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Changes proposed in traffic

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To ease up on congestion near the elementary, middle and intermediate schools when class starts and lets out, and make it safer for kids coming and going, the Colby School Board voted to change the traffic rules near the schools at its meeting last Monday night.

The board voted to make Third Street a one way street between Range and Grant avenues, so that traffic can only move east in the block where that street passes the school. It also voted to change traffic rules for Cleveland Avenue so traffic can only move north

south of the middle school. Lincoln Avenue will also become a one way street going north.

The board also voted to make the area in front of the middle and intermediate schools along Third Street an unloading zone between 7 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The board also debated changing the parking rules along those streets, but did not decide what they should be last Monday. The Colby City Council plans to discuss and approve the traffic changes at its Tuesday meeting.

Along with changes in traffic rules, the school board discussed setting up angle parking or parallel parking.

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Class targets entrepreneurs

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Wichita State business instructors will be visiting Colby this fall to instruct local business-owners how to grow their businesses.

The first session for the Growing Rural Business entrepreneurial certificate program will be from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 28. Sessions will run for 11 weeks, in room 106 at the Colby Community College Student Union building. The 11 sessions will roughly coincide with the fall semester in college, with a break on Oct. 16

and the last session on Nov. 6.

Seven professors and faculty members from Wichita State will speak at the sessions. They will teach business owners how to create value for customers and get the most out of their employees. They will also go over the details of advertising and business legal issues.

Register by Friday, July 11, to get the \$50 early bird discount for the series. Attendance costs \$300 for the entire series and \$50 for individual sessions. Certificates will be awarded to those who complete the series.

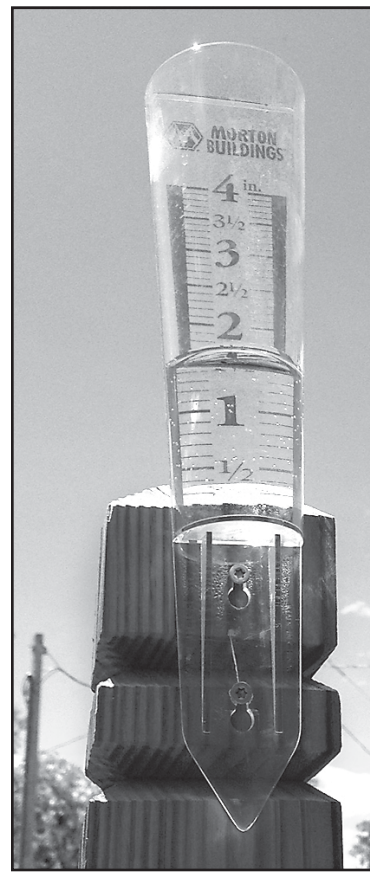
Twisters visit, move on

Residents of Brewster and Edson escaped serious harm at the start of the weekend when a large thunderstorm brought two tornadoes to the area Friday afternoon.

Several people snapped photos as tornadoes were seen along the county line just south of Interstate 70, apparently far away from any buildings or people. According to the National Weather Service, the twisters were seen south of Brewster and southeast of Edson, both at around 5:45 p.m. Friday.

One tornado touched down near the home of Kathy Fulwider, who was at home at the time. She said she did not even know it was there

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BECKY LUCKERT
and MARC ALWIN

This tornado was spotted five miles south of Brewster on Friday, one of several tornadoes in the area that evening. There have been no reports of substantial damage from any of Friday's storms, but rain totals were well over an inch, followed by more rain and severe weather throughout the weekend.



New open carry law to kick in on Tuesday

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A new open carry law goes into effect statewide on Tuesday, limiting local governments' ability to keep gun owners from openly carrying their firearms.

The new law, passed in April with overwhelming support in both the state house and senate, has prompted new signage requirements for businesses and government buildings where open carry or concealed carry is restricted.

Under the new law and one that went into effect last year, buildings without proper signage are automatically open for concealed or unconcealed carry of firearms. Building owners can ban open carry or concealed carry – or both – by posting signs approved by the state attorney general.

The current signs and accompanying rules are temporary, but the attorney general's office will be holding a public hearing in the coming months to get public input on the signs and rules.

The law requires signs to be posted at every exterior entrance to the building at the eye level of adults using the entrance and no more than 12 inches left or right of the entrance.

The new law doesn't make it a crime for gun owners to openly carry their weapons into a building where such carry is properly banned, although they can be subject to civil penalties.

But Undersheriff Marc Finley said gun owners carrying in violation of proper signage can still find themselves in criminal trouble if they refuse to leave a building after being asked to do so.

Such incidents happen occasionally around here, Finley said, and do not seem to be prompted by the new law.

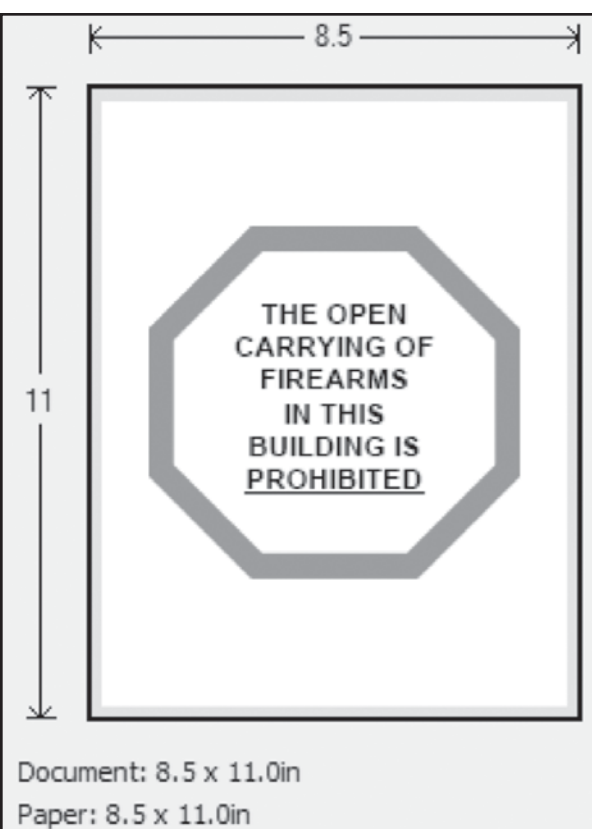
He suggested people go to the attorney general's website, which answers many questions about firearms carry and proper signage.

The new law also provides other protections for gun owners who wish to carry their weapons publicly. City employees, for example, cannot be required to tell the city that they possess a concealed carry license. An employee cannot be disciplined or discriminated against because he refuses to disclose his concealed carry license status. Cities are protected from liability, however, if injury results from someone carrying a firearm, even if that person is a city employee.

Carrying a firearm under the influence of alcohol or drugs is a misdemeanor crime under the new law, although the restriction does not apply when a person is on his own land or in his own home.

Several local businesses and banks refused to comment on the new law.

Currently approved signs and more information are available to print at www.ag.ks.gov.



The state's new gun law, which takes effect tomorrow, requires business owners to post signs if they do not want gun owners to come on their property with openly carried firearms (left). Other signs can indicate a concealed carry ban or ban of all firearms, no matter how they are carried (right).

Draft of water vision to be online

The first draft of the Kansas Water Vision will be posted to the Kansas Water Office website Tuesday so citizens are able to provide input to the Governor's Water Vision Team on the statewide tour that will be held Monday through Friday, July 7 to 11.

"The Team began gathering input in December from stakeholders of all water uses to develop this first draft," said Susan Metzger, vision team leader in

the Kansas Water Office.

"There were some resounding messages throughout the last few months: a strong, long-term water vision for Kansas must be statewide while recognizing that one size does not fit all; a reliable water supply is bigger than quantity and the quality of our water resources is equally important; and public information and education is critical to the successful adoption of the vision."

As seen the past few years with extremes of extended drought to cases of flooding, the entire state and its citizens are affected by what happens with water supplies and its management. Last fall Gov. Sam Brownback called for a 50-Year Vision to ensure a reliable water supply for Kansas citizens.

"We are looking forward to hearing from Kansans," said Secretary Jackie McClaskey. "The entire state is af-

ected by what happens with our water, no matter what area of Kansas you live in. Water determines everything from community and industry survival and growth to making us marketable for other opportunities."

Stakeholders and Kansas citizens are encouraged to attend a vision tour session. For information go to www.kwo.org.



Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms between 1 a.m. and 2 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59. Northeast wind 5 to 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 79. North wind 10 to 15 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 57. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 79. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 85.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 65.

Independence Day: Sunny, with a high near 92.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 95.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94.

Friday: High, 89; Low 56
 Saturday: High, 85; Low 61
 Sunday: High, 90; Low 65
 Precip: Friday 0.31 inches
 Saturday 0.02 inches
 Sunday None
 Month: 5.25 inches
 Year: 9.13 inches
 Normal: 9.84 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset
 Tuesday 6:21 a.m. 9:15 p.m.
 Moon: waxing, 17 percent
 Wednesday 6:22 a.m. 9:15 p.m.
 Moon: waxing, 24 percent
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)
Colby Water Use
 Friday to Sunday 1,693,000 gal.
 (average)
 (Colby Public Works)

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until she saw pictures of it later, taken by a storm chaser. The tornado caused no damage to their farm.

"We were very fortunate," she said.

Tornado sirens went off in Brewster and Levant, said Autumn Arasmith, Thomas County's emergency manager. The county only sets sirens off in the immediate area of a tornado, so sirens did not go off in Colby.

Storm chasers who were mov-

ing through eastern Colorado and Wallace County reported another tornado southwest of the town of Kit Carson, Colo., near the junction of U.S. 40 and U.S. 287, several hours earlier.

Dave Floyd, warning coordination meteorologist who works at the weather service's Goodland station, said there was one other possible tornado reported over the weekend. It touched down Sunday morning south of Gove at about 6 a.m. Sunday morning.

Along with local residents,

many spotters and law enforcement personnel saw the tornadoes, said Floyd. By this morning, they could not tell exactly where they touched down, although it was known that the tornado by Edson destroyed some corn.

The tornado by Gove wrecked some out buildings by a farmstead, but no other damage has been reported yet, and no one was injured over the weekend. Hail of up to an inch in diameter was reported in the area.

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lel parking along Third.

Superintendent Terrel Harrison told the board that since the district stopped busing students in town to school, the traffic situation at the start and end of the school day has become much worse. Traffic along Third is backed up out onto Range with the cars of parents, she said, and accidents have almost happened multiple times.

Buses also have to drive around south of the school buildings and stop near the middle school gym, she said. Kids often run between those buses when parents drop them off, and the drivers have no way to see them.

She and board member Omar Weber, who is also the public works director for the city, met with Colby City Manager Tyson McGreer and several police officers to discuss the traffic. People living along these streets were in agreement with the proposed changes, she said, and some even asked why they were not made sooner.

In other business, the board:

- Heard a report from Harrison, who said Northwest Decorating has removed a large part of the carpet in the high school, and will soon replace it. Norm Behring repainted part of the interior of the school, she said, with orange paint just above the

lockers in the halls. Building Director Gary Barton is trying to find a way to replace some of the asphalt in the school's parking lot. Harrison said replacing the whole lot would cost about \$80,000. At some point, she added, the school should replace both the lot and the high school roof.

- Approved bids for old vehicles the school put up for sale, including buses and Chevrolet Suburbans. These included \$825 each for a 1997 and 1996 Suburban, both from Mike Meyer; \$430 for a 1995 Suburban from Wagoner and Sons; and \$435 for a 1993 Suburban from Steve Zerr. The winning bids for buses included ; \$1,025 for a 47 seat Ford bus from Meyer; \$2,300 for a 46-seat bus from Jim Oesterreich; and \$425 for a 21 seat Bluebird bus and \$726 and \$895 for 53-seat buses with different mileage, each from Wagoner and Sons.

- Approved a nutrition and wellness agreement with the Kansas Department of Education.

- Approved a memorandum agreement of exchange services with Colby Community College. Harrison said a physics instructor from the college teaches for one period at Colby High School, which comes out to a \$4,500 value, and rather than give them the money, the district and college thought it might be

more convenient to exchange services. For instance, the board learned, the college pays the same amount of money to use the Dennen Field track.

- Approved out-of-district attendance and transportation agreements for Abbygale and Alana Fabrizius, who will be coming here from the Brewster school district, and Riley Friesen, who will be coming here from Oakley.

- Voted to renew the district's membership with the Western Plains Art Association for the year for \$200. Harrison said the membership comes with 15 student tickets and four adult tickets to the association's events. The district has maintained its membership since the 2001-2002 school year.

- Approved the district technology program for the year.

- Approved the resignations of Norm Behring as a grade-school physical education teacher and Alisha Unruh as a high school teacher's aide. The board also approved the employment of Martha Balbuena as an after school paraprofessional, and approved a supplemental contract for Susan Wark as the assistant high school girls' tennis coach.

- Approved a 3.89 percent increase in administrative and classified staff salaries, the same increase which was given to teachers.

Help possible for bridge fix

Thomas County is eligible for up to \$120,000 from the state to replace an old bridge northeast of Colby, money which will be awarded in the fall.

The eligible bridge passes over Sappa Creek on County Road AA just west of County Road 23 in northern Thomas County near K-25. It is one of almost 2,000 the Kansas Department of Transportation might

upgrade.

The department has set aside \$10 million to repair aging bridges, taking applications until mid-September and awarding the projects the next month. Up to \$120,000 will be given to local entities, mainly counties, replace "deficient" bridges which are between 20 and 50 feet long, and have a daily vehicle count of less than 100.

Mike King, secretary for the department, pointed out that it is not safe or even legal for large farm machines to cross some of the bridges.

Thomas County has one of 1,800 to 1,900 bridges throughout the state which qualify for the project. The local government will have to match 10 percent of the project.

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Wednesday Evening July 2, 2014

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Goldbergs	Mod Fam	Goldbergs	Motive		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline	
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		Criminal Minds		CSI: Crime Scene		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson	
KSNK/NBC	America's Got Talent				Taxi Brooklyn		Local	Tonight Show	Meyers	
KSAS/FOX	So You Think				Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Wahlburgers		Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Big Smo	Big Smo	Duck D.	Wahlburgers	
AMC	Jaws					Jaws 2				
ANIM	Treehouse		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse		Treehouse		Treehouse Masters	
BRAVO	Million Dollar		Million--Miami		Untying	Million Dollar	Million--Miami		Untying	
CMT	Sixteen Candles					Party Down South		Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		Anthony Bourd.		Anthony Bourd.		Anthony Bourd.		Anthony Bourd.	
COMEDY	Key	Key	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	At Midnig	South Pk
DISC	Dual Survival		Dual Survival		Dual Survival		Dual Survival		Dual Survival	
DISN	I Didn't	Liv-Mad.	Zapped				Dog	Jessie	Cadet Kelly	
E!	Kardashian		Kardashian		The Soup	The Soup	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	MLB Baseball				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	ESPN FC		Boxing				Olberrmann		Olberrmann	
FAM	Young	Mystery	Beetlejuice				The 700 Club		Young	Mystery
FOOD	Restaurant Stakeout		Restaurant Stakeout		Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant Stakeout	
FX	Act of Valor					Safe House				
HGTV	Cousins Undercover		Property Brothers		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Brother vs. Brother		Property Brothers	

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
HIST	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFE	Little Women: LA		Little Women: LA		Abby's Studio Rescue		Abby's Studio Rescue		Little Women: LA	
MTV	16 and Pregnant		Catfish: The TV Show		Catfish: The TV Show		Catfish: The TV Show		Catfish: The TV Show	
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Lockout	Alien 3					Dominion		Dominion	
SPIKE	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan		Conan	
TCM	Francis				Doctor Dolittle					
TLC	Sextuplets Turn 10		Sextuplets Turn 10		7 Little Johnstons		Sextuplets Turn 10		Sextuplets Turn 10	
TNT	Castle		Castle		Castle		The Last Ship		Falling Skies	
TOON	King/Hill	King/Hill	Cleveland	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen
TRAV	Waterprks	Waterprks	Xtreme Waterprks		Mission Amusement		Man, Food	Man, Food	American Grilled	
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	King	King	Cleveland	Cleveland	Cleveland	Cleveland	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Royal Pains		Covert Affairs		Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Royal Pains	
VH1	Love, Hip Hop		Love, Hip Hop		Think Like a Man					
WGN	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Salem		Salem	
Premium Channels										
HBO	The Leftovers		Now You See Me		The Leftovers		Blood		Blood	
MAX	Hobbit	Armageddon			Banshee		Topless P		Bourne	
SHOW	Four Brothers		Penny Dreadful		Nurse	Californ.	Penny Dreadful			

Deaths

Jane Sawyer Kersenbrock

Jane (Sawyer) Kersenbrock, 76, Norton, mother of Dwayne (Re-nae) Kersenbrock of Colby; died Thursday, June 26, 2014, at the Norton Community Hospital.

She was born July 29, 1937, in Boston, to Paul and Mildred (Dodge) Sawyer. She attended grade school at the Little Red School House in South Sudbury Mass., where the poem "Mary Had a Little Lamb" was written, and graduated from Maynard High School in Maynard, Mass., in 1955.

On June 17, 1956, she married Jack Kersenbrock in Maynard. After they moved to Kansas she earned a bachelor's in library science from Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva and a master's in secondary education from Fort Hays State University. She taught a variety of subject to students from grade school through high school around the state, along with college through Colby Community College, Fort Hays State and Wichita State University outreach classes.

She was a member of the Norton United Methodist Church, the

United Methodist Women, Mates in Ministry and the Retired Ministers and Spouses Association, serving on committees in those organizations. She loved to travel, enjoyed reading, sewing and needlework, and was a strong supporter of Habitat for Humanity.

Preceding her in death were her parents, a son, Keith Kersenbrock, and a grandson, Jaz Kersenbrock. Survivors include her husband, of the home; her son; two daughters, Luann (Gary) Horchem, Ransom; and Kris (Mark) Schulte, Sedgwick; a sister, Marie Holbrook, North Easton, Mass.; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 1, 2014, at the Norton United Methodist Church with Pastors Lynn Linde and Bob Speer officiating.

The family suggests memorials in her name instead of flowers for "Friends of Prairie Dog State Park" or the United Methodist Committee on Relief in care of the Kersenbrock Funeral Home, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

July comes packed with family activity

Can it be possible that we are mid-summer already?

We have a month jam packed with family-friendly activities.

Picnic in the Park continues; June's picnics have been great and the weather for the most part has been cooperative. July's schedule brings us Scott Cameron and Brock Wagoner on Wednesday; Gary Wiggins on Wednesday, July 9; Sappa Strings or, as many of you know them, Wayne and Millie Lauritsen on Wednesday, July 16, and Rachel Johnson, our final performer for this season, on Wednesday July 23. Thanks to all of our performers who gave of their time and talent, the *Colby Free Press* for helping to sponsor and to all of you who attended.

July 4 promises to be a fun-filled, full day beginning with the Firecracker Run sponsored by the Colby Rec Department at 9 a.m. Call the Colby Rec Department at 460-0440 for information and to register.

The High Plains Lions Club is having a hot dog and watermelon feed at the 4-H Building beginning at 6 p.m. There will also be games, music and bingo.

The Kiwanis Fourth of July fireworks display will begin at about 10:10 p.m. at the fairgrounds grandstand area.

Saturday, July 12, is another special day with Colby Community College celebrating its 50th anniversary with Founders Day. A special program will be held at 3 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center. Music will be by Sunflower Singers alumni. All former college presidents have been invited and many will have messages to share. A community ice cream social with games will be held on campus from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Join in the celebration of the college on its 50th anniversary.

There is also a Mud Bog event at Thomas County Fairgrounds on July 12. This will begin at 6 p.m.

The third weekend of July brings us the 19th Annual Pickin' on the Plains Festival. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 17, with a pot luck supper. Everyone is invited to attend; just bring your dish. Those campers arriving on Thursday will also attend. A jam session will follow the dinner.

The first program begins at 6 p.m. Friday evening. Saturday's program will begin at noon after youth contest, musical workshops and open stage in the morning. Sunday morning's program begins at 9:30 a.m.

Headliners this year are Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, Blue Highway, Spinney Brothers, Driven and Triple L. Old favorites are also in the lineup: Sappa Strings, Larry Booth, The McLemores and emcees Marshal Allen Bailey and Cowgirl Janey. The McKinney sisters will also be performing. Advance weekend tickets are on sale at the Colby Chamber of Commerce office and Farmers and



Leilani Thomas

• On the Road Again!

Merchants Bank at Dillons.

The final large event for July is the Thomas County Fair. We will just highlight some of the events.

On opening day, Monday, July 28, fair events include mutton busting at 6 p.m. and the Kansas Professional Rodeo Association Rodeo at 8 p.m.. Both of those events will reappear at the same times Tuesday, July 29. The parade will also be Tuesday, at 5:30 p.m., and will run from Franklin Avenue at Fike Park to the fairgrounds. The theme is "Sew It, Grow It and Show It at the Thomas County Fair." Registrations are available at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Wednesday brings us the Pedal Tractor Pull with registration at 4 p.m. The barbecue sponsored by the Thomas County Fair Board will be held at 5:30 p.m. Texaco County Showdown will be at 8 p.m.

The Thomas County Community Foundation breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. kicks off Thursday's events. The 4-H Livestock auction and Buyers Appreciation meal begins at 5:30 p.m.

Monster Truck Show is scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday. Saturday, Aug. 2, is the final day of the fair. Demolition Derby will be held at 8 p.m.

The Thomas County Amusement Association and volunteers will run the carnival rides and games from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and on Friday and Saturday from 7 to 11 p.m. Don't forget to look at the exhibits and 4-H projects. Support the youth.

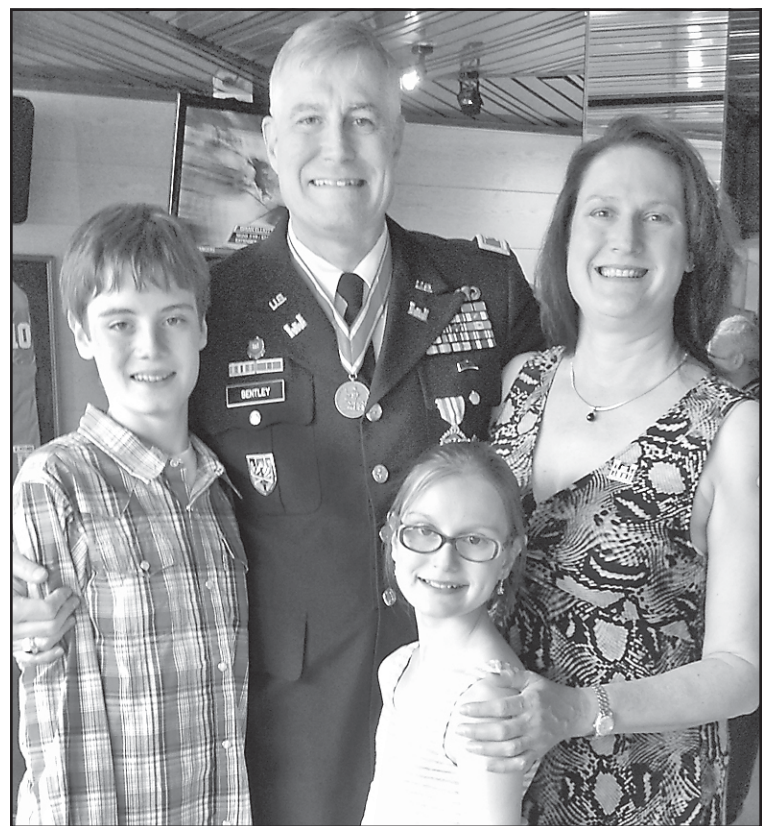
Another terrific youth project is the Night at the Museum Day Camp for youth fourth grade and up, including interested adults. Camp will run Monday to Friday, July 21 to 25, at the Prairie Museum of Art and History. The Night at the Museum performances will be from 5 to 8:30 p.m. on Friday. Call the museum for reservations, which are required.

I want to welcome the American Legion Zone 7 Baseball Tournament to Colby Thursday through Sunday, July 24 through 27.

Car races are Saturday, with the Enduro race, and Sunday, July 20, with the Ken Schrader/BST series. Races are at 7 p.m. and hot laps at 6:15 p.m. at the Thomas County Speedway.

Wow, what a full month of activities. Look forward to seeing you at many of these events.

Leilani Thomas is director of the Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau, a long-time civic volunteer and a passionate observer of the tourism industry.



Col. Douglas L. Bentley Jr. stood with his family, Melissa (Wingard) Bentley, Douglas Bentley III and Katherine Bentley at his recent retirement ceremony in Mons, Belgium.

Retiring Army colonel has ties to Colby family

A military retirement ceremony held recently in Belgium featured the husband of Colby native Melissa Wingard and son-in-law of Colby residents Gary and Yvonne Wingard.

Col. Douglas L. Bentley Jr., originally from Binghamton, N.Y., retired from the Army in a ceremony March 20 at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers, Europe, in Mons, Belgium.

"The retirement ceremony is a time honored tradition and our nation's expression of appreciation for a job well done," said the ceremony's program. "(Col. Bentley) culminated over 30 years of unselfish dedication, devotion to duty and unswerving service to his country."

Bentley began his military career in 1984 when he graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y. His assignments over the years included platoon leader, company commander, deputy district engineer, deputy chief of staff, instructor and assistant professor.

After completing Joint Combined Warfighting School, Bentley served a joint tour at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Eu-

rope in Mons as the Director of Public Works. After additional assignments at the Headquarters Department of the Army, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff G8 and Fort Sill, Okla., and a deployment to Afghanistan, he returned to Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe as the Commander of the Base Support Group from 2011 to 2014. Melissa and the couple's children, Douglas and Katherine, lived in Colby while he was deployed.

In addition to warfighting school, Bentley is a graduate of the Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Army Command and General Staff College and Senior Service College Fellowship-Queen's University. He holds a Master of Science in Operations Research from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star and numerous other medals. He has also earned the Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Army Staff Identification Badge and Order of Saint Barbara.

Bentley and his family have not yet decided where they will settle following his retirement.

New York mayor turns pirate

NEW YORK (AP) - New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio portrayed himself as a man of the people in last year's election. On June 21, he became a pirate among mermaids.

De Blasio showed up for the Coney Island Mermaid Parade wearing a pirate shirt and brandishing a fake sword. Organizers say he's the first mayor to come in costume.

De Blasio's wife, Chirlane McCray, and their daughter, Chiara de Blasio, chose blue and gold mermaid dresses.

De Blasio's son, Dante, was

bare-chested and painted blue. Dante and Chiara were chosen King Neptune and Queen Mermaid of the parade.

The teens were wheeled in a 1923 wicker rolling chair along the parade route.

The event draws hundreds of thousands of revelers to the beach each year. Many wear revealing, mermaid-themed costumes.

Fireworks safety starts with common sense

Using consumer fireworks on our nation's birthday is as American as apple pie, backyard barbecues and parades on Main Street. While fireworks are used as part of the holiday celebration, it is important to remember that fireworks can be dangerous if not handled properly.

"Many fireworks related injuries can be avoided by following a few common sense rules," says Doug Jorgensen, state fire marshal. The office of the state fire marshal offers these common sense safety tips for using consumer fireworks in the hopes that injuries to consumers can be greatly reduced this season:

- Parents and caretakers should always closely supervise teens if they are using fireworks.
- Parents should not allow young children to handle or use fireworks.
- Fireworks should only be used outdoors.
- Always have water ready if you are shooting fireworks.
- Know your fireworks. Read the caution label before igniting.
- Obey local laws. If fireworks are not legal where you live, do

not use them.

• Alcohol and fireworks do not mix.

• Wear safety glasses whenever using fireworks.

• Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water.

• Soak spent fireworks with water before placing them in an outdoor garbage can.

• Avoid using homemade fireworks or illegal explosives. They can kill you!

• Report illegal explosives, like M-80s and bottle rockets, to the fire or police department.

And note these special safety tips, if using sparklers:

- Always remain standing while using sparklers.
- Never hold a child in your arms while using sparklers.
- Never hold, or light, more than one sparkler at a time.
- Never throw sparklers.
- Sparkler wire and stick remain hot long after the flame has gone out. Be sure to drop spent sparklers in a bucket of water.
- Teach children not to wave sparklers, or run, while holding sparklers.

Sign allowed 1-minute parking

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Motorists in Los Angeles are known to chafe at the city's confusing parking restrictions and pricey penalties, but an erroneous street sign spotted last week had drivers scratching their heads.

The sign said "1 minute parking" and was posted near the intersection of San Vicente Boulevard and Montana Avenue. A photo of the sign went viral online, eliciting amusement and outrage alike.

Transportation department spokesman Jonathan Hui confirmed last Monday that the sign was a typo, not a prank.

Hui says the transit agency didn't receive a formal complaint about the 60-second parking window, but a staff member noticed the online chatter and reported it for repairs.

The faulty sign was replaced with a "1 hour parking" sign.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$6.96
Corn (bushel)	\$4.62
Milo (hundredweight)	\$7.45
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.78

Corrections

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Other Viewpoints

School tax revenue a surprise seizure

A new Kansas law requires county treasurers to turn over the 20 mills property tax revenue they collect for local schools to the Kansas treasurer for distribution.

Many legislators weren't aware of the provision, buried in a bill dealing with mineral severance taxes and oil and gas depletion funds, until after it passed. Yet it represents a power grab by the state that should be of concern to their constituents.

Now for the first time, Clay County Treasurer Christine Swaim will send at least \$1.3 million in property tax revenue to the state instead of directly to the school district. The district receives general state aid in addition to the property taxes.

Republican leaders, who hustled the provision through a conference committee without general debate, said the change is necessary to establish an "audit trail" they say is required by the recent Supreme Court order on school finance, an excuse attorney John Robb, who represents school districts in the state, termed "ridiculous."

The Supreme Court didn't indicate any concerns about the existing system for tracking property taxes going to schools, Robb said.

The effect will be to create a half billion dollar pool of money for education that will be controlled by the state.

Even though it won't be easy for the legislature to raid those property tax funds to bail out their own budget mess, it will certainly be easier for them to attach strings to – or delay – the return of the money without interference from the courts.

Given the state's erratic history handling money held for other units of government and Kansas' current financial deficit, school superintendents have reason to be concerned.

During the financial crisis, Gov. Mark Parkinson reduced state payments to schools as tax revenues plummeted.

Kansas also has been late with its payments to schools in the past.

Then there's the legislature's history with the Local Ad Valorem Tax Reduction money, once collected by the state and rebated to counties, that now has entirely disappeared. Clay County used to get \$500,000 of that money, \$300,000 going specifically for roads and bridges.

Today, property taxes make up the loss.

Neither is this good news for local community banks for whom the school property tax funds have been a significant source of deposits. The Kansas Bankers Association, which is supporting Brownback, can only hope the funds are returned, and promptly.

We believe the change has nothing to do with audit trails. It is about giving the appearance that more school funding is coming from the state instead of local property taxpayers. It is about control of education by right-wing Brownback supporters. And it is about punishing school districts and the courts for daring to challenge the legislature's funding decisions.

Given the legislature's recent financial record and penchant for political revenge and micro-managing education, school districts, banks and property taxpayers all have very good reason to be worried.

– The Clay Center Dispatch, via the Associated Press



Some of Colby's 'sons' born other places

This is my 14th column on the history of the Thomas County Courthouse, the stories of the heroes from Thomas County listed on the war memorial in front of the courthouse who lost their lives while serving in the armed forces. I am continuing to list 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

• Pvt. Bill J. Brooks was born in Rawlins County to J.J. and Mary Brooks on Sept. 1, 1919. He attended Iliion County School No. 29, in Rawlins Iliion.

Brooks was in France attached to the 119th Infantry Regiment, 30th Division from Kansas, when he was killed in battle on July, 13, 1944.

He is buried in the Normandy American Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach near St. Laurent Sur Mer.

At that time, he was survived by his wife Lucille, daughter Loretta, sisters Doris and Mary, and brothers Jake and Edward, who were serving their country somewhere in France. Brooks also had two half-brothers, John and Charles, and two half-sisters, Lara and Josephine.

• Lt. Francis George Steiger was born near Menlo to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Steiger on Aug. 10, 1920. He attended the Menlo Schools, graduating in 1938.

Steiger enlisted in the Air Force in 1942 and

went to flying school – receiving his instructions at Stamford Flying School in Texas, Garden City and San Antonio.

After graduated from the Army Air Force Central Flying Training Command, Class 43-K, at Brooks Field, Texas, he became a copilot on a B-24. While flying over China on a mine-laying mission, he was reported missing in action on Aug. 9, 1944.

At that time, he was survived by his wife Vivian, a son, Francis Jr., his mother Flora Steiger and a sister Clara.

• Lt. Raymond Vance Schroeder was born on Feb. 19, 1919, in Rawlins County to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Schroeder. He attended two years of grade school at Sullivan School in Chicago. The rest of his school years were spent at Colby, where he graduated in 1936.

Schroeder enlisted in the Marine Corps in January 1941. He was stationed in the Southwest Pacific. He was a pilot flying Navy planes out of a base in the Marshall Islands. While coming back from a mission, his plane crashed and he died as a result of the injuries on Aug.

11, 1944.

He was buried in the Coral Sands Cemetery, but was moved to the National Memorial of the Pacific Territory in Hawaii for permanent interment in 1949.

At that time he was survived by his wife Gertrude, son Donald Leroy, sisters Verna and Vona, and brothers Conrad and Samuel.

• Pvt. Norman Lee Parsons was born Oct. 23, 1924, near Brownville to Hugh and Theda Parsons. Norman started school at Brownville, but his parents moved to Brewster, where he graduated from the Brewster schools in 1943.

He was drafted into the Army and was assigned to the 773rd Tank Battalion. He received his basic training at Fort Hood, Texas. While serving in Europe, he was killed in action on Sept. 19, 1944.

Parsons' name is on the Memorial Wall in the Lorraine American Cemetery, Saint-Avoid, Moselle, France.

At that time he was survived by his parents, brothers Orval, Donnie, Darrel and Gary, and sisters Beverly and Joyce.

Parsons' American Legion Post in Brewster is named after him.

Marj Brown has lived in Colby since 1947 and has spent a good deal of that time writing about people and places here. She says its one of her favorite things to do

Loving the flag becomes a personal story

Some of the older men in our community felt we scouts were not performing our responsibilities in handling the flag as respectfully as we should. Therefore, just before the Fourth of July, we found ourselves in a meeting where a gentleman had been invited to talk about it.

"Great!" Lenny quipped, looking at the man who was waiting for his turn to speak. "Just what I wanted to be doing on a Tuesday night. Sitting around and listening to some old guy I don't even know talk about the flag. The flag just isn't that big of a deal."

We all nodded our heads in agreement. It was a beautiful, clear evening, just right to be swimming, or playing baseball, or anything out of doors, not the kind of day to be spent in a meeting.

The man that was going to talk to us really wasn't that old; he was probably in his late 40s or early 50s, but to teenage boys, that is ancient.

When it was his turn, he looked at us and smiled. "You know, I can't instill in you a love for the flag and a feeling of respect. I can only tell you why I love it." He then proceeded to tell us a story that enthralled us.

As a young soldier, he had been assigned to the Philippines during the beginning of World War II. That was where he was when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. He described how only a little more than a week later the Japanese attacked the Philippines. With the United States' ships destroyed, there was no means to receive supplies, and within only a few months, there was no option except surrender.

He then described the Bataan death march, and what it was like to watch many of his friends die from disease, starvation, and the guns and bayonets of the Japanese. He said there were many times he wished he could die

Other Opinions

• Daris Howard Life's Outtakes

too, rather than endure the atrocities. When they reached their destination, the camp they were in was not much better. Food was scarce. Many more died, and those who lived seemed to lose hope. They were not told of anything going on in the outside world, and they began to think they had been forgotten.

But after a couple of horrible years, some British soldiers, that had been captured in fighting in Australia, were brought as prisoners to their camp. Everyone learned from them that the Allied forces were moving island by island, and coming toward the Philippines. Excitement and hope soared as the dream of possible deliverance grew brighter. But then, just when they could hear the bombardment and knew the Allied forces were approaching, many of the prisoners were loaded onto ships for transport to prison camps in Japan.

They found themselves in the hot, humid hold of a Japanese ship that was full of foul smells that burned a their eyes and choked their lungs. They were packed so tightly that they were forced to stand 24 hours per day. As they heard the continuation of the bombardment from the American planes everyone cheered, even though they knew their own ship could be inadvertently sunk by a stray bomb. As the days grew long, and more people grew sick and died in their floating prison, when bombs

would be heard around them, some men would call out, "Hit us! Hit us!" hoping to die instead of endure any more.

When they reached the shores of Japan, they were herded into a prison camp where they found other emaciated inmates. They received little food or water, and disease and death continued to be constant companions. However, after a time, their treatment began to improve. Word was that it was because the Japanese were beginning to fear retribution as their loss in the war seemed more and more imminent.

He told us about the day an American plane flew overhead and dropped food into their camp. He said seeing the flag on the side of the plane thrilled him as much as the food. "But," he added, "nothing will ever compare to the day we saw a contingent of men approaching holding the American flag."

His voice choked as he continued. "That flag symbolized the freedom I had always taken for granted when I was young, and had only learned to cherish when it was no longer mine. I will forever love it. I know you can never feel the same as I do about it, at least not unless you experience the loss of your freedom that it stands for. But I hope in some small way, you can learn from those of us who have been there how valuable that freedom is and the flag that symbolizes it."

And we did learn. And every time I see that beautiful flag, I imagine myself imprisoned, and seeing it once more, and I know I will never think of it in the same way again. And even more, I pray that it will wave free and strong forever.

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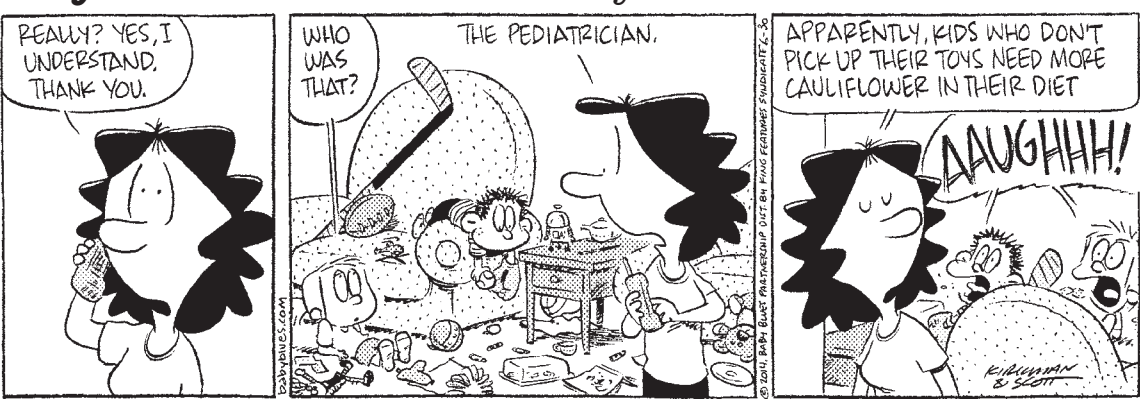
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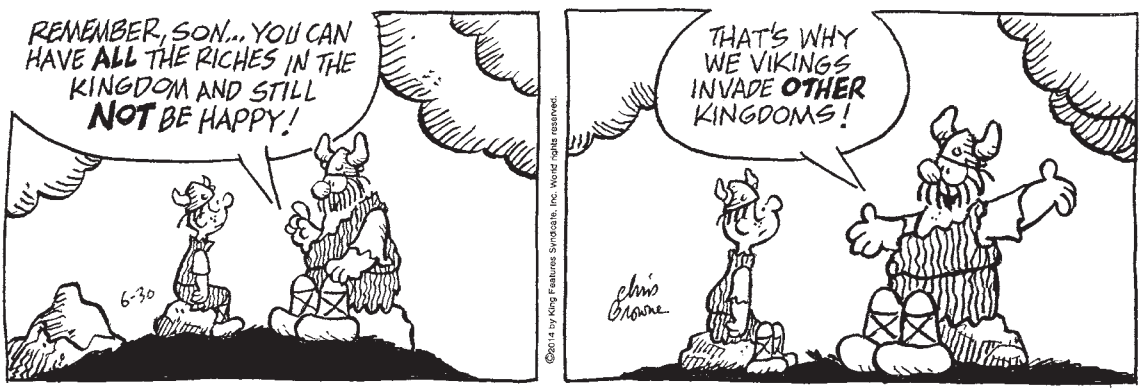
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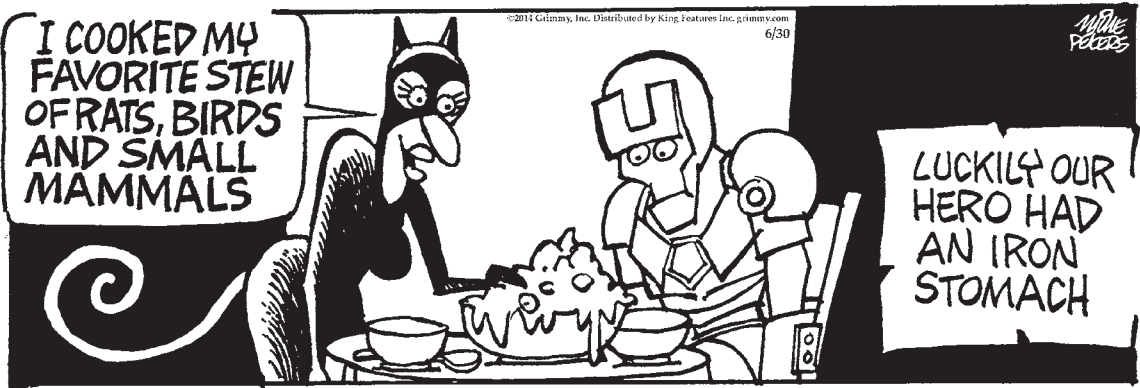
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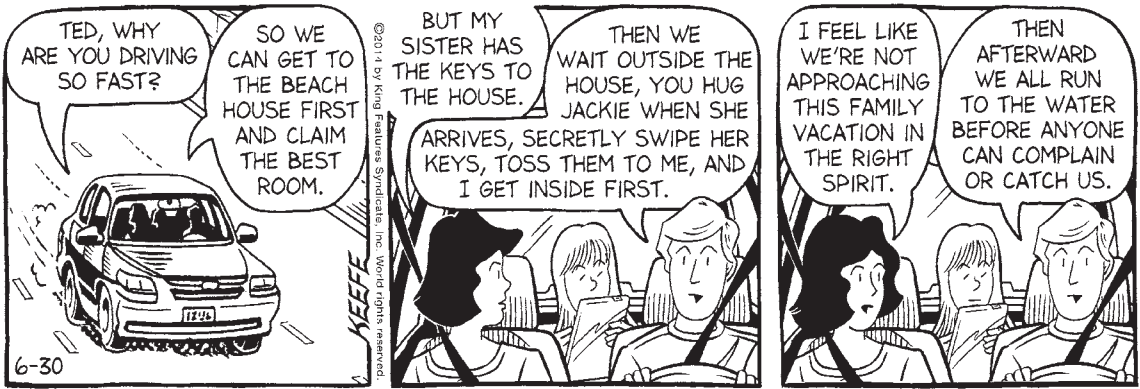
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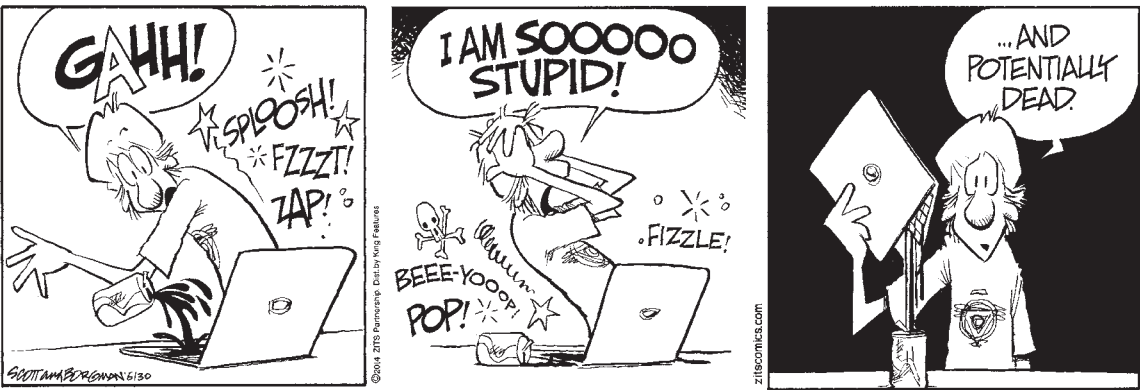
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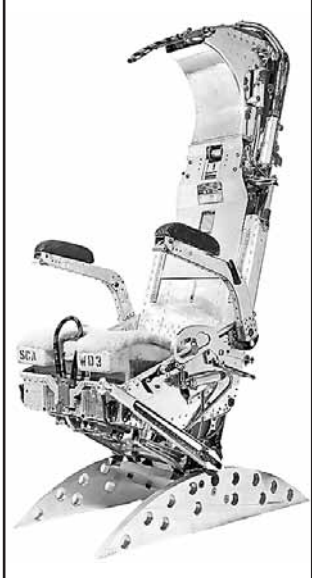


Terry Kovel

• Antiques and Collecting

Galleries offer more than ever

Antiques auction galleries sell more than antiques. Folk art, design, modernism, fashion, fossils and dinosaurs, rocks and minerals, comics, movie memorabilia, political and space all are words that have been used to advertise recent sales. No longer do the sales feature only furniture, glass, silver, ceramics, toys, dolls and paper ephemera.



A unique item was an ejection seat from a Vulcan jet bomber made in England. It was offered in a Hermann Historica auction in Munich, Germany, on May 9. The chrome ejection seat, dated July 15, 1974, is 56 inches high by 21 inches wide. The Vulcan, first made in 1952, was used by the Royal Air Force during the Cold War. It could fly at 52,000 feet and carried nuclear arms. The newest look in decorating is "tech," and this seat with its perforated base, moveable arms and high curved back looks like a chair from the future. But it would seem destined for a space exploration museum, not a living room.

Q: In 1999, I inherited a doll from a friend, who said it was about 160 years old. The doll's underskirt was made of handspun wool made by her grandmother. The doll originally had a wax head, but it was damaged in a house fire, so it was replaced in 2001. The doll's body is made of leather and sawdust. How much is it worth?

A: Most dolls made before the early 1900s had bisque or china heads. Wax-head dolls were made in the late 18th and the 19th centuries. Wax was not as breakable as bisque or porcelain and could be easily molded. Later, most dolls were made with composition, vinyl or plastic heads. Wax can be damaged by light, heat and temperature changes. It is difficult and expensive to repair. With the original head and body, it would sell for a high price. Unfortunately, your doll is not worth much because of the replaced head.

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Bridge • Steve Becker

East dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ J 8 3
♥ A Q J 7 4
♦ A K 7
♣ 9 6
WEST
♠ Q 10 7 2
♥ 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A Q 10 8 4 2
EAST
♠ 9 6 5
♥ K 10 9 6
♦ J 10 9 3
♣ 5 3
SOUTH
♠ A K 4
♥ 8 5 3
♦ Q 6 4 2
♣ K J 7
The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♦ 2♣ 2♥
Pass 2NT Pass 3NT
Opening lead — two of spades.

Famous Hand

This deal occurred in the 1980 London Sunday Times Invitational Pair Championship. It features exceptionally good declarer play by Billy Eisenberg, who got to three notrump on the bidding shown.

West led a spade, taken with dummy's jack. Had Eisenberg elected to stake the outcome solely on a heart finesse, which seemed the natural thing to do, he would have failed in his mission. Suppose, for example, he had led a spade to the king at trick two and then finessed the jack of hearts. East would win with the king and return a club to South's jack and West's queen, and West would play a third round of spades to eventually put the contract down one.

But Eisenberg judged from the bidding and the opening lead that West's distribution was probably 6-4-2-1, with the singleton likely to be in hearts. So he cashed the ace and queen of diamonds, as well as the A-K of spades, and then led a heart to dummy's jack. This careful succession of plays left West with the queen of spades and A-Q-10-8-4-2 of clubs.

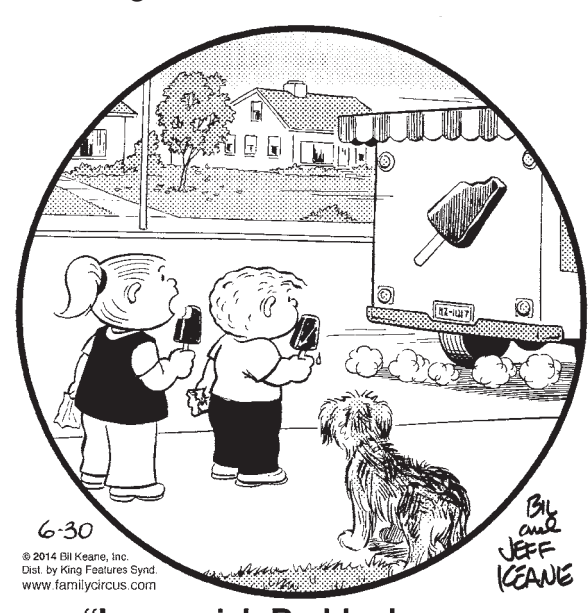
East took the jack of hearts with the king and could do no better than return a club. South's jack lost to the queen, and West cashed the queen of spades, but he then had to return a club from his A-10-8-4-2, handing declarer his ninth trick.

In all, Eisenberg scored three spade tricks, two hearts, three diamonds and a club. At no point during the play did he give up on the possibility that West might have the king of hearts -- but at the same time he took steps to guard against the possibility that East might have that card and that the suit would not break.

It is the practice of giving oneself more than one chance to make a contract that often spells the difference between success and failure.

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Family Circus • Bil Keane



"I sure wish Daddy drove an ice cream truck for a livin'."

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★ 6/30

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.

5	3	2	7	1	8	6	9	4
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Cryptoquip

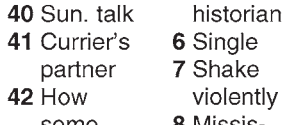
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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: SITCOM ABOUT A BUNCH OF RELATIVES AND THEIR WOES WITH INTERNET CONNECTIVITY: "MODEM FAMILY"

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: G equals T

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

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| ACROSS | DOWN | DOWN | DOWN |
| 1 Nitwit | 32 Malaria remedy | 1 Satchel | 21 La Salle of "ER" |
| 5 Rapper Tone— | 34 Ticklish Muppet | 2 Bullring bravo | 22 Hokkaido aborigine |
| 8 Remove, as a hat | 35 Diplomacy | 3 Choose (for) | 23 Canonized person |
| 12 "Serpico" star | 36 Jumped | 4 Igneous rock | 25 Uncomplimentary remark |
| 14 Lamb's pen name | 37 See 30-star | 5 Roman historian | 26 Bruins' sch. |
| 15 Retaliates | 42 How some veggies are sold | 6 Single | 27 Freeway access |
| 16 River deposit | 47 Platter | 7 Shake violently | 29 — |
| 17 Whatever amount | 48 Almond liqueur | 8 Mississippi River explorer | 31 Commandment adverb |
| 18 Motorcycle noises | 49 "Born Free" lioness | 9 Hodgepodge | 33 Minnesota lake |
| 20 Handed out cards | 50 Spigot | 10 Movie of music | 34 More bizarre |
| 23 Spades or hearts | 51 Optimistic | 11 Domino | 36 Lascivious look |
| 24 Londoner, for one | | 12 Penny | 37 Broad |
| 25 Early U.K. prime minister | | 13 Abundant | 38 Satchel |
| 28 Jeremy of basketball | | 14 Hotel rm. | 39 Hardy heroine |
| 29 Get up | | | 40 Trade |
| 30 With 37 Across, Rivers tagline | | | 43 Singer Sumac |
| | | | 44 Pontiac muscle car |
| | | | 45 Shaker —, Ohio |
| | | | 46 Plaything |



Saturday's answer 6-30

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To place your classified ad, mail (155 W. Fifth), fax (785-462-7749), phone (785-462-3963), or stop by our office at 155 W. Fifth

Notices

Everyday Treasures, resale and consignment. Tuesdays and Wednesdays Noon-6:00 pm and the first Saturday of each month noon-6:00 p.m. 315 N. Franklin, Colby (620) 203-0171.

Reward for information leading to the recovery of my stolen property in southern Rawlins County - 1999 Chevy 4x4, green, extended cab, long box - black flat bed car trailer, dove tail, diamond plate floor. Call 785-626-3865 or 785-626-0091.

6A Fireworks - June 28 - July 5 from 8 a.m. to midnight at Colby Fairgrounds. Daily give away. Great prices, come check us out!!!

Plexus Slim Info & Tasting Party 7 p.m., Tuesday, July 1, 2014, Thomas County Office Complex. Come learn how Plexus Slim can change your life! 785-462-5349 www.plexusslim.com/jdrame

Plum Creek Ltd. - Colby, Summer Sale in Progress, Missy & Women's Apparel.

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Help Wanted

Full Time Body Technician - Experience required. Final Finish Auto Body, Atwood 785-626-9271.

Progressive company looking to hire full-time plumbers and HVAC/R technicians. Offices located in Colby, KS and Goodland, KS. Contact Mitch McClure @ McClure Plumbing and Heating, Inc. 720 N. Franklin Ave., Colby, KS 67701 Phone 785-462-7314.

Heavy equipment mechanic needed local excavation contractor. Must have own tools. Must be knowledgeable about CAT engines, electronics, hydraulics, pumps. Travel required on an as needed basis. 2-3 years experience with CAT heavy equipment required. 3 miles east of Last Chance on Highway 36. Call 660-656-9506 EOE

Heavy equipment operators needed for excavation contractor. Scrapers, push cats, water trucks, and tractor/disc. 3 miles east of Last Chance on Highway 36. Starting \$20 to \$22 hourly with per diem. Call 660-656-9506

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. Please contact Lamar Bergsten, USD 275 Triplains School, PO BOX 97, Winona, KS 67764 or call 785-846-7869 to apply.

Public Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT L. ROSS, DECEASED.

CASE NO. 2014-PR-25

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that on June 17, 2014, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act was filed in this Court by Alan Robert Ross, an heir, devisee and legatee, and Executor named in the Last Will and Testament of Robert L. Ross, deceased.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of this notice, as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

ALAN ROBERT ROSS
PETITIONER

John D. Gatz, #10808
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 346
Colby, Kansas 67701
(785) 460-3383
Attorney for Petitioner

(Published in The Colby Free Press on Monday, June 23, 30 and July 7, 2014)

Help Wanted

Make a Career Call and "Taste The Success" Sales Positions - Frito-Lay, Inc. the world's snack food leader, has an immediate opening at our Colby area. Responsibilities include selling and merchandising our complete line of products to existing and new accounts. This position does require travel. Candidates must possess the following: Relevant Sales Experience (3 years of Grocery or DSD Sales), Clean Driving Record, Weekend Availability, HS Diploma or Equivalent Preferred. Frito-Lay offers a competitive compensation and benefits package that includes stock options. Interested candidates must apply at www.fritolayemployment.com EOE/MF/D/V

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.

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.

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

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.

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

Public Notice

ORDER

For Closing of Registration Books Before PRIMARY ELECTION August 5, 2014

Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2311(c), notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of July, 2014, all registration books for the Primary Election will close at the end of regular business hours (5:00 p.m.). Registration books will remain closed until the 6th day of August, 2014

A citizen of the United States who is eighteen (18) years of age and upwards, or will have attained the age of eighteen (18) years by the next election, must register and show proof of ID and citizenship before he or she can vote.

When a voter has been registered according to law, his or her registration shall continue to be valid until one (1) of the following occurs:

1. The voter changes his or her name by marriage.
2. The voter changes residence.
3. The voter's name has been purged according to law.

If any of the above has occurred, you must re-register.

An individual applicant may request an application for registration in person, by telephone, in writing to the County Election Officer or by visiting the following website <http://www.kssos.org>.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of my office this 27th, day of June 2014.

/s/ Shelly A. Harms,
County Clerk/Election Officer
Thomas County, Kansas

(Published in the Colby Free Press on Monday, June 30, 2014)

Help Wanted

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.

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

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

PSI Transport, LLC, is always looking for livestock hauler: owner/operators to pull our trailers and/or company drivers. Newer equipment and excellent benefit package. We primarily stay within the Midwest. To visit about our opportunities give us a call M-F at (785) 675-3881 or (913) 533-2478.

Houses for Rent

For rent very nice custom home in Colby - 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 3 quarter baths, 2 living rooms, 2 laundry rooms, 2 kitchens, 2 decks. 620-397-3459.

Houses for Sale

Farm home in town! Vintage, old world charm, updated, 2 story, 2014 sq. ft., double size corner lot, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, detached garage, workshop, fenced. 102 Jefferson in Grinnell. \$78,000. Call 785-462-0027 to view house/more photos.

3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 1/2 corner lot, new metal roof. 780 S. Mission, Colby - call 785-460-7996.

NOW HIRING! RN's, LPN's, CNA's & Housekeeping

Competitive wage scale. Apply in Person at Deseret Health & Rehab at Colby, 105 E. College Dr., Colby, KS or contact Amy or Rhonda at 785-462-6721.

BLUE SKY SATELLITE

WE NEED SATELLITE TECHNICIANS WHO ARE MOTIVATED AND READY TO GET PAID!

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If you are looking for a rewarding career, **apply online TODAY at careers.blueskydish.com or call Ray Ziegler at 316-619-2552.**

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HELP WANTED

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

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

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

Misc. for Sale

New 40 gal electric water heater, electric stoves, gas range, window air conditioner, under counter dish washers, microwaves, refrigerators 785-694-8013.

Pebble Embossed Plastic Banquet rolls 40'x300' (white) \$30 + tax. Can be purchased at the Colby Free Press, 155 W. 5th St.

Pasture Wanted

Wanted to rent grass 2014 beyond 785-824-8092.

Wanted

Wanted to bale: Irrigated wheat straw. John 785-443-3653.

Vehicles for Sale

2001 9400i, day cab, 450HP Cummins, 10 speed, field-ready, good condition. \$22,500. Call 785-694-3281.

Call us before you pay your next insurance premium. American Family Insurance - Rita Peters Agency - Colby 785-462-8246.

Recreation Vehicle

2008 Kawasaki Vulcan, 7,000 miles, new battery, motorcycle cover, and two helmets. Please call 785-443-2119 and leave message.

Seed and Feed

Feed for Sale: Good quality cane and millet hay, high nitrates. Round and large square bales, #100/ton, fob north of Colby, KS. John 785-443-3653.

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NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION Tuesday, August 5, 2014

STATE OF KANSAS, THOMAS COUNTY, ss
Office of the County Clerk, Colby, KS

As required by K.S.A. 25-209, notice is hereby given there will be a Primary Election held in Thomas County, Kansas, Tuesday, August 5, 2014.

The candidates for members of the National Offices, State Offices and District if composed of more than one County, have been approved by the State Board of Canvassers and certified to this office by the Secretary of State, the names of candidates being arranged in the manner in which they will appear on the Official Ballot in Thomas County, Kansas.

The candidates for County Offices and Township Offices have filed declaration papers in the office of the County Clerk and being found regular are entitled to have their names on the Official Primary Ballot of Thomas County, Kansas subject to the rotation of names pursuant to law governing the same. The names of the candidates for National, State and District offices are shown and arranged, as they must appear on all the printed ballots of the County.

ADVANCE VOTING BY MAIL AND/OR IN PERSON

As required by K.S.A. 25-1123 advanced voting by mail shall begin on Wednesday, July 16, 2014; please contact the Thomas County Clerk's office at 785.460.4500 or e-mail at tcc01@st-tel.net for an application to receive a ballot by mail. **ID REQUIRED.**

As required by K.S.A. 25-1122(g) - 1123 advanced voting in person shall begin at the Thomas County Courthouse, 300 N. Court Ave., Colby, KS on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please contact the Thomas County Clerk's office at 785.460.4500 or e-mail at tcc01@st-tel.net for further information. **ID REQUIRED.**

VOTING HOURS AND VOTING PLACES

The voting hours will be from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Services

The Clean-up-Crew is back. We offer a range of services: Lawn-mowing, residential, farm and commercial junk removal. If you think you can't afford our services, you're wrong! We buy: vehicles, working appliances, vacuum-cleaners, lawn-mowers, tools and much more. Every home has several unwanted items that we put cash in your hand for. We offer set rates for the Colby area (additional fees outside of Colby). Payment plans available. Call 785-443-4352 for a free estimate.

Bixenman Construction - Additions, remodels, kitchens, bathrooms, steel roof, siding, windows. Call for free estimate 785-443-3181 as for Dave.

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Pets/Supplies

Kittens free to good home. Call Doggone Critters, 497 N. Franklin, Colby - 785-462-6388.

Great Pyrenees puppies. Ready 07/02. 1st shots. Call 719-729-3536 or 719-688-3528.

AKC Registered English Mastiff Puppies \$800 ready June 29. Will hold for \$200 deposit. Have first shots and dew claws removed. These dogs are very gentle and loving. Parents are farm raised and on site. Serious inquiries only. 785-443-5335

McNab puppies for sale. Out of working parents Long Island, KS. Leave message 308-645-9085.

Garage Sales

No one wanted Vacuum Shop new Panasonic and Sharps - Erwin Thiele 785-462-5572.

Half Price Sale All of July Wednesday's & Saturday's 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Second Time Around Shop, 115 Center Ave. Oakley, Kansas.

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NOW HIRING Experienced Field Service Technician (\$2000.00 HIRING BONUS)

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The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center

is accepting applications for the 2014-2015 school year.

- Head Start Teachers (Sherman/Gove Counties)
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- Speech Pathologists
- School Psychologist
- Early Childhood Special Education Teachers
- Interrelated Teachers (Oberlin/Grinnell)
- Head Start Aides (Rawlins/Thomas County)
- Para-educators (Golden Plains/Quinter)

Applications are available at www.nkesc.org or 785-672-3125. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. *NKESC is an EOE*

Public Notice

The voting places are as follows: All precincts vote at the Colby Community Building, 285 E. 5th St., Colby, Kansas.

NATIONAL/STATE/LOCAL TICKET - DEMOCRATIC

U.S. STATE SENATOR: Chad Taylor (Topeka), Patrick Wiesner (Lawrence) - **U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE, 1ST DISTRICT:** Bryan R. Whitney (Wichita), James E. Shroyer (Manhattan) - **GOVERNOR / LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:** Paul Davis (Lawrence) / Jill Docking (Wichita) - **SECRETARY OF STATE:** Jean Kurtis Schodorf (Wichita) - **ATTORNEY GENERAL:** A. J. Kotich (Topeka) - **STATE TREASURER:** Carmen Alldritt (Topeka) - **COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE:** Dennis Anderson (Overland Park) - **KANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE 118TH DISTRICT:** No filings - **KANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE 120TH DISTRICT:** No filings - **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT #5:** No filings - **COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #1:** No filings - **TOWNSHIP CLERK:** BARRETT: No filings - **EAST HALE:** No filings - **WEST HALE:** No filings - **KINGERY:** No filings - **LACEY:** No filings - **SOUTH RANDALL:** No filings - **ROVOHL:** No filings - **SMITH:** No filings - **SUMMERS:** No filings - **MENLO:** Loren E. Guill (Menlo) - **MORGAN:** Alice M. Wolf (Colby) - **WENDELL:** Allen Cheney (Rexford) - **PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON:** WARD I: No filings - **WARD II:** Kenneth Frahm (Colby), Joshua Faber (Colby), Sheila Frahm (Colby), Ronda Faber (Colby) - **WARD III:** Mike W. Brown (Colby), Jeanene B. Brown (Colby) - **WARD IV:** James A. Harms (Colby), Paul M. Steele (Colby), Shelly A. Harms (Colby) - **BARRETT:** No filings - **EAST HALE:** No filings - **WEST HALE:** Mike Baughn (Brewster), Brenda Claassen (Brewster) - **KINGERY:** No filings - **LACEY:** No filings - **NORTH RANDALL:** Lonnie Wilson (Colby), Lori Wilson (Colby) - **SOUTH RANDALL:** Ruth Clark (Oakley) - **ROVOHL:** No filings - **SMITH:** No filings - **SUMMERS:** No filings - **MENLO:** Loren E. Guill (Menlo), Susan D. Guill (Menlo) - **EAST MORGAN:** Steve Ziegelmeier (Colby) - **WEST MORGAN:** No filings - **WENDELL:** No filings

NATIONAL/STATE/LOCAL TICKET - REPUBLICAN

U.S. STATE SENATOR: Milton Wolf (Leawood), Pat Roberts (Dodge City), D. J. Smith (Osawatimie), Alvin E. Zahner (Russell) - **U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE, 1ST DISTRICT:** Tim Huelskamp (Fowler), Alan LaPolice (Clyde) - **GOVERNOR / LIEUTENANT**

GOVERNOR: Jennifer Winn (Wichita) / Robin R. Lais (Wichita), Sam Brownback (Topeka) / Jeff Colyer (Overland Park) - **SECRETARY OF STATE:** Scott Morgan (Lawrence), Kris Kobach (Piper) - **ATTORNEY GENERAL:** Derek Schmidt (Independence) - **STATE TREASURER:** Ron Estes (Wichita) - **COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE:** David J. Powell (El Dorado), Beverly Gossage (Eudora), Ken Selzer (Leawood), John M. Toplikar (Olathe), Clark Shultz (Lindsborg) - **KANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE 118TH DISTRICT:** Don Hineman (Dighton) - **KANSAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE 120TH DISTRICT:** Adam W. Smith (Weskan), Richard (Rick) Billinger (Goodland) - **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT #5:** Sally Cauble (Dodge City), Meg Wilson (Great Bend) - **COMMISSIONER DISTRICT #1:** Byron D. Sowers (Colby), Lonnie Wilson (Colby) - **TOWNSHIP CLERK:** BARRETT: No filings - **EAST HALE:** No filings - **WEST HALE:** David E. Bowman (Brewster) - **KINGERY:** No filings - **LACEY:** No filings - **NORTH RANDALL:** Linda M. Sowers (Colby), Travis A. Elias (Colby) - **SOUTH RANDALL:** No filings - **ROVOHL:** No filings - **SMITH:** No filings - **SUMMERS:** No filings - **MENLO:** Loren E. Guill (Menlo) - **MORGAN:** Alice M. Wolf (Colby) - **WENDELL:** Allen Cheney (Rexford) - **PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON:** WARD I: No filings - **WARD II:** Kenneth Frahm (Colby), Joshua Faber (Colby), Sheila Frahm (Colby), Ronda Faber (Colby) - **WARD III:** Mike W. Brown (Colby), Jeanene B. Brown (Colby) - **WARD IV:** James A. Harms (Colby), Paul M. Steele (Colby), Shelly A. Harms (Colby) - **BARRETT:** No filings - **EAST HALE:** No filings - **WEST HALE:** Mike Baughn (Brewster), Brenda Claassen (Brewster) - **KINGERY:** No filings - **LACEY:** No filings - **NORTH RANDALL:** Lonnie Wilson (Colby), Lori Wilson (Colby) - **SOUTH RANDALL:** Ruth Clark (Oakley) - **ROVOHL:** No filings - **SMITH:** No filings - **SUMMERS:** No filings - **MENLO:** Loren E. Guill (Menlo), Susan D. Guill (Menlo) - **EAST MORGAN:** Steve Ziegelmeier (Colby) - **WEST MORGAN:** No filings - **WENDELL:**

Speedy Sharks splash into Oakley top three

The Colby Sharks finished their pre-Fourth of July schedule with a bang as they topped 200 points again during Saturday's Oakley Invitational.

Colby's 203 points featured individual titles from Kory Finley, Tayler Bieberle and Madisyn Lemman. Bieberle and Lemman also joined age 13-14 teammates Desiree Foster and Paige Schroer to win two relays.

The Sharks won't compete in another meet until July 10-11 at Wray, Colo.

Complete Colby results from Oakley:

Team scores: 1. Goodland 310, 2. Holyoke, Colo., 249.5, **3. Colby 203**, 4. Burlington, Colo., 187.5, 5. Wray, Colo., 186, 6. Oberlin 116, 7. Oakley 81, 8. Flagler 27.

Age 8-and-under girls

Alisabeth Barton led this age group as she placed second in 25-butterfly, 30.14; third in 100-individual medley, 2:12.04; and fourth in 25-backstroke, 26.86. **MaKenzi Rhymer** placed fourth in 25-butterfly, 30.14; sixth in 100-individual medley, 2:35.44; and 10th in 25-breaststroke, 41.52.

Karyssa Applebury placed 32nd in 25-freestyle, 36.89; and 35th in 25-backstroke, 46.5.

Taylor Bienhoff placed 27th in 25-freestyle, 34.28; and 31st in 25-backstroke, 41.88. **Calista Carney** placed third in 25-breaststroke, 30.72; ninth in 50-freestyle, 55.59; and 29th in 25-backstroke, 40.21. **Amanda Jaeger** placed third in 25-butterfly, 27.02; ninth in 25-breaststroke, 39.26; and 32nd in 25-backstroke, 43.11. **Annie Morris** placed seventh in 100-individual medley, 2:51.56; 26th in 25-freestyle, 33.83; and 37th in 25-backstroke, 47.73. **Kallan Rothchild** placed 28th in 25-backstroke, 39.96; and 35th in 25-freestyle, 38.54. **Breckyn Wahlmeier** placed sixth in 25-butterfly, 34.53; 12th in 25-freestyle, 27.5; and 17th in 50-freestyle, 1:09.51.

Relays: Colby Swim Club A 100-freestyle of Morris, Carney, Wahlmeier and Barton placed fourth, 1:55.24; 100-medley of Jaeger, Barton, Rhymer and Applebury placed fourth, 2:15.87. Swim Club 100-freestyle of Rhymer, Applebury, Bienhoff and Rothchild placed ninth, 2:22.7.

Age 8-and-under boys

Blayne Reid led this group with three top five finishes. He placed third in 25-breaststroke, 38.38;

fourth in 25-butterfly, 39.21; and fourth in 100-individual medley, 3:02.68. **Blair Niblock** placed fourth in 25-backstroke, 26.42; fifth in 25-freestyle, 25.26; and seventh in 50-freestyle, 1:06.25. **Jace Keen** placed seventh in 25-backstroke, 31.38; and 10th in 25-freestyle, 30.07.

Dalton Earl Bell placed 15th in 25-backstroke, 53.69; and 21st in 25-freestyle, 50.91. **Eli Hutton** placed 10th in 50-freestyle, 1:10.55; and 11th in 25-backstroke, 40.3. **Tony Jaeger** placed 22nd in 25-freestyle, 54.89. **Caden Schriener** placed 14th in 50-freestyle, 1:22.61; 15th in 25-freestyle, 33.8; and in 25-butterfly, 38.99 (place not provided). **Brody Stramel** placed 23rd in 25-freestyle, 1:07.24. **Tanner Vyzourek** placed 13th in 50-freestyle, 1:21.76; and 14th in 25-freestyle, 33.11. **Jamison Zurcher** placed eighth in 50-freestyle, 1:07.83; and 13th in 25-freestyle, 32.02.

Relays: Swim Club A 100-freestyle of Reid, Keen, Zurcher and Niblock placed third, 2:01.3; 100-medley of Keen, Reid, Niblock and Hutton placed third, 2:26.71. Swim Club B 100-freestyle of Bell, Jaeger, Vyzourek and Jayton Rush placed fourth, 4:01.51.

Mixed relays: Swim Club A 100-medley of Morris, Carney, Wahlmeier and Schriener won the race, 2:19.01.

Age 9-10 girls

Jillian Niblock's three top 10 places led this group. **Niblock** finished sixth in 25-breaststroke, 23.09; eighth in 25-backstroke, 23.74; and 10th in 25-butterfly, 23.48.

Kamrynn Elling placed ninth in 25-breaststroke, 25.29; 13th in 100-individual medley, 2:05.6; and 14th in 25-freestyle, 21.37. **Kayla Jaeger** placed 17th in 100-individual medley, 2:44.59; 19th in 25-breaststroke, 35.43; and 21st in 25-freestyle, 22.36. **Baylei Kraft** placed 11th in 25-butterfly, 25.13; 14th in 25-freestyle, 21.37; and 16th in 25-breaststroke, 30.22. **Madison Krejci** placed seventh in 25-breaststroke, 23.6; ninth in 100-individual medley, 1:56.39; and 11th in 25-freestyle, 21.0. **Jayla Rush** placed 15th in 25-breaststroke, 29.95; 15th in 100-individual medley, 2:13.19; and 17th in 25-freestyle, 21.5.

Alizah Schielke placed eighth in 25-butterfly, 22.87. **Jade Schroer** placed fifth in 25-breaststroke,



SONDRA FINLEY
Colby Shark Kory Finley (above) had his sights focused on winning the 100-breaststroke for age 13-14 boys at Oakley Saturday, and he reached that goal while delivering one of five event championships from coach Sondra Finley's club team. Meanwhile, Sharks teammates Desiree Foster and Alexis Carney dove into competition on each side of a Goodland swimmer during girls' competition. Colby age 13-14 girls teamed to win the other four event titles.

22.89; 10th in 100-individual medley, 1:58.09; and 15th in 25-butterfly, 27.86. **Jeanie Strick** placed sixth in 25-freestyle, 19.24; seventh in 25-backstroke, 21.88; and 14th in 25-breaststroke, 28.62.

Relays: Swim Club A 100-medley of Niblock, Schroer, Kraft and Schielke placed fifth, 1:40.54; 100-freestyle of Schielke, Schroer, Kraft and Niblock placed sixth, 1:27.79. Swim Club B 100-freestyle of Krejci, Jaeger, Rush and Strick placed fifth, 1:24.99; 100-medley of Strick, Krejci, Elling and Rush placed sixth, 1:41.54.

Age 9-10 boys

Dawsyn Lemman swam to three top five places. He finished third in 25-freestyle, 16.86; fourth in 100-individual medley, 1:50.64; and fifth in 25-butterfly, 21.88. **Beau Mettlen** reached top 10 in three events by placing third in 25-breaststroke, 23.67; sixth in 25-backstroke, 25.45; and eighth in 100-individual medley, 2:04.69.

Breon Barton placed ninth in 100-freestyle, 1:04.54; 12th in 100-individual medley, 2:20.66; and 16th in 25-butterfly, 29.44.

Joshua Berens placed 10th in 25-freestyle, 19.42; 12th in 25-breaststroke, 41.06; and 14th in 25-butterfly, 29.16. **Matthew Berens** placed 13th in 25-breaststroke, 41.31 17th in 25-backstroke, 45.95; and 26th in 25-freestyle, 32.44. **Aaron Lindsey** placed 19th in 25-freestyle, 22.34. **Lincoln Myers** placed fourth in 25-backstroke, 24.08; 12th in 100-freestyle, 2:04.67; and 22nd in 25-freestyle, 24.15. **Isaac Smith** placed eighth in 25-butterfly, 25.43; ninth in 25-breaststroke, 28.79; and 15th in 25-freestyle, 21.35. **Joshua Yanez** placed 17th in 25-butterfly, 34.38; and 23rd in 25-freestyle, 26.02.

Relays: Swim Club A 100-medley of Myers, Mettlen, Lemman and Barton placed second, 1:39.53; 100-freestyle of Barton, Mettlen, Smith and Lemman placed third, 1:22.15. Swim Club 100-medley of Joshua Berens, Smith, Yanez and Lindsey placed sixth, 1:59.34; 100-freestyle of Myers, Matthew Berens, Yanez and Lindsey placed seventh, 1:52.23.

Age 11-12 girls

Emeline Hutton earned a trio of top five places. She finished third in 100-freestyle, 1:13.69; fourth in 50-breaststroke, 46.3; and fifth in 50-freestyle, 34.15. **Kourtney Finley** placed third in 50-breaststroke, 46.11; fourth in 50-butterfly, 40.46; and seventh in 50-freestyle, 36.09.

Carissa Brogan placed seventh in 50-butterfly, 43.09; eighth in 50-backstroke, 46.19; and 11th in 50-freestyle, 37.25. **Meghann Elling** placed 11th in 100-individual medley, 1:46.5; 14th in 50-freestyle, 40.3; and 14th in 50-backstroke, 54.04. **Emma Maier** placed 17th in 50-freestyle, 42.16; 17th in 50-backstroke, 57.84; and 17th in 50-breaststroke, 54.08. **Laurel Myers** placed 11th in 50-breaststroke, 51.01; 12th in 100-freestyle, 1:32.29; and 15th in 50-freestyle, 40.72. **Mandy Summers** placed 10th in 50-butterfly, 51.62; 18th in 50-freestyle,

42.23; and 19th in 50-breaststroke, 57.67.

Relay: Swim Club A 200-freestyle of Finley, Elling, Brogan and Hutton placed second, 2:29.38; 200-medley of Brogan, Hutton, Finley and Elling placed second, 2:53.37.

Age 11-12 boys

Wade Rush and **Blaise Vrbas** both earned a trio of top six places. **Vrbas** took third in 50-breaststroke, 45.42; third in 100-individual medley, 1:30.79; and sixth in 50-freestyle, 36.78. **Rush** finished third in 50-butterfly, 45.6; sixth in 50-backstroke, 47.99; and sixth in 100-individual medley, 1:39.54. **Bryson Barton** was top eight three times: fourth in 50-backstroke, 45.59; sixth in 100-freestyle, 1:21.23; and eighth in 100-individual medley, 1:41.03.

Riley Kraft placed 10th in 50-butterfly, 56.66; 10th in 100-individual medley, 1:57.03; and 14th in 100-freestyle, 1:42.99. **Trey Stramel** placed seventh in 50-breaststroke, 53.38; 15th in 100-freestyle, 1:48.28; and 16th in 50-freestyle, 48.86. **Joseph Yanez** placed 11th in 50-breaststroke, 1:00.7; 13th in 50-backstroke, 1:06.41; and 18th in 50-freestyle, 52.59.

Relays: Swim Club A 200-freestyle of Rush, Kraft, Vrbas and Barton placed third, 2:28.82; and 200-medley of Barton, Rush, Kraft and Vrbas placed third, 3:10.33.

Mixed relays: Swim Club A 200-freestyle of Myers, Yanez, Stramel and Maier placed fifth, 3:02.66; 200-medley of Maier, Myers, Yanez and Stramel placed sixth, 3:54.15.

Age 13-14 girls

Taylor Bieberle won 100-breaststroke, 1:19.38; placed second in 50-freestyle, 30.59; and second in 100-back-

stroke, 1:21.84. **Madisyn Lemman** won 400-freestyle, 4:23.5; placed third in 100-freestyle, 1:12.78; and third in 100-butterfly, 1:25.56. **Desiree Foster**, **Paige Schroer** and **Alexandra Quattlebaum** were all triple top 10 placers. **Foster** finished third in 100-backstroke, 1:36.47; eighth in 100-freestyle, 1:22.77; and 10th in 50-freestyle, 35.83. **Schroer** placed third in 200-individual medley, 3:23.7; seventh in 100-backstroke, 1:39.18; and eighth in 50-freestyle, 34.27. **Quattlebaum** was sixth in 50-freestyle, 34.04; sixth in 100-breaststroke, 1:38.96; and seventh in 100-butterfly, 1:36.17.

Alexis Carney placed fourth in 200-individual medley, 3:29.03; fifth in 100-backstroke, 1:40.48; and 12th in 50-freestyle, 36.19. **Lynnsey Elling** placed seventh in 400-freestyle, 6:40.92; 12th in 100-breaststroke, 1:50.42; and 19th in 50-freestyle, 40.42. **Lexy Kraft** placed seventh in 100-backstroke, 1:48.43; 16th in 100-breaststroke, 2:04.92; and 20th in 50-freestyle, 41.17. **Natalie Oren** placed eighth in 100-backstroke, 1:48.83; 10th in 100-freestyle, 1:23.79; and 15th in 50-freestyle, 37.82.

Relays: Swim Club A 200-freestyle of Lemman, Foster, Schroer and Bieberle won the race, 2:12.16; 200-medley of Foster, Bieberle, Lemman and Schroer won the race, 2:30.32; 200-freestyle of Quattlebaum, Elling, Oren and Carney placed fifth, 2:28.52; 200-medley of Carney, Elling, Quattlebaum and Kraft placed fifth, 2:59.89.

Age 13-14 boys

Kory Finley won 100-breaststroke, 1:34.58; placed third in 100-butterfly, 1:32.91; and third in 200-individual medley, 3:11.96. **Lander Niblock** placed third in 400-freestyle, 6:27.02; fifth in 50-freestyle, 37.23; and eighth in 100-freestyle, 1:26.95.

Age 15-18 girls

Kyndra Rush placed fourth in 100-breaststroke, 1:35.11; fifth in 100-backstroke, 1:30.56; and sixth in 200-individual medley, 3:12.84. **Quinlee Niblock** placed fifth in 100-breaststroke, 1:35.11; eighth in 50-freestyle, 34.19; and eighth in 200-individual medley, 3:23.36. **Brittany Carney** placed seventh in 100-backstroke, 2:18.42; seventh in 100-breaststroke, 2:43.58; and 10th in 50-freestyle, 55.72.

Age 15-18 boys

Gabriel Schriener placed second in 200-individual medley, 2:53.58; third in 400-freestyle, 5:23.73; and fourth in 100-backstroke, 1:17.39. **Shawn Sullivant** placed second in 50-freestyle, 26.16; third in 100-freestyle, 58.83; and fourth in 100-butterfly, 1:22.38. **Michael Quattlebaum** placed third in 200-individual medley, 3:22.77; fourth in 400-freestyle, 5:59.11; and seventh in 50-freestyle, 29.28.

Mixed relays: Swim Club A 200-freestyle of Schriener, Niblock, Quattlebaum and Sullivant placed fourth, 1:57.28; 200-medley of Schriener, Rush, Quattlebaum and Sullivant placed fourth, 2:24.73.

Playing tag on a Sunday afternoon

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"You're out" was the call during Colby's Recreation Coed Softball League action Sunday afternoon in Colby. After really stormy weather struck the area Friday evening, sunny weather on Saturday and Sunday helped Colby's diamonds get ready for weekend play. Only a slight chance of rain is expected leading into the Fourth of July holiday. No scores or other results from recent Colby Recreation softball or youth diamond action were available before today's press deadline.



Atwood annual race running on Friday

The 34th annual Lake Atwood County Challenge Race begins at 7:30 a.m. on Friday.

There are no awards or entry fees. Runners take part for honor of his or her county.

The men run four times around Lake Atwood for a total distance of five miles, while women will run around the lake twice.

Every age division finisher scores points for his or her county. County residence is not a re-

quirement. Bring an out-of-county friend who can run for your team.

Traditionally, the teams with most participants win the competition.

Atwood Rotary Club is the host organization for this event. For more information, contact Charles A Peckham in Atwood by calling (785) 626-3295 or 626-9516.

Information can also be obtained by E-mailing atwood101@rural.net or bcp@ruraltel.net.

Sluggers lose a pair

Available scores on Monday showed the Colby Sluggers losing twice in last weekend's Garden City Legion baseball tournament.

The Sluggers lost 11-3 to area foe Ellis and 7-1 to the South-west Kansas River Rats. No other

scores were obtained.

On a positive note, the Horny Toads from Hooker, Okla., scored a 6-5 win over western Kansas rival Hugoton. Butler County captured the championship with a 10-0 win over Garden City.

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