



Brenda Claasen (left) and her daughter Kacy Claasen handed over a prize won by a family at the Summer Reading promotion Wednesday. The event marked the beginning of a summer read-

ing program promoted by the governor as well as the Pioneer Memorial Library's program.

MELANY WILKS/Pioneer Memorial Library

Lots of reading on board for summer

The library has gotten a slew of new items, just in time for you to join the summer reading challenge for adults and teens.

The first we want to tell you about is highly touted book titled, "NOS4A2," by Joe Hill. This book sounds like a hair-raising read.

Vic McQueen, now an adult, had been traumatized by Charles Talent Manx. Manx, a man who abducted children into a place called Christmasland, always picked them up in his 1938 Rolls-Royce Wraith. This vehicle, which could slip into times and worlds unknown to others, had a license plate reading NOS4A2. In the first chapter Manx is in a federal penitentiary compound. He has been in a coma for seven years when he opens his eyes and tells his nurse Ellen that he would like her to permit her son Josiah John Thornton to go to Christmasland with him while she stayed with the Gasmask Man in the House of Sleep.

This scene is what starts you off wondering if you want to read the rest of the book. But being a great suspense reader that you are, you must find out how it ends. If this description is not enough, Joe Hill is the son of famed author, Stephen King. Joe's real name is Joseph Hillstrom King.



Melany Wilks

Library Links

The second book is "Paris," by Edward Rutherfurd. This historical-fiction book takes readers on a journey of Paris through the centuries. It begins with a long view of the city's history before settling on 1875. A young boy, Roland, is introduced along with Father Xavier. Next, we find Jules Blanchard discussing his newest child with an old friend. He is talking of the new Paris, the one he wants to be a part of. These and other characters begin to emerge into a fiction piece that will keep you reading until you reach the end of the 805 page novel.

The third item we have added is "And the Mountains Echoed," by Khaled Hossein, the author of "Kite Runner" and "A Thousand Splendid Suns." His newest published material will bring the reader closer to understand a family's generational impact on lives as they are lived. We may glean an understanding from his native background and historical nature. We will be taken to look at deci-

sions that include living in societies such as Kabul, Paris and Sand Francisco.

The fourth book is by Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Elizabeth Strout. Her newest book is "The Burgess Boys."

Bob, Jim and Susan grew up in Shirley Falls, Maine. They all weathered a difficult life after their father was killed in an accident, leaving mother and children to cope with the loss. After Bob and Jim grew up, they both moved to New York. Jim became an attorney with a successful career working homicides for the attorney general's office. Neighbors he grew up with expected him to run for governor soon. This changed suddenly and he move away.

Bob, who was himself an attorney (Legal Aid) was in his second marriage to Unitarian minister, Margaret Estaver. Neither had any intentions of returning until their sister, Susan, called for help. Her son, Zach, had gotten himself in trouble. Zach's trouble is going to bring up past issues.

Other items we are adding are: "Deeply Odd," by Dean Koontz; "Zero Hour," by Clive Cussler; "Strong Front," by Richard Castle; "Smarty Bones," by Carolyn Hines; "Bannon Brothers Triumph," by Janet Dailey; "The Quarryman's Bride," by Racie

Peterson; "A Chain of Thunder," by Jeff Shaara; "Montaro Caine," by Sidney Poitier; "A Delicate Truth," by John le Carré; "Looking for Me," by Beth Hoffman; "The House of Special Purpose," by John Boyne; "Blame It On the Mistletoe," by Joyce Magnin; "Her Brother's Keeper," by Sara Hoskinson Frommer; "Orphan Train," by Christina Baker Kline; "The Blue-Ribbon Jalapeno Society Jubilee," by Carolyn Brown; "The Bridgertons: Happily Ever After," by Julia Quinn; "Nowhere But Home," by Liza Palmer; and "The Cherry Cola Book Club," by Ashton Lee.

We hope you and your family enjoyed the Soil Tunnel Trailer sponsored by the Soil Conservation District this week at the Pioneer Memorial Library. Remember to come by and get our flyer on summer reading regularly scheduled activities and our special events that happen on Monday, June 17, Thursday, June 27, Wednesday, July 3, and Thursday, July 11.

We are now officially on summer hours. Our schedule is 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday.

See you in the library!

Be aware: prevent child heatstroke in vehicles

The National Weather Service, in partnership with other agencies, is highlighting the danger of heat stroke when leaving a child unattended in a vehicle.

Temperatures inside vehicles can rapidly heat to lethal levels during any season.

Heatstroke in vehicles is the leading cause of all non-crash-related fatalities involving children 14 and younger (61 percent). Each year children die from excessive heat as a result of being left enclosed in parked vehicles – sometimes intentionally but most times unintentionally. Since 1998, an average of 38 children per year, or about one every 10 days, have died in automobiles as a result of heatstroke.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and National Weather Service offer the following safety guidelines to help avoid tragic deaths of babies and young children:

1. Never leave a child or young children unattended in a vehicle, not even for a minute.
2. If you see a child unattended in a vehicle, call 911.
3. Check to make sure seating surfaces and equipment (child safety seat and safety belt buckles) aren't hot when securing your child in a safety restraint system in a car that has been parked in the heat.
4. Be sure that all occupants leave the vehicle when unloading. Don't overlook sleeping babies or pets.
5. Always lock your car and ensure children do not have access to keys or remote entry devices. If a child is missing, always check the car first – including the trunk. Teach your children that vehicles are never to be used as a play area.
6. As a visual reminder keep a stuffed animal in the car seat, and, when the child is

placed in the seat, place the animal in the front with the driver.

7. Place your purse or briefcase in the back seat as a reminder that you have your child in the car.

8. Have a plan that your childcare provider will call you if your child does not show up for childcare.

9. Use the slogan "Beat the Heat, Check the Backseat," or "Where's Baby? Look Before You Lock" to educate the public. Remember—never leave a child in an unattended vehicle!

Children are much more sensitive to rising temperatures than adults so pay close attention to the above tips during ALL seasons.

Check out these web sites for information: www.safercar.gov/parents/heat-involved.htm and www.nws.noaa.gov/om/heat/index.shtml.

Colby graduate wins third place in Masonic essay contest

Lauren Bell of Colby won third place in the Kansas Masonic Fraternity's statewide essay contest, earning a scholarship good at any Kansas college or university.

The contest asked entrants to describe the major focus of a campaign to market the state to a national audience, trying to

them to relocate here. Steve Molstad, secretary of the fraternity, said Bell's essay had a unique perspective that "just stood out" among the many submitted this year.

"It was a real honor" to judge her essay, he said.

Entrants submit their essays at

the nearest Masonic Lodge, so Bell's essay was entered at the St. Thomas Lodge in Colby, where members selected her essay as the local winner. She received a cash prize in Colby in addition to the scholarship.

The annual contest begins in August each year when the fra-

ternity gives the application information to English teachers.



Thank You

We wish to extend a special thank you to all that sent cards, offered prayers, or stopped by to help us celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary. Also to our children that made it happen. It was a fun weekend. Once again thanks to all involved.

Ray & Frances Bange

60th Wedding Anniversary



Earl & Opal Moss

Earl and Opal Moss will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 2 at the Hoxie Christian Church, 1025 Queen.

There will be a come-and-go reception from 5 PM – 8 PM. Your cards and best wishes can reach Earl & Opal at 9985 W Road 40 N, Selden, KS 67757

Babies

Maddox Dennis Krien

Maddox Dennis Krien, son of Blake and Casson-dra Krien of St. Francis, was born Feb. 26, 2013, in Salina. He weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Grandparents are Timothy and Lei Ann Barnett, Colby, and Dennis and Iva Krien, St. Francis. Great-grandparents are Sondra Huser, Lamar, Colo.; Mildred and Jerry Green, Colby; Ferdinand Krien, St. Francis; Arlan and Nancy Huser, Syracuse; Hugh and Fran Harper, Custer, S.D.; and Irene Hardin, Paris, Texas.

Great-great-grandparents are Eldon "Bub" and Dorothy Reed, Syracuse; and Mary Harper Brown, Cheyenne, Wyo.



Maddox Krien

Emmett Gregory Herbert



Emmett H.

Emmett Gregory Herbert, son of Ty and Sheila Herbert of Page City, was born Thursday, May 16, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Grandparents are Joe and Linda Herbert of Pasco, Wash., and Ralph and Darlene Bast of Camrose, Alberta, Canada.

William Isaac Sporing

William Isaac Sporing, son of Christina Rieth and Earren Sporing of Colby, was born Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. He weighed 4 pounds, 15

ounces and measured 18 inches. Grandparents are Barbara and Kenneth Rieth of Washington and Rachel and George Smallock of Colby.

Pig for a good cause



SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press

Red Cross Coordinator Bev Vaughn showed off two of the pig-shaped stress balls – balancing one on her head – which were given out at its blood drive last week in the basement of the Community Building. The Kansas Pork Association sponsored the drive and provided pulled-pork sandwiches to donors after they had given blood.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$7.22
Corn (bushel)	\$7.01
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.91
Soybeans (bushel)	\$14.51

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