

# At Home



Jeffress - Finley

## Couple to wed

Sondra and Michael Finley, Colby, announce the engagement of their daughter Jennifer Kay Finley to Christopher Loren Jeffress, both of Lawrence.

The future bride is a 1996 graduate of Colby High School and graduated from the University of Kansas in 2001 with a bachelor of science degree in microbiology. She is a research technician at the Stowers Institute for Medical Research in Kansas City, Mo.

The future groom is the son of Scott and Diane Jeffress, Lawrence. He is a 1995 graduate of Lawrence High School and attended Johnson County Community College and Kansas State University. He is a lab technician at Pace Analytical in Lenexa.

The couple plans an April 12 wedding at First United Methodist Church in Lawrence.

## Introducing

### Bryna Lin Schlepp

Britney and Christian Schlepp would like to introduce their new baby sister, Bryna Lin. She was born on Jan. 15, 2003. She weighed 5 pounds and 12 ounces and measured 19-inches long.

Grandparents are Clarence and Marie Schultze of Hays, Russell and Linda Miller of Arnett, Okla., and Pat and Lynn Brandt of Lawrence.

Great-grandparents are Erna Schlepp of St. Francis, Harold and Harriet Brunswick of Haigler, Neb., and Ronald and Pat Miller of Arnett, Okla.

Great-great grandma is Esther Bishop of Arnett. Great-great

## Get free tickets for U.S. Navy Band

The following programs, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association, will be presented in the area during March.

### FLY Dance Company

FLY Dance Company will present a show in the Oakley High School auditorium at 3 p.m. Sunday afternoon, March 16. Admission is by Western Plains Arts Association season ticket, or at the door.

FLY Dance Company, labeled an artistic phenomenon, crosses street dance with classical choreographic principles. FLY creates a visual spectacle that is breathtaking, fresh and exciting to encounter. The Houston Press stated "the dancers are all male and completely urban, and they know how to sashay and hip-hop and muscle themselves across the floor like no la-di-da ballerina can." To see a FLY performance one will experience movement concepts unconceived of in traditional concert dance and be amazed at the sheer physicality of bodies hurtling through space.

Since their establishment of this new dance style in 1993, director of the FLY Dance Company, Kathy Wood, and her dancers have added school and community outreach programs to their repertoire. They will perform a show on the history of street dance for area students on Monday morning, March 17, in the Oakley High School auditorium.

This program is presented in part by the Kansas Arts Commission, a

state agency, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

### United States Navy Concert Band

Western Plains Arts Association is proud to sponsor the United States Navy Band at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 in the Colby Community Building.

The United States Navy Band is the Navy's premier musical representative in Washington, D.C., and is recognized by many as "The World's Finest." Officially formed by an Act of Congress on March 4, 1925, the band is under the leadership of Commander Ralph M. Gambone. The band performs frequently at the White House and provides music for military ceremonies and special events and has participated in 19 Presidential Inaugurals.

This special performance in Colby is part of the Navy Band's national tour. The band will present a variety of popular and classical favorites. Several members of the Colby Community College Band will join the Navy Band to perform John Philip Sousa's *Washington Post March*.

The concert is free but tickets are required for admission to the performance. They are available by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Pat Ziegelmeier, WPAA Executive Director, Colby Community College, 1255 South Range, Colby, KS 67701.



Willt - Downey

## Wedding planned

Roger and Sheri Willt of Lenexa announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Elizabeth, to Benjamin Weston Downey, son of Doug and Claudia Downey of Evergreen, Colo. Amy is the granddaughter of Rudy Willt of St. Francis.

Amy will graduate from Kansas State University in May with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology.

Ben, a senior at Kansas State University, is majoring in architectural engineering, he will graduate with bachelor's degree in May of 2004.

The couple is planning a May wedding at Colonial Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Mo.

## Club Clip

### AARP

AARP members enjoyed pizza on March 6 and then went to the senior citizen center for a short meeting.

At 7 p.m. they enjoyed Kathy Woodcox telling about the weather station located at the Homesteader Motel. Mrs. Woodcox is the official St. Francis/Cheyenne County Weather Observer. Every morning at 8 a.m. she records the data of the high, low and present temperatures and the amount of moisture.

Members also enjoyed hearing her talk about "running" the motel. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, Ilene Raile.

## Club Clips

### Cheyenne County Hospital Guild

The Cheyenne County Hospital Guild met March 3 with the vice president, Wilma Lampe, presiding. There were 15 members present.

Reports were given and Dolores Kincheloe reported that she paid for a 48 week subscription to *The Denver Post* for the hospital.

Susan Roelfs, Cheyenne County Health Nurse, present an interesting and informative program on her health care services. She showed a video on "Good Safety for Seniors." The four basic rules for food safety are clean, separate, cook and chill. The meeting was adjourned.

Rachael Keller and Neva DeGood were the hostesses.

### Pleasant Hill 4-H Club

The Feb. 5 meeting of the Pleasant Hill 4-H Club opened with Trevor Reed leading the club in the Flag Salute and the 4-H Flag Salute. Roll call was answered by 14 members. Song leaders, Taylor Spike and Grady Brunk, led the group in "The Glory Song."

Casey Johnson, county extension agent, visited the club and made general announcements about upcoming camps and County 4-H Days. She reminded members and their parents that deadlines would be very strict this year and there would be no exceptions. She also announced that the office was looking for a volunteer to be in charge of the shooting sport events.

Corbin Sherlock, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting. Katelyn Jones, treasurer, gave a report on total amount for bierock funds. Karen Jones, leader, then talked about County 4-H Days and the skit she had planned. A practice date of Feb. 19 was set up at the Equity room at 7 p.m.

The club then talked about snacks to make for County Days. The club voted to meet at the high school on March 5 at 5:30 p.m. to make snacks before the regular meeting on March 5.

Jandy Dunn and Keegan Sherlock, recreation leaders, led the group in playing "Pass the Dog." It was enjoyed by all members.

The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by the Long, Sherlock and Jones families.

Allison Grice, reporter



Beringer

## Cards requested

The family of LaVera Beringer is holding a card shower to help her celebrate her 75th birthday on March 23.

Address greetings to LaVera Beringer, 501 W. Spencer St., St. Francis, KS 67756.

## Somebody said that somebody said....

Somebody said that somebody said

Trouble was caused and suspicion fed

Somebody passed on an idle word

Someone repeated what somebody had heard

There has been many a broken heart

Many a marriage has come apart

Many relationships have been changed

Many a neighbor become estranged

In many a home where peace once reigned

Affection and loyalty have been strained

And many a life is incomplete

All because someone was indiscreet

Many a friendship has been wrecked

Through gossip unfounded and unchecked

Mischief was made and a rumor spread

Somebody said that somebody said

(Author Unknown)

## St. Francis News

Saturday evening supper guests of Billy and Karen Krien were Oscar Krien, Brush, Colo., and his daughter Linda Bernhart, Loveland, Colo. They were also visitors of Bill and Leone Krien and Jessie Schield, and Albert and Bessie Burr.

Visitors of LaVera Beringer last week were Sylvia Queen on Tuesday, Delmer and Linda Walter of Hudson, Colo., and Victor and Darlene Zwegardt on Thursday afternoon and Elaine Kite on Friday afternoon.



Schlepp

grandpa is Ossip Haggard of Marshfield, Mo.

Proud parents are Justin and Kayla Schlepp of Hays.

## Occasion

### Baptism held

Pastor David Rossbach baptized Colton Todd Neitzel, son of Todd and Tracy Neitzel, Sunday, March 9 at Peace Lutheran Church.

Colton wore the same heirloom christening gown and bonnet that his father wore when he was baptized.

A dinner followed at the home of his Grandmother Karen. Those at-

tending besides his parents were great-grandpa, Glen Neitzel; grandparents, Karen Neitzel and Pete and Kathy Fitzgibbons; Tadd, Tim and Tara Neitzel, Pat and Denise Fitzgibbons, Mike and Rachael Fitzgibbons, Kari and Makayla Fitzgibbons, Jennifer and Kindi Brennan, Sylvia Daniels, Harvey Neitzel and Barbara Atha.



Good Bye Winter ... Hello Spring!!! ... and it's "that" time again!

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