

# Family

## Club News

### RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Officer Jim Engel of the Thomas County Sheriff's Department was the speaker for the National Association of Retired Federal Employees meeting Thursday night, June 21.

Engel talked about how easy it is to make methamphetamine and showed some of the items confiscated from various meth labs in the county. He said there are a lot of people making meth, and not enough officers to cope with it. He said meth can be in rock, powder or liquid form, and users will snort, inhale, eat, shoot into their veins, absorb it into the skin, or use any other way to get it into their bodies.

The ingredients can be purchased at Wal-Mart, and those making meth often steal anhydrous ammonia from farmers.

He said landowners should report suspected meth labs to law enforcement, and not touch anything because they might get hurt, as well as destroying evidence.

It does not cost the landowner anything to clean up a meth lab. The federal government has a program to pay for it.

He said Thomas County law enforcement prosecuted 10 sites in 1999, and sent some people to prison.

It was reported Gerry Messamore had knee replacement surgery on June 7, and got out of the hospital on June 13. He is with relatives in Minot, S.D.

The next meeting will be the third Thursday in July, at 6 p.m.

### ROTARY

President Nancy LePell will be absent next week and thus delivered her farewell at the June 19 meeting, including a retrospective of the year's programs and contributions as well as the wish there had been better Hunger Fund ticket sales and meeting attendance. Nancy will remain on the board as secretary.

Frahm Farmland manager Lon Frahm introduced the program, their employee Jane Smith. Jane is a young adult exchange agriculture student through Ohio State University, from central Ireland in Tipperary. She described her family, farm and country.

The farm where Jane works is among the largest grain farms of Ireland. A variety of cereal grains are grown under dryland conditions. As in our part of the world, sugar beets were once popular but have gone out of favor. High rainfall means more fungicide use than here on the High Plains. Jane detailed some of the setaside and other subsidy programs in Ireland, as well as licensing and taxation.



Jane Smith

Centralization through the European Union has brought some good and bad changes in these schemes. The current Foot and Mouth outbreak is causing some problems.

Jane's hobby is tractor ploughing competitions. Contestants are judged on straightness and consistency of rows, clods and other criteria.

There is a horse category in addition to the tractor class she favors. Jane took 6th of 16 at her first national meet recently, a result with which she was well pleased.

Along with driving on opposite sides of the road and other cultural nuances, one notable difference in approach is that in Ireland female farmers are an oddity, and generally mistrusted.

Jane was surprised and pleased when she picked up fertilizer here one day and nobody had to call saying 'We have a woman coming in.'" She has also enjoyed operating a variety of equipment at Frahm Farmland.

Smith did have one apology for the group - her name isn't very Irish sounding. Her family is arriving Wednesday for a visit and Rotarians are encouraged to welcome them to Colby.



Lon Frahm

## Brewster woman has knee replacement surgery

Ruth and Duane Jones returned home from Greeley, Colo., on Saturday, June 16. They had been gone for 28 days, so that Ruth could have knee replacement surgery. Ruth's sister, Marie Edwards of Goodland, has been helping out this week, and joined them at the Senior Center, on Wednesday, the 20th, for pot luck. Ruth and Duane will be celebrating their 55th anniversary on Thursday, June 21, but I doubt that they will be doing any dancing to celebrate.

I hope all you fathers had a great Father's Day. We enjoyed having two of our sons and their families here, and really enjoyed the opportunity to get better acquainted with grandkids that we don't see as often as we would like. I have to share a neat story about friendship. Our oldest son graduated in 1976, from Brewster High School. He was a classmate of Brian Somers, and they have kept in touch since their school days. Brian noticed that Brad and family were here, and stopped by with Carolyn and Chad, on their way to Norton. Brian and Carolyn bought Brad's football jersey at a jersey auction, this last year. And, you know what? They gave it to Brad, for a keepsake - isn't that something!? I thought that was the neatest thing I've heard about friendship for a long time. Brian, I want you to know that there isn't much of anything else you could have done that would have meant more to Brad, and I think it was one of the most thoughtful things I've heard, for a long time.

Brad, Melany, and sons, Kale, Seth and Ethan, of Lolo, Mont., were here and Brooke of Hutchinson, and kids Misty and Heath of Kensington, were able to be here for the weekend.



Sally Michael

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Brooke's fiance, and her son, Patrick, also of Hutchinson, were also here, and we enjoyed having our boys and their

families back again. Also here for the weekend were Fred Solomon, Jr., and his wife Rae, of Houston, Texas, and Greg Michael and daughter, Jennifer, of Claremore, Okla. It was a busy weekend that went by at superspeed, and we enjoyed it so much. We enjoyed several family dinners, and all were in church on Sunday morning, for a great weekend.

## Community Calendar

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

Genesis Thomas County pickup, 350 S. Range, 10 a.m.-noon & 1-4 p.m.  
 Toddler Story Time, Pioneer Memorial Library, 10-10:15 a.m.  
 TeleFriend Information meeting, 5:30 p.m. (call 462-6996)  
 Gem Lions, Gem Community Building, 7 p.m. (2nd & 4th Wednesdays)  
 Pinochle, American Legion, 7:30 p.m.  
 Tobacco Quitters Support Group, CMC Cafeteria, 7-8 p.m.  
 Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous & Al Anon, 1275 West 6th, 8:30 p.m.

## Card shower requested for 25th anniversary

A card shower is requested for Bill and Janice (Dawes) Galloway who will be celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary on July 3. Sons Richard and Randy are requesting the shower. Send greetings to 2912 Terri Lane, Joplin, Mo. 64804.

The Department of Kansas, Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary will hold their State Mid-Summer Council of Administration meeting in Hays July 6-8. The Coun-

## Happenings

cil of Administration is made up of State VFW Officers representing all parts of the state. A reception and banquet will be held 6 p.m. Saturday night honoring State Command Richard Clutts and State Auxiliary President Alice Graham.

Pinecastle Records recording artists The Chapman Family Band will be

performing at the Pickin' on the Plains July 20 and 21 at Bourquin's. The Chapmans play bluegrass music. Each of them stands alone as a musician in his own right and then comes together to form a family band, performing tender ballads to up-tempo renditions. The latest release from The Chapman Family Band is entitled *Follow Me*. Check out the Chapmans at <http://pinecastle.com>

## Surprise birthday party enjoyed

A surprise birthday party for Doris Jean Oliver was given by her daughters, Marla, Mary and Marilyn and their families. The party was held at the Rexford Community Hall on Wednesday evening, June 13. A special treat for Doris Jean was having her daughters, their spouses and all the grandkids together at one time in addition to many



Lula Thieler

• Rexford Correspondent

relatives and friends. Family and friends enjoyed a beautifully decorated cake and an evening of visiting and fellowship. A video captured the memories of the evening.

## Hospital

### CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER

Friday, June 22, 2001

#### Admissions

Stephanie Sullivan and infant female, Goodland

Teokka Harris and infant female, Brewster

#### No dismissals

Saturday, June 23, 2001

#### Admissions

Richard Doc Mather, Claifatan  
 Mary Mead, Colby

#### Dismissals

Teokka Harris and infant female, Brewster

Dan Oard, Colby  
 Stephanie Sullivan and infant female, Goodland

Sunday, June 24, 2001

#### Admissions

Jimmy Hickman, Colby  
 Wilma Bremser, Colby  
 Tyler Doze, Oakley  
 Robert McCurdy, Gem

#### Dismissals

Vicki Barnett, Colby  
 Kelly Focke, Colby  
 Ina Miller, Hoxie  
 Mary Oard, Colby

## Death

### Cloyd Dale Nelson

Cloyd Dale Nelson 74, a resident of Colorado Springs, Colo., died May 16, 2001, in Missouri. He was born on Aug. 4, 1926, to Cloyd Byron and Lois Robinson Nelson in Colby, where he grew up and attended local schools.

He served in the army from 1945 to 1947. On July 17, 1949, he married Wnada June McCall of Woodson. They moved to Colorado Springs in the late 1950s where he founded and operated Nelson Appliance and Repair on Filmore Street until retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother and sister-in-law La Vern and Mary Jo Nelson in Colorado Springs. He is survived by his wife; son Douglas of Colorado Springs, daughter Valarie and husband Jim Bradford of Missouri; seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; sister and brother-in-law Gwendolyn and Harlan Sloan of Colby, numerous nieces and nephews; and an aunt Vida Toburen of Colby.

The family chose cremation and no services were planned. Allen Holman-Howe, Camdenton, Mo., handled the arrangements.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day  
 Hi-Plains Co-op

Wheat	\$2.71
Corn	\$1.79
Milo	\$2.90

## Alltell

\$233

100% Gdn

4 x 10

## MODELS

EVERYDAY PEOPLE  
 Extraordinary People

ALL SIZES --  
 ALL AGES  
 NEEDED THIS MONTH!

47 Men - Age 20-80  
 127 Women - Age 20-80  
 76 Teens - Age 13-19  
 66 Children - Age 5-12

Part-Time.  
 Earn up to \$125/hr.  
 HOLIDAY INN  
 MEETING ROOM  
 645 West Willow  
 Colby, KS

THURSDAY,  
 JUNE 28th  
 4:00 p.m. OR 7:00 p.m.

Under 18 with parent only!  
 NO CALLS,  
 PLEASE!!

1 YEAR  
 CONTRACTS