

# COLBY FREE PRESS

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## Insurance provider unchanged

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County employees will not change health insurance providers this year as the commissioners opted for consistency for county employees over a \$178,587 cost savings for county taxpayers.

At their Monday meeting, the commissioners considered proposals for employee health insurance from Blue Cross Blue Shield at a cost of \$682,764 and Freedom Claims Management at a cost of \$504,177, annually.

County Clerk Shelly Harms told the commissioners that the consensus of the county department heads is that the employees would prefer to go with the state plan, which the commissioners previously rejected, or keep the Blue Cross Blue Shield plan.

"We have to look at not only the cost but the benefits," Commissioner Mike Baughn said. "Our employee benefits are important. We need to maximize those as much as we can but still be conscious of the cost."

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## Candidate has Colby degree

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An Overland Park attorney running for Pat Robertson's U.S. Senate seat says he wants to bring his experience as a tax lawyer to Washington to clean up the nation's budget and tax code.

Patrick Wiesner, who owns the law firm Wiesner and Frackowiak in Overland Park, said he graduated from Colby Community College in the 1970s. He went on to attend Fort Hays State University, earn a law degree from the University of Kansas and serve in the military for 21 years. Now he is running for the U.S. Senate as a Democrat.

"I think I bring a different perspective to the Senate than, not only Senator Roberts, but also all the other senators there," Wiesner said.

As lawyer, Wiesner said, he works on tax and debt problems, adding that he also is a certified public accountant. If he wins, he said, he might be the only senator with federal income tax experience, and he intends to use that experience to rewrite the budget so that it produces a surplus in-



Patrick Wiesner

stead of the government spending more than it takes in each year. That way, he said, the country can start to repay the trillions of dollars of debt it has piled up instead of having to borrow even more. The tax code should be simplified, Wiesner said, made clear enough for everyone to know what they

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## Colby teacher exhibits her art

Colby Community College art instructor Rebel Jay will be featured at the Carnegie Arts Center in Goodland during June.

Jay said she enjoys helping others "open up their creative potential and think outside the box."

The instructor grew up in Glen Elder and graduated from Wacanda East High School in Cawker City. She received an associate degree in visual arts from Cloud County Community College and a bachelor's degree in art education from Fort Hays State University with an emphasis in printmaking. She completed a master's degree in sculpture from Fort Hays in 2011.

Jay said she began teaching in 1995 at Ruppenthal Middle School in Russell and moved to Colby in 2003.

She says she was a senior in high school when she learned of her artistic abilities. On a whim, she and her brother had entered the arts and crafts competition at the county fair the summer

before. They bet on who would outdo the other. Without ever taking an art class, she received the champion award and her brother a blue ribbon. This inspired her to study art her senior year, she said, and she loved it.

When trying to decide her major in college, her great-grandmother, a home economics teacher, advised her to choose a field that would make more money. Jay chose accounting, but she said, she found it boring and confining. The next semester, she changed her major.

Her art includes mixed media: sculpture, all types of painting, metal work, clay, batik, pencil and charcoal. When Jay isn't spending time with her family, she can be found working away at her studio. She organized the Colby Art Walk and exhibits annually at the Oberlin ArtFest and Colby Art Show.

Her exhibit in Goodland will be displayed through Sunday, June 29.



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A crane from Woofter Construction and Irrigation (above) was needed to lift spools of cable off a truck Tuesday morning north of town. Workers secured the giant spools onto a different truck (center) after the first one slid off the road

Monday night near K-25 and County Road CC. At least 50 vehicles were backed up on both north and southbound lanes of K-25 (bottom) while cable was taken off the truck.

## Mud traps loaded truck

A truck hauling spools of cables held up traffic for a total of almost eight hours after it slid off K-25 Monday night near County Road CC, two miles from the Rawlins County line. No one was injured in the accident, but a crane was needed to lift the huge spools off the truck, blocking traffic in both directions.

The Thomas County Sheriff's office got the call about the slide-off around at 8:46 p.m. Monday. A deputy stayed at the scene blocking traffic until about 1 a.m. Tuesday. The clean up was still not complete that morning, however. Three spools were still on the truck that morning, and a crane from Woofter Construction and Irrigation was brought out to get them off the truck, while a sheriff's deputy went to the scene of the accident around 9 a.m. and blocked traffic until around 1 p.m.



## Texting crackdown catches 56

TOPEKA (AP) — A recent 10-day statewide crackdown on drivers who send or receive text messages on their cell phones resulted in dozens of citations, but officials say there are some gray areas that make enforcing the law a challenge.

The Kansas Highway Patrol issued 56 texting-and-driving citations during the enforcement action. Patrol spokesman Lt. Josh Kellerman said the agency plans to have another crackdown soon.

While the 3-year-old law is making drivers safer, it requires law enforcement to observe drivers carefully to confirm that they're using their phone to do something they're

not allowed to do, Kellerman told the *Topeka Capital-Journal* (<http://bit.ly/1xJtdM>).

"I cannot take that phone from you and look at it," Kellerman said. "So the part of law enforcement of really paying attention and building your case to make that stop is really important."

Kansas law allows officers to give tickets to drivers who "write, send or receive a written communication" while in motion, including the use of social media like Facebook or Twitter or "any time that phone is transmitting any type of data."

A measure introduced in the Kansas House that didn't get a hearing would have clarified

that the law does not apply to drivers who are typing in a phone number to make a call.

That's how the Highway Patrol already reads the law, Kellerman said, which is part of what complicates enforcement.

"When I pull up to your car I've got to see what you're doing, so it can be hard to enforce, but when I pull up alongside you and see you driving with your knees, you're not dialing a phone number," Kellerman said.





# Weather



National Weather Service

**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around 53. East wind 5 to 10 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 87. Windy, with a south wind 15 to 20 mph increasing to 25 to 30 mph in the afternoon.

**Friday Night:** A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms between 10 p.m. and 3 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. Breezy, with a south wind around 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

**Saturday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Sunny, with a high near 91. Breezy, with a southwest wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

**Saturday Night:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59. Breezy.

**Sunday:** Sunny, with a high near 82.

**Sunday Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

**Monday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 87.

**Monday Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 63.

**Tuesday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 90.

**Tuesday Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 61.

**Wednesday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 81.

**Wednesday:** High, 87; Low 49  
Precip: Wednesday .05 inches  
Month: 3.66 inches  
Year: 7.54 inches  
Normal: 9.84 inches  
(K-State Experiment Station)

**Sunrise and Sunset**  
Friday 6:17 a.m. 9:12 p.m.  
Moon: waning, 99 percent  
(U.S. Naval Observatory)  
**Colby Water Use**  
Wednesday 1,467,000 gal.  
(Colby Public Works)

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owe each year.

"We should have simpler laws," he said. "I read federal statutes for a living, and it takes several readings."

Wiesner said he also might be the only candidates who would want to improve the Internal Revenue Service and provide it with a big enough budget. As a lawyer, Wiesner said, he has worked with the service and "I find them to be true professionals." If the agency had adequate money, he said, he feels the country would be better off.

Another priority, Wiesner said, would be to avoid the influence of lobbyists. If he makes it to the Senate, Wiesner promised to never let a lobbyist draft a law, or to trade a vote for a campaign contribution. At any hearing, he said, he would write his own questions.

He said, senators ought to read an entire bill and understand it before voting.

"I might talk to them (lobbyists), but my vote will be only my vote," he said.

Asked whether he would take money from them, he said, "I don't intend to."

The relationship between lobbyists and the senators who listen to them is a big part of the problem with legal language today, the candidates says. Many bills include multiple references to other laws, for instance.

"The lobbyists are the primary drafters of the language of the public law these days," he said.

Wiesner said he doesn't plan to leave the state if he gets into the Senate. He works in Overland

Park and owns a house in Lawrence, he said, and intends to live in Kansas for the rest of his life. Except for when he was in the Navy and the Army Reserve, he has lived in the state all of his life.

Many of his friends from western Kansas Wiesner met while he attended Colby Community College from 1974 to 1976. He would do it all over again if he had the chance.

"I consider myself an expert in government fiscal law," said Wiesner, who will retire this year from the reserves as a major.

While deployed abroad in recent years, he said, he wrote legal opinions on requests for governments money for operations, communications security and construction.

He first joined the Navy Reserve, then the Army Reserve, and then got a commission in the Army Judge Advocate Corps in 1996. Working as part of the 326 Area Support Group based in Kansas City, he traveled to military bases around Kansas, advising the army on the Law of Land Warfare, re-employment rights and the Code of Conduct, among other things. He also wrote wills for soldiers and provided power-of-attorney services.

Later, he was assigned to the 8th Legal Support Organization, based in Independence, Mo., before being deployed three times. First, he spent about a year from 2006 to 2007 in the heavily fortified "Green Zone" in central Baghdad, then from 2009 to 2010 he went to Camp Victory in Iraq. For most of 2013, he was in Afghanistan. At the same time as his normal military training at Fort Leavenworth in 2009, he gave legal assistance to soldiers, retirees and contractors at the base.

# Fireworks fund needs boost

The Kiwanis Club is seeking donations from the public for its yearly Fourth of July fireworks show.

To set off the sort of fireworks that Colby residents are used to seeing again this year, the club

is seeking help from individuals and businesses in the area.

The club spends \$4,875 to put on its display at the Thomas County Fairgrounds each summer, Kiwanis Club President Marvin Bickner said. The club

has about \$1,000 budgeted for the show, raised from fund raisers year round, but gets the rest from donations specifically targeting the display.

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Harms said most of the employees' concerns centered around past experiences with other companies that did not pay claims as easily and had more limited providers.

At Commissioner Paul Steele's request, Harms had contacted other cities and counties who currently use Freedom Claims Management. She said those who responded said they are happy with the company but did not go into detail on the claims process.

Linda Sowers, wife of Commissioner Byron Sowers, asked if the county offers insurance for employees' families. Harms said the county does offer this insurance "but nobody can afford it." Family insurance costs about \$1,400 out of the employee's pocket, she said, leaving "not much" of a paycheck after the premium is paid.

Steele said the claims process with Freedom Claims Management bothers him. Under this company's program, claims would be submitted twice by the provider: once to the primary insurer and once to Freedom Claims as a secondary insurer. Baughn agreed that the third-party claims administration worried him, too.

Several years ago, Steele said, the county had a third-party administrator that made it difficult for employees to submit their claims.

"We came back to Blue Cross Blue Shield because of claims administration," he said. "How many times do we have to get burned?"

Harms said she personally would prefer to go with Blue Cross even if it meant giving up a wage

increase.

"I know what I'm getting with Blue Cross," she said.

Sowers moved to sign the Blue Cross contract and the commissioners passed it unanimously.

Baughn said his decision was prompted by wanting to avoid changing insurance plans now that the Affordable Care Act is in place. He said the current plan is grandfathered because the county had the plan before the Affordable Care Act took effect.

Later, Steele suggested holding salary increases to a "modest level like 2 percent" this year because of the 9 percent increase in costs under the Blue Cross Blue Shield plan.

In other business, the commissioners

- Extended the warranty for the landfill's primary loader at a cost of \$8,248. Landfill supervisor Larry Jumper told the commissioners he wanted to extend the warranty on this 2011 loader and use it as a backup after he gets a new loader next year.

- Adjusted tax records to reflect the sale of a piece of property in Menlo in 2009.

- Approved accounts payable of \$229,021.

- Received budget requests from the Economic Development Alliance, Health Department, Brewster Senior Center and Colby Senior Progress Center.

- Looked at preliminary property valuation estimates from County Appraiser Bruce Webb, which showed about a 2 percent increase from last year. The commissioners plan to begin budget work sessions on Monday, June 16.

# Briefly

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

## Dinner, auction to help family

At 5:30 p.m. Saturday there will be a benefit dinner, drawing and auction for Baby Juenemann, expected by Michael and Amanda Juenemann in July. The baby's heart is missing the left ventricle and aortic valve; three operations are planned. For a donation enjoy a pulled pork dinner at the Gem Community Building. A silent auction will run from 6 to 8 p.m. For information call Jared Johnson at 443-3373.

## Wheat tour coming to Colby Tuesday

The Thomas County wheat plot tour will be at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Solomon Creek farm, five miles south of the Levant exit on I-70. Meet at the shop on the east side of the road for presentations before going south to the field. Speakers are Jim Shroyer, who will be retiring soon, Dan O'Brien and Lucas Haag. Feel free to bring wheat samples. For information call the Thomas County Extension Office at 460-4582.

## Senate candidate to be here Friday

Dr. Milton Wolf, a Republican primary candidate for U.S. Senate, will hold town hall meetings at 6:30 p.m. Friday in the college student union and at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at Colonial Steakhouse in Oakley. For information, go to www.miltonwolf.com or call Mike Schultz at 462-1447.

## Citizens Foundation to hold silent auction

Come support CMCI at the Citizens Foundation drawing and silent auction during the Citizens Foundation Golf Tournament on Friday at the Meadow Lake Golf Club. Come and browse through items starting at 9 a.m. Winners will be announced after the tournament, and you must be present to win. For information contact, Megan Carmichael at 460-1214.

## Drag Main with the Legion Riders

The American Legion Riders' Drag Main returns Friday at the Legion Hall, 1850 W. Fourth St. Food will be served from 6 to 8 p.m. with the American Legion baseball team assisting. All cars, pickups, horses and bikes are welcome. For information, call Tracey Galli at 462-0450.

## Branson entertainers to give concert

A Gospel bluegrass band, the Haining Family, from Branson, Mo., will perform at 7 p.m. Friday at the Brewster Community Church, 511 Third St. An offering will be taken. For information, call Janet Pinkelman at (785) 694-2813 or (785) 694-2720 or go to www.hainingfamily.com.

## Concealed carry training available

The Kansas Concealed Carry Handgun Training to be offered at Colby Community College has been rescheduled to July. The class will be taught by Barry Kaaz from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 19, in the Student Union. Completion of the course enables participants to apply for Kansas Concealed Carry Certification. Cost is \$125. For information or to register, contact Patty Mead at 460-5550 or Kaaz at 460-5429.

## Once a Month Lunch coming up Saturday

Once a Month Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. Fourth St. This free meal is served to all who come the second Saturday of each month. No reservations. For questions, call Leisa Hansen at 460-2710.

## Benefit craft show coming to Oakley

The Oakley Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary will hold an arts and crafts show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at 317 Center Ave. in Oakley. For information, call Carla Dible at 443-1107.

## Commodities to be given out here Monday

U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities will be distributed from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday at the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program office in the Senior Progress Center at Fike Park. Income guidelines changed April 1: maximum gross monthly income in \$1,265 for one family member and about \$440 higher for each additional member. Distribution is first come, first-served, but you may send a signed permission slip with another person. Bring a sack or box. For questions, call the office at 462-6744.

## Diplomas available for graduates

The Colby High School graduating class of 2014 diplomas, transcripts and miscellaneous items are available for pick-up at the administration building, 600 West Third St., Colby. If you have not received your packet, stop by the administration office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to pick it up.

Saturday Evening June 14, 2014											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	Bet on Your Baby	Sing Your Face Off					Local				
KBSL/CBS	Hawaii Five-0	CSI: Crime Scene					Local				
KSNK/NBC	Dateline NBC					The Blacklist	Local	Saturday Night Live			
KSAS/FOX	MLB Baseball					Local	Animation Domination	Local			
Cable Channels											
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		
AMC	The Green Mile					Invincible					
ANIM	My Cat From Hell	My Tiny Terror			Bad Dog!		My Cat From Hell		My Tiny Terror		
BRAVO	Burlesque					Coyote Ugly		Burlesque			
CMT	Gridiron Gang	Dog and Beth					Dog and Beth		Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.
CNN	The Sixties					Anthony Bourd.		The Sixties			
COMEDY	Kevin Hart: Laugh	Sinbad: Make Me Wanna Holla	Kevin Hart: Laugh		Billy Madison						
DISC	Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Vegas Rat Rods		Treehouse Masters		Vegas Rat Rods		
DISN	Dog	Adventures of Sharkboy			Lab Rats	Kickin' 1	Good Luck	Liv-Mad.	Austin	Dog	
E!	After Sho	No Strings Attached					Escape Club	After Sho	Chelsea		
ESPN	SportCtr	2014 FIFA World Cup					SportsCenter		SportsCenter		
ESPN2	College Baseball					SportsCenter		World Cup Tonight			
FAM	Remember the Titans	The Blind Side					Uncle Buck				
FOOD	Chopped	Chopped					Chopped	Restaurant: Im.		Chopped	
FX	UFC 174: Prelims					X-Men: First Class					
HGTV	Property Brothers	Property Brothers			House Hunters Reno		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Property Brothers		
AmericanProfile // CELEBRATING THE AMERICAN SPIRIT //											
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	Pawn	The Hunt		Pawn	Pawn	
LIFE	The Mentor					Secret Sex Life		The Mentor			
MTV	9 Days and Nights			Faking It		White Chicks		Tokyo Drift			
NICK	Thunder	Thunder	Hathaways	Sam & Cat	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends		
SCI	Underworld		The Wolfman					Battledogs			
SPIKE	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Man on Fire				
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Due Date				
TCM	The Champ					Life-A. Hardy					
TLC	Sex Sent Me to the E	Sex Sent Me to the E		Strange		Sex Sent Me to the E		Strange			
TNT	Sherlock Holmes-Game	AFI Life Achievement Award		AFI Life Achievement Award		Sherlock Holmes					
TOON	King/Hill	King/Hill	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Boondocks	Dynamite	Boondocks	Attack	Bleach	Space Dan	
TRAV	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		The Dead Files		The Dead Files				
TV LAND	Who's the Boss?	Boss	Boss	King	King	King	King	King	Raymond	Raymond	
USA	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	He's Just Not That Into You			
VH1	Rocky IV					Mad Boys					
WGN	Funniest Home Videos					Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Bones	Bones
Premium Channels											
HBO	The Conjuring					Boxing					
MAX	Percy J	A Good Day to Die Hard			Runner Runner		Topless P		Skin-Max	Id Thief	
SHOW	Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful			Diary-Black					

Sunday Evening June 15, 2014												
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30		
KAKE/ABC	2014 NBA Finals					NBA		Local				
KBSL/CBS	The Good Wife			The Good Wife		The Mentalist		Local				
KSNK/NBC	Ninja Warrior					Believe	Crisis		Local			
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Amer. Dad	Local							
Cable Channels												
A & E	Duck Dynasty	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck	Duck	Big Smo	Duck D.	Duck Dynasty				
AMC	Shutter Island	Halt and Catch Fire					Shutter Island					
ANIM	River Renegade	Wildman	Wildman	Finding Bigfoot	Finding Bigfoot	Wildman	Wildman					
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.	Married to Medicine		Housewives/Atl.		Happens	Housewives/Atl.	Medicine				
CMT	Rambo: First Blood			Rambo Part II		Dog and Beth						
CNN	Anthony Bourd.					41 on 41		41 on 41				
COMEDY	Dumb & Dumber					South Park		South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	
DISC	Last Frontier					Alaskan Bush People		Last Frontier				
DISN	Finding Nemo		Liv-Mad.		Dog		Jessie	Good Luck Charlie				
E!	Kardashian			Kardashian		Escape Club		Escape Club				
ESPN	MLB Baseball					SportsCenter		SportCtr				
ESPN2	College Baseball					NHLA Drag Racing						
FAM	The Blind Side					Chasing Life		J. Osteen	J. Meyer			
FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Food Network Star		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		Food Network Star			
FX	21 Jump Street					21 Jump Street						
HGTV	Beach	Beach	Brother vs. Brother	Hunters		Hunt Intl	Hunters	Hunt Intl	Brother vs. Brother			
HIST	Mountain Men		Mountain Men		The Hunt		Pawn	Pawn	Mountain Men			
LIFE	The Mentor					Drop Dead Diva		Devious Maids		The Mentor		
MTV	Ridic.	Ridic.	Jackass 2.5	Bad Grandpa .5		Bad Grandpa .5						
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends			
SCI	The Wolfman		Van Helsing					The Astronaut's Wife				
SPIKE	Bar Rescue		Hungry Investors		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Hungry Investors			
TBS	The Hangover					Anchorman		I Love				
TCM	The Yearling					Sunder		Conquermg				
TLC	Sister Wives		Sister Wives		Return to Amish		Sister Wives		Return to Amish			
TNT	Sherlock Holmes-Game					Sherlock Holmes-Game						
TOON	King/Hill	King/Hill	Rick	Burgers	Burgers	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Robot Chicken				
TRAV	Mega RV Countdown		Extreme RVs		Extreme RVs		Extreme RVs		Extreme RVs			
TV LAND	Cosby	Cosby	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Jennifer	Cleveland		
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Suits					
VH1	Bad Boys					SNL in the '90s		Saturday Night Live				
WGN	Funniest Home Videos					Demolition Man		Salem		Salem		
Premium Channels												
HBO	Conjuring   True		Game of Thrones			Game of Thrones		Last Week	Game of Thrones			
MAX	Full Metal Jacket					Kick-Ass 2						
SHOW	Penny Dreadful	Nurse	Californ.	Penny Dreadful	Penny Dreadful	Penny Dreadful	Penny Dreadful					



# Science adventures on display next week in summer program

The next program during Summer Reading will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Pioneer Memorial Library basement, called "Chain Reaction." We invite you to come and enjoy science adventures performed by Jay and Leslie Cady. This will be a fun learning event for all ages.

You can still sign up for our Adult/Teen Summer Reads Tic Tac Toe game. For every Tic Tac Toe you make, you get a chance to enter to win a Kindle eReader. If you want to play, pick up the Tic Tac Toe game from the library, then read books from nine different categories. Each Tic Tac Toe (across, up and down, or diagonal) is one entry for the grand prize. If a person gets all eight possible combinations they get two extra chances, for a total of 10 possibilities to win. This Tic Tac Toe card must be turned in by Friday, Aug. 1, so you have lots of time to read.

We have added a whole bunch of books for your summer reading delight. The first is "Glorious," by Jeff Guinn, the author of "The Last Gunfight."

This book is set in Glorious, Ariz. Apaches are a threat to prospectors in the area; one must not be found alone or the worst pos-



**Melany Wilks**

## Library Links

sible could happen. Protagonist Cash McLendon has been riding inside a stagecoach ever since he left Texas. When the stagecoach driver told him that there would be no stops for 30 miles (basically the day's trip to Glorious) he was mystified. McLendon had no idea what he was getting into when he decided to move to Glorious.

This ought to be a great read for the lover of western literature. Other western books we are adding are: "The Last Kind Words Saloon," by Larry McMurtly and "Ragtime Cowboys," by Loren D. Estleman.

The next book is historical fiction about the Civil War. Author Jeff Shaara says this is the third volume of what will be a four-book set, taking place in the western theater of the Civil War. The first two are "A Blaze of Glory" and "A Chain of Thunder."

This book takes place in Chat-

tanooga, Tenn. Shaara has researched the period of 1863 and the generals William T. Sherman, Ulysses S. Grant, Braxton Bragg and others who fought this bloody war. You will begin to grasp the time and situation and the profound effects this war had on people and places, along with the historical backgrounds that still influence us.

To all those Stephen King fans, be aware that we have just added "Mr. Mercedes," set in the Midwest. King has unemployed persons waiting to enter a job fair when a vehicle plows into the crowd. This will not be the last time this person will kill others if he succeeds in his next effort. Retired cop, Bill Hodges and some friends must find this person before he kills again. You will enjoy the twists and turns King brings to the story.

Inspirational fiction items we are adding are: "Through the Deep Waters," by Kim Vogel Sawyer; "Walking on Water," by Richard Paul Evans (print and audiobook); "The Four Doors," (print and audiobook); and "Thankful," by Shelley Shepard Gray.

Mystery fiction added includes: "The Keeper," by John Lescro-

art; "The Kill Switch," by James Rollins and Grant Blackwood (in regular print and large print); "Midnight Crossroad," by Charlane Harris; "Under the Wide and Starry sky by Nancy Horan; "Unlucky 13," by James Patterson and Maine Paetro (regular and large print); "Fourth of July Creek," by Smith Henderson; "Death At the Door," by Carolyn Hart; "People of the Morning Star," by W. Michael Gear and Kathleen O'Neal Gear; and "Robert B. Parker's Cheap Shot," by Ace Atkins (print and CD audio book).

Audio books include: "Live to See Tomorrow," by Iris Johansen; "The One and Only," by Emily Giffin; "The Skin Collector," by Jeffrey Deaver; "Good Talk, Dad: The Birds and the Bees ... and Other Conversations We Forgot to Have," by Bill and Willie Geist; "The Scorch Trials," and "The Maze Runner," both by James Dashner; "Ghost Ship," by Clive Cussler; and "Field of Prey," by John Sanford.

Come in from the heat, enjoy a magazine, newspaper article or book. Bring in your iPad, tablet or other device and use our Wi-Fi in the cool of the library.

See you in the library!

## Eightieth birthday honored with cards

Betty Schroeder of Brewster will celebrate her 80th birthday on Monday, June 16, 2014, with a card shower.

Born in 1934 in Colby, the daughter of Ira and Lorraine Stickel, she attended school in Levant, graduating in 1952.

She married John Schroeder on May 23, 1952, and moved to the farm where they lived until they retired and moved to Brewster several years ago.

Schroeder spent her married life on the farm as a hired hand, tractor driver, truck driver, gardener and cook. Her cooking, especially baking, is one of the

highlights of her life – and of the recipients of the goodies she makes.

She is the mother of Diana (John) Presley of Dodge City, Debbie (Bob) Aday of Waxahachie, Texas, and the late John Richard (Rick) Schroeder.

She is also the grandmother to six: Jeremy (Janie) Presley, Courtney (Matt) Howard, Ashley (Brock) Seidl, Benjamin Schroeder, Nicolas (Kelly) Schroeder and Von Aday. She has 10 great-grandchildren.

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B. Schroeder

## Art club to present movie at the library

The High Plains Art Club will present a free 90-minute movie at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 26, at the Pioneer Memorial Library.

The movie, "Georgia O'Keeffe," tells the story of the American artist's life. It features actors Joan Allen and Jeremy Irons.

O'Keeffe became famous for her larger-than-life flower paintings. Later she was noted for her New Mexico landscapes. Her love affair and marriage with photog-

rapher Alfred Stieglitz and her struggles with his infidelities are chronicled in this story. Many of the O'Keeffe masterpieces are shown throughout the movie.

The art club will be selling tickets for a drawing for the oil painting, "Ducks in Flight," by Hoxie wildlife artist, Shirley Baker. Refreshments will be served.

This movie is not rated, but art club members do not recommend it for children.

## Groups speak out on 50-year water vision

Sustainability must be the goal of the 50-Year Vision for Water in Kansas. "Development at all-costs" thinking at the expense of conservation and protection is neither sustainable nor acceptable. This was the message of the nine natural resource and environmental groups who gathered in Topeka to deliver comments to the Kansas Water Office and Kansas Department of Agriculture representatives on the Governor's 50 Year Water Vision on May 13.

"We have over-appropriated water in the state; we built reservoirs without insisting on or supporting upstream land management so now they are silting in. We are removing wildlife habitat, forests, and grasslands that protect water quality and provide biodiversity, and our children and grandchildren will pay the price," said Mary Fund, of the Kansas Rural Center, summarizing comments. "Addressing the problems we have today require that we take a hard look at the way we use the state's water, how we live, how we produce food, crops and livestock, and what kind of business and industry we pursue."

The group warned that making the same mistakes as in the past – promoting growth beyond a practical and reasonable water availability – will prove costly for the health and well-being of communities and future generations. Balancing use and conservation is critical in any long term planning.

Kansas has had a State Water Plan since 1985, said several of the groups, with programs to provide conservation, management and protection. "It works if funded," said Jim Hays of the Nature Conservancy, a sentiment echoed by all present.

It has not been funded adequately, the group claims, and has in fact been robbed for other uses in recent years. A wide range of stakeholders worked out a mix of user fees, Economic Development Initiative Funds and state general funds in 1989. Kansas law says that \$6 million from the State General Fund is to be transferred to the State Water Fund each year, as well as \$2 million from economic development funds, but these funds have been repeatedly diverted to other state purposes. Without dedicated funding, the new plan will go nowhere, claimed the resource and environmental groups.

Primary attention in the vision planning discussions so far, the group claimed, has been on increasing supply to make up for the declining Ogallala Aquifer, which feeds irrigation in the western part of the state, and solving the problems of sedimentation in the state's major reservoirs which provide water supply for population centers. Providing water for economic needs is important, but conservation and stewardship of the water resource, as well as

of our soil, wildlife and aquatic resources, the groups argued, is critical to our own well-being.

"Water is not just for human use, or just a supply issue," stated Sharon Ashworth, Kansas Natural Resource Council. "It supports wildlife habitat, aquatic life and our entire ecosystem, and when we protect the ecosystem we protect ourselves." Ashworth and others pointed to Cheyenne Bottoms and other natural wetlands as critical parts of the Central Flyway that are of international importance, as significant for water quality for healthy populations of aquatic life.

The groups represented included the Kansas Natural Resource Council, Kansas Chapter of the Sierra Club, Audubon of Kansas, Kansas Wildlife Federation, Friends of the Kaw, The Nature Conservancy, Climate and Energy Project, Kansas Farmers Union, and the Kansas Rural Center.

In addition to the call for dedicated funding for water programs, the group's recommendations called on state planners to:

- Recognize that protection of the natural resource base is as important as economic growth; long term economic health depends on how well we protect our natural resources.
- Balance water use with conservation, and approach any interbasin transfers of water with extreme caution.
- Reduce consumption to sustainable yields across the state.
- Elevate water quality to be a strong part of the vision not just implied.
- Consider all the evidence of changing climate patterns as part of any 50-year plan.
- Coordinate with state energy planning to promote less water intensive energy sources. Renewable energy sources like solar and wind use less water than the traditional fossil fuel sources.
- Increase public education related to water issues to raise awareness and understanding of problems and solutions.

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## High Plains Lions Club

The High Plains Lions Club met at 7 p.m. Monday at the Colby Community College Student Union. There was no meal due to summer college recess. Roger Hale conducted the meeting. Guests were Wes Gerrans, Jim Oliver and Boy Scout Troop 140.

Oliver gave a program on motorcycle safety. He talked about cycling in many different situations: riding with a group, in wind, rain, snow, freezing weather and hot weather. He stressed drinking plenty of fluids and wearing protective clothing.

He also stressed the need to keep your eyes looking forward. Oliver said, "Your bike will follow your vision." He said if you don't wear boots when riding you need to tape your shoestrings down so they won't catch in the machinery. "What a surprise when you go to brake and find your shoestring caught in your shifter or some other part," he said.

Oliver demonstrated how to turn into a right or left curve. He also demonstrated the right type of helmet. He gave the statistics on head injuries and fatalities as

well as fatalities involving alcohol and riding. "If you ride, don't drink alcohol."

Oliver ended his talk by pleading with the non-rider to learn how to ride. His example is that someone gets a cycle and a friend or neighbor says, "How about me taking a spin around the block?" You can get killed riding around the block."

There are weekend riding classes; sign up for one before you start cycling, Oliver said.

In other club activities, Troop 140 asked if they could help with some of their Lions sponsor's activities. They also told about their summer camp in July.

The club sang "Happy Birthday" to Jody McCain and recognized Larry and Sheryl Brenn's 45th wedding anniversary. The rest of the meeting was planning the Fourth of July Community Celebration.

The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Monday, June 23, at the Student Union, with pizza. Sheryl Brenn will report on the state convention.

— Roger Hale

## Ellis County tour to visit historic churches

A tour of the Ellis County historic churches will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, June 21. The tour will be a full day of visiting the churches, including guided tours and an Ellis County-style Volga German meal for lunch.

The tour will begin at 8 a.m. from the Hays Welcome Center, 27th and Vine. It will be a caravan tour and individuals, families or groups can follow along in their own vehicle.

St. Fidelis Church in Victoria was dedicated as a minor basilica on Saturday and is included on the tour. This is the only minor basilica in Kansas and the newest basilica named in the United States. Other stops on the tour include St. Catherine Church in Catharine, Holy Cross Church in Pfeifer, St. Joseph Church in Hays, St. Francis of Assisi Church in Munjor,

the grotto and chapel at Thomas More Prep-Marian junior-senior high school in Hays. The day will conclude with 5 p.m. mass at the Basilica of St. Fidelis in Victoria.

The tour will be \$10 per person for the guided tours and lunch. Call (785) 628-2624 before Wednesday to register.

For information, go to [www.germancapitalofkansas.com](http://www.germancapitalofkansas.com) [www.elliscountyhistoricalmuseum.org](http://www.elliscountyhistoricalmuseum.org) or [www.haysusa.net](http://www.haysusa.net)

## Clarification

An article, "County starts work on budget," on Page 1 of the Thursday, June 5, *Colby Free Press*, contained a misleading statement. The holes in County Road 28 only became 10 feet deep when the township president dug out the earth, after the sandy area of the road washed out. This was a reporting error.

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## Other Viewpoints

### Senate challenge welcome addition

Approximately 30 percent of Kansas voters are registered as unaffiliated, but in most elections they end up voting for a candidate from one of the major parties.

Olathe businessman Greg Orman hopes to change that trend by collecting at least 5,000 signatures by Aug. 4 to earn a place on the November ballot as an independent candidate for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Sen. Pat Roberts.

Kansans should welcome the addition of an independent candidate for elected office. Any effort that can expand voters' options is worthwhile. Additionally, such a candidate provides the opportunity to bring the discussion closer the middle and away from the fringes where primary elections typically live. And such a candidate can help keep party candidates from working to appeal to the extremes during the primary, only to move toward the middle during the general election.

At first glance, it appears that Orman may bring some weight to an independent ticket that often lacks substance. He is a successful businessman, a longtime Kansan who isn't beholden to a party machine, and a candidate whose platform doesn't appear to be focused on a single issue.

Whether voters plan to support an independent candidate in the general election or stick with their favorite party's candidates, it's at least worth supporting any effort that expands voter choices. All too often, Kansans are left with empty spaces on the ballot, and too many races in this state go unchallenged, giving the lone candidate an easy path to victory. Democracy doesn't work as it should when voters aren't given viable choices across a wide spectrum of ideas.

To be sure, Orman will have a tough road to unseat one of the party candidates, and in particular a Senator who has held his seat for as many years as Sen. Pat Roberts. But this election is shaping up to be an interesting one – with Roberts facing a hard right challenge from Milton Wolf, and Chad Taylor and Patrick Wiesner vying for the Democratic nomination.

Add in a viable independent candidate in Greg Orman, and this could bring life to a Senate seat that has for too long been unquestionably handed to the incumbent.

— *The Hutchinson News, via the Associated Press*

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## Community theater stretches character

You can learn a lot about yourself performing in "Disney's Beauty and the Beast" under four layers of clothing on a 95-degree summer day in a giant outdoor amphitheater.

Awash in the heat and pools of sweat, you start asking yourself deep, existential questions: What does it all mean? Why am I wearing makeup, and will it come off? And most important: What's my next line?

Such were the hazards of being an actor in community theater in Lincoln, Neb., which I was for nine years before I moved back to Oberlin in September.

Lincoln has a rich theater community with several active theater companies, in addition to university theater, which is its own scene. I was not only a participant in all that jazz, but the instigator of the dialogue that many productions generated throughout the season, as well as a "theater critic" for the Star City Blog and then the *Lincoln Journal Star*. You can make lasting friends and bitter enemies as a critic. Choose your words carefully.

Onstage, through dozens of productions, I was considered a "character actor" in that I could portray just about anyone or anything convincingly when it became necessary.

During one show in particular, "Forbidden Broadway," a satirical "revue" on popular Broadway shows and stars, I played Mandy Patinkin, Mel Brooks, Don Quixote from "Man of La Mancha," Tevye from "Fiddler on the Roof" and Rafiki from "The Lion King."

I was a far better singer than a dancer, but I never had to dance much in shows with the exception of "Pippin," during which I hobbled around the stage on a stiff, sprained



### Other Opinions

• Ladd Wendelin  
Oberlin Herald

ankle I'd nearly broken after slipping on ice a few weeks before the show. The show must go on, right?

Early on, my performances onstage were erratic, wild and unpolished, but after a while, especially in "A Streetcar Named Desire," I learned to tap into what serious Stanislavskian Method actors call "sense memory."

When Mitch was supposed to be upset at Blanche for being duplicitous about her past, my motivation was to get really mad, so I punched the brick wall backstage a few times until my knuckles turned red before walking onstage. It did the trick, and I was exhausted after each show. Sometimes as an actor, there's no alternative. You have to "go there."

I enjoyed acting, but after a while, I felt like I was spinning my wheels and not really growing. So I began working more with my old college roommate, Robert Stewart, a McCook native and an accomplished playwright, and we began writing and producing our own shows, including a nine-part "episodic" play, a sci-fi fantasy play about astronauts stranded on a strange planet, and a historical play about Joan of Arc, which we staged last summer in a bike repair shop.

"King Kong: The Puppet Show," which I'm staging this summer at the Gateway in Oberlin (7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, July 18 and 19) was my last show in Lincoln, both as a director and performer. In the show, the story shifts from New York to Lincoln, and the great ape scales Nebraska's skyscraper Capitol rather than the Empire State Building.

There was a certain poetic finality to this. "Kong" was my "love letter" to the Lincoln theater community, to the city itself, and I expressed that love by destroying it in the most artistic way possible. The Husker football team finally got its comeuppance!

Garrison Keillor once said of his own radio program that every show is your last show. What a haunting anecdote. One minute, you're in the spotlight and the applause never ends. The next minute, that adoring public is gone, the theater sits empty and you don't know your next line.

As Shakespeare wrote in "As You Like It," all the world's a stage. We're all actors on that stage and we all make our exits and entrances. We all play many different parts – in essence, we're all "character actors."

That's why I love theater. As unscripted as life is sometimes, theater brings order out of the chaos and gives us a reason to laugh at ourselves and consider our shortcomings in the infinite realms of the imaginations.

Ladd Wendelin is a reporter for the Oberlin Herald, and this fall, will teach English and coach speech for Decatur Community High School.

## Loading friendly bull takes planning

Spunky, the bull calf, had been raised on love and milk his whole life. Lots of love, and even more milk. The mechanic, Jed, who worked for my father, had fed him a milk bottle for over two years because he didn't know he was supposed to wean a calf at about three months. He and his wife and children had traipsed out to the pasture twice a day with the calf bottle until the calf was over 2000 pounds, and didn't just beg for a bottle anymore; but demanded it.

We suggested that maybe it was time for them to have him butchered. When Jed raised that idea with his family, he was nearly disowned. Spunky was almost a member of the family. However, Jed knew he had to do something. If they tried to forgo feeding Spunky his bottle, he would knock down the fence, bust in their back door, and stand in their kitchen bawling until they fed him his bottle. Spunky was basically a big, spoiled baby, and I mean really big.

That was why Jed asked my dad if he would mind buying Spunky back from him, even though we had given him the calf with the idea that he could raise some meat for his family. But my father was kindhearted and understood, so he agreed. They settled on a price, and I was dispatched with the cattle truck to retrieve Spunky.

I backed the truck up to his pasture and dropped the ramp. Spunky came running. I'm not used to a bull that, at the shoulders, stands as tall as me, running toward me in play, and I quickly took cover under the truck. But he only wanted to be friends, and reached his sandpaper tongue out to gently, and in an ever so friendly way, rip my hide off with it. It was enough that I regained my courage and came

### Other Opinions

• Daris Howard  
Life's Outtakes

out. I've never had a bull this big nudge me to be petted, and it was a bit unnerving. And when I didn't respond, he quit asking, and butted me clear off my feet – so I petted him.

With the exception of Jed's wife, everyone was gone. Jed wanted me to load Spunky while they were away so they wouldn't all be crying. But that meant I didn't have any help. I got behind him and tried to herd him into the truck. That was useless. Instead of going away from me he stayed right with me, licking me and wanting attention.

I thought he might follow me into the truck, but that didn't work either. He would follow me to the ramp and stop. Then he would stand and sniff it, but he wouldn't climb in. I got a stick and tried to scare him in. I was reluctant to whack him with it for fear he might get mad and tromp me into compost. But waving the stick just made him think I was trying to play. He would kick up his heels and run a short distance as if he wanted me to chase him. When I didn't, he'd come running at me. I would retreat to the truck, knowing full well I wouldn't fare well in a playful romp with him.

I tried everything I could think of, and finally just sat down in exasperation. That was when a brilliant idea came to me. I went to the

house, and asked Jed's wife to fix me a bottle of milk. She kindly agreed, but she was not about to come out and help. She couldn't stand to see me load her "Little Spunky" into the truck.

With the bottle of milk in hand, I walked back to the pasture. Spunky was delighted to have an early meal. I was embarrassed to be offering a bottle to a huge, full-grown bull, but nothing else worked. I looked around to make sure no one was watching, then stood on the ramp into the truck and held it out. He reached his neck as far as he could and started to suck on it. I backed up, and he stretched until his lips were barely on it. Finally he inched forward, and I gradually worked him in. I was afraid the bottle would run out of milk, but it held out long enough. The next part was to try to get behind him so I could shut the back door. I lodged the bottle into the truck rails, and then inched past him. He seemed to sense his freedom was in jeopardy, and hurried to finish his bottle. But I was able to drop the door just as he made a mad dash for it. He then started to bawl like the world was coming to an end.

I let out a sigh of relief, and turned to find an old man with a cane standing there. To my dismay, he had watched the whole thing.

"You know," he said, scowling at me with disgust, "you wouldn't have so much problem if you would wean them when you should!" Then he turned and hobbled away, muttering under his breath. "What an idiot! Feeding a full grown bull a bottle?!"

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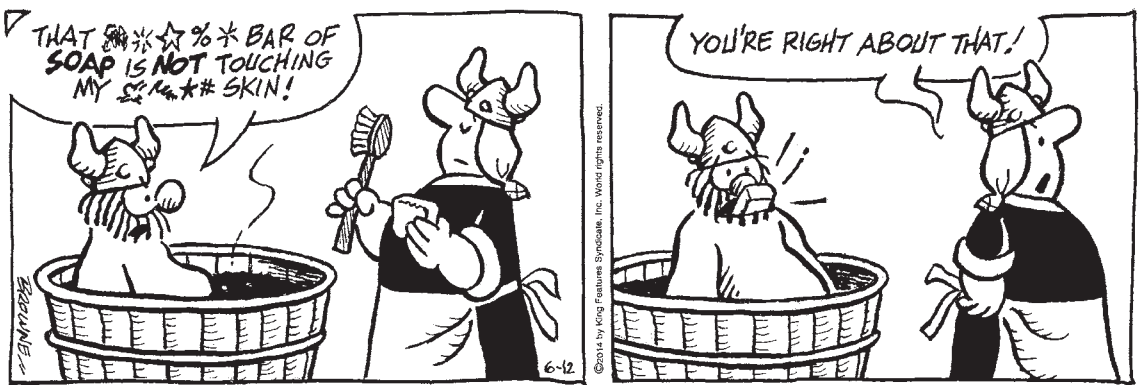
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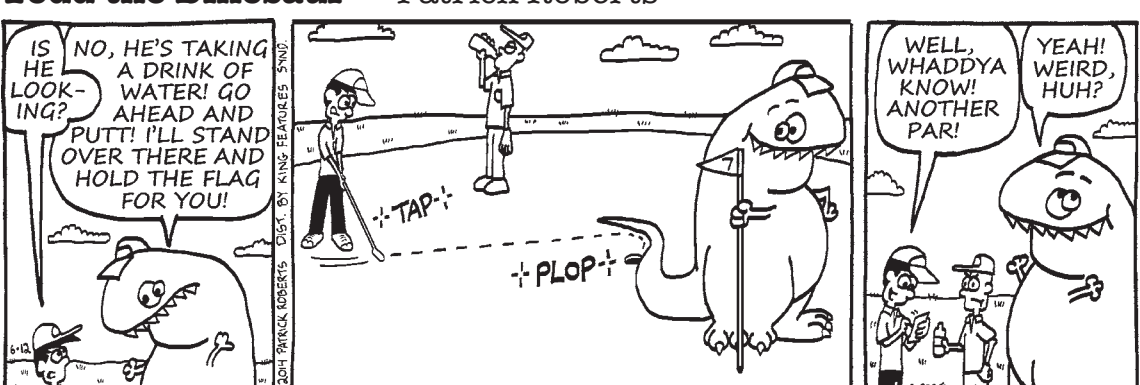
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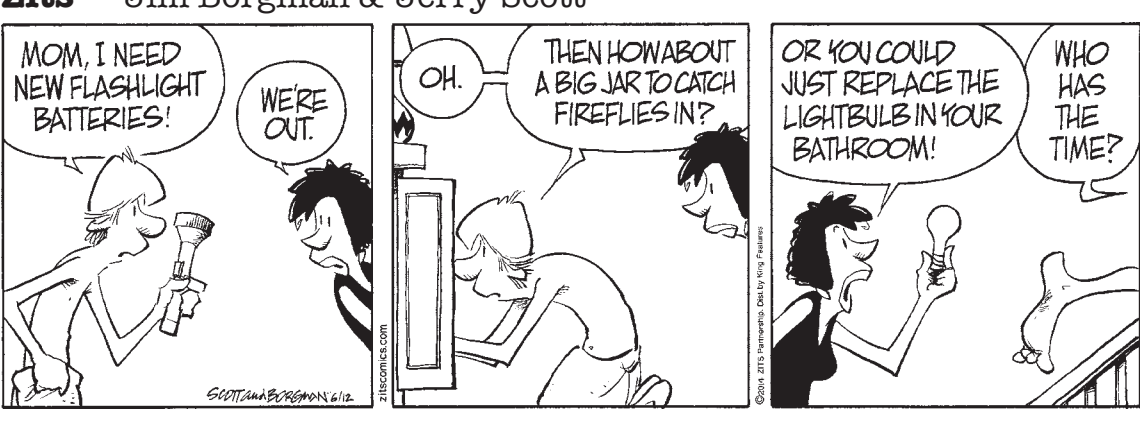
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• Antiques and Collecting

**Mr. Peanut jar great collectible**

Q: My 85-year-old mother-in-law gave my wife and me a six-sided large glass Planters Peanuts jar she has had for years. She told us her aunt worked in a bar a long time ago and the jar was on the counter for patrons to reach in and grab peanuts. There are fired-on yellow Mr. Peanut images around the outside of the jar, which has its original glass lid with a peanut finial. Are these old jars collectible?

A: Planters Peanuts have been around since 1906, and Mr. Peanut became the company's logo in 1916. Jars like yours have been made in many shapes and styles since then, but yours probably is the six-sided jar made in 1936. If your jar is in excellent condition, it could be worth \$50 to \$100. Advertising collectors love Mr. Peanut.

Q: I'm looking for information about my black amethyst vase. Can you help?

A: Black amethyst glass looks black until it's held to the light. Then it looks dark but not black. It has been made in many factories since 1860, so unless the piece has a maker's mark, it's impossible to tell who made it. Look for similar shapes online or in books about glass.

Q: I was given several Lladro figurines and would like to find out what they're worth and the best way to sell them, if I choose to.

A: Juan, Jose and Vicente Lladro started making Lladro porcelain in Almacera, Spain, in 1951. The company moved to Tabernes Blanques in 1958 and is still working. Figurines are made in both limited and unlimited editions, and a figurine may come in different colors and with different finishes. Most have a glossy glaze, some have a matte finish and some were made with Gres finish, a bright-colored satiny finish introduced in 1970. Lladro figurines can be hard to sell. Price depends on condition, glaze and rarity. Check online to see current prices, but most unlimited edition figurines sell for \$50 to \$150.

Q: I have two volumes of "The History of the Civil War in America," by John S.C. Abbott. The first was published in 1863 and the second in 1865. The books have leather bindings and include engravings of battle scenes, maps and pictures of important men.

A: John Stevens Cabot Abbott (1805-1877) was a writer and Congregational minister who wrote inspirational books before he left the ministry in 1844. He wrote about historical events and biographies after his retirement. Abbot was one of several northern authors who wrote of the Civil War while it was still being fought. The books helped shape public opinion about the war. Much of his information came from newspaper accounts of battles. Abbot's history was published in German as well as English because there were many German immigrants in the North. "The History of the Civil War in America" was sold by agents or by subscription. Two volumes sold at auction last year for \$75.

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**Bridge** • Steve Becker

North dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
♦ K Q 8  
♥ 10 9 7 3  
♦ K J 5 2  
♣ Q 6  
**WEST**  
♦ 10 9 2  
♥ A 6 4  
♦ 9 8 6  
♣ K 9 5 2  
**EAST**  
♦ A 7 6 4 3  
♥ 8  
♦ 10 7 3  
♣ A 8 7 3  
**SOUTH**  
♥ J 5  
♦ K Q J 5 2  
♦ A Q 4  
♣ J 10 4  
The bidding:  
North East South West  
Pass Pass 1♥ Pass  
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass  
Opening lead — ten of spades.

**The Old Misdirection Play**

When declarer discards on one of dummy's winners, it is natural to assume that he is weak in the suit in which he discarded. For this reason, it is normal for the defenders to attack that suit, if practical, as soon as they regain the lead.

Declarer took advantage of this standard defensive tactic on the accompanying deal and succeeded in bringing home a seemingly hopeless contract.

East won the opening spade lead with the ace and, hoping West's ten was a singleton (or a doubleton, in which case a ruff might later be negotiated), returned the spade three. South, looking at four certain losers, won with dummy's queen and decided that his only chance lay in trying to divert the opponents' attention from the club suit. So at trick three, he cashed the king of spades and discarded the four of diamonds!

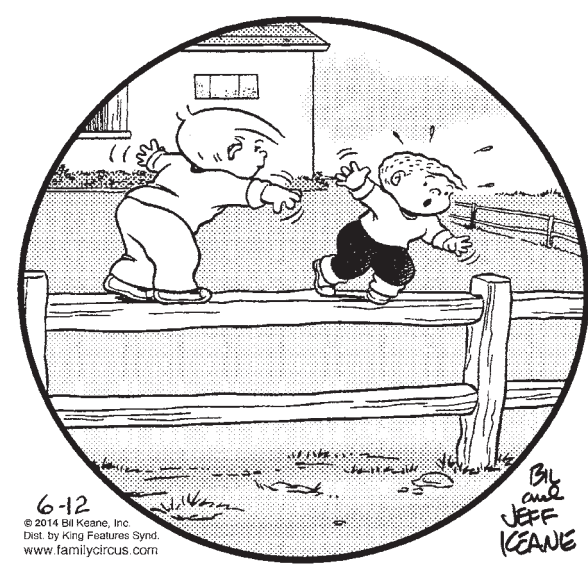
Declarer next led a trump to his king, losing to the ace, whereupon West shifted to the nine of diamonds. South won with the ace, cashed the Q-J of trumps and queen of diamonds, then led a low trump to the ten. Two clubs were discarded on the K-J of diamonds, and declarer finished with exactly 10 tricks.

Although South is entitled to full credit for his ingenuity, West should not have fallen victim to the ruse. First of all, if declarer had any diamond losers remaining, they could not possibly get away. Second, and even more important, East's return of the spade three at trick two, in a situation where West might have been able to ruff, was a suit-preference signal, directing West to return a club if he did ruff.

Finally, if West had simply ducked the first trump lead, East would have been able to signal for a club shift by discarding the eight on the second round of trumps.

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**Family Circus** • Bil Keane



"I wish Mommy would come out here and tell me I shouldn't be doing this."

**Conceptis Sudoku** • Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

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

**Cryptoquip**

Z CHWK BHMHWU VUO-  
BJCVVU KXBBZWE UHWOHKB  
YVD DVYHDCHK WYWZE. Z'O  
JWUU ZD DCH BVMZHD  
KH-XEZVE.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A GARDENER RIPPED A HOLE IN HIS PANTS WHILE WORKING, I RECKON HE'D FIND A CABBAGE PATCH.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals I

**Crossword** • Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS**
- 1 Vacationing
  - 5 "The Big Bang Theory" role
  - 8 Stoker who wrote "Dracula"
  - 12 Long rider?
  - 13 Mount stand
  - 14 Singer McEntire
  - 15 Mimic
  - 16 Muppet eagle
  - 17 Addict
  - 18 Gender offender
  - 20 Weapon in a bar fight
  - 22 Spy org.
  - 23 Baffin, for one
  - 24 A Gospel writer
  - 27 Fossey's subjects
  - 32 Rd.
  - 33 Lamb's dam
  - 34 Inventor Whitney
  - 35 Waterfalls
  - 38 Capri or Wight
  - 39 Your
  - 40 Pair seeds
  - 42 Fern
  - 45 Edit
  - 49 Long lunch?
  - 50 Greek mountain
  - 52 Lab who wrote assistant?
  - 53 Thing
  - 54 Mainlander's memento
  - 55 Place to get 49-
  - 56 Created Across
  - 57 Possess
  - 58 Cheese choice
  - 3 NASDAQ alternative
  - 4 About whom Hamlet said 1-Down
  - 5 In a new production
  - 6 Altar constellation
  - 7 Door-frame piece
  - 8 Cold-blooded
  - 9 Alters the 'do
  - 10 First victim
  - 11 Stallion's partner
  - 19 Acapulco affirmative
  - 21 Kimono closer
  - 24 PC alternative
  - 25 Actress Gardner
  - 26 Good as new
  - 28 Have bills
  - 29 Curb
  - 30 The whole enchilada
  - 31 "Sprechen-Deutsch?"
  - 36 Harley adornment
  - 37 Nay under
  - 38 Potassium — (photography compound)
  - 41 Lindbergh book
  - 42 Carpenter's wedge
  - 43 Anti-fur org.
  - 44 Missile shelter
  - 46 On in years
  - 47 Pop option
  - 48 Neat
  - 51 Morning moisture

Solution time: 24 mins.

C	O	P	A	H	A	G	A	S	I	F
O	V	E	R	I	D	O	L	A	D	E
S	A	R	G	A	S	S	O	O	R	E
A	L	T	E	R	F	O	N	D	A	S
J	U	S	T	N	E	A	R	A	G	O
M	A	R	A	T	O	M	E	X	P	O
D	A	N	T	I	E	D				
G	L	I	N	D	A	V	I	C	E	S
L	A	N	K	S	A	R	A	T	O	G
E	V	E	L	T	I	A	O	M	A	N
E	A	S	E	A	M	P	R	E	D	S

Yesterday's answer 6-12

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12				13				14			
15				16				17			
18			19				20	21			
			22					23			
24	25	26		27	28	29			30	31	
32				33					34		
35			36	37				38			
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42	43			44			45		46	47	48
49				50	51			52			
53				54				55			
56				57				58			



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## Help Wanted

**Oilfield Pipetester** - Guaranteed pay and benefits. Call 785-269-7878. ---6/12---6/18---

**Winona Feed & Grain, Inc.,** Winona, Ks. is accepting applications for employment including assisting customers with feed, chemical, seed, seed conditioning, maintenance, and harvest. Experience is not required. Full-time position includes competitive wages, health insurance, retirement savings plan with matching contribution, paid holidays, and vacation. Valid driver's license is a requirement. Please apply in person. EOE. Call 785-846-7657 or 785-846-8657. ---6/11---6/30---

**Winona Feed & Grain, Inc.,** Winona, Ks. is wanting summer help with mowing, harvest, and seed conditioning. High school or older. 785-846-7657 or 785-846-8657. ---6/11---6/30---

**USD 275 Triplains is advertising** the following supplemental positions: HS Cheerleading / Pep Club, JH Volleyball, JH Girls Basketball, JH Cheerleading, Part time Activity Bus Driver, HS Scholars Bowl, HS Forensics, and JH National Honors. Please contact Lamar Bergsten, USD 275 Triplains School, PO BOX 97, Winona, KS 67764 or call 785-846-7869 to apply. ---6/11---6/23---

**USD 275 Triplains is advertising** for Assistant Cook (16 hours per week). Position involves serving, cooking, lifting, and cleaning. Please contact Lamar Bergsten, USD 275 Triplains School, PO BOX 97, Winona, KS 67764 or call 785-846-7869 or pick up application in district office. ---6/11---6/23---

**CDL Drivers - Must be** at least 23 years of age, clean MVR, minimum 2 years of driving experience. Hopper experience a plus. Call 785-462-0087. ---6/11---9/4---

**Brewster USD 314** has an opening for a **Secondary Science Teacher**  
Call Superintendent Janci Mills at **785-694-2236**

## Colby Community College

Colby Community College is accepting sealed bids for two college-owned vehicles. Vehicle #6 is a 2006 4-door Ford Taurus with white exterior (VIN #1FAF-P53U56A189903). Vehicle has been regularly serviced and maintained; clean interior with no smoking. Vehicle #7 is a 2009 4-door Chevrolet Impala with white exterior (VIN #2G1WT57N191141766). Vehicle has been regularly serviced (needs new tires); clean interior with no smoking. For more information contact Scott Williams, Facility Supervisor, at 785-460-5471 or scott.williams@colbycc.edu. Deadline for bids is June 30, 2014, at 12 p.m. Bids will be opened at 12 p.m. on July 1, 2014 in the Administration Offices. Colby Community College reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or parts thereof, or items therein, and to waive any irregularity in bids received whenever such rejection or waiver is in the best interest of the college. Colby Community College reserves the right to accept the best bid which will promote the best interest of the college.

## Help Wanted

**USD 275 Triplains** has an opening for a 7-12 English teaching position. We offer an attractive health insurance package, a four-day school week, and an excellent teacher to student ration. Supplemental positions involving athletics and academics are also available. We offer an inviting small town way of life. Please submit: Letter of Application, Resume, Letters of references, College Transcripts, Copy of valid Kansas teaching license to USD 275 Triplains, Attn: Lamar, PO Box 97, Winona, KS 67764. Position opened until filled. USD 275 is an Equal Opportunity Employer. ---6/9---6/20---

**AgSun, LLC is now hiring** a Mill Operator/Truck Driver. Operator must have a CDL to drive truck part-time to deliver feed to area feedlots and dairies. Some grain handling involved, especially at fall harvest. Insurance and participating retirement plan is offered. Need to hire ASAP. Please inquire at AgSun, LLC in Brewster, KS by calling Don at 785-694-2752. ---6/9---7/7---

**Jayhawk Oilfield Supply in Oakley** Kansas is looking for applicants with experience in oilfield mechanics to work in service/supply store. Must be able to lift up to 80 lbs, be detail oriented, and work with minimal supervision. Must have clean driving record and be able to pass drug test. CDL drivers preferred. Excellent benefits, competitive salary. Mail resume to Jayhawk Oilfield Supply, PO Box 7, Spivey Ks 67142 or email to serena@jayhawkoilfieldsupply.com. Call 620 532 3794 for application. ---6/6---6/19---

**Great Western Tire of Colby, Inc.,** 1170 S. Country Club Drive, is now accepting applications for all shop positions. Positions included, but not limited to, lube oil & tire, truck tire, service call, and alignment technicians. Experience required, but will train the right person. Valid driver's license is a requirement. Full time position includes competitive salary and benefits. Apply in person, EOE. Questions please call 785.462.2100. ---5/29---TFN---

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**The Contract Documents will be made available May 29, 2014.**

**The documents will be posted on the Drexel Technologies plan room.**

## Help Wanted

**Cheyenne County Hospital Environmental Services** Full-time housekeeping and linen services assistant needed to perform a variety of general cleaning tasks to maintain patient rooms, offices, and hallways. Monday through Friday with weekend rotation required. Other responsibilities include operating mechanical floor cleaners, setting up chairs and tables for special events, distributing emergency supplies as needed. Please pickup an application at the front office or contact: Human Resources, 785-332-2104 ext. 116, 210 West First, St. Francis, KS 67756. ---5/22---6/12---

**The Team at Kansasland Tire** of Norton has an immediate opening for a service truck operator/general service person. Must have a valid drivers license. Competitive wages, 401k, insurance, & uniforms. Experience preferred, but not necessary we will train. Please stop by at 11101 Rd E1, Norton and pick up an application or call 785-877-5181 EOE. ---2/12---TFN---

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Interested applicants, please contact Superintendent Janci Mills at **785-694-2236**

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## Pasture Wanted

**Wanted to rent grass 2014** beyond 785-824-8092. ---6/4---6/30---

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## HELP WANTED

The Thomas County Sheriff's Office is currently seeking applications for a **Detention Deputy**. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and meet required standards in the following categories: background investigation; written, oral and psychological testing, keyboard skills; health screening.

The Sheriff's Office is an equal opportunity employer and provides employees single health insurance, sick leave, vacation, KPERS, retirement benefits, overtime provisions, and uniforms (cleaning supplied). Salary depends on qualification and experience.

Persons wishing to apply may pick up an application at the Thomas County Sheriff's Office, 225 N. Court, Colby, Kansas 67701. (Phone: 785-460-4570). Position to remain open until filled. Interviews will begin immediately.

## The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center

is accepting applications for the 2014-2015 school year.

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- Gifted Facilitator
- Speech Pathologists
- Early Childhood Special Education Teachers
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Full Time (temporary), Colby

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# Colby rallies to make run at tourney title

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“Cardiac comeback champs” was one win from the Colby soccer team’s grasp at North Platte, Neb., last weekend.

Pulse and pacemakers surely both got tested when Colby needed a penalty-kick shootout to knock out tournament host North Platte, Neb., Sunday afternoon.

Yet the Kansas boys delivered as Connor Schwanke, Brennan Ziegelmeier and Marc Bremenkamp all fired penalty shots past North Platte’s keeper.

The 3-2 victory meant Colby’s American Youth Soccer Organization 19-and-under squad would play for a tournament championship.

Not bad considering five Colby players are age 13 or younger.

“Though far outsized, the younger kids really stepped up and gained some great experience,” Colby coach Steve Ziegelmeier reported. He was filling in for coach Eli Robert, who could not attend this tournament. “One



MELANIE BARTON

Colby’s Marc Bremenkamp beat an opponent to the ball during tournament action last weekend. Bremenkamp scored twice in a win over Norton.

of those younger ones, Mason Wright, showed some terrific footwork.”

The Colby team had already scored a pool-play leading 11 goals on Saturday despite losing two of three games.

Colby High grad Schwanke showed great veteran leadership with a three-goal “hat trick” during the opener — but Cozad, Neb., still prevailed 6-4.

Brook Ziegelmeier netted Colby’s other goal.

## Soccer team gets two wins

Game two featured tougher Colby defense, and Bremenkamp’s two huge goals from his forward position fueled a 3-1 win over familiar Kansas foe Norton.

Brook Ziegelmeier reached the net again with a crucial penalty-kick score that helped clinch Colby’s victory.

Coach Eli Robert unleashed a balanced attack during Saturday’s finale as Konnor Griffin, Brennan Ziegelmeier, Schwanke and Bremenkamp scored goals.

North Platte still took a 6-4 win — but Colby payback arrived in Sunday’s tournament semifinal. Bremenkamp forced a 1-1 deadlock before his teammates took over that penalty-kick shootout.

Sweet Sunday revenge was available again in the title game if Colby could create enough scoring punch to beat Cozad.

Nebraska’s “Home of the Haymakers” simply would not allow



MELANIE BARTON

Moving forward was Mason Wright’s goal as he took charge of this ball during a Colby soccer club tournament action at North Platte, Neb., last weekend. Colby reached the title game on Sunday.

it. The Cozad High School Haymakers had won a state Class C-1 football championship last fall.

Their other “futbol” team proved it could handle the world’s

most popular game, holding Colby to a single goal in this 5-1 title-game win.

Trek Keck rolls off the tongue like Keck’s smooth shot found that Cozad net.

Excellent defense from Josh Koon and Brennan Ziegelemer were other Colby final highlights.

Watch for more details on Colby 19-and-under American Youth Soccer Organization games.



SONDRA FINLEY

Colby’s Madysyn Lemman swam to a pair of second-place finishes and one top five for the Sharks swim club team during Burlington, Colo., Invitational competition last weekend. The Sharks finished fourth among eight teams and scored

174.5 points despite all relay races being cancelled due to approaching rain. The Sharks compete at Goodland on Saturday before swimming at home in their Colby Invitational on Saturday, June 21 at the Aquatic Park.

# Shark attack is great fun again in Colorado

Remaining Colby Sharks swim team results from the Burlington, Colo., Invitational last weekend.

Colby finished fourth among eight teams with 174.5 points. Individual champs and other highlights were also included in Wednesday’s *Free Press*.

The Sharks are competing in Goodland on Saturday.

### Age eight and under Boys

Blair Niblock placed third in the 25-butterfly, 35.14; ninth in the 50-freestyle, 1:11.19; and 19th in the 25-freestyle, 33.12. Blayne Reid placed sixth in the 50-freestyle, 1:06.02; sixth in the 25-backstroke, 36.7; and ninth in the 25-freestyle, 27.52. Caden Schriener placed 11th in the 50-freestyle, 1:38.38; and 22nd in the 25-freestyle, 40.95. Cai Lanning placed second in the 25-butterfly, 32.23; and second in the 100-individual medley, 2:46.44. Eli Hutton placed 14th in the 25-freestyle, 30.99. Jace Keen placed seventh in the 25-backstroke, 37.23; and 18th in the 25-freestyle, 32.82. Tony Jaeger placed 17th in the 25-backstroke, 1:23.9; and 26th in the 25-freestyle, 1:10.08.

### Ages nine and 10 Girls

Alizah Schielke placed 18th in the 25-freestyle, 20.69; and

20th in the 25-backstroke, 27.81. Jade Schroer placed sixth in the 25-breaststroke, 23.78; eighth in the 25-butterfly, 25.02; and 10th in the 100-individual medley, 2:07.1. Jeanie Strick placed eighth in the 25-backstroke, 22.23; 15th in the 25-breaststroke, 28.17; and 20th in the 25-freestyle, 21.0. Jillian Niblock placed eighth in the 25-freestyle, 18.8; eighth in the 25-breaststroke, 25.1; and ninth in the 100-individual medley, 2:06.89. Kamryn Elling placed seventh in the 25-breaststroke, 24.82; 10th in the 25-butterfly, 25.62; and 12th in the 100-individual medley, 2:13. Kayla Jaeger placed ninth in the 100-freestyle, 2:10.8; 14th in the 25-butterfly, 33.25; and 23rd in the 25-freestyle, 22.77. Madison Krejci placed ninth in the 25-butterfly, 25.29; 12th in the 25-breaststroke, 25.9; and 17th in the 25-freestyle, 20.54.

### Boys

Aaron Lindsey placed 11th in the 25-breaststroke, 37.34; and 25th in the 25-freestyle, 26.17. Breon Barton placed ninth in the 25-breaststroke, 30.42; 10th in the 100-freestyle, 1:50.83; and 16th in the 25-freestyle, 20.73. **Conner Lanning won the 25-breaststroke, 22.32; placed third in the 100-individual medley, 1:52.12; and seventh in the 25-freestyle, 18.3.**

Dawsyn Lemman placed third in the 25-freestyle, 16.24; fourth in the 100-freestyle, 1:29.62; and fourth in the 25-butterfly, 21.74. Joshua Yanez placed eighth in the 25-butterfly, 40.33; 14th in the 100-freestyle, 2:50.34; and 27th in the 25-freestyle, 30.27.

### Ages 11 and 12 Girls

Carissa Brogan placed fifth in the 50-butterfly, 43.0; sixth in the 50-backstroke, 48.56; and 11th in the 50-freestyle, 36.65. Ellie Keen placed 10th in the 50-backstroke, 57.44; and 23rd in the 50-freestyle, 47.77. Emeline Hutton placed seventh in the 100-freestyle, 1:18.8; seventh in the 50-freestyle, 33.57; and seventh in the 50-breaststroke, 47.54. Kourtney Finley placed third in the 50-butterfly, 39.05; fourth in the 50-breaststroke, 46.52; and eighth in the 50-freestyle, 34.64. Meghann Elling placed eighth in the 50-backstroke, 52.0; 14th in the 50-butterfly, 56.95; and 18th in the 50-freestyle, 39.73.

### Boys

Brysen Barton placed second in the 50-backstroke, 43.63; fourth in the 100-freestyle, 1:22.46; and seventh in the 50-freestyle, 37.01. **Cade Lanning won the 50-butterfly, 37.39; won the 100-individual medley, 1:28.42; and placed second in the 100-freestyle, 1:12.74.** Joseph Yanez placed 10th in the 50-backstroke, 1:47.98; 10th in the 50-breaststroke, 1:06.09; and 19th in the 50-freestyle, 56.62. Wade Rush placed fourth in the 50-breaststroke, 50.06; fifth in the 100-individual medley, 1:48.05; and seventh in the 100-freestyle, 1:33.84.

and placed third in the 50-freestyle, 31.24.

### Boys

Dru Keen placed eighth in the 50-freestyle, 34.15. **Kory Finley won the 100-butterfly, 1:35.24;** placed second in the 200-individual medley, 3:17.81; and seventh in the 100-freestyle, 1:15.13. Lander Niblock placed fifth in the 100-backstroke, 1:46.64; seventh in the 50-freestyle, 33.69; and ninth in the 100-freestyle, 1:18.32.

### Ages 13 through 18 Girls

Quinlee Niblock placed sixth in the 50-freestyle, 35.58; sixth in the 200-individual medley, 3:26.47; and eighth in the 100-breaststroke, 1:43.35. Savanna Sullivan placed sixth in the 100-backstroke, 1:39.95; and seventh in the 50-freestyle, 36.81.

### Boys

Gabriel Schriener placed fourth in the 100-backstroke, 1:18.47; and fifth in the 100-butterfly, 1:27.09. Michael Quattlebaum placed seventh in the 100-backstroke, 1:30.44; ninth in the 100-freestyle, 1:08.2; and ninth in the 50-freestyle, 30.31. Shawn Sullivan placed second in the 50-freestyle, 25.78; third in the 100-freestyle, 1:01.22; and fourth in the 100-butterfly, 1:21.31.

Watch for Sharks results all season in the *Free Press*.

# Fathers will play Sunday

Father’s Day on Sunday means dads can play with their offspring in the annual Father/ Son/Daughter tournament.

Registration for this nine-hole tournament takes place at 9 a.m. with tee times set for 9:30 a.m.

Entry fee is \$30 per team and \$20 for each additional player. A meal will be included.

The Father’s Day tourney concludes a busy three-day weekend at Meadow Lake. The Citizen’s Foundation tourney takes place on Friday followed by Saturday’s annual Fat Ole Duffer.

Meadow Lake tourney action then takes a little break until the Colby 2-Man, 27-hole tournament on Sunday, June 29.

# Who has early lead at Open?

Pinehurst, N.C. (AP) — Matt Kuchar had an early one-stroke lead as first-round play began this morning at the U.S. Open golf tournament.

Kuchar was three strokes below par through 15 holes to build a slight advantage over fellow American Kevin Na, who was two under after 15.

Graeme McDowell (14 holes) and Matthew Fitzpatrick (13) were also two under at press time today. Another eight golfers including Phil Mickelson were tied at one stroke below par.

Mickelson had played 13 holes. Masters champion Bubba Watson had yet to tee off.

Rory McIlroy was struggling early, one above par through 14 holes. The U.S. Open continues through Sunday.

# Heat need Kansas hero to regain his swagger

MIAMI (AP) — Mario Chalmers was still awake at 5 a.m. Wednesday. He stayed up all night watching tape of his play in the last two NBA Finals, looking for answers.

The Miami Heat hope their former University of Kansas star point guard found them.

Perpetually one of the most confident guys in the Heat locker room, Chalmers is going through an absolute crisis on that front these days, at the wrong time of year. He has a total of just 10 points and nine assists through the first three games of the finals, and there will be copious pressure on him

tonight when the Heat play host to the San Antonio Spurs in Game 4 of the title series. The Spurs lead the series 2-1.

“This is one of the toughest challenges I’ve ever been through,” Chalmers said.

But what that challenge truly is, that remains a mystery.

He hasn’t revealed any illness or injury. He says his looming entry into free agent waters this summer. He acts the same, sounds the same, so there’s no clues to be gleaned there, either.

“He’s a point guard on a championship team and we need him. We do,” Heat star LeBron James said.

# The don’ts of pleasing Dad on his day

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Some important top tips to keep father’s special day enjoyable for everyone involved.

**1. If convinced of your athletic superiority,** please don’t lose a game of putt-putt golf to dad and — for crying out loud — don’t mention this defeat again for at least 20 years.

Not only will Dad surely remember this special victory, he’ll likely have the musty old scorecard stored somewhere to be found immediately.

**2. Dad unloads goodies** for his special picnic before another family athletic event (sleeping during Royals baseball) — only to be deterred when you allow the sta-

tion wagon back to drop on his head because you’re thinking about hot dogs.

Concussions are painful. Hearing words like “egghead” and “I’m not sure why I named you junior” can haunt you even longer.

**3. When working graveyard shifts** at a convenience store to supplement your college education (what did I study again?), don’t tell Dad how you fell asleep in the middle of dusting potato chip displays.

The details can become rather disturbing when customers arrive to purchase gas and find their attendant passed out. Even worse when they call local police in fear the attendant has been mugged.

And yet even worse when police awake attendant, who rises to stumble out because his feet are

still asleep.

Dad never heard this story, which gives son one more reason to offer thanks on this special day. Plus son/attendant had more time for playing church-league softball that summer, where his “Nazarene Nasties” team won a few games.

**4. If Dad’s using a cane later in life because of an amputated toe,** don’t be fooled about his crippled status when bad-mouthing a favorite team.

**5. When picking favorite sports teams,** learn early if Dad is a truly wise fan. He became a Bill Snyder/ disciple many years ago while you liked Mark Mangino because of his large tomato-ish head. Enough said.

**6. Don’t sit near Dad if “Take Me Out To The Ballgame”** proves again he’s an excellent

singer. Being asked to join him in a public performance is no worse than never being asked again.

**7. When writing shifts in a newspaper story,** make sure to double check that you included the “f”. Especially when your dad is a former Methodist minister who still won’t say “p-p.”

**8. If Dad has great respect for the private school teacher/coach,** don’t set that school’s all-time detention record because you’re often talking about sports in class.

Dad will likely cheer for the principal, and extra underwear offers little protection when detention suddenly turns to “swats.”

Fortunately, that’s an old-school practice — but still remember women often hit harder than men. Most dads wisely agree.