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Hearing set by council for housing

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The Colby City Council voted Tuesday to set a public hearing for a new single-family housing project with eight three-bedroom homes east of Range Avenue near Sonic at its Tuesday, March 4, meeting.

City Manager Tyson McGreer said an agreement covering the project will be drawn up for the council to look over before the hearing. The hearing will be needed to set up a Rural Housing Incentive District just east of Range.

Ross Vogel, who works with WB Rural Housing Inc., based in Hoxie, said after the meeting that the company plans to build eight three-bedroom houses in the area. He said the project is similar to one the company worked on recently in Garden City and would fit into a price range, \$165,000, that is uncommon in this area.

McGreer said forming the district will allow the district to issue municipal revenue bonds to finance construction of the houses on about 20 lots just west of Dylan Drive, and between Dylan and Sewell Avenue on the east. Williams Avenue would be to the north. State law allows any city with a population of less than 60,000 to designate the districts, McGreer said.

In other business, the council:

- Heard a report on the police department. Ron Alexander, who

took over for Randy Jones as the police chief about six months ago, said he feels he understands what is needed to serve the city.

The number of actual cases per year hovers around a thousand, he said, 1,013 in 2010 to 938 in 2011, then 1,026 in 2012. The number of calls was 4,058, 4,035 and 3,593 in those same three years, and the number of traffic citations was 305, 204 and 168.

Councilman Lance Bolyard said he felt people are more courteous drivers when there are more citations. Alexander agreed and said the large majority of traffic stops do not result in tickets, and that last year the department made just over 1,700 stops, or around five each day.

Asked how the department cut could down on overtime hours, Alexander pointed out that two officers trained for 14 weeks last year, and a homicide case took lots of time. The department's 12 officers work in teams of four, with a supervisor for each team, he said. According to the report, this comes out to about 2.2 officers for every 1,000 people in Colby, which has a population of about 5,400. The report added that visitors, hotel guests, commuters and college students likely add about 1,000 people each day to the population.

- Approved a bid for two Ford utility all-wheel-drive police interceptors from Tubbs and Sons

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Patrol updates details on crash

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The name of a woman who appeared to be unaccounted for after the pileup near Rexford which claimed three lives earlier this month has been released.

Pamela Dipman, 56, Selden, was driving a 2000 Plymouth Breeze, one of 11 vehicles — five passenger cars and six semi-tractors — which crashed into each other. Tod Hileman, Public Resource Officer for Troop D of the Kansas Highway Patrol, said in an email the patrol left her name out of its accident report by mistake.

It took a thorough investigation to piece together what exactly happened in the accident. Hileman said, the reason Dipman's name and a summary of what hap-

pened were not provided to the Colby Free Press until his email this weekend. The Patrol's initial report, usually ready within a day after a crash, pointed out that the pileup was still under investigation.

All the vehicles involved except Dipman's and one semi-tractor just in front of her, were headed south on U.S. 83, he said, when the crash happened around 2 p.m. Jan. 16, just two miles west of Rexford. This semi-tractor, driven by Federico Ortiz, collided with a southbound semi driven by Anthony Scott Ortiz.

Anthony Scott Ortiz had been following a 2012 Toyota that had pulled partially off the side of the road, his semi slid along the side of Federico Ortiz's vehicle and hit

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Mark Bartlett (top) handed his son Pierce, 3, a ticket after he won a drawing at the Pheasants Forever auction Saturday night. His ticket won either a shotgun, held by Mark Fabrizius, member of the group's board, or the lifetime hunting license his dad chose for him. Stan Strange (middle, left) and Blaise Vrbas, 12, held up their hands to buy cards for another drawing at the auction which competed with the Orange and Black tournament for attendees this year. Jory Koon (above) held up a shotgun auctioned to support the group's youth program, joined by members Jay Ziegelmeier (left) and Chase Cersovsky.

Auction raises dollars for habitat

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Over 300 people came to the annual auction Saturday night for the founding chapter of Pheasants Forever.

The group faced competition from the Orange and Black Classic high school basketball tournament in terms of turnout. But the auction brought as many people here this year as last year, although it apparently raised less.

"I mean how cool is it be a part of the chapter that started it all," said Rick Young, the vice president of field operations for the Kansas "pioneer" chapter of Pheasants Forever.

He added that the group has only 15 employees in the state, but in the last year has worked on conservation programs over thousands of acres and done thousands of consultations with landowners.

Tables had been set for about 350 people, chapter board member Van Koon said afterward. Some have been coming to the auction from other states for several years. The guests spent the first couple of hours looked over the items up for auction. They bid on bottles of whiskey, shot glasses, pieces of yard art, paintings of pheasants and hunting scenes, a bear trap, a kayak and a gun safe. But mostly they tried to get shotguns.

Auctioneer Steve Bugbee said the event raised over \$70,000 between the auction itself and a silent auction on drawings. The costs and overall profits have yet to be factored in.

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Bluegrass album wins award

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A bluegrass band with two members from Colby got national recognition for its newest album.

Driven won this year's bluegrass Album of the Year award from the Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass of America for "You'll Be Lonely, I'll Be Gone." Released in late September, this is Driven's first all-original album. Colby natives Brandon and Blake McLemore helped to form the group, and have played

here with their parents Bob and Susan for most of their lives.

Brandon McLemore is vocalist and mandolin player for the band, while Blake sings and plays bass. Other members include guitar player Jake Workman and his wife Rebekah Workman, singer and fiddle player. Jimmy Campbell sings and plays the banjo and dobro.

The society's 40th annual awards ceremony for the Midwest region ran from Jan 10 to 12 in Jefferson City, Mo.

"When we won, it was really surprising that we got it," Brandon McLemore said.

Until about two weeks before the ceremony, when they learned their album was in the running, he said, "we didn't even know we were nominated."

They had to send a friend to the awards ceremony on Jan. 11, he said, adding, "I found out (we won) Saturday night when my mom texted me."

He was unsure who nominated Driven for the award, adding that the band is not a member of the society yet. He said they tried to join but missed the deadline for this year.

The society divides its awards entirely between the rest of the nation and the Midwest region, McLemore said, and since the bluegrass scene is concentrated in the southeastern

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The album "You'll Be Lonely, I'll Be Gone" was released by Driven in September.



Weather



National Weather Service
Tonight: A 50 percent chance of snow, mainly after 7 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 10. South wind around 5 mph becoming west after midnight. New snow accumulation of less than one inch possible.

Tuesday: A 50 percent chance of snow before 7 a.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 28. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 12. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 48. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 27.

Thursday: Partly sunny, with a high near 41.

Thursday Night: A 30 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 20.

Friday: A 30 percent chance of snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 37.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 20.

Saturday: Partly sunny, with a high near 38.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 19.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 36.

Friday: High, 52; Low 23
 Saturday: High, 60; Low 27
 Sunday: High, 61; Low 9
 Precip: Friday None
 Saturday None
 Sunday None
 Month: 0.08 inches
 Year: 0.08 inches
 Normal: 0.42 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
 Tuesday 7:55 a.m. 6:00 p.m.
 Moon: waning, 7 percent
 Wednesday 7:54 a.m. 6:01 p.m.
 Moon: waning, 2 percent
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)



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he said, but profits are probably down from last year.

Bugbee works as a cattle auctioneer in Colby for his regular job. He led the auction with help from the chapter, whose board members helped him take bids. Members of the Northwest Kansas Foundation for Hope displayed the items up for sale.

"I do my own auctions every once in awhile," for charity events, he said. "I think I've done this one for 15 years at least."

He pointed out that lots of people still showed up even though the auction was com-

peting for attendance with the basketball tournament. Some members of the chapter's youth trap-shooting team were gone, for instance.

"The drought conditions have affected the pheasant numbers," Bugbee said. "A lot of the money we raise goes right back into this community."

Along with the trap shooting the chapter includes a youth program and gun safety program along with the trap shooting team, Bugbee said. He added that the auction has evolved over the years from a kind of men-only event to one that includes kids, women and youth.

SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press
 Danielle Wasson (left) Tisha Carter and Pat Sloan, members of the Northwest Kansas Foundation for Hope, helped out at the annual Pheasants forever auction Saturday night, displaying the merchandise up for grabs.

Patrol released more details on crash

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Dipman's car as she was coming to a stop. The other drivers all either collided with those vehicles that had already crashed, or stopped just short of hitting the wreck, only to be hit from behind.

With the new information, the number of people who died still stands at three. When contacted this morning Citizens Medical Center had no record of Dip-

man, and just after the crash, did not have a record for Andrew Abdrakmanov Karstrom, 19, and Timothy W. Karstrom, 62, the occupants of the Toyota. The rest of those injured were listed as having been treated and released.

Hospitals often will not release the names of their patients after they have been released or sent to another hospital.

A second pile-up happened when Wayne Haberstock rear-

ended Gary Allen Godeill Godeill, who had stopped just short of the first wreck. Haberstock went to Hays Medical Center, according to the report which listed him as "disabled." Officials from that hospital did not get back to the Free Press until this morning, saying they had no record of him there.

In his email, Hileman advised people not to drive into a dust cloud if possible. If you have to go into dust, he said, check

to see who is around you, find a safe place and pull over right away, not when the dust makes it impossible to see ahead of you.

Get off the road completely, turn on the emergency brake, stay in your car with your seat-belt on, and leave your lights off. If another driver sees your lights or emergency flashers, Hileman said, they might try to follow you.

Bluegrass album wins award

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states, especially the Virginias and Carolinas, and the northeast, the Midwest region occupies most of the country, from Tennessee and Louisiana on west.

"I think it showed that people were listening to the album," McLemore said of the award. "We thought it was pretty neat that they awarded that to a group that wasn't even a member of the organization."

He added that he was glad to see the award go to an up-and-coming band. Disk jockeys have been playing the album in 26 or 27 states and six other countries, he said, mainly in Europe.

The next step for the band, he added, will be to try to join the International Bluegrass Music Association.

"That would be a really big goal," McLemore said. "That would be pretty exciting."

September 2012 marked the genesis of the album, when the members of Driven told the audience at the Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield they would write the album. Their goal was to finish it in time for that festival a year later.

Brandon McLemore wrote most of the songs for the album, starting in February and finishing by April. It was mixed last summer by Grammy-Award-winning sound

engineer Neal Cappelino, and the band got the CDs just a week before passing them out at the 2013 Walnut Valley Festival, which ran from Sept. 18 to 22.

The album was introduced Sept. 20 and started playing on Sirius XM channel 16, Bluegrass Junction, around November. In Colby, the CD has been sold at Inlow Interiors and Someplace Special, where McLemore heard it has sold out several times.

It came out too late for the Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass and Folk Festival last summer, so McLemore said he's excited to be able to do the songs here at next year's festival.

Apply for Lesser Prairie Chicken program

Applications for the Natural Resources Conservation Service's Lesser Prairie Chicken Initiative must be submitted by Friday, March 21.

State Conservationist Eric Banks, head of the service in Kansas, said Friday that money provided through this initiative allows landowners to improve the habitat for these

birds while promoting the overall health of grazing lands and sustainability of Kansas ranching. Expired or expiring Conservation Reserve Program fields in permanent cover may be eligible.

Kansas received \$699,000 this program in fiscal year 2014, which is available in 36 counties including Thomas.

Applicants must meet Environmental Quality Incentives Program requirements, and socially-disadvantaged, limited-resource and beginning farmers and ranchers receive a higher payment rate.

For information, go to www.ks.nrcs.usda.gov or call 462-7482.

Briefly

The deadline for Briefly is noon the day before. Items submitted in the morning will be set up for the following day, space available. The deadline for Monday's paper is noon Friday.

Fifth graders to sing Tuesday

The Colby Grade School fifth graders will present a free musical production, "On the Radio," at 2 and 7 p.m. Tuesday at the school auditorium. Everyone is invited. For information, call teacher Jennifer Otten at 460-5100.

Cemetery decorations need to be moved

All Christmas and other nonpermanent grave decorations at Beulah Cemetery need to be picked up by Saturday to allow for routine maintenance. Call caretaker Deb Henry at 462-3188 with any questions.

Therapy students offering massages

Come get a massage at Colby Community College in February. Students from the Physical Therapist Assistant Program will be offering massages from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays next week and Feb. 10 and Thursday, Feb. 27, in room 804 of the Health Sciences Building. The regular cost is \$15 for a half hour and \$25 for one hour. Bring your college ID for a \$3 discount. To make an appointment, call 460-4797.

Soup supper will help with cancer expense

The Colby Grade School faculty will hold a soup-supper benefit for Brennan Ostmeyster's medical expenses from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 7, at the Community Building. Make a donation and enjoy chili and chicken-noodle soup, with cookies for dessert. For information, call Alex Williams at (620) 952-1090.

Church to offer parenting classes

Colby Wesleyan Church will offer Parenting with Love and Logic classes at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mornings beginning Feb. 9 at the ministry center. Free child care is available, and a free hot breakfast will be served beginning at 9 a.m. Contact Pastor Gene Rothfuss at 462-8391 to sign up.

Book Fair at school planned for February

The Colby Public Schools Book Fair for grade school and middle school will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, and 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, in the Grade School Library. For information, call the school at 460-5100.

Colby woman's art on display this month

The Prairie Museum of Art and History is displaying the works of Colby artist Erma Jean (Depe) Griggs Hamill through mid-February. Contact Chris Griffin at 460-4590 for information.

LOCAL TV Listings Sponsored by the COLBY FREE PRESS

Tuesday Evening January 28, 2014											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	S.H.I.E.L.D.		State of the Union 2014			Goldbergs	Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline		
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		State of the Union 2014		Two Men	Local		Late Show Letterman	Ferguson		
KSNK/NBC	The Biggest Loser		State/Union			Local		Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon		
KSAS/FOX	Dads	Brooklyn	State of the Union 2014			Local					
Cable Channels											
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	
AMC	The Bourne Identity										The Rock
ANIM	Wild Serengeti		Madagascar			Wild Serengeti			Madagascar		
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.		Shahs of Sunset			100 Days of Summer			Happens Shahs of Sunset		Atlanta
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard										Smoke-Bandit
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		State/Union			AC 360 Later			E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Live
COMEDY	Kroll	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Kroll	Daily	Colbert	At Midnig	Tosh.0	
DISC	Moonshiners: Outlaw		Moonshiners			To Be Announced			Moonshiners		To Be Announced
DISN	Judy Moody-NOT Bummer Summer		Good Luck			Dog			Austin	Good Luck	Good Luck
E!	Fashion Police		Celeb Boo		RichKids		Celeb Boo		Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea
ESPN	College Basketball				College Basketball				SportsCenter		SportsCenter
ESPN2	College Basketball				All-Star Chall				Olbermann		Olbermann
FAM	Pretty Little Liars		Ravenswood			Pretty Little Liars			The 700 Club		Ravenswood
FOOD	Chopped		Chopped			Diners			Chopped		Diners
FX	X-Men: First Class				Justified				Justified		Justified
HGTV	Property	Property	Property	Property	Hunters	Hunt Intl	Beat	Beat	Property	Property	
HIST	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	American	American	American	American	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	
LIFE	Dance Moms				Kim of Queens				Dance Moms		
MTV	Are You the One?		Teen Mom 2			Are You the One?			Teen Mom 2		
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Face Off		Face Off			Opposite Worlds			Face Off		Opposite Worlds
SPIKE	Day-Tomorrow				Alien vs. Predator						
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Cougar	Big Bang	Conan	Cougar	Conan		
TCM	Gambit				Get Carter				Pulp		
TLC	My 600-Lb. Life		My 600-Lb. Life			Escaping the Prophet			My 600-Lb. Life		Escaping the Prophet
TNT	Castle				The Mentalist						
TOON	Uncle Gra	Adventure	King/Hill	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen	
TRAV	Bizarre Foods		Dangerous Grounds			Border Ri		Airport 2		Dangerous Grounds	
TV LAND	Gilligan	Gilligan	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Kirstie	The Exes	The King of Queens		
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Mod Fam			Mod Fam			Mod Fam		Law & Order: SVU
VH1	Mob Wives		Love & Hip Hop			Love & Hip Hop			Super Bowl Blitz		Love & Hip Hop
WGN	Funniest Home Videos				Armageddon				How I Met		Rules
Premium Channels											
HBO	Incredible Burt	True Detective			Girls	Looking	True Detective		Boxing		
MAX	Wandlurist		Fantastic Four			Banshee		Co-Ed		Co-Ed	
SHOW	Twilight Saga-2				Lies	Episodes	Shameless		Gigolos	Bel Ami	

Wednesday Evening January 29, 2014

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Suburg.	Mod Fam	Super Fun	Nashville		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline		
KBSL/CBS	Super Bowl's		Criminal Minds		CSI: Crime Scene		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson		
KSNK/NBC	Revolution		Law & Order: SVU		Chicago PD		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon		
KSAS/FOX	American Idol				Local						
Cable Channels											
A & E	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Wahlburg	Wahlburgers	Duck D.	Duck D.		
AMC	The Dark Knight										Four Brothers
ANIM	Beaver	Beaver	Treehouse	Treehouse	Treehouse Masters	Beaver	Beaver	Treehouse			
BRAVO	Real Housewives		Top Chef			Happens		Top Chef		Top Chef	
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard		The Dukes of Hazzard			The Dukes of Hazzard		Party Down South		The Real World	
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live			AC 360 Later		E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Live	
COMEDY	Work.	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Work.	Broad Cit	Daily	Colbert	At Midnig	Work.	
DISC	Survivorman		Survivorman			Lone Target		Survivorman		Lone Target	
DISN	Good Luck Didn't		Liv-Mad.			Dog		Good Luck		Austin	
E!	Kardashian		Kardashian			The Soup		The Soup		Chelsea	
ESPN	NBA Basketball				NBA Basketball				SportsCenter		SportsCenter
ESPN2	College Basketball				College Basketball				SportsCenter		Olbermann
FAM	Melissa	Daddy	17 Again			The 700 Club		Daddy		Daddy	
FOOD	Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.			Restaurant: Im.		Diners		Diners	
FX	Underworld				Amer. Horror				Amer. Horror		Amer. Horror
HGTV	Buying and Selling		Buying and Selling			Hunters		Hunt Intl		Property Brothers	
AmericanProfile // CELEBRATING THE AMERICAN SPIRIT //											
HIST	American Pickers		American Pickers			American Pickers		Appalachian Outlaws		American Pickers	
LIFE	Kim of Queens		Kim of Queens			Kim of Queens		Kim of Queens		Kim of Queens	
MTV	Teen Mom 2		Unplugged			The Real World		The Real World		Unplugged	
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters			Opposite Worlds		Ghost Hunters		Opposite Worlds	
SPIKE	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Jail	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Men-Work	Big Bang	Conan	Conan	Men-Work	Conan	
TCM	Manchurian Can.				The Harvey Girls				Pennies		
TLC	Girl- Half- Face		Sex Sent Me to the E			Addiction		Sex Sent Me to the E		Addiction	
TNT	Castle				Castle				Hawaii Five-0		The Mentalist
TOON	Dragons	Regular	King/Hill	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen	
TRAV	Bizarre Foods		Toy Hntr			Hotel		Bizarre Foods		Toy Hntr	
TV LAND	Gilligan	Gilligan	Raymond	Raymond	The Exes	Kirstie	The Exes	Kirstie	King	King	
USA	Mod Fam		Mod Fam			Psych		White Collar		Psych	
VH1	Saturday Night Live				Saturday Night Live				Super Bowl Blitz		Bad Boys
WGN	Funniest Home Videos				Rules				News/Nine		Videos
Premium Channels											
HBO	Beautiful	Looking	Looking	Girls	True Detective		Real Time, Bill		Girls	Looking	
MAX	Mama		Banshee			A Good Day to Die Hard		Banshee		Erotic	
SHOW	Shameless		Inside the NFL			Episodes		Lies		Inside the NFL	



Ethan Ray Stover and Aubrey Rochell Brauer

Colby couple plans autumn wedding here

Aubrey Rochelle Brauer and Ethan Ray Stover, both of Colby, plan to wed Saturday, Oct. 25, 2014, in Colby.

The bride, the daughter of Loren and Sandy Borger of Meade and Paul and Ann Brauer of Scott City, graduated from Meade High School in 2009 and is a student at Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland. She is a licensed student respiratory therapist at Colby Medical Center and will graduate with her associate degree in May.

The groom, the son of Lynn and Lori Stover of Colby, graduated from Colby High School in 2008 and holds an associate degree in general studies from Colby Community College. He works at Colby Ag Center.

The couple plans to live in Colby.

Livestock program seeks students now

Area high school students have the opportunity to apply for the sixth annual K-State Animal Sciences Leadership Academy Wednesday through Saturday, June 11 to 14, in Manhattan.

The academy accepts 20 high school students from across the state, teaching leadership and animal science production skills.

During the first part of the event, sponsored by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council, students receive interactive leadership training and tour facilities in the university's animal science department. The second portion of the program gives students the chance to tour businesses and organizations in the livestock industry.

Participants stay in campus housing, chaperoned by the event coordinator and three university students.

All high school students are eligible to apply, and selection will be based on educational, community and agricultural involvement through an application process.

Applications are available at www.youthlivestock.ksu.edu and are due by Saturday, March 15.

Babies

Justin James Kennedy Jr.

Justin James Kennedy Jr., son of Marcina Wilson and Justin Kennedy of Colby, was born Thursday, Jan. 9, 2014, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces, and measured 19 1/2 inches. Grandparents are Judy Kennedy of Colby, Bill Kennedy of Phillipsburg, Lori Wilson of Colby and Mike Nichols of Denver. Aunts are Kaity Wilson and Jessica Kennedy of Colby.



Justin K.



Avery Percival

Avery Hart Percival

Avery Hart Percival, daughter of Rob Percival and Michelle Hartner of Herndon, was born Saturday, Jan. 11, 2014, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 19.5 inches.

Grandparents are Bob and Lynda Percival of Berthoud, Colo., Alan Hartner of Arvada, Colo., and Char Hartner of Herndon.

Kansas Amber Alerts now available on Twitter

Kansans can now look out for missing children by receiving Amber Alerts on Twitter.

"When a child is missing, the public's assistance is crucial to returning the child safely," Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt said. "Social media provides us a new way to get information out quickly to the public in the event of an Amber Alert."

A new Twitter account, @AMBERAlert, was launched in conjunction with National Amber Alert Awareness Day. The account, managed by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, will provide information on all Amber Alerts issued nationwide.

The Kansas Amber Alert system is coordinated by the Kansas Attorney General's Office and Kansas Bureau of Investigation. When an alert is issued, the media are notified to begin broadcasting the details of the missing child and suspect. Kansans can also receive Amber Alerts on Facebook by liking the Kansas Amber Alert page at www.facebook.com/AmberAlertKS.

The Amber Alert program, named for 9-year-old Amber

Hagerman, is a voluntary partnership between law enforcement agencies, broadcasters and transportation agencies to activate an urgent bulletin in the most serious child-abduction cases. Broadcasters use the Emergency Alert System to air a description of the abducted child and suspected abductor. The goal of an Amber Alert is to instantly galvanize the entire community to assist in the search for and safe recovery of the child.

Since its inception in 1996, this program has successfully brought 679 children home safely. In Kansas, 23 children have been safely returned since 2002.

In addition to the Amber Alert program, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children maintains a list of all missing children from Kansas. That database can be accessed at www.missing-kids.com. Anyone with information about the whereabouts of any of these missing persons should contact a law enforcement agency or call (800) KS-CRIME.

For information, go to www.ag.ks.gov/amber-alert.

Girl Scouts in search of a few good volunteers

Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland is looking for new volunteers to provide services to girls living in northwest Kansas.

The scouts have many volunteer opportunities and timeframes available, said Laura

Shoaff, membership recruiter for the Hays office, and volunteers do not have to be parents of a girl.

"There are so many ways to make a positive impact in the lives of girls between the ages of

5 and 17, a very crucial time in a young girl's life," she said. "Just let us know your interests and availability, and we will find a place for you."

Contact Shoaff at (785) 625-5671.

Thomas County Jail

- Booked into the Thomas County jail:
- Tyson Roy Owings, 34, Colby, Aug. 31, probation violation, failure to appear, Colby Police Department/Court Services of Thomas County, released Monday for time served.
 - Shawn Michael West, 25, Gem, Nov. 17, abusing toxic vapors, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Jan. 13 to other agency
 - Latrisha Ann Hemken, 22, Oakley, Dec. 19, probation violation, Logan County Sheriff's Office, released Jan. 8 on supervised probation.
 - Sandra Kay Finlay, 36, Colby, Jan. 3, distribution of meth, obstruction of official duty, possession of drug paraphernalia, Thomas County Sheriff, released Jan. 10 on \$100,000 appearance bond.
 - Tracy Lee Hurd, 31, Levant, Jan. 3, theft (Logan County), obstruction of official duty (Logan County), possession of certain stimulants, possession of drug paraphernalia, Thomas County Sheriff, released Jan. 8 on \$100,000 appearance bond.
 - Jayde Dawn Adelman, 46, Selden, Jan. 6, violation of protective order, Colby Police, released Jan. 9 on \$50,000 supervised bond.
 - Richard John Seifert, 37, Colorado Springs, Colo., Jan. 7, probation violation, Kansas Highway Patrol/Shawnee County Sheriff's Office, released Jan. 8 to other agency.
 - Mackenzie Alan Shields, 23, Oakley, Jan. 9, probation violation, Logan County Sheriff's Office, released last Monday to other agency.
 - Eldon Ray Williamson, 53, Colby, Jan. 9, protective custody/mental, Colby Police, released same day to Larned State Hospital.
 - Tommy D. Stickel, 46, Colby, Jan. 10, driving under the influence (second), refusal to evidence test, driving in violation of restrictions, Thomas County Sheriff, released Jan. 16 of \$10,000 appearance bond.
 - Michael Tyrone Douglas II, 41, Westminster, Colo., Jan. 11, driving with license suspended or revoked, violation of protective order, Thomas County Sheriff/Highway Patrol, released same day on recognizance.
 - Kily Camille Miller, 23, Colby, Jan. 11, bond violation, Colby Police, released Jan. 15 on supervised probation.
 - Joshua Alan Taylor, 22, Hoxie, Jan. 11, driving under the influence, Colby Police, released same day to responsible party.
 - Robert Dean Binning, 25, McDonald, Jan. 12, driving under the influence, transporting open container/alcohol, refusal to take breath test, Highway Patrol, released same day on recognizance.
 - Danny Ray Fisher, 38, Goodland, Jan. 12, failure to appear, Thomas County Sheriff/Sherman County Sheriff's Office, released Jan. 15 to other agency.
 - Jason Nathaniel Juhan, 35, Colby, Jan. 12, driving under the influence, Colby Police, released same day to responsible party.
 - Nicholas Gregory O'Loughlin, 26, St. Francis, Jan. 12, driving under the influence, transporting open container/alcohol, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released same day on recognizance.
 - Arjuna Moscoso, 30, Mountain Home, Ark., Jan. 14, possession/distribution of hallucinogenic drugs, using communication facility to arrange sales or purchase, no drug tax stamp, Highway Patrol, released Jan. 16 on \$50,000 appearance bond.
 - Albert Gene Williams, 24, Colby, Jan. 14, domestic battery, disorderly conduct, Colby Police, released same day on recognizance.
 - Bruce N. Watkins, 18, Colby, Jan. 16, theft, Colby Police, released same day on recognizance.
 - Meagan Renee Weaver, 24, Gove, Jan. 18, probation violation, Logan County Sheriff's Office, released last Monday to other agency.
 - DeJuan J. Cobb, 35, Indianapolis, Jan. 19, possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to distribute, Highway Patrol, released Tuesday on recognizance.
 - Austin Joseph Marshall, 19, Colby, Jan. 19, possession of drug paraphernalia, Colby Police, released same day on recognizance.
 - Zachary Allen Muench, 20, Indianapolis, Jan. 19, possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to distribute, Highway Patrol, released Tuesday on recognizance.
 - Walter Hewitt Thames, 39, Asheville, N.C., Jan. 19, possession/distribution of hallucinogenic drugs, Highway Patrol, released same day on recognizance.
 - Jason Erik Thibodeau, 41, Colby, Jan. 19, driving under the influence, expired registration, Colby Police, released Tuesday on \$25,000 appearance bond.
 - Michael D. Jones Jr., 26, Colby, last Monday, driving with license suspended or revoked, Thomas County Sheriff, released same day on recognizance.

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Bridge Club

Meadow Lake Bridge winners for Tuesday were: first, Katie Melvin; second, Elaine Ptacek; third, Dave Ulmer; fourth, Margaret Denneler.

Joyce Albright



Services for Neta "JOYCE" Albright, 82, of Norman, Oklahoma will be held at 1:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 29, 2014 in the Chapel of Sevier Funeral Home, Chickasha, Oklahoma. The burial will follow at Erin Springs Cemetery.

Mrs. Albright was born June 14, 1931 near Lindsay, Oklahoma and died Thursday January 23, 2014. She was the daughter of Lenard and Iva (Smith) Adams.

Joyce grew up with her family in Grady County. She met Cecil "JACK" Albright at a weekly Valley View Community sing-along. Joyce and Jack dated; married, September 23, 1946; and started their family in that community. Recently Joyce shared a grade-school essay in which she wrote that she wanted to be a wife and mother when she grew up. At each she was a great success. The family moved to Norman in 1964.

Joyce managed The Bootery and Reagan's retail stores. She also excelled at wallpapering, refinishing furniture and floors, painting, sewing drapes, upholstering, gardening, preserving food, household carpentry, and was an incredible seamstress. She could fit her child before bedtime and have the garment ready to wear the next morning. Her children wondered when she ever slept. She was lovingly referred to as a "Joyce-of-all-trades".

Joyce is preceded in death by her husband Jack, her parents and brothers Junior, Doyle and Lee Adams.

Her surviving family includes: son Steve Albright (Margaret) of Casa Grande, AZ; daughters Sandy Stone (Clif) of Norman, OK; Linda Bossert (Wayne) of Wichita, KS; and Tresa Albright of Norman, OK; grandchildren James Albright (Leigh Anne); Angela Albright-Burley (Darryl); Stuart Albright; Stephanie Albright (Blake Sine); Natalie Albright; Cliff Stone III; Dana Stone; Erin Carpenter (Shawn); and Alan Bossert (Jessica); great grandchildren Jenna and Jessica Albright; Kyra and Dante Burley; Lux Sine; Devon and Jacob Holdsworth; Emelyn and Ava Carpenter; and sisters Patty Crowder and Sue Gilley. Joyce also has numerous nephews, nieces

Student sells ads on grad cap

FLINT, Mich. (AP) — A University of Michigan-Flint student hopes to use his graduation cap to take a bite out of his education debt.

Alex Benda of St. Clair tells the *Detroit Free Press* (on.freep.com/1aDt8Dk) he wants to cash in on the 10-by-10-inch hat by selling ad space in 1-inch squares on top for \$300 each. If he sells 100 squares, he'll have wiped out his about \$30,000 in student loans, he said.

"I realized that I would have the eyes of every graduating student and their family's on me as I walked across the stage to accept my diploma," he wrote on his website. "You can advertise on it, give a shout out, put a quote, a silly image of your cat, practically anything! All while helping a graduating college student start his life without student debt."

The 22-year-old international business major is scheduled to graduate in a few months. He says it's "scary" to think about trying to find a job while having so much debt.

As of midday last Monday, he had raised more than \$1,200 online from 12 backers — but no square buyers had yet to make a pledge.

"I have gained so much from my education that I hope to help others with their goal of going to college, but right now I appreciate any help," he said in his posting. "I graduate May 4th so time is running out!"

Online: Benda's fundraising page: bit.ly/1bd5HxB

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
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Milo (hundredweight)	\$7.18
Soybeans (bushel)	\$11.99

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Corrections

An article, "Museum has works by Colby artist on wall," on Pages 1 and 2 of the Wednesday, Jan. 15, *Colby Free Press*, misspelled Marsha Gaede's name. This was due to an error in information provided to the *Free Press*.

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Other Viewpoints

School lawsuit needs to be ended

With all due respect to Kansas' Supreme Court justices, they need to wrap up their decision on the pivotal lawsuit over state spending on public schools so the Legislature can get on with business.

Some legislators might opt to ignore the decision anyway, but the issue of school spending – along with the larger state budget – seems suspended while everyone waits for the ruling. The 2014 session of our part-time Legislature has begun, and since it's supposed to last just three months, the business of government needs to proceed. Public education being half of the state budget, most all other fiscal decisions – if not the whole legislative session agenda – are contingent on this ruling.

The decision, we keep being told, is due any day now.

This lawsuit is the latest in a long saga pitting school districts against legislators and the governor over how much money is sufficient to fulfill the state's constitutional guarantee for adequately financing its schools.

The last round of litigation concluded in 2006, when the state Supreme Court attempted to put a figure to it, based on studies the Legislature had commissioned. The Legislature complied at that time, though much to the displeasure of some lawmakers who thought the judicial branch was overstepping its authority.

The public schools got a financial boost out of that litigation, but when the economy collapsed a few years later, legislators rolled back spending. Then, when budgets weren't restored after the economy rebounded, districts went back to the courts.

The state's basic aid to schools per pupil for the 2015 fiscal year is \$3,852, down from a peak of \$4,433.

And so now we wait.

The current lawsuit was filed more than three years ago. It worked its way through a district court first, and the state Supreme Court heard arguments back in October.

Of course, the courts often seemingly work at a snail's pace, and maybe this delay is one way for the courts to prove a point about their own budget cuts at the hand of legislators. But time is of the essence in this case.

– *The Hutchinson News, via the Associated Press*

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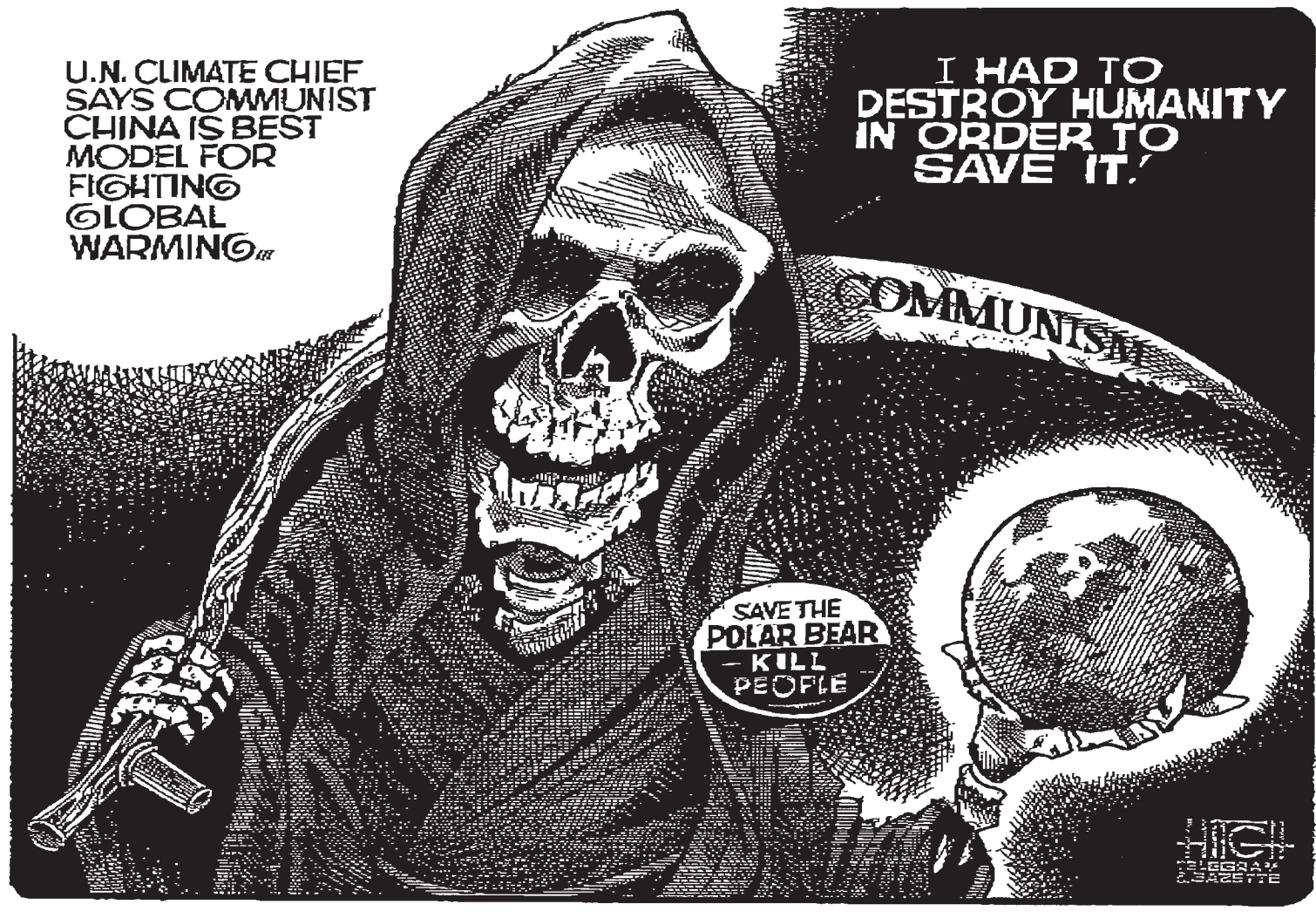
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Courthouse cornerstone laid in 1906

This is the third in a series about the history of the Thomas County Courthouse. Research for this series was done by Opal Linville at the Prairie Museum of Art and History.



Marj Brown

• Marj's Snippets

Once all of the contracts had been signed, all of the contractors began to do their jobs and the new Thomas County Courthouse started to take shape. The original courthouse was moved forward, to the west, to make room for construction of the new building.

It was determined that the brick for the inside layer of the walls and the partitions would be done by the general contractor, L. Crosby and his crew in Colby. The exterior brick was a Coffeyville two-type brick.

As weeks and months passed, the new courthouse took shape. The cornerstone was laid Nov. 17, 1906.

An article in a Spring 1997 Thomas County Historical Society *Prairie Winds*, Vol. 24 No. 1, said, "The Masons were in charge of the service (for the laying of the cornerstone) and other orders were invited to attend and participate. There were over 300 people in attendance, however the expected speakers did not show up, so Asa Smith and Ed Benson, local attorneys, filled in. Each school district presented a short history of their district. The program also included prayers and documents to be included in the cornerstone. The cornerstone is located in the northwest corner of the building."

On the anticipated completion date of July 1, 1907, there was still a lot of work to be done; however, the article stated, "The Romanesque Revival style three-story red brick structure with its square bell tower was up and stood out against the horizon. Native stone was used for the steps, balconies, columns, arches and trim.

"Work continued on the inside: hard yellow pine floors were laid and stairs were built of

red oak. Seven fireplaces were put in, as well as six metal vaults.

"A feature that has since been covered is that the court room once had the same 18-inch tin ceilings that are found in the hallway of the courtroom floor. The court room ceiling had a curve where it met the wall, creating an overall arch effect. The ceiling has been lowered to reduce the echo that the proceedings had to contend with for years."

After the old courthouse was auctioned off to R. M. Chelf for \$501, the commissioners finalized their decisions to purchase the clock for the new tower. The clock would be ordered from Seth Thomas at a cost of \$1,200 complete and guaranteed for 10 years. The striking gong would weigh approximately 1,000 pounds. It would be able to be heard for quite a long distance. The Aug. 15, 1907, *Colby Free Press* said "The subscription for the clock amounts to six hundred dollars and the money for the sale of the old court house will augment this sum five hundred more and this will nearly be enough to pay for the clock."

The *Prairie Winds* reported, "The county commissioners formally accepted the building from the contractors and proclaimed the building as the property of Thomas County, to be kept and maintained as a courthouse on Nov. 22, 1907."

An undated article from the local *Electric Cooperative News*, stated, "Towering majesti-



The Local Cooperative News This is a view from southwest of the courthouse as it neared completion. The tower clocks had not yet been installed.

cally above the western prairies, the new courthouse became a focal point of brick and stone. Soaring nearly five stories into the clear blue sky, the courthouse tower provided not only a landmark visible for miles but served as a marker for the day's progress by way of a four-faced clock installed in the tower. Pealing the hours, the tower clock sounded the beginning and the ending of the day, called the citizenry to worship, announced the school sessions and reminded everyone that Thomas County had come into its own."

The next column will describe the inside of the new courthouse and the process of moving in. Please look for it.

Marj Brown has lived in Colby for over 60 years and has spent a good deal of that time writing about people and places here. She says it's one of her favorite things to do.

Early class dismissal no favor

Across Kansas, college students are returning to spring semester classes. For some, the professor hands out the syllabus, tells them to go buy the textbook, and dismisses class.

Some students say: Whoopee! They should instead stay seated and complain. Education may be the only major enterprise where some recipients are glad to not get their "money's worth."

We can measure work by the number of work days or work hours that are required to finish the job. Potential learning can be measured the same way. As professors, if we are late two minutes to a class of 30 students, we have wasted one hour of collective potential learning time. Dismiss a huge class of 120 students just five minutes early and we have squandered ten hours of potential learning.

I use the term "potential" because it assumes that the student is alert and paying attention, and that the professor has effective communication skills and engages students.

Most students know that they have been cheated when they pay regular price for a chocolate bar that is now smaller. Such "downsizing" is becoming commonplace. So why are students happy to get a downsized education?

Kansas college students are not getting their educational money's worth in other ways as well. Kansas Board of Regents policy dropped the minimum number of instructional days on the academic calendar to 146 plus 5 final exam days.



John Richard Schrock

• Education Frontlines

Kansas universities can now have 73 instructional days per semester instead of 75. And bachelor's degrees can now have a minimum of 120 credit hours rather than 124. So some Regents schools are trimming their schedules and programs in this "race to the bottom." At many schools, this spring is two days shorter than the spring semester of 2013. That is a loss of 16 days of education per four year degree. Dismissing class early the first day cuts that minimum even one day shorter! That is potentially another 8 days less if every professor dismissed class the first day!

Don't let any professor off the hook by claiming that the credit hour and instructional days are merely clock hours of "seat time." Learning requires time. A teaching professional is aware of how much educational engagement is minimally required to master the course content. Just put in "seat time" without learning and you will be back in that class next semester repeating seat time. What you are learning is important not only to pass the class exams but also to pass through life, solve

problems, write cogent memos, calculate income, etc.

Samuel Mudd (the 1850s medical doctor who set the leg of John Wilkes Booth) had just two years of college. Today, becoming a physician is no sophomore task. And future doctors will need even more education.

For today's students to succeed in an ever-more-complicated world, colleges have a responsibility to provide students with a robust education. Tomorrow's students will need to learn even more, not less.

If students don't want a downsized life, they shouldn't accept a downsized education.

John Richard Schrock, a professor of biology and department chair at a leading teacher's college, lives in Emporia. He emphasizes that his opinions are strictly his own.

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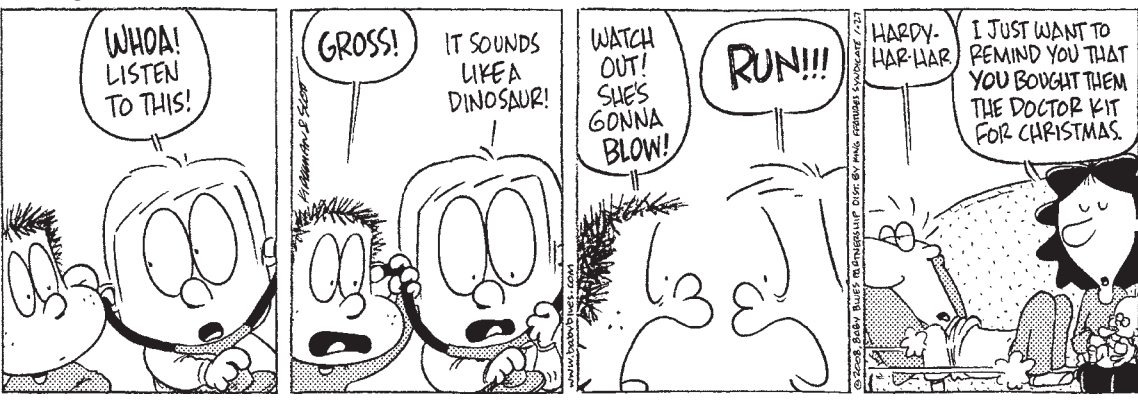
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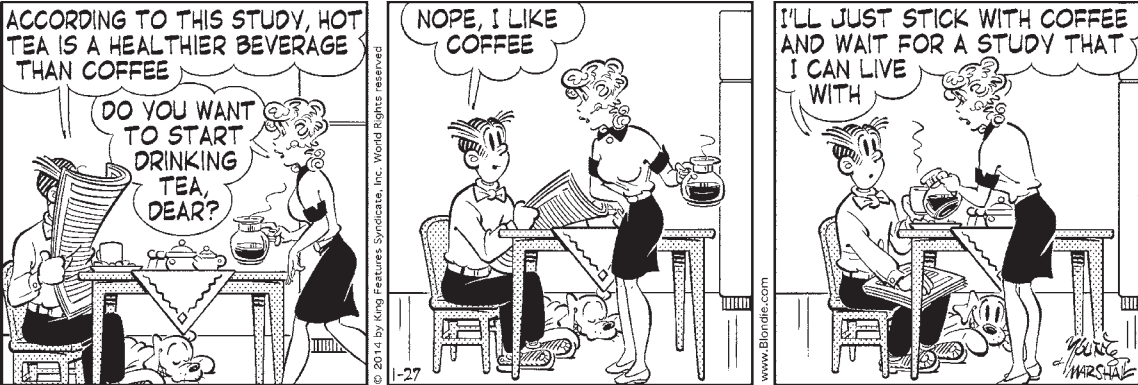
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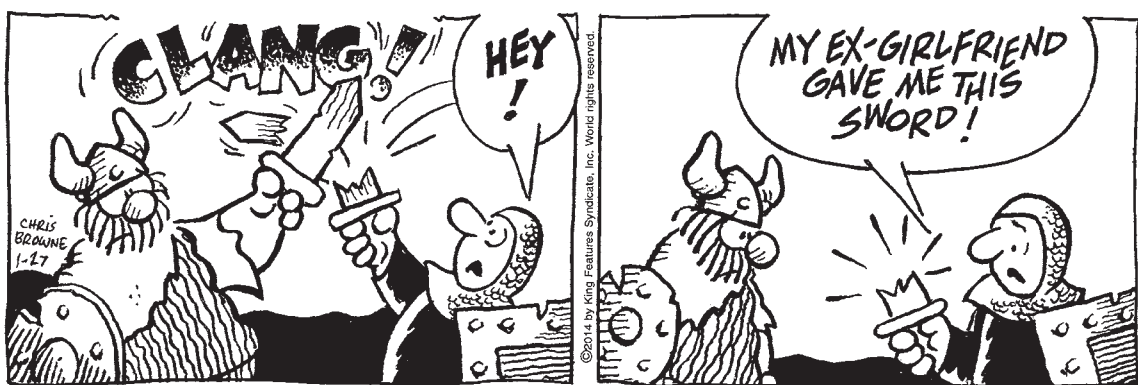
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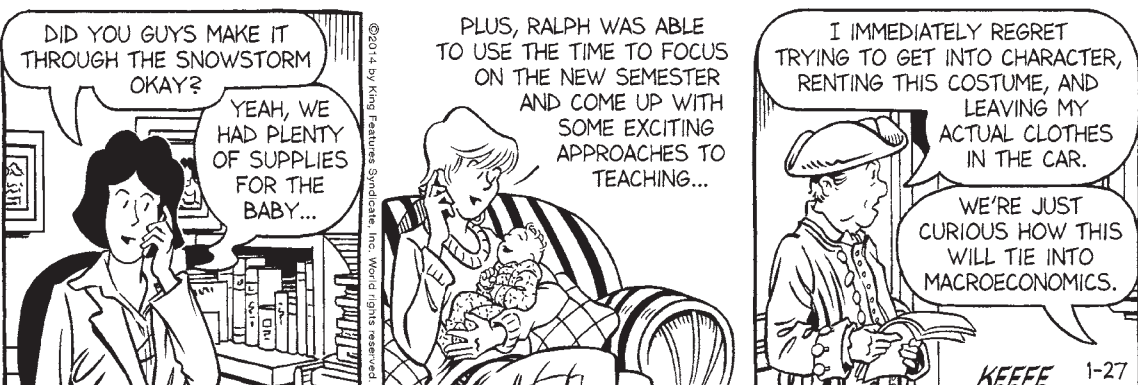
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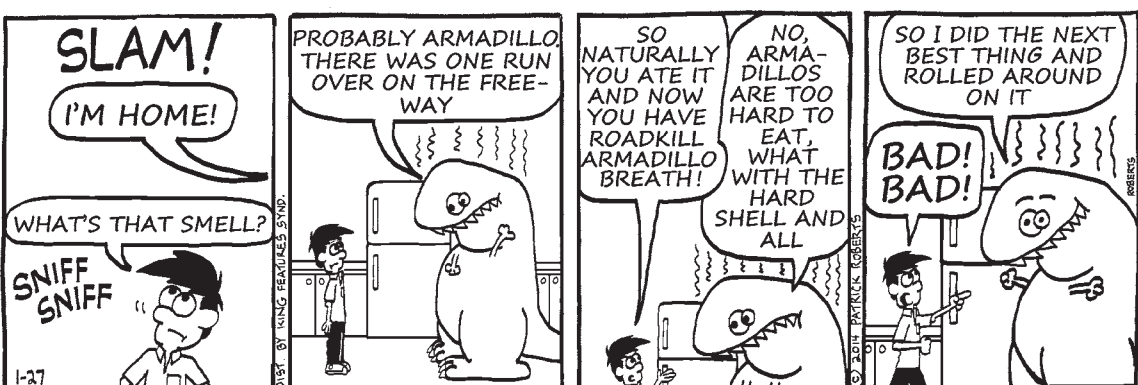
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• Antiques and Collecting

Sewing stands central to homes

Sewing was as important as cooking in centuries past. The most valuable things in an 18th-century American home were linens, bedcovers and drapes.



This Federal worktable probably was made in the early 19th century in Vermont. It sold for \$3,900 at a Skinner auction in Boston in October 2013.

The wealthy imported fabrics from Europe. Average families made their own fabric. They raised sheep or crops, sheared the sheep or harvested the plants, and went through many steps to make thread, color it and weave it into cloth.

Then the cloth had to be cut and sewn into clothing or household items. So it is not surprising that the sewing supplies in a well-to-do home were stored in a special sewing worktable in the main room. The women of the household could take out the fabric and sew whenever there was time. It often was a winter job done while sitting near a fireplace.

Most sewing stands looked like small tables and stood about 28 inches high, the height of a desk. There was a drawer to hold sewing tools, needles, thread, scissors and measuring tape. Many were made with a large fabric bag hanging below the drawer, accessible when the top of the table was lifted. It is a form not seen in the average 20th-century home, so when the bag is missing from a table, collectors may not realize they're looking at a sewing table with a missing part.

An October 2013 Skinner auction offered an early 19th-century sewing table missing its original bag. The maple and mahogany worktable with an attractive patterned top sold for \$3,900.

Q: What is a "Mickey Mouse" telephone insulator? I keep getting that reference when I check online for Mickey Mouse collectibles.

A: Most telephone insulators, the glass pieces at the top of telephone poles that hold the wires, have rounded tops. A few varieties have protruding pieces that make the insulator look like a silhouette of Mickey Mouse's head. Because the name and shape are unusual, these insulators are popular with collectors.

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Bridge • Steve Becker

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ Q 9 8 7 5
♥ Q 8 7 4
♠ J 4 2
♣ 2

WEST
♦ K J 3
♥ 2
♠ K Q 8 5
♣ J 10 8 4 3

EAST
♦ A 10
♥ J 10 9
♠ A 10 7 3
♣ K Q 9 7

SOUTH
♦ 6 4 2
♥ A K 6 5 3
♠ 9 6
♣ A 6 5

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass 1♦ 1♥
2♦ 3♥
Opening lead — king of diamonds.

Famous Hand

In bridge, a moderately aggressive style will ultimately win far more points than it will lose. A striking example of this principle is provided by this deal from the finals of the 1989 Vanderbilt Teams.

When Michael Becker and Ron Ruben held the North-South cards, the bidding went as shown. After East opened one diamond in third seat and Ruben overcalled with one heart, West opted for a conservative raise to two diamonds despite his 10 high-card points and singleton heart. Becker then leaped to three hearts, pre-emptive in the partnership style, and neither East nor West chose to bid further. Declarer lost the obvious five tricks and went down one, -100.

At the second table, where Becker-Ruben's teammates, Bart Bramley and Lou Bluhm, held the East-West cards, the bidding went:

West North East South
Pass Pass 1♦ 1♥
3♥ Pass 5♦

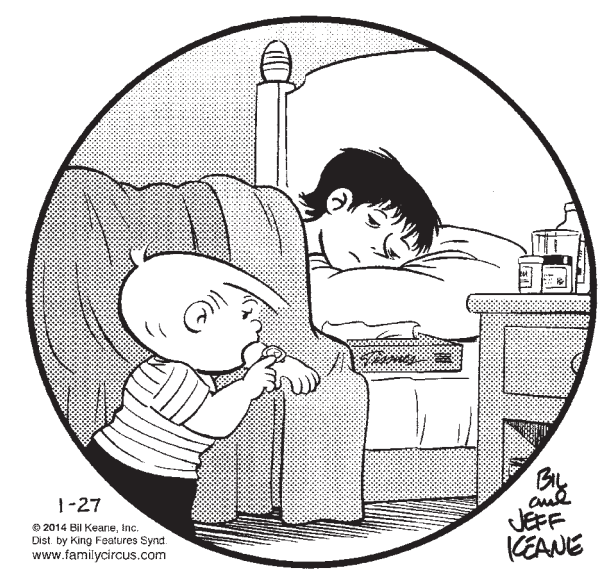
Here, Bluhm thought his hand had improved so much after his partner's opening diamond bid that he leaped to three hearts at his second turn. This was a "splinter" bid, promising a singleton or void in hearts, support for diamonds and a hand of approximately opening-bid strength. Visualizing that all of his cards would be working opposite such a hand, Bramley leaped to five diamonds.

Despite the superior bidding, this could still have turned out to be a small loss for the more aggressive partnership. Had South led the ace and another club, or had he switched to clubs after his actual lead of the heart ace, the contract would have been defeated.

South even got a third chance after he continued with a heart at trick two. Bramley ruffed in dummy, but could not afford to draw trumps while he still had a losing heart in his hand. So at trick three he led a club to the nine. South won and could have sunk the contract by returning a club. When he rested with a trump instead, declarer had the rest of the tricks and his game.

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Family Circus • Bil Keane



Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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	3				9			1

Difficulty Level ★ 1/27

This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral. The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

7	6	3	2	8	9	1	5	4
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9	3	1	8	7	2	5	4	6
8	5	6	9	1	4	7	2	3
4	7	2	6	5	3	9	8	1
2	8	7	1	3	6	4	9	5
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6	4	9	5	2	8	3	1	7

Cryptoquip

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: BECAUSE THE SERVANTS ORDERED THEIR SPECIAL UNIFORMS BY MAIL, THEY HOPED FOR A LIVELY DELIVERY.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals O

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Martian carrier?
4 Piercing tool
7 Under-stands
11 Boxing venue
13 Flowery neckwear
14 Harvest
15 Insult
16 The whole thing
17 Gumbo base
18 Man of morals?
20 Verboten (Var.)
22 Abbr. on an old TV
24 Agree
28 Foul-up
32 Worship
33 Fat
34 Pooch
36 Faction
37 — and the Night Visitors"
39 Full of gusto

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The meeting agenda shall include the following business items:

ONE: The supervisors of the Thomas County Conservation District shall make full and due report of their activities and financial affairs since the last meeting.

TWO: They shall conduct an election by secret ballot of qualified electors, there present, of two supervisors to serve a term of three (3) years from the date of said meeting. The term of Jon Starns and the term vacated by Ed Geihlsler are expiring.

All in the county of Thomas in the State of Kansas. /s/ Shea Baird, Chairman Thomas County Conservation District

Attest: /s/ Debra Potter, District Manager

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In the Matter of the Estate of Matilda B. Heinze, Deceased

Case No. 14-PR-3

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are notified that on January 8, 2014, a Petition was filed in this Court by Gregory L. Heinze, an heir, devisee, legatee and named fiduciary in the Last Will and Testament of Matilda B. Heinze, deceased, dated January 4, 1984, requesting Informal Administration and to Admit the Will to Probate. You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before February 4, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. in this Court, in the City of Colby, in Thomas County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Gregory L. Heinze, Petitioner

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Attorney for Petitioner

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The Court has ordered that the Petition shall be taken up and considered by the Court on the 18th day of February, 2014, at 1:30 o'clock p.m. before the Honorable Glenn D. Schiffner, Judge of the Thomas County District Court at the Thomas County Courthouse, 300 N. Court Avenue, Colby, Kansas.

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Eagles take third at Beloit

Despite some injuries, the 4A No. 7-rated Colby High wrestlers still scored 111 points to take third at Saturday's Beloit Invitational. Coach Matt Sims expects senior Andrew Taylor (182 pounds), junior Jay Ziegelmeier (195) and sophomore Alex Young (130) will return for the Great West Athletic Conference tournament on Feb. 8 in Goodland.

They still have enough firepower to outscore a lot of teams. Only the 3A-2A-1A powerhouse Chantue Blue Comets (218.5 points) and Blue Valley Southwest (156) finished ahead of Colby on Saturday. Freshman Tate Carney (106) and sophomore Austin Hart (220) both reached their title matches, while sophomore Tanner Elias (120) and freshman Ethan Jay

(285) captured consolation championships. Teammate Brady Slinger has stepped into the 195 spot and placed fifth on Saturday. Other individual results were not available at today's press deadline. The Eagles edged Smith Center (107 points) along with home-team Beloit (96.5) for their top three finish.



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press

Colby JV wrestler wins title

Colby High freshman Ernie Leija proved the Eagles have two really tough 106-pounders as he won Saturday's Buffalo Invitational in Atwood.

Wrestling junior varsity, Leija beat a varsity opponent twice among his three wins. He topped Luke Muller from Sedgwick County, Colo.; pinned Kasey

Stamel of Goodland's JV team and then defeated Muller again for the title. Tyler Schritter earned another win for the Eagles at Atwood.

Colby High cheerleaders and dancers teamed for a sparkling halftime performance during Saturday's Orange & Black Classic consolation final as the Eagle boys took on Liberal. The girls helped fans stay fired up throughout six Colby tournament games in just a little more than 48 hours.

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Colby girls nearly take Classic title

By R.B. Headley
Colby Free Press
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Tournament Most Valuable Player Ali Meyer slapped the floor in frustration as Colby Eagles dashed down to ruin another potential Palmer Ridge, Colo., layup.

Even though the reigning Orange & Black Classic champion Bears scored 17 unanswered points Saturday night, they still couldn't put away that pesky hometown team during this title game.

Colby amazingly erased a 12-point, fourth-quarter deficit to catch Palmer Ridge, 31-31. The game-tying basket was so perfect that it felt like a championship was destined for this team.

Junior Shaile Giebler had already started Colby's comeback with five consecutive points. Yet nothing compared to Giebler's next basket, as she found an opening between taller Bears and caught a teammate's short shot.

Giebler made the putback, drew a foul, celebrated briefly and then smoothly sank her free throw for this 31-31 deadlock.

It followed up a beautiful Friday night fourth quarter where Colby tallied 11 straight points to stun semifinal foe Liberal, 34-25.

"It was a neat experience with the crowd, the excitement and with how we came out and performed," first-year Colby head coach Ryan Becker said which re-

ally described both contests.

The Palmer Ridge Bears (13-2 record) took time-out and eventually delivered their own late heroics for a 41-34 finals victory. Meyer made two huge baskets down the stretch.

However, smiles were still on every Eagle player's face as they accepted the Orange & Black runner-up plaque. After winning just three games through the season's first several weeks, Colby (6-6 record) has now won three of four and clearly owns momentum etching many crucial contests.

"First and foremost was the effort. And not just great effort, but great team effort," Becker said. Indeed.

Clutch efforts were everywhere through this contest. Junior Hannah Strange hit two huge baskets during that 12-point comeback Saturday night.

Senior Haileigh Shull assisted Strange on that second basket and added eight points.

Junior Brooklyn Bange brilliantly found Shull for an early go-ahead basket. Bange also buried a first-half jumper to get the Eagles into an early 9-3 lead.

Colby (34) — Shaile Giebler 10 points, Haileigh Shull 8, Brenly Terrell 7, Hannah Strange 4, Lara Stephens 3, Brooklyn Bange 2. Three-point goals: Giebler, Terrell. Rebound leaders: Stephens 5, Strange 4, Terrell 4. Assists: Shull 3, Stephens 3. Steals: five girls each made one.



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Colby High players (above from left) Darby Sager, Hailey Schindler, Kelly Sloan, Shaile Giebler, Abby Friesen and Brielle McKee celebrate a late free throw as the Eagles rallied to win Friday's Orange & Black Classic semifinal contest. At right, Giebler (23) got congratulations from Brenly Terrell (left) and Hannah Strange (21) for late basket in the title game Saturday evening in Colby.

Eagles rally to reach final

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With one happy slap of teammate Lara Stephens' backside, Colby High senior Haileigh Shull signaled how many fourth-quarter baskets Liberal hit Friday night.

One — and that arrived with more than six minutes remaining in this Orange & Black Classic semifinal in the Community Building.

The Eagles finished on a 9-0 run to win, 34-25, and earn their spot in Saturday night's championship game against Palmer Ridge, Colo.

"To give up just two points at crunch time, wow, what an effort," coach Ryan Becker proclaimed. "The girls decided 'hey, we're not going to let this one slip through our fingers'."

Stephens certainly earned the happy five-finger slap from Shull as Colby celebrated this victory.

The sophomore attempted four pressure-packed free throws during this late Colby flurry — and Stephens hit every one. In fact, only one attempt even grazed the rim while going through.

Stephens also ripped down nine rebounds, and it was an offensive effort that earned two of those free throws to put Colby ahead 31-25.

Yet the Eagles' clutch heroics started before those charity shots.

Colby really started gaining confidence when junior Hannah Strange hustled in to force a jump ball.

The Eagles kept possession and — just seconds later — junior Shaile Giebler stepped up and drilled a three-point to catch Liberal at 21-21.

Both teams traded baskets before the Eagles decided sharing



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Colby High senior Haileigh Shull, left, won't let a Liberal Redskin with this battle for the basketball during Friday night's Orange & Black Classic semifinal contest at the Community Building.

would only continue among themselves.

First, Shull drove to the hoop and spotted teammate Brooklyn Bange for an open jumper.

Swish! Bange continued her weekend of clutch moments during all three Orange & Black contests.

Now it was Bange's turn to assist after Liberal (5-4 record) forced the final tie of 25-25. She delivered a pass into junior Hannah Strange's hands, and her classmate wasn't about to miss.

Strange dropped in this short jumper and the Eagles were starting to soar.

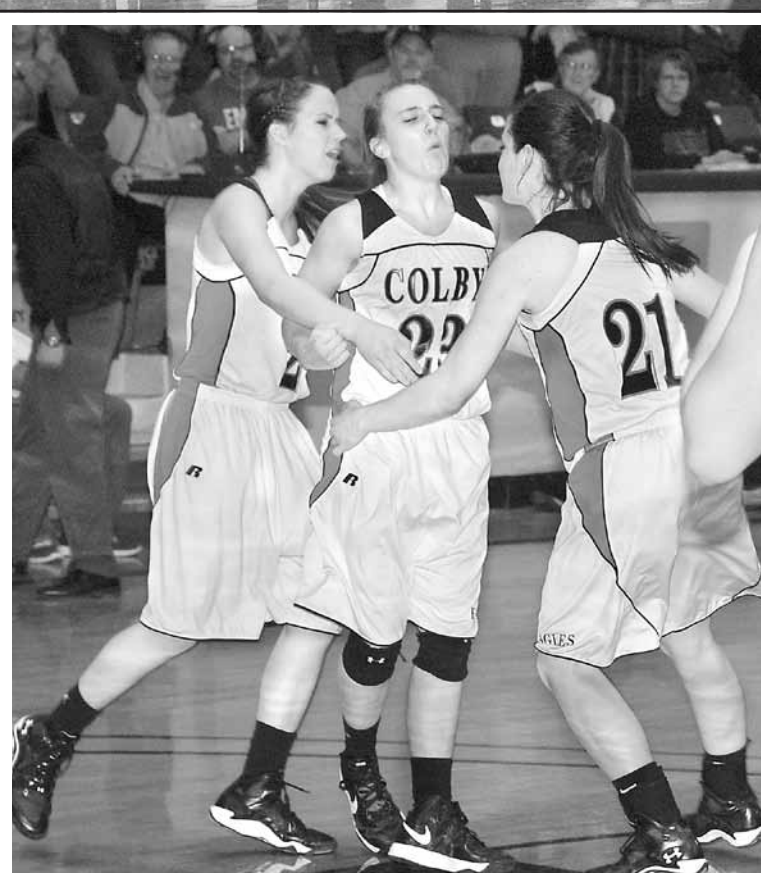
Even when their next shot

missed, sophomore Brenly Terrell reached over Redskins and secured another rebound.

Terrell hit the follow shot for a 29-25 advantage.

Stephens delivered the next four points between several far-too-rushed and missed Liberal attempts to answer.

Colby (34) — Brenly Terrell 8 points, Haileigh Shull 6, Lara Stephens 6, Brooklyn Bange 5, Shaile Giebler 5, Hannah Strange 4. Three-point goals: Bange, Giebler, Terrell. Rebound leaders: Shull 10, Stephens 9, Strange 8. Assists: Shull 3, Bange 2, Stephens 2. Steals: Shull 2, Bange 2, Brielle McKee 2.



Colby boys score Classic win

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Their fantastic 14-0 start left everyone know there was no way the Colby Eagles were leaving their home gymnasium without a victory Friday afternoon.

Cameron Brown's 21-point, 11-rebound effort made sure the Eagles continued to dominate throughout a 63-34 win over Burlington, Colo.

Seniors Luke Cox (16 points) and Marc Bremenkamp (nine) teamed for another 25 points in this Orange & Black Classic consolation semifinal.

The Eagles (1-10 record) advanced into Saturday's consolation final while ending this 10-game winless drought.

"It means the world. They (all the Eagle players) are very excited," coach Kevin Brown said. "They've worked so hard and deserve this very much. If every gameplan worked like this, it would be a lot easier to coach."

"But again, it really comes back to our intensity and how hard we worked from start to finish," he added.

Some adjustments to the start-



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press
Colby High senior Connor Schwanke made a leaping catch between Liberal defenders during the Orange & Black Classic consolation championship game Saturday afternoon.

ing lineup also seemed to help the Eagles' fast start.

Coach Brown inserted twin brothers Austin Russ and Ashton Russ, who both brought instant energy into the Eagles' attack.

Austin Russ grabbed an offensive rebound and hit the game's first basket. Cox followed with his first of two triples for a quick 5-0 lead.

The Eagles were leading 7-0 when Burlington (3-6) finally appeared ready to make its first basket.

Yet as a running shot went through the hoop, this Cougar collided into Ashton Russ and drew a charging penalty instead.

Cox quickly found senior Marc Bremenkamp for a three-point play, and the Eagles were already in control at 10-0.

Burlington never closed within single digits again.

"Both of them (Russ brothers) do bring a lot of energy. Plus I thought Connor (Schwanke) and Chandler (Comfort) had been pressing a little bit," coach Brown said about his previous starters. "This helped them relax and see the game before they got into it."

Schwanke responded with the

Eagle trio named to all-tourney

Colby High sophomore Brenly Terrell joined seniors Luke Cox and Haileigh Shull as Eagles who earned Orange & Black all-tournament honors.

Shull doubled her honors by taking home the girls' "Sportsmanship Award" in this three-day 29th annual tourney that featured 16 teams (eight girls, eight boys).

Colby High senior Marc Bremenkamp made the Classic All-Academic team, something Eagles cheerleader Victoria Rall also achieved while representing a great Eagle spirit squad.

Results from final-round Classic contests on Saturday besides the Colby contests.

Boys' championship
Scott City 71,
Palmer Ridge 57

A 27-14 first quarter propelled the three-time defending 4A state champions to another title Saturday evening.

The Beavers buried 10 three-point baskets.

Trey O'Neill surpassed his 25-point season average as he slipped 26 points through the nets.

The Beavers (9-1 record) built their lead to 34-19 by halftime and 53-33 through three periods.

Matt Cameron's game-high 27 points paced Palmer Ridge.

Girls
Third place: Hugoton 63, Liberal 53. Freshman Katy Hager's 17 points led these Eagles to a consolation title.

Fifth: McCook, Neb. 49, Scott City 33.

Seventh: Sunrise Christian 57, Burlington, Colo. 49.

Boys
Third place: Wichita West 58, McCook 54.

Seventh: Hugoton 56, Burlington 47.

Fans enjoy former K-State star's visit

A large crowd at the Colby Community Center greeted former Kansas State University quarterback Collin Klein Saturday morning.

More about Klein's visit for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes breakfast will be featured later this week.

Klein spoke to the crowd for about 30 minutes about his Christian faith and struggles while becoming one of K-State's all-time best football players.

He also answered several questions, revealing one of his best stories about K-State coach Bill Snyder and his future NFL aspirations.

Klein then signed autographs (left) and posed for photos in the Community Center lobby. He stayed for more than hour until all the Wildcat fans had chances to meet this Heisman finalist. Again, watch for more details this week.

