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Kansas land price stable for the year

incomes, timely rain and interna- strong local demand," Thurtional instability have helped keep man said. "The really good stuff, Kansas farmland values relatively unchanged from a year ago, despite concerns from some economists that an agriculture bubble might be on the verge of deflating. Farmland sales nationwide are down from the record levels of 2013, according to Farmers National Co., which conducts land auctions, but were still strong.

In Kansas, irrigated farmland sold at auction for up to \$6,000 this month, which is about the same as in June 2013, The Topeka Capital-Journal (bit.ly/SJL8pr) reported. Top prices for an irrigated acre this month varied from a high of \$12,500 in Illinois to a low of \$3,000 in Oklahoma.

in price, said Brock Thurman, vice president of Farmers National's operations in Kansas and Oklahoma, but high-quality ground still commands strong prices.

Most demand is from local farmers bidding against each other, he said, because they know whoever buys farm land probably won't sell it again in this generation.

TOPEKA (AP) – Stable farm still top the market if you have there's always a strong local demand for that."

Farmland prices benefited from steady farm income that economists had predicted could fall by as much as 20 percent and drag down the price they were willing to pay for land, said Randy Dickhut, vice president of real estate operations for Farmers National.

Farm income was boosted by increases in the price of grain and meat in 2014 due to weather conditions, instability in Ukraine and other factors, he said. With relatively few farms on the market, prices were encouraged to rise or remain stable.

"Market factors aligned to cre-Lower-quality land has dropped ate an optimal situation for our industry," Dickhut said. "Due to this, we continue to see a strong land market. While there are no record-setting top values currently, land prices are not going down significantly."

Kansas farmland prices declined 10 percent in January compared with the same month a year ago, but it's not clear if that was a blip reflecting the selling prices of "The higher-quality land can a small number of farms, he said.



Storm wind takes its toll

A heavy storm tore off tree limbs as it passed through Colby Saturday night, but did not cause any major damage.

Heavy gusts of wind hit Colby, and some large hailstones pelted town as the storm rolled into town just after 9 p.m. Saturday. Heavy wind blew the rain sideways and plenty of lightning was seen as the storm moved through.

There were plenty of fallen tree branches to clean up the next day, but, despite the violence of the storm, public works director Omar Weber reported only a single minor power outage. It lasted about half an hour after a fallen branch hit a service line leading to several houses. Mike Morely, spokesperson for Midwest Energy, did not mention outages in Colby, there were plenty of them in other towns.

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Accident rolls vehicle on I-7

A Nevada woman went to the by the other car, Smith lost control veering into a lane occupied by another car on Interstate 70.

Tayla Smith, 28, Carson City, Nev., was headed west on the Pilot driven by Anthony Balser, highway at 12:20 p.m. Sunday, 32, Wichita, went into the ditch the Kansas Highway Patrol re- north of the road. Balser was OK, ported. Smith was in the driving but Smith and passenger, Shamus lane just west of the east Oakley Bird, 6, also of Carson City, were exit, when another car started to taken to the Logan County Medipass. Smith moved into the pass- cal Center, which would not coming lane. When the 2003 Dodge ment on their condition. All three Ram she was driving was clipped were wearing seat belts.

hospital Sunday afternoon after of the vehicle and rolled it several times, coming to rest right side up in the median.

The other car, a 2004 Honda

Prairie chicken fight heats up

HOBBS, N.M. (AP) - Another met with them. We discussed all lawsuit to fight the listing of the lesser prairie chicken as a threatened species.

New Mexico joined three other counties in the state last week in a federal lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Interior and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hobbs News-Sun reports (goo.gl/ kqEWJ8).

The counties, along with the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, are suing in federal court in Texas.

Lea County Commission Chairman Gregg Fulfer said the county joined the lawsuit because the commission believes the government's results on the chicken's threatened status is inconclusive.

"We've been working through this for a while," he said. "We met with fish and wildlife – there were six or seven different counties that



New Mexico county has joined a their sites and showed in a lot of different ways how their sites they were using are not credible."

Ranchers and oil companies be-Lea County in southeastern lieve the listing will have a negative effect on the ranching, oil and gas and wind farm industries in states where the chicken lives -New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado.

The federal government said those states had fewer than 18,000 lesser prairie chickens in 2013, down almost 50 percent from 2012

In March, the Obama administration listed the prairie chicken as threatened.

U.S. Rep., Steve Pearce, R-N.M., District 2, said in a statement that he applauds the New Mexico counties filing the lawsuit. "The Fish and Wildlife Ser-

vice's decision to cater to environmental groups and disregard science will devastate New Mexico's way of life," he said. "New Mexicans will pay the price in lost jobs, industry, ranching and oil and gas production."



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This tree at Sixth Street and Riddle Avenue (top) was apparently knocked over by strong winds Saturday night, as a series of storms blew across northern Kansas. Sunday there were tree limbs down in yards across town (center), leaving plenty of cleanup work. This local residents (above) had a big load of branches to haul off. Not all damaged branches made it to the ground, like this big limb split off near the golf course (above left). Large hail could be heard at the start of the storm (left).

'Pink slime' sales rebounding

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) – Sales of a treated as E. coli and salmonella. ground beef product that critics derisively dubbed "pink slime" have rebounded, according to two of its manufacturers.

Spokesmen for Cargill and Beef Products Inc. confirmed that sales of the product, which the industry refers to as "lean, finely textured beef," have risen. But Cargill told the Lincoln Journal Star (bit.ly/1ju6LS1) that sales haven't rebounded to the level they were before a 2012 controversy about the meat.

The product, which is added as a low-cost ingredient to ground beef, is made from fatty bits of meat left over from other cuts. The bits are heated to about 100 F and spun to remove most of the fat. The lean mix then is compressed into blocks for use in ground meat. The product also is exposed to ammonium hydroxide gas or citric acid to kill bacteria, such

The phrase "pink slime," coined by a federal microbiologist, has appeared in the media at least since a critical 2009 New York Times report.

BPI sued ABC News and others in September 2012, alleging the network's reporting about the product earlier that year damaged BPI by misleading consumers into believing it was unhealthy and unsafe. BPI said the sales drop forced it to close plants in Waterloo, Iowa; Garden City; and Amarillo, Texas; laying off more than 700 workers. Only a Nebraska plant in South Sioux City remained open.

Attorneys for ABC have said the network in each of its broadcasts stated the U.S. Department of Agriculture deemed the product safe to eat. They argued that although the term "pink slime" may come across as unappetiz-

ing, it is not incorrect. Lean, finely textured beef is both pink and, like all ground beef, has a slimy texture, they argued.

The South Dakota Supreme Court ruled last month that BPI's lawsuit against ABC News can go to trial. Union County Judge Cheryle Gering has already ruled that ABC isn't protected against liability by saying that the product is beef and is safe.

Jeremy Jacobsen, a spokesman for Dakota Dunes, South Dakota-based BPI, said he could "confirm we are seeing an increase in sales." But he would not comment further, saying the company's attorneys have advised BPI not to discuss the issue in any detail because of its \$1.2 billion lawsuit against ABC News.

Cargill also lost sales and shut down a plant

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'Pink slime' sales rebound Weather

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in Plainview, Texas, that employed more than 2,000 people. Cargill spokesman Mike Martin told the Journal Star that his company now sells the product to about 400 customers, which is more than before March 2012, but the sales volume remains down about 40 percent.

Since Jan. 20, Cargill has said, all of Cargill's right percentage for each product. U.S.-produced, fresh, 100 percent ground beef

products that contain the finely textured beef will say so on a label, whether sold in bulk or in chubs directly to consumers.

Cargill also has developed a website to answer questions about the product. It says, for example, that Cargill makes ground beef that ranges from 73 percent lean to 96 percent lean. Cargill says the finely textured beef is mixed in to help reach the

Storm wind takes its toll

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City and Atwood, Morely said. along U.S. 383, including Jennings, Selden and Dresden.

The National Weather Service wide hailstone was seen about a fifth of an inch of rain. 13 miles south of Wheeler.

The Weather Service put the reported wind speeds from 60 to whole of northern Kansas, from Power along U.S. 36 was out 70 mph, which was the highest the Colorado state line to Confor almost a day a between Bird gust measured here. Golfball to cordia, under a tornado watch. baseball-sized hailstones were No tornadoes were confirmed, Other shorter outages were seen also reported, which seemed to although the sirens went off in by Oakley, WaKeeney, north- taper off after the storm passed Norton. Northwest Researcheast of Hays and north of Hoxie Thomas County. A four-inch- Extension Center measured only

GOP pursues ethics claim in race

TOPEKA (AP) – The Kansas Republican Party is accusing the presumed Democratic nominee for secretary of state of illegally soliciting campaign contributions from lobbyists through a campaign Facebook page.

Democratic candidate and former state Sen. Jean Schodorf today described the GOP's complaint as mudslinging.

The state ethics commission informed state GOP Executive Director Clay Barker last month that it would consider the complaint in a closed

session at its meeting Wednesday.

Barker contends Schodorf violated a law prohibiting candidates for statewide office from soliciting contributions from lobbyists while the Legislature is in session with a May 1 Facebook posting that sought help in raising money. Barker said at least one lobbyist has liked her page.

Schodorf hopes to unseat Secretary of State Kris Kobach, though the Republican incumbent has a primary opponent.

Hutchinson to celebrate Superman

festival later this week.

On Saturday and Sunday, ly/1p7YJ6Q). Hutchinson again will assume fictional town where the superplanet as a young child.

The name change is part of celebration this year. the Smallville, Kansas Festival, which begins Thursday and features a comic convention at the state fairgrounds this weekend.

Superman's hometown has often been depicted as being somewhere in Kansas, although no specific city was ever named and some Superman fans claim he was born in different states. In the 2013 Superman film "Man of Steel," Clark Kent declares: screen throughout the years.

HUTCHINSON (AP) - A "I grew up in Kansas. That's Kansas city that claims to be about as American as it gets." the inspiration for Superman's In response, the state inducted hometown on Earth plans to cel- Superman into its Kansas Hall ebrate the supposed link with a of Fame on June 21, 2013, The necklaces. Hutchinson News reported (bit.

Three Hutchinson men, Christhe identity of Smallville, the topher Wietrick, Ben Eisiminger and Casey McNeely, persuaded hero-to-be was raised as Clark city officials last year to rename Kent by a couple that found him the town Smallville for one day, when he crash-landed on the and the event was such a success they are promoting the longer

"I want it to serve as a reminder that something little can make a difference," Wietrick said. "The festival is about giving back and celebrating our heroes."

The organizers' claim that Hutchinson is Smallville's inspiration is based on a few clues that have appeared in various "Superman" stories on page and

Restored bomber to fly in Wichita

The Smallville Festival will include picnics, bands, artwork and Superman-themed merchandise such as "Kryptonite"

Wietrick said he is really looking forward to Friday, when he will present medals to Smallville heroes who make a differ-

"It's a way for me to feel like a superhero and give back to the community," Wietrick said.

be hosting the first Smallville comic convention at the Kansas State Fairgrounds, complete with celebrities, writers, artists and others interested in the superhero world. Anthea Bryant, non-fair events director, said 75 vendors and 25 artists will attend ComicCon.

Proceeds from the convention will be donated to the Reno County Red Cross and Wounded



Area/State

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

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.

Development board to meet

The Thomas County Economic Development Alliance board will meet at 8 a.m. Wednesday at 350 S. Range, Suite 12. For questions, contact Kayla Fause at 460-4511.

Doctor will speak on mission work

Dr. LaDonna Regier will give an update on her missionary work in Ghana, West Africa, at 7 p.m. Thursday at Trinity Lutheran Church, 855 E. Fifth. Everyone is invited; refreshments will be served. For information, contact church secretary Linda Pabst at 462-3497.

Bible school looking for superheroes

Children age 4 through fifth grade can unlock the superhero inside at Hidden Hero Training Vacation Bible School from 10 a.m. to noon through Friday at the Colby Wesleyan Church, 320 W. Pine. Lunch will be provided; rides are available by calling 462-8391 and leaving your name and address. For information, call Joy Rothfuss at 462-8391.

College seeks Sunflowers for Founder's Day

Colby Community College is attempting to contact former members of the Sunflower Singers performance group. The Singers, under the direction of Randy Berls, will be performing at the college's Founder's Day event on Saturday, July 12. Call Berls at 460-5520 or (785) 890-0082.

Cost share applications being accepted

The Thomas County Conservation District is taking applications for cost-share assistance through Friday. Eligible projects include terraces or terrace restoration, diversions, livestock water tanks and wells, and new windbreaks. For the complete list, call the office at 462-7482 or stop by 915 E Walnut in Colby. Contracts approved will expire June 1, 2015.

Retirement party to honor driver

A retirement party for Jim Harms will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday in the commissioners room of the Thomas County courthouse. Harms has 31 1/2 years of service to Thomas County, 30 years in the Road and Bridge department and a year and a half as driver for the county transportation van. For information, call County Clerk Shelly Harms at 460-4500.

Ride to support wounded warriors

The Men M.C. Men will sponsor a motorcycle ride to support the Wounded Warrior Project from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday beginning at Daylight Donuts and ending at Twisters Bar and Grill, where food will be served at 5 p.m., with music by M.C. Lottdog. Cost is \$20, covering music, food and a drawing. For information, call Thomas Dodson at 443-4222 or Ben Hopper at 443-4422.

Concealed carry training available

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.

Diplomas available for graduates

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

National Weather Service Tonight: Clear, with a low around 61. Breezy, with a southwest wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to 10 to 15 mph in the evening. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph. Tuesday: Sunny, with a high

near 96. Breezy, with a southwest wind 10 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 64. Breezy, with a southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south 15 to 25 mph in the evening.

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 4 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly between 9 p.m. and 4 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 83.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 59.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 88.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 91.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 64.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 90.

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Moon: waning, 73 percent Wednesday 6:17 a.m. 9:14 p.m. Moon: waning, 62 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory) **Colby Water Use** Friday to Sunday 1,605,000 gal. (average) (Colby Public Works)

WICHITA (AP) - A World War II bomber restored to resemble the famed Flying Fortress "Memphis Belle" will offer flights this weekend over Wichita.

The plane is owned by the nonprofit Liberty Foundation and is one of 13 B-17's that still fly. The group will be at Wichita's Jabara Airport on Saturday and Sunday, selling public flights for \$450 each to help pay for the plane's upkeep.

The original "Memphis Belle" was the first heavy bomber of World War II to successfully complete 25 missions, dropping bombs over Germany, France and Belgium. It brought all of its crew members back safely.

The restored plane visiting Wichita never saw combat, but it's painted in the colors of the "Memphis Belle" and was used in the 1990 film of that name.

Art club to show biographical movie

High Plains Art Club will present a free 90-minute movie, "Georgia O'Keeffe," at the Pioneer Memorial Library at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 26. Refreshments will be served. This movie is not recommended for children. For information, contact Marlene Carpenter at 460-7656.



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Family

Religious college graduates two

A religious college in Colby graduated its first two students June 8 since the school was accredited at the end of 2005.

Family members gathered at Redeeming Love Ministries on Sunday morning to watch as Shirley Hazlett and Pamela Sager received degrees from the Redeeming Love Ministries Training Center. Hazlett took home an associate degree in theological studies from the college, one of the ministries offered by the church, and Sager got a bachelor's degree in the same field.

"They're qualified to go out and minister and be a witness to the kingdom," said pastor W.G. Romine.

Sager is the first graduate of the school to earn a bachelor's degree. Hazlett is the second to have an associate degree, after Sager got her s at the school last year.

Romine's wife Orvella and Dr. Edna Hansen, another teacher at the school, were there during the ceremony. The women were given a transcript along with their degrees, as well as a few gifts to unwrap at the end of the ceremony.

In December 2005, the college was accredited by the American Accrediting Association of Theological Institutions under the umbrella of Jubilee International Ministries, a Des Moines, Iowa, church.

Since then, most of the people who started studying there have not completed the curriculum, Romine said, adding that as many as 22 students were enrolled when the school was accredited, but in later years, the number began to drop. Hazlett started going to the school in 2005, then dropped out before coming back to finish her studies. There are no new students at the school right now, the pastor said.

The college holds class once a week – on



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Dr. Joyce Hansen looked on as Shirley Hazlett (right) and Pam Sager opened gifts to celebrate their graduation from Redeeming Love Ministries Training Center on June 8. They are the first two people to graduate from the training center.

during national emergencies or

Leroux reviewed the multiple

ments for being a member of the

Kansas National Guard. He said

that Kansas is considered a me-

Wednesday - but Pastor Romine said about 80 elor's in three and a master's in four. The curpercent of the work is research done outside riculum includes analytical reading, literature, of the school. The school teaches only biblical history, civil ethics, anatomy, theology and subjects, Romine said. This allows students to get an associate degree in two years, a bach-

Leroux is originally from Con- support the active duty military Colby.

oux said the National Guard has benefits of and training require-

Guard is an asset of each state dium-sized state with 2,000 in the

that is responsible for providing Air Guard and 5,175 in the Army

geography.

Nick Wells won Roto-Lotto.

Rotarians and their families also

gathered Tuesday evening at Fike

Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday with 27 members and guest Joe Leroux.

President Marilyn Unger read a thank you note the club received from the American Youth Soccer Organization for the club's donation to purchase trees for the new soccer field.

Marla Crumrine had the program. Her guest was Sgt. Leroux, a recruiter and career counselor with the Kansas Army National Guard.

Colby Comets 4-H Club

The Colby Comets 4-H group held its monthly meeting May 19 at the 4-H building with 12 members present.

President Hayden Reinert led the meeting and asked about trophy ideas for this year's fair. Council ideas included a sling-bag backpack, coolers, camping chairs and long-sleeved shirts with the project on the sleeve.

Reinert also asked the group to donate money to the fair improvements board to help pay for new sidewalks by the horse barn area. They later decided to donate \$150. Club Leader Angela Zimmerman reminded the club that they are in charge of the buyer's meal this year and need a parent to help. The buyer's meal is a thank you to all those who bought animals at the fair. Discussion was tabled to the next meeting.

community support and disaster Guard. There are approximately relief in the event of local or state 200 members in the Colby and emergencies. On a national level, Norton maintenance units which the Guard may be mobilized to drill monthly at the armory in Alex Zimmerman told the group that the shooting sports team the club what games they were is going to hold a shoot for the going to play and discussed who Thomas County shooting sports would help out with the camp. participants only. There will be no Day camp was May 28 at Fike teams for this shoot; competition Park, including instruction on

necticut. He has 15 years of ser-

National Guard and Navy. Ler-

centuries of service, beginning

in 1636 with the Massachusetts

Bay Colony. The Army National

vice divided among the Army, periods of conflict.

will be individual and will count how much sugar is in some foods for the fair. Alex Zimmerman re- and a big water fight. ported that Madison Zimmerman a Colorado Springs meet.

The day camp committee told

At the meeting, the club elected received third place in air pistol at a new alternate council representative, Alex Zimmerman.

Grace Oard talked about her horse project.

The club's next meeting was to be today. -Courtney Tinkham, reporter

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Deaths

James L. Harper

James L. Harper, 82, Colby, in Colby. died Saturday, June 14, 2014, at the Prairie Senior Living Complex handling arrangements.

Baalmann Mortuary of Colby is

Survivors include her father and

of Pasco, Wash.; a brother, Ty

(Sheila) Herbert, Page City; and

Memorial services were to be at

at the Kennedy-Koster Funeral

Home in Oakley with Pastor Bob

Kelly officiating. A private inurn-

ment service will be held at the

The family suggests memorials

Condolences for the family may

Winona Cemetery.

No visitation.

Judie Lynn Herbert

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Judie Lynn Herbert, 49, Colby, formerly of Page City, died stepmother Joe and Linda Herbert Wednesday June 11, 2014, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

She was born Jan. 13, 1965, in a sister Debbie Headley, San An-Oakley to Joe D. and Judy (Russell) Herbert.

Although much of her adult life 11 a.m. Monday, June 16, 2014, was spent in a wheelchair, she had a full and happy life. In Page City, where she lived most of her life, she had space for all the animals she loved.

She was an avid Oakland Raiders fan and a coin collector who spent her spare time reading and in her name in care of the funeral watching movies. She had a great home, Box 221, Oakley, Kan., singing voice and loved to sing for family and friends.

Preceding her in death were her be left at www.kennedykosterfh. mother Judy Parsons in 2006 and com. stepfather Larry Parsons in 2004.

High Plains Art Club

May 13 at the United Methodist easier access for set up. Church with 15 members present. All members signed a get-well ent, but sent tickets for members card for long-time member, Mary McNutt.

Paul Gauguin was the subject of the program presented by Marlene Carpenter. Gauguin was a stockbroker, born in Paris. He moved to Tahiti and wanted to live off the land, but found that difficult. Dur- about Georgia O'Keefe at the Pioing that time he changed his style neer Memorial Library sometime of painting to a more relaxed, abstract form.

President Marlene Carpenter conducted the meeting.

Old business consisted of a review of the location change for the club's display at Art Walk April 18. It was agreed that the Law Enforcement Training Cen-

Corrections

An article, "Student recognized," on Page 1 of the Monday, June 9, Colby Free Press, contained an inaccurate statement. Kayla Sale is the oldest granddaughter of John and Nancy Sanders of Colby. This was a re-

The High Plains Art Club met ter worked out well and provided

Marge Brown was not presto sell chances on the oil painting "Ducks in Flight" donated by Shirley Baker. The drawing will be held at the awards ceremony during the High Plains Amateur Art Show Saturday, Oct. 18.

The club will show a video in June. Marlene was to arrange

Alvin Koenig shared his knowledge of working with stained glass following the lunch break.

The next meeting was to be Tuesday at the church.

– Alice Wolf, secretary

porting error. ል ል ል ል ል

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

Park for a barbecue to celebrate the club's 90th birthday. Those in attendance enjoyed perfect weather, food and fellowship along with cake and homemade ice cream. Rotary meets at noon Tuesdays in Room 106 of the college student union.

– Relda Galli

Asphalt paver sued by state

The Kansas Attorney General's office has filed a lawsuit against a door-to-door paving group operating in Rawlins County. Derek Schmidt is asking consumers who have interacted with the company for assistance in the investigation.

Will J. Harrison Jr., doing business as Wester Construction and Will Harrison Paving, is being investigated for alleged violations of the Kansas Consumer Protection Act in a door-to-door driveway paving operation.

The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division received a complaint from a consumer in Rawlins County about the practices of these individuals.

Consumers who have done business with these individuals or any of their associated companies are encouraged to contact the Attorney General's Office by calling (800) 432-2310 or by filing a complaint online at www.ag.ks. gov.

The lawsuit was filed Tuesday in Shawnee County District Court, case number 2014-CV-552, State ex rel Schmidt v. Harrison et al.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
/heat (bushel)	\$6.83
orn (bushel)	\$4.47
lilo (hundredweight)	\$7.30
oybeans (bushel)	\$13.25



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Legislators' grades don't pass muster

With the primary campaign season upon us, it's a good time to review the recent Kansas legislative session to see how you think your elected officials fared.

As voters, it is our privilege to reward good deed-doers with our votes. For those who fail to meet our objectives, it is also our privilege, nay responsibility, to relieve them of their duties. Here is *The Iola Register's* report card:

State Finances – F. The state is on track to have a \$310 million shortfall by the end of fiscal year 2014 – two weeks from now. By the end of fiscal year 2015 we are, predictably, on track to be \$600 million short. Any CEO would be fired for such management.

State Policies – F. The state's tax policies inordinately favor the wealthy. The top three expenses for most families are food, shelter and care of their children. Because of new tax cuts, the wealthy enjoy substantial exemptions and reductions while the poor lost subsidies for rent and childcare.

The state's tax policies are regressive. The income tax is the most progressive tax in that, ideally, it rises with income levels. Sales taxes are regressive in that everyone needs food and clothing so they hit the poor disproportionate to income. Studies show a poor family pays eight times more of its income for food than a wealthy family. A middle class family, five times more. Kansas also has the highest tax in the nation on food. Kansas is a low-tax state for the wealthy, and nobody else.

School Finance – C. Yes, the state agreed to offset a portion of a district's local option and capital outlay budgets, but when it comes to the actual classroom expenses, including teacher salaries, supplies and utilities, school budgets will see about a 1.5 percent jump, failing to even equal inflation.

Also, in an effort to appease wealthy school districts, legislators agreed to allow districts to raise local option budgets. The result will be an ever-widening gap between a wealthy school district as compared to a rural school district.

Per pupil funding was raised all of \$14, up to \$3,852. In 2008, the state allotted \$4,400 per pupil.

Loyalty – F. Legislators eliminated tenure, the system that gives teachers due process in defense of their jobs. The message is public school teachers are not valued. Many potential teachers will no longer view Kansas as employee-friendly.

Public Safety – F. Cities and counties no longer have a say over weapons. Instead, state law supersedes, making it legal as of July 1 for everyone to openly carry firearms and knives.

Good Manners – C. Kansas came close to being downright hateful to gays and lesbians when the House of Representatives passed a measure that would legalize discrimination against gays. The law's sponsors said it was to "protect the religious sensibilities" of those who may deal with homosexuals in the line of their work. The law never came to a vote before the Senate, saving the state from national disgrace. While Kansas, no doubt, will be the last state in the union to approve gay marriage, it should not go out of its way to be hateful.

Environment – A. In six votes the House refused to sell Kansas out to big business against renewable energy. The issue



'Intellectual' is not a dirty word

Call yourself an "intellectual" in America and be prepared to sit alone in the corner of the library. Of all of the subgroups in public school, from "jocks" to "drama queens," any student labeled as an intellectual is definitely at the bottom of the social heap.

It does not quite equate with "nerd" because those kids can often de-bug your cell phone or computer problem. But they are often videogame addicts and that increases the risk of being an academic dropout. No, intellectuals actually enjoy reading literature and philosophy and science. Sometimes called "eggheads" in the past, they would just rather go unnoticed, aside from a fleeting 15 minutes of fame when they win the inter-school chess championship.

Not so over here in China. The term for "intellectual" – pronounced jur-sure-fun-dze – is revered, and has been from earliest history. Of China's social classes, uneducated peasants were always at the bottom (except rhetorically during Mao). But if a family had a bright youngster (a boy, of course) and could gather enough money to hire a tutor, that educated young man could sit for a sequence of three exams. If he scored high enough, he would receive a government post at a local, provincial or national level. Therefore, China recruited only the highest-educated men into their government. And that meant wealth for his family and relatives. China was the origin of meritocracy and the "civil service exam."

could still be a teacher. Over many dynasties, negative. From roughly 1965 to 1975, Mao

John Richard Schrock

Education Frontlines

a blue robe was the attire of the scholar, and he was recognized and respected. As a teacher, he would be relatively poor, but he was respected.

As the merchant class developed, some amassed fortunes. Yet the social status of a rich merchant could never equal that of the poor scholar-teacher. (Did I mention that the teachers were respected?) Rich merchants would even attempt to buy a scholar's credentials to gain this status of respect. When this became commonplace, it usually was an indication that the dynasty was in its last days. (Perhaps like getting an online degree?)

When Chinese look back at their history, it is the names of artists, poets, historians, philosophers and great writers that they admire. Westerners tend to define their past "greats" as generals, political leaders and captains of industry. Those of us who would mention Shakespeare or Bentham or Handel can expect eyes to roll as the social crowd shuffles elsewhere in the room.

I must admit one exception. For 10 years, But not quite make the cut-off score and he the Chinese word for intellectual became a

unleashed the Red Guards and the Cultural Revolution that closed down schools. Intellectuals were portrayed as feeling they were superior to others - and were sent to the countryside. Youngsters were encouraged to harangue and harass the educated "class." Those dark days are long gone now. China learned a lesson. That will never happen again. If anything, China has a lingering guilt complex about it. They renewed their commitment to respecting scholarship. - Even if the schoolwork done by students is motivated by getting a high score to get a better job.

Meanwhile, back in the United States, there remains no respect for the scholar as "intellectual." Politicians see schooling as mere "job training"-a private rather than common" good." Where can you find one public university with a mission statement that includes the word "intellectual." Richard Hofstadter, in "Anti-intellectualism in American Life," described our public disdain for intellect. And here I am, being all "academic" about it.

Maybe if America had our own Cultural Revolution and shut down our schools for 10 years we would wake up and realize that we should value and respect our young scholars. the intellectuals among us.

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

has been the calling card of the Kansas Chamber of Commerce in efforts to repeal standards requiring utilities to get 20 percent of power from renewable sources by 2020.

This year, make it your goal to be an informed voter. Ask your state representative and senator how they voted on issues. And for heaven's sakes, vote.

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Urban states conspire against the rural

Those who have long contrived to destroy the rural influence in electing the president of the United States in favor of a permanent urban influence, largely of the east and west coasts and Chicago, are one state closer to achieving their goal.

New York State recently became the 10th state (all highly urban) to come on board with the signature of Gov. Andrew Cuomo. They favor a popularly elected president through stealth and a largely secret plan called the National Popular Vote Interstate Alliance, concocted in the shadows by proponents that are unwilling to make changes in the Constitution through the only two ways permitted in Amendment V of the Constitution.

So silent has been the movement that most Americans will learn about it only after it has been implemented and too late to resist.

The Constitution requires an open national debate on change. It outlines a two-step process: one to propose, a second to ratify. The proposal can come from either two thirds of both houses or two thirds of the states. Ratifying requires state action alone. They could do so through their state legislatures or the state legislature could expand the vote base to a convention, but either way, it requires threefourths of the states to make the change.

Opponents of the Electoral College seek to alter a process that has worked for 225 years for both urban and rural populations. The Electoral College gives candidates an incentive for visiting rural states by increasing their electoral vote – the smallest states get at least three. This attracts candidates to rural areas that would be ignored by those thirsty for only a popular vote. The founders' brilliant plan to adjust both interests would be destroyed by the new urban-only benefiting plan.



Unable to get two-thirds of the states to consider altering this part of the Constitution as required, and openly convince Americans of their "better" plan, proponents seek a largely secret end run around the Constitution. In it, participating states would allocate their electoral votes to the winner of the national popular vote, rather than the winner of the popular vote in their state.

When enough states assign their electors to the popular vote winner, and that number exceeds 270, remaining states will be mandated to support as well. Almost without public debate outside state legislatures, and seemingly overnight, the popular vote will effectively replace the Electoral College as the means by which a president is elected. We would be back to a few high-population states deciding for the rest of the country.

Proponents use a small portion of Article II, Section 1 to destroy the rest of the section. The part used reads, "Each state shall appoint, in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct, a number of electors, equal to the whole number of senators and representatives to which the state may be entitled in the Congress." This, they say, gives state legislatures the right to award their electors as they see fit. Actually, the phrase allows the state legislatures appointing powers only. To suggest that they should have influence over their voting once selected, nullifies the reason for their existence - the selection of a non-governmental entity to select the president.

Moreover, the popular vote interstate alliance also violates Article I, Section 10, which prohibits states from entering into alliances with other states unless Congress consents. Congress has not even been consulted. Certainly, agreeing states have entered into an alliance to nullify the effect of the Electoral College and to obliterate, once accomplished, the independent vote of states not in the alliance.

With New York, the alliance has a combined electoral vote total of 165, more than half the 270 electoral votes needed to impose this upon the rest of the country and nullify a long-standing pillar of the Constitution. Other states voting to change the Constitution without amending it and to violate the non-alliances clause are: New Jersey, Washington, Hawaii, Illinois, Vermont, Maryland, Massachusetts, District of Columbia, California and Rhode Island.

This scheme involves ignoring the House of Representatives and U.S. Senate who have essential roles in making changes in the Constitution. It changes the Constitution without the three-fourths state consent requirement potentially 11 states could make the remaining 39 bend to their choice for president. It essentially obliterates most of Article II, Section 1 and Amendment 12, and blatantly violates Article I, Section 10, Clause 3 of the Constitution. No person who values the Constitution, as understood for 225 years, could support this movement and plan.

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Men like cars, so plan to give a Father's Day gift of a piece of automobilia. Can't afford a fullsize car? Try one of today's most popular collectibles, a vintage motor oil can. There is very

little information available about the cans, but there's a lot about the companies that made the oil. So it's easy to date a can by its logo and style, which makes it easy to find great early examples. The tin can

was invented in 1810 to hold food for Napoleon's army. Cans were made by hand in the early 19th century. Six could be made by one man in an hour. By 1900 the main products stored in tin cans were

food and petroleum products. Cans made around the turn of the 20th century had a soldered seam on the side that looks like a gray strip.

Cardboard cans were introduced in the 1940s but were widely used from the 1950s to the 1980s. The first soft drink aluminum cans were used in 1953. The first aluminum cans for motor oil were made in 1958. The square cardboard quart oil can came into use in the 1960s. Most popular with collectors are the quart size, then the gallon, then the 5-gallon, and it does not matter if the can is full or empty.

An unusual Marathon motor oil container sold in 2014 at a William Morford auction. It's shaped and decorated to look like an oil well. The 15-inch-high can has the brand's "Running Man" logo, a silhouette of an ancient Greek runner and the slogan "Best in the long run." The logo dates back to the 1920s, but the brand was purchased by the Ohio Oil Co. in 1930.

Q: I have a New York Mets pennant in good condition from the 1969 World Series. It's red with white and blue lettering that reads "New York Mets, 1969 National League Champions." It has the Mets logo, Mr. Met, and the words 'World Series." The last names of all the players and the manager are listed. What is it worth?

A: The New York Mets was an expansion team that ended up in last place in 1962, its inaugural season, and second to last the following seasons until 1969, when they clinched the National League pennant. The "Miracle Mets" upset the Baltimore Orioles and won the World Series that

Family Circus • Bil Keane



"We added our pictures to your new wallet, Daddy. You have to add your own money."

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green



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.

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Mother Goose and Grimm • Mike Peters



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HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED THAT WHILE YOU'RE AT LUNCH, I OFTEN

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WORK?



Zits ۲ Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



year, too. Mets pennants like yours in good condition sell for about \$50 to \$100.

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Famous Hand

This deal occurred in a world championship match many years ago between Sweden and the United States. When Jan Wohlin and Robert Larsen were North-South for Sweden, the bidding went as shown. Larsen wound up in three hearts, made four and could also have made three notrump.

Undoubtedly, Larsen's two-heart bid at his second turn was the cause of the failure to reach game. True, to some extent he made amends for his underbid by bidding three hearts later on, but this did not stir Wohlin into action.

Larsen probably thought there was little chance for game after both opponents had bid, but a jump to three hearts at his second turn would certainly have come closer to representing the full value of his hand. That bid would surely have induced Wohlin to bid three notrump.

When Ted Lightner of the U.S. held the South hand, the bidding went:

East	South	West	North
Pass	1 🖤	1 🔶	Pass
2 🕈	2 NT	Pass	3 NT

Lightner's two-notrump bid was certainly unusual, since he did not rebid his powerful suit. But he was more concerned with representing the game-potential of his hand than he was with spelling out the details.

In his view, a nine-trick game seemed more likely to make than a 10-trick game. North, holding an ace and a king, was delighted to raise to three notrump, against which there was no defense.

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Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

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Dad should be proud of our driving



R.B. HEADLEY Colby Free Press A full lineup of fast-moving autos were ready for the special Father's Day racing showdowns at Thomas County Speedway Sunday evening. All the main divisions were in action including modifieds, sportmods, econos hobby stocks and cruisers. Cars definitely were pulling away from each other in the two heat races (above and right). Watch for results later this week.



Sluggers earn one tourney win

Rather than pout about a 19-2 range, but the traditionally tough opening defeat, the Colby Slug- Chappell team held on for a 13-10 gers pounded out 20 runs in their next three tournament games at McCook, Neb., last weekend.

Neb, on Saturday highlighted the Colby recovery as Josh Matchell tripled and Luke Cox clobbered two doubles.

Cox drove home two of the runs needed to help Casey Quagliano earn a complete-game victory. Quagliano struck out six while pitching all seven innings of the Sluggers' first Legion baseball win this summer.

We didn't have many hits on Friday," coach Brian Quagliano said after taking that 19-2 first-game blasting from McCook. "But I thought we competed really well both Saturday and Sunday. And in that Plattsmouth game, we did not commit any defensive errors."

The Sluggers (1-5 record) stumbled again early against Chappell, Neb., and fell behind 9-0.

"But we played outstanding after that," coach Quagliano said. "I believe we outhit them for the game."

win. The Sluggers then moved ahead of eventual tournament champion

A 7-6 triumph over Plattsmouth, Hays Thomas More Prep, 3-2, before those Monarchs showed other Kansas teams know how to rally. A four-run fifth inning fueled

the Monarchs' 8-3 victory. However, the comeback really didn't begin until a Colby pitching change.

"Luke was throwing well. We have to limit his innings, though, so he'll be strong and ready for the fall," coach Quagliano said 'We got off to a shaky start. as Cox will be playing baseball for Panhandle State University in Oklahoma. "We brought in a couple of pitchers who didn't do quite as well. But I thought we did play better as the weekend went along.'

The Sluggers now prepare to play their first home games of this season against Hays Thomas More Prep Wednesday evening. First pitch of this doubleheader is set for 6 p.m.

Editor's note: The Free Press tried to obtain more details, stats and highlights. None were avail-Colby closed within striking able before today's press deadline.

Baseball great dies from cancer at 54

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Hall of salivary gland cancer. Famer Tony Gwynn, who notched more than 3,100 hits during a officials announced Gwynn's Major League Baseball career spanning two decades, has died at age 54 following a battle with

MLB and San Diego Padres death on Monday. His .338 career batting average is the highest since Ted Williams retired from the Boston Red Sox in 1960 with a .344 average.

Gwynn, who won a record eight National League batting titles and played in the franchise's two World Series appearances. retired in 2001 and later coached for San Diego State University. He signed a one-year extension as the school's head coach on Wednesday,

Gwynn claimed the cancer in his salivary gland was the result of his longtime chewing tobacco habit. The cancer returned twice and he again underwent radiation treatment in an attempt to shrink the tumor in 2012

Colby K-18 finishes so close to home title

By R.B. Headley

Colby Free Press rbheadley@nwkansas.com

Dads doing laundry on Father's Day was not such a crazy concept to those enjoying a favorite kid's game Sunday afternoon.

"Zach, don't be afraid to wash those pants," Colby K-18 coach Travis Branum shouted after his baserunner didn't slide on a pickoff play. "I'll even wash them for you!"



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Colby K-18 players (left) Rex Branum, Parker Wright and catcher Tucker Branum smile after celebrating another big defensive play during Sunday's home tournament title game against Syracuse. The Colby boys nearly avenged a 3-0 defeat on Saturday night, but fell short 2-1 while claiming second place in their home tourney. The K-18 No. 1 team



Message received as Hart slid on the next play and saw an errant pickoff throw bounce past him. He moved on to second and eventually slid into third during this home tournament title game against Syracuse.

However, neither Hart nor any other potential game-tying Colby run could advance those next 90 feet. The bases were fully loaded in Colby's final at-bat — only to see Syracuse's ace pitcher deliver one more strikeout that secured a 2-1 victory.

"Hats off to Syracuse. They've got a good pitcher there. We had some opportunities and fell a little short," coach Branum said. "But I'm proud of the guys. They showed some guts today. I don't think we made any mental mistakes. They were definitely ready to play today."

The home diamond handled a Saturday late-evening storm, and Colby appeared ready to wash during its second at-bat.

way all memories of Syracuse's 3-0 rain-shortened win during tournament pool play.

lead when team tournament Most Valuable Player Rex Branum hustled for an infield RBI-single.

Rex took over on the pitching mound, and his teammates claimed. promptly made two terrific inningending double plays behind him.

some yelling about one of his baserunners not advancing to third on a first-inning hit.

Listen to the wise coach.

Because moments later, Colby a line drive and threw to second baseman Parker Wright — retiring that same Syracuse player who should have reached third base.

Syracuse loaded the bases again load the bases.

will play two more at home to-

night when Hill City visits. First pitch is scheduled for 6 p.m.

Now it was Wright's turn for some super heroics. Wright fielded a grounder, smartly tagged one Colby struck quickly for a 1-0 runner short of second base and then threw out the batter before he could reach first.

> "Way to be thinking out there, Parker!" coach Branum pro-

Unfortunately, a couple of walks and one hit batter helped First, Syracuse's coach did Syracuse push across its two crucial runs.

> Colby nearly answered in the final inning of this championship game

Wright lined a single that the shortstop Shevin Martin caught tumbling right fielder could not stop before it touched grass. A shortstop's error further assisted this final comeback, and Mark Faber battled until he drew a walk to

R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press Colby K-18 second baseman Parker Wright stepped on the base and focuses on a throw from shortstop Shevin Martin that doubled off this Syracuse runner Sunday afternoon. Martin caught a line drive to start the rally-wrecking double play.

out the final two batters.

"I guess what we need to learn from this one is to be more aggressive, jump on pitches that we like," coach Branum concluded.

Colby did pounce on McCook, Neb., 13-2, for a pool-play win on Saturday. Gage Winger and Rex Yet Syracuse's pitcher struck Branum both finished two-for-

two. Branum scored three runs and drove home a pair.

Alex Vap scored two runs while Carter Stanley, Parker and Hart were other Colby players who crossed home safely.

Colby plays two more at home today when Hill City visits for a 6 p.m. doubleheader.

Royals' streak hits seven

CHICAGO (AP) – Kansas City will take a seven-game winning streak into Detroit tonight after beating the Chicago White Sox, 6-3, on Sunday.

The Royals (36-32) only trail powerful defending AL Central champion Detroit (36-29) by 1 1/2 games as they start their series at Comerica Park.

Kansas City went 0-5 against Detroit during earlier meetings this season, so the Royals will be looking for payback while perhaps moving into first place in this tight division.

Foundation tournament rolls along



What a perfect day to putt for eight golfers who were playing baseball and Speedway racing this weekend, attempts to obin Friday's Colby Medical Center Citizen's Foundation tourna- tain results from this weekend activity were not successful bement at Meadow Lake Golf Course. Unfortunately, much like fore today's press deadline.

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Spurs blast Heat for fifth NBA title

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Tim Duncan, Manu Ginobili and Tony Parker, the winningest trio in NBA better team, and that's why they're postseason history, shared hugs.

Players wrapped themselves in flags from around world, a reminder that the San Antonio Spurs from above.

Painfully denied 12 months ago by the Miami Heat, this victory party was worth the wait.

"It makes last year OK," Duncan said.

The Spurs finished off a dominant run to their fifth NBA championship Sunday night, ending the Heat's two-year title reign with a 104-87 victory that wrapped up the series in five games.

"We had a great first quarter, but from that point on they were the the champions in 2014," said LeBron James, who led the Heat with 31 points and 10 rebounds.

San Antonio erased an early look far beyond the border to 16-point deficit and routed Mibuild champions, as confetti fell ami for the fourth time in the series, denying the Heat's quest for a third straight championship. A year after the Spurs suffered their only loss in six Finals appearance, they turned the rematch into no match at all.

Finals MVP Kawhi Leonard had 22 points and 10 rebounds for the Spurs, who added this title to the ones they won in 1999, 2003, '05 and '07. They nearly had another last year.