

Deaths

Ethel V. Franz

Ethel V. Franz, 95, a Colby homemaker, died Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2013, at the Prairie Senior Living Complex in Colby.

She was born Jan. 23, 1918, in Iola, Okla., the daughter of Jacob and Marie (Harder) Dahl.

She was married to Eldo W. Franz. Preceding her in death were her husband, in 1989, and a son, Larry W. Franz, in 1985.

Survivors include two sons, James L. Franz, Mingo, and Jerry L. Franz, Dallas, Ore.; a daughter, Karen K. Jones, Mingo; a brother, Dennis R. Dahl, Lawrence; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grand-

children; and one great-great-grandchild.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 25, 2013, at the Mingo Bible Church, with Pastor Tom Peyton officiating and burial in Beulah Cemetery in Colby.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby.

The family suggests memorials to the Heartland Christian School, in care of the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

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

VFW Auxiliary

The Nov. 13 meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars was conducted by President Anita Thiel.

Following opening matters, the legislative report was an excerpt from the Veterans of Foreign Wars *Washington Weekly* about the G.I. bill for veterans' education.

The hospital chairman reported five members worked at the blood drive; Christmas treat sacks made for the Topeka Veterans' Administration hospital; and a box of comfort items including lap robes, walker caddies, wheelchair bags, neck pillows and greeting cards sent to the Topeka hospital.

The veterans and family support report was a box of vendor coupons sent to the military base in Turkey and 69 Santa boots made for the Post Christmas party for kids.

Publicity reported the October meeting item in the *Free Press*.

A poem, "I am the Flag of the United States," was the Americanism report.

A donation of \$10 for each member of 60 years and over membership was allowed to Operation Uplink for free phone cards for deployed and hospitalized veterans instead of pins for honorariums. Twenty-two members were honored for 60 years or more membership.

Other donations allowed were \$100 to Santa City, \$50 to Genesis and \$120 for treats for Snowmen sacks for the Topeka hospital.

Bills were presented and allowed for payment.

The next meeting will be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, at the post.

- Hazel Duffey

God made choice to offer grace to us

"I will free you from being slaves ... redeem you with an outstretched arm ... take you as my own people" (Exodus 6:6-7a).

The Israelites did not choose God; he chose them. It wasn't as if they solely loved him. While in Egypt they loved other gods, too - perhaps trying to be one of the boys or play it safe. It wasn't as if they were special, they were slaves. It wasn't as if they deserved to be a beloved son (Hosea 11:1).

Even after all the plagues, after the parting of the Red Sea, and after delivering them from the powerful Egyptians, the Israelites showed ingratitude toward God and complained to the point where they declared they had a better life in Egypt.

Never did we choose God; he chose us (John 15:16). It's not as if we solely love him. In our sinfulness we try to be one of the boys, blending in with the pagan world, or we try to play it safe with other "gods" like wealth, reputation, family, lovers and government programs.

It's not as if we're special; we're slaves of sin, and Satan often leads us around. It's not as if we deserve his love. Even the good we do doesn't win any kudos with God (Isaiah 64:6).

With all that God does for us, blessing us so richly, we certainly have a hard time being content. It would take a miracle to get chosen by God, but then he's all about those.

"With an outstretched arm," which refers to God's might, he redeemed us. It took a miracle, and lo and behold, in Christ it happened. Might was mixed with weakness; God with Man.



Robert Alexander

From the Pulpit

It took might for Jesus to not be one of the boys. When Peter, one of the boys, tried to talk Jesus into not going the way of the cross and being more like the boys, he put Satan in his place - behind him (Matthew 16:23).

It took might to bite the bullet and stretch his arms out on the cross and take those nails. It took might to hang there suffering the indignity of dying a criminal's death and take his Father's heat for a world of sins.

It took a Man at his weakest to suffer for our weakness of sin. It took God and Man to live the Law to perfection to be the perfect sacrifice.

In the might of God and the weakness of Man, he redeemed us, shedding his human but holy blood to free us from slavery to Satan and sin, making us the Father's beloved sons and inheritors of eternal life. In might he rose from dead miraculously and gave us, mere humans mixed with Christ in baptism, eternal life.

Prayer: Abba, Father, thank you for graciously adopting us and for the inheritance that we have through Christ your Son and our Savior and brother (Romans 8:15-17). Amen.

The Rev. Bob Alexander is pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church at Fifth and Country Club in Colby. He may be reached at 462-3497.

Corrections

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$6.79
Corn (bushel)	\$4.20
Milo (hundredweight)	\$7.14
Soybeans (bushel)	\$11.99

Get ready for winter

The Kansas Division of Emergency Management, the National Weather Service and local emergency management officials urge Kansans to prepare for winter.

"Be aware of weather conditions when you travel..." said Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, director of Emergency Management. "Make sure your cell phone is charged ... and have an emergency kit in your vehicle."

Tafanelli said vehicle emergency kits should include blankets, flashlights, batteries, a cell phone charger, hand-warmers, high-energy snacks, bottled water, medications, a snow shovel, flares and other emergency supplies. Additional vehicle preparations include winterizing your car by checking tires and anti-freeze levels, and never letting your gas tank fall below a quarter tank.

"Now is also a good time to take stock of your home emergency kit and make sure you're prepared in case you are snowed in without power," said Tafanelli.

Tafanelli advised Kansans to be prepared by assembling a home emergency kit with supplies for the family for three days, including bottled water (one gallon per

person per day), non-perishable foods, flashlights, batteries, blankets, medications, children's games and pet food.

For a complete list of items for a home or car emergency kit, go to www.ksready.gov. Additional information on preparing for winter weather is available at www.fema.gov, the American Red Cross at www.redcross.org, or your county emergency management office.

Colby Comets 4-H Club

The Colby Comets 4-H Club met Oct. 21 with 19 members present, including three new members.

New officers were installed: President Hayden Reinert; Vice President Olivia Wetter; Secretary Madison Zimmerman; Treasurer Grace Oard; Reporter Courtney Tinkham; Historians Caitlin Tinkham, Karissa Singer and Keelan Sanguinetti; Council Representative Morgan Sanginetti; Alternate Council Representative Evan Olson; Song Leaders Jenna Reinert, August Hutfles, Marcus Singer, Jacob Wetter, Mallory Jackson and Miah Jackson; Recreation

Leaders Jacob Olson, Melissa Zimmerman, Cassandra Zimmerman and Allison Zimmerman; and Parliamentarian Lizzie Cornell.

The group discussed ideas of what to do for the upcoming year, including Christmas caroling, Christmas nursing home decorations, fitness day, petting zoo for the nursing homes, work day at the community garden, treats for teachers during teacher appreciation week and others.

Members were to bring food for Genesis to the next meeting Monday.

- Courtney Tinkham



Dick and Betty Pauls

Card shower helps honor 65th anniversary

Richard "Dick" and Elizabeth "Betty" (Schlageck) Pauls of Selden will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on Monday, Nov. 25, 2013, with a card shower.

The couple married Nov. 25, 1948, at the Sacred Heart Catholic church in Selden. Both Selden High School graduates, Betty was born on a farm northwest of Selden and Dick was born in Leoville, where he lived through sixth grade. After he graduated in 1944, he spend two years in the Army before joining his father,

Peter Pauls, in the family business, Pauls Furniture in Selden and Pauls Funeral Home in Selden and later in Oberlin as well.

Their children are Margaret (Boyd) Wilson of Oberlin, Janella (Daniel) Benoit of Hill City, Jacklyn (Daniel) Schreiner of Wa-Keeney and Rick (Dori) Pauls of Oberlin. They have 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Cards can be sent to 109 S. Illinois, Selden, Kan., 67757.

Photo contest entries due before December

The Seventh Annual Sunflower Showcase Photography Fest is accepting entries from area photographers.

The event, sponsored by Sagebrush Video Productions of Otis and Laurie's Franklin Framing of Hays, allows entries from amateurs and professionals.

Entries must be made by Sunday, Dec. 1, and must be accompanied by a \$3.25 entry fee per photo.

Photos will be exhibited in the

gallery at the Hays Public Library during January and online.

Each division will be judged separately based on a standard set of photographic criteria and awarded a purple, blue, red or white ribbon. Judges will also award first through sixth place ribbons in each of the 47 classes and a best of show award.

For information, go to www.sunflowershowcaseonline.com or contact Rachel Harmon at (800) 457-3453.

Send local news to colby.society@nwkansas.com

The family of **James & Marjorie Brown** requesting a card shower in honor of their 60th Anniversary.

Cards of congratulations can be sent to:
285 Cedar
Colby, KS 67701




Services Directory

Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.



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. Kirby Benisch, Campus Pastor. 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) Pastor Paul Brigham, 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, Reverend Andrew Sonneborn, 515 W. 4th, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 11:00 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. 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 Markdock, 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.

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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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