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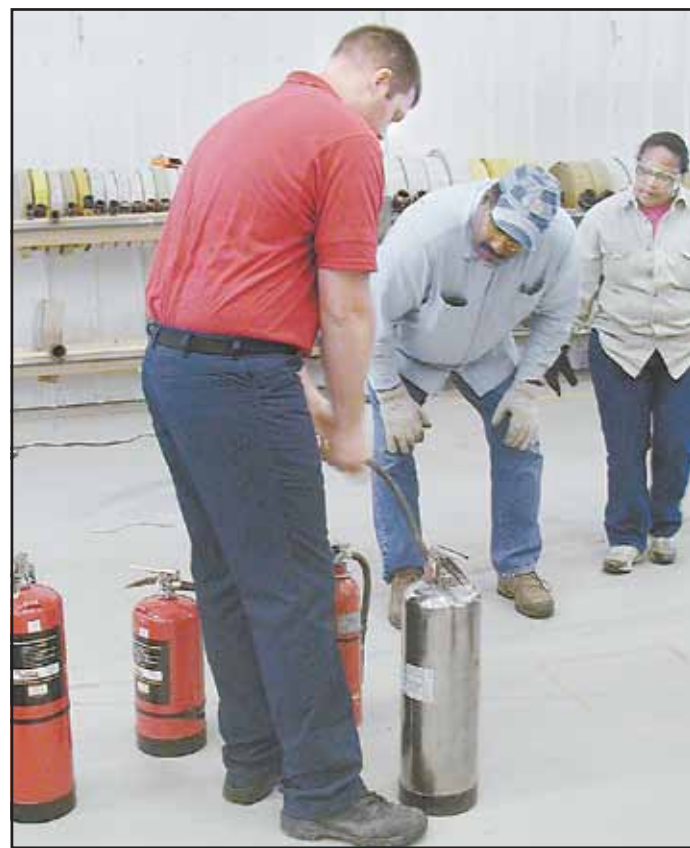


Fire extinguishers 101

Firefighter and instructor Zach Golemboski (top) explained kinds of fire extinguishers and how to use them for a Community Emergency Response Team exercise Saturday at the Colby Fire Department. Donna Ronco (right) took aim at a blaze in a fire extinguisher trainer while her mom, Janice Ronco, served as her backup. The two switched places (bottom right) so each could get some practice. Below, Golemboski showed various kinds of extinguishers to W.G. and Orvella Romine. The class has 10 students.



MARIAN BALLARD
Colby Free Press



Schools' head retires in summer

The Colby Public Schools will be looking for a new superintendent after Terrell Harrison resigned Monday night.

"I really enjoyed working in this district," Harrison said, "and I will help any way I can to find a replacement, but it is time for me to enjoy my grandchildren and travel with my husband."

The school board approved her resignation, effective after the end of the school year June 30, at its monthly meeting Monday night.

Members set a special board meeting for next Monday to begin the search for her replacement. Doug Moeckel, deputy executive director of the Kansas Association of School Boards, will be invited to help the board in its search.

Harrison has served for seven years as the superintendent and another seven before that as the principal of Colby Grade School. Before that, she taught English at the Wallace County schools in Sharon Springs.

Stolen corn points to risk

Thomas County sheriff's deputies are asking farmers to be on the lookout for people trying to steal part of their crop as they harvest.

One farmer reported losing a whole truckload of corn – about 1,000 bushels – taken right out of his semitrailer last Monday night.

Deputy Lance Goodman said the corn disappeared sometime between 8 p.m. Oct. 13 and 8 a.m. Oct. 14. He said Tavis Towns of Monument left a 1990 Peterbilt truck with the keys in the ignition near County Roads 14 and H that night and came back the next day to find it empty. About \$3,500 worth of corn had been taken, Goodman said.

Managers at area elevators said they know their customers

and who is bringing in the corn, however. Eric Sperber, manager at Cornerstone Ag in Colby, said workers start a ticket for each load and know which farmer or custom harvester brought it in the vast majority of the time. John Strecker, manager at Hi Plains Co-op, said that a person who is not a farmer would not be able to take a load of corn to his elevators.

Goodman said the sheriff's office is still investigating and officers would like to hear from anyone with any information. Farmers need to be aware that this kind of theft is happening in Thomas County, Goodman said, and call the sheriff's office at 460-4570 if they have information on a theft or see any suspicious activity.

New mentors grow program

By Sam Dieter
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students are signing up to mentor younger kids this fall.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Thomas County expects to grow its program almost twofold because so many Thomas County

The organization is expecting almost twice as many mentors for their kids this year, said Director Orvella Romine, with 20 around

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Acoustic Eidolon

Acoustic duo blends sounds

Acoustic Eidolon, a Colorado group that blends blending Celtic, folk, world and Latin music, will appear at 3 p.m. (Central Time) Sunday at the Sherman Theatre, 1203 Main St. in Goodland, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association.

Joe Scott on double neck guitar

and Hannah Alkire on cello, from the Boulder, Colo., area, have played in the United States, Europe, Australia and Canada. They have 11 CDs and a DVD of their signature "new acoustic" sound, which *Dirty Linen* magazine praises as "a sumptuous musical feast." They are described by the Swallow Hill Music Association as "an evening of brilliant instrumentality." *Georgia's Good Life* magazine enthuses, "Acoustic Eidolon offers concert-goers a

chance to absorb some of the most powerful and intriguing music on the scene today."

Their original sound stems from diverse musical backgrounds and unusual instrumentation, including the one-of-a-kind double neck guitar, an instrument Scott designed. The guitar has 14 strings and Joe has developed his own style and technique, playing both simultaneously.

Alkire, a classically trained cellist, studied with G. Magyar of the

Hungarian String Quartet and is recognized for her stunning tone and emotional, impeccable playing and for taking the cello "places it's never been before."

The two joined their personal lives after forming their musical alliance and were married in 2001. The result is a coupling of intricate, passionate music with engaging stories.

Admission is by Western Plains season ticket or at the door, adults \$10, students \$5.



Weather



National Weather Service

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 45. North wind around 5 mph becoming calm after midnight.

Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 77. Light and variable wind becoming south 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 85. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north in the afternoon.

Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 48.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 80.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 50.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 80.

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 44.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 62.

Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 36.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 62.

Monday: High, 78; Low 37

Tuesday: High, 80; Low 43

Precip: Monday None

Tuesday None

Month: 0.48 inches

Year: 16.79 inches

Normal: 19.29 inches

(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset

Thursday 8:03 a.m. 6:54 p.m.

New moon at 4:57 p.m.

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

New mentors grow program

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new matches of "bigs" and "littles" to add to the 31 it had last year. The Thomas County group was recognized for the growth it has seen in recent years by the state organization for Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Often an adult "big" acts as a mentor to their "little," a child they see at different places. Some matches, including the new ones, are part of the "Bigs in School" program, where all the mentoring takes place at the child's school and for some matches, older students act as bigs. At least five students have volunteered from Colby Community College, and five each from Brewster, Colby and Golden Plains high schools.

Kids can join the program as a "little" at from age 5 to 18, while students mentoring

younger kids can start at the age of 16. Romine said she tries to get high schoolers to start as bigs as sophomores

Ally O'Neal, a senior at Colby High School, is one of the bigs who is returning for a second year. She went to the Colby Grade School's after-school program to become fourth-grader Morgan Durham's big for another year.

"I really like it, even when I don't see her after school," O'Neal said. "She's so excited to see me, and that makes me so happy."

The younger girl has been doing better in school with her help, O'Neal added, and she has come to recognize Durham's friends when she sees them at the after school activities.

"When I come to these things, all of her friends know me," O'Neal added. "I know all of

them by name, and I like it a lot."

There are no rules that dictate how far apart in age kids have to be, Romine said, adding that she tries to make sure bigs and littles are not the same age, and it's easier when they go to different schools. But at places like Golden Plains, she finds herself matching middle and high school kids. The high schoolers cannot mentor Golden Plains Elementary School kids, since their school is 10 miles away.

This summer, the group's statewide organization gave Big Brothers Big Sisters of Thomas County an award to recognize its growth. The program here was recognized at the June conference, and the next month Nancy Jeter, area director for northwest Kansas, travelled here to present the Thomas County board with its award.

Fire interrupts Selden harvest

By Steve Haynes

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Corn harvest has been going hot and heavy, but for Kent Ashley of Selden, things got a little hotter than he would have liked last Wednesday when his big John Deere combine burst into flame while he was cutting corn east of town.

Ashley said he was cutting a field about 2 1/2 miles east of Selden on County Road 130 North, making a pass back to the west, when he started to turn and saw flames shooting out of the engine compartment.

He said he was able to shut the combine down and get out before the fire got close to the cab. He called the fire department while neighbors, who'd noticed the smoke, ran to get tractors and discs to help with the blaze.

Ashley said he was glad he got off the combine when he did, as the flames pretty much consumed the rig, burning the engine compartment, cab and

mechanical areas up front. Some time after the flames were controlled, firemen were shoveling corn away from burning parts so they could spray them.

"There's so much plastic in them these days," Ashley said, "when they get started, there's no stopping them. I grabbed a fire extinguisher and shot it up in there, but it didn't do any good."

The call came in about 2:40 p.m., and the first trucks responded from the Sheridan County Rural Fire Station in Selden. With the combine blazing, fire fighters called for help.

Eventually, at least two trucks each came from five departments, including Rexford, Jennings, McGraw and Hoxie. While several crews did not wet a hose, at least one Selden rig had to go back to town for water.

Firemen said the combine had been dropping flaming matter, maybe plastic from side panels, along its path through the corn. That set several small fires, and with the wind rising out of the

south, they threatened the unharvested corn.

Ashley said he had insurance on the combine, and in fact, had called his agent before the firemen were done putting out the blaze. He was back to cutting the field the next afternoon.

"I guess we already bought a new one," he added. "The dealer delivered it right away and said we'd work out the deal later."

Darrel Bruggeman of Selden said he saw the smoke and ran for a disc rig at the family farm about a half mile away, but found two tires flat. He drove over to see if there was anything else he could do.

The Wessel family to the west was putting up silage. Members saw the flames and brought a disc, which they used to plow under stalks and leaves, preventing the fire from spreading.

Ed Conard, assistant fire chief in Hoxie, said at least 10 fire trucks answered the alarms. While the flames quickly abated, crews were on the scene for well over an hour.

Governor, challenger discuss gay marriage

By Roxana Hegeman

Associated Press

WICHITA (AP) — Republican Gov. Sam Brownback vowed Monday to defend Kansas' ban on same-sex marriage, while Democratic challenger Paul Davis said during a debate Monday that there's nothing either of them can do at this point because the matter is in the hands of the courts.

The issue came up during a televised debate at KWCH studios in Wichita in the wake of a U.S. Supreme Court decision earlier this month that cleared the way for gay marriages in several states. The American Civil Liberties Union is seeking a court order that would allow gay marriages in Kan-

sas, and a federal judge has set a hearing for Friday.

Kansas has a voter-approved ban on same-sex marriage in its constitution. Davis was a lawmaker when the Legislature debated it, and he said Monday that he did not support the constitutional amendment because he believed it would have an adverse effect on the welcoming image the state has had for decades. But he added that the people of Kansas decided by a significant majority to put the prohibition in the constitution, and he respects that decision.

"The fact ... is that at this particular time there is nothing I can do, there is nothing Gov. Brownback can do to impact this issue," Davis said. "It is in the court system."

Brownback noted that 70 percent of Kansans voted for the amendment.

"There is something that Rep. Davis and I can do on this and that is as governor defend our constitution, and he is not even saying whether he would defend our constitution where our people have voted on this issue," Brownback said.

Their final debate is Tuesday before the Kansas Association of Broadcasters meeting. The back-to-back appearances come amid recent independent polling that shows the race has tightened as outside money from groups has flooded into the state.

Davis is wooing moderate Republicans and unaffiliated voters worried about tax cuts enacted at Brownback's urging.

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.

Genesis gears up for holiday project

Genesis-Thomas County food bank plans again to help feed hungry Thomas County families during the holidays. Anyone interested in receiving a food basket should pick up forms from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays at the office, 350 S. Range Ave., Suite 13, or call the food bank at 460-7930. Forms are also available at the Pioneer Memorial Library, the Thomas County Health Department and the Kansas Department for Children and Families office. Return them by Thursday, Nov. 6.

Christmas greenery orders due by Nov. 2

The Colby Presbyterian Women are selling fresh Christmas greenery wreaths, garlands and centerpieces — to raise money for mission projects. Orders are due by Sunday, Nov. 2. For prices, information or to orders, call the church at 462-6342 or JoAnne Sunderman at 460-2476. Delivery will be the first week in December.

Advance voting open at courthouse

Early voting has begun at the Thomas County clerk's office. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday until Monday, Nov. 3, the day before elections. Advance voting must be shut down by 4:30 every day. For information, call the clerk's office at 460-4500.

District concert set for Thursday

Colby Public Schools' annual district-wide concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Community Building, featuring instrumental and vocal students from all three schools. It is the only time all year where you can see how students develop musical skills from grade school to high school. For information, call music teacher Jennifer Otten at 460-5100.

Used books haunt library's sale shelves

You'll find some hauntingly good bargains at gravely low prices during the Spooktacular Book Sale at the Pioneer Memorial Library from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday. For information, call the library at 460-4470.

Archaeology group to study Rawlins site

The fall meeting of the High Plains Chapter, Kansas Anthropological Association, will introduce the Burntwood Creek Archaic Site in Rawlins County. Colby Community College Professor Linda Davis-Stephens will give an overview from 1:15 to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Prairie Museum of Art and History, followed by a site visit for association members. For details, contact Rob Aiken at (785) 462-6399 or raiken@sttel.net

Once a Month Lunch coming up Saturday

Once a Month Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church, 515 W. Fourth St. This free meal is served to all who come the second Saturday of each month. No reservation. For questions, call Radonda Bufore at 462-2804.

Sacred Heart auction set for Saturday

The 17th Annual Sacred Heart Parish Auction will be Saturday at the City Limits Convention Center. For tickets, contact Kathy Britton at 462-2179.

Haunted House set to scare at fairgrounds

The American Youth Soccer Organization's haunted house, "Return of the Haunted Pirates," will be open at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and Thursday to Saturday, Oct. 30 to Nov. 1, at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. A children's matinee will run from 1 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, for \$4. General admission is \$7. For information, call Emily Griffin at 443-5884.

Kiwanis plans feed for fall weekend

Come to the Kiwanis Pancake Feed from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, 220 N Lake, in downtown Colby. For a \$5 donation, get all you can eat. Proceeds go for Christmas, youth and community projects. For information, call Kenton Krehbiel at (785) 443-3437.

Relay for Life volunteers to organize

Volunteers are needed for the 2015 Relay for Life. Bring your ideas to a planning meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, in the Thomas County Office Complex meeting room. One item to discuss is a new option of only going to midnight. For information or if you are interested in helping but unable to attend, call Tammy Kimminau, American Cancer Society staff, at (785) 819-2714, or email her at tammy.kimminau@cancer.org.

LOCAL TV LISTINGS sponsored by the COLBY FREE PRESS

THURSDAY EVENING

OCTOBER 23, 2014

FRIDAY EVENING

OCTOBER 24, 2014

Table with columns for time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and rows for various TV channels (ABC, CBS, NBC, FOX, ION, A&E, AMC, ANIMAL, BET, BRAVO, CARTOON, CMT, CNN, COMEDY, DISCOVERY, DISNEY, E!, ESPN, ESPN2, FAMILY, FOOD, HGTV, HISTORY, LIFETIME, MTV, NICK, SPIKE, SYFY, TBS, TCM, TLC, TNT, TRAVEL, TV LAND, USA, VH1, WGN, HBO, MAX, SHOW).

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Tunes evoke memories

SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press
Kristin Anderson-Bohan (left) Roger Topliff, Rex Spease, and Ron Pflug played Sunday afternoon for over 200 people at Colby Community College's Cultural Arts Center. Topliff and Spease, a Lawrence native, each had solos when the Crystal Swing band, which includes Roger Johns on the bass and Del Moolenhauer on the piano, played well-known jazz and swing tunes from the first half of the 20th century. The Colorado-based band plays between 40 and 50 times each year, Anderson-Bohan said, including concerts, dances, weddings and other venues.

Monitor feed closely for nitrates

Over the past few months the office has been sending off several forage samples to be tested for nitrates.

Forages with high nitrates occur when crops such as corn, sorghum, cereal grains and some grasses are exposed to drought, hail, frost, cloudy weather or soil infertility imbalances. When forages such as these are fed to livestock, nitrates interfere with the blood's ability to carry oxygen.

Why are nitrates toxic?
Nitrate toxicity is a misleading term because nitrite (NO₂), not nitrate (NO₃), is poisonous to animals. After a ruminant animal consumes the plant, the rumen bacteria rapidly reduce nitrates to nitrites. Normally, nitrites are converted to ammonia and used by rumen microorganisms as a nitrogen source.

However, if nitrite intake is faster than its breakdown, the nitrites will begin to accumulate in the rumen. These nitrites are promptly absorbed in the blood stream, converting hemoglobin to methemoglobin. Red blood cells containing methemoglobin cannot transport oxygen and the animal dies of asphyxiation.

Before feeding forages that are troublesome or suspected to contain high nitrates, send samples to a laboratory to be analyzed. This is necessary to determine if the forages contain



Kurt Sexton

• Knowledge for Life

virtually safe levels of nitrates or potentially toxic levels. In some situations, high nitrate forages can be fed to animals if proper precautions are taken.

- Gradually adapt cattle to high nitrate feeds. If the nitrates in the feed are not relatively high, cattle can usually adapt somewhat to the increasing amounts. Frequent feeding throughout the day rather than large amounts once daily will increase the total amount that can be safely fed.

- Dilute with other feeds. Based on the forage analysis from the laboratory, blend high nitrate feeds so that the overall diet contains less than 5,000 parts per million (ppm) on a dry basis. After a period of three to four weeks of feeding, cattle normally adjust to nitrates and high amounts can be increased somewhat.
- Supplement grain. Feeding two to five pounds of grain or byproduct dilutes the

amount of nitrates in the total ration and provides what is needed for bacteria in the rumen to convert nitrites to ammonia.

- Do not feed to stressed livestock. Animals that are sick, hungry, pregnant or lactating have lower tolerances for nitrates than healthy animals.

- Provide clean drinking water. Frequent intake of high-quality water is essential for optimal rumen fermentation. Some ponds, ditches, heavily fertilized fields, septic tanks, or manure piles can contain high amounts of nitrates.

These are only a few of the precautions that either need to be taken or can be taken. I would like to stress that it is best to send samples to a laboratory before feeding any forage to livestock that is suspected to contain high nitrates. If nitrate toxicity is believed to be a problem, diagnosis and treatment need to be performed by a licensed veterinarian.

For information contact me 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.

Veteran, neighborhood at odds over flagpole

Noelle M. Steele
Daily Reporter

GREENFIELD, Ind. (AP) — A couple's desire to keep a flagpole in their front yard so they can fly an American flag has sparked controversy in a Greenfield subdivision.

The debate has grown so heated that both sides have hired attorneys, and the couple has been assessed a \$500 fine by their homeowners association.

They have refused to pay the fine, saying they have a federally protected right to display the American flag. The homeowners association doesn't disagree, but members say the association has rules about how and where that

flag may be placed.

There's no debate over the tastefulness of the display in front of Bob and Judy Willits' home in the 1600 block of Stonewall Drive; even the homeowners association members asking for it to be removed say the flagpole, surrounded by a bed of seasonal flowers, is a lovely setup. But it's also against the rules - ones others have been asked to follow, said Kaye Eckert, president of the homeowners association in the Fieldstone subdivision, which is off Blue Road north of Main Street in Greenfield.

"It is displayed beautifully," she told the *Daily Reporter* (bit.ly/1nwY0hu). "We couldn't ask for any more if they were allowed."

Homeowners associations, which are common in local subdivisions, serve as the neighborhood's governing body, establishing bylaws intended to keep the homes looking nice and in some cases uniform from property to property.

The Fieldstone homeowners association allows for flags, but they have to be attached to a bracket on the home.

The Willitses say they didn't know they were in violation of the rules, which don't specifically mention flagpoles. They were devastated when Eckert visited their home during the summer to ask them to remove the flagpole holding two flags, an American flag and a POW/MIA flag. Eckert told them the flagpole violated the association covenants.

The flags are more than just a patriotic representation to the couple; Bob Willits is a disabled U.S. Army veteran who fought in Korea, and his brother, who was also in the Army, is still listed as missing in action from the Korean

War.

The Willitses moved into the Fieldstone subdivision late last year, and having bought their condominium directly from the previous owner - not through a real estate agent - they say they never received a copy of the rules prohibiting the display.

"I fought for that flag, and I paid for it dearly," Bob Willits said. "My brother died for it. I'm not tearing it down. Period."

Eckert said the flags aren't the problem; it's the pole, which she said could cause issues for landscapers who mow the properties in Fieldstone. The neighborhood association oversees lawn care for the complex of neatly kept condominiums.

Members of the neighborhood association also cited concerns about what happens when other neighbors begin putting up flagpoles in violation of the rules, Eckert said.

"Some of them would not be done properly, and it wouldn't be very patriotic in the end," she said.

Corrections

An article, "Schools face state's deep cuts," on Page 1 of the Wednesday, Sept. 24, *Colby Free Press*, contained two inaccurate statements. The state's whole budget fund surplus, not just the money for education, is expected to drop to \$29.4 million next year. This was a reporting error. Also Superintendent Terrel Harrison

met with Craig Neuenswander. This was error in information provided to the *Free Press*.

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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.

Student stories sought

Students who love Kansas are invited to enter the annual essay contest "Kansas! Say It Above a Whisper," sponsored by the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas.

This contest focuses on state pride and is open to Kansas students in grades eight through 12.

Essays must be limited to 250 words (about one double-spaced typewritten page) and must be submitted electronically by email no later than Friday, Nov. 28. The essay should include the author's name, school, grade, mailing address, and phone number. Send entries to: Terry Marmet, Kansas Historical Foundation, membership@kshs.org. Include "Boyd Essay Contest" in the subject line of the email.

Early day Kansas newspaper-woman Mamie Boyd coined the phrase that is used for the contest title. Her family continues to provide the cash award for the first place winner. Past essays have described interesting and strong-hearted Kansans, the state's vast grain crops and grasslands, diversities in population, and the emotions and pride called to mind by the state's unique beauty.

A panel from the Kansas Historical Society and the Foundation will judge entries. Judges look for quality of writing, originality, creativity, and sincerity in expressing pride in the state of Kansas. Winners will be announced and

recognized at the annual meeting of the Native Sons and Daughters of Kansas, Friday, Jan. 30, in Topeka.

For information, contact Terry Marmet, director of operations, Kansas Historical Foundation, (785) 272-8681, ext. 209; membership@kshs.org.

Student listed

Heath Stephens of Colby has been named to the summer dean's list at Cleveland Chiropractic College in Kansas City. To be named to the list, students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 trimester hours and have a grade average of 3.4 or higher.

I would like to take this opportunity to announce my retirement from The Carousel. After 38 years it is time to move on to other endeavors. Thanks to all my customers for your patronage. To my coworkers, it has been a pleasure working with you, I will miss you all.

Judy Hager

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Deaths

Adelaide Marie 'Ada' Kruse

Adelaide Marie Kruse, 88, formerly of Oakley, died Sunday, Oct. 19, 2014, at Citizen's Medical Center in Colby.

She was born May 6, 1926, at home in Gove County, to James Martin "Jake" and Martha Cecilia (Depperschmidt) Zerr. She grew up on a farm south of Grinnell. She attended a country school and Grinnell High School, earning a General Educational Development diploma in her early 50s. She moved to Garden City for a short time, where she worked as a waitress before returning to Oakley.

On April 22, 1946, she married Roman "Sam" Arthur Kruse in Oakley. They lived in Abilene and Hoisington, moving with the seismograph company Sam worked for.

In 1950 they moved back to Oakley where she lived until 2001 when she moved to Colby to live with her daughter Izetta (Wes) Rummel.

A homemaker until her children were in school, she then worked in local businesses as a housekeeper and restaurant server. In the mid-'60s and early-'70s, they ran a family-owned service station, retiring at age 74.

She excelled in figure-ice skating as a young woman, enjoyed dancing, pool, playing cards, embroidery, gardening (her love was flowers), bingo and children. Coffee and a conversation was her specialty.

She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Oakley and its altar society; the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies' Auxiliary; the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles; the Queen Mary Circle; the Red Hat Society; a 36-year Alcoholics Anonymous member and held various offices at different times.



Ada Kruse

Preceding her in death were her parents; her husband; two sons, Lawrence Kruse and Jerome Kruse; two brothers, Leo Zerr and Paul Zerr; a granddaughter, Sheena Stephens; and two grandsons, Kerry Reilley and Jance Kruse.

Survivors include three daughters, Izetta (Wes) Rummel, of Colby; Lisa (Stan) Stephens, Oakley; and Lomita "Bo" (Don) Opel, Littleton, Colo.; a son, Gary Kruse, Oakley; four sisters, Henrietta Jackson, Pomona, Mo.; Julie Robben, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Bobbie Falkenburg (Gus Priola), St. Petersburg, Fla.; and Mony Zerr, Colorado Springs; a brother, Art (Jo) Zerr, Denver; 17 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 24, 2014, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Colby. Burial will be at 2 p.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Oakley.

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Kennedy-Koster Funeral Home in Oakley, with a rosary service at 6 p.m.

VFW Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars met Oct. 8 with President Anita Thiel officiating.

Following discussion, \$45 was allowed for Wreaths Across America at the WaKeeney National Cemetery service.

The Legislative report was an excerpt from VFW Action Corps in Washington, D.C., about a veteran being held in a Mexican prison.

Veterans and Family Support report was items made to send to the hospital.

The Americanism report was about common struggles for veterans and families and how to receive help. A donation was allowed to Cancer Aid and Research as a token of appreciation for the district junior vice president's inspection visit.

Donations were made for cleaning the post kitchen, hospital Pink Ladies and for Grinnell Auxiliary member Carol Rietcheck as reimbursement for the reception for Thiel as district president for the coming year.

The president read a letter of invitation she sent to Hill City Auxiliary members to transfer membership to Colby, since the Hill City Auxiliary has disbanded.

Department Senior Vice President Linda Marshal was present for annual inspection and spoke to the group about new bylaws and actions of the organization.

District Junior Vice President Deb Niermeir from Stockton was also present for annual inspection and spoke to the group. She gave president Thiel the "growing dollar" for fundraising, and cards and coins for Random Acts of patriotism in the community.

Vera Niermeier, a member from Stockton Auxiliary, was a guest.

The next meeting will be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, at the post.

- Hazel Duffey, secretary

Voter age listed as 164

NEW YORK (AP) — A 73-year-old New York woman has discovered her official voter registration card lists her birth year as 1850, aging her by a whopping 91 years.

Luz Pabellon tells the *New York Post* (bit.ly/107UGzc) she's been voting for years but never knew Board of Elections records misstated her age by nearly a century.

Election officials tell the newspaper origins of the mix-up can be traced to 1978, when Pabellon registered to vote, listing "18+" in the date-of-birth section of her voting card. Years later, the board entered those cards electronically and the Bronx resident's birthdate was somehow entered in as 01/01/1850 by default.

The registered Democrat was actually born in 1941.

Some officials tell the Post they worry that election records might similarly misstate voters' birth years.

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Free Press Viewpoint

Encryption debate has privacy at stake

When the director of the FBI rails against companies installing real encryption software on phones and computers, we should listen.

He's talking to us. And what he is saying is that the government does not want to give up the ability to spy on its citizens because they might be doing something wrong.

The standard argument goes something like this: if you have nothing to hide, then why be worried about government agents spying on the bad guys?

Oh, if only we could trust the government. But the National Security Agency already has shown it can't be trusted not to spy on citizens, secretly gathering data about billions of our phone calls over the years under the so-called Patriot Act.

And the Internal Revenue Service, we know, is above playing politics when it goes after tax cheats. Or so the gullible may have thought until the IRS was found to be doing just that, putting road blocks in the way of conservative groups under the guise of tax enforcement, holding up nonprofit status rulings, generally trying to suppress the opposition. Sadly, it's happened before.

The current movement to allow users to encrypt their data in phones and hard drives stems, in fact, from revelations about past domestic spying. Privacy advocates contacted by the Associated Press dismissed director James Comey's concerns as exaggerated.

The director claimed encryption could impede criminal investigations and cost lives. He called for new laws to allow agencies to intercept conversations as advancing technology and new forms of communication emerge.

He claimed the bureau often has the right, under a court order, to intercept a communication, but often lacks the technical ability to do so. That may come as a surprise to tech experts who've long assumed that the FBI and other parts of the security apparatus long have had the keys to a "back door" entry to older encryption methods. Or those who believe the agency's tech experts were infallible.

Questioned after his Washington talk, the director couldn't cite any instance when someone's life had been in danger or who had been rescued due to an intercept that could become impossible.

"Logic tells me there are going to be cases like that," the wire service reported him as saying.

Even with encryption of phones and computers, experts pointed out, police agencies still could intercept calls and messages. It's only stored data they couldn't get at.

Our answer is simple: get a warrant, the door will open. That, of course, would require going to court and might allow the target to fight for his or her privacy.

But that's what Constitutional rights are all about, isn't it? Pity not the poor FBI. — Steve Haynes

THIS IS OBAMA'S NEW EBOLA CZAR



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Hobbies rejected, she'll keep on working

Steve talks about retiring sometimes. I just don't know about that.

We are both past 65, so are seeing friends leave their jobs and start doing other things.

It's natural to look at them and think, "What about me? What about us? Should we look at giving up and let someone else do this?"

At the moment, the answer is no.

We both like our jobs, and although we're way too busy sometimes, I don't think retiring would help that. Most retired people I know are busier now than they were before leaving their paying jobs.

Some take jobs in a different field. Some do volunteer work or take care of their grandchildren and/or great-grandchildren, which is just another volunteer job.

With this in mind, I took a few minutes to think about what I would do if I retired.

Now, I do my best thinking in the shower or in the car. This can be dangerous, of course, since there are times I step out of the shower and wonder if and what I washed, and I have found myself driving along and have had no idea where I am, since I wasn't looking at my landmarks and passed the junction where I was supposed to turn about five miles back. (I ended up in Hoxie that way when I was driving from Colby to Selden, one time.)

Anyway, I started thinking about what I do and what I would like to do.

The thing is, I like to do what I'm doing. I



Cynthia Haynes

• Open Season

enjoy writing, doing books, taking photos of people and interesting events, and I like being a pharmacist.

I also like to read, but when I do have the opportunity to have a day off and spend the entire time reading, I get bored after a couple of hours. Then, I go to the office. I like to read, but it's not something I want to take up full time.

So I started thinking of the hobbies I've tried in the past.

After each child was born, I took up a different hobby while I was on maternity leave.

With Felicia, the oldest, I did belly dancing. I even appeared on local television in Kansas City. That was great for a 26-year-old, but I don't think that is something I want to pick up 40 years later.

With Lindsay, I went to the Nelson Art Gallery and took a weaving class. It was interesting and fun, and our two girls and I would spend some time touring the gallery and have lunch there. But that was in another time and

place, and I'm not going there again.

With Lacy, our son, I took a tennis class at Johnson County Community College. Steve and I enjoyed playing, poorly, together until we moved to a town in Colorado with no tennis court.

Today, that seems too strenuous, for me at least. I prefer to exercise by walking, not jumping all over with a racket.

So what would I do?

Take care of my grandchildren? My daughter would like that, but she lives in Georgia and we've got no plans to move.

Take up knitting, bridge, crossword puzzles? Nope, nope and nope.

I'd probably find myself behind a pharmacy counter most every day. I've done that and, although I enjoyed it, I'm not going back. That's just another job.

I guess I'll just keep on doing this one. I love it and, hopefully, I'm reasonably good at it.

Anyway, looks like you guys are stuck with a few more years of columns, stories and photos. Even the cat haters.

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Protest against war training goes on

On Aug. 9, 1983, three people dressed as U.S. soldiers saluted their way onto a U.S. military base and climbed a pine tree. The base had a school training elite Salvadoran and other foreign troops to serve dictatorships back home, with a record of nightmarish brutality. That night, once the base's lights went out, the students of this school heard, coming down from on high, the voice of Archbishop Oscar Romero.

"I want to make a special appeal to soldiers, national guardsmen, and policemen: each of you is one of us. The peasants you kill are your own brothers and sisters. When you hear a man telling you to kill, remember God's words, 'thou shalt not kill.' No soldier is obliged to obey a law contrary to the law of God. In the name of God, in the name of our tormented people, I beseech you, I implore you; in the name of God I command you to stop the repression."

The three in the tree with the loudspeaker weren't soldiers — two were priests. The recording they played was of Archbishop Romero's final homily, delivered a day before his assassination three years earlier at the hands of paramilitary soldiers, two of whom had been trained at this school.

Fr. Larry Rosebaugh, (who was killed in Guatemala on May 18, 2009), Linda Ventimiglia, and Fr. Roy Bourgeois, (a former missionary expelled from Bolivia, later excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church because of his support for women's ordination) were sentenced to 15 to 18 months in prison for the stirring drama that night.

Romero's words were heard loud and clear, and even after military police arrived at the base of the tree and stopped the broadcast, Roy Bourgeois, who later founded a movement to close the school, continued shouting Romero's appeal as loudly as he could until he was

Other Opinions

• Kathy Kelly PeaceVoice

shoved to the ground, stripped, and arrested.

As we approach the nightmare of renewed, expanded U.S. war in Iraq, I think of Archbishop Romero's words and example. He aligned himself with the most impoverished people in El Salvador, learning about their plight by listening to them every weekend in the program he hosted on Salvadoran radio. With ringing clarity, he spoke out on their behalf, and he jeopardized his life challenging the elites, the military and the paramilitaries in El Salvador.

We should try to hear the grievances of people in Iraq and the region, including those who have joined the Islamic State, regarding U.S. policies and wars that have radically affected their lives and well-being over the past three decades. Many of the Iraqis who are fighting with Islamic State forces lived through Saddam Hussein's oppression when he received enthusiastic support from the U.S. during the Iran-Iraq war in the 1980s.

Many may be survivors of the U.S. Desert Storm bombing in 1991, which destroyed every electrical facility across Iraq. When the U.S. insisted on crushing economic sanctions on Iraq for the next 13 years, these sanctions contributed to the deaths of a half million children under 5. Are some of the Islamic State fighters the brothers or cousins of the children who were punished to death by economic sanctions? Presumably many of these fighters lived through the U.S.-led 2003 Shock

and Awe invasion and bombing of Iraq and the chaos the U.S. created afterwards by using a war-shattered country as some sort of free market experiment; they've endured the repressive corruption of the regime the U.S. helped install in Saddam's place.

The United Nations should take over the response to the Islamic State, and people should pressure the U.S. and its allies to leave the response not merely to the U.N. but to its most democratic body, the General Assembly.

But facing the bloody mess that has developed in Iraq and Syria, I think Archbishop Romero's exhortation to the Salvadoran soldiers pertains directly to U.S. people. Suppose these words were slightly rewritten: I want to make a special appeal to the people of the United States. Each of you is one of us. The peoples you kill are your own brothers and sisters. When you hear a person telling you to kill, remember God's words, 'thou shalt not kill.' In the name of God, in the name of our tormented people, I beseech you, I implore you ... I command you to stop the repression.

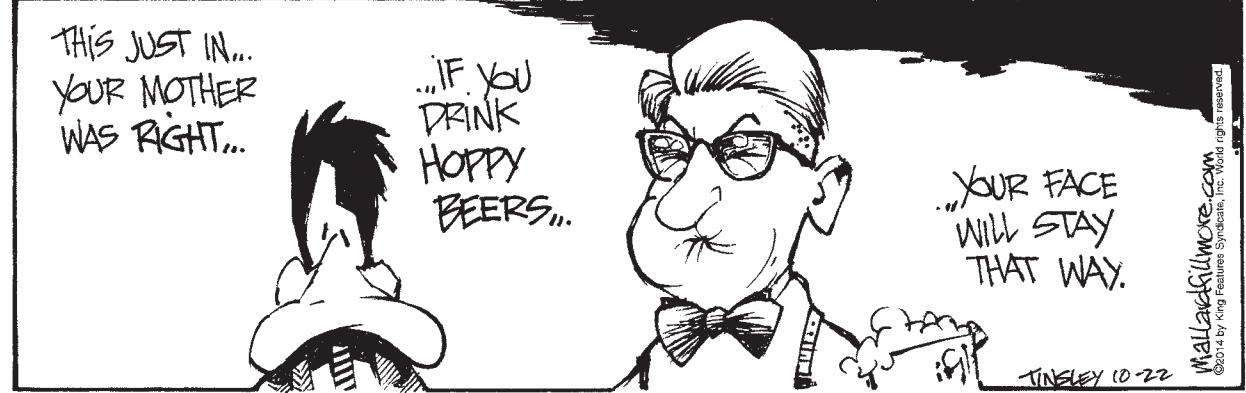
The war on the Islamic State will distract us from what the U.S. has done and is doing to create further despair in Iraq. The Islamic State is the echo of the last war in Iraq, the so-called "Shock and Awe" bombing and invasion. The emergency is not the Islamic State but war.

We in the U.S. must give up our notions of exceptionalism; recognize the economic and societal misery our country caused in Iraq; recognize that we are a perpetually war-waging, often aggressing nation; make reparations; and find dramatic, clear ways to insist that Romero's words be heard: Stop the killing.

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• Bruce Tinsley



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On the Beat

**COLBY POLICE
Oct. 14**

12:04 a.m. – Caller reported a shoplifter. Removed the subject from the premises.
 8:18 a.m. – Helped ambulance crew.
 8:59 a.m. – Fire alarm: responded until fire department arrived.
 10:36 a.m. – Burglary: subject reported items taken from vehicle.
 12:10 p.m. – Subject brought item found in street to station.
 1:05 p.m. – Caller reported theft.
 1:26 p.m. – Caller reported subject refusing to return property. Items were returned to both parties, all OK.
 1:43 p.m. – Welfare check.
 2:12 p.m. – Caller reported vehicle damaged.
 2:20 p.m. – Civil standby.
 4 p.m. – Caller reported theft.
 4 p.m. – Accident.
 6:39 p.m. – Caller reported hitchhiker. Not found.
 8:49 p.m. – Caller reported juvenile walking. Made contact; all OK.
 8:56 p.m. – Caller reported fight. Only verbal, all OK.
 11:58 p.m. – Caller reported domestic disturbance.

Last Wednesday
 12:53 a.m. – Protective custody report filed.
 1:01 p.m. – Accident.
 4:17 p.m. – Manager reported subject being disorderly; refusing to leave.
 5:59 p.m. – Subject wanted civil stand-by. Landlord not found.
 6:10 p.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop.
 10:31 p.m. – Caller reported subject punched another subject.

Thursday
 7:40 a.m. – Narcotics violation report filed.
 10:23 a.m. – Driving while suspended report filed.
 10:52 a.m. – Caller reported criminal damage to vehicle.
 11:05 a.m. – Funeral block for Baalman Mortuary.
 12:30 p.m. – Dog at large turned over to Colby Animal Clinic.
 2:48 p.m. – Caller reported theft.
 3:58 p.m. – Clerk reported truck towing trailer struck pop machine at the fuel pumps.
 5:10 p.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop. Four officers responded.

Friday
 5:36 p.m. – Walk through at

Walmart.
 7:17 p.m. – Possible harassment. Spoke to reporting party, no report.
 9:17 p.m. – Caller reported car alarm went off; wanted officer to check area.

Saturday
 4:22 a.m. – Domestic disturbance report filed.
 8:28 p.m. – Walk through at Walmart.
 8:56 p.m. – Caller reported calf walking eastbound on off ramp at westbound I-70 mile 53. Helped High Patrol on call for semi/calf accident between exits on westbound I-70.

Sunday
 2:40 a.m. – Caller reported screaming and fighting.
 4:51 a.m. – Deprivation of property/criminal damage to property: caller reported subjects left bus in front of residence, then left in a pickup. Report filed on traffic stop.
 6:51 a.m. – Burglary/theft: caller reported vehicle entered while it was parked.
 10:32 a.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop.
 5 p.m. – Criminal damage report filed.
 8:48 p.m. – Helped ambulance crew on call.
 9:46 p.m. – Walk through at Walmart.
 10:43 p.m. – Deprivation of property report filed for call at 4:51 a.m.

Monday
 2:41 a.m. – Checked two subjects walking southbound on S. Range; provided them a ride to Oasis Travel Center.
 9:37 a.m. – Walk through at Colby High School.
 9:43 a.m. – Walk through at Sacred Heart School.
 10:47 a.m. – Child in need of care report filed.
 1:15 p.m. – Helped motorist at Oasis.
 1:54 p.m. – Report filed for assistance to Department of Children and Families.
 2:45 p.m. – Civil standby.

**THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF
Oct. 14**

1:49 a.m. – Booked Kimberly Wilson.
 8:48 a.m. – Caller reported theft of a truckload of seed corn.
 11:19 a.m. – Booked Tirrell Audrelius Middleton.
 2:03 p.m. – Released Middle-

ton.
 2:13 p.m. – Released Michael Joe Hillis.
 2:30 p.m. – Walk through at McCarty Dairy
 2:42 p.m. – Walk through at Golden Plains School, Rexford.

Last Wednesday
 1:28 a.m. – Booked Angela Rydquist.
 7:27 a.m. – Released Rydquist.
 10:55 a.m. – Released Christopher Franco.
 11:42 a.m. – Booked Ramiro Madrigal.
 1:09 p.m. – Booked Armando Rodriguez Jr.
 4:03 p.m. – Released Kelly Kay Hake.
 4:20 p.m. – Helped Colby Police on disorderly call at Love's Country Store.
 5:11 p.m. – Arrest warrant served on Kimberly Cheyenne Wilson.
 5:11 p.m. – Arrest warrant served on Christian Lewis Hillis.
 6:10 p.m. – Helped Colby Police on traffic stop in the 100 block of E. Eighth.
 11:45 p.m. – Booked Jacob Haire.

Thursday
 5:07 a.m. – Booked Anne Williams.
 7:41 a.m. – Released Jacob Scott Haire.
 10:27 a.m. – Caller reported criminal damage to power line tower.
 10:42 a.m. – Released Williams
 11:05 a.m. – Funeral block for Baalman Mortuary.
 1 p.m. – Insufficient funds checks report filed on Lizette Jaime.
 1:06 p.m. – Booked Jaime.
 1:18 p.m. – Released Jaime.
 5:10 p.m. – Helped Colby Police on traffic stop in the 1100 block of S. Franklin.
 5:33 p.m. – Booked Patrick Lee Stubblefield.
 8:38 p.m. – Caller reported calf out in ditch at westbound I-70 mile 71. Contacted owner to handle.

Friday
 9:51 a.m. – Released Kimberly Cheyenne Wilson.
 11:30 a.m. – Warrant served on Ramiro Madrigal.
 11:30 a.m. – Warrant served on Armando Rodriguez.
 2:30 p.m. – Booked Jamie Litchfield.
 5:09 p.m. – Provided ride for subject from Law Enforcement Center to Mitten's, Oakley.

7:08 p.m. – Removed tire debris in roadway in the 1200 block of K-25.
 10:11 p.m. – Business check at Frontier Ag, Menlo.
 10:28 p.m. – Business check at Frontier Ag, Rexford.
 11:38 p.m. – Rollover accident at U.S. 24 mile 52.

Saturday
 5:33 a.m. – Booked Dee Petty
 6:04 p.m. – Released Petty.
 8:32 p.m. – Business check at Colby Wrecking Yard.
 8:40 p.m. – Caller reported adult daughter battered by her boyfriend.

Sunday
 1:03 a.m. – Took juvenile to Southwest Kansas Juvenile Detention Facility, Garden City.
 1:38 a.m. – Booked Patrick Ilunga Kaniki.
 2:45 a.m. – Booked Clemente Nunez-Roza.
 2:46 a.m. – Assisted Colby Police Department on call at 200 S. Range.
 2:52 a.m. – Released Nunez-Roza.
 4:09 a.m. – Booked Kristen Ruth Lawrence.
 4:51 a.m. – Transporting open container/minor in possession report filed on traffic stop at Third and Mission Ridge for Colby police.
 5:34 a.m. – Booked Tucker Del Vonlehe.
 5:45 a.m. – Released Vonlehe.
 5:58 a.m. – Booked Jamie Elizabeth Wright.
 6:07 a.m. – Released Wright.
 6:28 a.m. – Booked Shastina Marie Stupka.
 6:34 a.m. – Released Stupka.
 6:50 a.m. – Booked Corey Allen Reed.
 6:56 a.m. – Released Reed.
 7:13 a.m. – Booked Shawn Michael Phillips.
 7:18 a.m. – Released Phillips.
 7:29 a.m. – Booked Matt Allen Lindberg.
 7:33 a.m. – Released Lindberg.
 7:42 a.m. – Booked Shilo Lou Stupka.
 7:47 a.m. – Released Stupka.
 7:58 a.m. – Booked Joshua Wade Mazanec.
 8:02 a.m. – Released Mazanec.
 11:27 a.m. – Booked Luiz

Miguel Rodriguez-Enriquez.
 11:34 a.m. – Released Lawrence.
 12:02 p.m. – Released Rodriguez-Enriquez.
 2:14 p.m. – Released Jamie Mitchell Litchfield.
 2:04 p.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop at I-70 mile 46 eastbound.
 3:15 p.m. – Booked Marshall Webb Fussell.
 3:41 p.m. – Released Fussell.
 7:20 p.m. – Subjects reported son received call from subject wanting to touch him.

Monday
 6:26 a.m. – Brought inmate from El Paso County, Colo., Sheriff's Office to Law Enforcement Center.
 7:26 a.m. – Caller reported two subjects walking on County Rd. 20 between D and E. Took to U.S.

passing signs being shot up.
 12:02 p.m. – Released Matthew Eugene Horinek.
 12:23 p.m. – Assisted game warden.
 1:27 p.m. – Released Christian Lewis Hillis.
 2:56 p.m. – Booked Shawn Gill.
 4 p.m. – Child in need of care report filed.
 4 p.m. – Probation violation report filed.
 6:43 p.m. – Booked Shawn West.
 9:54 p.m. – Criminal trespass report filed on incident in Brewster.
 10:21 p.m. – Booked Allen Minton.

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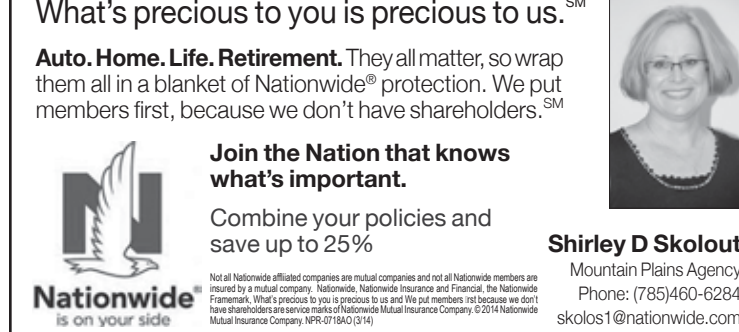
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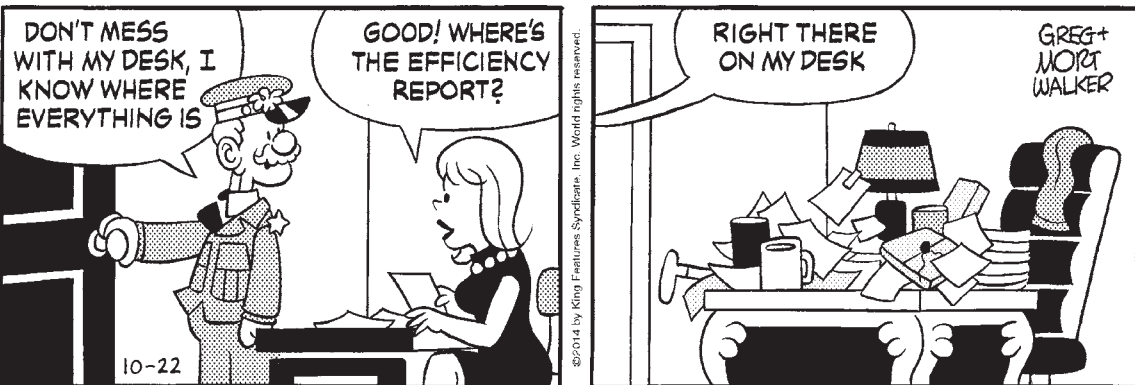
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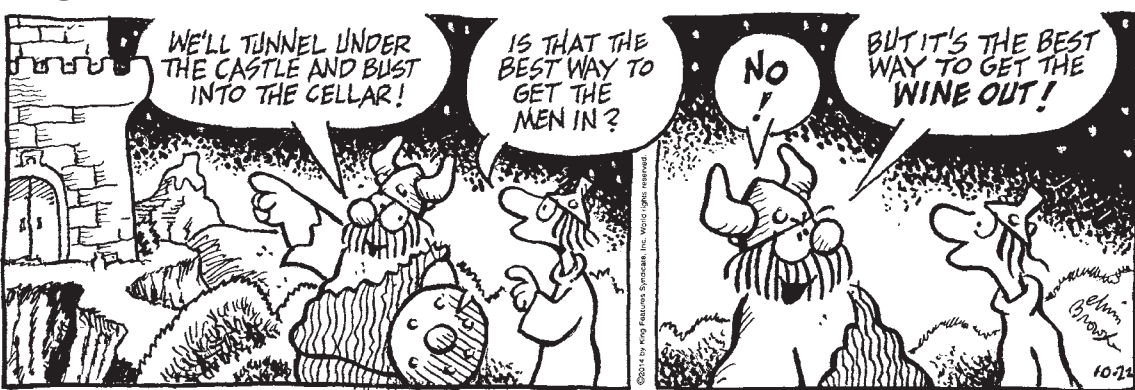
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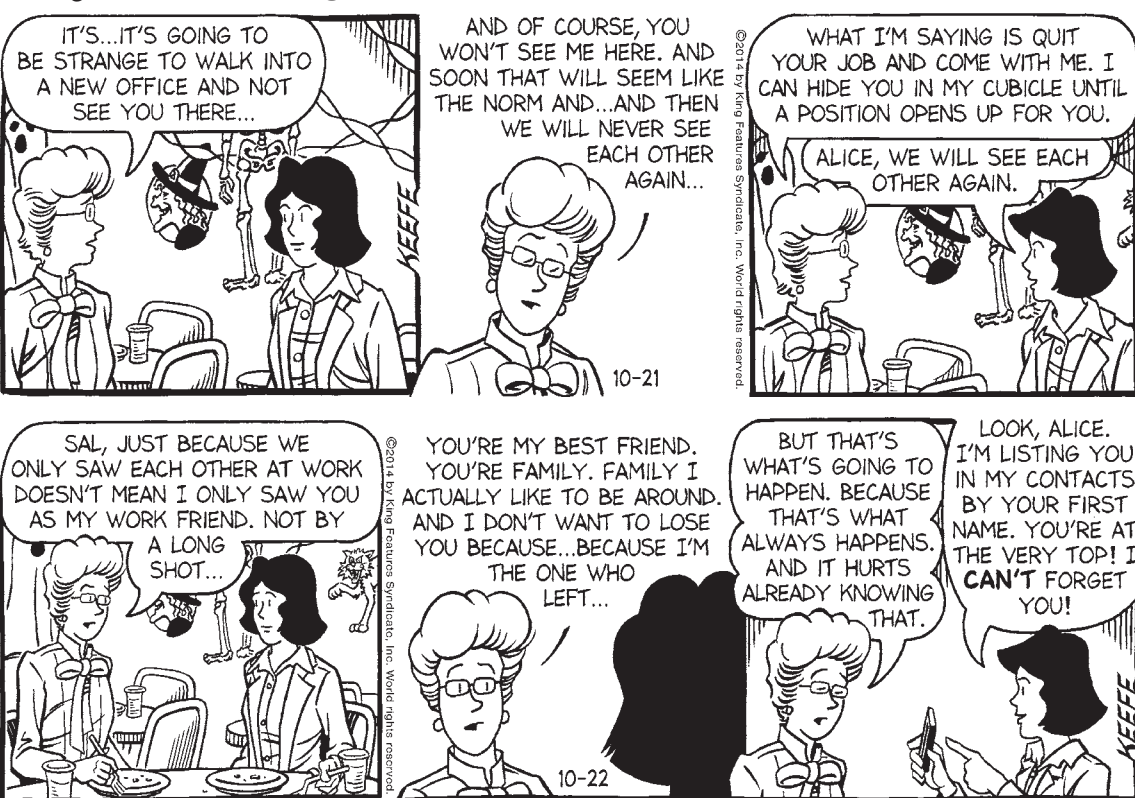
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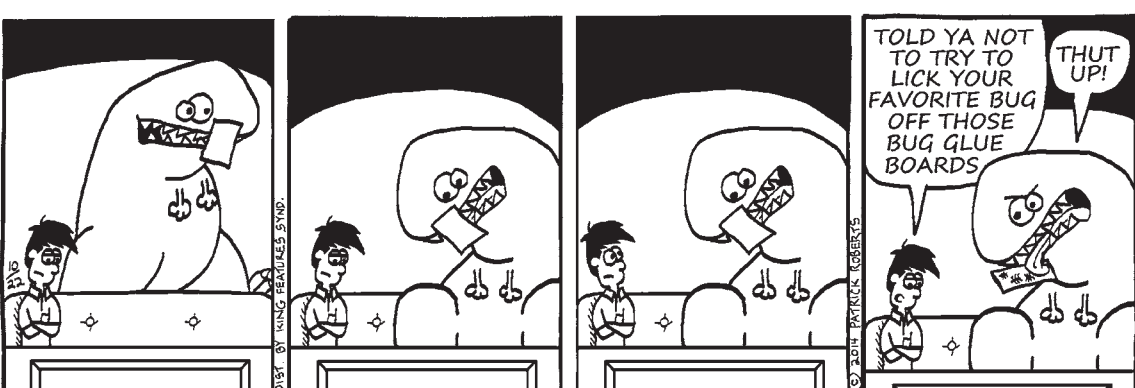
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Heloise

- Hints from Heloise

Careful plans help slow cooker

Dear Readers: Isn't it nice to come home at the end of a long day to the fabulous smells of a great meal? You can, and all it takes is a slow cooker and a little planning. Here are a few hints so you can have a tasty and safe-to-eat meal:

- Don't place frozen meats in the slow cooker. All meats should be thoroughly thawed before being placed in the slow cooker.
- Do make sure you add enough liquid so the meat cooks evenly.
- Don't peek! It is so tempting to lift that lid and take a look, but don't! Every time you lift the lid, it may add 20 more minutes to the cooking time.
- Do make note of the recipes that turn out super, as well as the ones that don't. — Heloise

SMASHING GARLIC
Dear Heloise: I enjoy watching cooking shows, and I always see professional cooks smashing garlic cloves with the side of a big knife. Way too scary for me! I won't even try it, because I know I will cut my hand! So I came up with the hint to smash garlic under a metal spatula. It's a safer technique for me. — Diane T. in Pennsylvania

POTATO SOUP
Dear Heloise: After a Sunday dinner, I had a lot of cheesy scalloped potatoes left over. Hearing me wonder out loud what to do with them, my 12-year-old grandson said, "Make potato soup!" Good idea! I just warmed up some milk, added the cheesy potatoes and mashed them a bit, and it was delicious! — M. Moger, Temple, Texas

Smart grandson! Why waste something good when you can turn it into a tasty dish? Soups are a great meal that can start like yours did. This is a very smart way to use leftovers for something "new" and not waste money, either.

There are many yummy soup recipes and hints in my six-page Heloise's Spectacular Soups pamphlet. To receive one, please send \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (70 cents) envelope to:

Heloise/Soups
Box 795001
San Antonio, TX 78279-5001.

If you've added too much water to soup, put a teaspoon of flour along with some broth in a jar, shake to mix and pour into the soup to thicken. — Heloise

FREEZING BREAD
Dear Heloise: When buying bread, muffins, etc., I take the slices out of the sleeve and put cut-up pieces of waxed paper between them. I place them back into the sleeve and then into the freezer. Voila — no more slices stuck together. This makes it easy to use slices as needed, once they are defrosted. — Joan W. in Florida

NO WASTE
Dear Heloise: When needing to save a tomato you haven't completely used, place the first slice of tomato (that you normally discard) back on top of the tomato. Wrap in plastic. This keeps the tomato moist for future use. — Lynn W., Staunton, Va.

Smart! Sometimes I use a lid from yogurt to "cover" the sliced tomato. — Heloise
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Bridge • Steve Becker

North dealer.
North-South vulnerable.
NORTH
♦ A 6
♥ K 7 5 2
♦ 10 4
♣ 9 6 5 4 2
WEST
♦ 9 3
♥ J 8 4
♦ K J 9 7
♣ J 10 8 3
EAST
♦ K Q J 10 8 7 5 2
♥ Q 10 6 3
♦ —
♣ 7
SOUTH
♦ 4
♥ A 9
♦ A Q 8 6 5 3 2
♣ A K Q
The bidding:
North East South West
Pass 4♠ 5♦ Dble
Opening lead — nine of spades.

An Exception to the Rule
Some plays might run contrary to standard procedure, but that doesn't necessarily mean they are wrong. For example, consider this deal where South gets to five diamonds doubled on the bidding shown.

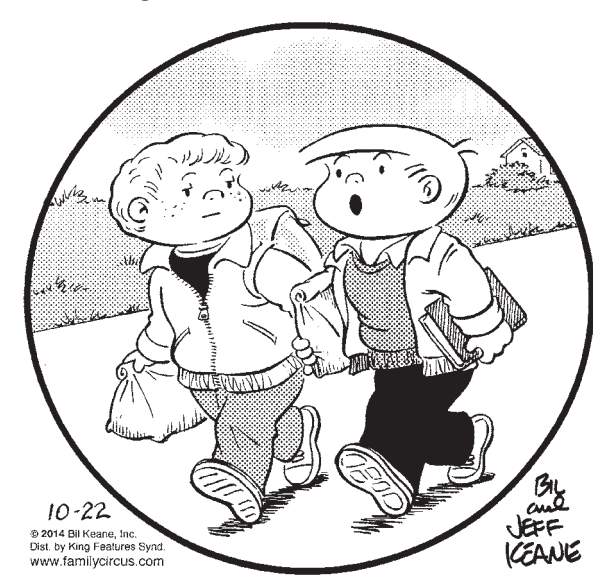
It seems natural to win the spade lead in dummy and return a trump. That's what you would normally do with this trump holding, but it's not what declarer should do in the present case. West's double indicates that he might have all four missing trumps, and if that's true, a trump play from dummy at trick two is sure to result in losing three trump tricks. Instead, South should cross to the ace of hearts at trick two and lead a low trump toward dummy 10-4.

This unusual play cuts West down to size. If he follows low, dummy's ten wins, and South loses only two trump tricks. And if West goes up with the jack of trumps instead, dummy plays low. Whatever West returns, declarer next concedes the ten of diamonds to the king and again limits his losses to two trump tricks.

The hand demonstrates once again why in bridge it is not possible to set forth hard-and-fast rules that cover all situations. The standard rule followed by declarer is to lead from weakness toward strength — for example, from x-x toward A-Q — and not to lead from strength toward weakness.

But here, because of the special circumstances, it is clearly better to lead from strength toward weakness in order to assure the contract.
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Family Circus • Bil Keane



"Yep, same with my mom. She only calls me William when I'm in trouble."

Conceptis Sudoku • Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level ★★★ 10/22

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.

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

Cryptoquip

BX IHQIWH GQFAOYH WBNDS

RHHM RE NOWIBFN HKHME

XBKH AHGQFJA, CMH SDHE

XBFJBFN SDH WCNHM-MDESDY?

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I THOUGHT ABOUT PUTTING A COUPLE OF SHARP CREASES IN MY PANTS, BUT ONLY FOR A PLEATING MOMENT.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: I equals P

Crossword • Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 Corpulent
4 Mimic
8 Glasgow girl
12 Hearty brew
13 Throat-clearer
14 Lotion additive
15 Vast expanse
16 Spiny critter
18 Entice
20 Toward the stem
21 Partially mine
24 Leaks out slowly
28 Selfie, in a sense
32 Pocket bread
33 Khan title
34 TV trophies
36 Hat for 8-Across
37 Left on a map
39 Whale's cousin
41 Big name in India's history

DOWN

43 Catch red-handed
44 Donkey
46 Connection
50 Ceramic-ware material
55 Speed meas.
56 Reed instrument
57 Pinnacle
58 Had a meal
59 Slapstick arsenal
60 Sport
61 Turf

3 Squad
4 Seize
28-Down, maybe
5 Discovery cry
6 Apiece
7 Village material
8 Computer type
9 — Baba
10 Junior
11 Get a glimpse of
17 E.T.'s transport
19 Cauldron
22 Freeway access
23 Who says?
25 Tubular pasta

26 Greek vowels
27 Unaltered
28 See
4-Down
29 Curved molding
30 Impetuous
31 Banks on a runway?
35 Board-game component,
perhaps
38 Vestiges
40 Bullring bravo
42 Work with
45 Cabbage salad
47 Opening day?
48 Doing
49 Lose fur
50 Old man
51 Kimono sash
52 Caviar, essentially
53 Expert
54 "— Little Teapot"

Yesterdays answer 10-22

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12			13					14			
15			16				17				
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		21		22	23		24		25	26	27
28	29	30				31		32			
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56					57				58		
59					60				61		

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

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---10/22---10/27---

Grainfield "Opera"tunity Craft Fair November 8 - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Grainfield Opera House, Grainfield, KS. Still room for vendors. Call Janet 785-673-3021.
---10/17---10/23---

The Flea Market will be open October 25, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. This month featuring homemade baked goods, homemade tortillas, children's books and a coat swap 305 N. Franklin.
---10/17---10/24---

Colby's Holiday Craft and Gift Fair. Saturday, Nov. 29th at 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Colby Community Building. Colby's largest craft fair.
---10/16---11/28---

Holiday Craft Fair - Bird City, KS, American Legion Hall, Saturday, Oct. 25, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Kids Korner lunch available.
---10/13---10/24---

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---9/3---11/3---

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---12/15---TFN---

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

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---10/15---10/27---

Help Wanted

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---10/22---10/27---

HVAC/R technicians and plumbers are needed at McClure Plumbing & Heating, serving residential and commercial customers. Offices located in Colby, KS and Goodland, KS. Contact Mitch McClure @ McClure Plumbing and Heating, Inc. 720 N. Franklin Ave., Colby, KS 67701, Phone 785-462-7314.
---10/16---10/29---

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---10/9---10/29---

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---10/8---11/3---

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---9/12---TFN---

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---10/22---10/27

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---10/15---10/27---

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All County Extension Council representatives of Agricultural Pursuits, Home Economics Work, 4-H Club and Youth Work, and Economic Development Initiatives are urged to attend.
(S) Ross Sloan
Executive Board, Chair

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---10/22---10/24---

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CARRIE TOWNS

Colby High junior Brenly Terrell attacked this block during the Great West Activities Conference tournament in Scott City last weekend. The Eagles move on to Saturday's 4A Substate showdown at Holcomb.

Titans take charge in Colby

Triplains-Brewster wins triangular

By R.B. Headley

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A pink nose to go with pink clothes isn't exactly the look that any coach would want.

Yet despite a sniffly cold, coach Audrey Hoyt liked everything she saw from her Triplains-Brewster volleyball team Tuesday night.

"We've been playing better defense, especially along the net. e did so on Saturday (at the Western Kansas Liberty League tourney) and we did today," Hoyt said after the Titans swept through a Heartland Christian triangular in Colby's Community Building.

The Titans showed great efficiency while taking apart Healy 25-7, 25-10; and then defeating Heartland 25-21, 25-16.

A 4 p.m. triangular was finished even before the 7:10 p.m. World Series first pitch.

"We struggled early in the season, but now I'd say we're where we need to be," Hoyt added after these regular-season finales.

All three teams got involved in Heartland Christian's "Think Pink" night which promotes cancer awareness.



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press

Triplains-Brewster senior Alicia Barrie (12) joined teammates (clockwise from left) Shayna Rogge, Jessi Williams, Dara Roulier and Taylor Stramel in celebrating another clutch point as the Titans drew close to a sweep of Tuesday's Heartland Christian volleyball triangular at Colby.

Eagles will collide to begin substate

Colby High will aim for revenge against Hugoton to begin Saturday's 4A Division II Substate volleyball tournament at Holcomb.

Pairings were announced on Tuesday, and the state-qualifying/single-elimination showdown appears to be wide open again.

No. 3-seed Colby (19-15 record) and No. 2 Hugoton (20-15) split their two regular-season meetings.

However, Hugoton did score a two-set victory over Colby during last weekend's Great West Activities Conference tournament at Scott City.

The other substate semifinal will match defending champion/No. 4-seed Goodland (17-15 re-

cord) against No. 1 Holcomb (27-7).

Holcomb reached the conference title match against Ulysses, but only after needing a rally to defeat Colby in three sets.

The Holcomb-Goodland substate opener is set for 2 p.m. with Colby-Hugoton following about 20 minutes afterwards.

Winners then meet after another break to decide the substate champion and 4A Division II state qualifier.

Last year's substate showdown at Colby High School featured three exciting matches, including a dramatic three-set finale where Goodland fought off the rival Colby Eagles.

Upcoming schedule

A glance at other area sports competition this week:

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

Thursday
Volleyball: Heartland Christian

in KCAA State Tourney at Manhattan, TBA

Middle school volleyball: Triplains-Brewster, Golden Plains, Heartland Christian in WKLL at Grinnell. Schedule and start times were not obtained.



CHRISTY BEAR

Colby High junior Miranda Kern took a practice swing while staying focused during the 4A state golf tournament at Dub's Dread Golf Club in Kansas City on Monday.

Colby golfer nearly wins 4A state medal

Hays wins title; Cowgirls third

Nearly three-fourths of the 4A state golf field was looking up at Colby junior Miranda Kern's score after play completed in Kansas City on Monday.

Kern reportedly took 24th place among 89 qualifiers and was only three strokes from winning her first state medal. She was part of impressive Western Kansas performance at Dub's Dread Golf Course.

"Miranda played okay except for a couple of really bad holes," Colby coach Rick Williams reported. "She struggled on number one and got a quadruple bogey. She also had a triple bogey on No. 6 when her ball caught a really bad break. It was a very difficult

course with a lot of trouble. The scores were higher than at a lot of other state tourneys, because we've played much easier courses."

Regional champion Hays (364) still won the 4A state title, finishing 16 strokes better than Topeka-Hayden (380).

Meanwhile, Great West Activities Conference champion Goodland placed third overall led by individual league champ and medalist Emily Purvis (14th/92).

Kern improved on her 27th-place finish last season in what was a third consecutive 4A state tourney. She'll likely get one more shot next fall while leading the Eagles.

Unbeaten 'Cats blank 'Dogs

By Judy Rogers

Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains High School football team has yet to win a game this season as they lost to state-ranked Wallace County Wildcats, 62-0, Friday evening.

"We knew this game would be a challenge," junior Koi Wessel said. "They have a history of being a successful team."

"However," he added. "We didn't execute as well as we should have."

The Bulldogs got off to a good start as they received the ball and made a first down at the beginning of the game. It looked as if they were going to cross the goal line but were forced to turn the ball over on downs.

After that, the undefeated Wildcats (7-0 record) took over and ran in a touchdown on their first play. The first quarter continued in much the same way and, despite numerous penalties on the Wildcats, they led 38-0 through one.

The Bulldogs fought hard, never gave up, and were able to penetrate the Wildcat line, but Wallace County continued getting into the end zone for 62-0 by halftime.

Late legendary Green Bay Packers coach Vince Lombardi



JUDY ROGERS/Golden Plains High School

Golden Plains defender Cole Ziegelmeier chased down this Wallace County Wildcat Friday night at Rexford.

said "The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand."

The Bulldogs have seen their success come in many ways even though they have not won any

games yet this season.

"We have improved in every aspect of the game," Wessel said. "We need to work on reducing errors and continue to improve so we can finish our season strong."

The Bulldogs play their final home game this season against Hoxie at 7 p.m. on Friday.

Trojans take down Garden City, home for big league match tonight

By R.B. Headley

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Don't forget your game faces! The message was reminded to Colby Community College's volleyball team during a road match with Garden City Monday night.

Although the Bronc Busters aren't among top Jayhawk League West teams this fall, they were ready to challenge Colby's current five-match win streak.

"We played well in the first set (a 25-17 win), then some things took our focus off the game," Colby coach Carey Jones said.

The result: Garden City took those next two sets 25-15, 27-25. Yet facing defeat, the Trojans found their game faces instead. A 25-20 and 15-10 finale secured Colby's fifth consecutive victory.

Jones credited several keys to another Trojan win as sophomore hitter Adrianna Sosnowska

drilled 17 kills and libero Danielle Rodriguez made about 25 digs. Both are reigning Jayhawk "Players of the Week".

Now Colby (14-17 overall, 9-4 league) can focus on a huge league home match against Cloud County (17-6, 9-4) tonight. The action begins at 6:30 p.m. in Colby's Community Building.

"We've been tied for second with them (Cloud) all season, so yeah, this one is big," Jones said.

Crusaders win to start home finales

Heartland Christian started its home triangular Tuesday night with a tough 25-20, 22-25, 26-24 win over Healy in Colby's Community Building.

The Crusaders prevailed behind strong hitting and improving passes. Now if they can just get a few more serves on-target.

Some misses kept Healy close and also helped Triplains-Brewster later win a two-set match over the Crusaders.

"We missed four straight serves,

which is something you can't do," coach Melissa Regier said.

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Cowboys fight past Eagles JV

Playing near I-70 doesn't mean 70-yard touchdown runs are acceptable forms of travel.

Especially since two Goodland Cowboy 70-yard TDs basically decided Monday's 36-22 junior varsity football win over Colby.

The visiting Eagles ran, passed and returned a kick for touchdowns but still fell short.

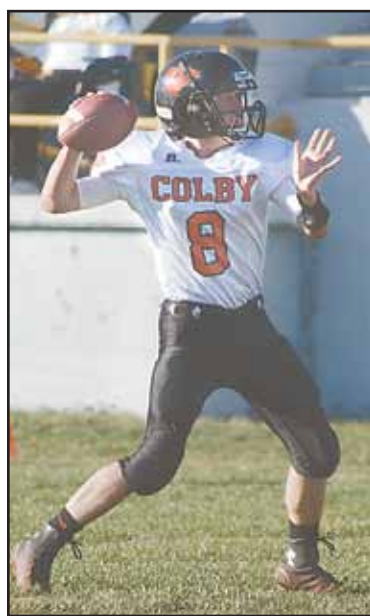
Those big-play scores helped keep the Cowboys one step ahead seemingly throughout this game.

Colby nearly caught Goodland, 7-7, when sophomore Rex Branum fired a first-quarter touchdown pass to classmate Brooks Curry. Unfortunately for Eagles and their fans, a missed PAT left Colby still trailing 7-6.

The Cowboys ran off 17 more points until freshman Shevin Martin's spectacular 80-yard kickoff touchdown return. Branum ran in this two-point conversion to close the Eagles within 24-14.

Hope was renewed thanks to sophomore Zack Hart's three-yard TD run.

Sophomore Tyler Schritter caught the two-point pass from Hart and — once again — Colby only trailed by one score at 30-22 with plenty of fourth-quarter time remaining. However, Goodland



KEVIN BOTTRELL
Goodland Star-News

Colby High sophomore Rex Branum fired a touchdown pass against Goodland on Monday.

added its second 70-yard TD.

The Eagles were scheduled to play a JV finale at Dennen Field against Oakley next week. Colby activities director Larry Gabel confirmed this game has been cancelled due to too many injured Oakley players.



KEVIN BOTTRELL/Goodland Star-News

Colby High's Brooks Curry (81) nearly got at least one hand on this Goodland Cowboy pass from freshman Levi Archer during Monday's junior varsity football showdown in Goodland.

Colby fans pick K.C. title

It's official: the ability to think turned into no fun at all for fans who filled Kansas City's Kauffman Stadium Tuesday evening.

"Do you want who I think will win, or who I want to win?" one Colby businessman asked before admiring a store display of bright blue Kansas City Royals T-shirts. "It's very big that the Royals do no worse than split these first two (World Series) games."

In other words, the pressure's on Kansas City after a 7-1 loss to San Francisco Tuesday night. It also points out what many Colby observers were predicting Tuesday afternoon:

The Royals can win this World Series, but it will probably go a full seven games.

A 4-3 Kansas City series victory was the most popular choice among Colby fans interviewed on Tuesday. Some suggested Royals in six before changing to seven, while one boldly called for another 4-0 Kansas City sweep.

Not this time.

"It's very big they (K.C.) do no worse than split these first two at home," other Colbyites agreed.

Game two is tonight, but a Kansas City win would also set up what non-Royals fans were saying: Giants win this series in five.

That was the most popular choice among San Francisco supporters. Remember, Games 3 through 5 are in San Fran where the Giants have won five straight World Series games going back to 2002.

The most popular World Series Most Valuable Player choice was Royals third baseman Mike Moustakas. Others selected most were first baseman Eric Hosmer and designated hitter Billy Butler, while no one Giant drew much interest. Hunter Pence and ace pitcher Madison Bumgarner make sense after Game 1.

No more streaking: Giants rock Royals, 7-1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — By the time Madison Bumgarner took the mound to throw his first pitch, the San Francisco Giants already held a three-run lead.

It might as well have been 100 with the way Bumgarner and this orange-and-black bunch play in the World Series.

Bumgarner took a shutout into the seventh inning, Hunter Pence homered early and the Giants showed off their October poise, putting a sudden stop to the Kan-

sas City Royals' perfect postseason roll by romping 7-1 in the Series opener Tuesday night.

From the get-go, the Giants simply did everything right to win their seventh straight World Series game. They're trying for their third title in five years.

"I can't say I'm surprised by these guys," Giants manager Bruce Bochy said.

The Royals, meanwhile, looked nothing like the fresh team that had become baseball's darling by

starting the playoffs with eight wins in a row. Back on the field after a five-day layoff, the Royals' pitching, hitting and fielding all deserted them.

The fates seemed to change from the first batter, in fact. Gregor Blanco led off with a soft line drive to center field, and American League Championship Series MVP Lorenzo Cain charged, then backed off as the ball fell for a single. It would have taken a near miracle to catch it, but that's the

kind of play the Royals had been making on a routine basis.

Moments later, Pence's homer highlighted a three-run burst in the first inning against James Shields. Nicknamed "Big Game James," he once again failed to live up to that billing and left in the fourth when the Giants made it 5-0.

By then, Royals fans who had waited since 1985 for the Series to return to town had gone silent. Or they were booing while small "Let's go, Giants!" chants echoed

through Kauffman Stadium.

Just like that, what many figured would be a tight matchup had turned into a mismatch. And it was a good omen for the Giants -- the Game 1 winner has won 15 of the last 17 World Series.

"We didn't expect to come in here and sweep the San Francisco Giants," Kansas City manager Ned Yost said.

The Royals had won 11 straight in the postseason dating to their 1985 championship run.

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