

Family

Pechins celebrate 50 years

Jim and Maxine Pechin, former Colby residents, are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on July 10, 1951. Their children, Jeri, Jimmy, Jami and Jackie, are hosting an open house for them on July 7, 2001, from 1 to 5 p.m., at Loredonna's Restaurant in Pagosa Springs, Colo. Cards may be sent to Jackie Ford, 28 Monarch Ct, Pagosa Springs, Colo. 81147.



Maxine and Jim Pechin, 1951

Seven attend Royal Neighbors

There were seven attending the Royal Neighbor meeting Thursday afternoon at the Community Hall with Grace Cheney as hostess.

The usual order of business was carried out and the time spent visiting.

Mark and Kelly Miller, Tyson, Abbie and Trey of Colby visited their grandmother, **Lula Thieler**, Saturday evening.

Zula Horinek brought a delicious carrot cake to the Barn Monday afternoon to celebrate the June birthdays. There were 13 present.

Val Wark hosted the **Rexford Bridge Club** at the Bed and Breakfast in Colby Wednesday afternoon.

Prize winners were **Marguerette Edmundson, Deb Stepper and Irma Hibbs**.

Hospital

CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER
Monday, July 2, 2001

Admissions

Albert Nelson, Colby
Leona Vaughn, Selden
Terri Korte, Rexford

Dismissals

Caleb Mazanec, Colby
Edward Horinek, Winona

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day
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Wheat	\$2.70
Corn	\$1.89
Milo	\$2.94

Mortified daughter needs to rethink response to grief

DEAR ABBY: "Mortified Daughter in Michigan" wrote that when there is a death in or outside her family, her mother always sends a card with cash in it to the grieving family. The daughter thought it was "tacky." Thank you for siding with the mother.

That girl should stop criticizing and rethink her stance. A little extra money could help with the larger phone bills that are generated when others are notified of the death. Money will be needed for stationery and postage for thank-you notes. Sometimes there are travel expenses if the deceased is buried elsewhere. Money might also be needed for hospital bills. — **SPEAKING FROM EXPERIENCE, ESCONDIDO, CALIF.**

DEAR SPEAKING: Thank you for so astutely pointing that out. "Mortified Daughter's" letter generated a flurry of mail — all of it illuminating. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The president of an organization to which I belong lost her husband suddenly. When I attended the funeral, I gave her a card in which I had enclosed some cash. This woman appeared to be fairly prosperous. (I later learned that she made all

of her own clothes.)

At the meeting of our organization following the funeral, she drew me aside and told me that her Social Security check had been withheld pending settlement of the death benefits. It would be a month before she would receive a check from Social Security for her benefits. She added that the funeral expenses had absorbed all the money she had. Without the money I had given her, she would not have been able to buy food. — **JOAN IN OXNARD, CALIF.**

DEAR JOAN: That's shocking. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Most people don't realize how long it actually takes for paperwork to be handled before death benefits are paid. Some insurance companies take up to eight weeks before they pay the beneficiaries. Try telling your mortgage company the check is in the mail for eight weeks.

No matter what financial situation you think the family is in, money is the most practical and useful gift. — **D.S. IN CRYSTAL LAKE, ILL.**

DEAR D.S.: Well put. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: When my husband passed away suddenly, we were living on a fixed income and I was raising a grandchild we had adopted. We were in our late 70s. Had it not been





Abigail Van Buren

• Dear Abby

When someone I know passes away, I always tuck a little money in my sympathy card. It is my gift of love to them. It's not the amount I send, but the thought that counts. — **GRATEFUL IN TAMPA, FLA.**

DEAR GRATEFUL: You're right. Any amount will do. If it puts fuel in the car, or pays for a meal, it's one less thing for the grieving family to worry about. Thanks to all the caring people who wrote to confirm this.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY, JULY 5

Kiwanis, Student Union, noon.
Family History Center, 1145 S. Franklin, 7-9 p.m.
Boy Scout Roundtable, 1145 S. Franklin, 7:30 p.m.
Tumbleweed Chorus, United Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
LAPM, 8 p.m.
Step-parenting discussion group, 8:30 p.m.; call Deb at 462-3870 or Randy at 462-7168.
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 6

Brown bag Al Anon (non-smoking), 755 E. College Drive, noon.
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8 p.m.



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