

# Presiding Bishop visits Colby

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The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the U.S. visited the Diocese of Western Kansas on Monday and Tuesday as part of a national tour, bringing a message of common ground and dialog.

The Most Rev. Katherine Jefferts Schori, the first woman to hold her office, and a controversial choice among many Episcopalians, was in Salina on Monday. Bishop James Adams of Western Kansas, known as a conservative, was not with her when she reached Colby.

Bishop Schori appeared at a banquet that night at Hays, and Tuesday, she traveled to Colby's Ascension on the Prairie Church for lunch. From there, she went to St. Cornelius in Dodge City.

Bishop Katherine, as she told people to call her, said she wanted to visit with the people in the churches and to have a conversation.

First, she said, she wanted to hear from the audience.

"We're coming up in the world," said Keith Williby, former senior warden, or chairman, of the church board in Colby of her visit."

"In the vast expanses of intercontinental space," said the Rev. Dennis Gilhousen of Transfiguration Church in Logan, and executive director of the Valley Hope Association in Norton, "a nucleus here has always come together because they have a sense of belonging.

"We may be small, but not little. Good people in good places help to

make the kingdom of God alive." "It is a rare treat to be here," said Bishop Schori. "We are together the Church and need to be in conservation with each other and live in community.

"It is a great joy to be able to travel around and do this, such an enormous gift. All of us are the body of Christ."

She talked of the common ground that all Episcopalians share and of using that to talk to each other about the differences between them.

Ms. Schori was elected the 26th presiding bishop of the church, the American branch of the Protestant Church of England, on Sunday, June 18, 2006, and was invest at the National Cathedral in Washington on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2006.

She took office in a church deeply divided over issues of sexuality and the Bible. The U.S. church has been in conflict with much of the rest of worldwide Anglican Communion over the consecration of an openly homosexual bishop in the Diocese of New Hampshire, the Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson.

The international church, headed by the Archbishop of Canterbury was upset at the consecration. The election of a liberal woman as the head of the American church also upset conservative bishops from Africa.

The bishop said she was ordained as an Episcopal priest in 1994. Before that, she was a marine biologist who studied squids and she is a licensed aircraft pilot.



The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Most Rev. Katherine Jefferts Schori, visited the Episcopal Church in Colby for a salad luncheon Tuesday. She stopped as part of her national tour of churches in the U.S and received a cross wheat weaving as a token of her visit to Colby.

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# Dog calls, bites increase in city

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Dog at large calls and dog bites are on the increase with the summer weather, and city officials want dog owners to remember the city has a leash law and stiff fines for repeat offenders.

Tonya Magaña, city animal control and code enforcement officer, said Friday she has been catching more than one dog a day on average since May, and that does not include the calls the police take when she is not on duty.

Magaña said she has investigated four dog bite cases since the first week of May, the latest about 8:45 a.m. on June 5 on 12th Street near Grant Junior High.

She said Colleen Rohr was walking that morning when three dogs came after her and began jumping on her. Magaña said Rohr told her she tried to run to escape the dogs and felt one bite her behind the knee.

Magaña said a woman driving by saw the dogs jumping on Rohr, honked her horn and stopped to help. The witness said the dogs' owner, Sherry Robinson, 512 W. 12th, came out of the house and called the dogs back.

The witness then helped Rohr into the junior high to call police.

Magaña said under the city ordinance she took three small dogs into custody. Two were terriers and the one that had bit Rohr was a boxer-pit bull mix. She said under the ordinance, when there is a complaint involving a bite, the city can be required to quarantine the dog for 10 to 12 days.

Magaña said she had talked to Rohr after the incident and Rohr said she was OK, but still a bit sore.

Municipal Judge LeAnn Taylor said the dog complaint came to court on Wednesday. She said she

determined that the boxer-pit bull mix was acting viciously and ordered that dog destroyed. The two terriers were released back to Robinson.

Robinson faces fines and costs including Rohr's medical costs of more than \$500. Taylor said she fined the owner \$20 for each dog for a first offense dog-at-large plus the owner has to pay the \$10 a day quarantine costs and the cost to have the boxer-pit bull destroyed. Before Robinson could take the terriers home, they had to have rabies shots and dog licenses.

Police Chief Ray Smee said he had a complaint on the same dogs from Grant Junior High Principal Steve Raymer before the incident.

"I had to tell him we would not be able to do anything unless there was a written complaint," Smee said. "I told him to call if they were out again and we would deal with it at that time."

Smee said the other dog bite cases involved a dog from out of town and another dog that has been sent out of town to an animal shelter. He said there was another case, but no charges were filed against the owner.

Smee said it is important for dog owners to remember the city's animal control ordinance says a dog must be confined to the owner's property, and if it is off the property it must be on a leash or in a cage or car.

On the owners property, the dog has to be inside the house or if outside, it must be restrained on a chain or inside a fence.

He said if the owner is on the property with their dog, that is OK as long as the dog is under their control, but if the dog takes off and leaves the owner's control or property, that could mean a ticket.

## New windows restore original look



Dave Branda (right) and Brian Freeman remove cinder blocks Monday from old window casings at the Sherman Theatre.

Branda is putting windows back in to give the building more of its original look.

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