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Bowling tourney boosts kids' group

local kids is set for the end of the month.

The "Bowl for Kids' Sake bowling tournament is scheduled to start at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 29, at Colby Bowl and Fun Center, and there is still space for more bowlers. Orvella Romine, director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Thomas County, which is sponsoring the tournament, said she is looking for at least six more teams to fill out the tournament roster. Teams are asked to gather donations for the organization from their members and stand to win special recognition and prizes.

This is the first year that a traveling trophy, which goes to the team that raises the most money, will be up for grabs for emergency responders like police, firefighters and EMS, Romine said. So far, the Colby Fire Department and the Thomas County EMS have signed up to bowl.

The traveling trophy for area restaurants will make its third stop this year. Taco John's won that trophy the first year it was offered, and Sonic won it last year. So far this year, Romine said, bowlers from Sonic are on board to play again, along with Burger King, Subway and Quiznos.

All bowlers will get a T-shirt with this year's Bowl for Kids' Sake logo, "Go Big or Go Home," written on it, along with the logo of K-State, Kansas University, Wichita State or Big Brothers. "Lane sponsors" who raise \$250 will get to roll the first ball. call Romine at 460-9125.

An annual bowling tournament to raise money for "Pin sponsors" who raise \$150 or more will get their names put in a drawing for a 32-inch television.

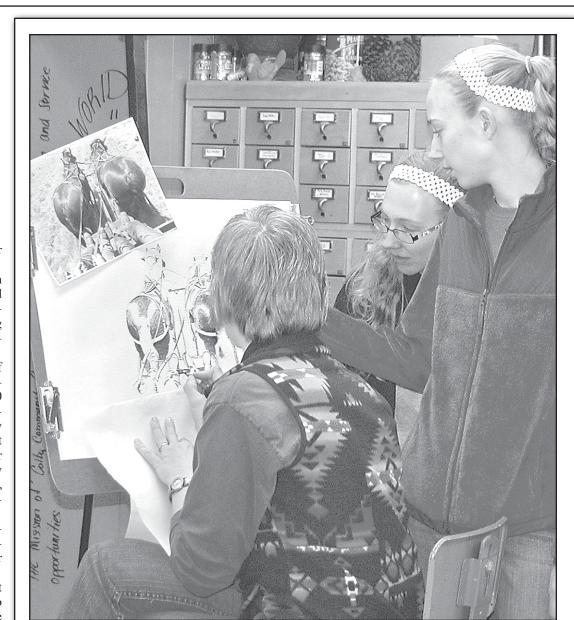
All individual players who raise \$200 and team that raise \$1,000 will be recognized in a thank you ad in the Colby Free Press, along with the trophy winners. A banner will be hung at one end of the bowling alley with the names of donors who give without going to the tournament.

There is also a floating trophy for the winner of March Bowling Madness, a competition among Colby's Bowling League teams are asked to chip in 50 cents for every strike they make and 25 cents for every spare during their third game each week at Colby Bowl and Fun Center. The "Fire strikers" won last year's March tournament, Romine said, and their name is on the trophy which is displayed at Colby Bowl. This year the winner will also get a T-shirt, two large pizzas and a medium drink from the bowl-

Aside from the prizes Big Brothers offers for raising the money, she hopes people will take an interest in the organization and what it is trying to do for

"What I'm trying to get this community to see that by them making an investment today, it is going to make better community members tomorrow," she

For information or to sign up for the tournament,



Friday's drawing



SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press

Sue Krehbiel's daughters Katie (right) and Sarah looked over her shoulder (top) as she turned a photo of horses into a pencil drawing. A small audience watched Krehbiel work during this month's Studio Friday at Colby Community College, including Claire Wegele of Oakley (above), who worked on her own drawing.

Criminal justice group appointed for new jail

Colby Free Press colby.society@nwkansas.com

Thomas County now has a Criminal Justice Strategic Planjail and court complex.

The group was appointed at the commissioners' Monday meeting after months of discussions about the way ahead for the jail project. Commissioner Mike Baughn suggested the group several weeks ago and has been working to identify a chairperson and members.

District Judge Glenn Schiffner will serve as chairman, the commissioners decided. Schiffner had to wait to accept the appointment until he could obtain an opinion from an ethics council on whether his appointment to the group

be a conflict, the commissioners Miller. were able to appoint him to fill

ning Group, folks given the task of the committee based on their said Baughn. But he emphasized of helping the county plan a new roles in local government and law that all citizens are encouraged to enforcement: Magistrate Judge participate in the group's planning Richard Ress; Kim Schwarz, process by attending their public court clerk; Marilyn Bailey, court meetings. reporter; Anne Ogle, court services officer; Daren Organ, probation planning on the judicial complex, and parole officer; County Attorney Kevin Berens; Sheriff Rod ality and security, said Baughn. Taylor; Undersheriff Marc Finley; deputies Sheri Staab, Marvena Chance, David Grace and Lance tions to the commissioners who Goodman; Mayor Gary Adrian; will ultimately make decisions on Police Chief Ron Alexander; the project. Marlene Pfiefer, communications officer; and Christy Preston, economic alliance director.

would be a conflict of interest. by Taylor as community repre-

Once the ethics council deter- sentatives: David Pabst, Gary mined his involvement would not Baumfalk, W.G. Romine and Carl

Anyone else who wants to be on the committee can contact the Baughn selected some members commissioners for consideration,

> The group is to coordinate all particularly regarding its function-The commissioners expect the group to provide recommenda-

Meetings will be scheduled at Judge Schiffner's discretion and will likely be held in the county Other members were suggested office complex conference room.

Memories of school and dust storm mingle



case that started in Kansas and led to in-

By Sam Dieter

Colby Free Press sdieter@nwkansas.com

Long after surviving the Dust Bowl as a schoolboy, a local farmer still holds onto memories of the one room schoolhouse in rural Thomas County where he learned to read and write during those lean years.

This February marked the 80th anniversary of one of the worst dust storms Lloyd Theimer had to endure as he went to Prairie Bell school in southern Thomas County. The one-room schoolhouse is long gone, but Theimer still remembers the school and the hardships the students went through in the Dust Bowl years when they attended.

Named for its bell tower, the school once stood nine miles south of Colby and five miles west of K-25. It was two miles west of the house where Theimer lives with his wife Ruth, the same one he lived in when he was a student there. Born in 1922, he attended Prairie Bell School District 53 from the age of 5 up through the 1930s, along with his older sister Elsie, younger siblings Walter, Marie and Howard, and other farm kids from that part of the county. One of the children who got their education at the school would later become a plaintiff at Brown v. Topeka Board of Education, the landmark Supreme Court education

tegrated schools nationwide.

The Dust Bowl years started in the 1930s, Theimer said, and by the time he dirt, where he suffocated. was old enough to help his father on the farm in the middle of the decade, there were no crops at all coming out of the

"I thought we just farmed to keep the ground from blowing," he said. "They were terrible days."

Roy Harper, one of the teachers at Prairie Bell, wrote years later about his experiences when the worst dust storms came in 1934, chatting with kids students to keep them calm after "the most ominous cloud I have ever seen," a wall of dust several miles high, engulfed the school house. He kept the kids in class after school each time a storm came un-

til their parents came and got them. Whatever precautions the parents took, the Theimer children still sometimes found themselves walking through clouds of dust to get to and from school. One of the worst storms caught them about a quarter of a mile from home, he said; they could see the electricity jumping between the dust and a barbed-wire fence as they passed over a hillside. The children followed the ditch by the side of the road, holding each other's hands to keep from getting See "DUST STORM," Page 2

They all got back OK at his school, but nearby, Theimer said, "a little boy that had a handicap, he got out in the dust storm and they couldn't find him." He was found later under a heap of

At Prairie Bell there was a barn alongside the schoolhouse for the horses some of the kids used for their daily commute to school, a bin for coal to heat the school, boys' and girls' outhouses and a flag pole out front, according to the notes Theimer still keeps with him. He has photos of the Prairie Bell school and the sod building that came before it among the souvenirs from his

school days. He is not sure when the school opened and closed, but among the souvenirs he has is a memoir Harper wrote in 1976 about his teaching career, which says School District 53 was organized in September 1887. At first there were two different school houses in the district, including the sod building. As far as Harper could find out, a new school called "Prairie Bell South" was built in 1900 about half a mile east of the building where Theimer went to school. The Prairie Bell school replaced this building in 1912. Harper started teaching at the school in 1931, and parents in the area voted in 1939 to consolidate Dis-



Area/State

Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 33. South wind 5 to 15 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 56. Breezy, with a west wind 10 to 15 mph becoming northwest 20 to 25 mph in the morning. Winds could aust as high as 35 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of rain before 9 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26. Windy, with a northwest wind 20 to 30 mph.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 53. Breezy, with a north wind 15 to 25 mph. Sunday Night: Mostly clear,

with a low around 32. Monday: Sunny, with a high

Monday Night: Partly cloudy,

with a low around 37. Tuesday: A chance of rain and snow. Partly sunny, with a

high near 48. Breezy. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent. Tuesday Night: A chance of rain and snow. Partly cloudy, with a low around 29. Blustery.

Chance of precipitation is 30 percent. Wednesday: Mostly sunny,

with a high near 53. Wednesday Night: Partly

cloudy, with a low around 31. Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 62.

Thursday: High, 70; Low 21 Precip: Thursday None 0.04 inches Month: Year: 0.53 inches Normal: 2.11 inches (K-State Experiment Station) **Sunrise and Sunset** Saturday 7:56 a.m. 7:51 p.m. Moon: waxing, 99 percent 7:54 a.m. 7:52 p.m. Full moon at 12:09 p.m. 7:52 a.m. 7:53 p.m. Moon: waning, 99 percent

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

HUTCHINSON (AP) - Kan-

hold a wildland fire training ses-

The weeklong event starts

March 23 and will focus on re-

ducing hazardous fuels that can

Toronto State Lake in southeast

2014

state and regional responders.

wild areas.

Wildland fire training

to be held in Hutchinson

sion in Hutchinson this month for hand tools and prescribed burns,

lead to rapid spread of fires in students and firefighters learn

sas Forest Service officials will Forest in nearby Leon.

Crews will be working near environment.

Memories of school mingle with 'worst' Dust Bowl storm

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trict 53 with Page City's school system.

After finishing classes at Prairie Bell, Theimer went to high school in Page City, where he graduated in 1940. He and his classmates attended the accustomed to the way black kids were segre-

school through the eighth grade, then took an examination to get their eighth grade diploma before heading on to high school. Since students could listen to the lessons for all different grades each year as they worked, he said, it was like getting 64 years' worth of education.

The exact number of students going to school there at any one time went up and down from about 10 to 12 kids, Theimer said, but probably never included more than 14.

One of those students was Zelma Hurst Henderson, the daughter of Thomas L. and Pansy Hurst, and granddaughter of Thomas E. Hurst, a freed slave. With no money for separate schoolhouses, Theimer said, small western Kansas school districts were integrated long before those in larger cities, so he went to school with Zelma each day without ever noticing the one difference between them which seemed to divide the rest of the coun-

"Actually we didn't know there was any difference between black and white, we were just kids,"

County farm and move to Oakley during the Dust Bowl. She went on to graduate from Oakley High School and then moved to Topeka.

In Topeka, Hurst Henderson found herself un-

gated because of their skin color, and she joined several other parents to sue the Topeka Board of Education. Their lawsuit, Brown vs. Board of Education, joined with others as it made its way through the court system, and went to the United Supreme Court, becoming the landmark case that determined segregated black and white schools nationwide to be un-constitutional.

Students at Prairie Bell included Zelma Hurst's siblings and a number of

first and second-generation German immigrants' children who took great pride in their school. The biggest thing Theimer got from his education and from saying the pledge of allegiance in front of the flag each day, he said, is that the U.S. is a republic, which takes care of all citizens – including those who are different, such as Hurst Henderson – and not just the majority.

"The great emphasis was on citizenship, we had a flag on the flagpole and we had a flag in the schoolhouse," Theimer said. "We were taught to honor the flag, to appreciate our heritage. It was a real good foundation to have at that school."

3-D printing a glimpse of future

L.Theimer

The Wichita Eagle

WICHITA (AP) – If you think life changed after the Internet emerged, wait until you see what's coming next.

Tech people say three-dimensional printing will create the next wave of joys and frustrations, job creation and job loss.

In five to 10 years, 3-D printers will be all around us, they predict. The printers will make food, including customized wedding cakes. They will make shoes, clothes, aircraft parts, dresses, steaks, replacement bones and eventually even replacement kidneys. If you find that bit about the kidney hard to believe, Google a company called Organovo.

The printers might make outsourcing jobs to China, India and Mexico less necessary. Few Americans will mourn.

But 3-D printers also would diminish the number of jobs

Kansas and at the Kansas Forest

Service Jackman Demonstration

Using fire trucks, chainsaws,

the teams will attempt to clear

growth that can become dry and

The training is designed to help

good techniques in a controlled

quickly ignite during a wildfire.

What we are about to tell you is no fantasy. This is all happening now, and all around us.

John Tomblin remembers several years ago employees telling him how good 3-D printers are.

First you scan any object in three dimensions, as a hospital MRI scanner would. Or you upload any 3-D design, no matter how complex. Then hit a button.

Instead of paper, these printers are loaded with other materials, usually thin lines of plastic wrapped around a spool like fishing line. The printer shoots thin strands of heated plastic out of a tiny nozzle, creating layer after layer with microscopic accuracy until every detail of the object is reproduced.

Tomblin directs the National Institute for Aviation Research in Wichita, which tests new technology. He was used to seeing fun new things. But the 3-D printer idea had him scoffing, a

So they borrowed his keys. And gave him exact copies. At first, he thought that was

"really cool." And then he realized how

easy it was now to copy the keys to his house.

Organovo, the biotech company experimenting with ways to print human organs, plans to harvest a patient's own cells and culture them so they multiply. The cells would then be fed into the printer, which would print tissue strips that could be livers and kidneys. used to patch a patient's failing organs and eventually, the company hopes, create new organs.

Cheryl Banister, RN

Specialty Clinic Director

The work Organovo is doing in replicating organs means "Maybe we could live forever," said Ravi Pendse, a national expert on technology, now at Brown University.

He said food makers can already make fantastically customized cakes, or other food, in artistic ways never before possible. The 3-D cake makers, instead of extruding hard plastic, shoot out sugar instead. Or chocolate. Or vanilla-laced icing or cake dough.

A 3-D counter-top printer for home kitchens is expected to go on sale by the end of the year for making cake toppers and confections. Price? About \$5,000.

Three-dimensional printing will bring back custom-made goods, and that's great, Pendse said. We lost much of the joys of custom-made goods when Henry Ford started making standardized parts as a cheap, fast way to produce goods. "Now all that will come back, for our cars, our clothes, everything."

Those are upsides. Three-D also will challenge us, he said. At stake: jobs, economy, perhaps morals and ethics, he said.

"We all need very soon to figure out how to use 3-D," said Pendse, who served as a vice president for information technology at Wichita State University until last year. "These tools are raising serious moral and ethical questions. And not just in medicine, where they will make

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Single Ladies

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Paycheck to Payche

King/Hill

Full H'se Full H'se

Man on Fire

Big Bang

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.

Kindergarten pre-enrollment scheduled

A kindergarten pre-enrollment and parent meeting for the 2014-15 school year will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, at the Colby Grade School activity room. Bring your child's birth certificate, immunization records and Social Security card. Call the grade school office at 460-5100 for questions.

CHS serving spaghetti for Genesis effort

The CHS Colby Agronomy Center will have a benefit spaghetti dinner (meat and vegetarian) and bake sale from 5 to 8 p.m. tonight at the Colby American Legion Hall for the Genesis-Thomas County food bank. For information, call Michele Lorg at 462-6880.

Dance Team tryouts start March 25 Colby High School Dance Team tryouts for next year will be at 6:30

p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, March 25 and 27, in the high school gym. Tryout packets can be picked up in the middle school and high school offices. Call Coach Denita Rodgers at 269-7908 with questions.

Brewster church plans feed for chimes

The Brewster United Methodist Church plans a biscuit-and-gravy feed from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sunday The offering will help updating the church's outdoor chimes. For information, call the church at (785) 694-2645.

Divorce recovery class offered at church

A 10-week divorce recovery class for women will run from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Monday evenings through May 19 at the Colby United Methodist Church. For information, contact Lynette Ball at (785) 675-8606 or lynetteball@yahoo.com.

Commodities to be given out here Monday

U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities will be distributed from 1 to 2 p.m. next Monday at the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program office in the Senior Progress Center at Fike Park. Distribution is first come, firstserved, and you may send a signed permission slip with another person. Bring a sack or box. Expected commodities include creamed corn, carrots, apricots, tomato soup, cereal and canned chicken. For questions, call the office at 462-6744.

Trail Life USA troop is organizing Parents are invited to learn about a new Trail Life USA troop for boys

from kindergarten through high school. Two meetings are being held, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Mingo Bible Church and at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 22, at the K-State Northwest Research and Extension Center, 105 Experiment Farm Rd. in Colby. Trail Life is a Christian adventure, character and leadership program. For information, contact the church at 462-2992 or go to traillifecolbymingoks.wordpress.com.

Sacred Heart enrolling kids for preschool

Early enrollment is now open for Sacred Heart Catholic School's preschool and pre-kindergarten classes for the 2014-2015 year. For information or to pre-enroll your child, call Sharon Shirley at 460-2813 before 8:30 a.m. or after 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Red Cross plans blood drive here

The American Red Cross will have a blood drive from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday and 7:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Community Building. Ham and beans will be served. Call (800) 733-2767 or go to redcrossblood.org for an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome.

Conservation district has trees to sell

The Thomas County Conservation District is taking orders for conservation-grade and potted trees until Wednesday, March 26. Costs range from \$1.65 to \$80 each for pines, junipers, shrubs, shade and fruit trees and eastern red cedars. For windbreak design, wildlife habitat or help selecting trees, call at 462-7482 or stop by the office at 915 E Walnut. The district also offers weed-barrier and drill irrigation supplies. Delivery of trees is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, weather permitting.

Cookies, coffee offered at 'health event'

Join the Beta Club at Brewster Community Health event with cookies. coffee and information from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 29, at Hunter Hall. Topics include respiratory care, cardiac rehab and more. For information, call (785) 694-2645.



Cardiac Rehab



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Teen Wolf

Full H'se

Big Bang Big Bang

The Seven-Ups

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Basketball Wives LA

Bizarre Foods

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Bizarre Foods

Private Lives

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Everybody-Raymond

NCIS: Los Angeles

Beautiful Creatures

Basketball Wives LA

Funniest Home Videos

Good Day

Classic ragtime pianist to perform at Gateway

Richard Egan

Richard Egan, ragtime pianist, will perform at 7:30 p.m. travels around Missouri and Saturday, March 22, at The Illinois playing for groups in

bring forth the beauty of the classic folk ragtime form, performing the music of Scott Joplin, Oberlin's Brun Campbell and other midwestern composers, past and present.

He began his ragtime career playing piano aboard the Goldenrod Showboat

On the Beat

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COLBY POLICE

Feb. 25

9:14 a.m. – Helped Kansas Bu-

4:19 p.m. – Caller reported

5:25 p.m. – Suspicious incident.

3:13 a.m. – Helped ambulance Colby Grade School.

4:17 p.m. - Helped Sheriff's ment of Children and Families.

Feb. 27

4:51 p.m. - Accident at Frank-

5:36 p.m. – Transported subject.

6:26 p.m. - Report of Internet

identity theft. Report filed, en-

tered in National Crime Informa-

9:41 p.m. – Criminal trespass.

Feb. 28

6:37 a.m. - Traffic control for

11:10 a.m. – Handicap placard

6:19 p.m. – Caller reported loud

6:49 p.m. - Dog at large. Un-

9:02 p.m. - Caller reported a

vehicle driving without head-

lights. Located vehicle, driver go-

March 1 2 a.m. – Numerous calls of fight.

Report filed, ambulance paged.

unlocked in parking lot. Unable to

11:06 p.m. – Noise complaint.

11:20 p.m. - Caller reported

11:42 p.m. – Caller reported a

March 2

3:36 a.m. - Caller reported a

burning smell. Turned over to fire

dead feline laying in the street. corted to station.

department, emergency medical Howard III.

possible burglary. Report filed.

2:09 a.m. – Loud music. 4:04 a.m. - Door opened and

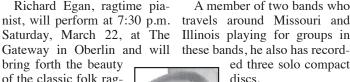
Spoke with reporting party.

Removed; it was clothes.

5:44 p.m. – Accident.

someone left at store. Subject tak-

on the St. Louis levee in the ning program is sponsored by mid-1980s. He helped open the Scott Joplin House in 1991, instituted the monthly Ragtime ticket event or \$12 for adults, Rendezvous in 1997, and organized the erection of a monument on the grave of ragtime Betts (785) 475-3557 or Mary patriarch Tom Turpin in 1999. Henzel (785) 470-0218.



He will also play at the Last Indian Raid Museum on Friday evening, playing saloon-style ragtime. The Saturday night event will be a more refined form of the

The Saturday eve-Oberlin Arts and Humanities Commission and is a season and \$5 for students at the door.

genre.

For information, call Ella

services paged.

it moved; all OK

7:31 a.m. – Theft.

physical domestic fight.

Colby Grade School.

Colby Animal Clinic.

to the animal clinic.

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the Colby Grade School.

about child restraints.

of Children and Families.

lairo arrested on warrant.

north of town. All OK.

rial Dr. Owner contacted.

esimo Razo-Gaona.

9:50 a.m. - Clerk reported car

stalled near gas pumps for almost

four hours. Owner contacted; got

9:19 p.m. - Caller reported

March 3

8:46 a.m. - Walk through at

10:31 a.m. - Helped Depart-

10:43 a.m. – Helped ambulance

10:47 a.m. - Walk through at

10:51 a.m. - Recovered prop-

erty report filed on tool box found

and brought to Law Enforcement

12:43 p.m. - Stray cat taken to

4:02 p.m. – Dog at large taken

11:23 p.m. – Security check at

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Feb. 28

9:44 a.m. - Took prisoner to

9:59 a.m. - Spoke to subject

1:29 p.m. – Helped Department

2:45 p.m. - Gary Kyle Cande-

6:19 p.m. – Report of explosion

6:31 p.m. – Cattle out at Country Club Dr. and Veterans Memo-

5:30 p.m. – Booked Candelairo.

6:53 p.m. – Helped highway patrolman on traffic stop in the 2500

8:17 p.m. - Booked Cesar On-

March 2

1:15 a.m. - Booked Dennis

To become a sponsor call Kathryn or Sharon today at 462-3963.

March 1

block County Rd. K; vehicle es-

10:36 a.m. – Civil standby.



An Extension economist will will require farmers and landlords explain provisions of the 2014 to make a one-time irrevocable Farm Bill from 10 a.m. to noon choice. If they do not make a de-Monday, March 24, at the Knights of Columbus Hall on the east side of the Lake Atwood in Rawlins County.

Dr. Art Barnaby, Extension agricultural economist at Kansas State University, will discuss provisions of the new bill.

Details about the Agricultural Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage options will be discussed, along with the factors that farmers and landowners will need to consider when choosing between the two.

U.S. Department of Agriculture your county Extension offices.

cision, Price Loss Coverage is the default, but those who fail to make a decision will give up any 2014

Barnaby's presentation will provide analysis of both primary programs for the major crops in Kansas, as well as changes to crop insurance. This meeting is one of a series of six to be held across the state. No preregistration, signup or fee is required.

For information, contact JoEllyn Argabright, Rawlins County Extension director, at (785) 626-At signup later this year, the 3192 or joargabright@ksu.edu, or

Deaths

Donald J. Haberer

Donald J. Haberer, 76, Russell, he served on various other boards father of former Colby resident as well. He was a member of the and firefighter Keith Haberer, died Berlin U.S. Military Veterans As-Wednesday, March 12, 2014, at sociation, the National Rifle Assothe Salina Regional Medical Cenciation, the Kansas Rifle Associa-

He was born June 3, 1937, to Emil and Mary Lorraine (Salber) Haberer in Hays and graduated er preceded him in death. from Paradise Rural High School 1955. He joined the Army in 1957 and served in Berlin.

After returning, he earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Kansas State University. While at K-State he married Patricia Proshek. They lived in Grand Island, Neb., where he was an Extension agent. In 1966 they returned to Russell, where he worked at the Russell State Bank until becoming a full-time farmer.

From 1980 until his retirement, tate, appraisal and personal property valuation. Elected to the city council and county commission, Kan., 67665.

Kan.) will appear on Smoky Hills

Public Television's "Conversation

with Sen. Jerry Moran" next Fri-

The 60-minute, live question-

and-answer forum will be moder-

ated by Fort Hays State Univer-

sity's Chapman Rackaway and

Hays Daily News' Patrick Lowry.

Kansans are encouraged to call in

at (800) 337-4788, ask questions

and share feedback with Sen. Mo-

Ask senator questions

U.S. Senator Jerry Moran (R- ran on the critical issues facing

tion and the Kansas State University Alumni Association.

His parents and an infant broth-

Survivors include his wife, of the home; three children, Kurt (Jill) Haberer, Clay Center; Keri (Luis Guzman) Haberer, Wichita; and Keith Haberer, Russell; two siblings; a granddaughter; five step-grandchildren; and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

A memorial gathering will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 16, 2014, at the Pohlman-Varner-Peeler Mortuary of Rus-

The family suggests memorials he farmed and worked in real es- to the Developmental Services of Northwest Kansas, in care of the mortuary, 610 N. Maple, Russell,

The program will be broadcast

live on KWKS/Colby, Channel

19; and DirecTV & Dish Net-

The program will also be live-

streamed on the Smoky Hills Pub-

lic Television website, shptv.org.

We want your local news:

e-mail to

colby.editor @ nwkansas.com

Kansas and the nation.

work, Channel 9.

Nominate older worker

The Kansas Department of working at least 20 hours a week Commerce and the Older Worker in paid employment. Previous Task Force will accept nominations for the Older Worker Awards through Monday, March 31. The awards ceremony will be Thursday, April 24, at the Topeka and

The ceremony honors older workers who play crucial roles in the Kansas workforce and economy, as well as their employers. Honorees will include older workers employed in both public and private sector, and businesses and companies that employ them.

Nomination forms are available at KansasCommerce.com/Older-Workers. For information about the ceremony call Susan Weidenbach at (785) 296-7842 or swei-

Nominations are accepted for

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Other **Viewpoints**

New voter limits burden electorate

A bill that would create new limits on when Kansas voters could change their party affiliations is another example of state legislators trying to correct a problem that probably doesn't exist or at least not to an extent that justifies legislative action. In this case, that "fix" also could limit Kansas voters' ability

to cast their ballots for their preferred candidates.

The bill that has passed the Senate Ethics and Election Committee last week would bar Kansas voters from changing their party affiliation from June 1 (the filing deadline for candidates) to Sept. 1 (about a month after the August primary elections). The goal of the bill, according to Kansas Republican Party officials, is to prevent voters from switching parties in order to skew the opposing party's primary. The officials say they have no proof of such switches, but they have a feeling some Democratic voters are switching parties to vote for the Republican candidate they believe is less likely to win against the Demo-

That might be a little underhanded, but it's far from the most egregious political tactic employed in most races. And what if the voter actually is switching parties to vote for the candidate

One of the arguments presented during committee testimony is that primary elections belong to the political party. That's not really true. Political conventions that choose party nominees belong to the party, but state primaries belong to all state taxpayers.

Secretary of State Kris Kobach also supported the bill, saying it would reduce the administrative burden on county election officers who must record registration changes. That's pretty ironic coming from the man who is trying to force county election officers to conduct a two-tiered election for people who have registered for federal elections and those registered for state elections. It's also possible that the workload for county officials actually would increase under the bill because people would switch their registration to "unaffiliated" before the June 1 deadline to keep their options open in the primary. Under the new bill unaffiliated voters still would be able to declare a party at the polls for a primary.

The big question here is whether voters who feel strongly about a candidate from either party should be able to vote for that candidate even in the primary. If a Democrat looks over the field of both Democratic and Republican candidates and finds his or her preferred candidate is a Republican, shouldn't that voter have an opportunity to help make sure that candidate advances to the general election by winning the Republican primary? The same principle applies in reverse, of course, but contested Democratic primaries are far more rare in Kansas.

Party-switching for political purpose may occur to some extent now, but efforts to ban that practice serve an equally political motive that also could infringe on the right of Kansas voters to support their chosen candidates.

- Lawrence Journal-World, via the Associated Press

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Opinion



"SO WHY WOULD YOU THINK HE CAN CONTROL RUSSIA?"

Choose your risks, information wisely

Deception and exaggeration have characterized the stance some environmental organizations and the mass media's coverage of environmental issues. If we look critically at these issues, however, we can begin to sort out fact

One of the first things we must realize is that correlation is not causation. Correlation means two things tend to happen at the same time. Causation means one thing is known to cause another thing.

Because two things happen at the same time doesn't mean one is causing the other. We need proof, including a reasonable theory showing the path by which one thing causes another. Environmental scares like global warming

happen when correlation is mistaken for causation. To avoid errors, radical environmentalists must be responsible in proving that one thing is actually causing another to happen. In today's world, much remains unex-

plained. Cancer is one disease that comes to mind. Cancer may be due to genetic conditions, nutrition, a health problem in childhood or a combination of these factors.

Someday scientists may find a cure for this disease, but that day has not arrived.

Trends don't always predict the future. In the early '70s some scientists predicted the advent of another ice age. During the '80s temperatures increased and some experts predicted catastrophic global warming. The cold winter of 1993-94 prompted a new wave of hysteria and predictions of another ice age.



John Schlageck

 Insights Kansas Farm Bureau

Predictions of an approaching population explosion and resource depletion make headlines today. We must remember trends only serve as a guideline of past events and cannot document what will happen down the road. Critical thinking relies on fact rather than

opinion. So often in our society, the "squeaky wheel gets the grease." The loudest person or the most controversial opinion often receives the most attention. This has definitely been true in the environ-

mental movement where claims of upcoming catastrophes receive extensive media coverage. To make sure "experts" don't mislead you, seek relevant facts decide for yourself. You don't have to look back far in history.

During the energy crisis of the '70s the advent of more fuel-efficient vehicles and the discovery of alternative fuels helped ease this energy shortage. Today, the discovery of additional oil reserves in our own country provides additional energy.

general public rarely relies on its long-term farm near Seguin, and his writing reflects a memory. People are unlikely to remember a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.

doomsayer's dire predictions of a few months ago, much less 10 or 20 years back. We must remember yesterday's false alarms and the people who sounded them if we are to respond

Everything we do has risk, even ordinary events like walking down the steps (falling and breaking bones) or crossing the street (being run over by a car). Remember the risk of drowning (16 in a

million), or dying in a home accident (90 in a million) or being killed in an auto accident (192 in a million) greatly exceed the alleged environmental risks being hawked by some organizations. Throughout our lives we make choices. We

must decide between the black pair of shoes and the burgundy. We must decide on catsup. pickles or mustard on our hamburger. The same can be said about our environ-

can't do everything at once. To do so could produce unintended consequences that could harm the environment. We must apply the same prudence we ap-

ment. We have to choose our priorities. We

ply to other significant areas of our lives to environmental issues. Their importance makes careful planning all the more necessary.

John Schlageck of the Kansas Farm Bureau is a leading commentator on agriculture and One reason apocalypse abusers thrive is the rural Kansas. He grew up on a diversified

Equity, outcomes weigh school funding

In January last year, a three-judge panel of the Shawnee County District Court ruled in Gannon v. State that funding for public schools was unconstitutionally inadequate. The ruling called for the Legislature to raise the Base State Aid Per Pupil from \$3,838 to \$4,492 which would result in a cost of about \$437 million dollars for state taxpayers.

However, the district court's ruling was stayed by the Kansas Supreme Court in February of last year, officially indicating that they would hear the case themselves. Last Friday, the Supreme Court released its ruling.

The Supreme Court's decision emphasized that both equity of funding and the outcomes of funding are important in determining the

adequacy of state education dollars. With regard to equity, the Court identified

two areas in the current funding formula where it believes the legislature has fallen short. Most significantly, the decision rejected the district court's notion that "suitability" of education under the state constitution is determined by a dollar amount. Rather, the Court sent the case back to the district court to review state funding based on the outcomes produced.

Republicans have long said outcomes should be the determining factor for adequate school funding. Additionally, all Kansas students should have equal opportunity to receive a quality education. The Court's focus on these areas is important for the legislature going forward. As the session progresses, the Senate is committed to considering the areas where the Court says equity is lacking and to ensuring the potential of students is being achieved.

The decision allows us to see the entire picture. Every legislative session is a puzzle, and without all the pieces it would have been difficult to assemble. This allows us to build.



Ralph Ostmeyer

State Senator

Happenings for this week

This legislative week was shortened to allow clerical staff to catch up with the bills passed before the "Turnaround." Although we had Monday and Tuesday off, there was still a lot of committee work and debate on the Senate floor as the next major deadline, First Adjournment, is Friday, April 4.

Religious Liberties

This week the Senate Judiciary Committee held an informational hearing on religious liberty and HB 2203, a measure passed and signed into law last session protecting Kansas religious liberties. The hearing came after the controversial HB 2453 was killed in the Senate as a result of major flaws with the legislation.

Committee members heard from a number of experts regarding HB 2203, who ensured it does, in fact, protect Kansans' individual religious liberties. Some testified that our current laws are some of the strongest in the nation.

HB 2453 was unfortunately crafted in a manner that would have opened up the state to a number of legal vulnerabilities and unintended consequences. Those realities convinced Senate leaders that current laws adequately protect Kansans' individual right to religious liberty.

Judicial Budget

On Thursday, the Senate considered Senate Substitute for HB 2338 - the judicial budget reform. The bill adds \$2 million in new dollars from the state general fund and \$8 million in savings from restructuring and docket fees to be used for non-judicial court staff and help modernize the judicial branch.

S Sub for HB 2338 compiled four judicial reform bills; continuing to fix recommendations made by the Blue Ribbon Commission. **Property Tax Transparency**

The Senate considered HB 2047 this week

in order to create transparency for local communities when their annual budgets or appropriations are funded by an increase to property taxes or increases to property valuation. When the votes are cast by the local municipalities. they would then need to publish the increase. **February State General Fund Receipts**

Last week the Kansas Legislative Research

Department reported total State General Fund receipts from July 2013 through February totaled \$3.65 billion, about \$128.3 million above estimates. Total receipts for February were \$329 million, or \$97.6 million above estimates. There was only one tax source that fell below the fiscal-year-to-date estimate by more than \$1 million, retail sales.

What to look for next week

Next week the Legislature will continue to look through the Court's ruling on the Gannon v State case. As we learn more, I will update you. Please let me know your thoughts on this issue and others we will be discussing in the

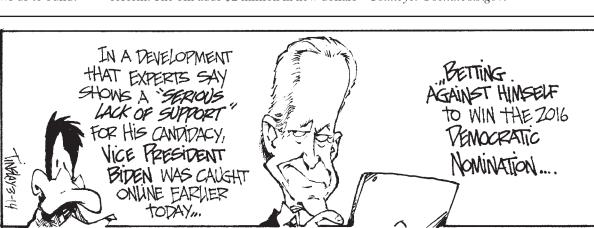
Feel free to call or e-mail and I'd be happy to discuss any topic you are interested in.

Thank you for the honor of serving you!

I can be reached by writing to Sen. Ralph Ostmeyer, State Capitol, 300 SW 10th Street, Room 136-E, Topeka, Kan., 66612, or call (785) 296-7399. My e-mail address is Ralph. Ostmeyer@senate.ks.gov.

Mallard **Fillmore**

Bruce Tinsley



School Activities and Menus

Colby Public Schools break. Saturday: eighth grade transition meetings; 1 p.m. FFA Fort Hays Livestock Career development event.

Sacred Heart

Heartland

Activities: no school, spring

break. Monday: 7 p.m. board **Golden Plains** Activities: no school, spring

Brewster Activities: no school, spring

Colby Community College

Activities: spring break, no Activities: no school, spring classes. Sunday: 1 p.m. baseball vs. Dodge City. Monday: 5 p.m. trustees meeting. Wednesday: 2 p.m. baseball, McCook. Friday: 9 a.m. vodeos and eCollege - embed, link, review and view, Title Activities: no school, spring III room. Saturday: women's track, El Dorado; 1 p.m. baseball, Garden City. **Sunday**: men's golf, Salina; 1 p.m. baseball, Garden

Triplains

Activities: no school.

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Senior Progress Center

Activities for the week: Mon- barbecue chicken sandwich, pocanasta. Wednesday: snack day. **Thursday**: 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinochle. **Friday**: 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pool

Menus for the week: **Monday**: steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas and carrots, rosy pears. **Tuesday**: ham scalloped potatoes, Italian blend vegetables, tropical seniors, \$6 for others. fruit. Wednesday: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, cook's choice vegetable, pineapple. Thursday:

day: 10:30 a.m. Skip Bo. Tues- tato salad, cottage cheese, fruit, day: 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. cake. Friday: chef salad (meat on the side), strawberries and bananas, crackers, brownie.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center invites anyone 60 and older and guests to lunch Monday through Friday at the senior center. Home delivery is available, as is pick-up service. A contribution of \$3.25 per meal is suggested for

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

Red Barn

day: St. Patrick's Day; Vicki

Town's old spitting ban could be lifted

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) - A ban on spitting in public in Grand Rapids could soon be off the books.

The Grand Rapids Press reports (bit.ly/1g4se0N) the City Commission plans to consider deleting the word "expectorate" from a list of prohibited public acts that includes urination and defecation.

City Attorney Catherine Mish wrote in a memo that language was added to the code in an era when the use of chewing tobacco was prevalent and spittoons were common. She says the code's language "did not disappear as quick-

ly as the spittoon." Mish says local health officials, who told her spitting doesn't pose as much of a threat as it might have in the past. She has been scouring city code to find archaic rules, including one recently on being willfully annoying.

Activities for the week: Mon- Wark's birthday; 2 p.m. Barnswallows. Wednesday: 10 a.m. ladies' Bible study. Thursday: 2 p.m. Come On Down. Friday: 9:30

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construction on the Kansas State Capitol is completed, the new visitor's center is open and a full tour schedule has been restored for visitors.

A tour of the Capitol is a tour through Kansas history, portrayed in important artifacts, paintings, sculptures and photographs. The Kansas Historical Society provides free historic tours of the Capitol building Monday through Friday, although visitors can ex-

plore the building with a selfguided tour as well. The adventurous should opt for a guided dome tour and climb 296 steps from the fifth floor to the top of the cupola. The breathtaking view from the dome's outer balcony is the highest point in Topeka. Kansas is the only state that offers a tour with an outdoor view from

The renovations display historic materials, maximize the amount of usable space and improve the building's functions and safety. The north entrance is now a welcoming public entrance as was originally intended. The new visitor's center includes a modern classroom, an orientation auditorium, display space for exhibits and a gift shop.

the Capitol's dome.

The exhibits on display highlight historic items such as John Brown's sword, a page from the Wyandotte Constitution, photographs that celebrate Kansas' diverse cultural heritage and 25 Kansans who influenced the nation. The gift shop features a variety of Kansas-made products, including one-of-a-kind souvea.m. Koffee Klatch; 2:30 p.m. nir items made from the original

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A consultant hired to assess Topeka's historic preservation plan was so stunned by the newly renovated Statehouse that she urged Topeka leaders to apply for "world heritage site" designation, which would add the Capitol to an exclusive worldwide list of cultural and natural sites like the Grand Canyon National Park, Independence Hall in Philadelphia, and Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado. The program is administered by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or UNESCO.

In the late 1800s, more than a million people streamed into Kansas seeking a new life on the frontier. As pioneers arrived in Topeka, traveling along the Oregon Trail or following the railroad west, many stopped to settle down or purchase supplies. Rising from the Kansas prairie, a grand building loomed over the growing city and welcomed settlers. Along Topeka's dirt streets, the sound of chipping stone was a constant rhythm as construction on the Kansas Statehouse continued for 37 years.

As a reflection of early Kansan's optimism and confidence, the Capitol was completed in opulence. Designed by Wisconsin's Edward Townsend Mix and John G. Haskell from Lawrence, the building cost \$3.2 million and included architectural elements of gleaming copper, 17 types of marble, crystal, granite and gold leaf paint.

Visual references to Kansas and its position as the 34th state are repeated throughout the building: green copper dome that has been sunflowers lining the base of the

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pedestals and 34 stars carved into beyond simply shoring up an old glass light fixtures. The Capitol building. With a goal of restoring was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1971.

both an impressive public monument and working offices for the governor and legislators, but over the years the grandeur of the building faded. Repairs and maintenance were often neglected due to tight budgets, murals were obscured by decades of smoke and then painted over, copper railings dulled with use and turned black. By the late 20th century, the Capitol was in dire need of renovation.

Necessitated by serious safety concerns and inadequate infrastructure, the Capitol restoration project was the first major maintenance to the Statehouse since it was completed in the early 20th When the work began in 2001,

the project was expected to last five to eight years, and focused on upgrades to offices, meeting rooms and mechanical systems. During the repairs, workers found beautiful murals, stencil designs and bold colors under flaking paint, spurring further research into the building's original fea-It took 13 years and \$332 mil- 3:15 p.m.

Statehouse offers tours after renovation the original architect's vision, care was taken to preserve the crafts-The Statehouse has served as manship and splendor. To increase accessibility to the Capitol for both employees and visitors. new additions included an underground parking garage, hundreds of new offices and the visitor's

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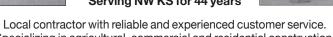
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Hints from Heloise

Potted plant has bug problem

Dear Heloise: Help! I repotted a houseplant with cheap topsoil, and now I have gnats. I moved the plant outside, cleaned and sprayed my house, but they keep coming back! They are driving me crazy. Do you know how to get rid of them, once and for all? - Mildred A., Staten Island, N.Y.

Yes, and it's pretty easy, too! Mix a drop or two of dish soap with a cup or so of water and either mist or pour a little over the soil. This should kill the little devils that are hanging out in the soil. Also, depending on the plant, the soil (at least the top inch or two) should be dry before you water.

TRAVEL HINT

Dear Heloise: In response to a reader who advised people to buy a drink at the airport after going through security: It's the liquids that you can't take through security, not the bottle. Many seasoned travelers take an empty water bottle with them and fill it at the water fountain before getting on the plane. - Bernice B., Bentonville

Bernice, you are right-on! This is what I do when traveling to give a speech or for other business. I always have an empty plastic bottle in my carry-on. It's easy to fill it once I've gone through security. - Heloise

QUICK MEAL

Dear Heloise: I often work late and have a hard time making myself a good meal. It's easier to pick up fast food. Here is what I do now: One of my favorite meals is pasta. I buy a box pasta kit (the kind that comes with the seasoning), make it and add some cut-up chicken and tomatoes. I stick it in the refrigerator, and it is ready to go when I get home. It doesn't need to be heated up. – A Reader in Texas

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Who would have thunk? A very good safety hint that I hope my readers will consider. - He-

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Bridge • Steve Becker

You are South, with both sides vulnerable, and the bidding has gone: West North East South 1 🏚 Pass What would you bid with each of the following five hands?

1. ♠ Q96 ♥ AK875 ♦ 1052 ♣ 64 2. ♠ A1084 ♥ A962 ♦ QJ97 ♣ 10 3. **♦** 5 ♥ J973 **♦** AJ84 **♣** Q652 4. ★ K72 ♥ 4 ♦ AK96 ♣ 109432 5. **♠** A9653 ♥ AKJ742 **♦** 6 **♣** 9

Bidding Quiz

1. Two spades. It is far better to raise spades than to bid two hearts. Two hearts would suggest lack of spade support and would be correct with,

♦ 6 ♥ KQ9874 **♦** K2 **♣** J753

Furthermore, two hearts would not be forcing and might result in reaching the wrong partscore or game contract.

The simplest way to show your spade support is to raise partner's suit. It is not necessary to particularize the nature of your values and risk winding up in the wrong denomination.

2. Four spades. It is hard to imagine partner losing four tricks opposite this promising hand. A jump to three spades would be invitational but not forcing, and the auction might die then and there. Your singleton club is a very powerful feature that should persuade you to go directly to

3. Pass. This is not a pleasant decision, but one must be realistic in misfit situations. The only other possible bid, one notrump, is somewhat dangerous. Game is very unlikely, and trying to improve your position by bidding one notrump might easily make matters worse -- for example, if partner next bid two spades.

4. Three spades. It's hard to assess your game prospects unilaterally, and it is therefore better to ask partner's view of the matter by inviting him to go on to four spades if he has extra values. The double raise with only three trumps is unusual, but your excellent high-card values and singleton heart more than compensate for the missing

With a fourth trump instead of either a diamond or a club, you would raise directly to four spades. It would be wrong in that case to merely invite a game with a hand very likely to produce 10 tricks.

5. Four notrump. It is quite reasonable to expect that partner can make a slam opposite this hand if he has an ace in addition to his strong spades. You should therefore use Blackwood to elicit this information. You plan to stop at five spades if partner responds five clubs, showing no aces, and to bid six spades if he shows one ace by responding five diamonds. In the unlikely event that partner turns up with two aces, you can consider trying for a grand slam, although in that case there is an increased possibility that he

might not have the king of spades. (c)2014 King Features Syndicate Inc

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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 3x3region must contain only one instance of each numeral.

The solution to the last Sudoku puzzle is at right.

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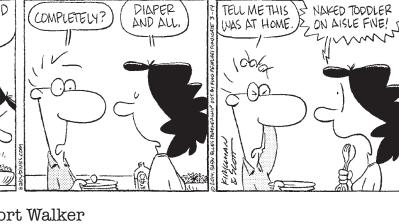
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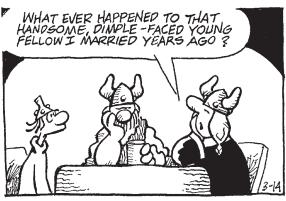
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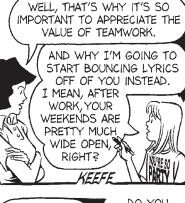




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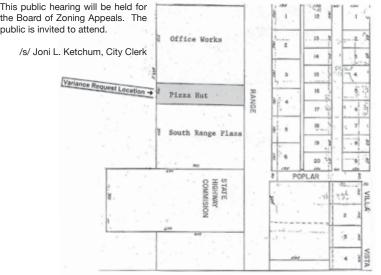
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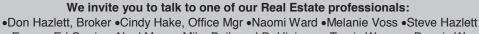
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Tasty! 'Dogs bite Dragons to start state

Free Press

By R.B. Headley

Colby Free Press rbheadley@nwkansas.com

Being a forgotten freshman wasn't going to bother Gabrielle Schiltz Thursday afternoon.

Who could blame the Wilson Dragons for ignoring Schiltz? She wasn't anywhere to be found when they challenged Golden Plains during last year's 1A Division II state tournament game.

Could anyone really expect a freshman to hit the first big shot of this state rematch at state?

"No, not at all," Schiltz admitted. "I was excited (to see her shot go swish!)."

So was most of Rexford who filled the Gross Memorial Coliseum stands. Schiltz's beautifully-timed triple put Golden Plains ahead 11-7 and awoke everyone else playing for Golden Plains.

"It gave us a shot of energy for sure," coach Parker Christensen confirmed as his Bulldogs roared on to the 57-37 state quarterfinal triumph. "Gabrielle is a really good shooter, but sometimes she gets a little nervous. She just needs to set her feet and shoot like she knows how."

Suddenly, all the No. 3-seed Bulldogs were following Schiltz's lead. Junior Rachel Ritter also hit a huge early shot, showing that great teams are not limited to their starting five players.

Senior Mikayla Lobato and sophomore Madison Walz both powered past taller Dragon defenders to score inside baskets.

"Oh yeah, they were (physical), Lobato said about the No. 6-seed Dragons. "It was a little nervewracking at first, but we were ready. We definitely wanted to go on to the semis."

One terrific hustle play showed the Bulldogs' determination. Ritter scrambled for a loose ball and basically pushed it ahead to Walz, who was breaking free behind any Dragon who could stop her.

Walz's layup moved Golden Plains ahead, 22-13, and clearly showed momentum was now with the red-and-black.

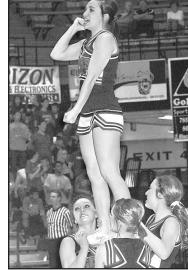
A quick check of Wilson's bench showed the Dragons' body language did not look good. No players were cheering and at least two wore expressions that said "the end is drawing near."

Wilson lost to Golden Plains, 77-67, in the state consolation final last season.

them a little frustrated," coach Christensen said. "They were big. I thought we did a good job on the boards, though."

Senior Hailee Spresser (15 points) then showed her inside power by scoring two more baskets, which signaled the Bulldogs' top two scorers were ready to take

Classmate Jordan Christensen



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Senior Macayla Easton got a lift from her teammates while helping lead Golden Plains cheers during the Bulldogs' state tourney victory Thursday.

finally shook free to hit two long three-pointers. She eventually tallied 16 second-half points as the Bulldogs never looked back during their 20th victory this season.

"Jordan struggled a little early. They (Wilson) did a good job of defending her," coach Christensden observed. "But she and Hailee

Jordan Christensen's second trifecta zipped through the net to make it 45-25 through three quar-

Spresser followed with a smooth mid-range jump shot, and Christensen's steal quickly swiped away remaining Dragon comeback hopes.

J.C. drove the hoop, drew a foul while hitting her layup and finished this three-point play for a 50-32 lead. Just like Saturday's sub-state fi-

nal, Jordan's face lit up most when she found Spresser cutting near the hoop.

A Spresser three-point play made it 55-36. Overall, Golden Plains shot 47.6 percent in the second half (10 for 21) compared to 36 percent (9 for 25) during those first two periods.

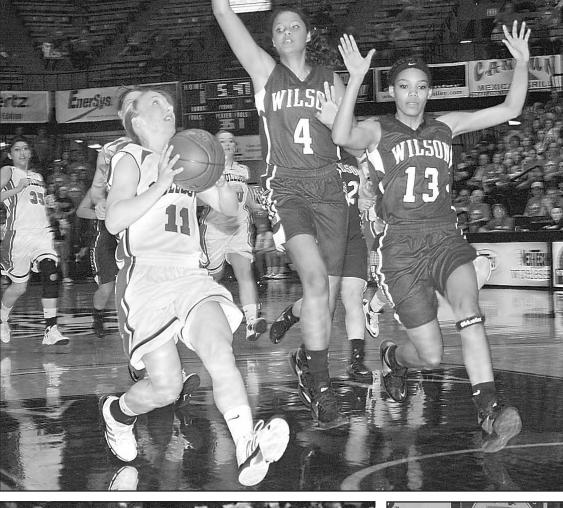
Sophomore Kami Miller's perfect pass to Walz set up the final Bulldog basket.

Point guard Miller delivered a solid all-around game featuring eight points, four assists, three steals and three rebounds.

move on into today's 3 p.m. semi- defense and get those rebounds." Gabrielle Schiltz 3, Rachel Ritfinal against No. 2-seed Bucklin "Yeah, maybe we were getting (21-3 record) at Gross Memorial Coliseum.

> riod to get past No. 7 Beloit-ST. attempts including a dismal 2-for-John's, 56-49, earlier on Thurs-

> "We're assured of playing two more now," coach Christensen ing stat was the Dragons' 17 turnconcluded, knowing his team's No. 1 goal all season has been to reach the Saturday state champi-





R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Golden Plains senior Jordan Christensen was cold reality for Wilson's Dreamer Roberson (22) as she scored 16 second-half points to help close the Bulldogs' quarterfinal win.

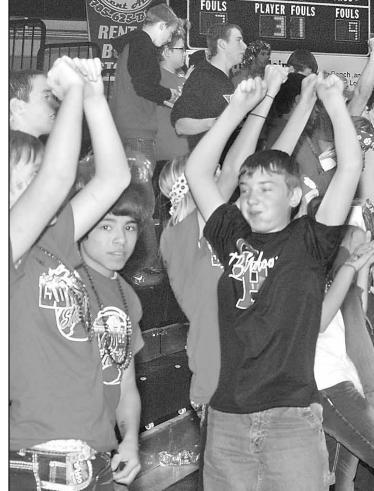
17-7 record. The Dragons shot free throws to Golden Plains' Bucklin needed an overtime pe- eight, but made only five of those 11 second-half effort.

Wilson did win the rebounding battle, 32-30. Perhaps a more tellovers while Golden Plains only lost seven.

Golden Plains (57) — Jordan onship game. "Bucklin has two re- Christensen 16 points, Hailee Janelle Ptace added nine.

ally good players. The main thing Spresser 15, Kami Miller 8, Madi-Most importantly, the Bulldogs we'll have to do is defend. Play son Walz 6, MiKayla Lobato 5, Wilson's season ends with a ter 2, Kynndra Rush 2. Threepoint goals: Christensen 3, Miller, Schiltz. Rebounds: Christensen 4, Lobato 4, Walz 4, Spresser 3, Miller 3, Ritter 3, Rush 2, Carmen Sepulveda 1. Assists: Rush 5, Miller 4, Lobato 2, Christensen 1, Spresser 1. Steals: Christensen 4, Miller 3, Rush 2, Spreser 1, Lobato 1, Ritter 1.

Wilson (37) — Shana Steinike's 14 points paced the Dragons with



Jpcoming events

vs. Bucklin in today's 1A Division game or noon consolation final in II state semifinals at Hays, 3 p.m. **Saturday**

College baseball: Dodge City at Colby, 1 p.m.

Girls basketball: Golden Plains Girls basketball: Golden Plains will play either the 4 p.m .title

R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press

The Golden Plains High

girls were off and running as

sophomore guard Kami Miller

(left) goes for an early layup

in Thursday's 1A Division II state tournament opener at

Hays. Wilson defenders Adri-

anna Florke (4) and Shana Steinike (13) already look like

they know they're in for a long

day against the No. 3-seeded Bulldogs. Wilson lost to Golden

Plains at last year's state tour-

nament. Sure enough, Golden

Plains pulled away for a 57-

37 win as Miller (eight points)

was one of eight Bulldogs who

hit clutch shots. The Rexford

area was well-represented

as young fans (below) cheer

Thursday's outcome at Gross

Memorial Coliseum. Golden

Plains returns to today's state

semifinals, the same round

where they lost last season

and finished third overall. The

girls take on No. 2-seed Buck-

lin (21-3 record) with opening

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Sunday

College baseball: Dodge City at

Bulldogs' next foe survives

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When the Bucklin Red Aces raced out to a 17-4 lead after one quarter, most people thought this was just going to be another 2 seed vs 7 seed blowout in the 1A Division II girls state tournament Thursday afternoon at Hays.

The Beloit-St. John's Blue Jays had other ideas outscoring Bucklin in the second, third and fourth quarter. Brenna Eilert hit a huge three to send the game into overtime. The freshman had a monster game pouring in 24 points and pulling down 8 rebounds.

Yet the Aces once again found some rhythm in the extra frame out scoring St. John's Tipton, 13-6, for the 56-49 win.. Janae Price and Morgan Hood had 18 a piece for Bucklin and Allyson Rudd added 15.

Bucklin hit three of four shots in the overtime period, while Beloit-St. John's finished three for 11.

Beloit-St. John's ended its sea-

No. 2 Bucklin (21-3 record) moves on to a 3 p.m. semifinal showdown today against No. 3

Golden Plains (20-3). In Thursday's other state tournament quarterfinals at Gross



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Golden Plains coach Parker Christensen high-fived Kynndra Rush, Madison Walz (left) and all his Bulldogs as they closed in on a 57-37 state tournament win over Wilson on Thursday.

Memorial Coliseum, No. 1 Baileyville B&B scored a 51-35 win three-double figure scorers in Kaover Attica while No. 5 Dighton shot past No. 4 Argonia, 47-35.

Baileyville B&B and Dighton (11). will meet for the other 1A semifinal at 6:30 p.m. today. Baileyville B&B owns a 21-3 record while Dighton's now 17-5.

The top seeds prevailed behind tie Huerter (12 points), Cassidy Hulsing (12) and Ashley Sudbeck

Attica finished 15-9 overall. Dighton's Shambrey Budd netted 14 points to lead a Dighton offense that only hit 32.6 percent.

Jayhawks win in overtime

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) -Andrew Wiggins gathered the ball along the baseline with about a minute left in regulation, turned around and put up the kind of fade-away jumper that will soon make him millions.

When it splashed through the net, his teammates on the Kansas bench leaped to their feet.

Energized by the clutch play of their talented freshman, the No. 10 Jayhawks held on to force overtime, then pulled away for a 77-70 victory over Oklahoma State on Wednesday that earned them a spot in the semifinals of the Big 12 tournament.

'My shot was falling the whole game," said Wiggins, who finished with 30 points. "They cut off the base line, and step-back is one of my main moves, and it just fell through."

The notion that Andrew Wiggins' quiet demeanor holds him back is misguided. He had 30 points in Kansas' win over Oklahoma State and continues to lead the Jayhawks, Myron Medcalf writes. Story

Wayne Selden Jr. added 14 points, and Naadir Tharpe made four foul shots in the extra session to seal the win.

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