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## Festivities to kick off this week

Colby is gearing up for winter festivities with an exhibit and parade planned to usher in the Christmas season.

The finishing touches have been put on Santa City, the Christmas-themed wonderland in the Scout Hut at Fike Park. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be ready and waiting to receive guests from 1 p.m. to 5 on weekends, starting Friday. Then they will lead the 17th annual Christmas light parade starting at 5:45 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 7, in downtown Colby.

Starting at Second Street and Franklin Avenue, the Clauses will lead the parade to Santa City,

where they will spend the evening with more kids. Registration for parade entries is due at 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 5.

The Clauses will start taking kids' Christmas wishes during from 6 to 8 p.m. weekdays on Monday, Dec. 15, going until Christmas Eve, when the house will be open from 1 to 3 p.m.

The parade will be judged in several categories: best organization, best business, best decorated vehicle, most unique, best religious and best representation of the theme. Participants cannot throw candy from their floats or dress like Mr. Claus or his wife.

## Sheriff seeks help in robbery

The Thomas County Sheriff's Office is offering a reward for help finding someone who took electronics from a farm house on Friday.

Up to \$2,000 is being offered for information about the theft from a farm house along County Road O just south of Colby. Several home

electronics items and accessories were stolen from the house, said Deputy Lance Goodman. The theft happened sometime between 7 a.m. and noon on Friday.

If you have information about this incident, he said, call the sheriff's office at 460-4570.

## College funds under watch

By Sam Dieter  
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Colby Community College's financial department is paying close attention to how it spends its money as the college enters lean financial months, college trustees learned last Monday evening.

Dr. Glenda Overstreet, chief financial officer for the college, reported that the financial department began a heightened monitoring of the college's finances in October. The college will try to collect bills more efficiently and be more conservative in the bills it pays, Dr. Overstreet said. Some of the college's bills might be 90 days old before they are paid,

Overstreet said. She had pledged earlier in the year to get bills paid by that time.

Of the \$15,175,000 budget for this fiscal year, Overstreet said, the college still has 65 percent unspent. Projections were to have 67 percent remaining. At the end of last month, the college had encumbrances of \$79,344 and an unrestricted cash balance of \$1,433,655.

Last month, the college paid out \$735,840, took in \$195,898 on student accounts, and posted \$1,290,000 in financial aid money to students.

The finance department is working on upgrades to its com-

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## Sharing feast with friends

Ham, turkey, mashed potatoes and more (above) were on the menu Sunday at the Colby United Methodist Church as volunteers cooked up a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, held by the church's senior high youth to raise money for missions and projects. Wayne Horlacher (right) welcomed guests at the dinner, served for a donation Sunday morning and afternoon at the church.



SAM DIETER  
Colby Free Press

## Contract to bring jobs here

A national transportation company plans to take over the trucking work for a Rexford dairy farm, hiring 20 new workers in the Colby area in the next few months.

Ruan Transportation Management Systems, a Des Moines-based trucking company, will take over transportation, logistics and support for McCarty Family Farms. The two companies signed an agreement over a month ago, announcing it Nov. 17. Lance Cheney, vice president of operations for Ruan, said he expects the company to be operating here by the beginning of February.

"One of our most important functions and greatest expenses we have is delivering the milk to the plant for processing," said McCarty Chief Operating Officer Joe Gillespie. "We needed a reliable partner, and we've found this in longtime milk transporter Ruan."

"McCarty Family Farms and Ruan are both family owned and share similar cultures, so Ruan was a natural fit."

Gillespie said he guessed that the switch from Trans Inland Transportation to Ruan will result in a net increase of 10 to 20 jobs in the area. That company contracts

the transportation jobs for McCarty out to independent drivers, he said, and the eight to 10 local drivers might be re-hired.

Ruan hopes to hire a terminal manager, dispatcher and 18 drivers to haul dairy products. They will take milk from the farm's locations near Rexford, Bird City, Scott City and Badger City, Neb., along the same delivery routes. Some will take condensed milk to the Dannon yogurt plant in Fort Worth.

Ruan expects to be able to lower the risk, overhead and costs associated with McCarty's transpor-

ation operation and also improve operating efficiency, reliability and customer service, Cheney said. The company will invest in the latest technology, driver education and training, paying close attention to safety and regulatory issues.

Founded in 1932, Ruan says it is one of the top 10 privately owned transportation service companies in the country. The company has 5,100 employees, including 4,200 professional drivers, operating out of more than 230 locations nationwide.



## Lasting art legacy lives

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A Colby man keeps the paintings done by his late wife, recalling the days when her work kept her busy into the night and hoping some people will be able to see it again.

Even after Henry Vette, 89, filled up a room with paintings done by his late wife Eileen, he still had a closet full of her work. In almost two decades as an artist, Vette said, she must have painted around 35 works, many of which he seems unable to let go of.

"The house is full of them," he said, "and the kids' houses are full of them."

Most of the paintings show landscapes, including barns and pheasants, plus some mountains. She would take pictures from newspapers to use as a basis for her drawings, he said, or paint a combine or old barn. Some people paid her to paint for them, he said, adding that he remembers her doing a portrait

SAM DIETER/Colby Free Press  
Henry Vette showed some of his late wife Eileen's paintings. He has enough to fill a room at his home in Colby, where the two lived for 65 years. She mainly painted from scenes of life in the country.

of an area woman.

By the time she died almost two years ago at the age of 89, Vette said, his wife had been painting for around 20 years. Ken Mitchell, an instructor at Colby Community College, taught her, along with many other area women. For a long time, she participated in the High Plains Art Club and helped organize the club's shows, he said. He still wants her work to be recognized.

She would start working late at night, he said, often around 10 p.m. when nothing could distract her, including her husband or the television. Sometimes, Vette said, she would not finish until 4 in the morning. She died before finishing her last painting, "The Great American Cattle Drive," which Vette still has in the closet. It shows an imagined cattle drive past the Monument Rocks south of Oakley.

Eileen Vette was originally from Culver, and Henry from Levant. He said built their house in Colby in 1949, shortly after coming back from World War II and meeting his wife. They had been married 65 years when she died, he said.





Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 24. Light and variable wind becoming south 5 to 10 mph in the evening.

Thanksgiving Day: Sunny, with a high near 61. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 31. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming west after midnight.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 70. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south in the afternoon.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 33.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 66.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 27.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 41.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 15.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 39.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 21.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 58.

Monday: High, 50; Low 16 Tuesday: High, 51; Low 19 Precip: Monday None Tuesday 0.04 inches Month: 0.05 inches Year: 16.80 inches Normal: 20.03 inches (K-State Experiment Station) Sunrise and Sunset Thursday 7:41 a.m. 5:22 p.m. Moon: waxing, 31 percent Friday 7:42 a.m. 5:22 p.m. Moon: waxing, 42 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Selden Winterfest Friday

Selden's annual Winterfest celebration will begin at 5 p.m. Friday. Businesses will be open from 5 to 6:45 p.m. for shoppers and to register for \$500 in Selden Greenbucks to be given away.

The Selden Community Building will be open

for refreshments and visiting. A children's movie will be available at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Parish Hall on Main Street. At 7 p.m., the drawing for the Greenbucks will be held at the Community Building (must be present to win) and Santa will arrive with treats for the little ones, ready to hear their Christmas wishes.

College funds under watch

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puter system, Overstreet said, and hopes to train people to deal with issues in the PowerCampus system in January. The college is also looking at new debt collection services, since some of the services it has used have not done well.

The department also has been developing new financial policies, and will form a team to help start projects contained in the college's capital improvement plan, which the trustees approved last month. The college has received bids for a roof and has been selling some old vehicles online. With proposals sent out, the college wants to have bids for a new dining service by the start of December, to be recommend to the board at its meeting that month.

The trustees heard reports from the other college administrators:

• George McNulty, vice president of student affairs, reported that students are taking 14,656 credit hours during the fall semester and have signed up for 7,640 credit hours already for the spring, which he said are good numbers.

Dr. McNulty also said that the college has counseling services available for students, who might be dealing with relationship problems, depression or other psychological issues. The student support services for the college is writing a proposal for a \$1.2 million grant for 2015 to 2020, to help pay for the department's activities, including counseling, he said. The department gets money from the federal government now, he pointed out.

Thursday was the college's Senior Day, when area high school students are invited to the college, and McNulty said 1,000 invitations had been mailed to

students, including some in Colorado and Nebraska.

In October, McNulty's report said, 60 admissions applications were processed and 62 campus visits were made, with 463 applications and 127 visits for the year. The financial aid department disbursed \$824,946 in Pell grants to 388 students and \$888,227 in direct loans to 327 students for this academic year. Those loans have been closed for the last fiscal year.

The health department has been participating in a weekly teleconference to prepare for the possibility of a patient with Ebola showing up in Thomas County. In September, 125 students visited the college health services. Security reported one burglary, three drug arrests and nine students arrested on warrants.

• Greg Nichols, vice president of academic affairs, thanked a Colby man, Mark Solko, for donating pipe to fix the round pen at the college farm, pointing out that veterinary technology and agriculture students depend on the farm for their work. He said vet tech and horse students would be observing a stem-cell therapy procedure on one of the college's horses. Asked about the roof for one of the barns, Nichols said the cost of repairing the roof might be high enough to force the college to either shore it up or tear the building down.

At the farm, he said, 12 students, mostly from the surrounding area, participated in a "boot camp" put on by the college alternative energy program Nov. 15 to start the installation of roof-mounted solar panels and a wind turbine. They included high school students taking technical education classes and one student who flew in from Michigan.

The Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Ac-

tivities gave Colby's veterinary technology program the first accreditation in the state for an on-line program, Nichols reported.

The equestrian team was designated high-point team at its horse show the weekend of Oct. 18 and 19. One rider, Jade Kruse, was named High Point Rider on Sunday and Reserve High Point Rider on Saturday.

Haley Rodriguez was picked for an honor band at Bethany College, and the college Jazz Band its set to perform at the Business After 5 event next month at Beyond the Mug.

• Debbie Schwanke, outgoing director of public information, reported on how information about emergencies will be broadcast after she leaves. Schwanke met with secretaries Lisa Failla, Alisha Janousek and Penny Cline, who will divide the job of calling college employees, reporters and others if there is an emergency.

Two new copiers that the college installed earlier in the year have been working well, Schwanke reported. The sports guide, which cost \$2,200 to print in the past, can now be produced at the college.

The men's cross country team finished fifth at the National Junior College Athletic Association championships in Texas, she reported, with Mike Kinuthia and Chris Speaks earning All-American honors. The volleyball team made it to the Jayhawk Conference tournament finals in Hutchinson, although it lost the final match. Adrianna Sosnowska and Danielle Rodriguez were named to the first All-Region IV team and Malory Mueller was named to the honorable mention team.

• Athletic Director Ryan Sturdy reported that the winter sports season has started.

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.

Landfill closing for holiday

The Thomas County Landfill will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. It will be open regular weekend hours Saturday and Sunday. For information call Larry Jumper at 462-8139.

Swimming pool hours reflect holiday

The Colby Community College swimming pool will have open swimming from 5 to 7 a.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. and lap swimming from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday. It will have open swimming from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The pool will be closed today, Thanksgiving Day and Friday. For information, call Kip Nelson at 460-5476.

Drive needs coats, hats gloves for needy

Do you have new or gently used coats, gloves, hats or need of any of those? Citizens Medical Center, the Colby Rotary Club and the Colby Wesleyan Church are sponsoring a community coat drive. Drop items off at the hospital admissions desk through the end of January. Pick out what you need at the church's Kids Closet from 3 to 6 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays every month. For information or if you need help, call Megan Carmichael at 460-1214.

Trash crew off Thanksgiving, Friday

Colby officials say residential trash for Thanksgiving Day will be picked up Wednesday. The truck will not run Thanksgiving or on Friday. Residential trash for Friday will be picked up Monday. Tipper cans need to be at the curb by 8 a.m.

The commercial truck will not run Thursday for Friday, but will run Saturday. For questions, call Omar Weber at the Public Works Department, 460 4420.

Booked for Lunch to honor volunteers

Booked for Lunch at noon Wednesday, Dec. 3, at the Pioneer Memorial Library, will be a special Christmas program honoring volunteers. For information, call the library at 460-4470.

Christmas coffee set at Meadow Lake

This year, the Colby PEO is sponsoring the annual Christmas coffee formerly held by the Colby Women's League. Coffee and brunch will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at Meadow Lake Country Club. Donations accepted for local charities. For information, call Becky White at 462-6500.

Red Cross plans blood drive at college Dec. 4

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at the Colby Community College Student Union. For an appointment, call (800) RED-CROSS, or just stop by. For questions, call Marie Kersenbrock at 460-4797 or go to www.redcrossblood.org.

Orchestra plans evening holiday concert

Beverly Rucker will conduct the Pride of the Prairie Orchestra at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, in a holiday concert, "Christmas on the Prairie," at the Frahm Theatre on the Colby Community College Campus. Admittance is \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for students, or by patron season ticket. For questions, Mary Shoaff, (785) 462-2159 or Janet Hopson, (785) 462-5102.

Kids can shop at Santa's Workshop

Santa's Workshop is coming from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, in the board room of the Thomas County Office Complex. With the help of friendly elves, children from preschool through fourth grade may buy Christmas gifts (up to four) for parents, grandparents or guardians, for a suggested donation of \$4 per gift. For information, call the Thomas County Community Foundation at 460-9152.

Light parade Dec. 7; registration Dec. 5

The 17 annual Christmas Light parade will be at 5:45 pm. Sunday, Dec. 7, beginning at Second and Franklin. Entries are due Friday, Dec. 5, at the Colby-Thomas County Chamber of Commerce. For information, call 460-3401.

Got news? Tell us! Call 462-3963

Four directors to leave Insurance Department

TOPEKA (AP) - Four directors will retire from the Kansas Insurance Department on Dec. 5.

The retirements announced Tuesday come as Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger prepares to leave office in January. Department spokesman Bob Hanson says the retirements were all planned.

The Topeka Capital Journal reports (bit.ly/1vc6hYE) directors Marlyn Burch, life division; Neil Woerman, information technology; Steve O'Neil, consumer assistance; and Ted Clark, anti-fraud, will retire. The department has 11 directors.

Burch has worked for the department for 53 years, beginning in 1961.

O'Neil joined the department in 1987, while Woerman and Clark joined the department in 2003.

The department will wait to fill the positions until Ken Selzer becomes commissioner in January.

LOCAL TV LISTINGS sponsored by the COLBY FREE PRESS

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NOVEMBER 28, 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 channels (ABC, CBS, NBC, FOX, ION, A&E, AMC, ANIMAL, BET, BRAVO, CARTOON, CMT, CNN, COMEDY, DISCOVERY, DISNEY, E!, ESPN, ESPN2, FAMILY, FOOD, FX, HGTV, HISTORY, LIFETIME, MTV, NICK, SPIKE, SYFY, TBS, TCM, TLC, TNT, TRAVEL, TV LAND, USA, VH1, WGN, HBO, MAX, SHOW).

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Christmas setup



ASHLEE HAINES/Abilene Hustlers

Mac Haines kept a tight grip on the stake April Swartz was hammering into the ground Nov. 16 when the Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club set up the nativity scene at Fike Park, a community service project they do every November. Club members met at the Thomas County Fairgrounds to load the wooden silhouettes in pickups and trailers and haul them to the park, where the 4-H'ers bolted the wooden manger together and set up the display. — Lakin Denny, reporter

Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club

The annual club awards ceremony and potluck supper always brings large attendance. On Nov. 3, following a potluck supper at 6 p.m., President Kailey Shields called the meeting to order in the Thomas County 4-H Building. Claire Denny led the members in the flag salute. Hallie Vaughn took roll call answered by your favorite Thanksgiving food. Leader, Donna Lamm, presented the following awards.

- Perfect attendance: Cassie Wells and Jake Koon.
- Five-year membership: Lakin Denny, Kennedy Stanley, Eryn Freeman.
- First-year membership: April Swartz, Brady Blackhart, Isaac Smith, Carson Torrance and McKayla Torrance.

Record Book/Kansas Award Portfolios Completion: Kailey Shields, Cassie Wells, Jory Koon, Josh Koon and Jake Koon. Claire Denny is a new member. The meeting continued after the awards ceremony. Abilene Hustlers voted to give \$50 to Rotary for their annual glove and hat drive, \$50 to the Angel Tree, and \$150 in incentives for pizza sales. The club also decided to decorate Christmas cards for Genesis. Lakin Denny gave a project talk on sheep and Taten Emigh demonstrated how to make mini pizzas. Aliza Bartlett led a game of tag to finish the evening. The next meeting will be at 6 pm Monday, Dec. 1, at the 4-H Building. — Lakin Denny, reporter

Make holiday cash stretch even farther

Are you tired of starting the New Year with a pile of debt that remains from holiday shopping? Here are a few suggestions for stretching your holiday dollars and managing your money and resources throughout the season and into the New Year.



Diann Gerstner

• Knowledge for Life

**1. Decide how much you can spend.** Set a holiday budget and work within it. Set the dollar amount based on what you can afford this holiday season considering your current savings, income and other expenses.

**2. Make a list to begin building your holiday budget.** Monthly bills should be paid before you spend for the holidays. If you've found yourself with a gift list that is too long, suggest your family draw names so that each family member only has to purchase one gift or focus on the kids only this year.

**3. Consider cash vs. credit.** Consider a cash-only holiday. When using a debit card, keep accurate records and record all purchases in your check register. If you do use your credit card(s), charge only the amount you can safely repay in a few months. Remember to keep receipts for all purchases and transactions.

**4. Be a smart shopper.** Shop early and compare price, quality and warranties while you watch for sales, coupons and special buys.

Shopping online can save leg work, but avoid paying shipping charges and know the rules for returning while allowing ample time for holiday delivery.

Also, remember shopping locally can save you time checking through all the red tape on return policies, shipping costs etc. plus it helps stimulate our economy and you don't have to worry about being backordered or delayed by the mail.

**5. Create your own gifts.** This is my favorite idea. The best gifts don't always have the biggest price tag. They are fun, useful, and chosen with the recipient in mind.

Using your talent and skill to create gifts from your sewing room, craft corner, kitchen or gar-

den adds a special touch of love.

Remember you can learn how to make jellies and jams by attending the Harvest of Holidays session from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Thomas County 4-H Building. Sign up with the Extension Office, 460-4582, by Monday. I also have soup-in-a-jar recipes and some wonderful sauces you can make and give as gifts. One of my favorites is the White Chocolate Almond sauce — to die for!

Call or stop by the Extension Office; I would be glad to share.

Another great idea is to put together a collection of your favorite or family favorites recipes. It could be Aunt Eliza's special salad, Cousin Terri's lasagna, your recipe for melt-in-your-mouth butterhorn rolls etc.

For the younger generation, make this collection of recipes electronic so they can store them on their computers. They will love it.

Yet another great idea is making your own family yard games. We have made our own "Washers" and "Hillbilly Golf" games. You can find directions on the Internet for these and other games. But remember the most precious gift of all is a gift of your time.

**6. Look for frugal activities.** The season is all about being together. Get your friends and family involved. Plan an outing to see holiday light displays or attend a free holiday concert.

The holidays are the perfect time to teach your kids about giving back. Consider volunteering this season.

The holiday season should be about joy, good company and lots of time with family and friends. There's no need to overspend on those things. Focus on what really matters.

Diann Gerstner is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Thomas County Extension office.

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.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$5.86
Corn (bushel)	\$3.68
Milo (hundredweight)	\$6.59
Soybeans (bushel)	\$9.56

Diabetes risks manageable

Diabetes is a serious condition that can cause health complications such as heart disease and blindness. Worldwide, diabetes is the leading cause of blindness. During November, Lions Clubs fight against diabetes. According to the International Diabetic Federation, about 328 million people are living with diabetes, expected to rise to 592 million by 2035. The American Diabetes Association says nearly 86 million have high blood glucose that could become Type-2 diabetes. Today, people have power to monitor and control their health. Management can help one live a long healthy life. The Colby High Plains Lions Club will have a diabetes information table at its annual pancake feed Saturday, Dec. 6, at the Community Building.

End of the Bolt SALE

November 24, 25, 26 Thanksgiving Day CLOSED November 28, 29

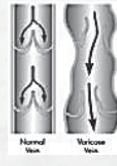


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Deaths

James Kriss

James Kriss, 81, former Colby mayor, died Saturday, Nov. 22, 2014, at the Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center in Denver.

He was born Nov. 23, 1932, in Thomas County, to John and Stella (Dryden) Kriss. In 1950, he graduated from Colby High School after winning a state championship in wrestling.

He served in the Army and was stationed in Japan during the Korean War.

On Nov. 13, 1965, he married Sandra Dillman in Colby. He started farming at the age of 12 and continued to farm for 59 years, managing Kriss Farms, until he retired at the age of 71.

He served on the Colby City Council from 1969 to 1974 and was mayor from 1977 to 1987. He served as chairman for the Bob Dole Election Committee of Thomas County. He was instrumental in getting the Kuska Collection, now the centerpiece of the Prairie Museum of Art and History, to Colby, along with the building of the water tower and the municipal airport terminal.

He was a member of Kappa Sigma at the University of Kansas and the Colby United Methodist Church.

Preceding him in death were his parents and a brother, Jack Kriss.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; six children, Grant Kriss, Karla (Michael Brouthers) Kriss and James (Robin) Kriss, all of Denver; Jama Kriss, Olathe; Kevin (Cindi) Kriss, Colby; and Thomas (Michelle) Kriss, Emporia; four siblings, Jerald Kriss, Jay Kriss, Joel Kriss and Janet Schroeder; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, 2014, at the Colby United Methodist Church.

Visitation will be at 9 a.m. Friday at the church.

The family suggests memorials to the Colby American Legion, the Wounded Warriors Project or the Colby Municipal Airport Terminal, in care of Baalman Mortuary, Box 391, Colby, Kan., 67701.

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

Brewster Prairie Gem 4-H Club

The Brewster Prairie Gem 4-H Club earned several awards at the Thomas County Achievement Banquet Nov. 7, including a purple seal and community service award.

Club member Emeline Hutton's reporter's notebook was given the top prize for the county. Hutton and Blayne Reid both received Best Kansas Award Portfolios Award in their age group for their record keeping skills in their projects. Layton Werth earned the "I Dare You Award."

The club's monthly meeting was Nov. 11 at Hunter Hall in Brewster. Twenty members and one guest answered the roll call, "When is your Birthday."

The club planned for two community service projects during the holidays. It will decorate the Senior Center Sunday and collect food for Genesis by placing boxes in the Brewster School lobby. They also discussed the upcoming

pizza sales fundraiser, starting in December. It was announced that the club will be celebrating its 80th birthday this year.

For the meeting program, Kayson Collyer gave a project talk on his horse and Madison Schroeder gave a project talk on photography. A demonstration was given by Layton Werth on how to pick shoes for sports.

Kara Rouiler sang "Yankee Doodle" for the club. Emeline Hutton presented health tips on how to prevent the flu.

Eli Hutton and Gus Palmgren led the club in playing "Limbo." Cookies and drinks were provided by the Werth and Palmgren families.

The club's next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15, at Hunter Hall. The club will celebrate Christmas with a game of "Stealing Santa" and sharing Christmas treats and finger food.

— Blayne Reid, reporter

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## Free Press Viewpoint

# Exercise patience to give budget time

What now? Now that Gov. Sam Brownback and his Republicans have swept nearly every state office, how do they actually intend to govern?

Better yet, what is the wise course for the future of the state and the future of the Republican Party?

Our advice is that the governor should be both magnanimous in victory and cautious in proceeding.

One theme of his campaign was to "give it time," to give his tax reform package time to take hold and boost the state's economy. After barely two years, it's hardly had time, and the state's tax collections show it. The state's economy, while healthy, is nowhere near booming – yet.

Our advice to the governor is to give it time. Not to abandon his plans or what he believes in, but to adjust to the reality of the situation. That might mean, for instance, deferring some of the planned tax cuts to give the economy and the state's reserves time to catch up.

There's no shame in saying the timing could have been better. Don't give up; just push things a little slower.

Meantime, the governor should get all the players, including moderate to liberal Republicans and even Democrats – and explain a few things to them. Say first, he's not backing down from his stand on eliminating the income tax. Second, that given the slow growth in the state's economy, and the world's, we're in for some tight times. Cuts will be necessary, and state agencies should not expect business as usual.

It will be tough to cut, because much of the fat has been squeezed out of state programs, from Medicaid to highways to schools and colleges. But cuts must come. Schools, colleges, highways, welfare are the big priorities in the state budget. Anything else will be under the knife.

The governor has already promised to hold school districts harmless in this budget. Colleges and universities already have been cut to the place where we will have to stop claiming them as state institutions soon. Welfare has been slashed and Medicaid reformed. And, by one estimate, the state already has siphoned off more than \$1 billion from T-works, the current 10-year, \$8 billion road program.

How far can we go in cutting basic programs before they really begin to show the damage? We may find out this year. On highways, the state could lose all ability to rebuild or replace roads, spending everything just to preserve what it has.

One answer is to start killing less vital state agencies and slashing budgets to shrink the state's footprint. That's hard, because as in Washington, in Topeka, every program has its lobby. So far, most cuts have been across the board, with only a couple of agencies feeling the ax. That may have to change. Surely the state does a lot of things most of us would not miss. Conservatives will be tempted to say, "We won," and push forward. Win we did. Now we have to make sense out of things and govern. That's different. It can be done, and the governor would be wise to push for as broad a consensus as can be had – if he wants to perpetuate his legacy. – *Steve Haynes*

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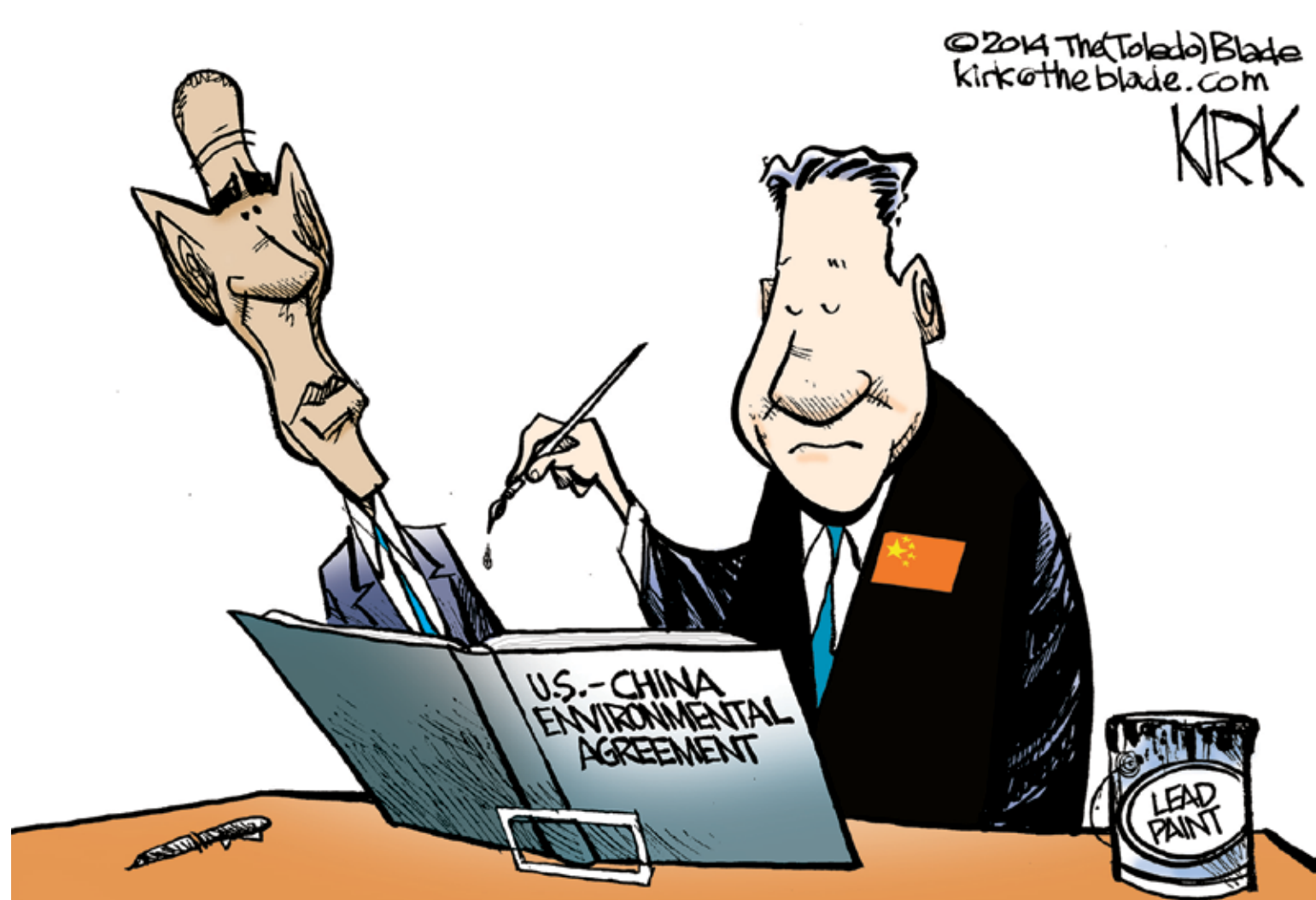
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# Cat's life worthy of envy

I'm jealous of my cat.

Who wouldn't want to be a house cat?

You have this lovely, rich coat that is soft and luxurious and a tail that tells everyone just how you feel – welcoming, angry, scared, ready to fight or ready to run – unless, of course, you're a manx.

What does a cat do all day?

Sleep, eat, sleep, play, sleep, groom itself, sleep.

What's not to like on that list?

The average day for Foxy is get up in the morning with Mom. Go downstairs and have some breakfast. Go back upstairs and get in bed until Dad gets up.

If it's nice, go outside to find a sunbeam to sleep in. If it's cold or rainy, stay inside and find a sunbeam or warm spot to sleep in.

When it's bedtime, she heads for our bed. About 1 a.m., she usually decides to play, hopping from place to place while we're too asleep to kick her out of the bedroom.

Cats don't plan. They don't work or worry about tomorrow – or even this afternoon.



**Cynthia Haynes**

• Open Season

They wait for their servants to open the door; make breakfast, lunch and dinner; provide fresh water and toys; clean the bathroom (litter box); provide proper sleeping accommodations such as sofas, chairs, beds and clean clothing; and oblige with an occasional brush or pet.

Life would be perfect for a cat, except that's it's really hard to get good help these days. There are times when the dang humans just are nowhere to be found and you would really like to go in, or out, be fed or have a good brush.

Of course, that's your average house cat. Cats in the wild don't have it so easy.

There are no servants to provide furniture to

sleep on, meals on demand and a warm house to enjoy.

In fact, female feral cats are the proverbial unwed mothers. They get stuck with the kittens – time and time again – while he disappears.

Still, for your average house cat, life is pretty good.

All this came to me last week when the temperatures were in the basement and I had to go to work. The cats took one look outside and didn't step a paw onto the pavement for more than a week.

Meanwhile, I was fighting wind and cold to put lunch on the table and cat food on floor.

I think I'll look into reincarnation, because I'm pretty sure I want to come back as a house cat.

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# Give thanks, and reach out to help

As Americans celebrate Thanksgiving this week, families and friends come together to reflect, give thanks and enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving feast. However, millions – in fact, one in six Americans – struggle each day to even get enough food to eat. The unfortunate reality is that food insecurity exists in every community in our nation.

Living in the breadbasket of America, it can sometimes be difficult to comprehend the prevalence of hunger at home and around the world. Yet, hunger is real – it threatens the future of millions every day. Hunger creates political instability, stunts economic growth, and robs individuals of their dignity and self-potential.

When I travel throughout our state, I recognize the impact of hunger in our communities. I also appreciate how Kansans react to this problem with compassion and a genuine desire to help our friends and neighbors prosper. I recently visited the Flint Hills Breadbasket to learn more about their mission of minimizing hunger and poverty in the Manhattan area. For 32 years, they have been collecting and distributing food with the help of many volunteers and churches. Last year, volunteers created and distributed more than 200 Thanksgiving baskets to food-insecure families. I was also encouraged to learn that many of the individuals receiving food are actively trying to find employment and working to improve their lives.

To help food banks and the Americans they serve, last year I introduced bipartisan legislation that encourages businesses and farms to donate surplus food to local food banks. The



**U.S. Senator Jerry Moran**

• Moran's Memo

Good Samaritan Hunger Relief Tax Incentive Act permanently extends a tax credit for donating food and expands the credit to all businesses including small businesses, farmers, ranchers and restaurant owners. Permanently extending the hunger relief tax incentive will increase food bank contributions and help ensure that less food goes to waste. I hopeful commonsense legislation like this is soon considered with a new Senate Majority in the 114th Congress.

Many Kansans – including former Senator Bob Dole and former Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman – have worked to end hunger at home and abroad. I appreciate their efforts and the individuals who continue to raise awareness about hunger and food insecurity – often an invisible tragedy. In my effort to represent this spirit of Kansans, I served as co-chair of the House Hunger Caucus for four years in the U.S. House of Representatives and currently co-chair the Senate Hunger Caucus. Established in 2004, the Senate Hunger Caucus exists to promote anti-hunger causes, provide a forum for briefings about hunger issues, and facilitate communication between those working to combat hunger and lawmakers who support programs and policies assisting those in

need.

As part of my role on the Senate Hunger Caucus, I have met with individuals and organizations that are working tirelessly to fight hunger around the globe like the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. They believe that helping farm families increase agricultural development and production is the most effective way to reduce hunger and poverty over the long term.

I am of the belief that we change the world one soul, one person at a time. This Thanksgiving, I hope you will consider supporting or volunteering at an organization like the Flint Hills Breadbasket in your community. Just a few hours of your time giving back can help make this holiday a memorable one for you, your family and for those in need.

Robba and I join all Kansans in celebrating Thanksgiving with family and friends, and giving thanks for our blessings. I am especially grateful for the service and charitable organizations that support our communities and those in need. I hope you and your families also enjoy time together and have the chance to reflect on all we have to be thankful for – both as Kansans and Americans.

*Jerry Moran of Manhattan, the junior U.S. senator from Kansas, is a member of the Senate Banking Committee and serves as the ranking member of the Subcommittee for Housing, Transportation and Community Development. He is the sponsor of the Financial Institutions Examination Fairness and Reform Act.*

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# On the Beat

## COLBY POLICE Last Friday

12:31 a.m. – House checks.  
 1:15 a.m. – Walk through at Walmart.  
 4:02 a.m. – Caller reported vehicle stalled. Pushed the vehicle out of the roadway.  
 10:02 a.m. – Helped ambulance crew.  
 1:18 p.m. – Caller reported harassment.  
 4:02 p.m. – Dog at large taken to Colby Animal Clinic.  
**Saturday**  
 12:22 a.m. – Walk through at college.  
 12:52 a.m. – Open door secured.  
 1:09 a.m. – Open gate; all OK.  
 1:24 a.m. – Caller reported subjects are being harassed by phone.  
 1:44 a.m. – Security check at B-Hive Bar and Grill.  
 2:03 a.m. – Security check at Twister's Bar and Grill.  
 4:32 a.m. – House checks.

10:27 a.m. – Helped ambulance crew.  
 8:13 p.m. – Caller reported subject possibly suicidal. Report filed.  
 10:25 p.m. – Walk through at Walmart.  
**Sunday**  
 12:20 a.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on traffic stop. Drove vehicle to the Law Enforcement Center.  
 1:10 a.m. – Alcohol violation report filed on traffic stop. Vehicle towed.  
 1:25 a.m. – Narcotics violation report filed on above stop.  
 3 a.m. – Dog at large taken to animal clinic.  
 8:09 a.m. – Transported subject.  
 9:19 a.m. – Abandoned vehicle towed; report filed.  
 12:55 p.m. – Caller reported water leak. Located it, water department paged to shut it off.  
 3:31 p.m. – Helped ambulance crew on call.

4:12 p.m. – Subject came to station about theft of vehicle in reference to case at 9:19 a.m. Report filed.  
 4:49 p.m. – Accident; assisted Highway Patrol trooper on call  
 6:19 p.m. – Civil stand-by.  
 6:29 p.m. – Caller reported foul odor. Civil matter; owner not found.  
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 10:11 a.m. – Booked Brandon James Tittel.  
 10:31 a.m. – Released Tittel.  
 3:12 p.m. – Booked Meagan Renee Weaver.  
 4:48 p.m. – Released Darrin Anthony Newell.  
 5:01 p.m. – Released Theodis Steven Daniels Jr.  
 6:27 p.m. – Released Angela Anne Mireles.  
 6:36 p.m. – Helped ambulance crew on call on County Rd. 27.

6:59 p.m. – 911 caller struck a steer in the 600 block of K-25.  
 9:08 p.m. – Security check at Hi-Plains Co-op, Gem.  
 9:08 p.m. – Security check at Hill Trash Service, Gem.  
 9:19 p.m. – Security check at McCarty Dairy.  
 9:50 p.m. – Security checks at Rexford businesses.  
**Last Friday**  
 6:30 a.m. – 911 caller reported rollover at U.S. 83 mile 173.

Highway Patrol took the case.  
 11:28 a.m. – Caller reported hunters in posted field on County Rd. 23 north of college farm.  
 5:10 p.m. – Released Michael Wayne Kusinski.  
 5:49 p.m. – Caller reported vehicles driving on his property at County Rds. 23 and U. Subjects located on east edge of Colby. Trespassing report filed.  
**Saturday**  
 6:20 a.m. – Booked Jerry Lynn

Margheim Jr.  
 12:52 p.m. – Released Meagan Weaver.  
 5:56 p.m. – Business check at Golden Plains School, Rexford.  
 6:17 p.m. – Business check at McCarty Dairy.  
 8:57 p.m. – Booked Toby Lucas Jones.  
 9:49 p.m. – Provided traveler's aid.  
 11:03 p.m. – Released Jose A. Lerma.




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	AMC	The Matrix (99, R) ★★ Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne. HD						The Matrix Reloaded (03, R) Keanu Reeves. HD			
DISCOVERY	Discovery	Punkin Chunkin: "Superchunk!" (N)						Punkin Chunkin: "Superchunk!" (N)			
	ESPN2	(6:00) College Football: Auburn vs Alabama (Live) HD						(:45) SportsCenter Sports news. HD	SportsCenter HD		

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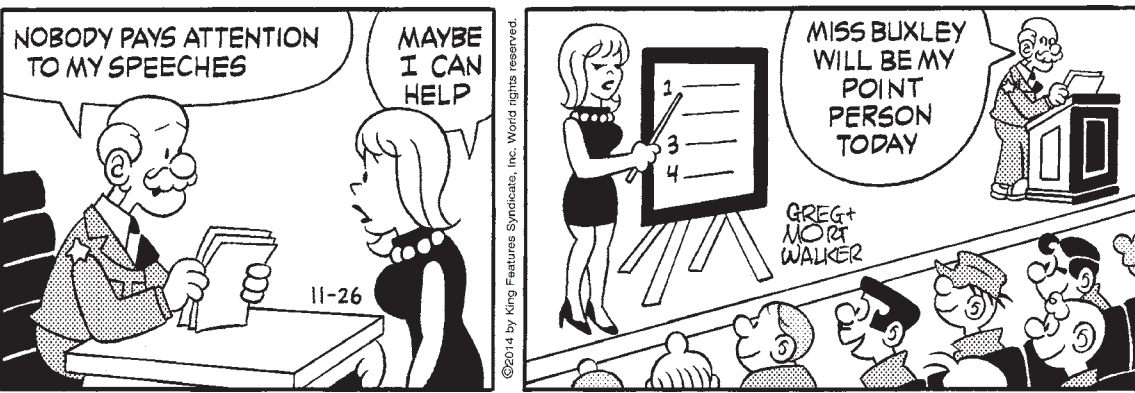





**Baby Blues** • Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott



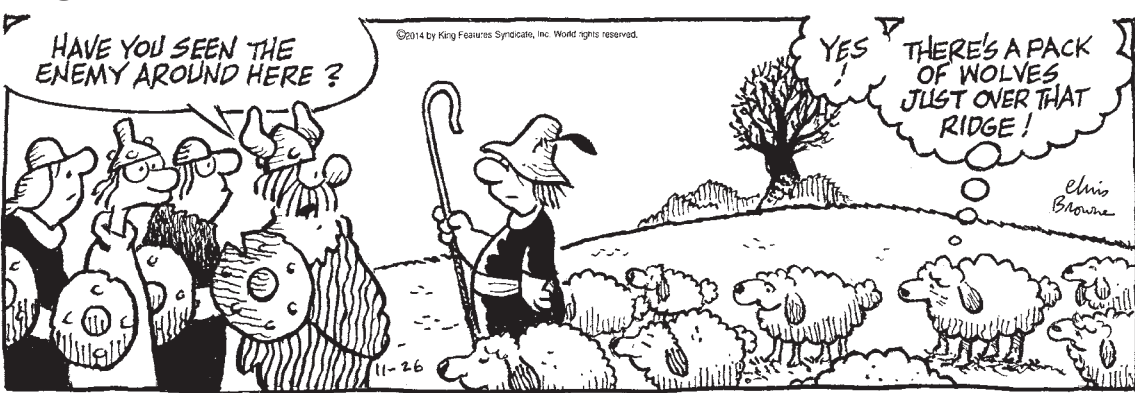
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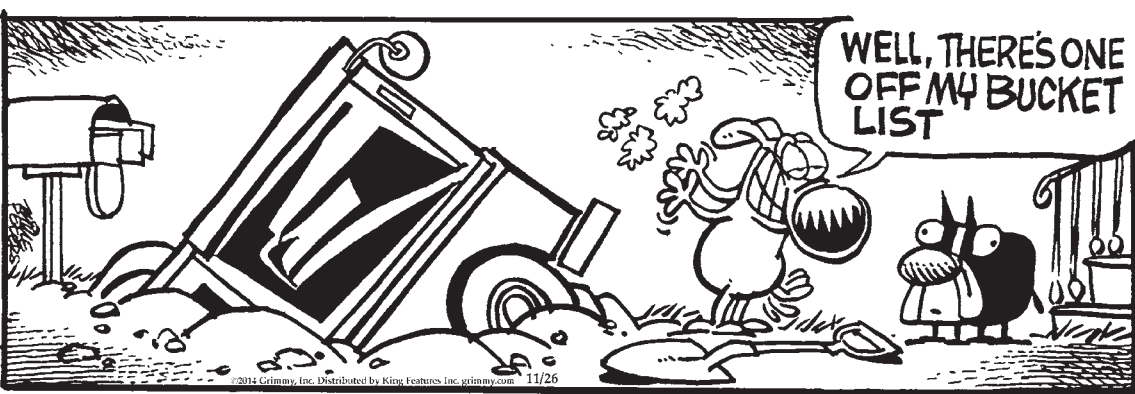
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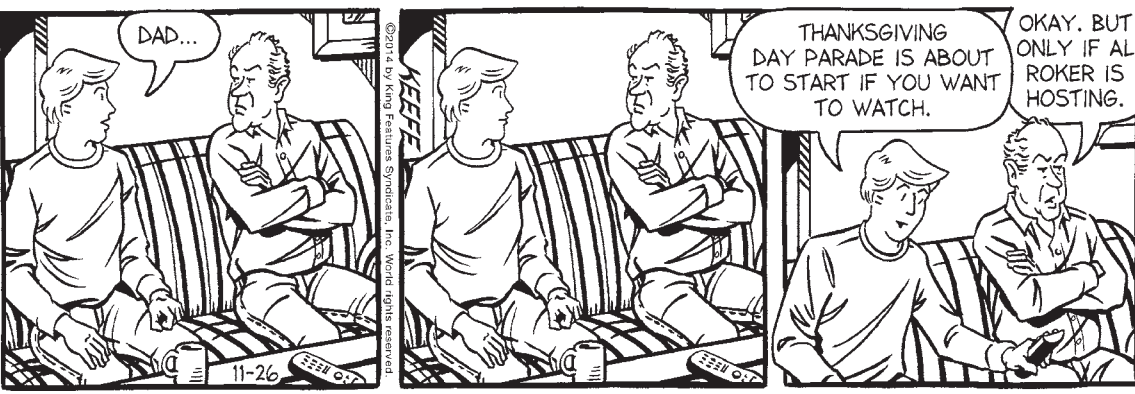
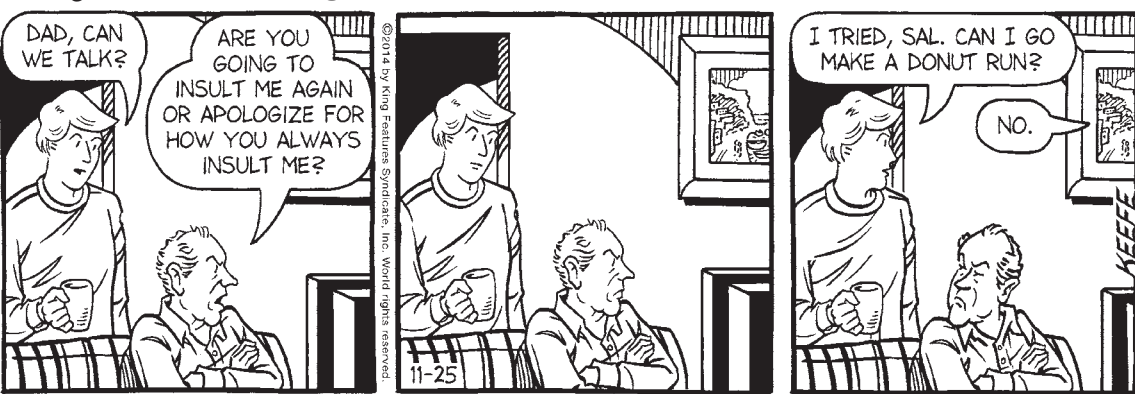
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**Mother Goose and Grimm** • Mike Peters



**Sally Forth** • Greg Howard



**Todd the Dinosaur** • Patrick Roberts



**Zits** • Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott



**Heloise**

• Hints from Heloise

**Readers share food faux pas**

Dear Readers: Wow and double wow! It seems like a lot of you have had some pretty funny "mistakes and mishaps" in the kitchen! I had no idea so many of you would "fess up" to some pretty silly food foul-ups! Here are just a few:

- Ilona, via email, said: "In my first month of marriage, I used a recipe calling for a clove of garlic. I thought it meant the whole head. Boy, did my kitchen reek of garlic for hours after!"
- Maria C., via email, said: "I grew up with three brothers. When learning to cook, I made my first cake from scratch and left out any leavening. The cake turned out flat and rubbery. My family still laughs about how my brothers had a great time using it as a flying disc in the backyard!"
- Marie W., via email, said: "My mother baked the best cherry pie, so I wanted to impress my father with mine. I cooked a cherry pie. The problem was, I used canned cherries with the pits still in them. My father ate it, declaring that it was the best he had ever eaten, while spitting seeds along the way. I will always adore him for that!"

Look for more stories next week! — Heloise

**MALT VINEGAR**

Dear Heloise: I enjoy eating fish and chips, and I love the malt vinegar sprinkled on the fish. I put some on the "chips" or fries by accident, and I loved the taste. To make ordinary french fries tastier, sprinkle with malt vinegar. — Ally T. in New York

What a great hint, and I often do the very same. I do love vinegar on salads and veggies, and tasty red-wine vinegar with fresh chilled cucumbers and carrots. With so many flavored vinegars available, it's easy to experiment with different foods for a new (and no-calorie) taste experience. For more hints and recipes, order my Heloise's Fantabulous Vinegar Hints and More pamphlet by sending \$5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (70 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Vinegar, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Use balsamic vinegar to add to salads or sliced tomatoes and mozzarella for a quick and healthy meal! Try it on egg rolls for a no-sodium alternative to soy sauce. — Heloise

**HOW LONG?**

Dear Heloise: Pumpkin pie is a traditional dessert at Thanksgiving in our home. How long will it keep on the table? — Kelly D. in Kentucky

Pumpkin pie is always on the menu during Thanksgiving (here in Texas, it's pecan pie). It should be refrigerated within a two-hour window of time. The same guideline goes for most food that sits out. — Heloise

**PLASTIC HELPER**

Dear Heloise: Save the little plastic "tables" that often come inside pizza-delivery boxes. They work great when poked into a frosted cake, pan of bars or meringue-topped pie. They keep the plastic wrap or aluminum foil cover from touching the food. — Cherie M., via email

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**Bridge** • Steve Becker

South dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A 7 5  
♥ 8 4  
♦ J 9 7 2  
♣ A Q 9 6

**WEST**  
♠ Q 9 6 2  
♥ —  
♦ A K 8 6 4  
♣ K 10 8 2

**EAST**  
♠ J 4  
♥ Q J 10 9 7  
♦ Q 10 5 3  
♣ J 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ K 10 8 3  
♥ A K 6 5 3 2  
♦ —  
♣ 7 5 4

The bidding:  
South 1♥ West 2♦ North 2NT East 3♥  
Pass 2♣ Dble 4♥ Pass  
2♥ Pass 2NT Pass  
3♥ Pass 4♥ Dble

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

**Tricks That Slowly Fade Away**

When declarer is playing a suit contract, he usually counts his losers (instead of his winners) to determine his prospects. This approach is not always best, however. There are times when it is better to count probable winners than probable losers.

Perhaps the best approach is to study the situation from both aspects and, when there is a discrepancy because the winners and losers do not add up to 13, place more reliance on the winner count.

Assume you reach four hearts doubled on the bidding shown and West leads a diamond, which you ruff. If you think East has all the missing trumps — which seems reasonable, given the bidding — your potential losers consist of three hearts, one or two spades and one or two clubs!

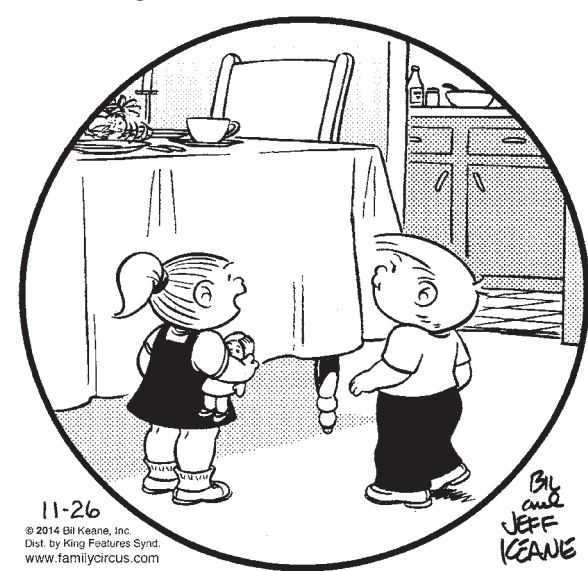
This makes the outlook seem bleak indeed, but if you study the matter from the standpoint of winners, things may not be as bad as they first appear. You can't tell exactly how you'll eventually fare, but the best line of play is clear from the start: You must try to score as many of your trumps as possible.

So you lead a club to dummy's queen at trick two, and, after it wins, you ruff a diamond. You then lead a club to the ace, trump another diamond, lead a spade to the ace and ruff dummy's last diamond. By this time you've scored seven tricks, and you now cash the A-K of trumps and king of spades to round out a total of 10 tricks.

Your last three cards are the 10-8 of spades and seven of clubs, all of which West can theoretically win, but East actually takes them with the Q-J-10 of trumps. In effect, you merge your three black-suit losers with your three trump losers, and you magically end up losing only three tricks.

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**Family Circus** • Bil Keane



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**Conceptis Sudoku** • Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level ★★★ 11/26

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

**Cryptoquip**

XYBX KSIIDT KWDZ  
GQBHRNHBFBNG ISBFNHM  
EG BHU RBU HDT. DY TSII  
HD ZDWS ZW. HDWGS MEU.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A PERSON SPOKE A CELTIC LANGUAGE WITH A THICK FRENCH ACCENT, I WOULD CALL IT GALLIC GAELIC.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals N

**Crossword** • Eugene Sheffer

**ACROSS**  
1 Tater  
5 Unruly group  
8 Couch  
12 Stereo fore-runner  
13 Motorists' org.  
14 Ball of yarn  
15 Stars and Stripes  
17 Concept  
18 Thick and sticky  
19 How a snail moves  
21 Saab model  
24 Violinist Kavafian  
25 Smell  
28 Erstwhile acorns  
30 Compete  
33 Have a bug  
34 Exodus hero  
35 Blunder  
36 Nourished  
37 Valhalla VIP

**DOWN**  
38 Cruising, maybe  
39 Obtained state  
43 Dodged  
46 Unsettled feeling  
50 Burden  
51 Vet  
54 Folk-singer  
55 Rotation duration  
56 Peace-keeping grp.  
57 Mark of "The Full Monty"  
58 Praise in verse  
59 Flying pest

**ACROSS**  
23 Refuge  
25 LummoX  
26 Conk out  
27 Conservative faction  
29 Super-man's alias  
31 Anger  
32 Historic time  
34 Speck  
38 Store-front canopy  
40 "Strange to say ..."  
42 Consume  
43 Exile isle  
44 Stentorian  
45 Nincompoop  
47 FBI operative  
48 — good example  
49 Equine gait  
52 20-Down's brother, e.g.  
53 Decorate eggs

Yesterday's answer 11-26

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12				13				14		
15			16					17		
18						19	20			
		21		22	23		24			
25	26	27		28	29			30	31	32
33				34					35	
36				37				38		
		39	40		41		42			
43	44			45		46		47	48	49
50				51	52	53				
54				55				56		
57				58				59		



# Classifieds

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

## Notices

**Farmer's Christmas Market Craft Show**, BP Miller Building, 895 S. Country Club Drive, Colby, KS. Saturday, December 6, 2014, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Linda's Bakery, Way Back Yonder, Made of Iron, The Ruffled Apron, Odds 'n Ends, Rall's Furniture Restoration, Sassy Home Designs, Kreation by Kristy, L's Homemade Wheat Free Products & Homemade Applesauce, Geraldine's Sugar Cookies, Parker's Homemade All Beef Summer Sausage & Spicy Mustard.  
---11/24---12/5---

**Public Notice--Colby Public Schools** is accepting food bids for next semester. Please call 460-5000 for specification sheets. Bids are scheduled to be opened at noon on Wednesday, December 3, 2015.  
---11/24---12/1---

**O' Christmas Tree** - Fraser and Noble Trees, Wreaths, Garland and so much more! We invite you to our 5th Christmas Tree Open House with cookies, cider and hot chocolate too! Sunday, November 30, 2014, 1 - 6 p.m., 3380 W. 4th Street in Colby, KS. Inquiries or to pre-order, call: Cathy Carney 785-443-3448 or Joyce Maupin 785-443-1064. Open weekdays 5 - 8 p.m. & weekends 1 - 6 p.m.  
---11/20---12/10---

**Heart to Heart Christian Counseling**, Refreshed, Renewed, Restored. Twila Bainter, Hoxie, KS 785-675-2211.  
---11/20---11/26---

**Colby's Holiday Craft and Gift Fair**. Come shop with us. Saturday, Nov. 29th at 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Colby Community Building. You will find crafters, home décor, clothing, gift baskets, food, NFL/NCAA items and so much more.  
---11/12---11/28---

**Watkins seasonings, extracts, flavorings**, gravies, pudding mixes and more for your holiday cooking or gift giving. Call Sharon Vap to order or a catalog. 785-462-5380 (c) or 785-462-3493 (h).  
---11/3---11/28---

**Carpet Cleaning: 3 Room Special** - \$149.95! Dry-Foam safe & Green Seal approved. Serving NWKS mileage free since 1987. Call today: A+ Cleaners 785-538-2526 or 785-443-5400, Johnene Cheney.  
---9/3---01/15---

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

**Classified ad deadlines** (word ads only). Noon the day before publication (noon Friday for Monday paper). Ads going into the Country Advocate need to be in on Thursdays. Please check your ad the first time it runs. If you find an error, please call at (785) 462-3963 so it can be corrected, since we will not be responsible for errors after that first day. The Colby Free Press.  
---3/1---TFN---

## Help Wanted

**USD 275 Triplains is accepting** applications for the position of Board Clerk/Secretary. Fund Accounting, payroll, computer skills, communication skills, and record keeping all requirements. Position open until filled. Applications are available at the USD 275 District Office. Or contact Lamar Bergsten, PO BOX 97, Winona, KS 67764. 785-846-7869  
---11/26---12/10---

**Rawlins County USD 105 is accepting** applications for Full Time Transportation Director. Benefits include full single health insurance, KPERS retirement, life insurance, and vacation, personal, and sick leave. Job descriptions are available at the district office. To obtain an application, please come to the district office at 205 N. 4th Street, call 785-626-3236 or go to www.usd105.org. Rawlins County USD 105 is an equal opportunity employer.  
---11/26---12/10---

**The Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center** is accepting applications for the 2014-2015 school year.

- School Psychologist
- Staff Development Secretary

For position related questions, contact Kathy Kersenbrock Ostmeier extension 111.

Applications are available at www.nkesc.org or 785-672-3125. Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled.  
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**Mittens**  
Oakley KS

**Help Wanted: Shop Service Writers**

Full and part time positions now available at the Mittens TA Shop, Oakley, KS. Competitive wages, flexible hours, BC/BS Insurance, profit sharing, vacation, year-end bonus, 401k, and more for qualified employees. Experienced applicants encouraged and training also available. Apply online at www.mitteninc.com or for more information call Robert or Julian at 785-672-3270. Mitten, Inc. is an EOE.

## Help Wanted

**Brewster USD 314 is currently** accepting applications for the following positions: Part-time Assistant Custodian, Full-time Route Bus Driver. Applications may be downloaded from the District's website: www.usd314.k12.ks.us or by calling the District at 785-694-2236. Resumes may be emailed to jmills@usd314.k12.ks.us.  
---11/20---12/3---

**Certified Medication Aide** needed at Fairview Estates for our growing Assisted Living Facility. Competitive wages, AFLAC, and good working environment. Apply in person. Ask for Gary at 1630 Sewell Ave., Colby 785-462-2154 EOE.  
---11/17---12/9---

**Full-Time Housekeeper** needed for Assisted Living and Independent Living. Hours are Mon - Fri, No weekends or Holidays. Competitive pay and good working environment. Stop by Fairview Estates Retirement Community at 1630 Sewell Ave or call Gary at 462-2154.  
---11/17---12/9---

**CNA shifts available** at Fairview Estates for our growing Assisted Living Facility. Flexible schedules, Friendly Environment, competitive wages, AFLAC and Shift Differentials. Contact Gary at Fairview Estates, 1630 Sewell Ave, Colby, KS (785) 462-2154. EOE  
---11/17---12/9---

**Employment Opportunity:** Colby 24/7 Travel Store is currently accepting applications for part-time or full-time cashiers. Compensation includes \$9.00 starting wage plus incentives including BCBS health and life insurance, 401K, and paid vacation. Apply online at www.24-7-stores.com or apply in person at Colby 24/7 Travel Store, 1980 S. Range.  
---11/7---11/28---

**Rawlins County EMS** is now accepting full-time and part-time applications for EMT's, AEMT's and Paramedics. Applicants should be motivated, comfortable taking care of patients for long transport times and dedicated individuals to work in a rural setting. Applicants must possess a valid Kansas Driver's License and be a certified Kansas EMT, AEMT or Paramedic. AEMT and/or Paramedic must have ACLS, and all positions require a CPR certification. No residency is required. Rawlins County EMS is a Type IIA service and is the primary 911 service. Rawlins County is located in North West Kansas at the intersection of Highway 25 and Highway 36. Rawlins County offers competitive pay with a great benefits package. Applications are available to pick-up, email and/or fax. Submit an application or a resume to Rawlins County EMS Office P.O. Box 183, Atwood, Kansas 67730, Fax: 785-626-9486, or email: racoems@gmail.com. For more information please call Phone: 785-626-8052 or Cell: 785-626-6001.  
---9/12---TFN---

**Great Western Tire of Colby, Inc.**, 1170 S. Country Club Drive, is now accepting applications for all positions. Positions included, but not limited to, lube oil & tire, truck tire, service call, and alignment technicians. Experience required, but will train the right person. Valid driver's license is a requirement. Full time position includes competitive salary and benefits. Apply in person, EOE. Questions please call 785.462.2100.  
---5/29---TFN---

**The Team at Kansasland Tire** of Norton has an immediate opening for a service truck operator/general service person. Must have a valid drivers license. Competitive wages, 401k, insurance, & uniforms. Experience preferred, but not necessary we will train. Please stop by at 11101 Rd E1, Norton and pick up an application or call 785-877-5181 EOE.  
---2/12---TFN---

## Help Wanted

**F/T Class A CDL Drivers** must have clean MVR, at least 2 yr. OTR experience, DOT with alcohol and drug testing, Hopper experience a plus, home weekly, EOE. Call 785-462-0087.  
---10/29---4/24---

**PSI Transport, LLC**, is always looking for livestock hauler: owner/operators to pull our trailers and/or company drivers. Newer equipment and excellent benefit package. We primarily stay within the Midwest. To visit about our opportunities give us a call M-F at (785) 675-3881 or (913) 533-2478.  
---6/16---TFN---

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

## Storage

**Storage Units For Rent 10'x20'** - 785-443-8658.  
---11/26---12/10---

## Apartments for Rent

**2 Bedroom Apartment** with all the amenities: A/C, washer/dryer, dishwasher. No pets, non smoking 785-460-0916 or 785-462-0274.  
---11/20---12/3---

## Houses for Sale

**Newly renovated 2 BR**, 2 Bath home in Colby. All new kitchen, new FA/CA, attached garage. \$79,000 785-460-6237 or 785-249-8946.  
---10/29---11/26---

## Mobile Home for Sale

**"But I Only Want Something Nice"**. Exceptionally nice mobile home for sale. Two bedroom, one bath. Prime Colby location. Must see to appreciate. 913-515-1179.  
---11/20---11/26---

## Misc. for Sale

**New Panasonic Reconditioned Sharp** and Compact, Repair Vacuum and Steam Cleaner - Erwin Thiele 785-462-5572.  
---11/19---12/8---

**For Sale Used Appliances:** Electric range, propane range, refrigerators, window air conditioner, dishwashers, new electric water heater, fresh eggs 785-694-8013.  
---11/5---12/1---

**For Sale: Quarters or halves** - Hamburgers, steaks, roasts, any amount. Jonny Jones 785-675-8920.  
---11/7---11/27---

**Pebble Embossed Plastic Banquet** rolls 40'x300' (white) \$30 + tax. Can be purchased at the Colby Free Press, 155 W. 5th St.  
---3/21---TFN---

## Wanted

**Do you have an empty farm**stead that needs looking after? I can care for yards, live stock, up keep on out buildings and small repairs. Call Gary 719-691-1638 live in Kansas.  
---11/24---12/8---

**Want to buy John Deere** diesel and Deutz diesel air cooled engines. Running or not 785-263-6275.  
---11/17---12/12---

**Wanted: Owner Operators** to run all states except California and New England. Reefer, Flatbed and Tanker experience preferred. Please call Jim 785-675-1737.  
---10/1---TFN---

## Vehicles for Sale

**1995 Ford F250 SuperCab XLT**, Powerstroke, 7.3 L Turbo Diesel. Call 785-443-2473 evenings.  
---11/24---12/8---

**Call us before you pay** your next insurance premium. American Family Insurance - Rita Peters Agency - Colby 785-462-8246.  
---1/18---TFN---

## Farm Services

**We do HAY GRINDING!** Call Paul M. Palmer 520-975-3312  
---10/31---11/27---

## Seed and Feed

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---11/7---11/27---

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---11/13---11/26---

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---10/31---12/26---

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---10/27---12/5---

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---11/3---11/28---

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---11/7---3/30---

## Services

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---5/9---TFN---

**Do Your Feet Hurt?** We can help with I-Step Technology. We also provide medicare approved diabetic shoes up to size 15 with doctors prescription by appointment only. Currier Drug, Inc, Atwood. 1-800-696-3214.  
---4/22---TFN---

## Kansas Classified Network

**Adoption**  
A childless, married couple seeks to adopt. Will be hands-on mom/ devoted dad. Love, laughter, learning. Financial Security. Expenses paid. Jeanne and Damian 1-855-563-8901

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**Colby Community College**

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## Kansas Classified Network

**Help Wanted**  
Anthony, Kansas is seeking FT Police Officer. Must be 21. Starting salary \$16.00/hr. Law Enforcement Certification required. Excellent benefits. Information: www.anthonykansas.org/jobs. Open until filled. EOE.

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Over 150 pianos on sale (starting at \$488) through Dec. 13th! Verticals, grands, digitals by Steinway, Yamaha, Baldwin & more! Mid-America Piano, Manhattan, 800-950-3774, www.piano4u.com

## Public Notice

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS**  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RONALD R. STRAMEL, DECEASED (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

Case No. 12 PR 34

## NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:  
You are notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Sharon Stramel, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Ronald R. Stramel, deceased, requesting that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Executor of the Estate of Ronald R. Stramel, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.  
You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before December 15th, 2014, at 10:00 A.M. in the District Court, in 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/ Sharon Stramel  
Executor

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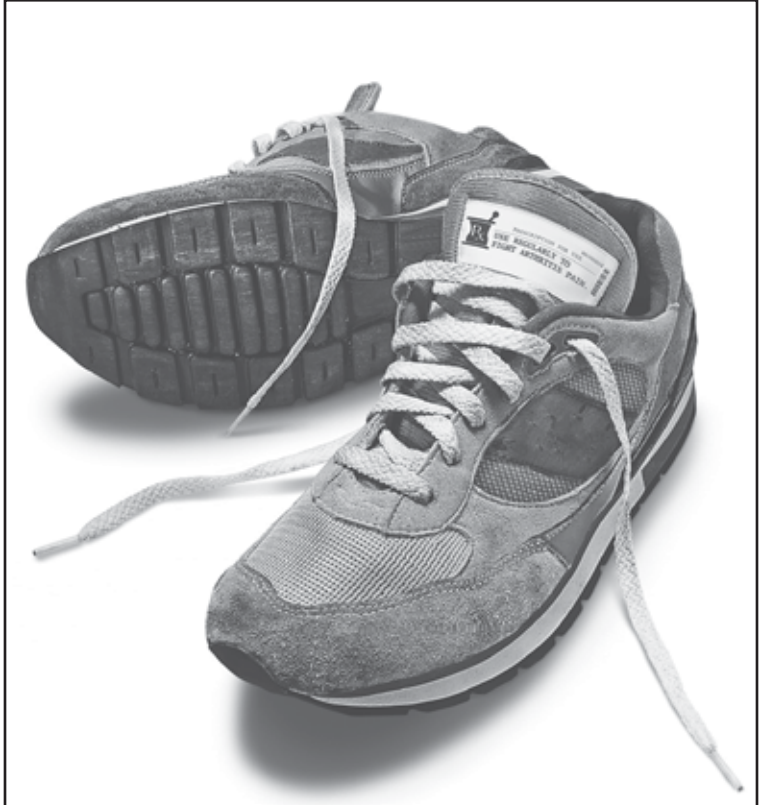
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# Chiefs' backups are ready

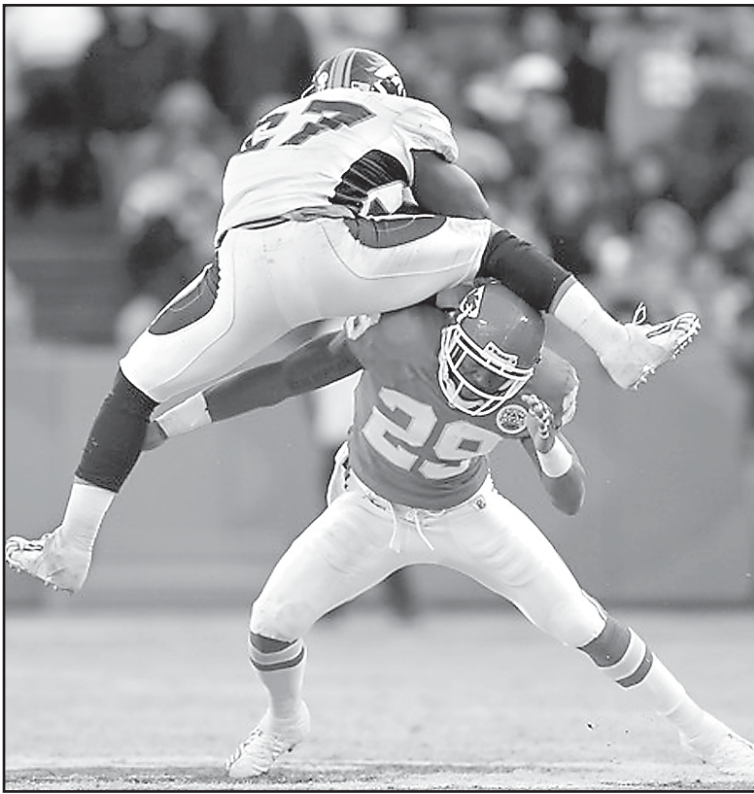
KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Kansas City Chiefs began their practice week today in preparation for their biggest game of the season. One of the things they will need to decide: How to replace strong safety Eric Berry in the starting lineup on Sunday night when they host the Denver Broncos.

The decision shouldn't take long. Berry, who has what the Chiefs believe to be lymphoma, missed five games this season because of a high-ankle sprain.

Ron Parker replaced Berry in those five games and played so well that the Chiefs believed he deserved a place in their secondary even after Berry returned. Parker moved to one of the starting cornerback spots once Berry returned to the lineup in the Nov. 9 game against the Buffalo Bills.

The Chiefs not only survived but thrived without Berry. They went 4-1 in games without Berry and 3-3 when he is in the lineup.

Berry made the Pro Bowl in three of his first four NFL seasons, missing only in 2011 when he missed all but a handful of plays



Getty Images

The Kansas City Chiefs have counted on safety Eric Berry during previous big games against Denver, but appear ready to continue without him after a disturbing discovery last week.

because of torn knee ligaments.

This has been perhaps his worst NFL season. He was bothered in

the preseason with a heel injury and then had the nagging high ankle sprain.

## K-State falls to Arizona

LAHAINA, Hawaii (AP) — The No. 3-ranked Arizona Wildcats fought off Kansas State, 72-68, Tuesday night to reach the Maui Invitational championship

game. Kansas State slipped to 3-2 and will play Pittsburgh in today's third-place game. Arizona will meet No. 16 San Diego State.

# Look out! Threat levels rising for favored rivals

By Ralph Russo  
AP Sports Writer

From Thanksgiving night through Saturday, the potential for mayhem and a major shake-up in the College Football Playoff race exists. Time to assess the threat level for the contenders from Big Blue to various shades of orange and the potential for things to go haywire.

Ferocious *Free Press* scribbler R.B. Bad-To-The-Bone Headley also offers his picks after matching Russo's 7-2 mark this week.

Russo (86-26 record) still owns a six-game lead over Really Big Eater (80-32) but did not have picks available by today's deadline. Rude Buggar's always ready to spout his opinions.

**Florida (6-4) at No. 1 Florida State (11-0).** Threat level: orange.

The Gators have nothing to lose. The coach they love has already been fired. Of course, the

Seminoles have live in a constant state of high alert these days. **R.B.: FSU by more than usual, 35-20.**

**No. 15 Auburn (8-3) at No. 2 Alabama (10-1).** Threat level: purple, the color Crimson Tide fans will turn if their team lets another chance to play for the national championship get away in the Iron Bowl. **R.B.: Everything trends to Tide revenge, but you never know in Iron Bowl. Bama 38-31.**

**No. 4 Mississippi State (10-1) at No. 18 Mississippi (8-3).** Threat level: red (danger) ... or white (all is well).

The Rebels looked done Saturday, getting shut out at Arkansas. Does Ole Miss rally and ruin their rivals playoff hopes in just the third Egg Bowl with both teams ranked? Or are the Rebels road kill? Seems like it could go either way. **R.B.: Cheer, Baylor and TCU, as it's Ole Miss 27-24. No. 6 TCU (9-1) at Texas (6-5).**

Threat level: burnt orange, which is as serious as Longhorns coach Charlie Strong. The defense is the best in the Big 12 and the offense has found a smash-mouth identity.

This has trouble written all over it for the Horned Frogs. **R.B.: Yikes, all too true except Texas' recent wins are over struggling Texas Tech and Oklahoma State. Frogs are tougher. TCU 27-22.**

**Michigan (5-6) at No. 7 Ohio State (10-1).** Threat level: Reality: The Buckeyes should beat the Wolverines by four touchdowns. **R.B.: More like three TDs: Ohio State 37-16.**

**Kansas at No. 11 Kansas did not make the threat list. R.B. takes the 'Cats, No. 16 Georgia Tech upsets No. 9 Georgia, No. 11 Arizona over No. 13 Arizona State, Arkansas to surprise No. 17 Missouri, No. 14 Wisconsin over No. 18 Minnesota, No. 7 Baylor blasting Texas Tech and sadly, Iowa over Nebraska.**



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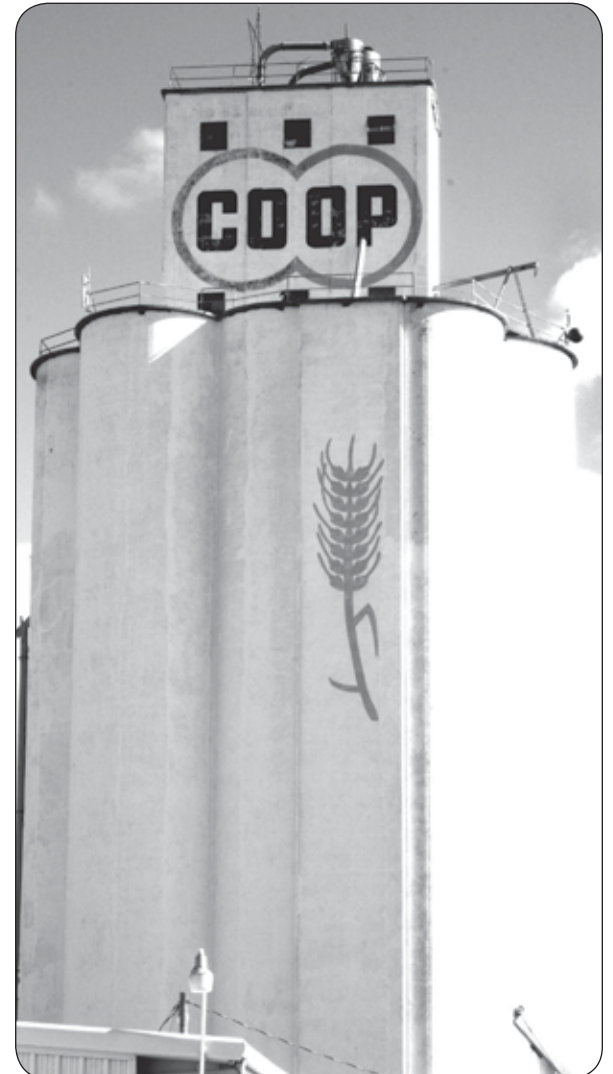
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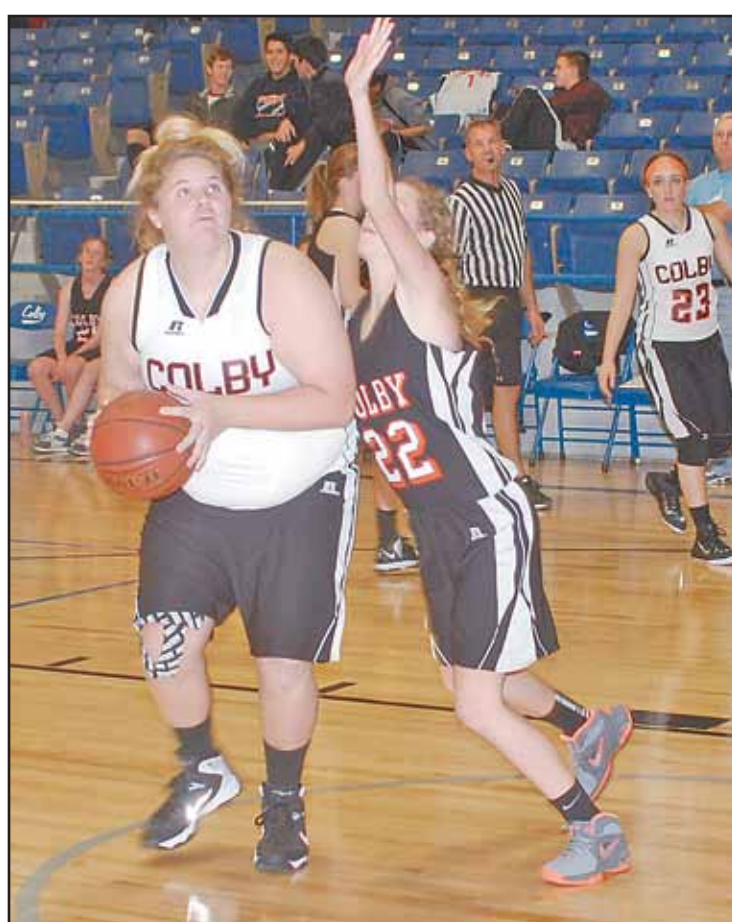




## These birds are about to hunt



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press  
Colby High's basketball teams are now just one week and a day from their varsity season debuts at the Hays Tournament. Both squads gave Eagle fans a little pre-holiday appetizer with intrasquad scrimmages in the Colby Community Building Tuesday night. Guard Leighton Rinehart (above) made a good move against defender Rex Branum during the boys' scrimmage. Caleb Mazanec (12) moved into the lane to perhaps take a pass or crash glass and grab an offensive rebound. Senior Darby Sager (right) was also tough to stop although a younger Eagle defender did her best to ruin this inside shot. More about Colby High basketball will be featured next week. After a busy three-game weekend for both teams, the Eagles play their first home contests on Thursday, Dec. 11 against Hays in the Colby Community Building.



# Trojan men conquer Moundbuilders, 81-65

By R.B. Headley  
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Brothers Eddie, Swede and Brady Trenkle better enjoy a festive family gathering on Thursday in Garden City.

Because once Friday arrives, it will be time to tighten the belts and get ready for rumbles if a group of outsiders from Colby Community College have their way.

"We have a really big weekend ahead," coach Rusty Grafel said about the Garden City Thanksgiving Tournament. "We'll play two teams who made it to the second round of last year's national tournament, and are close to being unbeaten again."

Indeed. The Trojans (7-3 record overall) will take on coach Swede Trenkle's 7-0 Hill (Texas) College team Friday afternoon and coach Eddie Trinkle's 7-2 Northeast (Colo.) Junior College squad Saturday afternoon.

Both games will tip at 3:30 p.m. according to the Trojans' schedule at colbycc.edu.

Coach Brady Trenkle's Garden City Broncbusters are 9-1, but won't face Colby until Jayhawk Conference play begins in January.

"Those three are all brothers, which is kind of unique for a tournament," Grafel said. "And these are the kind of games we'll be playing a lot once we get into Jayhawk play. They will be two big tests to see where we are at."

The Trojans were at Winfield to play Southwestern College's JV team on Monday, their fourth of



R.B. HEADLEY/Colby Free Press  
Sophomore Joey Meyer took flight and found a way to make this shot during one of the recent Colby Community College's men basketball home games. The Trojans are 7-3 entering two great challenges at Garden City this weekend.

ing to hit 10 three-pointers.

Freshman Dane Hrencher from Medicine Lodge buried a trio of bombs for his best offensive game so far this season. Bruce Watkins, Jr., also hit three from distance.

Colby shot 48 percent overall (31 for 65) while outscoring the Moundbuilders in each half.

However, the Trojans will still have plenty of work to do during their Thanksgiving morning practice.

"We played well in spurts, but weren't solid at times," Grafel said. "Any way you get a road win, though, you'll take it."

Grafel added that holiday meals will be available to all the players who don't travel home after Thursday's early workout.

All Trojan leaders from Monday's road win:

**Colby (81)** — Hassan Attia 15 points, Khyree Wooten 11, Layton Leydig 9, Bruce Watkins, Jr., 9; Dane Hrencher 9, Ahmed Ismail 8, Joey Meyer 6, Brian Starr 4, Troy Mix, Jr., 3; Tim Cubit 3, James Yarrton 3, Brandon Trotter 1. **Three-pointers:** Watkins 3, Hrencher 3, Meyer 1, Mix 1, Cubit 1, Yarrton 1. **Rebound leaders:** Attia 12, Ismail 10. **Assists:** Watkins 6, Starr 6. **Steals:** Starr 2. **Blocked shots:** Ismail 3, Attia 2.

eight consecutive away games.

Colby controlled the contest behind 6'10" freshman Hassan Attia's double-double (15 points, 10 rebounds) and six Trojans team-

## Colby equestrians earn titles

Colby Community College took four first places at the Laramie County (Wyo.) Community College's equestrian competition last

weekend, according to the team's Facebook page.

Gabrielle Smith, Stephanie Hager, Cheyanne Becker and

Heartland Christian alum Kirsten Bandy won the titles. Smith qualified for the upcoming Regional championships.

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