

## Student News

**Colby Public Schools**  
**Activities: Monday:** no school - Labor Day; 5:30 p.m. junior varsity football vs. Oakley. **Tuesday:** 3 p.m. golf, Goodland; 4 p.m. volleyball, at Colby vs. Oberlin, St. Francis; 7:30 p.m. football area supervisors, high school. **Wednesday:** 7:30 a.m. high school picture day; noon - grade school parent-teacher organization meeting; 2:50 p.m. school dismisses. **Thursday:** 8 a.m. grade school picture day; 1 p.m. junior varsity tennis, Wakeeney; 3 p.m. varsity tennis, Ulysses; 4 p.m. seventh and eighth grade volleyball vs. Oakley and St. Francis, high school gym; 4:30 p.m. cross country, Quinter; 4:30 p.m. seventh and eighth football vs. Oakley. **Friday:** middle school picture day; 7:30 p.m. football vs. Scott City. **Saturday:** 8 a.m. ACT test, college; 9 a.m. cross country, Wamego.  
**Menus:** not available.  
**Sacred Heart**  
**Activities: Monday:** no school. **Menus: Tuesday:** sausage pizza, tossed salad with romaine, garlic bread stick, marinara sauce, banana. **Wednesday:** taco burger on a bun, romaine and tomato, sliced pears, refried beans. **Thursday:** Italian pasta bake, green peppers and carrots, applesauce, royal brownies. **Friday:** chicken patty, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, orange wedge.  
**Heartland**  
**Activities: Monday:** no school - Labor Day. **Tuesday:** 4 p.m. high school volleyball vs. Triplains. **Thursday:** 3 p.m. junior high school volleyball, Logan. **Friday:** 6 p.m. Rock-Paper-Scissors tournament. **Saturday:** 8 a.m. ACT test;

1 p.m. high school volleyball vs. Golden Plains.  
**Golden Plains**  
**Activities: Monday:** no school, Labor Day. **Tuesday:** 4 p.m. high school volleyball, Triplains. **Thursday:** 4 p.m. middle school volleyball/football vs. Triplains-Brewster. **Friday:** 7 p.m. high school football vs. Western Plains. **Saturday:** 8 a.m. high school volleyball, Rexford.  
**Menus: Rexford: Tuesday:** breakfast: French toast; lunch: pinwheel. **Wednesday:** breakfast: ham and cheese; lunch: ticerito. **Thursday:** breakfast: bagels; lunch: lasagna. **Friday:** breakfast: burrito; lunch: chicken patty.  
**Selden: Tuesday:** breakfast: toast; lunch: chicken and noodles. **Wednesday:** breakfast: biscuit/gravy; lunch: chili. **Thursday:** breakfast: pancake; lunch: baked ham. **Friday:** breakfast: eggs and toast; lunch: hamburger.  
**Brewster**  
**Activities: Monday:** no school, Labor Day. **Tuesday:** 4 p.m. high school volleyball quad, Triplains; 4 p.m. junior high at Brewster, high school at Triplains. **Thursday:** 4 p.m. junior high volleyball, Rexford; 4:30 p.m. high school cross country, Quinter; 5 p.m. junior high football, Rexford. **Friday:** 7 p.m. high school football vs. Northern Valley; 5 p.m. high school volleyball dual, Brewster. **Saturday:** 9 a.m. high school volleyball, LaCrosse tournament.  
**Menus: Tuesday:** breakfast: grilled cheese sandwich; lunch: country-style beef patties, mashed potatoes, broccoli, carrots. **Wednesday:** breakfast:

oatmeal chocolate chip muffin; lunch: turkey and cheese sandwich, fries, carrots, peaches. **Thursday:** breakfast: pancakes, sausage; lunch: beef and noodles, cooked carrots, mandarin oranges, pineapple, rolls. **Friday:** breakfast: scrambled eggs; lunch: ham square, green beans, baby carrots, strawberries.  
**Colby Community College**  
**Activities: Sunday:** 1 p.m. baseball vs. Garden City. **Monday:** no school, Labor Day. **Tuesday:** 6:30 p.m. Max Pickerill Lecture Series, Cultural Arts Center; 7 p.m. volleyball, Liberal. **Friday:** 6 p.m. cross country Colby invitational, volleyball, Ephraim, Utah. **Saturday:** baseball, Kearney; softball, Concordia; volleyball, Ephraim.  
**Triplains**  
**Activities: Monday:** Labor day, no school. **Tuesday:** 3 p.m. high school volleyball, Winona vs. Tribune, Heartland and Golden Plains. **Wednesday:** 3:30 p.m. speech and drama meeting, computer lab. **Thursday:** hearing checks; 3:30 p.m. yearbook meeting; 4 p.m. junior high volleyball, Golden Plains; 5:30 p.m. junior high football, Golden Plains. **Friday:** 5 p.m. high school volleyball, Brewster vs. northern Valley; 7 p.m. high school football vs. Northern Valley. **Saturday:** 9 a.m. high school volleyball, LaCrosse/Otis-Bison tournament (bus 5:30 a.m.)  
*Send us your calendar and menus. E-mail colby.society@nwkansan.com or mail Colby Free Press, 155 W. Fifth, Colby, Kan., 67701.*

# Online offers are a favorite trick of the trade for scammers

My office receives calls and complaints from consumers who have been told they have won a prize such as cash, or a cruise, television or electronic device. These folks have been surprised to learn this because they do not recall entering the sweepstakes. Sadly, they are likely being scammed. Scammers often use the lure of prizes to steal your money and your personal financial information. I often am asked how to know if a prize you're offered is a scam. Scammers will follow the exciting news that you've won with a request that you first send them money to cover taxes, fees, shipping or other costs - even though it's illegal in most places, including Kansas, to require purchases or the payment of fees and taxes upfront before you can receive a prize. Also, remember, the Kansas Lottery is the only legally operating lottery in Kansas. Anyone claiming you have won a foreign lottery is in violation of Kansas law. In some cases, the scammers may send you a legitimate-looking check that is supposed to cover those so-called taxes and fees. But once you deposit the check in your account and then wire the money

back to them, the check turns out to be fake and any amount you advance the scammer will be lost. Additionally, your bank may charge you overdraft fees. Our Consumer Protection Division staff works hard to crack down on these phony checks and fraudulent wire transfers. But as people are getting wiser, fraud artists are coming up with other tricks, such as asking you to order expensive items online and have them delivered directly to the scammer. Many of these sweepstakes and lottery scams originate in other countries. Suggestions to identify a scam:  
 • Never give personal information, such as your social security number or bank account number, to someone you don't know who calls you or sends you an e-mail or letter.  
 • Never agree to wire or send money in order to claim a prize. It's illegal to require an upfront fee for a prize, so anyone who asks you to pay one is a scam artist.  
 • Be very skeptical. If you don't remember entering the contest, it's probably a scam.



**Derek Schmidt**

• Attorney General

- Never deposit legitimate looking checks that come with a letter telling you that you "have won."
- Report possible scams to the Attorney General's Office by calling our Consumer Hotline at (800) 432-2310 or go to our web site at www.ag.ks.gov.
- To reduce the number of sweepstakes offers and solicitations you receive:
  - Sign up for the Do Not Call Registry, by calling (888) 382-1222 or by going to www.donotcall.gov.
  - Don't enter any sweepstakes or buy anything through a sweepstakes.
  - Have your name taken off mail marketing lists. Write to: Direct Marketing Association Mail Preference Service, Box 64, Carmel, N.Y., 10512.
  - Use a reliable spam filter to cut down on phony e-mails about sweepstakes and lotteries.

## Senior Progress Center

The Senior Progress Center will be closed Monday for Labor Day, with no meals or bus service until Tuesday.  
 Activities for the week: **Monday:** center closed. **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 11 a.m. health department; board meeting after lunch. **Wednesday:** snack day. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinocle game. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. Wii game.  
 Menus for the week: **Tuesday:** steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, apricots.

**Wednesday:** Spanish rice with hamburger, corn, gelatin with carrots and pineapple, cook's choice complement. **Thursday:** chicken and noodles, peas, cucumbers and tomatoes, fruit cobbler. **Friday:** roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, dinner roll, applesauce.  
 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 se-

niors, \$5.25 for others. For anyone under 60, home delivery is \$5.75. Make reservations at (785) 460-2901 by noon the day before.

## Red Barn

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 2 p.m. Barnswallows. **Wednesday:** 10 a.m. ladies' Bible study. **Thursday:** 2 p.m. "come on down." **Friday:** 9:30 a.m. coffee klatch; 2:30 p.m. Stitch and Chatter; Patty Purcell's birthday. **Saturday:** 7 p.m. bingo.

## Public Notice

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of **Barrett Township, Thomas County** will meet on September 11, 2012 at 8:00 P.M. at East Hale Township Hall for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Jasen Gray's residence, 1099 County Road Z, Levant KS and will be available at this hearing.  
**BUDGET SUMMARY**  
 Proposed Budget 2013 Expenditures and Amount of 2012 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2013 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2011		Current Year Estimate 2012		Proposed Budget 2013	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2012 Ad Valorem Tax
General	56,281	22.732	68,235	23.161	70,200	52,572
Debt Service						
Library						
Road						
Special Machinery						
Totals	56,281	22.732	68,235	23.161	70,200	52,572
Less: Transfers	0		0		0	
Net Expenditure	56,281		68,235		70,200	
Total Tax Levied	51,031		54,072		XXXXXXX	
Assessed Valuation:						
Township	2,244,887		2,334,598		2,564,196	
Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1						
G.O. Bonds	2010		2011		2012	
Other	0		0		0	
Lease Purchase Principal	44,833		29,888		27,631	
Total	44,833		29,888		27,631	

Barrett Township  
 Jasen Gray, Treasurer

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