



School levy will drop with budget

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The Colby School board voted to publish its budget for the coming year at its monthly meeting Monday night. The board will have a final hearing on the \$13,779,763 budget in August before the final approval. Business Manager Jo DeYoung said the tax levy will go down from about 48 mills to about 47.7 mills this year. The board also approved the year-end transfers for cash balances for the end of the last year. Similar to what was discussed in June, all the leftover money in the general fund will be transferred, with

\$25,317 going into the vocational education fund and \$100,000 into the at-risk fund. From the supplemental general fund, \$200,000 will be transferred, half into special education and half into food service. The school district ended the fiscal year with a balance of \$2,493,386, \$90,859 in encumbrances and \$2,402,527 in unencumbered money. In other business, the board: • Voted to set up petty cash and activity funds for the school district, and to allow the district to pay some bills before the board approves them. • Voted to use Farmers and Merchants Bank, Sunflower Bank, See "SCHOOL," Page 2

College names officers, staff

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Colby Community College Trustees elected officers from the board as they prepared for the coming year Monday. Arlen Leiker was voted in as the board chairman for the coming year; he was also the chair last year. Dale Herschberger was elected as vice chair; Kenton Krehbeil was elected as treasurer and college President Stephen Vacik as secretary. Leiker was chosen as the representative to the Kansas Association of Community College Trustees and Linda Vaughn as the representative to the college Endowment Foundation. In other business, the trustees: • Went into closed session for a total of 30 minutes with Dr. Vacik to discuss non-elected personnel. No action was taken. • Approved agreements with other entities and employment contracts. Among the new employees, Brandon Gay, was hired as an adult basic education and outreach instructor; and Jim Rora-baugh was hired as the director of residence life; Jason Tew was hired as a chemistry instructor; and Theodore Juenemann was hired as the farm maintenance technician. New coaches included Ke-

van Taylor, who was hired as the head golf coach; Mary McLaughlin, hired as the assistant softball coach and Lanette Thummel, hired as the head dance and cheer coach. The board also approved the resignations of head golf coach Miles Ladenburger and assistant golf coach Lisa Stithem. • Heard a report from Nick Wells, who talked about work being done on the college farm, pointing out that he thinks Juenemann should be a good fit for the maintenance position, since he was at the farm on Sunday when he did not have to be. With no new bids for the equipment, the foundation moved to renew a contract to lease a skid loader from Colby Ag. The tires on a New Holland tractor being used there on the farm should be filled with calcium chloride, since the tractor is having trouble running. Wells also reported on maintenance being done on the farm buildings. • Reviewed an assessment plan for the first year of the college's 2012 to 2017 strategic plan. Greg Nichols, vice president of academic affairs, said the assessment shows what the college has done to prepare for the upcoming visit from the Higher Learning Commission in September. The commission is coming to the college to decide whether to renew its ac-

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Three injured in I-70 rollover

Three young Oklahoma women were injured Thursday evening when the truck they were driving in blew out a tire on Interstate 70. Natasha Maria Anderson, 21, Ponca City, Okla., was going west on the highway, the Kansas Highway Patrol reported. She was four miles past Oakley when the right rear tire of the 2006 Dodge Durango she was driving blew out. The Durango went into the

median of the highway and then rolled two or three times, coming to rest on its wheels in the right eastbound lane. Anderson was taken to Logan County Hospital along with her passengers Nehra Awe, 19, Tulsa, Okla., and Akasha A. Anderson, 17, also of Ponca City. Akasha Anderson was the only one of the three not wearing a seatbelt. She and the driver were both treated in Logan County before being transferred to another hospital, while Awe was treated and released.



Painting the town for Fair

The Solomon Valley 4-H Club painted the windows (above) at the Stramel Law Office downtown last Friday in preparation for the Thomas County Fair which runs Monday through Saturday, Aug. 2. Kelly Sloan (right) drew an overall-clad farmer, face first. Later in the afternoon, she put the finishing touches (bottom) on a garden with birds and bees that Emilie Stramel (below) worked on earlier. The theme for the fair this year is "Sew It, Grow It, Show It."

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Even legal pot may be banned

DENVER (AP) – Pot may be legal in some states – but the neighbors don't have to like it. Marijuana and hemp have joined wacky paint colors and unsightly fences as common neighborhood disputes facing homeowners' associations. Though a few associations have willingly changed their rules to accommodate for legal marijuana use or home-growing, many more are banning home pot smoking. Homeowners' associations can't ban members from using marijuana in their homes when it's legal. But if neighbors can see or smell weed, the law is clear – homeowners' as-

sociations have every right to regulate the drug as a nuisance, or a threat to children along the lines of a swimming pool with no fence. "The fact that people may be legally entitled to smoke doesn't mean they can do it wherever they want, any more than they could walk into a restaurant and light up a cigarette," said Richard Thompson, who owns a management consulting company that specializes in condominium and homeowner associations. Thompson said his home condo development in Portland, Oregon, is a prime example of how marijuana's growing acceptance has

sparked neighbor conflicts. "As soon as spring and summer come around, we hear complaints about marijuana smoke because people are out on their patios and they have the windows down," he said. It's not clear how many homeowners' associations have confronted marijuana conflicts in the 23 states with some form of legal marijuana. But lawyers who specialize in homeowners' disputes, as well as a Colorado regulatory agency that advises homeowners' associations,

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Weather



National Weather Service

Tonight: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms between 9 p.m. and midnight. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. East wind 5 to 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Saturday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97. Calm wind becoming northeast around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. Northeast wind around 5 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 87. Northeast wind 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85.

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

Tuesday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 82.

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

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 83.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 88.

Thursday: High, 104; Low 68

Precip: Thursday None

Month: 1.12 inches

Year: 10.25 inches

Normal: 13.61 inches

(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset

Saturday 6:39 a.m. 9:02 p.m.

New moon at 5:42 p.m.

Sunday 6:40 a.m. 9:01 p.m.

Moon: waxing, 1 percent

Monday 6:41 a.m. 9:00 p.m.

Moon: waxing, 3 percent

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Colby Water Use

Thursday 3,169,000 gal.

(Colby Public Works)

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BankWest, The Bank, People's State Bank and Western State Bank again this year. The *Colby Free Press* will be the official newspaper again. John Gatz was reappointed as the attorney for the district.

- Set fees and reimbursement rates. The board put meal reimbursement rates for employees at \$5 for breakfast, \$8 for lunch, \$15 for dinner, and for students at state competitions were set at \$6.50 per meal. Reimbursement rates for mileage in private vehicles were set at 56 cents per mile.
- The cost of drivers' education was set \$162 per

student for next spring. Activity fees will be \$35 per activity, per student, for a maximum of \$105 per student. The school will offer free weight training to its students this summer, and will charge \$15 for a college student, \$20 for a community adult, \$25 for a family, \$7.50 for an administrator and \$20 for an administrator's family. Rental rates were set for school facilities, including \$125 for the high school gym from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to midnight, and \$200 for the gym from midnight to 8 a.m. Rates for the high school auditorium and other gyms will be \$75 in the day and evening, and \$150 overnight.

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creditation.

Among the goals set for the strategic plan, the college planned to increase enrollment by two percent over the prior year. For fund raising, the college wanted to raise \$300,000 per year for five years. The assessment does not show that any money was raised from 2012 to 2013, but it had raised \$1 million by last year. During the 2012-2013 year, the college planned to enroll students in 33,440 credit hours, but only made it to 31,976 credit hours. The college was still short last school year, having enrolled students in 30,485 credit hours, while the target was 32,616.

- Approved the payment of

claims resolution for the month, which came to \$1,074,221.

- Approved \$100,000 in athletic insurance for the college.

- Approved a new policy for bidding staff members from selling textbooks they get from vendors.

- Discussed the results of an audit of eduKan, which provides online courses for six community colleges in western Kansas. Dr. Vacik said he got the audit at a conference, and that the college got a \$95,000 dividend from the group this year. This is the first time the group has lost money in over 10 years, he said, mainly because Barton Community College has started to produce its own online courses.

- Voted to sell and trade computer parts and old radio equip-

ment owned by the college. Information Director Debbie Schwanke said that Rocking M Radio wants to buy old equipment from the college radio station, and the trustees voted to trade it to the station in return for advertising.

- Approved a bid from Colby Furniture to sell furniture for the college's renovated dorm for \$26,888. The college also got a \$27,459 bid from Office Works, and a \$19,584 bid from Inlow Interiors, which did not include bedroom furniture. Earlier in the meeting, Vacik said he thinks the building, which the college set plans to renovate earlier in the year, should be full for the fall semester.

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say there are growing conflicts among neighbors who want to smoke pot and others who don't want to see it or smell it.

"What we're really seeing more now is regulating the associations' common areas," such as smoke wafting onto playgrounds or others' porches, said Erin McManis, an attorney in Phoenix whose firm represents hundreds of Arizona homeowners' associations.

The Carrillo Ranch homeowners association in Chandler, Arizona, earlier this year took the rare step of withdrawing a proposed ban on residents smoking medical marijuana in their front and backyards and on their patios.

The HOA planned a meeting on the topic in March, but withdrew the proposal after many residents opposed the ban as too harsh.

"This is a personal-freedom issue where people were going to dictate how other people should live," Carrillo Ranch

resident Tom LaBonte told *The Arizona Republic* in February, when the homeowners' association dropped its proposal.

Homeowners' association lawyers say the Carrillo Ranch case illustrates the value of homeowners' associations when the law changes, as with marijuana.

"Coming together and working on issues is something associations have been doing for a long time," McManis said. "We're hopeful that's how it's going to go forward now with medical marijuana."

Smoke isn't the only neighbor complaint posed by loosening marijuana laws. Growing pot and hemp is prompting neighbor disputes, too.

A suburban Denver retiree learned the hard way this spring that he needed neighbors' permission before growing hemp. Jim Denny, of Brighton, Colorado, learned about marijuana's non-intoxicating cousin and decided to try the crop on a 75-by-100-foot plot in his yard.

But Denny's hemp plot ran

afoul of his homeowners' association, which ruled the hemp experiment unacceptable.

"As soon as they heard about it, they said, 'We're not going to let anyone grow marijuana here,'" Denny said. "I explained to them that hemp is not marijuana, but they were dead-set against it."

So with his hemp plants about 2 feet tall, Denny invited hemp activists to come transplant them to somewhere without opposition from a homeowner association. Denny sold the plants for about \$3 each, a good price for a plant whose seeds can cost up to \$10 each because it can't be imported.

Hemp activists volunteered to pay Denny's fines for flouting the HOA, which could have run to \$600 a day. But Denny decided that living peacefully with his neighbors trumped making a political point.

"I had people calling up and saying, 'It's just a shame; we'll pay your fines all the way through to the end.' But I decided in the end not to fight it," said Denny, a technical writer and former software engineer. "At the end of the day, I live here."

Baby dies after being left in hot car

WICHITA (AP) - Police have arrested the foster parent of a 10-month-old girl who died after being left inside a hot car in Wichita.

Lt. Todd Ojile said today the 29-year-old man was booked on suspicion of aggravated endangerment but has not been

charged. Ojile says the man had "somehow forgotten" leaving the girl in the back seat after picking her up from the baby sitter late Thursday afternoon. He went inside the house with a 5-year-old child but left the baby strapped in the car seat outside.

No charges are expected against the other foster parent, a 26-year-old man who was inside the house.

Ojile says they didn't remember the child was outside until something on television jogged their memories. The girl had been in the car for about 2 hours.

Briefly

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

Veterans can ride bus in parade Tuesday

From 4:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesday there will be a bus at the Veterans of Foreign Wars for members to ride along in the parade. At 5 p.m. it will go to the Senior Center to join the parade. For information, call Dale Deaver at 443-1113.

Board of Trustees to meet Saturday

The Colby Community College trustees will hold a special meeting 9 a.m. Saturday in the board room of Thomas Hall to review budget forms, coaches' job descriptions and employment contracts and discuss board goals. For information, call Debbie Schwanke at 460-5411.

College offering class for equivalency test

The Adult Education Department at Colby Community College is offering free General Education Development preparation classes beginning Monday, Aug. 4, in the lower level of the college library. Morning, afternoon and evening sessions are available. To enroll or for information, call Nance Munderloh at 460-4663 or stop by the department's office on campus.

Baptist Church invites everyone to free lunch

Come and bring a friend to a free "Joyful Blessings" meal from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, Webster and Grant. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Radonda Buford at 462-2804.

Research center plans field day Aug. 6

Register by Monday for the Kansas State University Northwest Kansas Research-Extension Center's free field day on subsurface drip irrigation, with presentations and dinner from 2 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 6. For information or to register, contact Vicki Brown at vbrown@ksu.edu or (785) 462-6281.

Sign up open for Levant reunion

The annual Levant reunion will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 10, at the Colby Veterans of Foreign Wars, 220 Lake. Let Erma Palmgren or Betty Schroeder, (785) 694-2255, know by today if you plan to attend.

Enter floats for fair parade

It's time to plan floats for the 2014 fair parade, which begins at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. The deadline to register is 5 p.m. today. Pick up your entry form at the Thomas County Chamber of Commerce office, 350 S. Range. Call Brette Hankin for information, 460-3401.

Carnival needs workers to step right up

Volunteers, businesses or individuals, are needed to run games for the Thomas County Fair from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday, July 29 to 31. About 50 time slots need to be filled. For Friday and Saturday, volunteers work from 7 to 9 p.m. and from 9 to 11 p.m. For information or to sign up, contact Brette Hankin at the Colby Chamber, 460-3401, or colbychamber@thomascounty.com.

Catholic youths taking fruit orders

The Catholic Youth Organization will be selling fruit through Sunday, Aug. 10. Reserve an order of freestone peaches, Bartlett pears or gala apples by contacting any member or Megan Augustine at the parish office, 462-2179. Pickup will be from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 27.

Kickball to jumpstart hospital building fund

Citizens Medical Center Inc. will hold a kickball tournament to raise money for its building fund starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, at the city ball fields. Registration is \$20 per player. Contact Megan Carmichael at 460-1214 to register a team of 10 to 12 players, to volunteer or to donate.

Mosquito fogging underway for summer

Colby city crews are fogging for mosquitoes. Depending on weather, the schedule will be: Mondays or Tuesdays from Webster Street south, and Thursdays or Fridays from Webster Street north. Please empty any container holding stagnant water to help keep the mosquito population down. For information, call Public Works Director Omar Weber at 460-4420.

Senior center needs delivery help

The Senior Progress Center is looking for two volunteers to deliver meals to people's homes from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. every Thursday beginning Aug. 21. Talk to Kaila DeBoer at 460-2901 for information or to volunteer.

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Enrollment is Tuesday, August 5th. The first day of school is Tuesday, August 19th.
We welcome any enrollment inquiries or visits. Contact us at 785-846-7869, or stop by the school.

Monday Evening											July 28, 2014	
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30		
KAKE/ABC	The Bachelorette				The Bachelorette		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline			
KBSL/CBS	2 Broke G	Mom	Mike	Two Men	Under the Dome		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson			
KSNK/NBC	Running Wild		Ninja Warrior				Local	Tonight Show	Meyers			
KSAS/FOX	MasterChef		Hotel Hell		Local							
Cable Channels												
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Longmire	Longmire	Criminal Minds							
AMC	Rocky III			Rocky IV								Rocky V
ANIM	Lost Treasure	Lost Treasure	Lost Treasure	Lost Treasure	Lost Treasure	Lost Treasure						
BRAVO	Housewives/OC	Housewives/OC	Game of Thrones	Happens	Housewives/OC	Jersey						
CMT	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Dog and Beth			My Dysfunctional			
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Inside Man	CNN Tonight	Anderson Cooper 360	Inside Man							
COMEDY	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	At Midnig	South Pk		
DISC	Street Outlaws: Full	Street Outlaws	Fat N Furious	Street Outlaws	Fat N Furious							
DISN	Austin	I Didn't	Hannah Montana				Dog	ANT Farm	Good Luck	Good Luck		
E!	Live from The Soup	Kardashian	Kardashian				Chelsea	E! News		Live from		
ESPN	MLB Baseball						SportsCenter		SportsCenter			
ESPN2	SportsCenter Special	Arm Wres.	Arm Wres.	MLS Soccer					Olbermann			
FAM	Switched at Birth	The Fosters	Switched at Birth	The 700 Club	The Fosters							
FOOD	Diners, Drive	America	Diners	Mystery D	Mystery D	Diners	Diners	America	Diners			
FX	Mr. Poppers			Mr. Poppers					Everybody's Fine			
HGTV	Love It or List It	Love It or List It	Hunters	Hunt Intl	Love It or List It	Love It or List It						
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	In Search of Aliens	Pawn	Pawn					
LIFE	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Bring It!	Hoarders						
MTV	Catfish: The TV Show	Teen Wolf	Teen Wolf	Teen Wolf	Wolf	Snack-Off	Snack-Off	Snack-Off	Snack-Off			
NICK	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Full H'se	Friends	Friends	Friends			
SCI	Swamp Shark	Ghost Shark					Mega Shark					
SPIKE	Couples Retreat						Ocean's Thirteen					
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Good Life	Conan		Good Life	Conan			
TCM	Smiles-Summer			Wild Strawberries								
TLC	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss						
TNT	Major Crimes	Major Crimes	Major Crimes	Murder in the First	Major Crimes	Murder in the First						
TOON	King/Hill	King/Hill	Cleveland	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	China, IL	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen		
TRAV	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods						
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	King	King	King	King	Raymond	Raymond	Everybody-Raymond			
USA	WWE Monday Night RAW						Rush		Speed			
VH1	Love, Hip Hop	Hit the Floor	Love, Hip Hop	Hit the Floor	Love, Hip Hop	Hit the Floor			Love, Hip Hop			
WGN	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Manhattan		Manhattan			
Premium Channels												
HBO	Now You See Me	Love Child		Gravity								
MAX	Pacific Rim			Lethal Weapon 2					Great Bikini			
SHOW	Last Exorcism 2	Masters of Sex		Ray Donovan		Masters of Sex		Ray Donovan				



Jordan Sharp and Kendra Spresser

Couple plan to marry in August ceremony

Kendra Spresser and Jordan Sharp plan to wed Saturday, Aug. 30, 2014, at the United Methodist Church in Colby. The bride is the daughter of Dennis and Shawn Spresser of Dresden and the granddaughter of Gary and Clara Gillum of Hoxie and Bernadine and the late Don Spresser of Leoville. She received a degree in sociology from Kansas State University and works at Second Chance at Life Christian Coun-

seling Center in Rexford. The groom is the son of Carla Sharp of Colby and Dennis and Jean Sharp of Sharon Springs and the grandson of Kenneth and Joyce McDaniel of Goodland and Shirley and the late Pete Sharp of Sharon Springs. He received a degree in business management from Fort Hays State University. He is the northwest Kansas district sales coordinator for Aflac.

Project builds sorghum

The Sorghum Checkoff, in collaboration with NuSeed/MMR Genetics and the Agricultural Research Service, recently completed a five-year project to help broaden the pool of available sorghum genetics.

Sorghum Checkoff Crop Improvement Director Justin Weinheimer said the project, "Re-instated Sorghum Conversion Program," was designed to make new sorghum genetic material available to research and breeding programs to enhance diversity. "Advancements ... such as yield, standability and drought tolerance, remain a top priority of U.S. sorghum farmers," Weinheimer said. "This project provides untapped sorghum genetic resources...."

MMR Genetics Investigator Fred Miller said these new opportunities will result in significant and major crop improvements in sorghum hybrids.

"There are vast germplasm reserves held worldwide, but breeders in the U.S. are constrained ... due to the fact that this tropical germplasm is unadapted to our day lengths and seasonal temperatures," Miller said.

The program converted wild-type sorghum varieties not suitable for U.S. breeding into genetic lines more easily incorporated

into established programs.

"While traditional methods were used to develop this material," said Bob Klein, Research Service geneticist, "we also used NexGen DNA sequencing technology to shorten the time...."

Weinheimer said 144 new sources of sorghum genetics were released to breeding programs. Fifteen research programs are incorporating it into their programs.

"The results of this project are directly tied to making more productive hybrids, which in turn results in higher profitability for producers," Weinheimer said.

VFW MEMBERS

There will be a bus at the VFW on July 29th from 4:30 - 5 p.m. for members to ride along in the parade.

Spoonfuls can lead to medicine errors

By Lindsey Tanner
AP Medical Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — The song says a spoonful of sugar helps the medicine go down, but a study says that kind of imprecise measurement can lead to potentially dangerous dosing mistakes.

The results, published online in *Pediatrics*, underscore recommendations that droppers and syringes that measure in milliliters be used for liquid medicines — not spoons.

The study involved nearly 300 parents, mostly Hispanics, with children younger than 9 years old. The youngsters were treated for various illnesses at two New York City emergency rooms and sent home with prescriptions for liquid medicines, mostly antibiotics.

Parents were contacted afterward and asked by phone how they had measured the prescribed doses. They also brought their measuring devices to the researchers' offices to demonstrate doses they'd given their kids.

Parents who used spoonfuls "were 50 percent more likely to give their children incorrect doses than those who measured in more precise milliliter units," said Dr. Alan Mendelsohn, a co-author

and associate professor at New York University's medical school.

Incorrect doses included giving too much and too little, which can both be dangerous, he said. Underdosing may not adequately treat an illness and can lead to medication-resistant infections, while overdoses may cause illness or side effects that can be life-threatening. The study doesn't include information on any ill effects from dosing mistakes.

Almost one-third of the parents gave the wrong dose and 1 in 6 used a kitchen spoon rather than a device like an oral syringe or dropper that lists doses in milliliters.

Less than half the prescriptions specified doses in milliliters. But even when they did, the medicine bottle label often listed doses in teaspoons. Parents often assume that means any similar-sized kitchen spoon, the authors said.

"Outreach to pharmacists and other health professionals is needed to promote the consistent use of milliliter units between prescriptions and bottle labels," the authors said.

Online:
Pediatrics: www.pediatrics.org
FDA: tinyurl.com/oc3bnlk

Research tech recognized

A worker at the Kansas State Research Extension represents Colby as state employee of the year.

Pat Evans, a research technologist at the extension, was named as the classified employee of the year for the Western Kansas Agricultural Research Centers, a group of extension centers in Colby, Hays, Garden City and Tribune.

Evans tests crop performance for dry land wheat, sorghum, corn, sunflowers and irrigated soybeans and alfalfa.

Originally from Texas, he start-

ed working at the extension center in 1985 with researcher John Lawless, then took over the crop testing program in 1993. He was nominated by his supervisor, Professor Robert Gillen, the department head for the Agricultural Research Center in Hays.

Corrections

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

Deaths

Madonna Anderson

Madonna Anderson, 77, Colby, died Thursday, July 24, 2014, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Services are pending with the Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, 462-7979.

Verla E. Weber

Verla E. Weber, 97, a Colby homemaker, died Thursday, July 24, 2014, at the Deseret Nursing and Rehab Center in Colby.

She was born Aug. 14, 1916, in Dickinson County.

Her husband Glenn Weber preceded her in death in 2007.

Survivors include two daughters, Merla E. Schroeder and Vivian J. Dewees, both of Colby; a brother, Truman Lockard, Her- rington; a sister, Nadine Russell, Mentor; five grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, July 28, 2014, at the Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, with the Rev. Andy Sonneborn officiating and burial in Beulah Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral chapel.

The family suggests memorials to the First Presbyterian Church of the Senior Progress Center in Colby, in care of the funeral home, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.kersensbrockfuneralchapel.com.

Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday at Colby Community College with 34 members and guests Dr. Mark Gundlach, Alex Kuder, Clair Schrock and Kayla Sloan.

Marla Crumrine had the program. She said she had done some research and in 1927 the Thomas County Commissioners voted to purchase the land where the fairgrounds are located.

The first Thomas County Fair was held in 1927 and featured horse racing, fireworks and a baseball tournament. There was also a dance each evening, along with a carnival. In the early years of the fair, most downtown businesses closed from 1:30 to 4 p.m. so merchants and their employees could attend the various fair activities and functions.

Marla's guests, Fair Board members Clair Schrock and Kayla Sloan, provided an overview of 2014 fair events along with an update on current projects. Schrock noted new bucking chutes have recently been installed in the arena and there are plans to continue the expansion of sidewalks on the grounds. As their budget allows, the board plans to update the 4-H Building with new flooring and paint.

Ken Frahm won Roto-Lotto. The club meets each Tuesday in Room 106 of the Student Union.

— Relda Galli

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$5.78
Corn (bushel)	\$3.84
Milo (hundredweight)	\$6.27
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Other Viewpoints

Prairie chicken plan misguided

Gov. Sam Brownback's plan for the state to raise and release lesser prairie chickens didn't help his argument that Kansas should be trusted to protect the threatened species. It's hard to be taken seriously when scientists are laughing.

The plan, which Brownback announced last week, was quickly dismissed and mocked by biologists. And for good reason.

In addition to being costly to raise lesser prairie chickens in captivity, very few of them survive when released into the wild.

"There are numerous studies all over the country, with different research techniques, that all come to that same conclusion: It just doesn't work," said Randy Rodgers, a retired biologist with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism.

Brownback is correct to be concerned about the the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's decision earlier this year to list the lesser prairie chicken as a threatened species. Though the agency invoked a special exception in the Endangered Species Act to allow Kansas to proceed with an already planned five-state conservation plan, many agriculture and energy experts still worry that the listing could bring costly restrictions on land use that could harm the Kansas economy.

That worry is understandable, given the regulatory uncertainty. However, mitigators who help landowners and oil companies work around the regulations also may be exaggerating some of the concern to generate business. Conservationists contend that there are so many exemptions that the threatened-species listing is mostly meaningless.

"It's almost impossible to conceive how someone could violate the rule other than by deliberately going out and shooting a chicken," said Jason Rylander, a staff attorney for Defenders of Wildlife, one of three environmental groups that are suing for more aggressive protections of the birds.

Brownback is also correct that federal agencies are working against one another. One reason for the drop in lesser prairie chickens is a loss of habitat. And one reason for that is reductions in the federal Conservation Reserve Program, which pays landowners to place environmentally sensitive acreage out of production. A better approach to protecting threatened species is through programs such as CRP, Brownback has argued, not more regulations.

Brownback also correctly notes that the other big reason for the population decline is the drought – which is beyond anyone's control. "When the drought ends, the population will rebound," he said.

In fact, estimates of the bird's population increased 20 percent this year, thanks to increased rain that improved habitat.

Brownback is on target with many of his comments and concerns about the threatened-species listing and potential federal intervention. But his plan to raise and release prairie chickens is for the birds.

– The Wichita Eagle, via the Associated Press

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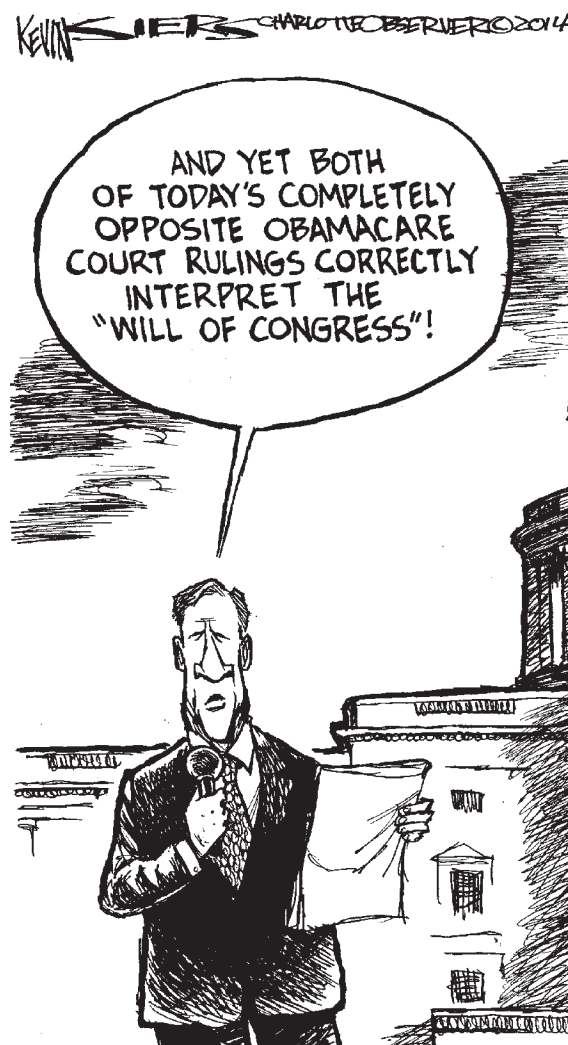
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Big data the next big deal in farming

Some believe "big data" may be the next renaissance in agriculture. Others call it the greatest advance in agriculture since the Green Revolution during the 1940s, '50s and '60s when one of the biggest waves of research and technology spurred the growth of agricultural production around the world. Some compare big data with the biotech revolution.

High praise, but still so many questions remain about big data. Pressing questions facing farmers now are who owns this big data?

Who controls it and how will it be used?

And if you don't know what big data is join the crowd, there are countless people who don't know or have multiple and diverse answers.

Not to alarm anyone, but less than a year ago, few people had heard this buzz word that means gathering and analyzing the vast amount of digital information produced by farmers.

Drones flying above farm land recording high resolution images, and field sensors providing immediate information concerning crop conditions including moisture, nutrients, pests, etc., may become commonplace during the big ag-data era.

No matter what beatitudes are bestowed on big data, most believe and hope it will improve farmers' yields and productivity. Some say it will help feed the growing population expected to hit 9 billion in 2050. Agri-business companies are banking on its future.

Successful farmers and ranchers have always kept data. While it may have begun when the first cave man dug a hole in the soil and planted the first seed and progressed to a pocket-sized notebook and pencil, keeping and gathering information has always been



John Schlageck

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beneficial to profitable agriculture.

About the mid-1990s, gathering data rocketed forward as computer technology fueled the concept of precision agriculture. This only intensified with the application and interest driven by the ever-growing data infrastructure. Greater affordability of this technology coupled with more computer processing power has also fanned the usage flames.

Prescriptive planting or relating soil, climate and seed data with a farmer's productions records seems to be some of the potential of big data in agriculture. The potential for an increase in grain yields is another potential.

During the last couple years the Guettermans in Johnson County and Miami counties have used big data equipment provided by John Deere on their family farm. Nick Guetterman believes the more information he has at his disposal, the more likely he is to figure a better way to do things.

What he's most interested in during this initial phase of using these new data collecting tools is to become even more efficient, farm as productively as possible and increase the return on his investment.

"Farmers collect data on almost every pass over the field – planting data, tillage data, spraying records and machine performance," Nick says. "We're trying to help use this data

in real time – right now to make decisions that potentially make us better, more profitable farmers. Before we always looked at this data and analyzed it after the fact."

But who gets that information – the farmer or the provider? Will they be prescribing what best suits their interests or those of the farmer?

Guetterman believes because he's paid for the equipment, the data should belong to him and not be shared with anyone without his knowledge and permission. He'd also like to know where and what companies collecting big ag data are doing with this information.

The Johnson/Miami County farmer says he's been told the data is not being used individually but in an aggregate format. Guetterman also believes companies selling ag-data services acknowledge farmers' concerns in their policy and marketing statements, but their contracts don't make that explicit.

"A farmer makes decisions based on his own experience and expertise, supplemented with his own data," Guetterman says "That's how I produce value as a manager."

Some producers also worry the proliferation of ag data will erode the advantages producers have developed throughout several generations. Farmers like Guetterman also harbor real concerns about data privacy. That's the world today's farmers live in.

Stay tuned.

John Schlageck of the Kansas Farm Bureau is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. He grew up on a diversified farm near Seguin, and his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.

Forgiveness carries forward

Other Opinions

• Daris Howard
Life's Outtakes

Isaac's little 4-year-old granddaughter came running to him, filthy from toe to brow. He pulled her onto his lap and wiped some mud from her face. Her beautiful blond hair was so full of dirt that it looked almost brown.

"Grandpa, me make mud pies," she said.

In an instant, he felt tears coming to his eyes. His little granddaughter's voice, her filthy appearance and the mention of mud pies, all combined to bring back a memory with such force that he wasn't prepared for it.

He had lived in a small town in France at the time of Hitler's army's invasion. The men of the whole region quickly formed an underground resistance to the German army. They did whatever they could to thwart the Germans' efforts. During one of their missions to destroy some of the enemies supplies, some German soldiers had been killed.

The German commanding officer decided to take revenge, and chose Isaac's hometown to pay the price. While Isaac and other men were away helping with the resistance, they got the word. He and the other men of his town rushed home. They learned from the few survivors that the women and children had gathered in the church where they thought they would be safe. The men and boys who were still left in the town were rounded up by the Germans and gunned down in the town square. Then the Germans blocked the doors of the church and burned it to the ground with the women and children inside.

Isaac found out that his wife and his children

es, Isaac grabbed the person's wrist and turned to look at the would-be thief. In the dimming light, he saw the blond hair of a German, and that was all he needed. He pulled out his revolver. But as he raised it, the fearful cry of a child caused him to look deeper, and he realized it was the same girl he had seen earlier.

As he gazed into her frightened eyes, he thought of his own little daughter. At the time his daughter had been killed, she had been about the age of this little girl. The anger and hatred raged in him and fought against feelings of tenderness for this child. But finally, the slightest bit of compassion emerged in his heart. As he continued to hold her wrist to keep her from fleeing, he put his gun away, and reached for the food she had dropped. He picked it up and held it out to her. She carefully took it, and when he let go of her, she darted away, taking the food with her.

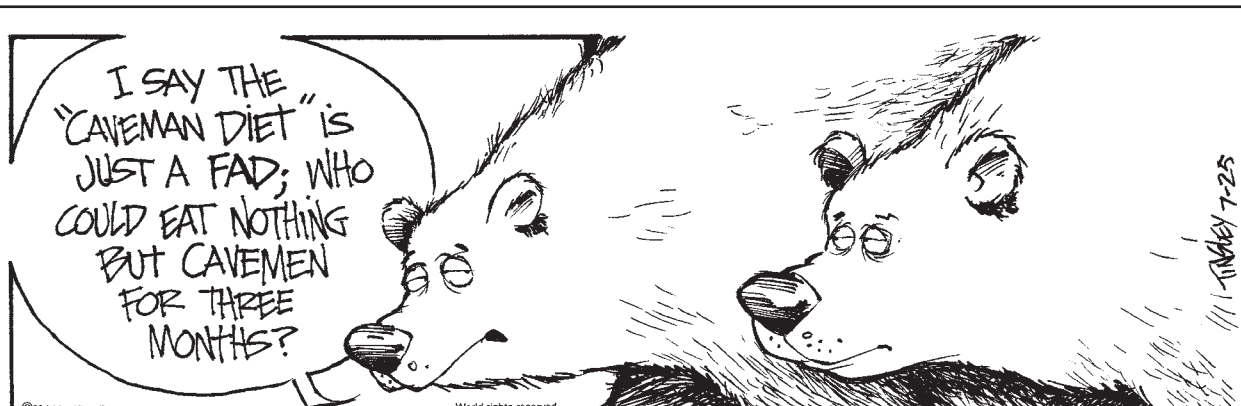
For the first time, he thought about he was doing, and felt the unmistakable understanding that two wrongs do not make a right. Destroying others for having had his own family killed would not bring them back.

He realized that if he was ever to find any peace in his life, he was going to have to learn to forgive.

Daris Howard, award-winning, syndicated columnist, playwright, and author, can be contacted at daris@darishoward.com; or go to his website at www.darishoward.com

Mallard Fillmore

• Bruce Tinsley



On the Beat

**COLBY POLICE
July 16**

2:27 a.m. – Theft: caller reported a missing debit card. Report filed.
 8:10 a.m. – Theft report filed.
 3:43 p.m. – Driving while suspended report filed on traffic stop.
 8:59 p.m. – Hit and run: subject advised of damage to vehicle, unknown location. Report filed.
 9:09 p.m. – Caller reported hit and run.
 10:24 p.m. – 911 caller reported fight.
 10:58 p.m. – Burglary: caller reported criminal damage.
 11:30 p.m. – Report filed for narcotic violation.

July 17

12:31 a.m. – Caller was lost. Helped subject to County Rd. 11.
 10:03 a.m. – Narcotics violation report filed.
 11:27 a.m. – Tire slashed. Report filed.
 11:36 a.m. – Caller reported possible phone harassment. Not true harassment.
 2:40 p.m. – Report filed for lost prescription medicine.

9:08 p.m. – Caller reported criminal damage to vehicle.

Monday

4:06 a.m. – Helped another agency.
 11:15 a.m. – Spoke to subject about obtaining a parking permit.
 12:48 p.m. – Subject called about stolen vehicle reported a month ago. Spoke to subject; on-going.
 6:03 p.m. – Phone harassment report filed.
 7:10 p.m. – Caller reported dog at large. Owner found.
 11:15 p.m. – Vehicle blocking driveway. Located owner, vehicle moved.

Wednesday

12:22 a.m. – Security check at the south Cornerstone Ag.
 2:09 a.m. – Caller reported neighbors being loud. Spoke with subjects.
 10:58 a.m. – Traffic blocks for Kersenbrock's Chapel to Beulah Cemetery.
 11:30 a.m. – Traffic block at Range and College and Franklin and College for funeral procession.

11:34 a.m. – Funeral blocks for Latter Day Saints church.

**THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF
July 13**

12:12 a.m. – Welfare check on child. Everything OK.
 12:18 a.m. – Security check at the Gem Elevator.
 4:43 a.m. – Booked Charles D. Headley.
 8:54 a.m. – Released Kevin McKampson.
 9:01 p.m. – All OK; subject changing headlight on stalled semi on U.S. 83 at U.S. 24.
 11:26 p.m. – Security check to downtown businesses in Rexford.
 11:26 p.m. – Booked Warren D. Lewallen.

July 14

8:18 a.m. – Took inmate to Wichita for doctor appointment; then back to Law Enforcement Center.
 8:44 a.m. – Caller reported dog in kennel that keeps whining and barking day and night. Spoke to nephew staying at house; all OK.
 9:21 a.m. – Arrest warrant served on Scott Henry Burris.
 9:54 a.m. – Released Benjamin Lincoln Bohall.
 1:31 p.m. – Brought inmate from Sherman County Sheriff's

Office to Law Enforcement Center.
 6:39 p.m. – Released Warren Lewallen.

July 15

12:53 a.m. – Booked Lawrence D. Hapke II.
 1:58 a.m. – Booked Derrick D. Barnett.
 7:09 a.m. – Released Magnum L. Shea.
 7:23 a.m. – Took prisoner, guest to New Chance, Dodge City.
 7:52 a.m. – Provided directions to motorist on the phone.
 10:07 a.m. – Tag found in 2300 block of U.S. 24 brought to Law Enforcement Center.
 11:58 a.m. – Brought prisoner from Scott County to Colby.
 2:15 p.m. – Took two prisoners

to Sherman County.
 2:57 p.m. – Brought prisoner from Sherman County to Colby.
 6:56 p.m. – Booked Kelsi Lewis.
 7:23 p.m. – Released Lewis.
 8:04 p.m. – Booked David Rodriguez.

July 16

4:24 p.m. – Booked Killian James Dellere.
 4:44 p.m. – Released Dellere.
 5:38 p.m. – Derrick Barnett arrested on warrant.
 5:38 p.m. – Lawrence Hapke II arrested on warrant.
 6:04 p.m. – Breanna Blackhart arrested on warrant.
 6:45 p.m. – Booked Blackhart.
 7 p.m. – Installed two car seats.
 7:01 p.m. – Released Blackhart.

Wednesday
 10:40 a.m. – Released Gordon Donald Parrish.
 11:10 a.m. – Provided information on protection from abuse orders.
 11:34 a.m. – Possession report filed on traffic stop at I-70 mile 62 eastbound.
 12:43 p.m. – Released Joanna Marie Black.
 1:14 p.m. – Booked Donald Jacques Briggs.
 10:23 p.m. – Warrant served on Joshua Sturmer.
 10:23 p.m. – Warrant served on Jessica Varela.
 10:58 p.m. – Business check at Wagoner's.
 11:40 p.m. – Security check at Pestinger Beverage Co.

Senior Progress Center

There will be bingo Thursday at the Senior Progress Center.
 Activities for the week: **Monday:** 10:30 a.m. Skip Bo. **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. canasta. **Wednesday:** snack day. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 11 a.m. bingo. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise.
 Menus for the week: **Monday:** hamburger gravy, mashed pota-

toes, cook's choice vegetable, rosy pears. **Tuesday:** ham, au gratin potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, cantaloupe. **Wednesday:** tater tot casserole, California blend vegetables, gelatin with fruit. **Thursday:** chicken and noodles, peas and carrots, tomato-cucumber salad, fruit crisp. **Friday:** sloppy joes, coleslaw with carrots, mandarin oranges, pudding.

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Pastry vandals targeting cars near Portland, Ore.

HILLSBORO, Ore. (AP) – There's mischief afoot in one suburban Portland neighborhood, but police say it doesn't involve the typical spray paint or broken windows. No, we're talking pastry here – maple bars smeared on cars, doughnuts left atop windshield wipers, pastries littering a yard.
 One woman told officers she's seen more than a dozen incidents of food smeared on cars. Not just pastry, but yogurt, cakes and eggs. She alerted police July 11.
 The next day, another woman told police her vehicle had been hit six times – twice with a maple bar, once with a cinnamon doughnut, once with pink yogurt, once

with "bread soaked in a white slimy liquid" and once with red potato salad.
 The crime wave in a northeast Hillsboro neighborhood has been going on for six weeks, *The Oregonian* reported Monday (is.gd/67zUZO).
 Police think the victims of the night-time vandalism are chosen at random and kids are likely behind it.
 Lt. Mike Rouches says officers are investigating and extra patrols have been added.
 Still, he adds, "In my 25 years in police services, I have never investigated or seen a criminal mischief involving pastries."

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Take steps to save lives: keep kids out of hot cars

Kansas Department of Children and Families Secretary Phyllis Gilmore and KidsAndCars.org are teaming up to urge parents and caregivers to ensure that children are not left in hot cars. The dangerously high temperatures can create a tragic situation in less time than you might think.

"Even a few minutes in a hot car is too long for a little one," Gilmore said. "Children should never be left alone in a vehicle, especially when we're seeing triple-digit temperatures."

Kansas saw its first death of the year from a child left unattended in a hot car Thursday afternoon. And this week, emergency workers have responded to similar situations.

"The worst thing any parent or caregiver can do is think that this could never happen to them or that they are not capable of inadvertently leaving their child behind," says Janette Fennell, founder and president of KidsAndCars.org, the leading national nonprofit child safety organization working to prevent injuries and deaths of children in and around vehicles.

"This can and does happen to the most loving, responsible and attentive parents," she added. "Since the group began tracking data, at least 719 children have

died from heatstroke inside vehicles. Last year was one of the worst years in history with a total of 44 children deaths. "We need everyone to understand that these tragedies are not only predictable, they are also very preventable," she said.

Safety Tips

- Never leave children alone in or around cars; not even for a minute.
- Get in the habit of always opening the back door of your vehicle every time you reach your destination to make sure no child has been left behind. This will soon become a habit. We call this the "Look Before You Lock" campaign.
- Put something you'll need like your cell phone, handbag, employee ID or briefcase, etc., on the floor board in the back seat.
- Keep a large stuffed animal in the child's car seat. When the child is placed in the car seat, put the stuffed animal in the front passenger seat. It's a visual reminder that anytime the stuffed animal is up front you know the child is in the back seat in a child safety seat.
- Make arrangements with your childcare provider that if your child does not show up as scheduled, they will contact you immediately to ensure your child

is safe. In turn, you will agree to always call the childcare provider if your child will not be there on a particular day as scheduled.

- Ensure children do not have access to an unattended vehicle. Keep vehicles locked at all times, even in driveways or garages. Ask home visitors, child care providers and neighbors to do the same.
 - Keep car keys and remote openers out of reach of children.
 - If a child goes missing, immediately check the inside and trunks of all vehicles in the area carefully; even if they are locked, a child may lock the doors after entering a vehicle on their own.
 - Make sure all child passengers have left the vehicle after it is parked.
 - If you see a child alone in a vehicle, get involved. If they are hot or seem sick, get them out as fast as possible. Call 911 or your local emergency number immediately.
 - Be especially careful about keeping children safe in and around cars during busy times, schedule changes and periods of crisis or holidays.
- To learn more about how to keep children safe in and around vehicles, go to www.KidsAndCars.org. You can also learn about a petition to prevent child heat stroke deaths in vehicles.

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Kira Adelman made rope last Saturday at the Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass and Folk Festival. During the shows that day kids were invited to make rope by spinning four smaller chords through a set of metal rings. They got to keep the rope they made.

Public Notice

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Colby Cemetery District #1
Thomas County

will meet on August 18, 2014 at 2:00 P.M. at Thomas County Board of Commissioner's room for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information is available at 2491 County Rd DD, Gem KS 67734 and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2015 Expenditures and Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2015 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual 2013		Current Year Estimate for 2014		Proposed Budget Year for 2015		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax	Estimate Tax Rate*
General	59,172	1.019	85,000	0.864	129,216	54,781	0.745
Debt Service							
Employee Benefit	9,066	0.114	13,052	0.013	18,000	9,533	0.130
Totals	68,238	1.133	98,052	0.877	147,216	64,314	0.875
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditures	68,238		98,052		147,216		
Total Tax Levied	74,791		61,804		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	65,975,281		70,475,327		73,574,569		

Outstanding Indebtedness,

	2012	2013	2014
Jan 1,			
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

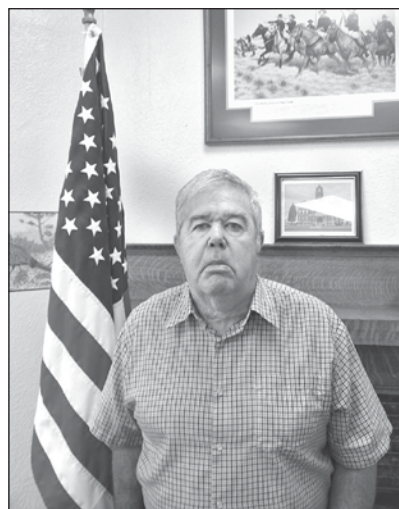
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BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2015 Expenditures and Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2015 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2013		Current Year Estimate for 2014		Proposed Budget Year for 2015		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax	Est Tax Rate*
General	2,399,600	8.835	2,483,100	9.778	2,697,884	1,272,493	11.442
Road & Bridge	1,392,025	8.082	1,400,742	8.318	1,522,354	925,056	8.318
Noxious Weed	156,563	0.526	219,556	0.668	214,015	11,395	0.102
Employee Benefits	1,000,086	9.936	1,070,482	9.170	1,218,652	1,118,686	10.059
Ambulance Service	465,722	1.147	556,839	1.762	619,444	236,656	2.128
Service Program for Elder	72,053	0.667	71,189	0.616	72,680	67,103	0.603
Direct Election	34,665	0.314	59,305	0.559	28,910	21,434	0.193
Historical Society	76,000	0.690	80,566	0.707	83,269	76,621	0.689
Extension Council	136,000	1.254	137,811	1.198	142,550	131,919	1.186
Free Fair	25,000	0.221	25,002	0.212	25,088	23,170	0.208
Mental Health	45,381	0.418	54,004	0.457	54,179	47,011	0.423
Mental Retardation	74,950	0.682	89,507	0.765	89,798	78,385	0.705
County Health	381,819	0.165	323,235	1.237	342,075	105,453	0.948
Building Maintenance	61,241	0.920	75,009	1.029	387,223	111,160	1.000
Sanitary Landfill	352,452	0.305	402,329		428,534	70,316	0.632
Special Alcohol Program	46,250		46,250		46,250		
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	37,647						
Non-Budgeted Funds-B	187,466						
Non-Budgeted Funds-C	124,853						
Non-Budgeted Funds-D							
Totals	7,069,773	34.162	7,094,926	36.476	7,972,905	4,296,858	38.636
Less: Transfers	72,971		0		0		
Net Expenditure	6,996,802		7,094,926		7,972,905		
Total Tax Levied	3,276,462		3,768,099		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation	95,910,796		103,297,507		111,211,712		

Outstanding Indebtedness,

	2012	2013	2014
January 1,			
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0
Revenue Bonds	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Lease Pur. Princ.	1,004,492	931,674	1,012,590
Total	1,004,492	931,674	1,012,590

*Tax rates are expressed in mills

Shelly Harms
Clerk

Other County Special District Funds	Prior Year Actual for 2013		Current Year Estimate for 2014		Proposed Budget Year for 2015		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax	July 1, 2014 Estimated Valuation
Rural Fire District #3 General	80,548	3.006	161,300	5.000	178,525	167,620	33,525,525
Rural Fire District #4 General	9,655	1.380	9,655	1.120	24,500	23,928	9,569,418
Rural Fire District #5 General	18,000	4.367	18,000	3.455	22,000	20,777	6,373,136
Totals	108,203	8.753	190,955	9.575	225,025	212,325	10,760

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Shelly A Harms
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of
Kingery Township
Thomas County

will meet on August 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at 573 County Road 8, Levant KS 67743 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at Duncan residence 573 County Road 8, Levant KS 67743 and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2015 Expenditures and Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2015 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2013		Current Year Estimate 2014		Proposed Budget 2015		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2014 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	133,478	19.251	93,101	19.470	89,655	79,765	19.470
Debt Service							
Library							
Road							
Non-Budgeted Funds							
Special Machinery							
Totals	133,478	19.251	93,101	19.470	89,655	79,765	19.470
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	133,478		93,101		89,655		
Total Tax Levied	56,893		67,978		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Assessed Valuation:							
Township	2,955,296		3,491,349		4,096,729		
Outstanding Indebtedness,							
Jan 1	2012	2013	2014				
G.O. Bonds	0	0	0				
Other	0	0	0				
Lease Purchase Principal	0	0	0				
Total	0	0	0				

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Ray T. (Jack) Duncan
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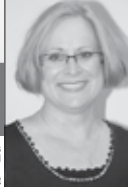
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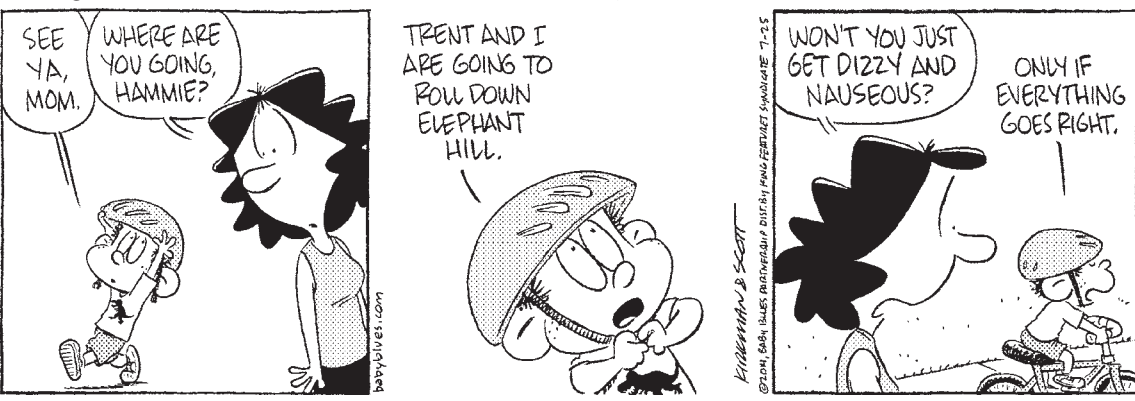
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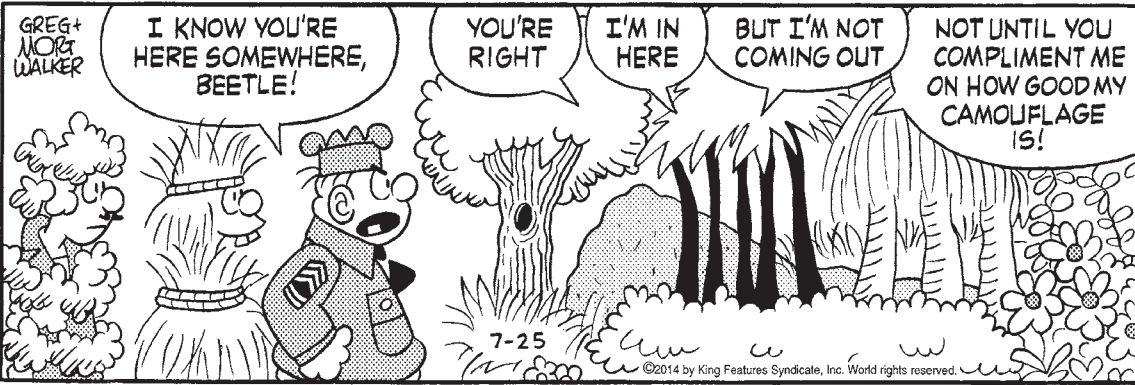
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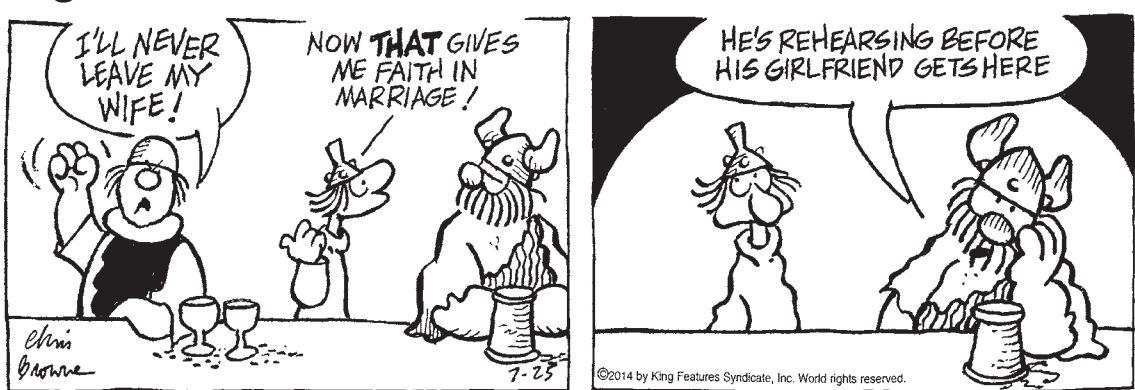
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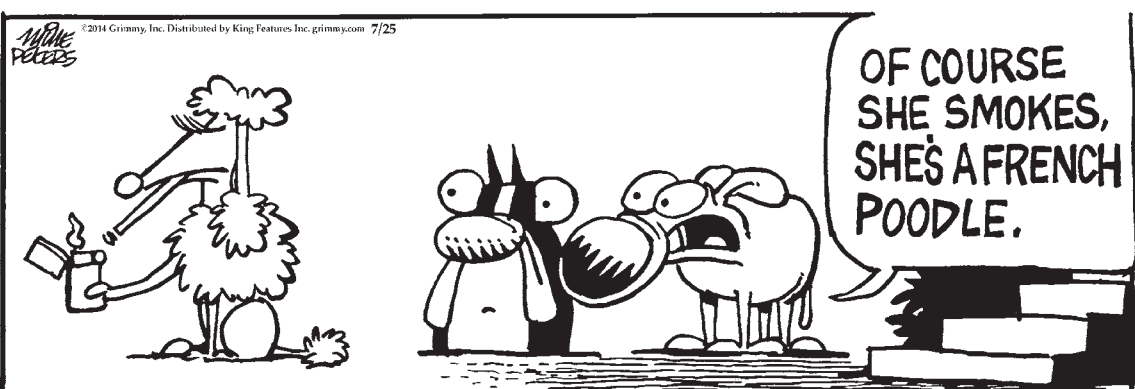
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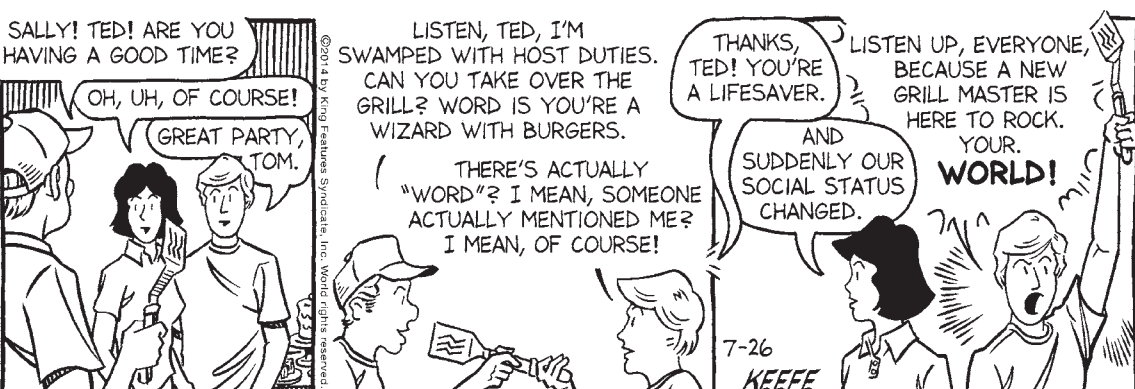
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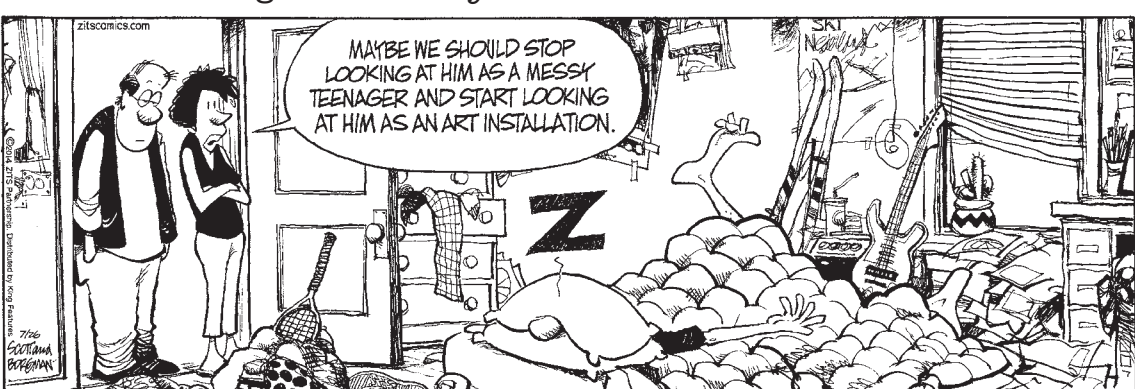
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Heloise

- Hints from Heloise

Anchors help install car seats

Dear Heloise: I am going to have a baby, and I keep hearing about Latch and car seats. I am a little confused. Can you explain it? — Erica in Texas

“LATCH” stands for “Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children.” It is required for most cars manufactured after 2002. In cars with the Latch system, there are lower anchors in the back-seat cushions. (They are small metal bars that you should be able to feel when you stick your fingers between the seats.) There also are top anchors behind the back seat or on the back dash. These anchors can be used when installing a car seat instead of seat belts.

New car seats come equipped with straps to attach to the Latch system. If you use the Latch system when installing a child car seat, be sure to read the instruction manual and your car’s owners manual.

If you are unsure about the installation of your car seat, have it inspected. You can go to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s website, www.NHTSA.gov, to locate an inspection site near you. — Heloise

Editor’s note: The Thomas County Sheriff’s Office can also help you install car seats. Call 460-4570 or stop in the Law Enforcement Center to make an appointment.

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TRAVEL HINT

Dear Heloise: We have a water softener at home, but when traveling where there is hard water, before I get out of the shower, I apply conditioner to my skin, then quickly rinse off to have skin that is not so dry. — C.Y. in Texas

KIDDIE POOL

Dear Heloise: I bought a plastic kiddie pool for my kids to use this summer. When it is full of water, it is really heavy to turn over to empty. My father-in-law had a brilliant idea. He drilled a hole in it and got a rubber stopper to fit. When the kids are done playing, all I do is remove the stopper, and the pool drains without having to kill my back to turn it over. — C.S. in Texas

MANUAL MAGIC

Dear Heloise: I would like to share my solution to misplacing owners manuals. I purchased a three-ring binder and clear plastic reusable sheets. I place the manuals in plastic sleeves in the binder. Now if I ever need to look at the manual for a particular item, they all are in one binder. — Donna G., West Memphis, Ark.

Most manufacturers have many manuals online, so visit the particular website and see if it’s there! — Heloise

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Bridge • Steve Becker

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Four Spades, North having opened the bidding with one diamond. North leads the king of clubs. How would you play the hand?

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| West | East |
| ♠ K Q 9 8 5 | ♠ A J 10 |
| ♥ 7 4 3 | ♥ A K 10 6 |
| ♦ K 9 6 3 | ♦ 7 2 |
| ♣ 6 | ♣ A 9 5 2 |

2. You are declarer with the West hand at Three Notrump, and North leads the six of hearts. How would you play the hand?

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| West | East |
| ♠ A K | ♠ 9 8 6 4 |
| ♥ J 7 4 | ♥ K 5 |
| ♦ A K 9 7 | ♦ 6 4 2 |
| ♣ A Q 10 5 | ♣ J 9 4 3 |

Test Your Play

1. Win the club with the ace, ruff a club, lead a heart to the king and ruff another club. Now play a heart to the ace and ruff the nine of clubs. By this time, if everything has gone smoothly, you will have six tricks in the bank as well as the K-Q of trumps facing the A-J-10. You then lead your last heart toward dummy’s 10-6.

Regardless of which opponent wins the trick or what he returns, you can’t be stopped from overtaking the spade queen with the ace and ruffing dummy’s last heart with the king to bring you to 10 tricks. Your tricks consist of the A-K of hearts and a heart ruff, the ace of clubs and three club ruffs, plus dummy’s A-J-10 of trumps.

2. To give yourself the best chance for the contract, say a silent prayer and then bravely go up with dummy’s king of hearts!

Playing the king instead of the five from this combination is certainly unusual. If your sole purpose was to ensure a heart trick, you could easily accomplish it by playing low from dummy. Sooner or later you’d score a heart trick regardless of where the ace or queen was located.

But here the problem is to make three notrump, and assuring a heart trick is not the primary consideration. And to make three notrump, you need to get to dummy to take a club finesse.

It’s true that if the king loses to the ace, you’ll be in terrible trouble, but even so, the fact remains that playing the five is a give-up play. South would presumably produce a medium-sized heart or the queen, and with no entry to dummy for the club finesse, you’d be virtually conceding defeat.

If the king holds, though, your chances of getting home safely rise considerably. All you have to do now is to finesse the nine of clubs successfully. If it wins, you then lead the jack and repeat the finesse. This sequence of plays in the club suit will enable you to score four club tricks even if South has the K-x-x-x(x) of clubs, while leading the jack first will yield only three tricks against the same holding.

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

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

KVKEMFY WUSBVQ HIFSEYUPL
F BVEKMI VH RFLIYUPL
HFQUMD QIQJIYW: “TVR U
JIS DVEY JYVSTIY.”

Yesterday’s Cryptoquip: THE COMPETITORS HAVE SUCCESSFULLY FINISHED THAT VERY LONG SLED DOG RACE. MUSHING ACCOMPLISHED!

Today’s Cryptoquip Clue: H equals F

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

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|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|
| ACROSS | 35 Gang member | DOWN | 21 Finished like one’s ears or brain |
| 1 Make notes | 36 Not so narrow | 1 Lustrous black | 22 Liked |
| 4 Cry from the crow’s nest | 37 Bow missile | 2 Rowing need | 23 Not “fer” |
| 8 Small recipe measure | 41 Bruin | 3 Alarm trigger of a sort | 25 Poi base |
| 12 Listener | 42 Simple runway | 4 Lounges | 26 Intellectually stimulating |
| 13 Bread spread | 46 Second letter | 5 Sheltered | 27 Advantage |
| 14 Writer | 47 Feed the hogs | 6 Profit | 28 Bellow |
| 15 Rare delivery | 48 Bachelorette’s final answer? | 7 Two, in Tijuana | 30 Food |
| 17 Pop | 49 Emcee | 8 Abandon | 33 Insect’s middle |
| 18 Wan | 50 European concern | 9 Oodles | 34 Winnow |
| 19 Poet’s concern | 51 Peace, to the Pope | 10 Faction | 36 Bees’ nastier kin |
| 20 Fleshy cheeks | | 11 Get on wind of | 37 “Mamma Mia” inspiration |
| 22 Den rival | | 16 Clique members | 38 Stagger |
| 25 As one | | 19 Carriage frame | 39 Assess |
| 29 Mal de — | | 20 Door-piece | 40 Fall |
| 30 Rustic home | | 21 Lustrous black | 42 Simile center |
| 31 Conductor de Waart | | 22 Liked | 43 Poorly |
| 32 Fellow church-goers | | 23 Not “fer” | 44 Mrs. McKinley |
| 34 Long tale | | 25 Poi base | 45 Chicken |

Solution time: 26 mins.

ANNA	GIG	AERO							
MEAL	ADA	BROW							
PAUL	SOL	HAIL							
STROPS	LAOS								
	WAYNE	BRADY							
LAP	ARC	BOA							
AMAD	BUY	ALOW							
MIR	DOR	STERN							
BRADY	BUNCH								
	LEES	AILING							
WALE	LIV	EVER							
ICED	ERE	TAME							
GELS	DEL	ENOW							

Yesterday’s answer 7-25

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
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		18						19			
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46						47				48	
49						50				51	

Classifieds

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Dan is back! Dan Geschwentner. Small remodeling and repair jobs. Call 785-443-3673. ---12/15---TFN---

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Help Wanted

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Holiday Inn Express has an opening for a full time housekeeping position. Competitive wages and paid vacation time. Pick up an application at 645 W. Willow, Colby, KS 67701. ---7/24---7/30---

Archer Daniels Midland Company (ADM), a world leader in agricultural processing, is currently seeking candidates for elevator workers at our Oakley, KS location. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to: loading and unloading trucks; operating a grain dryer; assisting with grain handling; conducting general housekeeping duties; and performing general maintenance. Flexibility to work overtime and weekends is required. Successful completion of a pre-employment drug screen, physical and background check is required. Interested candidates should apply online at www.adm.com/careers. ADM is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer for minorities, females, protected veterans and individuals with a disability. ---7/18---7/31---



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Colby Community College is accepting applications for a **part-time ITV monitor for the Dental Hygiene Program**. Varied hours. Good communication skills are required. Reliability is essential. To apply, submit a letter of application, resume, all postsecondary transcripts and references to Lisa Failla, Colby Community College, 1255 S. Range, Colby, KS 67701. Materials may be emailed to lisa.failla@colbycc.edu. Job to remain open until filled. Interviews will begin immediately. CCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to diversifying its work force and encourages applications from women, members of minority groups, individuals with disabilities and veterans. ---7/16---7/28---

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Houses for Rent

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3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 1/2 corner lot, new metal roof. 780 S. Mission, Colby - call 785-460-7996. ---7/10---8/6---

Land for Sale

Two large lots (2.1 acres) in El Chaparrel subdivision in Colby. 785-760-4829. ---7/14---7/25---

Misc. for Sale

Solid Oak Dining Table with 4 chairs. Less than 1/2 of new 785-460-2966. ---7/16---7/28---

Misc. for Sale

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Services

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Pets/Supplies

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Garage Sales

1060 W. 2nd St, Colby - Saturday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lot of Teen clothes and shoes, Women's clothes and some small furniture and kitchen appliances. Microwave (brand new still in box). ---/7/24---7/25---

Multi-Family Garage Sale - 680 S. Lincoln, Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon, sack sale at 11:30. Kitchen items, décor, furniture, book shelves, glass sofa table, area rug, women & teen girl clothing, children & baby clothing, toys, lots of misc. ---/7/24---7/25---

Youth Benefit Garage Sale - 1160 Cattletrail St., of Walmart, off of Hwy 27 in Goodland - Friday, noon - 6 p.m. Antiques, collectibles, furniture, dishes, linens, toys. ---/7/21---7/25---

1005 E. 4th - Thursday, 4 - 7 p.m., Friday, 3 - 7 p.m. Power tools, gun cabinet, furniture, linoleum, snow blade, air compressor, clothes, and much more. ---/7/23---7/25---

595 W. Walnut - Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon. Movies, X-Box 360 games, laptop, huge tub of legos, bikes, lots of misc. ---/7/23---7/25---

Garage Sales

360 W. 5th - Friday Only! 1 - 8 p.m. Multi-Family. Lots of items for the whole family. ---/7/23---7/25---

305 S. Mission - Friday Only, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. ---/7/23---7/25---

Multi-family Yard Sale - 812 Hope St., Oakley - Saturday, 8 a.m. - ?? Desk, bikes, gently worn clothes & household items. ---/7/21---7/25---

330 N. Lake, Colby - Tuesday - Friday, 6 - 8 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon. New items every day. ---/7/21---7/25---

Moving Sale - Recliner, Exercise Bike, Weight Bench, New Twin Mattress Set w/ bedding and frame, Coffee Table, Men's Oakley M-Frame Sunglasses, Luggage on Wheels, Igloo Cooler, Large Dresser with Mirror and Framed Mirror. Call 785-443-5433. Some items with pictures on Nextech @ <http://www.nextechclassifieds.com/listings/view/822736/> and <http://www.nextechclassifieds.com/listings/view/822751/> ---/7/16---7/25---

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9/16/14 - 225+ acres Rush Co cropland E of Lacrosse on Hwy 4

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PRICE REDUCED

1476 Meadowlark Dr

- 1.3 acres 4 mi W of Colby
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths
- Open spaces - room for a horse
- Detached garage

Price Reduced: \$89,900

NEW LISTING

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- Fenced backyard
- Covered patio
- Detached garage
- Carport

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SW/4 of 23-9-32 - Thea Co

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UNDER CONTRACT

LAND FOR SALE

LOGAN:
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•320 ac cropland SW of Russell Springs, N/2 of 21-14-36

SHERMAN - 160 acres cropland, grass, and farmstead with guest cottage, South of Goodland on Hwy 27-SE/4 of 36-9-40

1865 S. Franklin

Price: \$230,000

30965 Road 8

Price: \$265,000

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

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HELP!

Dawson Place needs dedicated caregivers to join our caring, hardworking, and fun-loving staff in providing quality care of our residents. We are hiring:

- * Dining room aides (part-time)
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Crazy 10-run Colby rally dusts out Norton

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Umpires dodged post-game questions a lot easier than Norton could avoid the Colby Sluggers' 10-run rally and 13-12 playoff victory Thursday afternoon.

"I don't have time. I have another game to work," one ump explained about the decision to reverse a Norton "trick" pickoff play during this Zone 7 elimination game at Colby. "Go up to the crow's nest (scorers box) and ask them."

There were no answers hatching in the crow's nest, despite a determined egg hunt through one nearby Legion baseball rulebook.

"Show me the ball" rule should be added for unfairly deceiving a runner. At least that was the best explanation uttered many times on Thursday.

Basically, Norton's first baseman was a bad boy for leaping and acting like the pickoff throw sailed over his head — then tagging out Colby's Austin Boehme inches from first base.

Boehme was originally sent back to the dugout, but ensuing coach's questions and umpire discussions decided the Slugger could return.

Not only did Boehme promptly take second base on a wild pitch, Norton's pitcher balked him over to third.

Casey Quagliano followed with a sharp two-out single, Boehme motored home and Colby's fantastic comeback was underway.

Yet it took far more than one disputed play to plate those next seven Slugger season-saving runs.

First, pitcher Quagliano had to throw four scoreless innings after a disastrous eight-run Norton third.

Every wind-blown pop fly and looping liner eluded Colby fielders as Norton started a seemingly endless parade around the bases. The trouble didn't end until Josh Matchell made a running, sliding catch in shallow center field.

"Yeah, the wind was pretty tough, but we've played in wind like that before," Sluggers coach Brian Quagliano said. "Those first three innings, we just weren't ready to play. Then Casey started to overthrow and couldn't command things. The tires were coming off the wagon."

"But we didn't panic. We just had to take it one hit at a time," coach added with an old cliché that wasn't just hot air. "We told Casey to settle down and just

Sluggers play Goodland at 6 p.m. today

throw his game, and he did." Still trailing 12-5, Casey calmly worked a three up-three down Norton fourth featuring two strikeouts.

Meanwhile, Slugger batters made another simple-yet-super adjustment — forget about the wind and just start hitting line drives.

Ben Matchell sizzled a sharp grounder at Norton's shortstop, and the ball went right through while big brother Josh Matchell dashed home to make it 12-6.

Austin Hart's RBI-sacrifice fly soon scored Ben because nothing less than the swiftest throw had a chance against this Colby Eagle football game-breaker (kick returns will soon be here again).

However, the Sluggers hadn't faced their last staggering setback. Casey crushed another shot into center just as teammate Hart broke from second base.

The wind held up this drive long enough for Norton's center fielder to catch, and then make a quick throw that beat Hart back into second for an inning-ending double play.

Ouch. With a five-run lead and only six outs remaining, Norton still seemed destined to survive into Thursday's second elimination game.

Or not. "We'd seen this Norton pitcher many times and rocked him pretty good before," coach Quagliano said. "We knew we could still do it, if we took the right approach."

Plus all the pressure was now shifting to Norton's gloves, who appeared ready for a rest on this wonderful 100-degree windy day.

Matt Barnum and Brady Holzmeister both reached safely to start Colby's sixth — although Norton's shortstop had a force play at second until he left the base and decided tagging Barnum was his better option.

No outs is never a good defensive option.

However, Norton had two outs when Josh Matchell hit another sharp shot to that shortstop. He made a smooth fielding play, but his throw turned into an out-of-control parachutist sailing far beyond any intended target.

Both Barnum and Holzmeister touched home before the ball was



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It's painful to blow a 12-3 play-off lead, especially when the tying run rolls right through you as Colby's Austin Hart (above) scored for the Sluggers after an errant Norton pitch bounced away Thursday afternoon. Seconds later, teammate Austin Boehme would hustle home on this same crazy sixth-inning play. There were some questions about whether Hart touched home before Boehme, but umpires ruled that both runs did count. That wasn't the game's most controversial play, as Boehme was involved in a pickoff play at first base (below left). Norton used trickery to catch Boehme off the bag and tag him for what seemed like just another out in Norton's easy victory. Yet after discussions with coaches from both teams (below right), the umpires ruled Norton had illegally deceived Boehme and allowed him to resume his position at first base. Boehme later scored on a two-out hit.



retrieved, bringing Colby within 12-9.

The craziness was now ready to begin.

Another Norton miscue made it 12-10, and Hart promptly hammered the day's most impressive drive over Norton's left fielder.

Ben Matchell reached home with an 11th Colby score while Hart rumbled into second.

Let's get ready to rumble! could

only describe Colby's ensuing go-ahead play.

Boehme's next hit was again treated like a smoking stink bomb, so much that Hart probably could have scored when this cowhide eluded Norton's infielders again.

Neither Hart nor Boehme hesitated with their next opportunity.

It came quickly as a low pitch skipped past Norton's catcher. The 220-pound state medal-winning wrestler Hart began his final rumble, and Norton's pitcher deserved kudos for still trying to get in his way.

The ensuing tumbling, rolling and Hart reaching to touch home resulted in that ball skipping away as if it wanted no part of this melee.

Boehme alertly sped around third to try for what would be anything but a lucky 13th run.

He had to step around the remnants of Hart's arrival and still find home before Norton could recover.

Boehme did just that to give Colby its 13-12 lead.

"We never let up. Our goal along was to get to tomorrow (Friday)," coach Quagliano explained.

Yet believe it or not, this Thursday afternoon drama was not done.

In its last at-bat of the season, Norton put two more runners on base.

One soaring hit could have erased all of the Sluggers' super comeback efforts.

Norton's next batter did make good contact, but shortstop Holzmeister smoothly handled the tough hop.

He made a smooth flip into second baseman Hudson Stramel, who couldn't have turned the double play any better than finished Colby's playoff win.

First baseman Caleb Mazanec caught Stramel's throw just before the Norton runner arrived.

"That was us. Hang in there and don't panic," coach Quagliano concluded. "What a great double play by all the guys. Now, we move on."

Colby went on to crush Oakley, 16-5, Thursday night and reach tonight's showdown vs. Goodland. The winner plays Ellis at 8 p.m.

Sluggers clobber Oakley in late elimination game

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While Colby's top pitcher was getting his wisdom teeth pulled, another Slugger hurler clearly seemed ready to bite into the next survivor's test awaiting him.

"I'm going to go home and getting something to eat," Austin Boehme happily announced just hours before his first Zone 7 play-off start on the pitcher's mound.

Boehme was clearly pleased this was a between-games meal rather than the season's last supper. He'd just rumbled home with the winning run of a 13-12 comeback win over Norton Thursday afternoon.

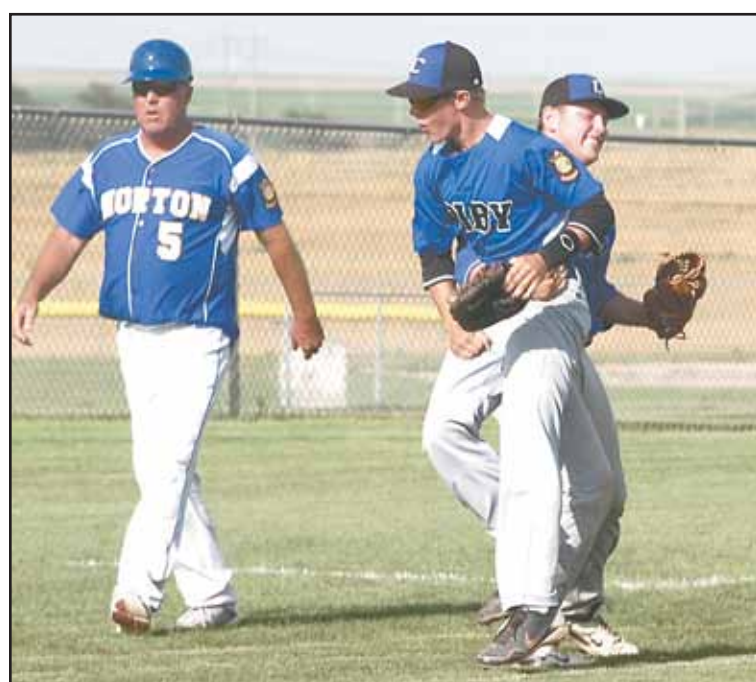
Both Boehme and the Sluggers clearly had enough fuel to avoid any similar drama late Thursday evening. He pitched four strong innings while an 11-run opening frame secured Colby's 16-5 elimination of Oakley.

The Sluggers took another step to next week's state tournament, where leading triples hitter and most experience pitcher Luke Cox will likely rejoin them.

Cox was reportedly getting his wisdom teeth pulled on Thursday and won't be playing anymore in the Zone tourney at Colby.

"We're missing Luke for sure, but we will get him back for state," coach Brian Quagliano confirmed. "Our goal was to get to tomorrow (Friday) and eventually get there."

Boehme's fastball was getting to catcher Austin Hart's glove faster than most Oakley batters



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Colby shortstop Brady Holzmeister and pitcher Casey Quagliano celebrate the Sluggers' double play that finished a 13-12 Zone 7 Tournament win over Norton. Later Thursday evening, the Sluggers also ended Oakley's Legion baseball season.

could handle.

Though two unearned Oakley runs scored, Boehme struck out three to limit that damage.

Oakley's pitcher could not match the feat. In fact, he didn't record one out before a change was made.

Brady Holzmeister and Josh Matchell both reached safely to set up Ben Matchell's two-run double that sliced between two Oakley outfielders.

The tie barely lasted two good blinks of an eye, because Ben stole third base and dashed home

when a catcher's throw sailed into left field.

The Sluggers kept on scoring runs, thanks mainly to wild Oakley pitching. Hudson Stramel and Caleb Mazanec both drew bases-loaded/RBI-walks as Colby's lead reached 5-2.

A Casey Quagliano single along with various other Oakley miscues kept the 11-run first inning moving. Ben Matchell blasted his second double before this carnage was completed. Colby tacked on runs in the next three innings to enforce baseball's "mercy rule."

Unbeaten Ellis awaits winner of Sluggers-Outlaws collision



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press
With 15 runs against Goodland Wednesday night, Ellis has taken control of the Zone 7 Legion baseball tournament.

The Zone 7 Legion baseball tournament field was cut in half on Thursday at Colby.

Only three contenders remain after these three contests:

Colby 13, Norton 12.

Norton eliminated.

Oakley 13, Plainville 8

Plainville eliminated.

Colby 16, Oakley 5

Oakley eliminated.

Now the Colby Sluggers (13-13 record overall) and Goodland Sluggers collide to decide who will challenge Ellis for this automatic state tournament berth.

Ellis remained unbeaten after two impressive Wednesday night victories: 13-0 over Plainville and 15-7 against Goodland.

Plainville had surprised Colby, 11-10, just one night earlier but lost its next two contests.

Ellis must lose twice to not claim the Zone 7 championship. After tonight's 6 p.m. Colby-Goodland contest, the winner will play Ellis with first pitch tentatively set for 8 p.m.

If Ellis would lose, a second tournament title game would take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

Trojan men's hoops set golf tourney date

Coach Rusty Grafel announced the annual Colby Community College Men's Basketball Golf Tournament will be played on Friday, Aug. 22.

Registration for the four-person scramble fundraiser is 9 a.m. with a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

Entry fee per team is \$280 which includes supper.

The meal alone is \$25. Please call Grafel at (785) 475-8360 to make arrangements.

Both the meal and auction are

scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

Limited golf carts will also be available. Golfers should also arrange those in advance.

To reserve your spot, please send check and registration form to Rusty Grafel at 1225 South Range Ave., Colby, Kan., 67701.

All checks should be made to Colby Community College men's basketball.

For information, contact Grafel at 475-8360 or E-Mail him at rusty.grafel@colbycc.edu.

Royals top Tribe

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Norichika Aoki's single in the 14th inning gave Kansas City a 2-1 win over Cleveland Thursday evening. The Royals (51-50) celebrated their third straight win.

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