

Family

What ever happened to plain old manners?

DEAR ABBY: What is this world coming to? I live in an affluent suburb of Boston, and commute by subway to my job in the city. This morning I boarded a full train and took the last empty seat. Just as the doors were closing, a blind woman and her guide dog got on.



Abigail Van Buren

• Dear Abby

— Sign me ... ONE MONTH TO GO IN HINGHAM, MASS.

DEAR ONE MONTH TO GO: If their mothers only knew? Dear lady, if their mothers had taken the time to teach them manners and empathy for others, someone in the passenger car would have given you a seat.

If any of your fellow passengers were young women — what goes around comes around. As to the men — it shows that living in wealthy suburbs doesn't guarantee that the residents have class.

DEAR ABBY: I am currently in my fourth month of survival following a fight with cancer.

When I was first diagnosed, I consulted an oncologist recommended by my general practitioner. Even though the doctor was obviously not busy, I was kept waiting in a dark, quiet, depressing room. When he finally did see me, he hadn't reviewed my file. He didn't call me by my first name or know my test results. He made me feel unimportant. I didn't go back.

A second oncologist was recommended. The difference was night and day. This doctor performed all the tests himself. He answered every question my wife and I had. When he was satisfied that all the questions were answered, he asked what I wanted from him. I said, "Save my life." He immediately put me on chemotherapy.

During the next five months, I visited his office, his staff knew me by name, greeted me with a smile, and were emotionally supportive. The nurses administering the chemo were upbeat, encouraging and made me feel they cared about me.

Being surrounded by positive energy was extremely important to my recovery. Attitude is a vital element in the recovery process.

Bless the doctors, nurses and staff who helped me. They realized I was a person, and more than a printout of lab results.

— A CANCER SURVIVOR, NORTH HILL, CALIF.

DEAR SURVIVOR: I'm pleased that your cancer treatment was successful. You were wise to switch oncologists after that first consultation. Not all physicians have a good bedside manner, but if they don't, the smart ones hire support staff that can create an atmosphere that's warm, personal and reassuring to patients.

Medicine is not only a profession, but it is also a business. And people in business must be sensitive to customer relations if they're going to be successful.

Community Calendar

MONDAY, AUGUST 6

Vacation Bible School, Wesleyan Church, 9-11:45 a.m. (Aug. 6-10)
Civil Defense sirens test, 10 a.m.
Duplicate Bridge, airport, 1 p.m.
Quit smoking support group, 775 E. College Drive, 1 p.m.
Monday Afternoon Bridge, Meadowlark Manor, 1 p.m.
Take Off Pounds; Sensibly, United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.
Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Trinity Church, 7:30 p.m.
VFW, 8 p.m.
Sons of American Legion, 8 p.m.
Pride of the Prairie Orchestra practice, Colby Community College Band Room, Cultural Arts Center, 7:30-9 p.m.
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8:30 p.m.
Al Anon, 1275 W. 6th, 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

Rotary, Student Union, noon
Alcoholics Anonymous, city hall basement, noon
SDI Tech Field Day, Research Center, 2:30-9 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary, 3 p.m.
Ladies cards and golf, Country Club, 5:30 p.m.; Scramble: Amy Rosales, Mert and Sara Strecker
Weight Watchers, United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m.
Girl Scout Service Unit, Girl Scout Center, 7 p.m.
Domestic Violence Support Group, 7 p.m. Call 462-2860
Sweet Adelines International, United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

Hospital

Citizens Medical Center Thursday, Aug. 2, 2001 Admissions

- Thelma Yingling, Colby
- Lyn Cheney, Colby
- Inez Ress, Colby
- James Yarger, Goodland
- Carl Wilcox, Colby

Dismissals

- Margarita Garcia, Colby
- Majorie Moos, Colby
- Kramer Wrinkles, Colby



Four generations of VanCampen descendents hold reunion

Four generations of descendants of Samuel and Sabina (Walter) Van Campen held a family reunion in Colby, on July 6-8, 2001. The theme of the reunion was the celebration of Samuel and Sabina's 140th anniversary of their marriage on March 16, 1861. They migrated from New Jersey in 1862 to Michigan, where they lived for nine years. In 1871, they moved to Washington County, Kansas, home-steading a farm.

Eight children were born to Samuel and Sabina and six grew to adulthood. One of their sons, Walter Ellsworth

Van Campen and his wife, Winona Blue, moved with their four children to Colby in 1918. Walter was a carpenter by trade and built many homes in Colby and the original Methodist Church. Their children, Esther, Mamie, and twins, Maxae and Eldon, grew to adulthood in Colby and graduated from the Colby High School. Maxae (Van Campen) Schreff, of Morrill, Neb., died in 1992 and Mamie Van Campen, of Colby, died in 1995, after retirement from the Farmers and Merchants State Bank.

Esther (Van Campen) Brown, who

resides in Colorado Springs, was the oldest family member attending, at age 94, and Eldon, a Colby resident, was the second eldest at age 87. Thirty-five other descendants attended, including several descendants of Walter Van Campen's brother, Arthur, and sister, Emma (Van Campen) Rusco.

The family reunion began with a cookout and evening of visiting at Bourquin's RV Campground on Friday evening. The Colby Country Club Golf Course was the scene of much activity for many on Friday and Saturday as the old pros coached some new family

golfers. Saturday also included swimming at the motels for the younger set. A family dinner was held on Saturday evening at a City Limits banquet room, where family pictures were taken and genealogy information and historical family photos was shared. Eldon and his wife, Mary, were able to have several visitors in their home for brief periods and everyone enjoyed their time in Colby.

Long-time Colby couple leave the area

Dale and Connie Brockhausen have recently moved to Great Bend. Their new address is: 2932 Quivira, Great Bend, Kan., 67530.

Dale accepted a position with the Kansas Department of Agriculture Office located in Stafford, which is just south of Great Bend.

The Brockhausens had lived in Colby since 1989.

Larry and Deb Koon spent the weekend in Denver. In addition, they celebrated Deb's 50th birthday on Sunday July, 29.

About town

Randi Lovenstein of Alamogordo, New Mexico, spent two weeks with her grand-parents, Marvin and Carol Lovenstein.

The Lovensteins drove to Trinidad, Colo., on July 29, to meet Randi's mother, Amy Oliver, and Randi returned with her mother to Alamogordo.

Jerry and Judy Lovenstein of Mt. View, Ark., who have been visiting

family and friends in the Colby area, were houseguests of Marvin and Carol Lovenstein.

On Tuesday July 31, supper guests of Marvin and Carol were: Jerry and Judy; Sean and Kelli Hankin, Matthew and Gracie; Dick and Elaine Hurt; and Floyd and Marsha Gaede.

Rev. Robert and Merna Jordon attended the annual luncheon for retired Christian/Disciples of Christ ministers, on July 31. The luncheon was held at the Kansas Christian Home located in Newton.

Introductory Monument Sale!!

DICKMAN MEMORIAL

has recently purchased Robben Memorial formerly of Colby, Kansas

From now until September 15, 2001, buy your monuments at reduced prices!!

Call owners R.J. and Leona Dickman, 785-824-3755 or 3244 or in the Colby area: Bob & Marge Robben, 785-462-3124 or 6663.

Markets

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

Wheat	\$2.63
Corn	\$2.00
Milo	\$3.17



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