

Summertime is time to read

Happy summer to all of you. Now that school is out, the weather is warmer and the library is filled with children and their parents, it feels like summer!

We enjoy this time of year when we see enthusiasm and excitement on children's faces during daily summer reading activities and events. If you have not begun to dig into reading for the summer, remember that a good book – print or audio – checking out a magazine or DVD can be a fun way to spend time getting a tan or traveling on vacation.

And just think, you do not have to navigate the commercials. No one saying you need a face lift, liposuction or a new Jaguar. Just plain relaxation and enjoyment. If you are a teen or adult you can sign up for summer reading and have a chance to win prizes.

Let me describe some of our new fiction items you might want to read during the summer. Book six of the *Odd Thomas* series by Dean Koontz is "Deeply Odd."

Protagonist Odd Thomas encounters pure evil at night in a parking lot that is normally a safe environment. A trucker comes at him pointing a loaded gun. Odd evades this death experience but not its impact.

He attends an Eventide Festival and finds others at this event that



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hold no value in human institutions or life. He soon learns he is not the only one targeted by these evil-deed doers. He knows this is beyond the normal earthly experience, but includes the otherworldly stuff he navigates so easily. Odd must find a way to stop the evil before it happens.

The only clue to the parties involved is the trucker who tried to kill him. Odd senses this man has powers and abilities beyond those displayed at their encounter. He must use his own unique gifts to defeat a growing menace to those around him.

The next item is "Zero Hour," by Clive Cussler, book 11 of *NUMA Files*, co-authored with younger writer, Graham Brown.

This thriller keeps you on the edge of your seat. Kurt Austin and Joe Zavala must destroy the newest machines installed deep in the ocean floor and one buried underground following scientific discovery of zero point energy.

Cussler and Brown set the stage

for the first test of the equipment north of San Francisco which sets off an earthquake. Patrick Delvin, fighting a storm in the sea while towing a salvaged vessel, must cut it loose to save the vessel they are on, the *Java Dawn*. Sebastian Panos has been working in a hellhole of an island; no one knows where they are or what they are doing. All Panos knows is that he may lose his life if he does not escape.

When Austin, Zavala and the NUMA team find the cause of these freak occurrences, their search and treasure hunting experience make them the few in the world that might be able to track down these machines that pose a threat to the entire planet.

"Smarty Bones," by Carolyn Hines, is a lighter book to read. In book 13 of the *Sarah Booth Delaney* series, Professor Olive Twich is asked to find out who lies in an unmarked grave in Zinnia, Miss. She comes to believe it is the grave of the Lady in Red and wants to tell the world about the long-held secrets of the town.

Sarah Booth Delaney is called in. She finds a deep, dark history which includes murder. Delaney needs to find the murderer before she herself becomes a victim.

A fourth item is a fun book with a unique title, "Blue-Ribbon Jalapeño Society Jubilee," by Carolyn

Brown. This is the first book of a series. Brown brings together four friends in Cadillac, Texas. Long-term friendships are challenged. Cathy, Marty and Trixie get into the mix and find that things heat up around town.

Now let me just mention a few nonfiction items we have added: "The Hunger Fix," by Pam Peeke; "An Amish Garden," by Laura Ann Lapp; "Here is Where: Discovering America's Great Forgotten History," by Andrew Carroll; "Constitution 3.0: Freedom and Technological Change," edited by Jeffrey Rosen and Benjamin Witters; "Ten Things Every Child With Autism Wishes You Knew," by Ellen Notbohm; "On Heaven and Earth: Pope Francis on Faith, Family, and the Church in the Twenty-First Century," and a biography, "Francis: Pope of a New World," by Andrea Tornielli, translated by William J. Melcher.

Remember to come by and get our flyer on summer reading regularly scheduled activities and our special events. 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!

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

- Monday**
 2:13 a.m. – Subjects inside business; everything OK.
 9:50 a.m. – Accident at the city shop fence by the practice field.
 11:15 a.m. – Funeral block.
 12:20 p.m. – Removed tree branch from roadway at Fourth and Country Club Dr.
 4:37 p.m. – Possible drug paraphernalia in roadway. Disposed of.
 7:15 p.m. – Helped ambulance crew on call.
 7:49 p.m. – Clerk called about 9 mm magazine found with ammo in a room recently; want it disposed of. Report filed.
- Tuesday**
 12:08 p.m. – Caller reported hit and run accident overnight.
 12:20 p.m. – Caller reported

- transients holding up sign at Horton and Range. Spoke to subjects; all OK.
 3:50 p.m. – Recovered wallet turned over to owner.
 8:06 p.m. – Caller reported an aggressive dog. Report filed; notice to appear issued; dog taken to Colby Animal Clinic.
 8:22 p.m. – Caller heard gunshots.
 9:28 p.m. – 911 caller reported attacked by a dog while on bike. Report filed.
- THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF**
Monday
 8:46 a.m. – Report filed on jail incident.
 11:15 a.m. – Funeral block,
 9:47 p.m. – Vehicle in a field approximately a half mile west of McDonald's. All OK; was land owner working on fence.

Deans' list released

Fort Hays State University named 16 students from Thomas County to the Deans Honor Roll for the spring semester.

Honorees included 14 graduates of Colby High School: Britany Lene Bange, sophomore, art (graphic design); Amanda Barnum, junior, mathematics (teaching); Alexandra Barton, junior, health and human performance (sport and exercise therapy); Daniel Blake, senior, sociology; Cade Carter, senior, marketing; Kiri Kendrick, senior, science; Bailey Koerperich, sophomore, communication (organizational); Jordan Krzycki, senior, psychology; Tyson Miller, senior, organizational leadership; Lacy O'Neal, freshman, elementary education; Jordan Voss, senior, chemistry; Lind-

sey Wilson, senior, agricultural business; Spencer Young, senior, finance.

Honorees from Golden Plains High School were Aisha Moss, senior, social work, and Shaun Dominic Gilbert, junior, agricultural business.

To be eligible, students must be enrolled in 12 or more credit hours and have a minimum grade average of 3.60 for the semester.

Bridge Club

Meadow Lake Bridge winners for Tuesday were: first, Ken Ptacek; second, Sarah Jane Barrett; third, Margaret Denneler; fourth, Dave Ulmer; fifth, Gail Vacca; and sixth, Elaine Ptacek.

Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club

Members of the Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club held a regular monthly meeting Monday at the Thomas County 4-H building.

Many of the members were attending Rock Springs 4-H camp in Junction City, which made the meeting short of officers. Leader Donna Lamm called the meeting to order and Kennedy Stanley led the flag salute.

Cassie Wells, acting as secretary, called roll, in which eight members answered with their summer plans. Cassie read the minutes of the previous meeting and reports were given by club officers Cassie Wells, reporter, Josh Koon, council representative,

Tucker Gerstner, treasurer and Donna Lamm, community leader.

The program led off with Josh Koon demonstrating how to make a campfire oven, Jenna Crampton demonstrating how to make ham and pickle rollups and Kennedy Stanley demonstrated the art of making duct-tape flowers.

Josh Koon read the program for July, which will be the annual club tour. Jake Koon lead a marshmallow race for recreation. Shelby Crampton led the 4-H Pledge and the meeting was adjourned.

Refreshments were provided by the Jay Todd family.

– Cassie Wells, reporter

Brewster cleans up

Residents of Brewster participated in a city-wide cleanup day on May 24, hauling trash, appliances and furniture to the curb for pickup.

According to Larry Jumper, Thomas County Landfill supervisor, Brewster's cleanup day collected 11 appliances containing

refrigerant, 1,100 pounds of metal, 1,300 pounds of furniture and 1,300 pounds of municipal solid waste.

The landfill charged the city for the cost of disposing of the appliance refrigerant, but the other materials were accepted without charge.

Thomas County Jail

Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Johnson Moradkhanian, 39, Colby, Friday, failure to appear, Thomas County Sheriff's Office/Scott County Sheriff's Office, released same day on bond.
- Daniel Patrick Frey, 55, Roland Park, Saturday, driving under the influence, Oakley Police Department, released Sunday to responsible party.

• Ronald Eugene Herman, 53, Oakley, Sunday, aggravated assault, criminal damage to property, Oakley Police, released Monday on recognizance.

• Stephen Michael Losli, 48, Westminster, Colo., Monday, driving under the influence, driving without a license, safety belts and shoulder harnesses, Oakley Police, released same day on recognizance.

Corrections

In an article "Trustees renew contract" on Page 1 of the Wednesday, May 29, *Colby Free Press*, there was an inaccurate statement. Gregory Nichols will be replacing Joyce Washburn as vice president of student affairs, not Dr. Keegan Nichols This was a reporting error.

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Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day
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