

Babies

Landen Robert Yost

Landen Robert Yost, son of Jon and Kris Yost of Goodland, was born Thursday, March 28, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 21 inches.

He was welcomed home by brothers Jackson and Carter.

Grandparents are Dave and Pat Yost of St. Francis and Jim and Kathi Armatys of Great Bend.



Landen Yost

Collin Daniel Gerber

Collin Daniel Gerber, son of Anthony Gerber and Leah Jennings of Colby, was born Saturday, March 16, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and measured 20 inches.

Grandparents are Daniel and Amy Jennings of Colby and SOLLIE and Rina Gerber of South Africa. Great-grandparents are David and Sandra Harper of Colby. Great-great-grandmother is Doris Hayward of Colby.

Brigitte Rodriguez

Brigitte Rodriguez, daughter of Daniel and Alba Rodriguez of Atwood, was born Friday, April 5, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds,

2 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches.

Brother Braylan and sister Jazmin welcomed her home.

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE April 7

8:33 a.m. – Caller reported dog at large. Not found.

2:21 p.m. – Removed item from road.

3 p.m. – Assisted deputy on call involving four wheelers on and near railroad tracks.

9:51 p.m. – Caller reported barking dog. Not found.

10:22 p.m. – Walk through at Walmart.

Last Monday

8:51 a.m. – Possible break in. Report filed.

10:36 a.m. – Helped sheriff's office unit at I-70 mile 53 on-ramp.

11:09 a.m. – Walk through at Colby Middle School.

4:37 p.m. – Caller said her cat may be locked inside a neighbor's shed. All OK, cat turned over to owner.

5:14 p.m. – Civil stand-by.

6:15 p.m. – Disposed of item from drug paraphernalia found.

6:23 p.m. – Caller reported debit card was used fraudulently online. Spoke to reporting party.

8:22 p.m. – Helped sheriff's office on call.

11:34 p.m. – Caller reported two subjects walking in the middle of Country Club by Fourth. Everything OK, made contact.

Tuesday

8:27 a.m. – Removed item from street Franklin and Willow.

10:03 a.m. – Caller reported harassing phone call. Report filed.

10:37 a.m. – Theft: subject came to station about money taken from bank account. Report filed.

11:32 a.m. – Walk through at Colby Middle School.

3:03 p.m. – Unlawful use of debit card: subject came to station about call from 6:23 p.m. Monday. Report filed.

3:58 p.m. – Caller reported van stalled at Range and College Drive. All OK; subject ran out of gas, but got it going.

7:23 p.m. – Provided directions and road condition information to subjects at Oasis Travel Center.

9:24 p.m. – Provided directions to subject at Walmart.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF April 7

12:21 a.m. – Report filed for driving under the influence on traffic stop at the college. Colby Dodge towed vehicle.

1:16 a.m. – Booked Manuel

Quezada-Levario.

2:03 a.m. – Assisted city unit at Citizens Medical Center with reported assault.

2:19 a.m. – Booked Xavier A. Fisher.

9:33 a.m. – Took two prisoners to Sherman County.

3 p.m. – Caller reported juveniles using four-wheelers on and near railroad tracks and La Hacienda Drive. Report filed.

Last Monday

8:26 a.m. – Caller reported semi trying to run him off road; first called Sheridan County, second call to Thomas County. Incident occurred on U.S. 83 by Selden. Semi stopped by Highway Patrol.

8:48 a.m. – Released Rodney Lee Boyce.

10:34 a.m. – Checked two hitchhikers at I-70 mile 53 on-ramp; subjects checked OK.

11:05 a.m. – Served arrest warrant from Hunt Correctional, Baton Rouge, La., on Gustavo Delos-Reyes.

11:44 a.m. – Floyd Coats arrested in Sherman County.

4:03 p.m. – Released Michael Edward O'Donnell.

7:14 p.m. – Booked Derek Zachariah Price.

7:17 p.m. – Caller said ex-husband and friend causing problems. Report filed.

7:57 p.m. – Booked Preston Emmanuel Sanders.

9:54 p.m. – Booked Matthew Eugene Horinek.

Tuesday

12:28 p.m. – Booked Joshua D. Preston.

1:15 p.m. – Took two prisoners to Sherman County.

2:05 p.m. – Brought two prisoners from Sherman County to Colby.

3:47 p.m. – Released Fisher.

3:53 p.m. – Released Quezada-Levario.

4:56 p.m. – Caller reported receiving possible harassing calls from Canada. Information given to reporting party.

5:32 p.m. – Took inmate to Sherman County Sheriff's Office.

6:50 p.m. – Booked Steve Alan Dempewolf.

7:43 p.m. – Caller reported possible drunk driver farming his ground. Assisted two highway patrolmen on call.

8:28 p.m. – Released Price.

9:43 p.m. – Booked Melvin John Eberle.

10:32 p.m. – Released Eberle.

Dramatic change seen from last year

My goodness, what a difference in garden seasons from year to year!

I was looking over my notes from last year's gardening experience, and quickly decided that strange things are taking place in this year's garden.

I'm writing this on Friday (April 12) in order to get it to the paper on time.

Let's see now – the temperature outside yesterday afternoon at this time was 47 degrees. Last year on the 12th of April, the high was 75 degrees. Our low yesterday morning was 15 and the morning before it was 13. Last year, the low was 40.

This year, my spinach, peas, radishes, lettuce and green onions were planted on April 4. There's nary a sign of them emerging yet, mainly because the soil temperature is down to 36 degrees. A year ago, my spinach, peas, radishes, lettuce and green onions were all up and thriving, and the soil temperature was 51 degrees.

This year, I haven't even planted my potatoes, broccoli or onion plants yet, which may, inadvertently, be a smart move.

Last year, there was not a single temperature reading of less than 32 degrees in the entire month of April. This year, the thermometer seems to struggle to push the mercury up as high as 32 degrees on any given morning.

Last year, my 30-year-old apricot trees were in full bloom on April 7. This year, the buds are apparently already frozen and there have been no blooms.

While I cannot legitimately blame the weather, my indoor tomato and pepper transplants just don't seem to be doing too well. Some are almost ready to be moved to their individual pots, while others are barely emerging.



Kay Melia

• The Gardener

Last year, all the transplants had been potted by now.

As previously mentioned, it was 15 degrees yesterday morning, and outside on the patio, a big tom turkey wandered in and was eating the cat food. Occasionally, he would shout a few "gobble gobbles" as if to say "could I please come in and get warm," obviously ignoring the fact that the turkey hunting season still has several weeks to go.

On Facebook yesterday, someone remarked that "it's been a beautiful winter this spring." Downtown at coffee, someone wondered out loud what had happened to global warming that he was sure had been a part of our environment last summer. Sadly, wheat farmers have got to be wondering if there will be anything to harvest this summer.

And gardeners? Well, certainly it was a rather short season for tulips, daffodils and other spring flowering bulbs. We hardly had a chance to notice. Early season vegetables will be delayed due to snowmelt and below normal temperatures. The forecast doesn't sound good.

Late season crops, those usually planted from May 5 through the 15th, like tomatoes, beans and cucumbers – who knows? Surely Mother Nature will soon return the weather pattern to more normal expectations, whatever that is.

And if you spot a turkey on your patio, kindly remind him to take cover, else the growing season may be shortened for him, too!

Red Cross benefit tournament to be April 28

The Red Cross Sporting Clay Classic is being planned to raise money for Red Cross programs and lifesaving services. The American Red Cross Western Kansas Chapter will hold the event, new this year, on Sunday, April 28, at LaSada Sporting Clays and Hunting Service in Russell.

Shooters of all skill levels are

invited. For \$70 per person or \$210 for a three-person team, participants will receive a 100-target tournament, lunch and the opportunity to win one of several prizes provided by LaSada.

"When people participate in the Sporting Clay Classic, they'll be combining a love of the outdoors and their compassion to serve oth-

Brewster's birthday to be action-packed

The Brewster Heritage Center Board and friends are gearing up to celebrate Brewster's 125th birthday. Plan to spend the day in Brewster on Saturday, Aug. 24.



Angie Moore

• Brewster Correspondent

Plans are still being finalized. Proposed events include an antique car and tractor show, walk-run, meals, carnival games, parade, talent show and dance. The theme for the parade is "Horses to Horse Power."

Anyone interested in sponsoring any of these events or in volunteering should contact Bob Lehman, Colleen Hall, LeAnne Carney, Stuart Schmidt or Juanita Aschenbrenner.

Twelve Brewster High School students participated in the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest, a yearly contest for high school students on paper or canvas. Entries are judged on originality of concept, presentation and patriotism; the content or how it relates to patriotism and clarity of ideas; the design technique, total impact of work and uniqueness. Winners receive certificates and a cash award. Non-placing students received participation certificates.

Brewster had three students place. Alicia Barrie received first place and her artwork will advance to the state competition. Her artwork will be dis-

played in June at the state Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary meeting in Lenexa. Dan Brown placed second and Ben Baird placed third.

Brewster Student Council will be holding a Red Cross Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Monday, April 29, in the school gym. Appointments are required. Contact Rae Stewart at 694-2236 or 694-3464.

Brewster master gardeners Colleen Rall, Leisha Carpenter, LeAnne Carney and Lesa Jeuneman are asking for donations for the flower pots at Main Street and Kansas Avenue. Plans are to purchase and plant hardier varieties than those chosen last year. Donation containers are at Brewster Grocery, the Co-Op, Senior Center and the Craft Peddler. For information, contact one of the gardeners.

If you have Brewster news or upcoming events you would like to share please let me know. E-mail angiem@st-tel.net, call 694-3008 or drop information off at the Prairie Land Insurance office.

Thank you!

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$7.13
Corn (bushel)	\$6.63
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.30
Soybeans (bushel)	\$13.23

Bridge Club

The Meadow Lake bridge winners for Tuesday were: first, Bob Renner; second, Elaine Ptacek; third, Sarah Jane Barrett; fourth, Larry Barrett; fifth, Margaret Deneler.

Corrections

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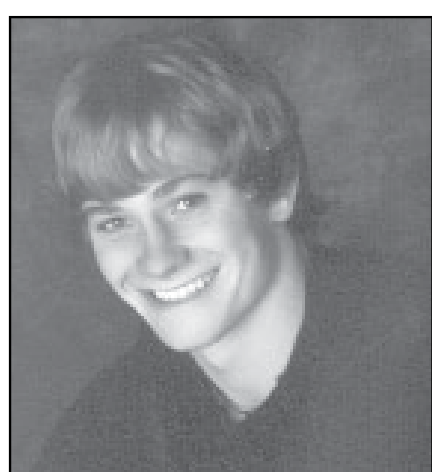
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2x4 Sample - \$40

The Colby Free Press is now planning the Senior Graduation Tab and will be giving parents a chance to put a baby picture in along with a short message from the family for a small fee.

We will automatically feature your student's picture and information, but this will be your chance to put in a baby picture to show how much your senior has really changed over the years!



Call Sharon or Kathryn, at 785-462-3963 for more information or stop by the office at 155 W. Fifth in Colby.

Wind and Wheels Festival

www.windandwheels.org

Saturday, April 20, 2013
9 AM - 4 PM

Wichita County High School
Track and West Field



9 AM	AIM for the Track 5K (Registration at 8:30 AM)
9 AM - 4 PM	Car Show (Registration from 8-9 AM)
10 AM	Wind Energy presentation from Westar Energy & Vestas
9:30-11:30 AM	Live Music by The Talbott Brothers and I AM 3
12-2 PM	RC Flyer Take-off
2:30 PM	Wind Energy presentation from Westar Energy & Vestas
3 PM	Kid's Kite Fly on the football field
3:30 PM	Car Show Award Ceremony followed by parade along K-96

All Day Events

Food Vendors • Kite and t-shirt sales

Kite Demonstrations by Alan Sparling • Open Kite Flying

Barrel Train Rides • Balloon Releases

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