# Family

## **Jones-Malusky** wedding date in November

Carrie A. Jones and Edward M. Malusky announce their engagement. The bride's parents are Randall and Mary Lou Jones, Colby, and groom's parents Edward and Joyce Malusky, Fetus, Mo.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Colby High School and receieved her bachelor's degree in microbiology at Kansas State University. She is employed with Independent Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory of Kansas City, Mo. Her fiance' is a graduate of Fetus High School in Fetus, Mo., and served six years in the United States Navy, graduating from the DeVry Institute of Technology in Kansas City, Mo. He is employed with Southwestern Bell in Kansas City.



Carrie Jones and Edward Malusky plan to wed in November.

The couple is planning to marry on Saturday, Nov. 10, at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Roeland Park,

# Girl overcomes heckling

DEAR ABBY: You printed a letter about school bullies. I went to school more than 20 years ago, and it hasn't changed. My family was poor. My clothes in high school were yard-sale stuff. One morning I walked into school and kids stopped and pointed at me, laughing. I remember a teacher coming into the hall to see what was going on, and he laughed, too. I was wearing colors that didn't go together, but it was the best I could do. My life was a nightmare.

I had gym class that same day. We were going outside to play softball but had to choose up teams first. The two popular girls were always team captains. They chose their teams and I was left standing alone. The teacher said, "Bonnie, you get Carol." Bonnie said loudly, "I don't want Carol. She stinks at this game. She stinks at every game." Then the team captains argued over who was going to get stuck with me. I wanted to die.

When they all ran outside, I lagged behind, slipped back into the locker room, and changed back into my old, worn-out, mismatched clothes. I went home. Nobody missed me. I went into our garage and looked for something

I wanted to kill myself and get it over with. I hated the kids, I hated the teachers and I hated myself. I turned the old broken radio on low. Its case was cracked, but it still worked, and I just cried and cried.

Then I got serious and found a bottle of termite poison. I had almost worked up the nerve to drink it when the radio played Dolly Parton's "Coat of Many

It was a song about a girl who wore a coat pieced together from rags because her family was poor, and the kids at school laughed at her. And I thought, "Look where Dolly is today — she didn't run home and kill herself. She got through it.'

I went back to school the next morning and ignored everyone. I ignored the cruel comments as if I didn't hear them. I told myself I was an outsider in hostile territory, but I had a goal to achieve, and I poured everything I had into my studies, my grades. I graduated and went on to college in another state.

I'm successful and happy now and have a loving family. I work with disadvantaged kids in my spare time. Life

pressure



Van Buren

is wonderful. Thank you, Dolly. And thank you, Abby.

letter that I know will give hope to other young people who are the victims of taunting and ridicule. I'm struck by its dual message. The first is about the ability of music to heal

The second is about the ability of the human spirit to rise above suffering and to prevail in the face of difficult odds.

I'm sure you are saving lives in the work you are doing with disadvantaged youth. You are a shining example of the success that comes from perseverance.

DEAR ABBY: You were all wet in your advice that the new parents continue to shower together indefinitely. Privacy issues aside, they are leaving their little one unsupervised if they do it when she is awake.

Should something happen, they would not hear any warning signs of

-LUCY IN CHEYENNE, WYO.

**DEAR LUCY: You are absolutely** right. That didn't occur to me. Thank you for speaking up.

DEAR ABBY: Did the police officer from Toledo ever get promoted to "lootenant" after he was locked in the bath-

— MIKE IN L.A.

DEAR MIKE: Clever! (I'm flushed with laughter.)



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# Abigail Dear

Abby

– CÁROL, A SURVIVOR DEAR CAROL: Thank you for a

## **Citizens Medical Center**

Thursday, Oct. 11, 2001 Admissions

The First Christian Church, 385

West 3rd, is hosting a Chili Feed and

Bake Sale on Saturday, Oct. 13, from

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This money making

event, sponsored by the church board

and congregation, will be held in the

fellowship hall. The menu includes

chili or chicken noodle soup, crackers,

veggies, homemade pie and drink.

Anyone in the area is invited to attend.

A free will offering, for the Chili Feed,

will be taken at the door. Bake sale

Colby Community College and the

American Red Cross will be hosting a

blood drive on Tuesday, Oct. 16, in the

Student Union. The drive will be held

from 11 a.m to 5 p.m. Blood donors

must be at least 17-years-old, weigh at

least 110 pounds and in general good

health. Sign up for appointments by

The Thomas County Extension Of-

fice is sponsoring a program on food

safety, food preservation, food prepa-

ration and more with Karen Blakeslee

at the food science department at Kansas State University presenting. The

presentation begins at 11 a.m. in the

Thomas County Office Complex

meeting room, Tuesday, Oct. 23. For

questions or information, call the local

Colby Public Schools is sponsoring

a technology class from 4 to 5:30 p.m.,

Wednesday, Oct. 17, in the high school

auditorium. A representative from

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tips and techniques about the widerange of digital video and video production. There is no charge for the class. For information, call (785) 465-

Rev. Bob and Merna Jordan were visitors at Dale and Connie Brockhausen's in Great Bend last weekend. The two couples attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of Bob's brother and his wife, Carl and Cheyrl Jordon, in Winfield, on Sept.

JoAnn Nagle of Little Rock, Ark., Judy Meade of Coal Creek, Colo., and Lori Meade of Lakewood, Colo., were visitors of Ruth Boeka's, during the last week of September and first week in October. JoAnn and Judy are Ruth's daughters, Lori is her granddaughter.

Colby United Methodist Church is having its annual craft fair on Saturday, Oct. 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Among items for sale will be the Red Bird Mission Crafts, which organizers said, will be include Appalachian handicrafts.

The Red Bird Mission, officials said, is located in the southeastern Kentucky mountains and is a part of the outreach program of Red Bird Missionary Con-

#### 80th Birthday celebration for...



( not the singer!!) Sunday, October 14th First Presbyterian Church 2:00-4:00 p.m. Colby

~ NO GIFTS, PLEASE ~

ference related to the National Divi- source of local income is important in sion, Board of Global Ministries of the an area of 50 percent unemployment.' United Methodist Church.

Chili feed planned Saturday; blood drive nears

The mission has a school, medical the mission are baskets, corn-shuck center, community outreach and retail handicrafters, the craft program is a mas ornaments and more. vital part of economic development,"

Among items that will be for sale by

dolls, beeswax candles, toys of wood operations. "By providing a market for and cloth, handpainted gourds, Christ-

For information or questions, call said a mission representative. "This the church at 462-2761.

### Community Calendar

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Brewster Nursing Clinic, 10 a.m.-noon Rotary, Student Union, noon

Alcoholics Anonymous, city hall basement, noon First Year Webelos, Fire Station, 5:30 p.m.

Second Year Webelos, LDS Church, 1145 S. Franklin, 5:30 p.m.

Bear Cubs, United Methodist Church, 5:30 p.m. Wolf Cubs, United Methodist Church, 5:30 p.m.

Ladies cards and social, Country Club, 5:30 p.m.

Weight Watchers, United Methodist Church, 6:30 p.m. Fibromyalgia Support Group, Logan County Hospital Activity

Room, Oakley, 7 p.m. Domestic Violence Support Group, 7 p.m. Call 462-2860 Family night story time, Pioneer Memorial Library, 7 p.m.

Sweet Adelines International, United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

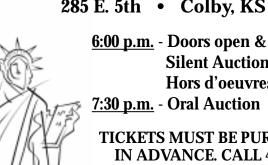


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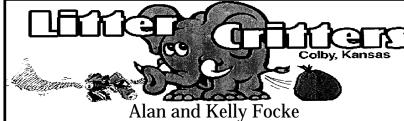
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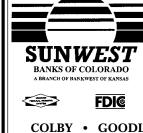


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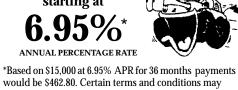




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