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A crowd of around 40 farmers and Thomas County Extension workers, (above) stopped in Tuesday for the annual wheat plot tour. Eric DeWolf (right, from left), Jeannie Falk and Jim Shroyer examined a sheaf of "solid stem" wheat Tuesday morning at the Solomon Creek Farm, Mike Brown's farm south of Levant. Dale Herschberger (bottom right) examined a

sheaf of wheat held by Extension agent Kurt Sexton. Shroyer (bottom left) explained the strengths and weaknesses of different wheat varieties at the Thomas County Extension's annual wheat plot tour. Before the group headed to the fields, he was given a plaque of appreciation; this year marks his final tour before retirement.

Crop specialist leads tour

About 40 people, mostly farmers, showed up early Tuesday morning on Mike Brown's farm south of Levant for the Thomas County Extension's annual wheat plot tour.

Jim Shroyer, a crop specialist for the Extension service, walked the group through different varieties of the crop as part of his last wheat plot tour. He has been working with Extension for close to 30 years.

The farmers looked at 29 varieties of wheat that Brown planted in strips at the Solomon Creek Farm he owns. Shroyer told them about which kinds of wheat each variety of wheat was developed from. He explained the strengths and weaknesses of each kind: its yield, the strength of the stem, and its resistance to common pests and diseases like Hessian fly, leaf rust, stripe rust and wheat streak mosaic.

Many of the wheat varieties were developed by researchers at agricultural universities on the Great Plains. Different kinds thrive for different areas, often resistant to drought or diseases, but not both at once.

Dan O'Brien, an economist for Extension, Lucas Haag, an Extension agronomist, and Eric DeWolf, an Extension plant pathologist, also spoke during the tour.



Jail group: first fire architect

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A committee tasked with making jail planning recommendations to the county commissioners voted again at their Thursday meeting to tell the commissioners they should fire architect Glen Strait and start the project planning over again.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Group, made up of representatives from agencies who will eventually use the new building as well as community members, met at the Thomas County Office Complex over the lunch hour, ultimately deciding that their group cannot move forward with planning the structure if the commissioners decide to keep Strait.

District Judge Glenn Schiffner told the group their last vote to start over without Strait may not have been clear enough for the commissioners, who hesitated to act on it by terminating Strait's contract.

Schiffner said he spent nearly an hour discussing the judicial complex with Strait on Wednesday. Schiffner said Strait indicated he feels he works for the county commissioners only and does not care what the committee has to say.

To avoid open meetings laws, Strait told Schiffner, he was going to meet with each commissioner individually. Schiffner said he got the impression Strait intended to try to persuade the commissioners

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College plans higher budget

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The Colby Community College Trustees reviewed the college's budget for the 2014-2015 fiscal year at their June meeting Monday night.

Glenda Overstreet, the college's chief financial officer, walked the trustees through the proposed \$14,990,000 budget, which represents an increase over the \$14,520,000 the college budgeted for this year. The trustees did not make a decision on the budget Monday. They plan to review the budget again at their Monday, July 21 meeting, then vote on it at another meeting Saturday, July 26, before holding a public hearing prior to final passage at a later meeting. The date for the hearing

has not been set. Most of the college's money will come from either student tuition room and board, and other fees, and will go primarily to faculty and staff salaries.

The budget increase comes after a year in which the college struggled to keep its finances together. In the summer of 2013, the college had a \$300,000 deficit going into this year, Dr. Overstreet told the trustees. Without the deficit, she said later, last year's budget might have been higher. The college relied in part on a \$1 million fund raising effort led partially by the college endowment foundation to get through last year, and was considering asking donors to pay, not for special projects, but simply to cover its operating expenses.

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South Fork to be discussed

There will be an informational meeting and discussion for those using or interested in the water supply of the South Fork Republican River at 9 a.m. Tuesday at the Community High School Cafeteria, 100 College St in St. Francis.

State water officials need to understand the interests and concerns of local water users in the face of depleted river flows and the draining of Bonny Reservoir. "KDA

needs to hear from water users in the area," said Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Jackie McClaskey. Water officials will also provide an update on Republican River Compact issues that affect the basin's water supply.

For information on the meeting contact the Division of Water Resources, Chris Beightel, (785) 608-6542 or chris.beightel@kda.ks.gov.

Aging pipes being replaced

Big sections of Sixth Street have been torn up this week as Midwest Energy replaces aging gas pipes under the concrete, a project that should be complete by next Friday.

The company could be tearing up the streets, sidewalk, alleyways or parts of nearby lawns between Fifth Street and Seventh streets, Cleveland and Riddle avenues, spokesman Mike Morely said.

Fifth was blocked off before the project started Monday. Since then small sections of concrete along Fifth had been torn out on either side of Range, from Cleveland to Riddle, along with part of Riddle to the south where workers were digging in an alley. The workers are replacing about 850 feet of pipe, Morely said, and will be done by next Friday if the weather cooperates.

Although the company is trying to only dig up small patches of ground, it might have to tear up part of the yards bordering the streets. If workers need to dig under a yard, he said, they notify the homeowner

beforehand and restore the yard afterwards. Small flags will be set near the project to let workers know the location of other utility lines. Morely asked people to leave the flags alone.

The goal of the project is to replace bare steel pipe, some of which dates from the 1930s and '40s, with polyethylene plastic pipe that is less vulnerable to corrosion. They will also replace about 22 meters with the pipe. The work is a yearly project Midwest undertakes to replace aging pipe.

For information, call Midwest at (800) 222-3121.



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Workers blocked off Sixth Street east of Range Wednesday as they bored through concrete to take out an old gas pipe. Midwest is replacing the gas line with polyethylene pipe.



Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 64. South wind around 15 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 92. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 62. Breezy, with a south wind 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 87. South wind around 10 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon.

Sunday Night: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Mostly cloudy; low around 62. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny; high near 79.

Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny; high 83.

Tuesday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.

Wednesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny; high 86.

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

Thursday: High, 86; Low 57 Precip: Thursday None

Month: 3.87 inches Year: 7.75 inches Normal: 9.84 inches (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset Saturday 6:18 a.m. 9:15 p.m. Moon: waning, 29 percent Sunday 6:18 a.m. 9:15 p.m. Moon: waning, 20 percent Monday 6:18 a.m. 9:15 p.m. Moon: waning, 13 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Colby Water Use Thursday 2,330,000 gal. (Colby Public Works)

Colby native hits network broadcasting

Cable and satellite television channel RFD-TV now features Colby native Amy Wilson in its Western Sports Round-Up, part of the station's nightly Rural Evening News.

Wilson is host of the sports segment, delivering results and highlights from western sporting events and stories about the athletes.

Wilson grew up on a farm and ranch southeast of Colby, where she enjoyed being involved in rural life. She attributes her work ethic to being raised around farm operations.

Wilson says her favorite place is on the back of a horse. When she was young, she often rode bareback because she got tired of begging for someone saddle her horse.

Wilson competed in rodeo, even while earning her agribusiness and communications degrees from Colby Community College.

In 2007, was crowned Miss Rodeo Kansas and in 2008 Miss Rodeo America. She later earned a bachelor's degree in media arts from New Mexico Highlands University, where she had a rodeo scholarship.

Fans can also catch Wilson on Rural Radio SiriusXM channel 80 for live news coverage at 5 p.m. weekdays.



Courtesy photo

Interviewing bull riders is just one part of Amy Wilson's job in the Western Sports Roundup.

Jail group says: first fire the architect

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individually not to terminate his contract. After the meeting, Commissioner Mike Baughn, who attended the meeting, said he had a meeting scheduled at Strait's request but is now clear on what the committee wants, too.

Schiffner also said he thinks Strait is an innocent party in this issue. While Schiffner said Strait did not communicate with any of the committee members before creating his original design, comments directed to Commissioner Paul Steele from some members of the committee apparently were not passed on to Strait.

Strait's original design was unveiled, without input from stakeholders, by placing it in the county clerk's office along with a notepad for comments.

The court portion of Strait's original design was "totally unworkable," said Schiffner. After five revisions, the design is better, Schiffner said, but the improvements are because the court workers got out their tape measures and did the re-designing themselves.

Schiffner said he does not feel the committee's recommendation to terminate Strait is a personal gripe with Strait.

"It's just that what we have is wrong," he said.

Sheriff Rod Taylor made a motion to recommend that the commissioners "terminate their relationship with Glen Strait" and that the planning committee begin taking presentations from other firms. Court Services Officer Anne Ogle seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

Before the vote, the group heard a presentation about regionalization from Oakley Police Chief Jason Moses.

Moses told the group that he thinks the nine counties in the corner of northwest Kansas should combine their resources to make a more efficient, more effective criminal justice system.

Moses said he likes having his own dispatch operations in Oakley but realizes the situation cannot last for long. He said the area currently staffs eight separate round-the-clock dispatch centers even though call volumes in overnight hours average only one call per dispatcher. But when calls do come in, one dispatcher can quickly become overwhelmed, especially since overnight dispatchers typically observe inmates while on shift.

Regionalizing dispatch operations, he said, would allow area law enforcement agencies to save money while also providing extra staff to support the dispatchers so no dispatcher has to watch jail inmates and take multiple calls at the same time in the overnight hours.

Moses is also firmly in favor of regionalizing jail operations. While Logan County no longer has a jail, instead housing most of their prisoners at the Thomas County and Scott County jails, Moses said he will begin advocating to build a regional jail in Oakley if Thomas County delays too long.

"You guys are in a very good position to start this," Moses said, "You guys build it or I will."

Moses said having a regional complex spreads the costs and liability among jurisdictions so that Thomas County does not have to shoulder the entire load for its jail. He and Schiffner said several jails in this region will shut down if the state begins inspecting jails again, and Moses said someone in the region needs to be prepared to capitalize on that prisoner load since it doesn't make financial sense for small communities to build new jails to house only a handful of prisoners.

Moses said other agencies are probably going to want a say in the project if they are going to use it.

"Marc and Rod are guys that I can work with," he said, referring to the undersheriff

and sheriff. But he cautioned that the relationship between jurisdictions can change when the leaders change.

Committee member and defense attorney Calvin Williams suggested that Thomas County could sign contracts with other jurisdictions to guarantee those other agencies will send their prisoners to Thomas County. Moses agreed but said he would want some guarantees that the county would be able to take his agency's prisoners when needed and some say in the facility's management.

Williams also said that putting a regional judicial complex in Colby will create "a bunch of jobs" for the local economy.

"Wherever the jail goes is where the courts go," Schiffner said, adding that the building could be designed with future expansion in mind.

James Foster, a non-voting representative from the Department of Commerce, said his agency can help the group with some planning and facilitation before they start interviewing firms, suggesting the other jurisdictions could be included as stakeholders in the project planning.

Baughn said he will personally make sure Strait's contract and the jail issues are on the commissioner's next meeting agenda. He encouraged the public and members of the committee to attend the meeting, to be held at 9 a.m. on Monday, June 30, in the commission chambers on the main floor of the courthouse.

"I'd like to see it so packed we have to move to the courtroom," he said.

The commissioners' decision on Strait's contract will decide whether the committee meets again, the group determined.

Mayor Gary Adrian said he didn't think the judicial complex would pass unless the committee was able to start the planning again.

Schiffner said he thought the group "might as well disband" if the commissioners did not follow their recommendation.

Briefly

The deadline for Briefly is noon the day before. The deadline for Monday's paper is noon Friday.

Diabetes classes to begin next week

Citizens Medical Center will begin a series of diabetes classes on Tuesday with "On the Road to Better Managing Your Diabetes." The free four-class series is from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the hospital's conference room. Preregistration is encouraged. Call Jeanene Brown at 460-4850.

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.

Ride to support wounded warriors

The Men M.C. 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.

School to sell fireworks

Heartland Christian School will have a fireworks stand from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, June 27, to Friday, July 4, in the parking lot of Colby Livestock Auction on Country Club Drive. For information, call Ronda Myers at 443-1384.

Lemon AID stand supports animal shelter

Stop by at Swartz Vet Hospital for the Sixth Annual Lemon AID Stand, held by April Swartz to support the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter. The stand will be open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 1, at 1775 W. Fourth. Donations of dog and cat food will be accepted. For information, call 460-1078.

Art club to show biographical movie

The 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. Not recommended for children. For information, contact Marlene Carpenter at 460-7656.

Breakfast to help with expenses

The Thomas County Fair Board will have a benefit breakfast for medical expenses for the Ron Kogler family from 7 to 10 a.m. Saturday, June 28, at the 4-H Building. Make a donation for biscuits and gravy, hash browns and eggs. For information, call Audrey Hines at 462-2388.

Colby College plans include higher budget for next year

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But as of last month, Dr. Overstreet reported, the college is finally putting money into its reserve fund, and this next year \$25,000 is budgeted to go into the cash reserves each month.

Since much of the money comes from students, Overstreet reported, the main question for finances next year depends on whether the college can sign up the predicted number of students and then keep them all year.

The exact amount of tax mon-

ey depends on the county land valuations for next year, but she expects about \$4.6 million from taxes. Another \$3.29 million should come from tuition and fees. The college expects students to take 31,410 credit hours of classes next year, a three percent increase from the 30,495 credit hours they took this year. Overstreet expects 275 students to live on campus next year, and pay another \$1.57 million to the college for room and board.

About \$1.9 million of the college's funding will come from a

state grant funding to the school. \$950,000 is expected from restricted grant funding. Unrestricted grants, such as, should account for \$760,000. Finally, Overstreet expects \$1.2 from miscellaneous sources.

Out of that money, about \$9 million will go to salaries for faculty and staff.

Another \$1.3 million will go to purchases for the college. Another \$1 million each will go both to infrastructure and paying debts, mainly on buildings, such as Bedker, or the energy

upgrades the college plans for its facilities. The college will also spend about \$850,000 on

scholarships, and \$400,000 on promotion.

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Despite high winds last week, the employees of Hi-Plains Co-op, including Mert Strecker (left), Brice Cronn and Isabelle Rosales, cooked and served over 100 hot dogs each day, including one to Cory Mead, during their 65th anniversary and customer appreciation open house June 12 and 13. An additional 40 hot dogs were delivered to Deseret Health & Rehabilitation in Colby on Friday.

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Jesus' Father showed solid family relationship

I was fortunate to be reared in a home where Mom and Dad were both involved. Mom did most of what I couldn't do while Dad did most of what I could do. There were times, however - Dad and I had our moments.

I have always been grateful for the things Dad taught me, not just about the construction of houses, but about some of the little things of life that would definitely make a difference. Although we weren't really close, he shared with me much of his knowledge.

I'm often reminded of the close relationship Jesus had with his father. The plan was established from the beginning and they communicated continually. The tremendous love flowed both ways and Jesus was obedient to the cross in order for our past to be healed and our future to be sealed as we walk with him.

I'm repulsed by the horror of the cross. The violent ugliness of the cruel death of a man, not for anything that he did but for who he said he was - the Son of God. But as terrifying as the cross was, it was perhaps the moment before he died that was the most excruciating.

Moments before he died, Matthew 27:46 records Jesus as saying, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

He was forsaken, abandoned



Lyle Knebel

• From the Pulpit

disowned by his own father with whom he had been so very close. He endured the cross, and fell to the greatest loneliness and despair for our sins.

It is a terrible thing to be abandoned by those who love us the most. To be utterly alone in the universe is horrible, even more so with people around us. But God knows all about our pain as he experienced this in human form.

God is with us. Always. The apostle Paul writes to the Corinthians, "We are persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed." The good news is, whatever we are faced with, we are not alone. God loves us, he knows all about us, and he cares so much for us.

And even in that moment Jesus felt so alone, his Father acted. And in his time, the miracle of all miracles came forth.

Christ arose.

Lyle Knebel is pastor of the First Christian Church of Colby. He can be reached at lyleknebell@gmail.com.

Senior Progress Center

Activities: **Monday:** 10:30 a.m. Skip Bo. **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. canasta. **Wednesday:** 10:30 a.m. snack day. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 11 a.m. bingo. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinochle.

Menus: **Monday:** baked fish, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, apricots. **Tuesday:** ham, scalloped potatoes, beets, applesauce. **Wednesday:** cook's choice entrée, hash brown casserole, California blend vegetables, rosy pears. **Thursday:** oven-fried

chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cantaloupe. **Friday:** Frito chili cheese pie, cook's choice fruit, corn chips, cinnamon roll.

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

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

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$6.99
Corn (bushel)	\$4.50
Milo (hundredweight)	\$7.36
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Red Barn

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 2 p.m. Barnswallows; Doris Jean Oliver's birthday. **Wednesday:** 10 a.m. ladies' Bible study. **Thursday:** 2 p.m. Come On Down; 6:30 p.m. Spuds 'n Splits. **Friday:** 9:30 a.m. Koffee Klatch; 2:30 p.m. Stitch and Chatter; Doug Todd's birthday.

Deaths

John Joseph Fiore

John Joseph Fiore, 74, Iola, a retired Southwestern Bell employee from Colby, died Thursday, June 12, 2014, at his home.

He was born to Kenneth and Lena (Stanzione) Fiore on April 28, 1941, in Newark, N.J. They preceded him in death.

After graduating from Our Lady of Good Counsel in Newark he entered the Air Force where he was part of the Air Police and K-9 Corps, stationed at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines, and Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, Neb. He was awarded the Purple Heart, among other honors. In 1963 he left active duty and joined the Air National Guard.

On Nov. 28, 1964, he married Karolyn Scott in Irwin, Iowa.

After living in Roselle Park, N.J., where he held several public works jobs, they moved to Harlan, Iowa, where he worked as a police officer and as an Iowa state trooper before working for Northwestern Bell. While with the Bell System he was promoted to management and transferred from Iowa to Corpus Christi, Texas, and later to Topeka and finally Colby. A highlight of his time with Bell was being awarded the Silver Vail

Award after rescuing a couple trapped in a car accident during a snowstorm in Iowa.

After retiring from Southwestern Bell in April 2001, he taught telecommunications at Northwest Kansas Technical College in Goodland.

In 2003 he returned to Topeka to be closer to family and worked as a safety officer for Chronister Construction. In 2006, he moved to Iola, where he met his fiancée Linda Arrowood. Throughout his life John loved animals, frequently taking care of family and friends pets, and volunteering with the Allen County Animal Rescue Facility.

Survivors include his fiancée, of Iola; three children, Kelli Fiore, Lawrence; Kristina Crays, Topeka; and John A. Fiore, Eudora; two brothers, Kenneth Fiore Jr. and Ronald Fiore, both of New Jersey; a sister, Joan Fiore, New Jersey; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2014, at the First Assembly of God in Iola.

The family suggests memorials to the animal rescue facility, ACARF.org.

Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday with 36 members and guests Brent Bogart, Susan Elliott-Bryan and Jim Oliver.

President Marilyn Unger read thanks from the American Youth Soccer Organization for the club's donation to purchase trees for the new soccer field.

The Polio Plus collection was taken. Pat Sloan was the successful bidder of the Polio Plus auction item donated by Nick Wells.

President Marilyn Unger reported Brooklyn Bange, Hannah Strange and Brooke Wark, the students who attended the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy in Lawrence, had a great experience.

Jake Harper was inducted into the club by membership chairman Mike Tubbs. Harper's sponsor is Relda Galli.

Jim Oliver gave the guest program on motorcycle safety. Oliver has been enjoying the sport of motorcycling for 58 years. His goal

is to help others enjoy the sport in a safe manner. Oliver stated that there are two kinds of motorcyclists: show boaters and fun lovers. He said the fun lovers live longer.

Oliver told the group how to quickly and safely come to a stop. He demonstrated counter steering for curves and the importance of maintaining a line of sight. He also discussed the importance of staying hydrated and wearing appropriate gear and footwear for a variety of weather conditions. He noted the importance of driving defensively and encouraging all motorcyclists to ride within their skill levels. Jim answered questions and concluded his presentation by encouraging all riders to enroll in a basic riding course.

Paul Steele won Roto-Lotto. The club meets at noon each Tuesday in Room 106 of the college student union.

-Relda Galli

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CELEBRATION COMMUNITY CHURCH, 285 E. 5th - Colby Community Building. Kirby Benisch, Campus Pastor. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. www.celebratejesus.org

GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP, 2nd and Sunrise, Oakley, Pastor James Bloom, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:15 a.m., Wednesday evening Bible Study and Intercersory Prayer 6:30 p.m. 785-671-4020.

COLBY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH, 730 E. 3rd (former Jaycee's building), Pastor Bernard Heinz, 785-460-0313, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 785-462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Evening Prayer, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May.

COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 245 W. College Dr., Colby. Pastor Steve Todd. Sunday School 9 a.m. for all ages. Worship 10:15 a.m. Kid's Church for Kindergarten- 5th grade during Worship Service. Nursery available for kids birth - 5 yrs old. Wednesday night: Family night September - May. Meal served 6 - 6:30 p.m. CD Kidz for kids birth - 5th grade, Youth Group for 6th - 12th graders and Adult Bible Study at 7 p.m. 785-462-8234. cdag@st-tel.net.

BEREAN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Mark Carlton, Youth Pastor Ben Phillips. Middle School Group Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Attic and High School Youth Group Sunday 6 p.m. at the Attic. AWANA Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the church.

WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, 501 Bellview Ave. Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Pastor Paul Brigham, 615 W. Webster, 785-462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH (Affiliated with Southern Baptist), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 785-460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m. Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday's. Contemporary Evening Service at 4 p.m. through the semester.

PLEASANT HOME CHURCH, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-728-7380, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (MST)

MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Tom Peyton. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Worship Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Evenings 6:30. First Sunday of month - carry-in dinner following morning worship.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, 785-462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 a.m. and 9:25-9:40 a.m. on Sunday.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Reverend Andrew Sonneborn, 515 W. 4th, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website colbypres.org.

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD, Joan Dingwerth, Director, 785-687-2565.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, 320 W. Pine - 785-462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 1145 S. Franklin - 785-460-6605, President Andy Rose, 785-460-6807. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 p.m.; Family History Center open by appointment. Call 785-462-3571.

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Other Viewpoints

State's fiscal fears multiplying fast

Two years after promising his tax cuts would be an adrenaline shot to the economy's heart, Gov. Sam Brownback last week told the *Wall Street Journal*: "It's like going through surgery. It takes a while to heal and get growing afterwards." Sounds painful, and not very reassuring.

Revenues were always anticipated to drop significantly as the massive income-tax cuts took effect for 2013. What has perplexed and unnerved many is how revenues for the past two months could be so dramatically less than projected – \$310 million less between April and May – given that the state's economists just ran the numbers in April. Even if collections better match estimates going forward, Brownback's prized \$700 million reserves could dwindle to \$50 million by next summer.

Administration officials have strained to blame the fall-off not on the tax cuts but on President Obama, and specifically on the impact of investors having sought in late 2012 to avoid an increase in the federal capital-gains tax related to the fiscal cliff. Some other states have seen their own year-to-year dips.

But last week the nonpartisan Kansas Legislative Research Department put some distance between it and the Brownback administration's explanations, saying in a regular report that it appears some of the initial estimates associated with the tax law changes in 2012 and 2013 "were understated."

Higher education leaders are said to be concerned about what this revenue trajectory will mean for their institutions. The worriers are sure to multiply. It would be one thing if taxes, once cut, could be adjusted upward as necessary. The surest urge at the Statehouse will be to cut spending somehow – never mind increasing costs and KanCare caseloads, the pending school finance lawsuit, and the strain of years of reductions across the board of state-funded services.

Meanwhile, Brownback's re-election campaign wants to talk about other parts of the state's fiscal picture, including new business filings and job growth along the Missouri border. But it's on the governor, who famously warned Texas to look out for a Kansas boom, that the Bureau of Economic Analysis data released last week found the state's 1.9 percent growth in gross domestic product in 2013 – while slightly better than the nation's 1.8 percent rate – lagged not just Texas' 3.7 percent but the growth in every neighboring state except Missouri.

Nor can the governor credibly discount the unflattering attention this fiscal predicament is drawing to Kansas, including the *Wall Street Journal's* characterization of the tax cuts "as more of a warning than a beacon" and its quotes from state officials in Nebraska and Oklahoma about having learned from Kansas' mistake.

Moody's Investors Service cited "Kansas' relatively sluggish recovery compared with its peers" and "revenue reductions resulting from tax cuts which have not been fully offset by recurring spending cuts" as among the reasons for its decision to downgrade the state's credit rating last month.

The questions soon to be answered: Whether the fiscal cliff sell-off is "the primary cause" and "the big lug is done," as Department of Revenue officials have put it, or whether state leaders' faith in the stimulative power of the tax cuts was disastrously misplaced. If the tax cuts continue to be a dud, governor and lawmakers will need to not only answer for them but respond to them.

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Pilot shot down over Belgium

This is my 13th column on the history of the Thomas County Courthouse and the series of the heroes from Thomas County listed on the war memorial in front of the courthouse. I am now listing the stories of those who died in World War II. This information comes from a book organized by a memorial committee in 1991. Permission to use this material was given by Leland Kindler, a member of that committee.



Marj Brown

• Marj's Snippets

Continuing with service men from Thomas County who gave their lives in World War II.

• First Lt. Charles Francis Cole was born to George and Bertha Cole on July 19, 1919. He graduated from Colby High School in 1937.

He was attending the University of Illinois when he entered the service. Cole was assigned to the 335th Bomb Squadron, 95th Bomb Group Heavy. He was a pilot flying a B-17 out of a base in England. He was reported missing in action when his plane was shot down over Belgium, Feb. 10, 1944.

Cole was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart for his service to his country. He is buried in the Ardennes American Cemetery, Neupre, Belgium.

At that time, Cole was survived by his brother David Cole.

• Aviation Radio Man, 2nd Class Dick Arlington Hamill was born near Brownville to Albert W. and Zella Hamill. He attended

school in Brownville and Brewster. He graduated from Colby High School in 1940. Hamill attended Fort Hays State College for a short time before enlisting in the Navy in 1942.

He was an aviation radio man with Torpedo Squadron No. 9, serving aboard the Carrier USS Essex. Hamill was part of the Allied Forces that took the Marshall Islands back from the Japanese. He was reported missing during the action at Truk Island in the South Pacific on Feb. 16, 1944.

At that time, he was survived by his wife Betty Lou; daughter Linda Lou; parents; brothers Matthew, Wayne, and Virgil; and sisters Lois and Marie.

• Pfc. Elmer Morrison Karr, or "Morsy" as everyone called him, was born on May 28, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Karr. He grew up in the Winona area and graduated from the Winona School in 1943.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve on May 13, 1943, and was called into active duty on June 17, 1943. He was part of the Allied

invasion on the Marshall Islands. He was accidentally killed May 21, 1944.

Karr's services were held in the Methodist Church, Winona. The American Legion conducted the military service at the Winona Cemetery.

At that time, he was survived by his father, grandmother Allie Lewallen, brother Gail, sister June, uncle and aunt Henry Karr, and cousin Chester.

• Pfc. Gerald Wade was born on May 31, 1920, in Thomas County, to Elmer H. and Zina B. Wade. He attended grade school in Gem and Victoria Avenue Grade School in California, graduating from South Gate High School, South Gate, Calif.

Wade entered the Coast Guard in California in 1941, and later entered the Army as a member of the infantry. He was stationed in the South Pacific, serving under Gen. Douglas MacArthur. He was killed July 15, 1944, at Huan Peninsula, New Guinea, where he had served for 27 months. He was buried in the Inglewood Park Cemetery, Calif.

At that time, he was survived by a son, Gerald; his parents; brothers Larry, Wilbur, and Verlin; and sisters Evelyn and Wanda.

Marj Brown has lived in Colby for 62 years and has spent a good deal of that time writing about people and places here. She says it's one of her favorite things to do.

Country needs a press that investigates

There is a place for entertainment that plays off the news, but there is no substitute for dogged reporting and the traditional values of accuracy, truth and fairness.

These days, the scandal involving long wait times at Veterans Administration hospitals can feel like some made-in-Washington spectacle generated by politicians looking for headlines. But it isn't. It had its genesis in a late-April report on CNN that as many as 40 veterans may have died waiting for appointments at VA hospitals in Phoenix.

This investigative piece was notable for two reasons. It's been a while since a news story so quickly provoked such a storm of public indignation that a cabinet secretary – deservedly or not – had no choice but to resign. And it's a reminder of just how important old-fashioned shoe-leather reporting remains to our system of government, especially when it uncovers official misdoing.

One of the basic truths about our representative democracy is that it does not work without solid information. Public officials, both elected and appointed, need to know what's happening in the communities they serve, and the people who live in those communities need to know what the government they elect and fund is doing in their name.

A lot of forces try to distort that flow of information, or even block it altogether – from officials who aren't living up to our expectations to politicians counting on public ignorance to lobbyists and advocates hoping to sway public opinion. This is why the press – and by this I mean print, broadcast and online journalists – is so crucial to our country's health. It is, or ought to be, a steady, dispassionate, truth-seeking, skeptical and tough-minded force for public understanding.

In an ideal world, our media would focus on the serious side of the news. It would explore

Other Opinions

• Lee Hamilton Center on Congress

and highlight the substance of issues, not simply the politics of issues. It would detail the facts underlying a story, rather than dwelling on the personalities at play in the story. There is a place for entertainment that plays off the news – as people like Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert have amply demonstrated – but in their search for an audience, news executives shouldn't let it become a substitute for dogged reporting and the traditional values of accuracy, truth and fairness.

These are not easy times for journalists, however. I don't pretend to understand all the forces that are reshaping what we see, hear and read in the news media, and I know that news executives are struggling with a host of formidable economic and social challenges. Yet if the line between news and entertainment gets blurred, if loud opinion replaces accurate reporting, and if journalists take the easy road of covering politics and the horse race rather than the core of policy-making – substance, consensus-building, and the painstaking search for remedy – then representative democracy is in trouble.

New organizations and websites are trying to make up some of the ground that's been lost in the years of news-industry turmoil: investigative outfits like ProPublica and the new wave of "explanatory" and data-driven sites like Vox and 538.com. But their very presence suggests that they see a void to be filled. These

days, only a handful of news organizations in the country have the resources – both human and financial – to spend weeks or months chasing an investigation. Given the cuts that have stripped newsrooms of the expertise they once contained, I sometimes wonder whether the kind of reporting that brought us Watergate and uncovered the Enron scandal could still occur.

Because make no mistake: we need maximum oversight. You and I need it if we're to be certain that misdeeds cannot hide in the darker corners of government. And Congress needs it if it's to carry out one of its core responsibilities: overseeing the operations of government. All of us rely on the press to check abuses of power, see that laws are properly implemented, hold officials accountable, and tell those officials when their policies and operations are failing or going astray. Without a strong independent press, those in power could simply tell us what they want us to know and we'd be none the wiser. And that is no state of affairs for a democracy.

Lee Hamilton is Director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

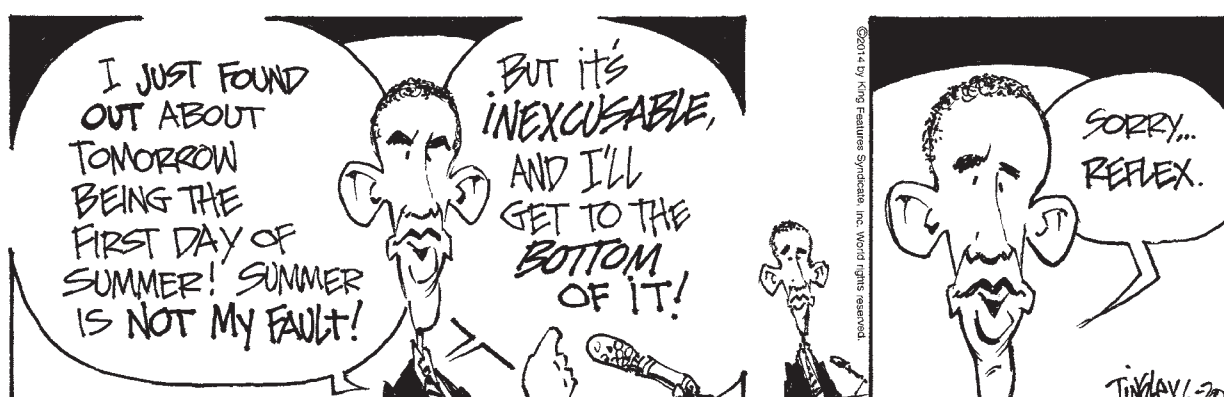
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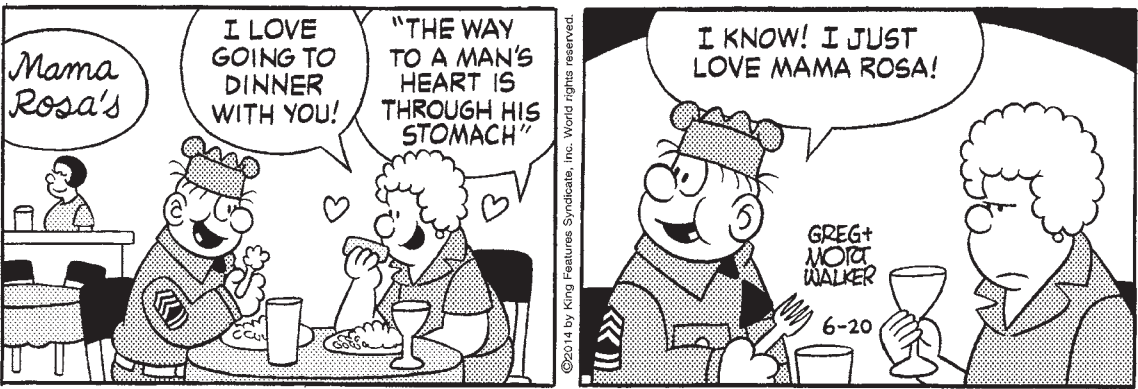
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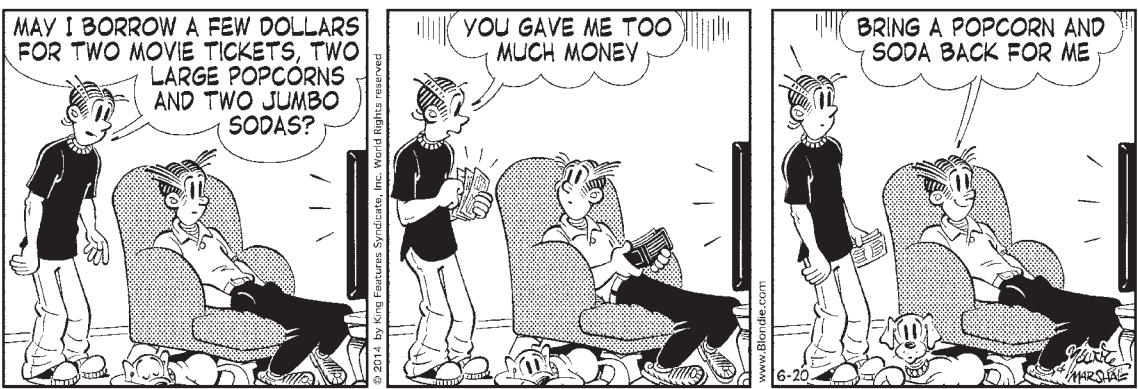
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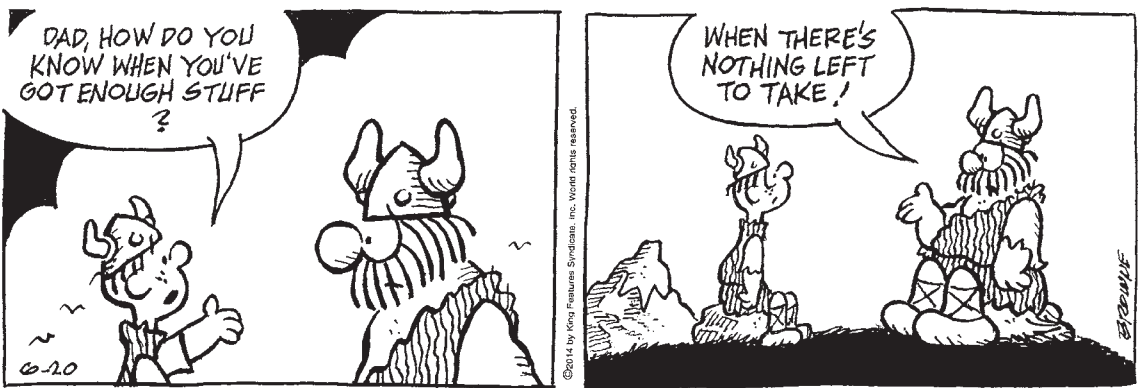
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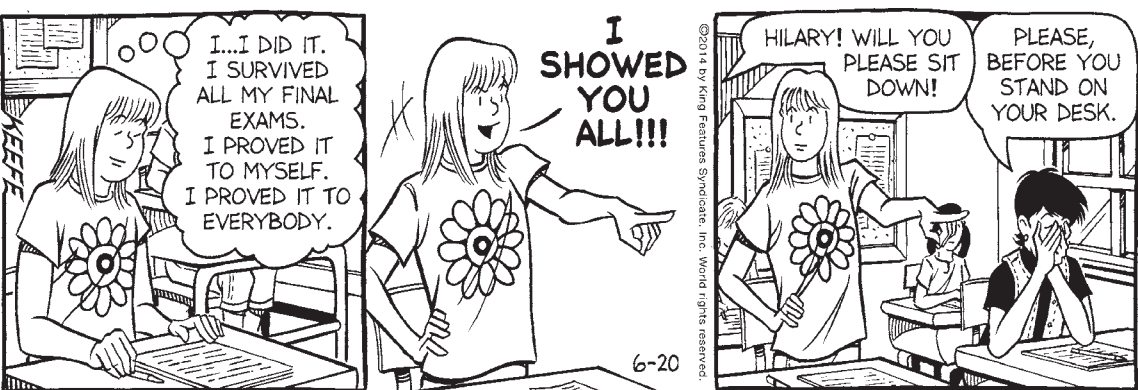
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Bridge • Steve Becker

You deal and open One Club. Partner raises to Two Clubs. What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

Bidding Quiz

1. Pass. Partner's two-club response, indicating six to 10 points, makes it clear there is no game. There is consequently no point in bidding two notrump, which would be construed by partner as a game try showing upward of 16 points.

2. Three notrump. With a balanced hand, every suit stopped and no less than 25 points in the combined hands, three notrump is the stand-out choice. It would be wrong to bid only two notrump, which partner might pass. At the same time, a slam is out of the question once partner has limited his hand to six to 10 points.

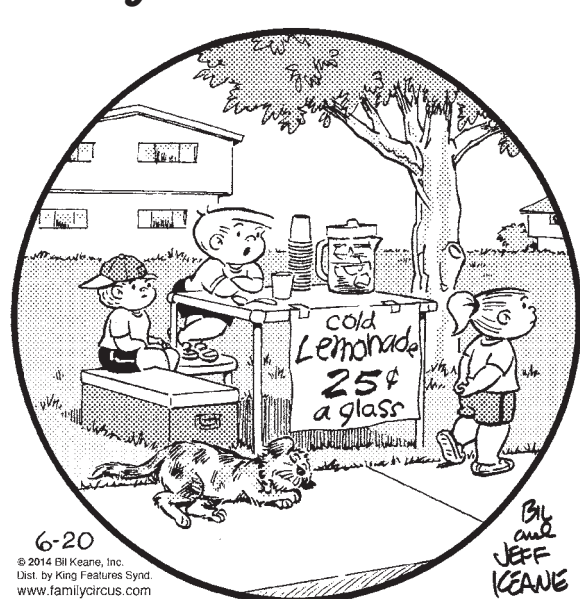
3. Three clubs. Although you have only 14 high-card points facing six to 10, the possibility of game should not be dismissed. After partner's raise, you should re-evaluate your hand by counting potential tricks, rather than points, for both notrump and suit purposes.

4. Four notrump. A slam is decidedly possible, and the key to whether it can be made lies in the number of aces partner has.

After bidding four notrump, you plan to pass a five-club response indicating no aces, and to bid six clubs if partner bids five diamonds (one ace).

Opposite one ace, the slam might be laydown or at worst depend on a finesse. If partner bids five hearts, showing two aces, six clubs is virtually assured, but you won't venture any further since partner cannot also have the king of spades for his two-club bid.

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---3/1---TFN---

Help Wanted

Fuel truck driver needed in the Scott City, Kansas area. Applicants should live within a 60 mile radius of Scott City. Must have CDL with Hazmat and Tanker endorsements, clean driving record, and submit to drug/alcohol testing. Salary based on commission of loads hauled. Health insurance and retirement plan with company match available. Home most nights. Apply by sending an email to sandjtrucking@att.net or call Scott at 620-923-5987.
---6/19---7/3---

Brewster USD 314 is accepting applications for the following positions: High School English Teacher and paraprofessional. Interested applicants, please contact Superintendent Janci Mills at 785-694-2236.
---6/16---6/20---

Help Wanted

Full-Time Daytime Personal Assistant. DSNWK is in need of a reliable, caring individual to teach daily living skills to an individual with developmental disabilities in rural Thomas County near Colby, Kansas. This is a full-time position, Monday - Friday. This shift is approximately 8am to 5pm. High School diploma or GED preferred. Related experience is helpful, but not necessary. Applicants should possess a valid Kansas driver's license and a good driving record. Must pass KBI, SRS, and Child/Adult abuse checks. For more information, contact Darryl Clark at 785-421-2851. Apply on-line at www.dsnwk.org or mail resume to DSNWK, 100 W. McFarland, Hill City, KS 67642. EOE.
---6/19---7/2---

Options: Domestic and Sexual Violence Services, has an immediate opening for a full-time victim advocate in the Colby office. Duties include but are not limited to; awareness, presentations, assisting victims of domestic and sexual violence, and community collaboration. High School GED and/or diploma required. Travel is required and must have reliable transportation. For applications, job descriptions, and salary information, contact Jennifer or Sharon at 785-625-3055. Options is an EOE; Bilingual a plus, Minorities encouraged to apply.
---6/13---6/26---

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---

Help Wanted

Wanted Service Technician for farm equipment/auto/heavy trucks. Bretz INC. Dighton, phone 620-397-5329 as for Russell, Andy or Austin.
---6/18---6/23---

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---

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---6/11---9/4---

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---6/9---6/20---

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---6/9---7/7---

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---5/29---TFN---

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---2/12---TFN---

Help Wanted

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---6/11---6/23---

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---3/21---TFN---

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---6/12---6/25---

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---6/11---7/9---

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---6/20---6/25---

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---6/11---7/9---

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---3/21---TFN---

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---6/4---6/30---

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Brewster USD 314 is currently accepting applications for a **DAYCARE DIRECTOR**

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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.

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Heartland Christian School in Colby, Kansas, has openings for teaching positions for the 2014-2015 school year. Please email rschmeiser@hscolby.org for an application or stop by the office at 1995 W. 4th Street in Colby to pick one up. Feel free to contact the school at (785) 460-6419 with any questions, or check out our website at <http://www.hscolby.org>.

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Wrestling greats return for Eagles



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State champion Colby High alums Tanner Reed and Cole Garcia (above) showed what proper attacking moves were all about for those attending Colby High's evening wrestling camp this week. A different Eagle alum has returned to his high school roots and instructed the camp each night: Konnor Kriss, Tanner Kriss, Reed and Garcia. All campers also had plenty of chances to work on wrestling techniques (right) while Eagle greats like three-time 4A champion Reed watched closely and offered advice. The camp concludes tonight in Colby High's gymnasium.



Great races dominate Sunday at Speedway

Familiar drivers were motoring across the finish line first during Sunday's racing action at Thomas County Speedway.

Jeff Tubbs, Clay "The Moneyman" Money and Darren Deloach all won main events along with Eric Ross ruling the hobby stocks.

Complete results are featured below. The next races at Thomas County Speedway are set for Sunday, June 29 which will include URSS 305 Sprint cars besides the regular classes like modifieds, sport mods, stock cars and hobbies.

Modifieds: 1. Darren Deloach, 2. Matt Fabrizius, 3. Clay Sellard, 4. Don Geist, 5. Wheat Lippelman, 6. Mike Lunew.

Stock cars: 1. Jeff Tubbs, 2. Jason Rogers, 3. Tyler Tipton, 4. B.J. Wagoner, 5. Michael Pepper, 6. Nick Tubbs, 7. Mike Meyer, 8. Bruce Plumisto, 9. Jason McIntyre, 10. Ondre Rexford, 11. Derrick Braudaway. Jason Ste-



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press
Colby's Jeff Tubbs took charge of the Stock car races on Sunday at Thomas County Speedway and zoomed to a championship.

vens, Wheat Lippelman and Brent Moss did not finish.

Hobby stocks: 1. Eric Ross, 2. Tyrell Smith, 3. Tanner Moss, 4. Colton Pfeifer, 5. Brady Bencken, 6. Kyle Pfeifer. Eric Clayville, Bryan Guyer, Curt Kennedy, Levi Jones, Kolton Vogel and Mike Kennedy did not finish.

Rebels boot Frogs from Series

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) A night off from catching recharged Will Allen at the plate.

Allen snapped out of a mini-slump with three hits and three RBIs to lead Mississippi past TCU 6-4 at the College World Series.

Ole Miss (48-20) advanced to play No. 3 national seed Virginia on Friday night. Mississippi also

knocked out the Big 12's Texas Tech Raiders on Tuesday.

The other bracket has unbeaten Vanderbilt (51-14) against Texas

(45-20).

The Rebels put up the most runs allowed by TCU (48-18) in 16 games.

Trojans put several on all-league teams

Colby Community College's superb track and field season concluded with many Trojans capturing 2014 all-Jayhawk League West first-team honors recently.

The Region VI champion Trojan men featured six first-team individuals along with three relays (400, 1600 and 3200 meters).

Michael Kinuthia was the only first-team in two events: 800 and 1500-meter runs.

Raheem Brown sprinted to first team in the 100-meter dash while Dontrell Lyons earned 200-meter top honors.

Chris Speaks joined Kinuthia as another of Colby's awesome distance runners. Together, they helped the Trojans win indoor track and cross-country Region VI team titles besides their outdoor championship.

Speaks was declared first team

in the 1500-meter run.

The Trojans also made their marks in field events with first-team long jumper Gennard Paul.

Impressive decathlon athlete Desmond Major completed the first-team contingent.

All-Jayhawk West second-team selections were Fabian Hayles (400), Brown (200) and Speaks twice (5000 run, 3000-meter steeplechase).

Another four Trojan men earned honorable mentions: Keen Williams (200), Colin Grueber (10,000), Adrian Guevara (3000-steeplechase) and Major (400-hurdles).

The Trojan women featured a second-team selection in Kelsey Wilson (100-hurdles). Alyssa Windle (hammer throw) and Dolvine Serem (3000-steeplechase) were honorably mentioned.

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Colby K-18 sweeps past Norton

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Tired of watching his boys stand too much, Colby K-18 coach Travis Branum couldn't have picked a better time to put his team in motion Thursday night.

And he couldn't have picked a better speedster than Shevin Martin — champion of every Great West Activities Conference middle school sprint race this spring.

"He's definitely the fastest guy on our team," Branum declared. "We were standing around and swinging at bad pitches. So I decided it was time for a hit-and-run."

Oh my, how Martin ran with Colby and Norton tied 4-4 in extra innings. He'd already reached first base on an infield single.

Only one more single into left-center field was needed to send Martin all the way home.

Colby's Rex Branum delivered the hit a moment after Martin broke for second base. He'd al-



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Colby K-18 batter Brooks Curry and Norton's catcher both watched the flight of this Curry clout during the Legion doubleheader in Colby Thursday night. Curry delivered six hits on the evening, three during each contest.

ready touched second before any Norton defender was close to retrieving the baseball.

"It was a perfect hit, because it went right where the shortstop had been before he went to cover second base," coach Branum explained.

When he reached third base, coach Branum was waving "go-go-go" with his arm almost as fast as Martin's feet were moving.

The Norton left fielder did unleash a desperate throw, but it didn't even get close to beating Martin into home plate.

Martin's run gave Colby a 5-4 victory, and the K-18 team quickly sped around any similar drama during its 12-5 nightcap triumph.

The Colby boys now own an 8-2 record after also sweeping Hill City Monday evening.

"We won the (season) series

from Norton three games to one, which is definitely one of goals against any league team," coach Branum said. "But if we think we are anywhere close to where we want to be, we're mistaken. We've got to continue improving."

Colby's pitching depth continued showing improvement as both Zach Hart and Martin delivered strong performances Thursday night.

Martin closed game one for Hart, then started game two that Rex Branum finished.

Meanwhile, Branum and fellow top hitter Brooks Curry led the hitting attack.

Curry perfectly divided his team-high six hits by going 3-for-4 during both contests.

Branum finished a super five-for-six, according to coach. He was also 3-for-4 in the first game; then scored four runs and drove home two.

Kyler Britt also contributed a crucial two-out, RBI-hit that broke open the second game.

Now the K-18 boys will get another week to prepare for their next big league challenge at Goodland Thursday evening.

Colby and Goodland split two contests earlier this month at Colby.

"Those will be huge games in deciding who will be the No. 1 seed for our (zone) tournament," coach Branum concluded. "And that tourney is getting closer."



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One run was the difference as this baserunner slid home safely against Light Blue during a Bambino Boys contest Tuesday evening in Colby. The Red triumphed 10-9.

Green means go get big wins

After an 0-for-opening week in the win category, Lime Green teams were triumphing everywhere during week two of Colby's Rec Department diamond league season.

Lime Green's wins featured two one-run thrillers along with the league's first shutout of this season: an 8-0 victory for those green-clad Rookie boys.

Only a 6-6 Rookie Girls tie with Pink prevented Lime Green teams from finishing their 5-0 week. The results mean all four division title chases are extremely close through two weeks.

Tuesday Bambino Boys

Red split a pair of one-run thrillers to keep the league lead, though game two was surprising with 0-3 Lime Green dealing Red its first defeat. Orange went 2-0.

All scores: Orange 17, Lime Green 1; Orange 9, Light Blue 5; Red 10, Light Blue 9; Lime Green 8, Red 7.

Current standings: Red 3-1, Orange 2-1-1, Light Blue 1-2-1, Lime Green 1-3.

Bambino Girls

Purple power went beyond Kansas State Wildcat athletics on this evening.

The Purple Bambino Girls' 14 runs were more than all teams except one (Orange Bambino Boys) this week.

While Purple holds the league lead, three of four games this season have been by decided only two runs.

All scores: Lime Green 10, Light Blue 8; Purple 14, Light Blue 3.

Current standings: Purple 2-0, Lime Green 1-2, Light Blue 1-2.

Wednesday Rookie Boys

A colorful Wednesday evening featured both an early showdown for first place along with the summer's first shutout. So Purple and Orange remain tied for first.

All scores: Purple 13, Orange 8; Orange 13, Red 2; Lime Green 8, Purple 0; Lime Green 4, Red 3.

Current standings: Purple 3-1, Orange 3-1, Lime Green 2-2, Red 0-4.

Rookie Girls

Purple avenged an earlier defeat to LightBlue and topped to take over first place.

All scores: Purple 4, Light Blue 3; Lime Green 11, Light Blue 7; Pink 6, Lime Green 6; Purple 9, Pink 2.

Current standings: Purple 3-1, Pink 2-1-1, Lime Green 1-2-1, Light Blue 1-3.

First Firecracker Run on July 4

Deadline is Thursday for Colby's inaugural Firecracker Fun Run and Youth Mile set for Friday, July 4.

The new holiday event will feature 10K relay teams consisting of two or four people. The Firecracker Fun Run will be gin at 9 a.m.

Contact the Colby Recreation Department for information at (785) 460-4400.

Meanwhile, a glance at other upcoming Legion baseball dates for Colby fans to follow:

Monday
Hill City at Colby K18 2, 6 p.m.

Thursday
Colby K18 2 at Norton, 6 p.m.

Colby K18 1 at Goodland, 6 p.m.

Colby Sluggers at Garden City Tournament, TBA

Friday, June 27 through Sunday, June 29
Colby Sluggers at Garden City Tournament, TBA

Monday, June 30
Goodland at Colby K-18 2, 6

p.m.

Colby K-18 1 at Oakley, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 2
Oakley at Colby Sluggers, 6

p.m.

Monday, July 7
Colby K-18 2 at Colby K-18 1,

6 p.m.

Wednesday, July 9
Norton at Colby Sluggers, 6

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