

Celebrating 50 years

The families of Rhonda and Jerry Nichols, Winona, and Shonda and Maynard Unruh, Monument, announce the upcoming 50th wedding anniversary of Lindy and Lola Bretz. Lindy and Lola were married in the Methodist Church of Winona on June 10, 1951. They have resided at HCR 2, Box 6, Wallace, Kan. 67761, west of Winona, for their entire married life. They would enjoy hearing from family and friends through this time of celebration.



Lola and Lindy Bretz

Menlo annual reunion held Saturday

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Special to the Free Press
Menlo alumni, families and friends gathered at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, 220 N. Lake Ave., Colby, on Saturday, May 26 for their annual reunion. A dinner was served by the VFW Post at 6:30 p.m. A business meeting following the dinner with Dale Farmer opening the meeting with the flag salute by the group. The minutes of the previous meeting

and treasurer's report were read and approved. Correspondence was read from those unable to attend. The names of deceased alumni within the past year were read. Those deceased were: Wilma (Robb Klaurens) Myers, Agnes (Bailey) Dechant, Tom Houston, Bruce Channell, Eileen (Duffey) Murphy, Betty (Ferguson) Atwill, Melvin Christensen, Ellis Reiner, and Mardell (Reiner) Longshore. Honored classes this year were 1941, 1951 and 1961. However, no

one was in attendance from the class of 1941. Loretta (Burger) Weeks of 1951 class and Charles Murphy of 1961 class were the only ones present of the honored classes. The only teacher in attendance was Phyllis (Duffey) Freerksen of Lake-wood, Colo. Introductions were made with each person sharing a school memory and reminiscing about school days at Menlo. Dale Farmer will be president and

Hazel Duffey will continue as secretary-treasurer for the coming year. Maxine Rueber entertained the group with a poem entitled: "I'm Not Old, I'm Just Matured" and Dale Farmer read a couple of poems "Giving Bouquets" and "My First Square Dance". Loretta (Burger) Weeks will serve as program coordinator for next year. Next year's meeting was tentatively set for the Saturday before Memorial Day at the VFW Post in Colby with dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

Area sophomores to attend leadership program

Three area sophomore girls will be attending the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Seminar June 1-3 at Kansas State University in Manhattan. They are Danielle D. Hickert of Selden who attends Golden Plains High School; Leanne Juenemann of Gem who attends Colby High School;

and Sara D. Luckert of Brewster, who attends Brewster High School. The Kansas North seminar hosts more than 170 young leaders from as many high schools throughout northern Kansas. HOBY was founded by actor Hugh O'Brian, officials said, and the program was founded during a trip to Africa for missionary work when

O'Brian met Dr. Albert Schweitzer. It was at this time that O'Brian said he became inspired to form a camp to positively impact today's youth. "One of the things Schweitzer said to me was the most important thing in education was to teach young people to think for themselves," O'Brian said. "From that inspiration, and with the

support of others who believe in youth and the American dream, I started HOBY to seek out, recognize, and develop outstanding leadership potential among our nation's youth." For information about HOBY activities and sponsorship opportunities, call the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership at (310) 474-4370.

Club News

Priscilla Club
Helen Frahm was hostess for the last meeting of Priscilla Club on May 3. To open the meeting President Sharon Steele led the members in the club collect. An invitation to Phyllis and George Elliott's 60th wedding anniversary was read. It will be from 3-5 p.m. at the Methodist Church on June 17. Suse Talbot, who will be moving to Ness City next month, presented the program.

Since this is Heritage month, Suse's program was *The Heritage Woman*. She had made a life-size outline of a woman, which when finished would typify the members of Priscilla Club. First Suse drew a plaid band on the form to indicate her Scotch-Irish heritage. Then each member drew something on the form to commemorate their own heritage. From the Indian feather on her head to Dutch wooden shoes on her feet and all in between she is our Heritage Woman. Roll call "About my Grandmother" added to the theme of our heritage.

After the benediction, Helen served a delicious pineapple dessert, nuts and cotlets.

High Plains Lions
The High Plains Lions club met

Monday evening, May 14. This was a special meeting held in appreciation for the transfer members from the defunct Colby Lions club. The evening banquet and ceremony was held in the Robert Burnett Memorial Union. The evening program honored the nine transfer members for all that their club had done for the community in the past 74 years. In the absence of President Tom Rundel, Lion Larry Koon called the meeting to order. He welcomed the honored guests, the spouses, visiting Lions and other guests. Lion Virgil Jones led the group in the flag salute followed by the group singing *America*. The invocation was given by Lion Matt Hamill.

Following the buffet dinner, the Bugbee sisters, Karla Haggard and Monica Bugbee-Miller, provided entertainment by singing a couple selections for the group. Lion Bob Urborn gave a brief history of the 74-year-old Colby club. He pointed out that the club was organized in May of 1927. In the 1950's the club had over 100 members. Some of the highlights of the club's tenure was building the scout hut in Fike Park, sponsoring the Boy Scouts Pack 140 and Cub Scouts for over 50 years. The Colby club hosted

a fall conference for District 17NW in which they fed over 700 people in the gym of the community building. The club sponsored eight new clubs, the High Plains Club being the last club sponsored. The club had one district governor, Penny Roulier.

Lion Koon provided the history of the High Plains Lions Club. He included the early years projects and activities. In recent years, the club has been involved in many of the community services.

The Lions motto is "We Serve" and Lion Koon emphasized the need to continue serving our community. The club has had 2 Melvin Jones Fellows and 2 District Governors, both being Lion Lawver and Lion Koon. Lion Lawver spoke on the importance of serving the community and spreading Lionism to our friends and neighbors. The Lions club is a service club that is an integral part of our community.

Lion Roger Hale congratulated and presented each of the transfer members an appreciation certificate.

Lion Matt Hamill has served this community for 62 years as a member of Lions. Lion Bob Urborn was recognized for his 44 years as secretary/treasurer.

Lion Hale said, "These two lions have served their club and community very well and are still serving and are models for all of us to follow." Certificates were presented to Lion Mary Hurtt and Lion Melinda Morton in appreciation for their service to others. "These two Lions have provided time, effort, and spirit in their involvement with Lions." "We can always count on their help." Lions Follis, Mildrexler, Morrison, Mountford, and Schroeder were not in attendance to receive their appreciation certificates.

Guests who witnessed this evening of honor and appreciation were Lion D.J. Bugbee and wife, Estelle. Other spouses of Lion members included Natalie Urborn, Linda Jones, Virginia Trundle, Deb Koon, Donna Lawver, Lucy Davis, and Kathy Britton. Also in attendance were guests Jared and Karla Haggard, Monica Bugbee-Miller, and LeAnn Heskett.

The evening ended with a special presentation to Lion Stan Davis and wife, Lucy. They received the Outstanding Service annual award for their service and contributions to the club. Everyone was invited to stay and visit while looking through many years of Lions memories.

Hospital News

Citizens Medical Center
Friday, May 25, 2001
Admissions

• Peggy Mirto & infant male, McDonald

Dismissals
• Naomi Flipse, Colby
• Roberta Brewer, Colby
• Gene Whittaker, Brewster
• Betty Murray, Colby

Saturday, May 26, 2001
Admissions

• Alissa Reiners, Colby

Dismissals
• Ermel Rogers, Oakley
• Peggy Mirto & infant male, McDonald

Sunday, May 27, 2001
Admissions

• Sarah Bieker, Colby
• Angela Snyder, Oakley

Dismissals
• Janiece Dowell, Colby

• Donna Quaduor, Brewster
Monday, May 28
Admissions

• Infant male Snyder, Oakley
• Gerald Adrian, Colby
• Wilma Brockway, Colby
• Darthulina Hampton, Muskogee, Okla.

• Louis Theye, Colby
• Melanie Wright and infant male, Colby

Dismissals
• Alissa Reiners, Colby

Markets

Quotes as of close, previous business day
Hi-Plains Coop

Wheat	\$2.84
Corn	\$1.74
Milo	\$2.90
Soybeans	\$3.85

Kansas University scholarship honors local man

LAWRENCE—To honor her father for his long-time dedication to education, Deb Lowenthal Teeter and her husband, Ron, have developed a \$100,000 scholarship fund for Kansas high school graduates in Logan, Sheridan or Thomas counties.

The Teeter's gift of \$25,000 to the Kansas University Endowment Association has a three-to-one match with Ron's employer, Western Resources, Inc., which provided \$75,000 to boost the scholarship fund.

Kansas University Chancellor Robert E. Hemenway commended Deb Teeter for the gift and the effort made in establishing the Alfred Lowenthal, Jr., Scholarship.

"There is always something special about a scholarship commitment from a member of the KU family," he said.

"Deb Teeter is one of the most respected people at the University and I am deeply appreciative of her providing this support to enable students to come to KU who otherwise might not be able to."

Deb said a scholarship was a great way to celebrate her father's 75th birthday and his decades-long commitment to helping students attain a college education.

Deb said her father served as executive director of the Colby Community College Endowment Association from 1977 to 1986.

As executive director, he spent much of his time talking with students on campus about their goals and the costs of college. He has also personally assisted over a dozen students in financing their educations at various Kansas

Pope recipient of first award

Colby resident and former Colby Community College Endowment Association executive director Al Lowenthal has been honored with a scholarship fund in his name at the Kansas University Endowment Association. The first scholarship from the \$100,000 fund was awarded to Andrew Pope, a Kansas University sophomore from Hoxie.

colleges and universities over the years, including several students who graduated from KU.

"The scholarship is also intended to represent the family's ties to the University," Deb said.

Her late grandfather, Albert F. Hueftle, earned a master's degree in education from KU in 1930. Deb, herself, earned two degrees from KU — a bachelor's degree in accounting in

1971 and an MBA in 1975.

One of her brothers, David A. Lowenthal, earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from KU in 1976; her nephew Todd Isaac earned a bachelor's degree in business from KU in 1990; and her niece, Jacqueline Lowenthal Eastland, earned a bachelor's degree in business from KU in 1998. Deb's husband earned a bachelor's degree from KU in chemical engineering in 1972.

Brewster grandchild wins many awards in photo contest

Sydney Weirich, 16-month-old granddaughter of Ron and Gloria Ribordy of Brewster was recently recognized in a photo contest.

Sidney, according to her parents, Nathan and



S. Weirich

Ronda Weirich of Lakin, was overall special category winner, commercial look award winner, sportswear winner, product wear winner, first runner-up in pajama wear, first runner-up in photogenic body shot, second runner-up in photogenic product

shot. In addition, Sydney and her father won the father/daughter outfit coordination.

Sydney has qualified for Nationals and will be competing Aug. 2-5 in Chicago, her parents said.

Sydney's maternal grandparents are John and Dawna Weirich of Eads,

Colo. She is the great-granddaughter of Marvin and Mary Ruth Garrett of Brewster and Wayne and Barbara Weirich and Jack Gardner, all of Eads, Colo. and Linda Gardner of Denver.

She is also the great-great-granddaughter of George Crow also of Eads.

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Prizes given away at the Thomas County Fair Races on August 4th and will be presented by the Thomas County Fair Queen (Need not be present to win).

Proceeds going towards Adaline Delzeit medical costs, Colby Public Schools, Sacred Heart School, Puddle Duck Pre-School, Heartland Christian School and The Kansas Jaycee Cerebral Palsy Ranch.

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