Association project benefits Genesis

By MAXINE NELSON

Colby Free Press Members of the Farm Bureau Association celebrated Food Check-Out Day by shopping for groceries and donating them to Genesis Thomas County. Food Check-Out Day commemorates the fact that food in America is affordable, thanks in large part to America's productive farmers

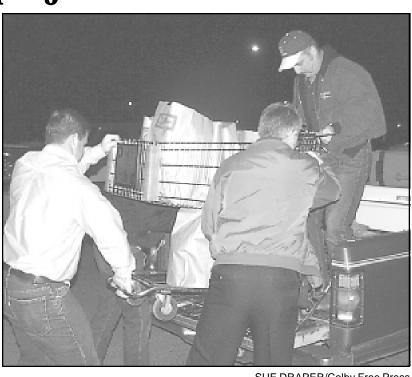
"When applied to calendar days, the average American will have earned enough income to pay for his or her family's annual food supply in just 39

"We commemorate this fact on Feb. 8, which is the 39th day of this year," said Sue Draper, county coordinator for Farm Bureau Association.

She said the members donated over \$200 worth of groceries. No specific amount is set. "We just fill a cart and see how much we can get in a cart," she

Food Check-Out Day is a celebration of the bounty from America's farms and ranches and how that bounty is shared with American consumers through affordable food prices, she

According to the latest statistics provided by the Agriculture Department, the average American devotes only 10.6 percent of his or her disposable personal income to pay for food.



Bert Stramel, Kenneth Johnston of Rexford and Tony Horinek of Brewster, left to right, lift a shopping cart into the pickup for easy delivery to Genesis Thomas County. The cart was loaned by Dillons for easy deliv-

that is updated yearly, as they consider ure we have chosen, she said.

Several different statistics on con- it the most reliable on an annual basis. sumer food spending are available. The Other statistics that are available indi-Farm Bureau chose to base Food cate that consumer spending for food Check-Out Day on a USDA statistic is even lower than the 10.6 percent fig-

Many activities scheduled at Red Barn

Some coming events at the Red Barn include Make and Take on Feb. 15th at 2 p.m.; the birthday party honoring Alfred Hawkins on Sunday, Feb. 17, the potluck dinner at noon on Feb. 16 and everyone is invited. The open house party in honor of all volunteers will be on Feb. 25 at 2 p.m. The Legion Pinochle tournament is Saturday evening, Feb. 16. The public is invited to the Little 8 Band Clinic at the Rexford Schoolhouse at 6 p.m. on Feb. 14.

Doug and Joan Todd and their foreign student houseguest, Marko Vignjevic, spent last weekend near Oklahoma City visiting Jeff and Nancy Todd and family. Coming home they stopped in Wilmore to visit Jody and Cade Leepers.

Ten people enjoyed the pinochle games at the Barn last Monday afternoon. There are always cookies and coffee for a snack treat so come join us.

Cleda Moeder hosted the Social Hour Club at the Barn Wednesday afternoon with eight present. Jokes were read for roll call and the usual business meeting held. Hulda Wark received a

Hospital

CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002 Admissions

Erin McCormick and infant female, McDonald

Christina Frink, Bird City John Williams, Oakley Kyler Britt, Colby Winifred Morris, Colby

Dismissals Brooklynn Foss, Colby

Rae Stewart, Brewster Melissa Allen and infant female,

Nicolle Bailey and infant male, Colby

Sara Heatley, Oakley

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day **Hi-Plains Co-op** \$2.65

Wheat \$1.91 Corn Milo \$3.00 Soybeans \$3.81

Lula Thieler

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birthday present from her mystery pal and also won the hostess gift. Sandwiches, chips and pickles were served with coffee for the time of fellowship. Zula Horinek will be the hostess on Feb. 20 at the Barn.

Funeral services were held for Doris Huber at the Community Church Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. She died Monday at the hospital in Denver where she had been doctoring. She and her late husband, John, had lived in this area most of their lives and are greatly

Deb Stepper is now a resident of the Lantern Park Manor in Colby for therapy. She and Irma Hibbs share a

Meryl Bishop, the national prayer director of the Stonecroft Ministries, spoke at the Shepherd's Staff Conference Center Thursday evening to a crowd of 15 or so. Her theme was Keeping Watch and she talked on lighthouses. It was an inspiring message. Stonecroft Ministries is the sponsor of the After Five dinner meetings.





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Sportcoats (Select group)	REDUCED 40%
Leather Coats	. REDUCED 40%
Winter Coats	. REDUCED 40%
Sport Shirts (Long Sleeve)	REDUCED 40%
Young Men's T-Shirts (Long sleeve)	REDUCED 50%
Tall Men's Sport Shirts	REDUCED 40%
Knit Shirts (Short Sleeve)	REDUCED 25%
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ALL SALES FINAL - ALTERATIONS EXTRA

Sweaters - Pullovers, cardigans, Big & Tall, vestsAll REDUCED 50%

Deaths

Zelma A. Franz

Zelma A. Franz, 85, died Monday, Feb. 4, 2002, at Hays Medical Center,

The service took place Thursday at Harrison Chapel in Colby, with Pastor Jonathan Hansen officiating. A graveside service and burial were held at Beulah Cemetery in Colby.

Survivors include sons John of Parsons, and Clarence of Hot Springs Village, Ark.; brother Dennis Dahl of Lawrence; sister Ethel Franz of Colby; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arvid W., in December 1979, and her brother Jay.

Mrs. Franz was born Sept. 4, 1916, in Inola, Okla., the daughter of Marie

80th Birthday

Open House for

Alfred Hawkins

Sunday, Feb. 17

2:00-4:00 p.m.

Red Barn in Rexford

No presents requested - your

presence is our gift.

and Jacob Dahl. She was the oldest of four children. On Aug. 2, 1936, she married Arvid Franz in a double wedding ceremony with her sister, Ethel, and Arvid's brother, Eldo.

She was a homemaker and lifetime area resident. She was a member of the Mingo Bible Church, and worked betes Foundation and may be left at any

district schools, before retiring in

During her retirement she spent time with her family. She enjoyed cross stitching, crocheting, and baking

Memorials are suggested to the Diafor many years as a baker at the Colby Colby Bank or Harrison Chapel.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

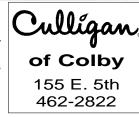
Brown bag Al Anon (non-smoking), 775 E. College Drive, noon Pi Gamma, Nancy Piper, 1:30 p.m.

Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 1980 W. 4th, 5-8 p.m. New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

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