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Kansas election races draw attention

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The 2014 General Election season is now under way, with several statewide House of Representatives and the 40th races gaining national attention.

The Primary Election will be Tuesday, Aug. 5, and the General Election Nov. 4. To be in the August primary, candidates have to file for an office by noon Monday, June 2. Independent nominations must be erts, all four seats in the U.S. House of filed by noon Monday, Aug. 4.

In Thomas County, Byron Sowers of the three-man Thomas County commission is up for re-election this year, along with the clerks for each of the townships. County Clerk Shelley Harms said no one has filed for the election, including Sow-

Incumbent township clerks include in-West Hale, Don Cranston for Kingery, Travis Elias for North Randall, Gary K. Ostmeyer for South Randall, Arnold Wehkamp for Rovohl, Vernon Vance for

Delores Olson for Summers and Kenneth Johnston for Wendell.

Both the 120th District in the Kansas District in the Kansas Senate are up for election. As of Monday morning, no one has filed in either district.

Also on the ballot this year are the U.S. Senate seat held by Republican Pat Rob-Representatives, governor and lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general, state treasurer, insurance commissioner, state Board of Education District 5, two supreme court judges, eight declared an intention to run: Tresa Mcappeals court judges, district court judges and district magistrate judges.

Governor

While incumbent Gov. Sam Brownback clude Patrick Tinkham for Barrett, Alicia has not officially announced his intention Siruta for East Hale, Dave Bowman for to run for re-election, his campaign raised more than \$1.6 million last year. Brownback was elected in 2010. Prior to that he served two terms in the U.S. Senate. Brownback may face declared Demo-

Smith, Pete Ziegelmeier for Lacy, Lorn cratic candidate Paul Davis, now the was unopposed for re-election in 2012. torate from the University of Colorado. Guill for Menlo, Alice Wolf for Morgan, minority leader of the Kansas House of He had been a member of the state Sen-Representatives. He has held that position ate. Huelskamp has resonated strongly since 2008 representing the 46th District, which covers eastern Lawrence.

> Davis, a University of Kansas graduate with a degree in political science, earned a law degree from Washburn University. His running mate is Jill Docking, a Wichita investment advisor and former Kansas Board of Regents member. Docking's husband, Tom, is a former lieutenant governor, and the son and grandson of former Kansas governors, George and Robert Docking.

> Two Libertarian candidates have also Alhaney, a retail manager and Wyandotte County Libertarian Party chair, and Keen Umbehr, a lawyer and former business owner from Alma.

U.S. Congress - 1st District

Congressional incumbent Tim Huelskamp was first elected to the House in 2010, beating six Republicans and one Democrat for seat left open by Jerry Moran's run for the U.S. Senate. Huelskamp

with Tea Party conservatives, but often a domestic radio operator in the U.S. Air found himself on the outs with the House leadership, having been removed from several committees - including Agriculture

The congressman is facing Republican primary challenges from Kent Roth and Alan LaPolice. Roth, an Ellinwood native with a business degree from the University of Kansas and a law degree from Washburn University, served in the Legislature from 1976 to 1982.

LaPolice served in the U.S. Army during the first Gulf War. He graduated with a degree in performing arts from the University of California-Berkeley and worked as an actor and an English teacher. He moved back to Kansas in the early 2000s

and Mayor Jim Sherow announced last week he was interesting in running for the Democratic nomination. Sherow attended Wichita State University and holds a doc-

In 1992, he joined the history department at the University of Kansas. He served as Force from 1970 to 1974.

Democrat Bryan Whitney - a 27-yearold Wichita State graduate with a degree in political science - has also announced an intention to run. Whitney hails from Syracuse.

U.S. Senator

One U.S. Senate seat from Kansas is up for election this year. Incumbent Pat Roberts has indicated he plans to run for re-election. A Topeka native, Roberts has served in the Senate since 1996. Before that, he served in the U.S. House of Representatives for 16 years. A journalism graduate of Kansas State University, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1958 to '62.

Roberts' most notable opponent so far Former Manhattan city commissioner is Dr. Milton Wolf, who is challenging him in the Republican primary. Wolf, a second cousin of President Barack

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Common Core: foe says get feds out of education

main proponent of a House meawhat's in them.

Rep. Willie Dove said told the Lawrence Journal-World (bit. ly/1f7EIbN) that the real impetus for House Bill 2621 is his belief that the federal government shouldn't be involved in educa- by the governor, legislative leadtion. It also would nullify recently ers, the Kansas Board of Regents adopted Next Generation Science and State Board of Education. The Standards and prohibit school districts from administering any tests developing future standards in all aligned to those standards. 'The Common Core standards, I do believe, are not addressing the problems of the children," said Dove, of Bonner Springs. "When (No Child Left Behind) came scope of our federal government along, that told me that individuals were teaching to the test. Now it seems the Common Core is just a replication of that in another format." Dove serves on the House Education Committee, which today will conduct a hearing on the bill. many states, including Kansas, ar-Leaders in both chambers say the measure isn't likely to go anywhere this year.

TOPEKA (AP) - An eastern got enough votes to come out of Kansas Republican who is the committee," House Speaker Ray Merrick, a Stillwell Republican, sure that would nullify Common said Friday. "The longer that thing Core reading and math standards doesn't come to a vote, the less in the state admits he hasn't read opportunity it's going to be to change anything.'

The bill would set up a 19-member Advisory Council on Curriculum Content Standards within the State Department of Education. with members to be appointed

Looking for a good book

SAM DIETER Colby Free Press Second-grader Terence Black (above), was one of the kids who visited the Colby Grade School library at the yearly book fair Thursday evening and came out with some new reading material. Terence put on 3-D glasses (right) to look at one of the books.



"I don't know if this year it's ing the standards.

panel would have a direct role in content areas.

Dove said he's not worried about the standards themselves. which he hasn't read.

"I do not believe it is within the to put something together when it comes to education," he said.

The Common Core and Next Generation Science Standards were cooperative efforts initiated by states, not by federal mandates.

However, opposition groups in gue that the Obama administration and U.S. Department of Education have pressured states into adopt-

Response team needs volunteers

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The Northwest Kansas Community Emergency Response Team deal with an emergency. needs volunteers to serve when disaster strikes, here or perhaps in a neighboring state.

After the floods in Colorado last year, many residents of northwest Kansas wanted to know what they could do to help. Others asked, if something similar happened here, having a an organization in place would benefit the community.

agement director for Cheyenne, Rawlins and Sherman counties, trol had awarded an \$800 grant to said that he saw a need for volunteers who could assist the firefighters, emergency medical crews and emergency management teams during an emergency. The first responders will have a lot to do, See "RESPONSE," Page 2 he said, and a separate group of volunteers to to help them, in an organized fashion, would be good to have.

That is when Cheyenne, Rawlins, Sherman and Thomas counties got together. Murray said he also liked the idea of the northwest counties working together to

The counties applied for a grant from the Kansas Division of Emergency Management to establish a Community Emergency Response Team. This is the first plan of its kind, Murray said, and the state is using northwest Kansas as a model.

The counties were notified that the Kansas Division of Emergen-Ryan Murray, emergency man- cy Management, Kansas Citizen Corps and Kansas Highway Padevelop a joint training program. The money will pay for all training and expenses.

The program will provide ba-



Weather



National Weather Service Winter Weather and Wind **Advisories**

Tonight: Rain and snow, becoming all snow after 3 a.m. Low around 27. Windy, with a southwest wind 10 to 20 mph becoming north 20 to 30 mph after midnight. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90 percent. New snow accumulation of 1 to 3 inches possible.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of snow before 7 a.m. Mostly cloudy through mid morning, then becoming sunny, with a high near 41. Windy, with a northwest wind 20 to 25 mph increasing to 25 to 30 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 45 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 21. Blustery, with a west wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph after midnight. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 51. Breezy, with a west wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 23.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 43.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 22. Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a

high near 44 Sunday Night: Partly cloudy,

with a low around 23.

Monday: Partly sunny, with a high near 39.

Night: Mostly Monday cloudy, with a low around 17. Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 42.

Monday: High, 64; Low 26 Tuesday: High, 66; Low 19 Precip: Monday None Tuesday None Month: 0.11 inches 0.41 inches Year: 0.93 inches Normal: (K-State Experiment Station) Sunrise and Sunset Thursday 7:30 a.m. 6:27 p.m. Moon: waning, 71 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Family pitches in for foundation



R.B. HEADLEY Colby Free Press Jada (left) and her daughter Liv Tubbs served pulled pork during Thursday the high school basketball game at the Colby Community Building for the Thomas County Community Foundation's membership drive.

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Obama, is from Lyons and works as a radiologist in Kansas City.

So far Wolf has gained the support of several key conservative groups, including the Madison Project, a Washington-based organization that raises money for conservative candidates. However, Roberts has never garnered less than 60 percent of the vote in Kansas elections.

Shawnee County District Attorney Chad Taylor is considering a run for the Democratic nomination. Taylor announced last year that he was planning a "listening tour" to examine potential support for a campaign. He has served as district attorney since 2008.

Aaron Estabrook, who lost an election for the Kansas House of Representatives as a Democrat in 2012, is seeking election to the U.S. Senate as a Moderate Party candidates. He is a U.S. Army veteran and works as a case manager for homeless veterans in Kansas.

Scott Barnhart is seeking election as an independent. A teacher and farmer, Barnhart lost the Democratic primary for the U.S. House of Representatives in the 2nd District in 2012.

Secretary of State

Incumbent Kris Kobach will be running for reelection as Secretary of State. A Republican originally from Madison, Wis., Kobach was first elected in 2010. He holds a law degree from Yale and taught at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Two Democrats have declared.

Randy Rolston of Lenexa is a businessman and co-founder of Victorian Trading Co. He holds a

bachelor's degree in graphic design, architecture and art history from the University of Kansas.

Jean Schodorf of Wichita is a former Republican legislator. She served as a member of the Kansas House of Representatives from 2001-2013, changing party affiliations after being defeated in the 2012 election. She is a former Kansas Board of Education member and holds bachelor's and master's degrees and a doctorate in communicative disorders.

Insurance Commissioner

Incumbent Kansas Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger is not running in the 2014 election. Four Republican candidates have expressed interest in the open position: El Dorado insurance agent David Powell, accountant and corporate executive Ken Selzer, insurance auditor and state Rep. Clark Shultz and businesswoman and activist Beverly Gossage. So far, Powell is the only one to have filed.

Attorney General

Incumbent Derek Schmidt has not yet declared whether he will run for re-election as Kansas Attorney General. Thus far, no other candidates have declared.

Treasurer

Ron Estes is running for re-election has Kansas Treasurer. No other candidates have declared.

Estes is a former Sedgwick County treasurer and worked several private-sector industries. He holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and a master of accounting degree from Tennessee Technological University. He was first elected as state treasurer in 2010.



Area/State

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.

School Carnival coming on Sunday

The Sacred Heart School Carnival is coming from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 23, at the school. Come enjoy games, food and a drawing. For information, call Laura Schwarz at 460-2813.

Cattle drive topic of Food for Thought

David Pabst will talk about his experiences recreating the Great Western Cattle Drive at noon Thursday in the Prairie Museum of Art and History's Food for Thought series. A light lunch will be served. The program is free but donations will be accepted. For information, call Ann Miner at 460-4590.

Genesis annual meeting set for Thursday

The annual meeting of the Genesis-Thomas County Inc. food bank will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the meeting room at the Thomas County Office Complex, 350 S. Range Ave. in Colby. Everyone is welcome to attend to learn about the food bank and its operations. For information, contact Wynn Duffey at 462-5388.

Business After 5 at S&T Communications

The Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce's Business After 5 will be at 5 p.m. Thursday at the S&T Communications offices, 755 Davis Ave. For information, call the Chamber office at (785) 460-4509.

Support group helps people in wheelchairs

A support group for people using wheelchairs, walkers, or any other mobility device will meet at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Pioneer Memorial Library. Those who need help walking either at home or in public are welcome. For information, contact DeAnn Guy at 443-6102 or Maxine Nelson at 462-3571.

Sorority serving soup for preschool

Kappa Upsilon sorority will hold its annual soup supper to raise money for the Puddle Duck Preschool during the regional wrestling meet from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Friday in the basement of the Community Building. The women will serve chili, chicken-noodle and vegetable-beef soup and desert for a donation. For information, call Amy Jennings at 460-2603.

Baptists invite all to enjoy free lunch

Bring a friend to a free "Joyful Blessings" lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, Webster and Grant. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Radonda Buford at 462-2804.

Pet Wash to be Saturday

Students in the Veterinary Technology program at Colby Community College plan a pet wash from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in the Stanley Carr Agricultural Center on campus. Charges for dogs range from \$8 to \$14, depending on size. Cats are \$10 each. Proof of vaccinations is required. Proceeds benefit the Student Veterinary Technician Association. For an appointment, call Colleen Maison at 460-5462.

Legion to serve up biscuits and gravy

There will be a breakfast feed from 7 to 10 a.m. Saturday at the American Legion, 1850 W. Fourth St. Make a donation, eat biscuits and gravy, hash brown and scrambled eggs, and support their programs. For information call Tracey Galli at 462-0450.

Orchestra plans concert Sunday at college

The Pride of the Prairie Orchestra will present "Dial 'M' for Music," conducted by Beverly Rucker, at 3:30 p.m. Sunday in the Frahm Theatre of the Cultural Arts Center at Colby Community College. Admission is by season ticket or at the door, \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for students. For information, call Mary Shoaff, 462-2159, or Janet Hopson, 462-5102.

Kesponse team needs volunteers

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Murray said.

ing to be able to assist emerclass, which last about 20 hours. would cover fire safety, light tumn Arasmith at 460-4516. Everyone can benefit from search and rescue skills, team learning to be better prepared organization and its function for an emergency or disaster, within the system, basic emergency medical care and disaster Following a catastrophic medical operations and commu-

will receive continuing train- leader for Thomas County.

If you would like to join, or sic emergency and disaster pre- gency responders. Volunteers are interested in additional inparedness instruction to volun- will learn basic skills and prac- formation for the program in teers through a free introductory tice working as a team. Classes Thomas County, contact Au-

event, such as a flood or tornado, nity disaster recovery support. volunteers would be called on to help with emergency operations. who's interested to look into the

The team invites everyone Those selected to for the team program. David Becker is team



Chili cook-off kicks off speedway fund

Help the Thomas County Community Foundation build the new Speedway Improvements Fund at the Chili Cook-Off and Daytona 500 Party from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Thomas County 4-H Building. Participate for a \$10 entry fee or make a suggested donation of \$5 to eat. Proceeds will go to improvements such as lights for the track, concessions and restrooms in the pit area. For rules and contest information, contact Jeff Carney at 443-0284 or go to www.thomascountyspeedway.com.

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Family

Kindergarten celebrates 100th day

By Amy Patmon Golden Plains

If you like to see a good rodeo, the place to be was at Golden Plains Elementary on Feb. 3 for the 100th day celebration. Amy Patmon's kindergarten class was in full swing with activities throughout the day western style.

You name it they did it, such as 100 missing numbers, decorating horses for a rodeo, wearing sheriff's badges with 100 stickers, and holding a livestock show.

The students brought stuffed animals from home and filled out a report. Patmon was the rodeo announcer and the students entered the arena with their animals. Fun and learning was the name of the game; even other staff members got a few good laughs out of the horse racing in the arena.

The students dressed up in western attire ranging from jeans to vests, cowboy hats and even bandanas.

"This rodeo is nothing like I've ever seen before," said Grant Shaw.

During the livestock show,



SHANELLE PADILLA/Golden Plains

Veronica Higerd and Dylan Wark worked together on the 100th day of school at Golden Plains Elementary to count to 100 using cards. The kindergarten class had a day full of "Wild West" activities to celebrate 100 days

mal's special abilities. Macie heels. Kash Schiltz's animal, that he cooks himself. Juenemann's stuffed horse, Flame Thrower, can fly and likes each student shared their ani- named KC, enjoys wearing high to eat barbecued cows and pigs mon's class.

This is an annual event in Pat-

Estate workshop addresses conundrums

As Benjamin Franklin put it, "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes

An estate plan is a set of documents that help you plan for those certainties. Don't be fooled by the name; estate plans aren't just for people who have a lot of money, property, investments or other valuable assets. They are for people of all ages and backgrounds, whether their financial and familial affairs are simple or complex. Everyone can benefit from an estate plan.

K-State Research and Extension has put together a day long workshop, "Preserving the Family with Estate Planning," to aid families in beginning the process of transitioning from one generation to another. This workshop will be given twice: Thursday, March 13, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hoxie, and Friday, March 14, at Thirsty's Bar and Grill in Hays.

Stacey Seibel, a highly respected estate planning attorney from Hays, will present "Estate Planning Basics," featuring information about what to do and what not to do when creating an estate plan. Participants will learn about who needs a trust, who needs a will, and more estate planning tools.

Charlotte Shoup-Olsen, K-State Research and Extension's family studies specialist, will speak on the importance of family communication. "Get the Family Talking" will help participants understand their family dynam-



ics and how they can structure interactions in order to create and maintain a positive open atmosphere.

Money can be divided up equally among your heirs, but personal possessions are another story. The transfer of non-titled property like Grandma's quilts, china and other special family items, regardless of their financial value, is an issue that impacts individuals and families. Kathy Lupfer-Nielson will present "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?" This session will help participants understand the sensitivity of transferring personal property and how families can accomplish this fairly. Lupfer-Nielsen is with the K-State Research and Extension Post Rock District in Lincoln.

Doug Beech, Kansas 4-H Foundation planned giving officer, will present the nonbiased session "Leaving a Legacy" which will help participants see different ways to pass on their values to the next generation. Topics will focus on general information that will be helpful both for those considering making chari-

table estate gifts and for local charity board members. Beech will give an overview of the tools that allow individuals to leave a legacy. Some tools may be familiar while others may be new and different.

It is often difficult for farmers to discuss with children how they plan to transfer the farm. This process is further complicated when there are multiple non-farm siblings with various interests, as they seek to make an equitable distribution of inheritable assets. Michael Irvin from the Kansas Farm Bureau Legal Foundation will explain the farm transition process in the final session of the day with "Farm Transition Planning." This session explores how essential succession planning is to keep the farm in the family.

All of this great information for only \$15 per person and includes lunch and materials. Registration is due Friday, March 7. Late registration or walk in is \$20 per person and lunch will not be guaranteed.

To register and pay online go to www.northwest.ksu.edu and look under Events.

For information about these workshops, contact me at the Thomas County Extension Office, 460-4582.

Diann Gerstner is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Thomas County Extension office.

Deaths

Anna Marie Sullivan

Anna Marie (Thompson) Sullivan, 91, Colby, died Saturday, Feb 15, 2014, at Deseret Health and Rehab at Colby.

She was born Oct. 23, 1922, to William Ezam and Elizabeth (O'Brien) Thompson in Rawlins County. She graduated from the local country school. Following the death of her father, her mother taught in various schools, taking her daughters with her, finally moving to Atwood as clerk of the court for Rawlins County.

Anna Thompson earned a teaching certificate after graduating from Atwood High School and went to Fort Hays State University for a master's degree. She taught in the Brewster, Cimarron returning to teach first grade in Kan., 67701. Atwood.

Ann. In 1984 she began raising her grandson, Scott Shrout, following his mother's death in a fire in Great Bend.

Preceding her in death were her daughter, her grandson; and two sisters, Bessie Thompson and Maxine Thompson.

Survivors include two greatgrandsons, Zandler Shrout and Landon Capp of Colby, and a number of cousins.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, 2014, at the Brewster United Methodist Church, with burial in the Brewster Cemetery.

Visitation will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at the church.

The family suggests memorials in her name in care of the Baaland Dodge City schools, before mann Mortuary, Box 391, Colby,

Condolences for the family may She married Robert T. Sullivan. be left at www.baalmannmortu-They had a daughter, Elizabeth ary.com.

Colby Shakespeare Club

Seven members of the Colby Shakespeare Club met Jan. 24 at the home of Kathy Calliham. ease as part of group's aid for vi-Members answered roll call with sion issues. Diabetes affects the a description of what they want to do in 2014. Donations were made to Colby Community College and Genesis.

The group named hostesses for three Three of Clubs meetings -Diann Gerstner, Amie Kendrick and Joyce Hansen - since the Shakespeare Club volunteered to provide dessert and beverages for those meetings.

Sheryl Brenn provided informa- 12:15 on Friday, Feb. 28, at Colby tion on diabetes from information High School with Joni Leiker. provided by the Thomas County Extension Office. Brenn is an of-

of her new Colby law office, she is

excited to begin this new chapter

a wide array of legal issues, from

estate planning and wills to child

custody to criminal defense - and

Springs, Alwin obtained her law degree from Baylor University

after teaching middle and high

school social studies for a few

law school, prosecuting crimes in

ing labor, employment, environ-

vears in Colorado and Wyoming.

Originally from Colorado

everything in between.

Alwin plans to help clients with

in her life.

ficer in the Lion's Club, which is promoting awareness of the dispancreas, Brenn said, such that insulin cannot be delivered to the body when sugar enters the bloodstream.

Many people who have diabetes live normal lives, Brenn said, including Kansas University student Billy Mills, an Olympian who was diabetic and earned a medal in the 10,000 meter race in 1964.

The group will meet next at -Amie Kendrick

New law office opens

Heather Alwin says she never diation and negotiation as ways dreamed she would be practic- to end lawsuits before they even ing law in northwest Kansas. But, begin. having recently opened the doors

'Many times, a lawsuit aggravates a problem that could have been solved quicker and cheaper by mediation or negotiation," she said. "Mediation provides a structured conversation in which the parties develop the solution that works best for them rather than relying on a drawn-out court process to decide issues for them."

After over five years of military service, she and her husband, Marc Alwin, moved to northwest Kansas from her duty station in South Dakota when their son, Eli-She joined the Air Force after jah, was just a few days old.

The couple lives in Brewster, military courts as well as practic- but both work in Colby. In addition to her new law practice, society editor for the Colby Free Press and freelance writer. Marc tems Inc.

Health-care firm now offering more services

By Sam Dieter

Colby Free Press sdieter@nwkansas.com

The new management team at a downtown health-care business has been trying to improve the customer base and is offering more services.

Cindy Ellis, a registered nurse, became the administrator of L+C Home Health Agency Inc., and Shawna Petersen, also a nurse, became the chief financial officer and president of the agency's board on June 21, replacing Lisa and Tony Bice.

Started in 2001 by Lisa Bice, the nonprofit agency offers skilled nursing and home-health aide services to elderly people in their homes in Thomas, Sheridan, Logan, Rawlins, Gove, Decatur, Sherman and Graham counties.

"Pretty much, we help the elderly stay in their homes as long as possible," rather than going to a nursing home, said Petersen, who along with Ellis is one of the two full-time nurses at the agency.

doctors. They offer skilled nursing services including physical assessothers. They also teach patients and their families about medica- Petersen said. tion and how to take care of their problems.

clude maintaining patients' mobility, assessing vital signs, changing dressings, a non-skilled service, was only serving seven patients, help with personal hygiene, such they have raised their client base as bathing, and light housekeeping.

To be eligible for care from the agency, patients need to be home bound and need some kind of skilled nursing care and have an order from their physician.

"It's a family-based business, pretty much," Petersen said, noting that most of the people who work at the agency are relatives. Lisa and Tony Bice still serve Soybeans (bushel) on the board, they said, but no longer have jobs with the agency. The nurses said they stay in Dr. John Dygert, a family practice

direct contact with their patients' doctor at Citizens Medical Cen- growth will be to get the agency ter, is the medical director. The women said the agency goes to ment and observation, injections, him with questions about complex catheter insertion, IV therapy, ve- medical situations such as wound nipuncture, oxygen and inhalation care or medication. They hope to treatment and wound care, among add a part-time nurse soon, though the agency still faces challenges,

"It's definitely not been easy to get the place turned around," Home-health-aide services in- she said, but added that they have is up." been making progress.

> Since June, she said, when L+C to 16 and have had as many as 25. Petersen said she thinks a key to

Markets

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certified to offer physical therapy, something she hopes will happen by the end of this year. That could add more patients, which will mean more employees, she said.

'We all click really well and get along together as a group," Petersen said. "It hasn't been an easy road, but thing are getting easier, and the only place I see us going

Corrections

A letter headed "Our direction troubling," on the Opinion page of the Monday, Feb. 17, Colby Free Press, incorrectly stated the author's age. The Mitchells are in their 70s. This was a transcribing error.

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mental, family and general law. Heather Alwin is a reporter and Alwin also spent time in Iraq prosecuting terrorism and related crimes. This range of experience, Alwin is the operations and sales she said, gives her a unique per- manager for Hi-Plains Door Sysspective when it comes to representing civilian clients.

one bringing the lawsuit as well as resents clients in her law practice. the one defending against it," Alwin said. "I've dealt with everything from small landlord-tenant disputes to major crimes."

Alwin is also trained as a mediator and hopes to encourage me- Alwin, call her at 269-7603.

Heather Alwin plans to contin-"I know what it's like to be the ue her writing roles while she rep-Keeping her practice part-time, she says, will allow her to focus on the individual needs of each client.

To make an appointment with

FFA APPRECIATION BREAKFAST



Please help the Colby High School FFA Chapter in their celebration of National FFA Week by attending an appreciation breakfast at Colby High School, Thursday, February 20, in the commons area from 6:30 - 8 a.m.

Thanks for the support of your local FFA! - Free Will Donation -



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For more information or an application, please contact:

NW KS Foundation for HOPE PO BOX 187, Colby, KS 67701-0178 Email: <u>nwks-hope@st-tel.net</u> Website: www.nwks-hope.org

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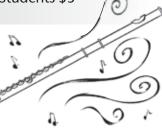
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Opinion



Free Press Viewpoint

'Identity' laws take security to extreme

The curious case of a Canadian rogue who made a new life for himself in this country before his girlfriend turned him in to the government demonstrates how much has changed in our nation and how many layers of "identity" law our government has spun.

The threat may seem esoteric, like most of the so-called Patriot Act, but it illustrates another way our government chips slowly away at our liberties.

The man, Wayne Bradley Camick, left behind a checkered past when he secured a copy of his younger brother Leslie's birth certificate and fled to the U.S. in 2006: past-due child support, back taxes, a 20-year suspension of his driver's license for drunk driving and "other legal issues." At the border, he assumed the identity of Leslie, who died at age 3 1/2months, the government alleges.

Since then, he apparently had kept his nose clean until recently, working as a telecommunications engineer, being granted at least three patents, running a business with the girlfriend.

In a civil suit, he charges that the woman and others hoped to acquire his assets, including the company the couple founded together, and patents he claims to have developed alone.

He describes himself as "an industry innovator in fiber optics," working with Google, AT&T and Comcast. Another claim is that a patent for a locking manhole cover developed with AT&T could be worth \$5 billion.

You'd think the government would be happy just to deport the guy for lying on his immigration paperwork and leave him to the tender mercies of the Canadians. However, the U.S. attorney has filed a laundry list of "identity theft" felony charges ranging from mail fraud to making false statements to a bank, immigration officials and the patent office.

He's accused not only of violating the Orwellian Patriot Act, but of "undermining its very purpose," to ensure the true identities of foreign nationals to prevent terrorist acts.

We're certainly not going to stick up for Camick, but he's no terrorist. His case illustrates how far down the road to "true identity" thinking we've traveled.

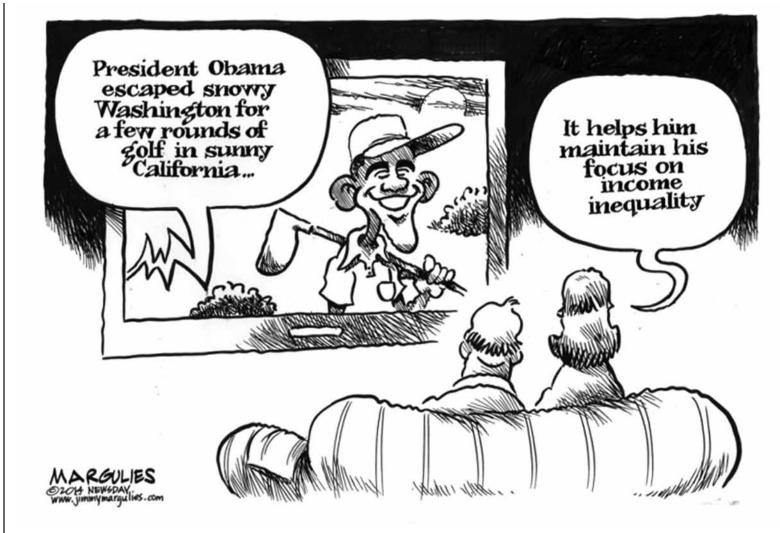
And that runs counter to the Anglo-American legal tradition which holds that a man is who he says he is, and may go by whatever name he choses - his "real" name, a stage or business name, a nickname, whatever one desires - so long as his purpose isn't to defraud someone, especially the government.

In fact, it's been said, on the old days, the only person who couldn't change his name at will was one who's gone to court and had a judge change it.

His lawyers claim Camick "gained no advantage from any person based upon his use of the first name Leslie," though admitting that Canada might be sore.

We suppose you still can adopt a new name, if you don't want to get a driver's license or a patent or fly on a commercial airline. Centuries of legal practice, it seems, have been scrapped in the name of security.

It's such a small thing. Perhaps it's a fair trade. Or perhaps we'll all wake up one day and realize that we've given away



Valentine moves in on breakfast

My Valentine tried to eat my breakfast the day after I got it.

On Friday, we drove to Salina to get a Valentine's Day delivery from Steve's sister and her son - a flame-point Siamese cat rescued from the Emporia Animal Shelter.

The cat, we are told, got so high in a tree that he had to be removed by using a bucket truck. He had apparently been up there several days in the freezing weather a couple of weeks ago.

His tail and one ear were frostbitten; he lost about three-fourths of the tail, but the ear just looks a little shriveled and gimpy.

He's a beautiful, soft boy, who loves to have his tummy rubbed and enjoys sitting in your lap. We're guessing his age at 1 to 2.

Sister Barb and I saw him on the shelter's website when we were browsing last week during a quick visit to Emporia. It was Sunday, and we had to go home, but she promised to go down to the shelter Monday and check out the cat. In fact, she checked on him on Monday and checked him out of the shelter on Tuesday.

He took up temporary residence in her spare bedroom, since she thought the four large dogs in her house might upset him.

I knew we had to move fast, however, when



I got a Facebook post from her son with the cat around his neck and a note saying, "What do you mean YOUR cat?"

So we spent most of Valentine's Day driving to Salina for the exchange.

On the way home, with the cat sitting in my lap, we discussed names. The shelter had called him Channing, but we didn't go for that.

I suggested Val for Valentine's day or Bob for bobcat, since he has such a short tail. Lynx was another suggestion.

My nephew had suggested Fang since he has large teeth and paws.

Steve threw out Larry, for the famous spokeslynx of Frontier Airlines. As he said it, swear, the cat raised his head and looked up. So Larry it is.

Molly Monster, the queen of the house and

all she surveys, hates him. Of course, Molly hates all cats, even though she is a cat. (However, my son-in-law, who rescued her from a housing development where he was taking pictures and she, apparently, was lost, claims she thinks she's a dog. She like dogs a lot better than cats; that's for sure.)

So there has been a lot of growling and hissing around our house the last couple of days.

And of course, we're now remembering what it's like to have a young, inquisitive cat around. He jumps up on everything and tried to steal my toast on Saturday. On Sunday, Steve left a bag of hamburger buns on the counter, and it ended up with lots of little teeth marks. We'll have to learn to put food up right away

and close closets and drawers. And Larry'll have to learn to stay off the table and counters and walk carefully around

Mollv Oh, but he's soft, and pretty, and lovey. He's a great present.

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Lesser Prairie Chicken bill passes Senate

After losing two unplanned legislative work days, the legislature hit the ground running as we are quickly approaching our first major



tee on Utilities held a hearing on HCR 5014. This House Concurrent Resolution urges President Obama to support the continued and increased importation of Canadian oil and urges the U.S. Secretary of State to approve the Keystone Pipeline application from TransCanada. The pipeline will be critical to improving American energy security and boosting our economy. Along with the increased energy security, the pipeline would also create thousands of jobs - combined with the Gulf Coast Project approximately 9,000 and 4,000 construction jobs, respectively, as well as 7,000 manufacturing jobs.

far more than we thought. Our phone calls are logged, our lives are on tape, our phones track our every movement. What next? Ah, well, it's all for our own good.

- Steve Haynes

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deadline at the end of the month. As committees are still vetting bills, the Senate debated a number of issues on the floor. We considered, and passed on final action, 19 bills and nine appointments.

The Senate also welcomed a number of community members, advocacy groups and students to the Statehouse. Monday, we celebrated the state's first major league victory with Sporting Kansas City's MLS Cup. We also welcomed KU and Fort Hays State students and the 2015 graduating class of the Kansas Academy of Mathematics and Science.

On Tuesday and Wednesday the Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider bills passed by committees.

An important issue, the Senate passed SB 276, a measure which would prevent the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from listing Lesser Prairie Chickens as threatened or endangered. If listed, the federal government would place major restrictions on agriculture and energy industries, slowing economic growth for farmers and business owners. Since the birds are considered non-migratory, it's in the best interest for the state to decide how to manage these populations. The bill, on Wednesday, passed final action 30-10 and was sent to the House for consideration.

S Sub 2389 – Endless Appeals Legislation. The Senate approved a measure that would put a halt to the unlimited appeals process for those on death row. As of now, our state has one of the strictest death penalty laws in the nation and since entering the Union in 1861, the State of Kansas has only executed eight individuals. There are currently nine men under death sentences and no execution date has been set because of the ongoing appeals process.

With the state's lenient appeals timeline, executions have been delayed for those convicted of the most heinous crimes and sentenced to death. The average death penalty appeal takes 10 years to be heard by the Kansas Supreme Court. S Sub for HB 2389 would put deadlines on the appeals process, and would limit the direct appeals process to 3 1/2 years. Defendants would still be able to appeal on two different levels. It would put a deadline on when appellate briefs, transcripts, and court records are due and requires the appeals to be placed ahead of currently pending cases.

S Sub for HB 2389 passed the Senate Thursday with a vote of 27-13 and has been sent to the House for consideration

HB 2453 – also known as the Religious Liberty Bill. The topic of the bill has made national and state news and is a complex topic for those following legislative action. As you Keystone XL Pipeline. The Senate Commit-

know, once a bill is passed, it is sent to be considered by the other chamber. HB 2453 is no different. Senate Leadership referred the bill to Judiciary and after the "turnaround" deadline is met, the topic will be considered in the committee and vetted carefully.

The intent of the bill is to protect religious liberties. A majority of the Senate supports laws that define traditional marriage, protect religious institutions, and protect individuals from being forced to violate their personal moral values. We have previously passed legislation dealing with religious liberty, and support protections for religious beliefs.

However, after House passage this week, there was concern among constituents and within the Kansas business community that the bill may overreach, and could create hardship on employers. To avoid any unintended consequences, it's prudent to spend time involving all those interested to determine exactly what the practical impacts may be. Like all legislation, the Senate will carefully consider this topic to ensure all individuals liberties are protected before making any final decisions.

SB 255 – Hard 25 for Attempted Capital Murder. SB 255 creates a special sentencing rule for attempted capital murder. Anyone convicted would be sentenced to life in prison and would not be eligible for parole for the first 25 years of imprisonment. Proponents of the legislation believe any persons who try to commit capital murder but fail should still be punished for the severity of the crime they were trying to commit. Furthermore, they believe the legislation is needed to ensure that an offender is not given a lighter sentence just because their victim happens to survive the attack.

SB 255 passed the Senate unanimously with a vote of 40-0.

SB 265 – Homestead Refund Program. SB 265 corrects the definition of income in the Homestead Refund Program. The bill amends the definition of those who qualify by requiring non-wage business income to be included in calculation to determine eligibility. A person would not be able to exempt all their income so they can qualify for the Homestead Act. SB 265 passed out with a vote of 39-1; it is now awaiting a hearing in the House Taxation committee.

HCR 5014 – Resolution Supporting the

This resolution is part of a nationwide effort to show Washington that states support the pipeline and regard it as vital to the nation's interest, energy independence and economy.

What to look for this week

As we continue to move toward "turnaround" the pace on the floor will continue to pick up as we move more Senate bills.

I'll keep you updated and encourage you to stay informed with the issues we are considering. Do not hesitate to contact me with your thoughts, concerns and suggestions. I always enjoy hearing from my constituents and I appreciate the perspective from those outside of the Statehouse.

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Unreturned video lands woman in jail

PICKENS, S.C. (AP) - It was sent several certified letters at not a pile of late fees a South the time, but the woman told Carolina woman got when a WHNS-TV that she never got video store owner said she the letters and that she will fight failed to return a video she rented in 2005. Instead, she spent a since closed. night in jail.

of Pickens was arrested Thurs- on a \$2,000 personal recogniday and charged with failing to zance bond, according to aureturn a rented video cassette, thorities. If convicted, she could according to Pickens County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Creed Hashe.

movie "Monster-in-Law" from Dalton Videos nearly a decade ago. The owner took out a warrant against Finley, who was arrested when she was at the sheriff's office for something else and the warrant was found.

Hashe said Finley had been found.

the charge. The video store has

Finley spent the night in jail Kayla Michelle Finley, 27, and was released the next day face up to 30 days in jail and \$500 in court fines.

Finley is scheduled to appear Hashe said Finley rented the in court in March, and court records listed no attorney for her. Authorities did not immediately return a message Tuesday seeking more information on her case, and working phone numbers for Finley and the defunct store's owner could not be

Health and Environment has sub- cling rate and per capita municimitted a report to the Kansas Legislature on the adequacy of current waste reduction practices, as required by the passage of House Bill 2249 in 2013.

The report concludes that Kansans have steadily reduced the amount of municipal solid waste disposed of in landfills over the past two decades. Additional recommendations for state regulation related to composting and recycling are not currently necessary.

"Local planners and government officials have the flexibility to choose waste reduction practices that best meet their needs based upon available resources, waste generation patterns, and public preferences," said Bill Bider, director of the department's Bureau

pal solid waste disposal rate have steadily improved each year over the past decade."

Health and environment reports

to the legislature on trash disposal

The department of health and environment has identified ongoing trends in the report that indicate more improvements are projected based upon recent decisions by cities and counties to implement new curbside collection programs for recyclables. The recycling rate in Kansas increased from 17.9 percent in 2005 to its current rate of approximately 34 percent, and the daily disposal rate per person has dropped by 24 percent to 4.2 pounds per day per person over the same time period. The report also finds that composting of organic wastes such as yard waste, food waste from gro-

The Kansas Department of of Waste Management. "The recy- cery stores, and beef packing plant conversations with a wide variwaste has also steadily increased ety of stakeholders and interested over the past 20 years.

> The report also provides detailed information on landfills in the state and their existing permitted capacities. There are 52 municipal solid waste landfills with enough total capacity to handle Kansas' projected municipal solid waste generation for approximately 40 years. While this estimate varies by location, none of the locations across the state are facing recommends no additional legisany landfill capacity concerns in the near future.

The study was conducted over a period of 7 months from June to December 2013, during which the department collected input through an online public survey with 616 respondents and held numerous meetings and phone

parties. The public survey results demonstrated a high level of public interest in waste reduction and a desire for additional guidelines to improve practices.

"Based on many factors, including current recycling and composting practices, ample landfill capacities, overall public opinion and projected benefits, the department of health and environment lation," said department Secretary Robert Moser.

The department recommends another review of all available information after two years, when the state Solid Waste Management Plan will be updated.





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can be broken

Dear Heloise: In a previous column, you wrote that the American Egg Board suggests storing eggs in the refrigerator in the egg carton with the expiration date on it. There are two large, popular food stores in my area that sell eggs. Neither of them prints the expiration date on the carton. They print a code instead.

I currently have two cartons of eggs in my refrigerator, each purchased from a different food store. The code on one of them is 050 P-1065. Someone told me the code refers to which week of the year it is. I wish they would put the date on it instead. Any thoughts? – Lori F., via email

The three-number code you are referring to is the Julian date. It will read 001 to represent Jan. 1 and 365 as Dec. 31. This represents what day the eggs were packed. So, your carton number would be read as Feb. 19 for 050. You have four to five weeks after that date to use the eggs.

The "P-number" represents the plant that packaged the eggs. The plant that processed your eggs is No. 1065. Confusing? Yes. I'm with you and would prefer to have just a clearly printed expiration date. - Heloise

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TORTILLAS TWO WAYS

Dear Heloise: I've been using large flour tortillas for years as impromptu pizza crusts. Just spread the tortilla with a dab of leftover spaghetti sauce, some grated cheese, pieces of salami, ham or other lunchmeats and random vegetables. Pop in the toaster oven, and you have a quick and easy lunch.

Also, the other day, when I was out of hot-dog buns, I used half a tortilla to wrap around a precooked sausage before heating it in the microwave. - Susan, via email

SUGAR SUBSTITUTION

Dear Heloise: If a small amount of sugar is required in a salad or salad dressing and all I have is confectioners' sugar, can I substitute it? - A Reader in California

If you substitute confectioners' sugar for granulated sugar, the taste may be the same, but the consistency might be off. But my motto is "Hey why run to the store if you don't have to?" Also, don't tell, and your family or friends probably will not know the difference. As long as it tastes good, that's all that counts in my book. - Heloise

TAPE FOR TRANSPORT

Dear Heloise: Taking food somewhere after cooking is always a challenge. Here is a hint I have come up with: After cooking in my big enamel-coated cast-iron pot, I just tape the lid to the bottom with painter's tape. Keeps food in and leaves no residue once removed. - Jennifer K. in Colorado

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"C'mon, Daddy! Our bobsled needs another man AND a big push!"

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This is a logic-based number placement puzzle.

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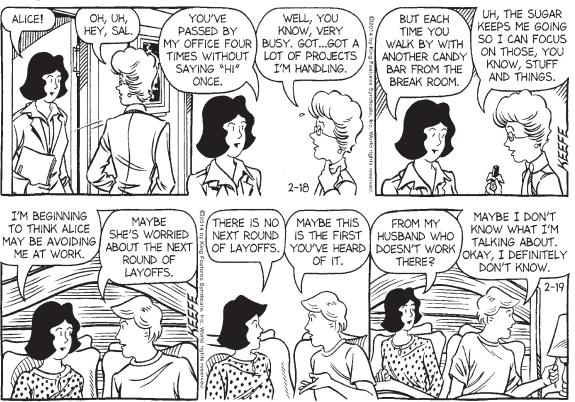
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A Delicate Defensive Play

Let's say that in a given case you're the open- 2 ing leader against a suit contract and you decide to lead from a holding of A-K-x-x of a side suit. Let's also say that your partnership agreement is that you lead the king from such holdings.

Now let's suppose that in the same situation you hold the A-K alone. In that case, according to standard convention, you would lead the ace followed by the king to indicate a doubleton. You - 33 hope partner can then gain the lead and play a third round of the suit for you to ruff.

This brings us to the accompanying deal where 34 West led the A-K of diamonds, on which East played the 2-3 and declarer the 5-6. West then 3 shifted to a low spade, expecting his partner 30 would win with the ace and return a diamond for him to ruff.

But South won with the ace, drew trumps and finished down only one (200 points) instead of down two (500 points), which would have been his lot had West led a club instead of a spade at trick three.

East complained bitterly, contending that West should have led a club at trick three. He argued that if he had held the ace of spades, he would have played his jack of diamonds on West's king at trick two as a suit-preference signal, indicating that he had an entry in spades. This would be in keeping with the standard agreement that the play of an unnecessarily high card in this type of situation is a signal for the higher-ranking side suit to be led.

By extension, East argued further, his play of the three of diamonds - a low card - asked for a club lead at trick three. East was right.

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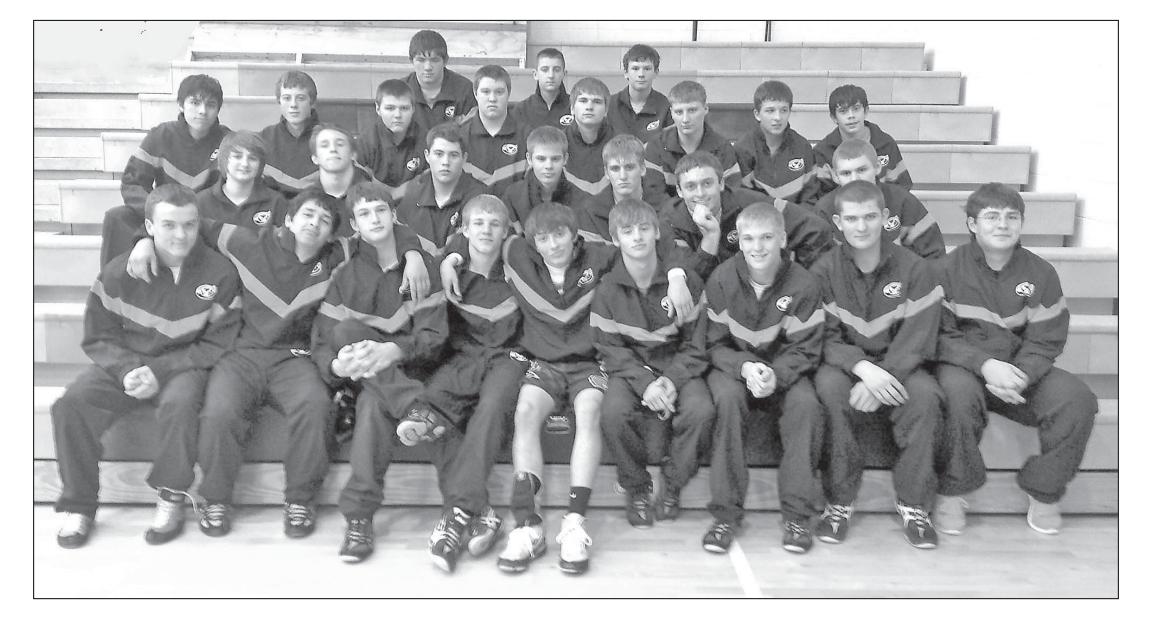
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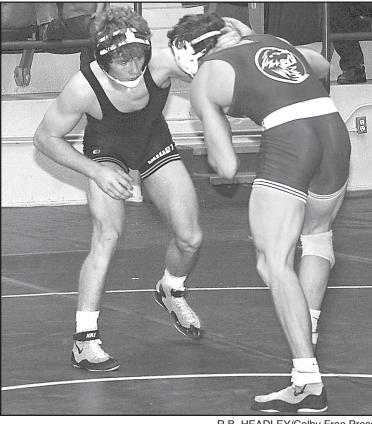


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Trojans reach great goal: 10 to nationals

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R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Colby High alum Konnor Kriss, left, has qualified with the Colby Community College wrestlers for nationals next week.

By R.B. Headley

Colby Free Press

With 10 national qualifiers, the Colby Community College wrestling team has achieved a remarkable first in coach David Nordhues' tenure.

"Your goal is always to qualify in all 10 weight classes — but it's the first time we've done it since I'm here," Nordhues declared after the Trojans took second at Saturday's Central-West District tournament in Parsons. "We've had eight and nine, but never 10."

The Trojans outscored six other teams including defending co-national champion Labette College. Now Colby will send these 10 wrestlers to Spokane, Wash., for the National Junior College Athletic Association championship meet Feb. 27 through March 1.

Only Central-West champion Northeastern Oklahoma A&M (160 points) enjoyed more success than the Trojans.

'Northeast Oklahoma is one of the best teams in the country,"

Nordhues said. "If y ou compete with them, that says a lot. We've *rbheadley@nwkansas.com* fought through some injuries and changed some weights last week. In a lot of ways, this team is just coming into its own."

Colby High alum Konnor Kriss took second at 157 pounds and is one of the 10 qualifiers.

Trojan teammates Ronald Wells (141), Calvin Ochs (165), Jared Johnson (174) and Devanti Ragland (285) also reached Central-West title matches en rote to second place.

Ochs and Johnson are among the Trojans who have been ranked t op five nationally.

Sebastian Nehls (133) and Rakim Deans (184) both won consolation titles which clinched national qualification.

'Rakim had probably the best tournament of his young (collegiate) career," Nordhues said.

Hunter Price will join them after finishing fourth at 125, while the Trojans also featured two wildcard national selections: Elijah Cook (fifth at 149) and James Jones (sixth at 197).

"Wildcards are selected by the coaches. These guys deserved to go, they've been ranked in the top 12 nationally almost all year," Nordhues said. "They aren't penalized by one day where things didn't go well."

Nehls, Cook and Jones are all repeat national qualifiers. This Richardson, Arkansas Baptist, in year's nine will try to improve on the Trojans' 15th-place national finish (44 team points) last season. The departed Dylan Braun placing third (184 pounds) was best among 2013 Colby qualifiers.

Watch for more details in an upcoming edition. The complete team scores and all Trojan wins besides Kriss from last weekend.

Team scores: 1. Northeast Oklahoma A&M 160, 2. Colby 124.5, over D. Bejarano, Northwest Kan-3. Neosho Community College 103, 4. Northwest Kansas Tech in 4:36; and won 6-5 over A. War-84, 5. Labette 83, 6. Pratt Community College 62, 7. Wentworth Junior College 42, 8. Arkansas M. Montelongo, Northwest Kan-Baptist 8.

125: Hunter Price pinned C. Myers, Arkansas Baptist, in 3:23; and won 19-8 over J. O'Neal, Wentworth.

133: Sebastian Nehls pinned S. McComb, Pratt, in 1:29; and won 14-3 over McComb.

141: Ronald Wells pinned A. Green, Arkansas Baptist, in 1:56; and won 8-0 over A. Shea, Neo-

149: Elijah Cook pinned J. 3:56.

165: No. 5 Calvin Ochs pinned D. Cook, Labette, in :51; and won 6-2 O. Smith-Traylor, Neosho. His finals match was an 11-10 thriller won by Casey Powell of Northeast Oklahoma A&M.

174: Jared Johnson earned a bye and pinned C. Carson, Pratt, in 1:12.

184: Rakim Deans won 13-6 sas Tech; pinned M. Baird, Pratt, ren, Neosho.

197: James Jones won 3-1 over sas Tech.

285: Devanti Ragland won 10-4 over W. Divine, Neosho; and pinned S. Sanchez, Northwest Kansas Tech, in 1:18.

Trojans get win

Colby Community College's softball team edged visiting Lamar, Colo., College, 7-6 on Tuesday afternoon for their first win this season.

The Trojans had battled Lamar into extra innings, tied 8-8, in Tuesday's second game. Final score was not obtained for today.

Colby (1-4) dropped a pair to Western Nebraska on Monday.

Colby Community College's Michelle Starkey, right, tried to make a diving flip to shortstop Brianna Roth during softball action against visiting Lamar, Colo., College Tuesday afternoon in Colby.

Colby baseball team blanks Texas foe

Joshua Jones pitched a complete-game shutout as the Colby Community College Trojans blanked Northeast Texas Community College, 4-0, for their first win of this young season.

The Trojans traveled to Texas for an opening four-game road trip which included two contests against top 10 nationally-ranked oppoennts.

They salvaged the final game

five Northeast Texas hits according to njcaa.org. He struck out four and walked three.

The Trojans (1-3 record) supported his effort with single runs livered one hit, and center fielder in their third, fifth, sixth and David Nelson tallied that other eighth innings.

Leadoff batter Grant Buchanan, No. 3 man Brady Rogers and right featured losses of 2-0 to Bossier fielder Cory Cyrus drove home Parrish Community College, Colby runs.

First baseman Fily Perez against Howard College. Both behind Jones' dominant nine in- reached base twice and scored Howard and Navarro appear in the

Ryan Ihle added a hit and one run from his No. 2 position in the Trojans' order.

Catcher Drake Biggins also de-Colby run.

The Trojans' other three games 6-2 vs. Navarro College and 6-1

"We had good pitching and defense. Hitting always comes around later," coach Ryan Carter said. "We were in every game."

More details from those other contests will appear this week.

Bulldog boys get first win of season

By Judy Rogers Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains junior varsity boys earned their first win this season with a 19-14 win over the Logan Trojans on Feb. 7 in three quarters of basketball action.

a win," Kade Wessel said. "It in a make-up game against the helped us gain confidence. We Cougars. knew we could do it.'

the first quarter, but the Bulldogs stepped up their intensity and outscored them 11-3 in the second. before. That burst propelled Golden Plains to the win.

Nearly every team member contributed points to the win claimed a 35-23 win. including Domonic Luna (four points), Dawson Spresser (three), the Bulldogs.

Cole Ziegelmeier (two), Jesus Aragon (two), Kade Wessel (two), Koi Wessel (two) and Julio Blanco (two). Nick Brown contributed on

defense. The Golden Plains JV boys

turned right around and played "It was a relief to finally get Cheylin on Saturday afternoon

With coach Roger Doll holding The Trojans led 5-4 at the end of the Wessel boys out for the varsity game, the other boys had to step into roles they hadn't played much

> They played a good first quarter leading 5-2, but the Cougars outpaced them after that and

Luna posted nine points to lead



Titan girls trounce St. Francis

Another weather postponement 55-52, Tuesday night. might have been welcome among St. Francis players after the Tri-41-point first half Monday night.

Senior Brittany Plummer and junior Shayna Rogge both scored 13 while helping the Titans build a 41-17 lead at intermission of this re-scheduled game in Brewster.

Rogge finished with 17 points and Plummer tallied 16. Neither needed to hit a shot in the fourth quarter as their Titans' margin reached 57-27.

Junior Dara Roulier also reached double figures (10 points). Another five Titans hit shots led by Alicia Barrie (five points), C.J. Lewallen (four), April Mays (three), Kelly Lamb (two) and Taylyr Cheatum (two).

The St. Francis Indians fell to 3-15 this season.

Triplains-Brewster played another home game against Golden Plains and fell short in overtime,

Plummer's 19 points paced the overtime at 44-44. Titans with Roulier adding 11

those final eight minutes to force

Lewellan added six points with plains-Brewster girls unleashed a and Rogge tallying 10. The Titans Barrie (four) and Mays (two) pro-(12-4 record) rallied in Rexford, ducing the other six. A game story erasing a seven-point lead during will appear later this week.



The Frontier Ag Aviation Team is hosting a come and go open house on Saturday, February 22, 2014, at the NEW Frontier Ag hangar in Goodland. The hangar is located at 610 Renner Field Road at the Goodland Airport. The open house will start around 10:00 AM MT and conclude around 3:00 PM MT.

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Andrew Taylor

Parents: Fred & Kim Taylor



Andrew, a senior at Colby High School, is Colby Rotary Club's Student of the Month for February, 2014.

Andrew's school and community activities include Football; Wrestling; Track; Young Humanitarians; Cosmic Crayon; STUCO-Choir Rep; Dance; Choir Singers Group; CYO-Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat & Various Lawn Care Services; Volunteer Coaching/Assisting-Youth Wrestling & Youth Football; Nursing Home Visits; School Recycling; Big Brothers Big Sisters Fundraising; Blood Drive Volunteer; Piano Playing; Snow Removal; & Setting up Headstones after Cemetery Vandalism.

Andrew's special honors include National Honor Society; HOBY, Thomas County Leadership; Superintendent's Honor Roll; All League Football & Wrestling; State Band Ensemble; Track/Wrestling State Qualifier & 2013 State Wrestling Runner-Up.

Andrew plans to attend Northwest Kansas Vo-Tech majoring in Electricity; acquire a bachelor's degree in Business, and eventually own an electric business.

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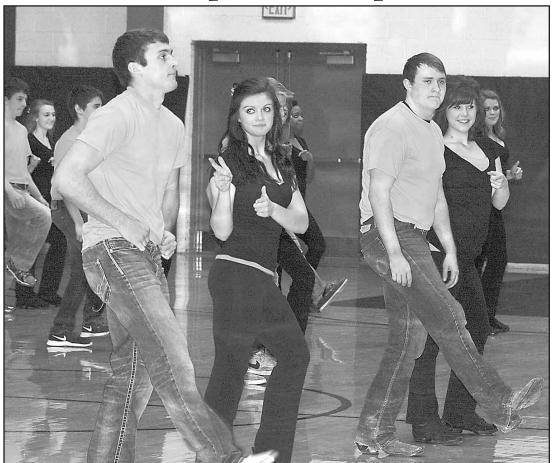
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Check out our partners in pink



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press On a special Pink night to celebrate cancer survivors and raise awareness for fighting this disease, Colby High male students joined the Eagles dance team for a halftime performance during Tuesday's Colby-Goodland boys basketball game. Above, Colby boys like senior Andrew Taylor showed their dancing talent while partner Courtney Reilley made sure everyone paid attention to the fancy moves. At right, partners circled around the court with no obvious trips or stumbles seen anywhere.



Crusaders prevail over Palco

After a 28-point performance from classmate Amy Myers in game one, the Heartland Christian boys erased an eight-point deficit to edge Palco, 44-42, and split their doubleheader Tuesday night. Myers' inside domination kept the Crusader girls within striking



'Trotters tour will hit Colby

Colby Recreation Department officials have announced that the world-famous Harlem Globetrotters will bring their "Fans Rule" world tour to Colby's Community Building on Monday, March 31.

Tickets are now on sale through

Awesome Colby 'D' takes down Cowgirls

By R.B. Headley

Colby Free Press rbheadley@nwkansas.com

What a perfect moment for Kool and The Gang's classic "Celebration" song to echo across Colby High's home court Tuesday night.

From cotton candy to all the truly victorious area cancer survivors, celebration was a wonderful theme at Colby's Community Building.

The Colby High girls joined in this fun with one tough, dramatic and satisfying triumph over those rival Goodland Cowgirls.

"Our defense played fantastic like it has all season," coach Ryan Becker declared about the 30-24 comeback win. The Eagles only allowed 17 points through three quarters, then finished on a 17-7 surge.

Despite the constant challenge from Goodland's taller front line, senior Haileigh Shull and sophomore Lara Stephens also teamed to rip down 17 rebounds.

The Eagles (7-10 record) stopped a four-game slide and showed they can beat upcoming substate foes like 10-6 Goodland. "It was nice to see us control

the boards and hold Goodland to 20 percent shooting," Becker added. "I was also happy how we knocked down free throws in the fourth quarter."

Indeed, the Eagles knocked down all kinds of shots when it counted most. They didn't flinch even after Goodland erased an early 8-0 deficit and held Colby to one field goal for almost two full quarters.

That's because Eagle defense never let those Cowgirls get ahead by more than 17-13.

Sophomore Brenly Terrell awoke the offense when she sneaked inside, posted up and scored to start a game-changing 8-0 run.

Shull usually attacks inside, but she stepped out to hit her second

R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press

This was a familiar scene Tuesday night as the Colby High defenders (from left) Lara Stephens, Brenly Terrell and Haileigh Shull swarm a Goodland Cowgirl into taking an off-balance shot.

"triple" that put Colby ahead for final victory clincher. good. She tallied a game-high 13 points.

Now sophomore Brooklyn Bange showed her own shooting touch. She fired up another three (tournament)." which glanced off the front rim, took a true shooter's bounce and went right in for a 21-17 lead.

Junior Shaila Giebler also delivered a clutch two points inside the paint.

The Cowgirls did close within 25-24 only to see Colby's freethrow shooting regain control.

Stephens calmly hit two, Terrell added one and Strange made the King's nine points led Goodland.

"We were happy with the win," Becker confirmed. "But we know we have work to do the next time we see Goodland at (the) sub-state

Colby (30) - Haileigh Shull 13 points, Brenly Terrell 6, Lara Stephens 4, Brooklyn Bange 3, Hannah Strange 2, Shaila Giebler 2. Three-point goals: Shull, Bange. Rebound leaders: Shull 9, Stephens 8, Terrell 5. Assists: Bange 3, Stephens 3. Steals: Shull 2, Terrell 2.

Goodland (24) - Katelynn

Cowboys shoot past Colby By R.B. Headley

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range, but visiting Palco took that opener by a 52-40 final score.

Senior Kirsten Bandy added eight points for Heartland while also delivering several assists to help set up Meyers' baskets.

Ouinlee Niblock's four points completed the Crusader attack.

The Palco boys followed with a terrific 27-19 first-half advantage. However, Corey Wertz's 19 points and another 14 from Shawn Sullivant fueled the Heartland Christian comeback.

Blaine Wertz slipped another six points through the nets. Twin brothers Brook (three points) and Brennan Ziegelmeier (two) combined for another important five.

R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Heartland Christian's Emily Delzeit found a way to pass around this Palco defender Tuesday night in Colby.

The Crusaders recovered from a rough 55-30 defeat to Western Plains in Ransom Thursday eveing. Sullivant was Heartland's only double-figure scorer (15 points). Others who hit shots were Blaine Wertz (three points), Matt Wertz (three), Brook Ziegelmeier (two), Brennan Ziegelmeier (two), **Volleyball** Caleb Morris (two) and Michael Maurath (one).

Western Plains also won the girls' game, 42-23.

Titan boys build win streak to three

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What better way to break a fourth-quarter deadlock than two Triplains-Brewster dead-eye sharpshooters?

Neither warmer weather nor a tie with St. Francis could stop seniors Seth Smith and Nathan Jorgensen from being icy cool Monday evening. They missed one free throw, but otherwise went 13-for-13 while sealing a 53-43 Titans victory.

Jorgensen was equally lethal behind either stripe, hitting four three-pointers and four of four free throws for his game-high 16 points.

Meanwhile, Smith stepped to the line 10 times during that fourth period and knocked down nine. The Titans tallied 24 points overall in those final eight minutes to shake free from a 29-29 tie through three periods.

St. Francis (8-9 record) built an early 15-8 lead, but Triplains-Brewster (7-8) closed within 23-20 by intermission as sophomore this week.

Coleton Rogge tallied seven second-quarter points.

Sophomore Hudson Stramel added two big baskets to draw the Titans even. He finished with eight points while Rogge netted nine

Ryan Gfeller's six points completed the TP-B scoring attack. Coach Michael Collett's team **By Judy Rogers** earned its second consecutive win after stopping a five-game skid that lasted one full month (Jan. 14 to Feb. 14).

Other leading efforts during Monday's triumph.

Rebounds: Smith 10, Jorgensen 8. Assists: Smith 4, Rogge 2, Stra-2, Justin Schmidt 2.

paced St. Francis on Monday.

Titans 31, Golden Plains 28 The Triplains-Brewster boys stretched their win streak to three defense since our shots weren't and evened their season record at falling." 8-8 with a win in Rexford Tuesday night.

No individual stats were available before today's press deadline. More details will likely appear

ticketweb.com. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with the show beginning at 7 p.m.

Harlem Globetrotters take fan participation to the extreme by letting fans decide which new Globetrotter rule will be added to the game, like 6-on-5 or The Trick Shot Challenge.

Colby co-ed draws near

The Colby Recreation Department is currently accepting teams for the 2014 co-ed volleyball season.

Registration deadline is Feb. 28 with a team entry fee of \$175. The season begins on March 10.

Entries can be submitted to the rec department by stopping at the office in Colby's Community Building or on-line at www.colbyrec.jigsy.com. For other information, please call 460-4440.

Nothing like this had been seen before on the Colby Community Building basketball floor during 2013-14.

Gannon Goodland's Ihrig scored 29 points in one half, and finished with 33 overall to lead a 68-52 win over the Colby Eagles Tuesday evening.

The Cowboys (8-10 record) also hit 10 three-pointers overall, many coming just when Colby appeared ready to start a comeback.

"They shot us out of our zone (defense), and then they started hitting threes against our man-toman," Colby coach Kevin Brown said. "But again, I had to admire how our guys battled to the finish. It's a pleasure to coach them."

Senior Cameron Brown's 20 points paced the 2-15 Eagleswhile classmates Luke Cox (11) and Marc Bremenkamp (nine) teamed for another 20.

Colby closed within 24-21 before halftime, but a slow start to the second half proved costly. Ihrig also hit four three-pointers in that third period. Brother Gage Ih-



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Colby High senior Connor Schwanke (10) left this Goodland Cowboy behind during Tuesday night's varsity game at the Colby Community Building. Also pictured for Colby is senior Luke Cox.

rig added another 15 points.

Colby (52) — Cameron Brown fort 5, Connor Schwanke 4, Ash-20 points, Luke Cox 11, Marc ton Russ 3.

Bremenkamp 9, Chandler Com-

Golden Plains girls top Hill City, 31-30

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs have worked hard all season and have accumulated a 12-3 record with commitment and perse-

game," said sophomore Maddy Walz. "We had to play our best

game.

Golden Plains senior Hailee Spresser tied the game up to start

another shot to tie it back up at 9. The Lady Bulldogs continued to hit and pulled ahead 17-13 by the half.

With both teams holding their ground, very few shots fell in the third and with a basket and two free throws from sophomore Kami Miller, the game was tied up at 21 going into the fourth.

Rachael Ritter hit an early fourth quarter shot to give the Lady Bulldogs the lead once again at the beginning of the final quarter only to have the Lady Ringnecks answer with one of their own.

Senior Jordan Christensen hit quarter remaining.

Again, the Lady Ringnecks an-

necks scored and Spresser hit pulled ahead 30-29 with an and Golden Plains tipped the ball out one bucket.

As the clock hit 1:20 and the Lady Ringnecks still leading, a time out was called giving both coaches a chance to settle the girls.

At 40.5 seconds, a jump ball was called and Hill City claimed a time out and the inbounds ball. Junior Rachael Ritter forced the ball out of bounds on the inbounds play and the ball went back to Golden Plains.

Jordan Christensen put down one more shot with 26 seconds on the clock to put the Lady Bulldogs up by one 31-30.

first in a 7-5 quarter to open the a bucket with just over half the 16.2 seconds to play and Golden victories, including an excellent Plains took their final time out with 5.5 seconds on the clock. swered. With just over two min- Hill City threw their inbounds the second, but the Lady Ring- utes to play, the Lady Ringnecks ball, but Kynndra Rush from upcoming sports page.

of bounds to give Hill City one more chance with just a few seconds remaining.

As the Lady Ringnecks put up one final shot, Christensen jumped up to block it and it tipped off her fingertips to bound out of bounds as the final buzzer sounded giving the Lady Bulldogs the 31-30 win and a 12-3 record.

"It was a good experience to play such a close scoring game," said Walz. "It really tested us as a team and helped us to see our potential."

The Golden Plains girls fol-Hill City called a time out with lowed this win with two more 55-52 overtime win over rival Triplains-Brewster Tuesday night in Rexford. Watch for details on an

verance.

Their dedication and their de-

"This was an extra competitive

The Lady Ringnecks scored

Golen Plains High School

mel 2. Steals: Smith 3, Jorgensen fense helped them slip past the Lady Ringnecks from Hill City Junior Cade Bracelin's 12 points for a one-point win on Feb. 11.