Pioneer Memorial Library. Even with our Annual Blowout Book Sale, Friends of the Pioneer Memorial Library Fair Parade Float, and preparation for the upcoming unveiling of the Jean Hutton Memorial at 2 p.m. on Sunday, we still are adding items to the shelves.

In honor of the Thomas County Free Fair, I would like to briefly tell you about three items. The first is called "Storey's Guide to Raising Chickens," by Gail Damerow. This book gives excellent information on having chickens on the farm. It gives great drawings and explanations for preparing the roost, the necessary elements to keep the flock safe and what will keep these creatures in their fences. It also tells about choosing a breed, feeding, managing for egg laying and meat production, medical issues and even showing your chickens.

My favorite part of the book was covered in the section called Fowl Language (pages 29-46). This discussed the voice or expressions of chickens whether they were chicks, hens or roosters. Did you know why hens may crow? This may be because: 1) the hen belongs to the breed type called Longcrows, 2) there's no rooster in the roost, 3) the hen is getting old or 4) is diseased. I learned in this book that hormone levels will affect how and if a hen or rooster crows (p. 45). What can



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you learn by reading or skimming through this book?

The second book is for insect and spider enthusiasts. Each year at the Thomas County Fair, I have enjoyed examining the work of a young 4-Her who entered a large insect collection. I would never ever consider collecting bugs. I prefer to smash them and place them in a trash can.

We are adding the "National Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Insects and Spiders," by the National Audubon Society. This is a 985 page edition with descriptions, pictures and such. The first third of the book is nothing but high gloss pictures of the different species.

The next item added talks about preservation of foods. So, in honor of all those who enter preserved foods in the fair, I will tell you about the book just added, "Smoking Food: A Beginner's Guide," by Chris Dubbs and Dave Heberle.

This book explains about smokers and the fuels used in various types of equipment. It discusses cures and marinades, smoking blends and problem solving. It

gives information on smoking fish and seafood, pork, beef, lamb and chicken, as well as making sausage, smoking cheese, nuts and eggs.

After just returning from China and experiencing a large number of unique foods, the pages discussing smoking seafood such as crawfish, frog legs, snapping turtle, eel, animal heart, liver, kidneys and tongue caught my eye.

They forgot to tell us how to cure stomach lining, pigs' feet and chicken feet. They also left off curing a few other things like brains and Rocky Mountain oysters and century eggs. I wonder if we can smoke tofu.

Really, check out this book, it has great instructions with pictures and lots of recipes for using smoked items in special dishes.

The next item we are adding is a book about Kansas tornadoes. In honor of our evening storms and the hot blustery plains during this time of year, let me tell you about the book, "And Hell Followed With It: Life and Death in a Kansas Tornado," by Bonar Menninger. The author is originally from Topeka and now lives in Kansas City.

This book describes the tornado that hit Topeka, June 8, 1966. The 64 pages of black and white photos are dramatic. Menninger catches the reader's attention in the first chapter entitled Hump Day. The first two paragraphs describe Kansas to perfection. If a non-Kansan

were to read the depiction, they'd definitely get the picture.

The story is narrated and told from different individuals experiencing the storms and tornadoes that day. The first chapter is told from Glenn Nicely's perspective. At the end of this chapter, Menninger shares the story of how the Nicely family's horses literally flew over the 60 to 80 feet trees that had been planted in the late 19th century - never to be seen or found again.

I know that some of us in the northwest Kansas sector could write books like this, but without the population base, the story does not seem as traumatic. It always is to everyone who experiences such cataclysmic events, but I would rather not have any such personal experiences in our back yard any time real soon. Instead I choose to experience vicariously other's life stories. Join me in the read.

Remember to come and enjoy the unveiling of the Jean Hutton Memorial Painting, provided through the donations of the Hutton Family Fund at the Dallas Women's Foundation, at 2 p.m. Sunday. Come join the Hutton family as we honor their mother's volunteer work at the Pioneer Memorial Library and love for libraries. Cake, cookies, punch and coffee will be served.

See you at the library!

Fees waived for online vehicle tags

Kansans looking to save time and gas by eliminating a visit to a county treasurer's office can now take advantage of the state's online option for renewing vehicle tags without credit card or electronic check processing fees.

For the next 12 months, beginning Wednesday, convenience fees will be waived so more Kansans will renew online at KSWebTags.org.

"With so many people today using their computers, tablets and cell phones to do everything from

shopping to sharing photos, we want to make sure they also know they can conveniently renew vehicle registrations from the comfort of home," Director of Vehicles Donna Shelite said.

Most people have three options for renewing their tags. They can visit their county treasurer, renew by mail or renew online.

The KSWebTags.org online renewal option is available to 1) anyone whose vehicle is registered in Kansas, 2) whose address on the renewal is current, and 3)

who has vehicle insurance as required by law.

The online service requires a personal identification number, which is printed on the registration renewal notices Kansans receive in the mail.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$8.15
Corn (bushel)	\$8.05
Milo (hundredweight)	\$13.63
Soybeans (bushel)	\$15.72

A very special "Thank You" to my children for hosting the lovely celebration for my 90th birthday, the wonderful gifts and beautiful flowers. All is truly appreciated. It will always be a precious memory. My thanks to all who attended, so good to see you! I appreciate the numerous cards and spiritual bouquets received from far and near, each one is special. Also enjoyed the special messages. Thank You. All this almost makes growing old fun.

God Bless each of you
~ Rita Beckman ~

Corrections

An item running in the Briefly section on Page 2 of the *Colby Free Press* titled "Colby schools to have enrollment next week" listed the wrong place for returning students to enroll. All returning students will enroll from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday at the

high school. Incorrect information was provided to the paper.

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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.

Hoxie grad accepts scholarship

Jaxsen Moss of Hoxie, a 2012 Hoxie High School graduate, has accepted a \$500 Copper Academic Award from Fort Hays State

University for the 2012-2013 academic year. Moss is the son of Jayne Moss, Hoxie.

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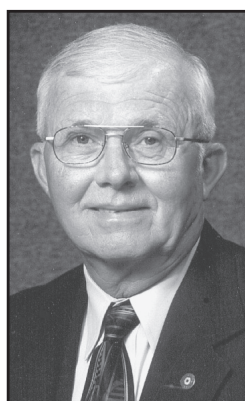


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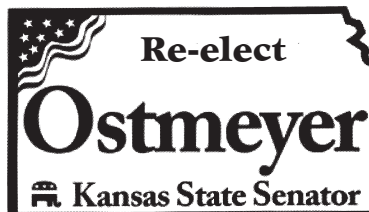
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