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A Kansas City man who led law enforcement officers on a high-speed chase over two years ago was released to Missouri last week to serve prison time in connection with a work-release agreement he violated before he turned up in Colby.

Following plea agreements made here and in Logan County, Curtis Christopher Mack was released last Tuesday from the Thomas County Jail, where he spent almost two years after fleeing from police officers, Kansas Highway Patrol troopers and sheriff's deputies from several counties in 2012. He was handed over to the U.S. Marshal's Service to answer for a 14-year-old drug case in Kansas City.

Mack pleaded guilty to four counts – one misdemeanor and three felonies – in the Thomas County and Logan County district courts and will also have to pay restitution for a Thomas County sheriff's vehicle damaged in the chase. But he will not face some

of the other felony charges filed against him, including attempted first degree murder for trying to hit two law enforcement officers. His sentence for Thomas County will run consecutively with a three-year prison term given to him by a Kansas City court after he was caught here.

Court records at the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri show that on Jan. 11, 2000, Mack was arrested and indicted for distribution of a controlled substance and a violent crime involving a gun. Almost a year later, the gun charge was dismissed, but he was sentenced to 14 years in prison, with five years of supervised work release for the drug charge.

Mack was violating his work release in that case – driving a Nissan Altima with Minnesota license plates and wearing military fatigues – on Aug. 9, 2012, when a Highway Patrol trooper tried to stop him. He took off from the scene of the stop two miles west of Levant on Interstate 70 and led officers from the patrol, the Colby

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Schools face state's deep cuts

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Colby Public Schools Superintendent Terrel Harrison when she gave the school board an update about the money coming in from Topeka and explained that Colby Public Schools will have to do more with less money at the board's meeting last Monday night.

Harrison started her report by passing out a sheet to each board member that included the "Rose Standards", which the Supreme Court upheld as what school districts must teach their students, along with guidelines within Kansas. She had met with Dale Dennis, the state's assistant commissioner of education, and the interim assistant commissioner, Brad Neuenswander, and learned that the state is doing well meeting the standards.

Her sheet included the way in which the state's college and career ready and 21st century accreditation standards stacked up against the Rose Standards, along with the alignment which the school district uses to help students struggling academically. These standards require students to have sufficient oral and written communication skills; knowledge of politics and economy; understanding of government; self knowledge; grounding in the arts; training or preparation for training in academic or vocational fields; and academic and vocational skills sufficient to compete with surrounding states.

Still, Dennis and Neuenswander told Harrison that school districts need to prepare to make do with less money. The state's budget fund for education has gone down from \$709 million last June to \$379 million this June, and is ex-

pected to go down to \$29.4 million by next June. There are 665 fewer teachers and 19,000 more students in the state than there were 2009, Harrison said, and in that same time the base state aid per pupil has dropped from \$4,888 to \$3,852. Teacher salaries in Kansas are dropping to 42nd in the nation, Harrison said, so school districts are having difficulty getting applicants for teaching jobs, especially in math and science.

The Kansas Association of School Boards will have its annual convention on Friday, and Saturday, Dec. 5 and 6, Harrison reported.

In other business, the board heard reports from administrators:

- Grade School Principal Lance Krannawitter reported that web screener testing has been finished. Grade school enrollment stood at 377, Krannawitter said. Several organizers for the Wingin' it on the Plains kite festival came to the school the week before to let the kids fly kites, helping them to get exercise. The after school program has 180 students, Krannawitter reported, with an average of 125 showing up each day. He added that the charges for the program, which was free last year, have had no apparent effect on attendance. Kathy Vaughn, the coordinator for the program, is looking for new grants to offset the cuts that allowed the school to pay for the program in the first place.

- Middle School Principal Robb Ross reported on a truancy contract he drew up with county attorney Kevin Berens. In the past, Ross said, Berens would go straight to court when a student was absent too long. Now, the county attorney plans to send cases to Northwest Kansas Juvenile Services, which will contact the parents and have them sign the contract promising, among other things, to complete parenting classes and notify the school

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Short life, but what a ride

A Colby High student whose friends, neighbors and community helped her fill her "bucket" died Tuesday at her home after a two-year battle with a brain tumor.

Alisa Finley, 18, the daughter of Robert and Theresa Finley of Colby, was diagnosed with a stage 3 glioblastoma brain tumor in July 2012 and had her first surgeries that summer. Early this year, as doctors reached the limit of what they could do to help her, the teenager came up with a "bucket list" of 48 things she wanted to do before she passed away.

She set out to scratch everything she could off here list – from graduating high school, which she did in May, to indoor sky diving, traveling and swimming with dolphins – in the time she had left.

A kiss from actor Channing

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Courtesy of Alisa's butterflies Page 2, facebook, and Fotogirl
Local teenager Alisa Finley spent the last months of her life well. After learning she had a terminal brain tumor, she drew up a "bucket list" that included driving in a mudbog (top). Her quest to live life to the fullest took her to faraway places like Alaska (middle, right) and put her in the company of her friends and classmates. Fellow Colby high-schoolers joined her in a pie fight (above, right). Walter Vacik (left) help Alisa release dozens of orange balloons with dreams attached.

Wreck near Hoxie injures one

A Colby man was taken to the Hoxie hospital early Tuesday after his semi-trailer truck went off the road and hit a bridge southeast of Dresden.

Trooper Tucker Woolsey reported that Clay W. Johnson, 38, was westbound on K-9 about 2:30 a.m. Tuesday when the rig went off the

road in far southeast Decatur County. The truck skidded across the highway, the Kansas Highway Patrol reported, and into the south ditch, where it slid about about 670 feet before piling up against a concrete bridge embankment. The truck was totaled.

Johnson, who was wearing a seat belt, was

taken to the Sheridan County Health Complex, which would not release any information on his condition. The wreck occurred at milepost 7.8 east of the intersection with K-123, which goes north to Dresden.

Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 58. East wind around 5 mph becoming calm after midnight.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 86. Light and variable wind becoming southeast 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 58. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 84. South wind 5 to 15 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 57.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 81.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 57.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 80. Breezy.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 56.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 79.

Monday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 53.

Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 76.

Monday: High, 79; Low 51

Tuesday: High, 86; Low 56

Precip: Monday 0.65 inches

Tuesday None

Month: 1.53 inches

Year: 17.00 inches

Normal: 17.78 inches (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset Thursday 7:35 a.m. 7:36 p.m.

Moon: waxing, 2 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Her life was short, but what a ride

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Tatum topped the list. KWCH television in Wichita reported that Tatum sent her a personal message from the Oscars this spring, topped with an on-air kiss.

The efforts of her friends and classmates to help Finley do what she wanted with the time she had left made headlines in Colby and beyond. This summer, Finley raced in a "mudbog" and got an honorary degree from Colby Community College, among other things.

Community members gathered at auctions and other fund raisers to pay for her bucket list. Classmates joined her in a pie war at Colby High School and watched as Brock Wagoner, a local musician, sang her a song by Luke Bryant, her favorite artist.

Alisa was born Nov. 2, 1995, in Phoenix. She had worked at Sonic, Inlow Interiors and the Good-life Marina in Trenton.

Survivors include her parents, Robert and Theresa (Cable) Finley and James Maestri; two sisters,

Shania Ann (Chris) Shanahan and Christa (Leonard) Johnson; three brothers, Michael, Ramzy and Terance Finley; two nephews; and two nieces.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, with burial in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday at the church, with a vigil service at 7 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the Northwest Kansas Foundation for Hope, Ronald McDonald House or Rocky Mountain Cure, in care of Baalman Mortuary, Box 391, Colby, Kan., 67701. Condolences for the family may be left at www.baalmanmortuary.com.

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Alisa Finley took the stage at the Community Building in May to receive her high school diploma, about the time she was granted an honorary degree from Colby Community College.



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and Oakley police departments and the Thomas and Logan County sheriff's offices on a chase south from Colby on K-25, east on U.S. 40 to Oakley, then north on U.S. 83 and west on U.S. 24 back to Colby, where he was arrested a little after 11 a.m. The chase covered about 72 miles and reached speeds of up to 130 mph, officers said.

When being booked, Mack reportedly would not give his name or cooperate with deputies, and had several IDs. Deputies had to send his fingerprints to the FBI to learn his identity, and that he was wanted by the Marshals Service for violating terms of his work release.

After the U.S. District Court issued a warrant for Mack's arrest on March 28, 2013, the marshals took him back to Kansas City, where he was arrested again. His work release was revoked and he got a three-year prison sentence that July, before he was brought back to Colby. Other than that trip to Missouri, Mack has been in jail here since the chase.

In Thomas County, he plead guilty to unlawful use of a driver's license, a misdemeanor, and was ordered to serve a year in jail concurrent with the Logan County case and the case in Kansas City, according to an agreement filed before he was released.

The other counts against him here were dismissed, including two counts of fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, and one count of interference with law enforcement, both felonies, and driving without a license, a misdemeanor. County Attorney Kevin Berens would not specifically discuss the plea agreement.

In Logan County, he pleaded guilty to each of the three counts of fleeing and attempting to elude that he was charged with, although the Logan County attorney's office did not yet have a court journal entry of what the sentence was, or if it would run concurrent with the others.

The charges against him in that county were amended to three counts of fleeing and attempting to elude from two counts of attempted first degree murder. When Mack

drove towards Oakley, he allegedly tried to hit Gove County deputy Shawn Mesch — who had been trying to put spike strips in front of the car — and Oakley police chief Jason Moses.

Thomas County Court records show Mack retained Carl E. Cornwall, an Olathe lawyer, to represent him. He had been in jail here just over half a year when the U.S. District Court issued a warrant for his arrest for violating his work release, which was later revoked. He was sentenced to another three years in prison, to run consecutive with any sentence imposed in other cases.

He was not ordered to pay a fine, but will have to pay \$158 in court costs and \$500 in restitution to the Thomas County Sheriff's Office and \$9,037 to the Kansas County Association Multiline Pool, which provides insurance for counties in the state. Berens said this was because of a sheriff's vehicle damaged in the pursuit. Undersheriff Marc Finley tried to hit Mack's car from the left side in an attempt to stop him from entering Colby.

Briefly

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

Class coming up for beginning medics

Thomas County Emergency Medical Services and Colby Community College are offering a class for new emergency medical technicians from Oct. 3 to March 27. It will meet from 1 to 5 p.m. Fridays and one Saturday a month. This is a hybrid course; much of the homework is online. If you are 17 or older, have a driver's license and are interested, contact Candy Bryant at 460-4585.

Last flu shot clinic Thursday at office

The Thomas County Health Department is holding flu clinics as long as vaccine supplies hold out. No appointment is necessary; just fill out and print a consent form at www.thomascountys.com under the Health Department tab. The final event is 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Health Department, 350 S. Range Ave., Suite 2. For information, call 460-4596.

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.

Author to talk about new book at library

Marj Brown will review her new book, "Secrets of Roberts Mountain," at a Booked for Lunch program at the Pioneer Memorial Library at 12:15 p.m. next Wednesday, Oct. 1. For information about the book, call Brown at (785) 462-3515.

Colby Walking School Bus program to kick off

The Colby "Walking School Bus" program begins next Wednesday, Oct. 1, for Sacred Heart and Colby Public schools. Volunteers are needed to walk children to school one to five times a week. To volunteer or register your child, email colbywsb@gmail.com or call Ryan or Paula Hale at (785) 405-0228.

Health Department to close early Oct. 15

The Thomas County Health Department will be closed from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, to help with a bike rodeo. For information, call Angie Gaede at 460-4596.

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Schools face deep cuts from state budget for education

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before 9 a.m. if a child will be late. The case will go on to court if the parents do not follow the contract.

High School Principal Troy Keiswetter reported that Lamoreaux Fulwider and her class have provided pictures and information about school activities for local S&T television channel 117. The high school class of 2014 donated a television for future high schoolers to watch each day. The school has had pep rallies for students and meetings

for faculty and administrators, including a site council meeting in which students were involved. Enrollment stood at 285.

Athletic Director Larry Gabel reported that the football team has been doing better than it seems recently, pointing out the junior varsity team had recently beat the Oakley Plainsmen 24 to 0. The volleyball team has been doing well, Gabel reported, and the golf team has two tournaments coming up. Harrison said the high school gym floor has been dried out. Water dripped onto the floor early in the school

year, forcing the volleyball team to practice elsewhere.

Curriculum Director Diana Wieland reported that the school district was getting ready for "count day", which was on Monday, when students are counted to decide how much money the district gets from the state. The preliminary numbers for the count were 963 students in the district: 387 in the grade school, 203 in the middle school, 345 in the high school and 28 preschoolers on an individual education plan. District employees have taken over 235 days of staff

development, often on their own, Wieland reported. The district has had been involved in many activities, she said, including a once-a-month advisory meeting for the after-school program.

The district now needs staff members to have two approved "measures" for evaluating students, Wieland said, and preferably three. These must be approved by the state, which already has measures for teachers to use in some subjects. Starting in the 2016-2017 school year, she said, the measures will be in full use, with staff evaluating

students periodically.

There will be some classes on co-teaching, Wieland said, pointing out that many districts cannot get all the staff they need because of budget constraints. The Kansas Reading Initiative coordinator visited the district two weeks ago and went over data related to the Kansas Reading Initiative, Wieland reported.

The week before, Wieland worked with the Kansas Department of education, mapping out math and science curriculum for the state. The first coordinating council meeting was Sept. 10.

LOCAL TV LISTINGS sponsored by the COLBY FREE PRESS

Table with columns for Broadcast, Cable, and Premium channels, and rows for various TV shows and their air times on Thursday and Friday evenings.



Red, Hot ... and Blue!

Branson program Sunday in Oakley

Branson's "Red, Hot ... and Blue!" will appear at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Oakley High School Auditorium, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association. The show debuted on July 4, 1996, and has steadily grown into one of Branson's most popular attractions. The cast has performed for more than seven years as guest entertainers aboard the Holland-

America Cruise Lines, sailing the globe. Admission is by season ticket or at the door, adults \$20 and students \$10. School groups of 20 or more students attending with sponsors may receive a discount admission price of \$5 per student. Call Pat Ziegelmeier at (785) 460-5518 for information or to make group arrangements.

It's Farm Safety Week; check hazards to kids

Gov. Sam Brownback has declared September as Farm Safety Month and the week of Sept. 21 to 27 as Farm Safety and Health Week.

"I appreciate Gov. Brownback's proclamation," says Holly Higgins, Kansas Farm Bureau's safety and agriculture education director. "It's a great reminder to all of us that farm safety is important, and should be thought about every day on our farms and ranches."

For more than 66 years, Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization, has had a full-time staff position dedicated to safety and health issues for farmers.

"Kansas Farm Bureau is a farm organization, and we understand keeping our farm families safe is an important issue," Higgins says. "We value this opportunity and thank our volunteers who have helped spread the safety message."

County Farm Bureaus provide farm safety programs reaching adults and children. Annually, a safety poster program provides an opportunity for children to learn, consider and draw ways to stay safe on the farm.

The Farm Bureau says it is the only organization in the state that tracks farm accidents, something it's done since 1980.

Safe Kids Kansas is also working to promote farm safety this week. The organization recommends:

- Create safe play areas on the farm. Physically separate the space from animals, farm equipment and bodies of water.
- Practice water safety. Children should wear lifejackets while in or near water.
- Tractors, mowers, mini bikes and all-terrain vehicles that are built to only hold one person should never carry additional pas-

sengers of any age. Children under age 16 should never drive or ride all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles or tractors.

- Install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors in every sleeping area and on every level of your home. Test alarms once a month and change the batteries according to recommendations.

- Ensure kids always wear equestrian helmets when riding a horse or pony. Select horses with child-friendly temperaments and always provide supervision.

- When walking along rural roads, teach kids to walk on the shoulder of the road facing oncoming traffic – the left side – and wear light colored or reflective clothing.

- Keep farm chemicals, cleaning agents and other potential poisons locked up and out of reach of children. Post the Poison Control Center's hotline number, (800) 222-1222, near all phones and program it into your cell phone.

- Buckle up everyone, in every vehicle, on every ride. Children must be buckled in an appropriate car or booster seat. Older children and adults should all wear seat belts. Set the example for a life-long, life-saving habit.

- Choose an adult or responsible teen to actively supervise children. Active supervision means keeping children in sight and in reach at all times and giving them your undivided attention. We know this can be challenging, but the best way to prevent an injury is to be aware of what your child is doing.

For information on farm safety, go to www.kfb.org/educationoutreach/safety, www.CultivateSafety.org, developed by the National Children's Center for Rural and Agricultural Health and Safety, or www.necasag.org.

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.

Selden Cemetery
In order to keep maintenance costs at a minimum, all ornamental items and flowers at the Selden Cemetery should be picked up by October 1st. Any items left will be picked up and discarded.
Thank you

Enjoy cool weather; plant a tree or three

Our gardening instincts tell us to plant in the spring, but fall is often the best time to plant trees.

The months of September through mid-December have distinct advantages. Fall planting follows the heat of summer, and precedes cold winter weather. Trees and shrubs will use this weather to good advantage because most plant roots grow any time the soil temperature is 40 degrees or higher.

Fall planting does have some limitations. Bare root plants should only be planted in late winter or early spring, while the plants are still dormant. Evergreens should be planted earlier in the fall, no later than the end of October, as the permanent foliage increases water needs and watering ability may be limited.

Fall planted trees require frequent watering. Initially, once a week is recommended when there isn't enough rain fall. After a couple of months, watering frequency can be reduced to twice a month. When the soil is frozen watering isn't needed.

Watering shouldn't be a limiting factor in most landscape situations using hoses. In large plantings with irrigation systems this could be a concern depending on what type of pipe is used, how easy it is to drain the line, etc. However, with a little effort it is even possible to use most drip systems during the winter with little chance of damage.

Freezing and thawing of the soil can cause some problems the first winter with fall-planted trees. It may open up air pockets that dry out the roots; in some cases it can even push the root ball to the surface. These problems can be

Kurt Sexton
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minimized by placing a two- to four-inch layer of mulch around the trees at planting time.

Fertilizing any trees in the fall, especially newly planted ones, is not recommended. Save your fertilizer for late winter or spring. Fall fertilizing may encourage excessive growth that newly planted trees can't support. Freeze damage and winter drying are two problems that may increase with fall fertilizing of trees.

Tree nuts can also be planted in the fall. This is an excellent way to establish trees like bur oak and walnut. Simply collect the nuts and plant them one to three inches deep. With black walnuts, leave the husk on.

With oak acorns soak the seed in water for 12 to 24 hours, then drain and store in a cool, dark place until planting. Make sure they're stored in a container that breathes, not plastic bags or buckets. Germination won't be 100 percent so plant two or three nuts near each other where you want a tree, then remove the weaker trees that emerge or transplant to another spot.

For information contact me at the extension office at 460-4582.

Kurt Sexton is the Thomas County agriculture and natural resources agent with Kansas State Research and Extension. A native of Colorado, Sexton works with area 4-H clubs, farmers and ranchers.

Family reunion held at Atwood dance hall

The descendants of the Frank and Mary (Bartosovsky) Vrbas family held their biennial reunion on Sunday, Aug. 31, 2014, at the Skyline Dance Hall in Atwood. Approximately 118 attended.

Pulled pork and barbecue chicken cooked by family chefs Ken Ruda, Reggie and Doyle Vrbas were served along with the Bohemian specialty of kolaches. Attending were first cousins and their families: Edith Vrbas, wife of the late William Vrbas, attended; she one of three surviving sisters-in-law, including Mary (Charles) Vrbas of Palisade, Neb., and Carolyn (Raymond) Vrbas of Ottawa.

Others attending were:

- Linda Bayless, Sam Kogl, Kains Kogl, Vicki Kogl, Oliver Schnee, Jim Kogl, Pat and Madge Carroll, Rod Carroll, Keith Simminger, Casey Simminger, Miranda Simminger, Krista Simminger, Lance Simminger, Nick and Dawn Simminger. Erin and Cody Schnee, Gaylen and Ellen Horinek, Pat Skolout, Gene Horinek, Ken and Shirley Ruda, Doyle Vrbas, Keith Vrbas, Reggie and Jeanette Vrbas, and Rod Carroll, all of Atwood.
- Bob and Becky Simminger, Berdean Simminger, all of Ludell.
- Roman Carroll and Katrina and Bella Garner, Larry Havel, Joe, Jane and Greg Mentlick, all of Colby; Wayne and Debbie Luckert, Ryan Luckert and Jamie Paavola, and Aaron Luckert, all of Brewster.

- Gina, Ron, and Alyssa Montgomery, Jennings; Gloria Pabst, Michelle Selzer, Shanley, Shanna, Kenna and Shayden, Matt and Christy Park, Tyler, Kylie and Ella, all of Oakley; Bryan and Julie Vrbas, Palisade, Neb., Denny and Tina Vrbas, Benkelman, Neb., Jeanette Polt, Nadine and John Schmid, all of Omaha, Neb.; Tony Hamm, Benkelman; Scott, Tanya, and Allison, Lincoln, Neb., Phil and Mary Pate, McCook, Neb.

- Sandy and Marlin Eller, Stacy Greenwood, Wyatt Greenwood, Mike Saunders and Haley Saunders, all of Salina; Joe and Teresa Smith, Garden City; Jim and Loretta Brink, Moundridge; Beverly Shuck, Prairie Village; Ken Ruda II, Leawood; Donna Long, Scott City; Marilyn and David Jensen, Hays; Ron and Janet Horinek, Phillipsburg and Robbi Vrbas and Bill Scott, Topeka.

- Janice and Ferrell Shuck, Lee's Summit, Mo.; Elaine Ousley, Minneapolis, Minn.; Gary Vrbas, Lomita, Calif.; Mike and Janet Vaughn, Hawthorne, Calif.; Larry and Karen Willmore, Golden, Colo.

- Deone and Kathy Horinek, Kaitlyn, Madelyn, Ashlyn and Gustavson, Caleb and Sara Howland, Jonathon, Emily and Kaitlyn.

The next Vrbas reunion will be held Sunday of Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4, 2016, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Atwood.

Deaths

Alisa Ann Finley

Alisa Ann Finley, 18, Colby, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2014, at home.

She was born Nov. 2, 1995, in Phoenix, Ariz.

She worked at Sonic, Inlow Interiors and the Good Life Marina in Trenton, Neb.

She graduated from Colby High School in 2014.

Survivors include her parents Robert and Theresa (Cable) Finley and James Maestri; two sisters, Shania Ann (Chris) Shanahan and Christa (Leonard) Johnson; and three brothers, Michael Finley, Ramzy Finley and Terance Finley.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby, with burial in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday at the church, with a vigil service at 7 p.m.

The family suggests memorials to the Northwest Kansas Foundation for Hope, Ronald McDonald House or Rocky Mountain Cure, in care of Baalmann Mortuary, Box 39, Colby, Kan., 67701.

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



Alisa Finley

Larry Luke Haverfield

Larry Luke Haverfield, 77, Russell Springs, father of Jay (Joy) Haverfield of Colby, died Sunday, Sept. 21, 2014, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

He was born Nov. 20, 1936, in Scott City, the son of John R. and Edith A. (Luke) Haverfield. In 1954 he graduated from Scott Community High School.

On May 19, 1954, he married Bette Talbott in Dalhart, Texas.

A rancher, wildlife conservationist and lifetime resident of western Kansas, he was an avid reader and enjoyed following sports. He was a member of Audubon of Kansas and Defenders of Wildlife.

His parents preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; four other children, Nancy (Rick) Parkhurst, Ker-ville, Texas; Cathy (R.W.) Lucas,

Sublette; Calvin (Lillie) Haverfield, Russell Springs; and Dawn (Doug) McKinney, Leoti; a sister, Ruth Ann (Charles) Burtner, Scottsdale, Ariz.; 15 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2014, at the Carwood Community Church, formerly Parks Presbyterian Church, in northwest Wichita County, with the Rev. Paul McNall officiating and burial in the Carwood Cemetery.

Visitation was to be from noon to 8 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Price and Sons Funeral Home in Leoti.

The family suggests memorials to Audubon of Kansas or Defenders of Wildlife, in care of the funeral home, Box 161, Leoti, Kan., 67861.

Condolences for the family may be left at priceandsons.com.

High Plains Lions Club

The High Plains Lions Club met Sept. 22 at the Colby Community College Student Union.

President Larry Brenn officiated.

John Sanders received a 35-year membership pin. Donald Morton was accepted as a new member. His installation will be held at the next meeting. Norm Whittaker was presented a special thank you for the dinner at the last meeting.

Happy Birthday was sung to Donald Morton.

Roger Hale gave the program on the national anthem, written 200 years ago by Francis Scott

Key. Along with background history leading up to the bombardment of Fort McHenry, Hale explained why Key was present.

The first stanza of the national anthem asks, "Is the flag still there?" The second has the answer, "Yes the flag is still there." The third stanza makes fun of the unsuccessful British. The fourth expresses hope of what is to come.

In 1931 Congress voted the song to be the national anthem.

Melda Moore won the drawing. The next meeting will be Monday, Oct. 13.

—Roger Hale

Simulcast at church to strengthen marriages

Colby Wesleyan Church, 320 W Pine St., will show the national "I Still Do" simulcast from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4.

The program is a one-day marriage event designed to strengthen marriages and rekindle the romance. Speakers, musicians and worship leaders offer encouragement to continue to invest in your marriage and live life as a team.

The program offers to help couples:

- Understand God's blueprint for marriage at a deeper level.

- Learn tools to build a successful marriage on a firm foundation.
- Rediscover the secrets of romance and intimacy.
- Gain hope to rebuild a troubled marriage.
- Discover the keys to make marriage last a lifetime.

Cost is \$40 per couple, including lunch and childcare through fifth grade. For information, to purchase tickets or reserve childcare, contact Colby Wesleyan Church at 462-8391, or Pastor Gene Rothfuss at 443-1448.

Grizzly prompts road closure

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — A grizzly bear with a penchant for chokecherries and a dislike of crowds has led to the indefinite closure of part of a popular road in Grand Teton National Park.

The *Jackson Hole News & Guide* reports (bit.ly/1v09ryo) the park previously closed the Moose-Wilson Road for about 10

days because grizzly No. 760 was filling up on chokecherries in the area. The road reopened Friday, but park managers closed it again Sunday afternoon because the 4- or 5-year-old grizzly was still drawing a crowd of onlookers.

The Moose-Wilson Road is an 8-mile scenic drive between Teton Village and Moose, Wyo.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day
Hi-Plains Co-op

Wheat (bushel)	\$5.17
Corn (bushel)	\$3.39
Milo (hundredweight)	\$4.91
Soybeans (bushel)	\$8.41

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Free Press Viewpoint

Stadium beer sales make more sense

The return of beer and wine sales at the University of Colorado's football stadium shows there is a more enlightened way to deal with alcohol problems than prohibition – because prohibition never works. The stadium in Boulder is a perfect example. Officials thought they might solve a game-time drinking problem by banning alcohol sales, but soon found the problem only grew worse.

Despite rules against it, people continued to drink before games and after in parking lots and other nearby venues. They found people were leaving during the game to sneak a drink in their cars. Others undoubtedly were drinking from old-fashioned hip flasks smuggled into the stadium.

In the old days in Kansas, the statewide ban on alcohol on state property was mostly ignored at college games. Student sections were awash with jugs of "pink lemonade" while alumni tumbled in an illegal private club under the stands, setting a good example for the kids. Problem drunks abounded, rules or no rules.

In Colorado, the university announced recently that it would resume beer and wine sales in "regular" seating areas at Folsom Field after 19 years of prohibition. Sales had continued in "premium" seating areas and sky boxes. Perhaps high-class drunks don't cause as many problems as the rabble?

Alcohol sales and drinking were confined to "beer garden" areas. Few problems were reported, apparently.

Both had been banned since a 1996 crackdown on campus drinking which – shocking though this may seem – did not solve the campus drinking problem.

CU Campus Police Chief Melissa Zak said the idea of lifting the ban was to confine drinking to the stadium and reduce problems out on the streets and parking lots. People were just going to their cars to get a drink, then returning to their seats, she said.

In fact, police chiefs at colleges and college towns almost uniformly support a lower drinking age, not higher as the prohibitionists want. They say student drinking was far easier for police when it was done mostly at bars and beer joints, not at massive private parties.

It all comes back to the fallacy of our approach to drinking, especially drinking by young people. Rather than teach youths the idea of responsibility, we just tell them not to drink. They don't listen, and this prohibitionist approach has never worked, but driven by anti-alcohol zealots, we pay no mind to the results.

Instead of fighting a battle that history shows cannot be won, we should teach our youth the vital skills of handling alcohol with responsibility – and provide stiff consequences when they don't.

Just making something illegal, we've seen time and time again, doesn't keep people from doing it. To young people, often it's just a challenge.

Instead of making criminals out of decent kids, society should shift gears to something that works. The University of Colorado saw the light. Maybe it's time for the rest of the country to do likewise.

– Steve Haynes

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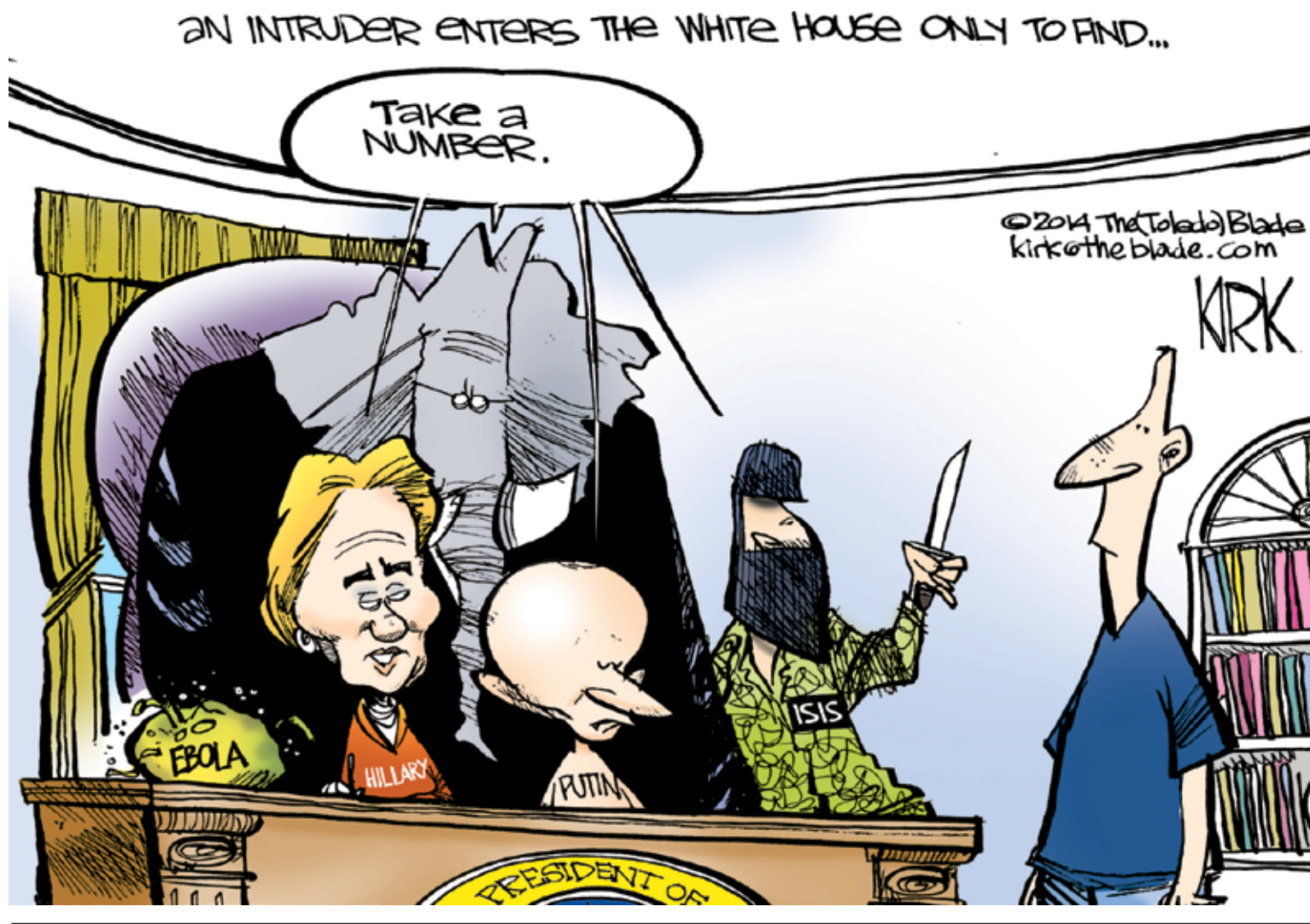
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Bug season takes over inside and out

Bug season has arrived.

In the spring, you can eat out on the porch or patio and enjoy the gentle breezes. This lovely pastime has to stop in the summer unless you like to eat between midnight and 6 a.m. The rest of the day, it's just too dang hot most of the time to sit out in the sun and have a leisurely lunch.

Then comes fall, with its cool mornings, bright afternoons and crisp evenings. Perfect for outdoor meals, except for the flies. They seem to zero in on you and your food, probably flying miles just to annoy you.

Another lovely thing about the autumn is the produce. We have peaches, pears, tomatoes, a watermelon, cantaloupe, cucumbers, squash and peppers on our kitchen counter. And we have a house full of fruit flies.

In some ways, fruit flies are worse than regular flies. While a regular fly is a nasty, disease carrying bug, you can squash it with a flyswatter.

Have you ever tried going after fruit flies with a flyswatter? That's a prescription for losing your mind – and your produce.

So let's go for a nice drive out to the park. Maybe we'll have a picnic. There can't be any more flies there than there are at home, right? But there are ants and moths.

Flying ants that swarm and cover your wind-



Cynthia Haynes

• Open Season

shield with a pasty goo. Moths that go splat, splat, splat so that you can hardly see around the dozens of gooey yellow messes all over the window.

And when you get to the park, you find that the ants have built dozens of new hills. It seems like they are getting ready for winter by spreading their colonies out as far as they can.

And of course, our friends, the moths are still all over the place. Some years they are so bad, you can't eat your sandwich without having a wing or two in it.

So you go for a walk. This is a rural park with tall grass and trails that go through trees and over low hills.

The grass is alive. Grasshoppers are everywhere.

They used to drive the dog crazy. She loved chasing these funny-looking bugs that hop and fly everywhere. There were just so many of them she didn't know which one to chase first.

And they hop and hop and hop. Mostly they stay in the grass or on the trail, but now and then one hits you as it careens by. It's a bit of a shock.

Then one lands on you and you scream and jump. You know it won't hurt you. It doesn't bite or sting. But, those little feet have sharp little talons for holding on, and they feel scary weird.

Finally, it's evening as you head back for the car. The grasshoppers are quiet. The dog is tired. You stop and study some of the tall grass. Each stalk has several hoppers clinging to it waiting for tomorrow, for the sun, for a chance to hop again, worry another dog and scare the daylights out of another walker.

Back in town, thousands of late-hatching moths and other bugs circle the lights. Maybe it's their last chance to live and die before winter. You don't dare open the door, or half of them will be in the house, circling the lights.

It's fall, and the bugs are out to get us.

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Military action needs shared decision

Our Constitution makes the president the commander in chief, yet gives Congress the ability to declare war. By giving a role to each branch, it clearly considers the use of force to be a shared decision.

In his speech last week outlining his plans to use military force against the jihadists of the Islamic State, President Obama gave Congress only passing mention. "I have the authority to address the threat from ISIL," he said. "But I believe we are strongest as a nation when the president and Congress work together."

He's right, of course. But that's not the half of it.

We live in troubled times, and over the last decade or two our military has been deeply involved somewhere in the world: Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, Yemen, Libya, Syria.... It's a long list that will only grow longer as we're called upon to use force in the future.

Our process for deciding to use force, however, hasn't caught up with these dangerous times. It has been decades since Congress asserted any meaningful role – pretty much everyone in the country, including most members of Congress, consider military intervention to be the president's prerogative. Congress has been far too deferential: its members prefer to avoid a potentially difficult political vote, let the President take the lead, and then criticize him if he was wrong.

At the moment, much of the debate in the press and in Washington about the president's intentions revolves around the legal justifications, which I find slightly amusing. The fact is that presidents always find the legal authority to take whatever action they believe is in the country's best interest, and they have plenty of cards in their deck: self-defense, national security, protecting Americans, and their constitutional role as commander in chief.

Indeed, there are occasions when the president must act alone. If we've been attacked or

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hostilities are imminent or some emergency presents itself for which force is the only response, we'd expect the president to respond effectively.

But there are powerful political reasons for making the decision to use force abroad a joint one with Congress in all but emergencies.

When our nation must deal with controversial, complicated questions, there is great value to making the president articulate his analysis of the situation and the reasons for his decisions, and to test that thinking beyond close advisors who naturally tend to support him. The best place to do so is in Congress, where fresh eyes and an independent point of view will produce tough questions. Invariably, the result is a refined White House policy and a better understanding of it by the American people.

This is unequivocally what Americans want. Even now, as a large majority of Americans support military action against ISIS, they also want Congress to weigh in, with more than 70 percent in a recent CNN poll believing President Obama should seek Congress's backing for military strikes.

This may be because Americans understand innately that military action supported by both the president and Congress carries more legitimacy at home and more conviction abroad. Internal debate on foreign policy unsettles our allies, who begin to doubt the sustainability of our chosen course. The U.S. is in a far stronger

position before the world if it is clear that the branches of government are unified and that we are speaking with one voice as a nation.

Though my chief concern is with the politics of authorizing force, there is one legal argument I find paramount. It is common wisdom that our Constitution is ambiguous on this subject, since it makes the president the commander in chief, yet gives Congress the ability to declare war. In a sense, though, the Constitution's message is anything but ambiguous: by giving a role to each branch, it clearly considers the use of force to be a shared decision.

This imposes a responsibility on Congress. Our system is built on the notion that Congress cannot be a bystander when it comes to the grave decision to use our military abroad. It, too, needs to take ownership of decisions to use force, for the good of the American people's understanding and acceptance of the issues at stake, and for the benefit of the nation's profile abroad.

But Congress needs to assert this role, not hide behind the expediency of letting someone else make the decision. And the President should embrace it.

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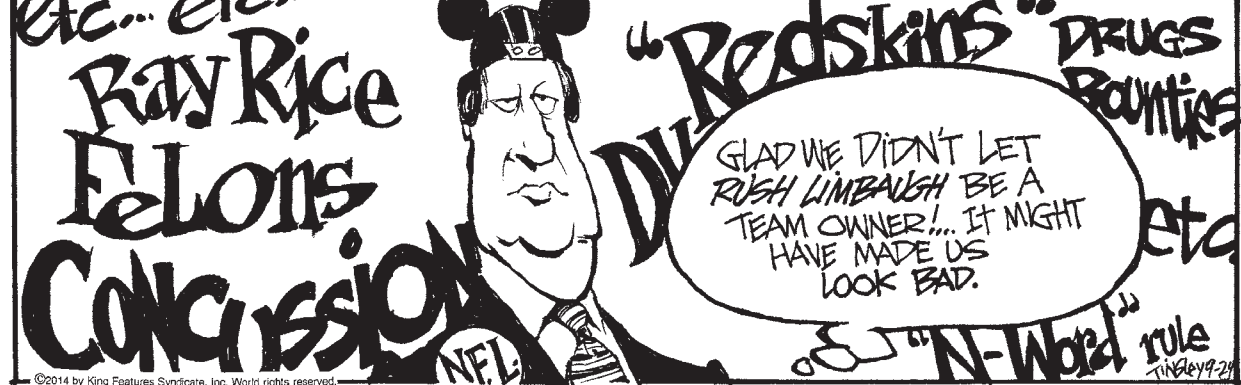
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On the Beat

**COLBY POLICE
Sept. 16**

1:04 a.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop.
 1:10 a.m. – Puppy at large turned over to Colby Animal Clinic.
 9:36 a.m. – Caller reported dead cat on side of roadway in the 1100 block of S. Franklin. Disposed of; was an opossum.
 10:19 a.m. – Caller reported receiving harassing text messages. Report filed.
 12:38 p.m. – Caller reported subject almost struck vehicle. Not found.
 2:42 p.m. – Provided information about possible phone scam.
 3:54 p.m. – Missing person report filed.
 4:24 p.m. – Harassment report filed for threatening text messages.
Last Wednesday
 1:01 a.m. – Security check at Walmart.
 5:04 a.m. – Security checks to residences.
 7:46 a.m. – Caller reported child riding bike on wrong side of street. Not found.
 7:50 a.m. – Caller reported hit and run damage to diesel pump.
 10:27 a.m. – Attempt to locate; not found.
 11:05 a.m. – Attempt to locate. Subject located and OK.
 1:05 p.m. – Caller reported theft.
 1:34 p.m. – Caller reported truck hitting post.
 11:32 p.m. – Security check at

the south Cornerstone Ag.
 11:58 p.m. – Security checks to residences.
Thursday
 1:43 a.m. – Security check at Twister's.
 1:53 a.m. – Security check at the college.
 6:56 a.m. – Caller reported loud noises. Subject was using a bobcat to clean up debris; all OK.
 9:55 a.m. – Helped motorist.
 11:52 a.m. – Caller reported cat in abandoned apartment. Took cat to Colby Animal Clinic.
 12:12 p.m. – Caller reported running over squirrel. Not found.
 12:54 p.m. – Caller reported pickup all over the road. Not found.
 1:24 p.m. – Sheep out was contained; Colby Livestock contacted.
 1:40 p.m. – Walk through at Colby High School.
 4:45 p.m. – Caller reported possible road rage. Not found.
 5:05 p.m. – Gave directions to motorist.
 7:03 p.m. – Caller reported pickup with loud music. Not found.
 8:16 p.m. – Subject came to station about accident an hour earlier. Report filed.
 8:27 p.m. – Subject came to station about hit and run accident earlier. Report filed.
Friday
 5:30 a.m. – House checks.
 5:48 a.m. – Caller reported opossum in back yard. Taken care of.

9:27 a.m. – Caller reported child possibly home alone. Report filed.
 10:37 a.m. – Caller reported theft.
 12:28 p.m. – Caller reported theft.
 12:49 p.m. – Provided program for students at Colby Middle School.
 12:50 p.m. – Accident.
 12:57 p.m. – Caller found vehicle keys in yard. Returned to owner.
 1:17 p.m. – Found set of keys. Report filed, owner not found.
 3:15 p.m. – Hit and run accident report filed.
 6:09 p.m. – Caller reported theft.
 7:51 p.m. – Police protective custody report filed.
 9:12 p.m. – Clerk called about suspicious subject wandering around. Spoke with subject; everything OK.
Saturday
 12:35 a.m. – Security check at Cornerstone Ag-South.
 12:46 a.m. – Security check at Meadow Lake.
 12:51 a.m. – Security check at Colby Airport.
 12:52 a.m. – Walk through at Twister's.
 6:31 a.m. – House checks.
 11:26 a.m. – Caller reported theft.
 2:20 p.m. – Caller reported four or five people trying to panhandle. Spoke to subjects.
 4:56 p.m. – Report filed for emergency medical services call.
 4:02 p.m. – Domestic distur-

bance report filed.
 8:25 p.m. – 911 caller reported fight.
 8:40 p.m. – Subject came to station in reference to battery. Report filed.
 10:22 p.m. – Possible juvenile party; spoke with subjects; everything OK.
**THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF
Sept. 16**
 2:18 a.m. – Booked Paul Johnson.
 2:43 a.m. – Released Johnson.
 12:16 p.m. – Report filed for lost trailer tag between Colby and Hutchinson.
 12:18 p.m. – Released Curtis Christopher Mack.
 12:31 p.m. – Brought inmate from Rawlins County Sheriff's Office to Law Enforcement Center.
 1:08 p.m. – Caller reported grain semis seen speeding up & down County Rd. 11 north of Levant.
 4:02 p.m. – Released Raheem Brown.
Last Wednesday<Sept. 17>
 8 a.m. – Subject advised of wife receiving harassing text messages.
 12:10 p.m. – Took prisoner from Colby to Goodland.

6:17 p.m. – Released Alicia Tschantre.
Thursday<Sept. 18>
 8:17 a.m. – Caller reported vehicle falling off the jacks. Owner spoken to and will take care of it.
 9:54 a.m. – Caller reported sheep out by Colby Wrecking. Contacted owner.
 10:38 a.m. – Walk through at Golden Plains School, Rexford.
 11:49 a.m. – Released Jake Lee Ronnebaum to a transport company.
 12:17 p.m. – Booked Amber Rose Smith.
 12:54 p.m. – Released Kenneth A. Marney to Limon, Colo., officers.
 1:42 p.m. – Walk through at Brewster School.
 1:42 p.m. – Caller reported boyfriend threatening to push her out of vehicle at I-70 mile 60 eastbound. Parties were separated.
 3:27 p.m. – National Crime Information Center hit for Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office on Juan Carlos Silva.
 4:13 p.m. – Booked Silva.
 6:24 p.m. – Helped Colby Police on juvenile call in area of Third and Riddle. Not found.
 8:22 p.m. – Caller reported a white van running without head-

lights at eastbound I-70 mile 43.
 8:50 p.m. – Security check at Frontier Ag. Brewster.
 9:38 p.m. – Caller needed deputy in reference to incident last week on E. Fourth. Report filed about speaking to subject.
 11:38 p.m. – Booked Thomas Rivera.
 11:47 p.m. – Caller reported vehicle on property at 1400 block County Rd. R. Made contact; subject was looking for a cell phone that fell out of the vehicle window.
Friday
 10 a.m. – Booked Cory David Knowles.
 11:09 a.m. – Released Dalton Kyle Paul.
 11:59 a.m. – Brought inmate from Sherman County Sheriff's Office to Law Enforcement Center.
 Noon – Booked Kristina L. Kirby.
 12:26 p.m. – Released Kirby.
 2:38 p.m. – Caller reported he and girlfriend being kicked out of room at Free Breakfast Inn; don't have way to get moved. Spoke with subjects.
 4:34 p.m. – Released Thomas John Rivera.
 9:35 p.m. – Booked Kristen Ruth Lawrence.

College supports skunk safety

OXFORD, Ohio (AP) – An Ohio college president says the school supports safety for skunks, and for other furry creatures, too. Miami University President David Hodge has thanked People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals for its offer to send safety posters after a skunk recently got its head stuck in a beer can near a fraternity house. The posters urge people to crush cans for animal safety. Hodge wrote to PETA to say that the Advocates for Animals student group will work on the

poster safety campaign. He says the school appreciates the effort to remind the community to crush and recycle cans, not only to preserve resources but to protect animals from harm. "We share your desire to have no more stuck skunks!" Hodge wrote. The posters PETA offered Monday to send to Miami show a raccoon with head stuck in a tin can and says crush cans for animal safety, urging: "Don't let this happen again."

"Aluminum cans, plastic cups, and open jars can become death traps for hungry or inquisitive animals if they aren't disposed of properly," PETA Senior Director Colleen O'Brien said in the letter to Hodge. An Oxford animal control officer was able to free the skunk without being sprayed. PETA says it is shipping vegan cookies to Oxford police in appreciation for their compassionate efforts to help the skunk.

Man gets off for squatting in hotel

PITTSBURGH (AP) – Prosecutors in western Pennsylvania have dropped charges against a homeless man found squatting inside the presidential suite of a Pittsburgh hotel last fall. The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review (bit.ly/1v3CBwC) reports that Allegheny County prosecutors on Monday<Sept.22> withdrew

criminal trespass and theft of services charges against 48-year-old Jeffrey Watson. Watson was arrested in November after guests checking into the \$2,500-a-night suite at the Omni William Penn Hotel saw him sleeping on a couch and notified hotel staff. Police said Watson told them

that he had been in the city for more than a month and slept wherever he could find "somewhere comfortable." Mike Manko, spokesman for the Allegheny County district attorney's office, said he did not know why the charges had been withdrawn. Hotel officials did not return a call seeking comment.

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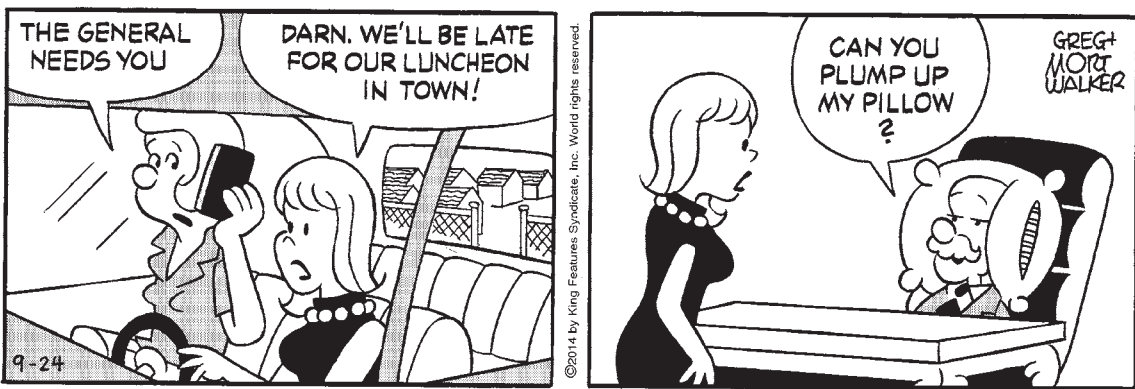


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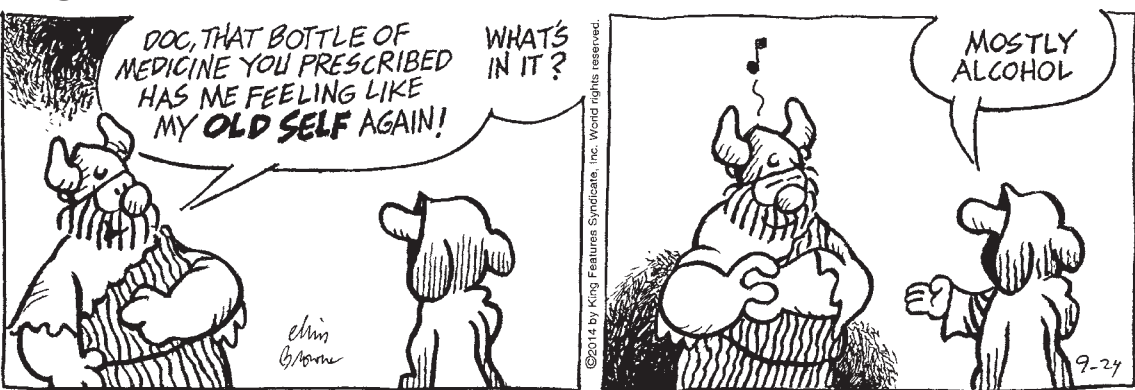
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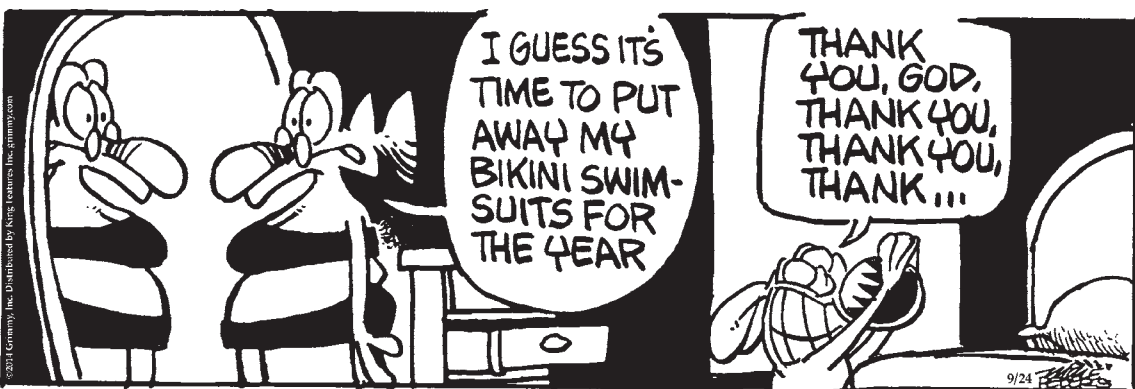
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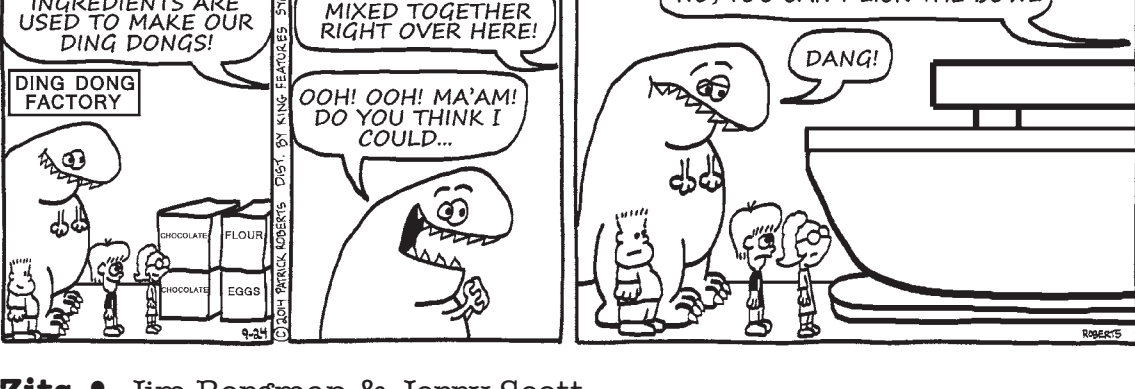
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- Hints from Heloise

Home canning not good forever

Dear Heloise: My wife and I canned tomatoes, green beans and tomato juice in 1997. Since then, my wife passed away, and time has moved on. Are these home-canned goods still good to use? I have asked friends and family and continue to get different answers. — Dale, via email

No, they are not safe to eat, especially anything acidic, such as tomatoes. Home-canned foods should be eaten within a year. Unfortunately, you should toss out all of the canned foods. They have been sitting on the shelf too long, and you certainly don't want to get sick.

For others who can, the quality of food may be affected within just a few months if not canned correctly or stored in a cool, dry place. You should process the amount you know you will use in about a year, or give away to friends and family. — Heloise

P.S.: My heart sends a hug to you on the loss of your wife. You may want to keep a few jars for sentimental reasons, which is just fine.

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GREASING PAN

Dear Heloise: I read your column on using a pastry brush to get the shortening into the crevices of a fluted cake pan. I use a sandwich bag as a makeshift glove. I scoop the shortening and spread it around the pan. This makes it easy to get into those crevices. Cleanup is easy. — Pam R., via email

EXTRA COFFEE

Dear Heloise: While getting prepared for the approaching Hurricane Iselle, here in Maui, Hawaii, I made several pots of coffee and stored them in a large pot in case the power went off for a few days. As we always keep a gallon bottle of water frozen to help keep things cool in case of a power outage, I now keep frozen bottles of coffee, too. In case of prolonged misery, as the bottle thaws we will have coffee, which can be quickly warmed up on the gas barbecue. — Robert in Hawaii

Aloha to my friends in Hawaii! Glad you made it through the hurricanes! For coffee drinkers who cannot function until they get their morning fix, this is a great hint and a way to have something comforting at these times. — Mahalo, Heloise

FUZZY FOOD

Dear Heloise: I recently read your column about kiwifruit. The easiest way to enjoy kiwifruit is to cut off the end and eat it with a spoon. There's no mess, and it's delicious! — Marion K., Edwardsville, Pa.

VITAMINS

Dear Readers: Want to boost your vitamin C and A intake? Yummy fruits like strawberries, grapefruit and, of course, oranges have lots of vitamin C. But here is an easy way to get your vitamin C and vitamin A daily: Eight ounces of plain old tomato juice (41 calories) has about 70 percent of the daily recommend amount of vitamin C and 22 percent of vitamin A, based on a 2,000-calorie daily diet. — Heloise

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WEST
♠ Q J 10 4
♥ 8 7 2
♦ Q 7 5
♣ 10 5

EAST
♠ A 6 3
♥ K 10
♦ J 8 6 4 3 2
♣ 8 3

SOUTH
♠ 9 7 2
♥ A Q 6 5 3
♦ K
♣ A J 7 4

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♣ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
1 NT Pass 3 ♣ Pass
3 ♥ Pass 4 ♥

Opening lead — queen of spades.

A Mandatory Falsecard
Some falsecards must be made as a matter of self-protection. This is because the failure to make such a play — known as a mandatory falsecard — would leave the opponent no choice but to find the winning line of play. Here is a typical case.

East, the hero of this piece, is defending against four hearts and wins the third round of spades with the ace. He then shifts to a club, taken in dummy with the queen.

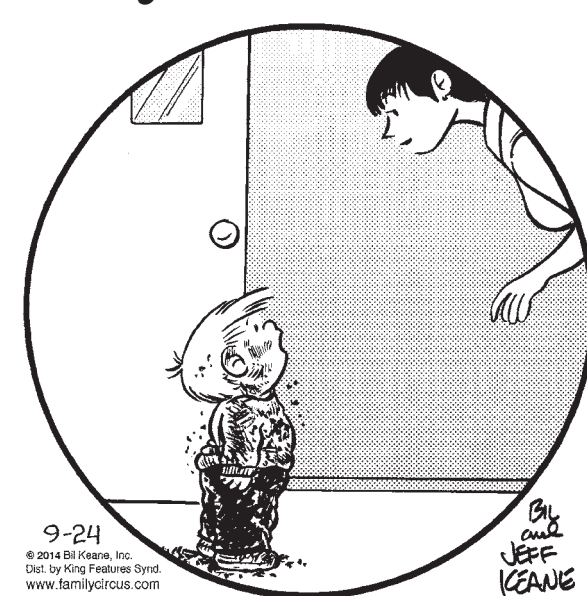
Declarer returns the four of hearts, on which our hero plays the king, not the ten. South wins with the ace and leads a low trump toward dummy's J-9. After West follows low, South has a difficult problem to solve.

If the king is actually a singleton, declarer must play the nine from dummy in order to overcome West's original holding of 10-8-7-2. Indeed, it would certainly be reasonable for South to finesse the nine on this basis and go down one. Of course, if he sizes up the situation correctly and goes up with the jack, catching East's ten, he makes the contract.

The point is that if East plays the ten on the four, South will surely finesse the queen and then have no alternative but to cash the ace and so make four hearts. East thus has no chance whatsoever if he woodenly plays the ten on the first heart lead. But if he plays the king, he presents declarer with a chance to go wrong, and that's a lot better than no chance at all.

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"Of course there's still plenty of dirt outside. Why do you ask?"

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★ 9/24

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.

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

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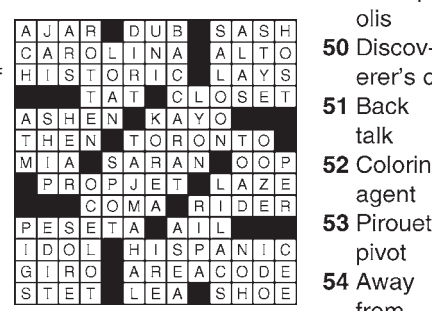
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN THE STUDENT PILOT SUCCESSFULLY NAVIGATED ABOVE A RAINBOW, DID HE PASS WITH FLYING COLORS?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals E

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Wager
4 Mexican money
8 "Sad to say ..."
12 Eggs
13 Caboose
14 Lily type
15 Blend
16 Traditional, in a sense
18 Goodyear trademark
20 Mythical beast
21 Denomination
24 Saltwater treat
28 Stars and Stripes
32 Cleopatra's river
33 By way of packing
36 Grazing area
37 Formerly
39 Vet
41 Detox center
43 Den

DOWN
4 Drives onward
5 Conger, for one
6 Blue
7 Approximately
8 Trash holder
9 Writer
10 Past
11 Scale
12 member
17 TV component
19 Food additive, for short
22 Silver salmon
23 Online bully
25 Movie
26 Run
27 1776, e.g.
28 Finished
29 Old Italian money
30 Morse "T"
31 Luke's mentor
35 Used a swizzle stick
38 Runway surface
40 Rage
42 Lamb's call
45 Despot
47 Asian nation
48 Data
49 Metropolis
50 Discoverer's cry
51 Back talk
52 Coloring agent
53 Pirouette pivot
54 Away from WSW



Yesterday's answer 9-24

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
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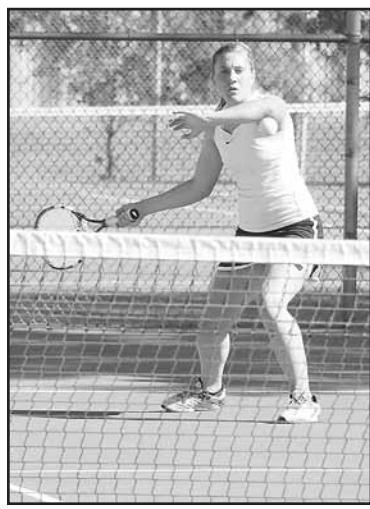
Colby tennis wins Scott title

By R.B. Headley
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Super champions again!
No phrase better describes Colby High's varsity tennis team as they won an eight-team Scott City Invitational on Tuesday.

Undeclared No. 1 singles champ Julie Schroeder and No. 2 winner Bridget Bickner both finished 4-0 while leading these Eagles to their third tourney title this season.

"What a battle today with the wind," Colby High first-year head tennis coach Wendy Weishaar said. "We played at three different sites and the wind was different at each location. The team adapted well."



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press
Colby High junior Julie Schroeder went 4-0 to join senior teammate Bridget Bickner as Scott City Tournament champions on Tuesday. The Eagles also won a team title.

Schroeder made home court no advantage at all with her 8-0 sweep through Scott City White. She also defeated Liberal, 8-4; and Garden City, 8-5; en route to her undefeated championship.

"Julie added more gold to her collection of hardware," Weishaar proclaimed.

Bickner has been simply awesome during her first season of varsity tennis with the Eagles. She barely lost a game during pool-play conquests of Scott City, 8-0; and Garden City, 8-1; before taking down Liberal's No. 2 player, 8-2.

An 8-2 finale capped the perfect day for B.B.

"Bridget took care of business in her usual fashion," Weishaar commented. "On her agenda today was to post the perfect 4-0 record."

Colby's No. 1 doubles of senior Olivia Wetter and junior Rachel Browne continue to become more of a force among the area's most

powerful tennis duos.

They posted a 3-1 record in Scott City to "pocket" silver medals, Weishaar reported.

Meanwhile, the Eagles debuted a new No. 2 doubles duo of sophomores Amelia Culver and Laura Schroeder. They replaced seniors Tresta Urban and Morgan Sanguinetti since Sanguinetti is currently sidelined with an injury.

"They responded well to the challenge," Weishaar said about her junior varsity talent. I told them their goal today was to have fun, enjoy playing and forget about the score. Just learn. They did all four things we asked of them with the bonus being a crossover win against Tribune to capture seventh place."

The Eagles are scheduled to play again at Thursday's 1 p.m. Russell tennis tournament.

Eagle girl medals at tough Lindsborg

Colby High's tennis team earned a high place while competing at the Lindsborg Tournament on Saturday.

Coach Wendy Weishaar provided this report:

"It was a tournament where the top girls come to play. Colby was the undisputed underdog of the 10 schools participating in the Viking Classic girls Tennis tournament in Lindsborg. These other schools are known for having a long standing tradition of powerhouse tennis programs. No one at this tournament was expecting anything from us this year so it would have been easy for us not to expect anything from ourselves either. But being satisfied by doing things the easy way is not the standard our team members subscribe to. When you compete, one of two things happen. You either win or you learn. This Colby team did both today in Lindsborg. The girls rose to the occasion and experienced new levels of play that they had never experienced before. It was truly gratifying to hear them say things like "coach that was so much fun" and "I never knew I could play like that" and "I actually felt myself moving forward when I was hitting the ball".

A bonus part of the day was when Bridget Bickner, the No. 2 singles player, medaled by placing second in her pool and fourth in the crossover match.

A tough part of the day was when the No. 2 doubles team of Morgan Sanguinetti and Tresta Urban had to pull out of their pool play matches due to an off court injury sustained by Morgan. It would have been great if they could have continued in the tournament. They were ahead in their second match and on track for a win when Morgan could not continue to play and had to take a medical time out."

Watch for more details about Colby tennis later this week.

When play resumed the Eagle duo tried to close out the match with a win, but even with their lead they could not overcome the effect the injury had on their play."



Volleyball late results

Colby Middle School's seventh and eighth-grade volleyball teams were both busy playing home matches on Tuesday in the Colby High School gymnasium.

Unfortunately, scores were not obtained by press deadline today.

The Eagles were playing Goodland along with another area foe. Watch for results in an upcoming edition.

The Colby Middle School football teams are home again for a Thursday pair at Dennen Field.



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A gallery of followers saw quite the drive as Colby High junior Miranda Kern teed off during Monday's Colby High Invitational at Meadow Lake Course. Kern finished fourth overall for a Colby varsity team that took second behind champion Goodland.

Colby golfers take second, JV title at home tourney

By R.B. Headley
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Another big bad hair day greeted the golfers who were finishing Monday's Colby High Invitational at Meadow Lake Course.

Yet a little wind and cooler weather didn't deter Colby Eagles like senior Brooke Wark, who won the tourney's closest title race by one stroke over top junior varsity contender Tana Pickle from Cimarron.

Wark overcame a never-perfect "10" on her fourth hole and really finished strong. After firing 36 on her first five holes, she needed just 24 to complete the nine-hole winning round of 60.

Pickle was actually three strokes better than Wark entering her final hole, but suffered a nine-stroke compared to Wark's six.

Freshman Chloe Imhof joined Wark as Colby's two JV medalists.

Meanwhile, the Eagle varsity put three in their tournament's top 15 with junior Miranda Kern capturing a top five finish (45-50-95).

Kern's super two-stroke effort on her 17th hole had to be at least a birdie. It helped the Eagles' top player secure fourth place overall in this tight competition featuring six girls who shot 94, 95 or 96.

Colby teammates Elissa Zerr (54-54-108) and Jenna Crampton (57-54-111) reached the tourney's top 15.

Senior Kelly Sloan (60-53-113) completed a team score (427) that edged Ulysses (428) by one stroke for second place.

However, rival Goodland (389) finished far ahead of the entire field at Meadow Lake. Colby has outgolfed the Cowgirls multiple times in other tourneys this season.



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press
Colby High senior Kelly Sloan (above) didn't need sunglasses to see this tee shot soar during the Eagles' home golf invitational on Monday at Meadow Lake Golf Course. Clouds and wind arrived later in the tournament after sunny skies began the 18-hole adventure. Senior classmate Brooke Wark (right) rolled along to her best career score as the Colby Eagle won a junior varsity tourney title.

"It was a pretty tough day," Colby coach Rick Williams said. "The wind made the course pretty tough and we were battling some illness. Isabel (Rosales), who was very sick, showed a lot of toughness in finishing the tournament."

Rosales shot 117 (56-61) to match Colby freshman Natalie Oren (63-54-117).

The Colby High golfers won't be waiting long for a chance to start dropping those scores again.



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Colby Middle School seventh-grader Kailey Shields made a smooth return during the Eagles' home match on Tuesday.

Eagle girls win honors

Colby High seniors Hailey Schindler and Hannah Strange powered their way to all-tournament honors at Saturday's Liberal varsity volleyball tournament.

The Eagles opened with a win over Southwestern Heights that followed up their big win over IA top five-ranked Hoxie last week.

They also swept through Pratt but lost a pair of three-set matches while eventually finishing fourth overall.

Colby (7-7 season record) will be busy again in this weekend's Topeka Seaman Invitational.

Today
College volleyball: Colby at Cloud County, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday
Girls tennis: Colby at Russell, 1 p.m.

Cross country: Colby, Brewster at Hill City Invite, 5 p.m.

Girls golf: Colby in Holcomb Invite at Garden City, 1 p.m.

Middle school football: Holcomb at Colby, 4 p.m.

Middle school football: Golden Plains at Cheylin in Bird City, 5:30 p.m.

Middle school volleyball: Triplains-Brewster at Wheatland-Grinnell, 4 p.m.

Middle school football: Triplains-Brewster at Wheatland-Grinnell, 5:30 p.m.

Trojans put dent on Dodge

Colby Community College's volleyball team returned to its winning ways with a 25-21, 25-18, 25-18 victory over visiting Dodge City Monday evening.

The Trojans (8-8 record overall) recovered from a tough 1-3 road trip to last weekend's West Texas College tournament.

They improved to 4-2 among Jayhawk West division teams, still trailing Hutchinson (4-0 league, 10-6 overall) and Pratt (4-1, 13-4).

The Trojans started strong in Monday's home match as sophomore Adrianna Sosnowska drilled an awesome early kill for a 6-2 lead.

Dodge City (4-18 overall, 0-6 league) took a 6-5 lead in the second set, but Colby quickly went on a 7-1 run to lead 12-7.

Sophomore Savannah Gamble's ace serve closed that 25-18 triumph.

The third and final set also remained close, although Dodge couldn't handle attacks from middle blockers like freshman Haley Heydman and sophomore Kammryn Forrest. Forrest was returning from injuries and delivered a key point to put Colby ahead 11-9. Heydman hammered the clincher.

Public Notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES DAVID COOK, Deceased

Case No. 14-PR-39

Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition to Admit Foreign Will to Probate and Record has been filed in this Court by Charles Jerome Zart, a beneficiary of Charles David Cook, deceased, requesting that: the foreign will of Charles David Cook, deceased, dated February 13, 1992, be admitted to probate and record in this Court; no administration of the Estate is necessary; the will be construed, and the following Kansas real estate owned by the decedent, situated in Thomas County, Kansas:

An Undivided One-Third (1/3) Interest in the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of Section Ten (10), Township Six South (6), Range Thirty-five West (35) of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Thomas County, Kansas,

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You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before October 15, 2014, at 9:00 a.m. in the District Court at 300 N. Court Avenue, in the City of Colby, Thomas County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

/s/ Charles Jerome Zart
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Rare 25-0 run sparks Bulldogs

By Judy Rogers
Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains Bulldogs won all three of their varsity volleyball home openers in a quad with Greeley County, Heartland Christian and Healy on Tuesday, Sept. 16.

The Bulldogs' first game of the night was against Greeley County. The first set was 25-20, Golden Plains with the win for that set. The girls had some serving trouble in that set.

The second set went better for them as they were able to pick up on their serves, and came out with a score of 25-9 for their first win of the evening.

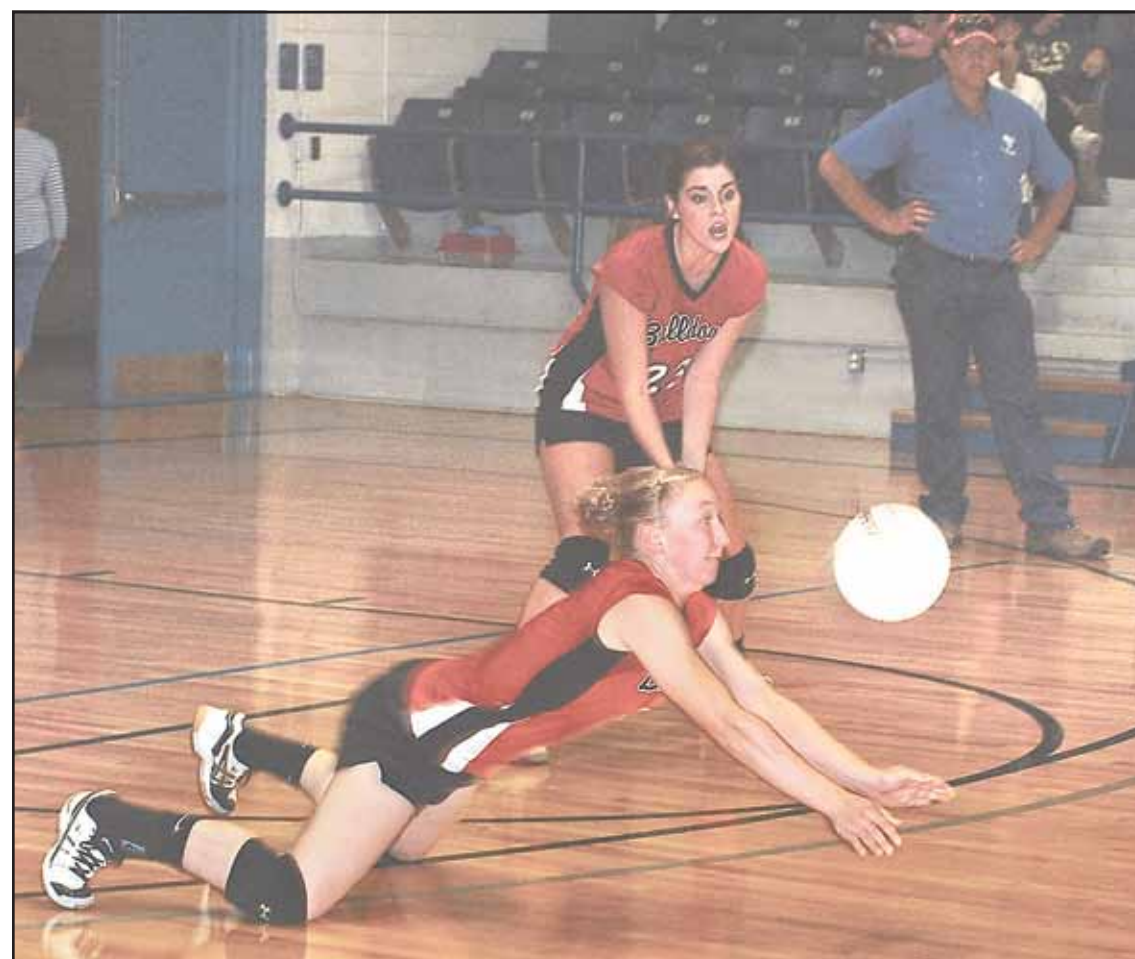
The second game for the Lady Bulldogs was against Healy. The girls opened on fire and ready to play.

Junior Kami Miller started and finished the first set serving a perfect game with 25 straight serves to win 25-0.

"It was an extraordinary opportunity to be able to serve 25 straight," Miller said. "We set well and hit hard as a team to keep the ball on our side of the net throughout the game."

"The girls did a great job keeping the ball," coach Orba Smith added. "They had an answer for everything Healy hit back over the net and played them out. This (25 straight points) is a rare accomplishment in volleyball, especially with rally scoring."

In the second set, Healy started with the serve. The Bulldogs played the serve out and won the point. With a 3-1 lead, Jennifer Esparza, freshman, stepped behind the line and served 10 in a row to put Golden Plains ahead 13-1.



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Golden Plains junior Kami Miller did an all-out dive to keep this volleyball off the Colby Community Building court during Tuesday night's Heartland Christian volleyball quadrangular. Teammate Madison Walz (right) was also ready if the ball came her way. The Bulldogs beat Quinter, lost to Cheylin, then finished with a late-night victory over Heartland Christian for second place overall. Details will appear in an upcoming edition. The Bulldogs now own an 11-5 season record.

The Eagles rallied but the Bulldogs stayed strong as another freshman, Maggi Nieman, spiked the ball for the final point to win the set, 25-6.

The final game of the night was Golden Plains against Heartland Christian. The Bulldogs worked hard to win the first set with a

score of 25-18.

Going into the second set, Golden Plains kept up its energy. The 'Dogs pulled ahead of Heartland 16-3, but errors allowed the Crusaders to close the gap.

The girls rallied together and made sure to set the ball up to pull ahead 20-8. With a kill by junior

Kyndra Rush, Golden Plains won the set 25-14.

With these three wins, the Bulldogs now have a 9-4 record going into Tuesday night's quadrangular in Colby against Cheylin, Quinter and Heartland Christian.

Watch for details in an upcoming edition.

Strong rallies stop Crusaders' quest

Heartland Christian's volleyball refused to lose even though the Crusaders built several leads during their home quadrangular at Colby Community Building on Tuesday.

No rally was tougher to take than the Cheylin Cougars' 15-point comeback to edge Heartland Christian, 26-24, in their opening set.

The Crusaders had achieved a 24-11 set point with strong serving as senior Cayla Carter picked up where she left off during last week's Golden Plains quad.

However, that one clinching point eluded Heartland Christian and ignited Cheylin to its 26-24, 25-20 victory.

The Crusaders' second match against Quinter featured feisty action for three sets. Yet the Bulldogs finished strong in a 25-14, 22-25, 25-22 triumph.

Golden Plains finished Heartland Christian's evening with a 25-17, 25-13 sweep.

The Crusaders play next at Saturday's Wichita Warriors tourney. Cheylin finished 3-0 to win the championship. Besides rallying past Heartland Christian, the Cougars swept Golden Plains 25-10, 25-16; and won a three-set battle over Quinter 25-14, 17-25, 25-23.

Golden Plains took second by winning two of three matches. A battle of Bulldogs went to Golden Plains over Quinter 25-20, 25-16.

Royals still have Tigers in their sights

CLEVELAND (AP) — With another win, the Kansas City Royals stepped closer to history and a playoff berth.

Kansas City kept pressure on

first-place Detroit in the AL Central with a 7-1 win over the Cleveland Indians on Tuesday night.

The Royals retreated to their clubhouse to watch the ninth in-

ning of the Tigers' 5-4 win over Chicago. As they ate their post-game meals, Kansas City's players roared loudly when the White Sox scored three runs in the ninth

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