

Deaths

Mary Helen Bixenman

Mary Helen Bixenman, 90, a Colby farm wife, died Thursday, Aug. 1, 2013, at the Prairie Senior Living Complex in Colby.

She was born July 11, 1923, to Lewis and Mary Florena (Mahoney) Sims in Athertonville, Ky. On May 7, 1946, she married Robert Bixenman. As a farm wife she loved working outside and tending to the livestock. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Parish.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; and four sisters, Euthelia Ballard, Theresa Ann Dickerson, Sister Ethel Sims and Louise Sims.

Survivors include two sons, Louis Bixenman, Santa Fe, N.M., and Daniel Bixenman, Colby; two daughters, Pauline (Elmer) Maurath, Oakley, and Maureen Bixen-

man, Santa Fe, N.M.; two sisters, Amanda Osborne and Hortense Beam, and a brother, Paul Sims; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren;

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, with burial in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 6:30 p.m. Sunday at the Baalman Mortuary in Colby, with a vigil service at 6:30 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the church or to Sacred Heart Catholic School, in care of the mortuary, Box 391, Colby, Kan., 67701.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.baalmanmortuary.com.

Maxine Hopper Randall

Maxine Hopper Randall, 92, a Colby homemaker, died Tuesday, July 30, 2013, at the Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Denver.

She was born April 12, 1921, in Colby, the daughter of Ernest and Dessie (Selfelder) Mallory.

On Jan. 31, 1942, she married Tom "Oakie" Hopper. He preceded her in death in 1988.

On June 11, 1993, she married William Randall.

She enjoyed dancing, entertaining, playing cards and having coffee with her friends. Her greatest loves were cooking, baking and reading.

Survivors include her husband, of the home; three daughters, Patty (J.R.) Mosier, Bartlesville Okla., Connie (Rod) Swager,

Ankeny Iowa, and Judy (Joe) Sindelar, Morrison, Okla.; a step-daughter, Judy Kriss, Denver; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 5, 2013, at the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, with the Rev. James Mardock officiating and burial in Beulah Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral chapel.

The family suggests memorials to the Thomas County Historical Society, in care of the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.kersenbrock-funeralchapel.com.

Senior Progress Center

The Thomas County Health Department will be at the Senior Progress Center for blood pressure checks Tuesday.

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 10:30 a.m. Skip Bo. **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 11 a.m. blood pressure checks; after lunch - board meeting. **Wednesday:** cookies. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinochle. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pool game.

Menus for the week: **Monday:** ground beef stroganoff, green beans, mandarin oranges, noodles no bake cookie. **Tuesday:** baked ham, candied sweet potatoes, corn, watermelon. **Wednesday:**

chicken and rice casserole, peas, beets, strawberries and bananas. **Thursday:** pasta, beef and tomato casserole, three-bean salad, pineapple, pudding. **Friday:** baked fish, macaroni and cheese, Italian blend vegetables, gelatin with fruit.

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. A contribution of \$3 per meal is suggested for seniors, \$5.25 for others.

Make reservations at (785) 460-2901 by noon the day before.

Bridge Club

Meadow Lake Bridge winners for Tuesday were: first, Margaret Denneler; second, Barb Ulmer; third, Larry Barrett; fourth, Elaine Ptacek; fifth, Ken Ptacek; sixth, Katie Melvin.

We want your local news: e-mail to colby.editor@nwkansas.com

God honors those who feel unworthy

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II Samuel 9 gives an account of one of the great stories of the Old Testament in the relationship of King David and the lame grandson of Saul named Mephibosheth.

Saul's son, Jonathan, was a covenant friend of David and he, King David, was determined to honor that friendship. The king asked if there was anyone left in the house of Saul that he might honor in Jonathan's behalf. He was informed that Jonathan had a crippled son named Mephibosheth living in Lodebar. After further inquiry, Mephibosheth was located and invited to the king's palace to receive care for the rest of his life. Mephibosheth's reply was, what would the king have to do with a dead dog such as he?

The story continues with Mephibosheth indeed going to the palace, receiving new attire and the privilege of sitting at the king's table for the rest of his days. He has gone from the place of a cripple, living in unknown Lodebar, to a place of significance and honor with David.

There are times in our lives that we, like Mephibosheth, feel crippled in various ways, not just physically, but perhaps emotionally, spiritually or socially. We

may feel like a non-person living in an insignificant place like Lodebar and unworthy to be noticed by anyone.

But the King of Kings knows of our great value, and he knows of our disabilities. He knows where we live and what our weaknesses might be. But it makes no difference to him whatsoever our lot in life might be as he invites us to sit at his table and continually dine with him for the rest of our days.

We are not merely dead dogs to God. Christ died for us that we might be brought back to God, out of our lowly stations, to live on a higher plain. We are not to take glory in our high status of life, nor are we to take pride in our lowly stations. Our worth, our value, our personhood depends not on who we think we might be, but on the covenant made for us through Jesus Christ.

We need not live in Lodebar, existing on less than standard fare, but are privileged to feast at the table of the King. He invites us, calling us to his palace. But we must accept the invitation. He will not force us, but through his grace he urges us to come. Will you?

Pastor Lyle Knebel welcomes your response and your questions, by contacting him at lyleknebel1@gmail.com. Thank you and may you be at peace and rest.

Corrections

In the article "Sluggers fall short" on Page 8 of the Monday, July 29, Colby Free Press, Colby Sluggers player Josh Matchell was incorrectly identified as Ben Matchell. This was a reporting error.

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In the article "Jeans and dreams at the fair parade" on Page 1 of the Wednesday, July 31, Free

Press, the name of Colby Jay Kriss was incorrect. This was an error in information provided to the Free Press.

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Shark lands at pub's door

NANTUCKET, Mass. (AP) - A cleaning crew found an unexpected mess after arriving at Sea Dog Brew Pub on Nantucket: a 5-foot-long shark blocking the door.

Pub manager Jimmy Agnew says he doesn't know why anyone would have dumped it there.

Nantucket's public works department hauled the dead shark away after its discovery Thursday.

But Agnew said the pub fielded questions all day. He said a comedian posted jokes about it on Facebook. One suggested the shark went "to meet his chums."

Hamming it up



SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press

These three workers for Roofmasters spotted the camera aimed at them as they were working on the Colby Middle School roof. They took a brief break in their labors on the roof, projected to be done by Aug. 15, to strike a pose.

Perpetrator leaves pink shoes

ALTOONA, Pa. (AP) - Police in central Pennsylvania are hoping to find the person who fits a pair of pink shoes he left behind after police say he accosted a woman, took \$200 from her, then fled on a neon green bike.

They say the suspect ran out of his shoes before hopping on a black-and-neon-green-colored BMX-style bike and peddling away.

Altoona police Lt. Jeffrey Pratt tells the Altoona Mirror (bit.ly/19BKxNi), "We have his shoes" - a pair of pink Adidas. Police say the robber swiped a bank envelope containing the cash out of the woman's hands after she left the Investment Savings Bank about noon Thursday.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$6.96
Corn (bushel)	\$6.27
Milo (hundredweight)	\$9.91
Soybeans (bushel)	\$11.97

Jerry & Donna Mangus are leaving this community after living here for over 40 years.

Please join us in a reception honoring them August 10, 2013 from 2 - 4 p.m. at City Limits in Colby to wish them well.

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Sanford Announce the engagement of their daughter Miss Sara Renee Sanford to Jory Johnathan Friesen son of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Friesen

An August 17th Wedding is planned



Services Directory

Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.



College Drive Assembly of God

FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, Pastor Dan Keel, 815 W. 3rd. Sundays at 2 p.m. 785-462-0512.
CELEBRATION COMMUNITY CHURCH, 1890 S. Franklin Ave. - Colby Community Building. Pastor Eric Overmiller. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. www.celebratejesus.org
GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP, 2nd and Sunrise, Oakley, Pastor James Bloom, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:15 a.m., Wednesday evening Bible Study and Intercessory Prayer 6:30 p.m. 785-671-4020.
COLBY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH, 730 E. 3rd (former Jaycee's building), Pastor Bernard Heinz, 785-460-0313, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.
ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 785-462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Evening Prayer, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May.
COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 245 W. College Dr., Colby. Pastor Steve Todd. Sunday School 9 a.m. for all ages. Worship 10:15 a.m. Kid's Church for Kindergarten-5th grade during Worship Service. Nursery available for kids birth - 5 yrs old. Wednesday night: Family night September - May. Meal served 6 - 6:30 p.m. CD Kidz for kids birth - 5th grade, Youth Group for 6th - 12th graders and Adult Bible Study at 7 p.m. 785-462-8234. cdag@st-tel.net.
BEREAN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Mark Carlton, Youth Pastor Ben Phillips. Middle School Group Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Attic and High School Youth Group Sunday 6 p.m. at the Attic. AWANA Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the church.

WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, 501 Bellview Ave. Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Rev. James Bridges, 615 W. Webster, 785-462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.
COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH (Affiliated with Southern Baptist), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 785-460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m. Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday's. Contemporary Evening Service at 4 p.m. through the semester.
PLEASANT HOME CHURCH, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-728-7380, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (MST)
MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Tom Peyton. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Worship Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Evenings 6:30. First Sunday of month - carry-in dinner following morning worship.
SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, 785-462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 a.m. and 9:25-9:40 a.m. on Sunday.
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rev. Carol Rahn, 515 W. 4th, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website colbypres.org.
THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD, Joan Dingwerth, Director, 785-687-2565.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, 320 W. Pine - 785-462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 1145 S. Franklin - 785-460-6605, President Andy Rose, 785-460-6807. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 p.m.; Family History Center open by appointment. Call 785-462-3571.
REDEEMING LOVE MINISTRIES, INC., 345 N. Franklin, Dr. W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Equipping Class, Sunday, 9 a.m., Sunday worship, 10 a.m., Wednesday, R.L.M Training Centers (Bible School), 6 p.m. Shop online at: www.rlmregionalchurch.com.
COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. James Mardock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 785-460-6521, Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., Fellowship coffee 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., KXXX broadcasts 11:00 worship. www.colbyumc.org
CHURCH OF CHRIST, 510 E. 4th, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Bible Study 7:00 p.m. www.colbychurch.com
OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH, 217 Main St., Brewster, 785-694-2751. Sunday worship 10:00 a.m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, (Disciples of Christ), 385 W. 3rd - 785-460-2718, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church at 10:00 a.m.
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Rev. Robert Alexander, East 5th & Country Club, 785-462-3497, Services, Sat., 5:30 p.m., Beginning Sept. 2 - Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Visit us at www.trinitycolby.com.
LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH, 205 1st St., Pastor Charles Taff, 785-586-2376, Sunday School (classes for 3 years & up and 3 adult classes) 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.
BREWSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, PO Box 250, Brewster. Pastor Mike Baughn, 785-694-2278, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.
REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 785-687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 785-694-2720, Sunday School (adults) 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Children's Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Wed. 7:00 p.m. Children's Ministries (Royal Rangers/Missionettes), Wed. 7:15 p.m. - Intercessory & Prayer, Tue. 5:30 p.m. - Women's Bible Study.

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