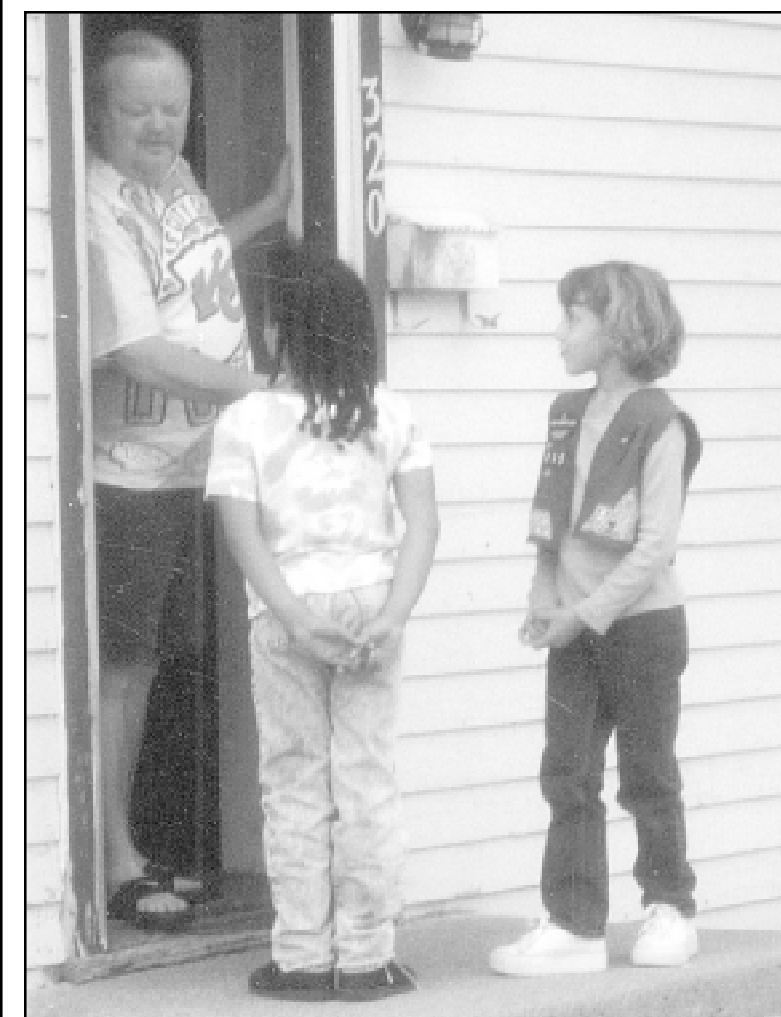


Family

Helping others



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Christina Ostmeyer and Taylia Ruby visit with Gerry White while collecting food for Trick or Treat So Others May Eat. The girls are members of Brownie Troop 165. This is one of several service projects conducted by the Girl Scouts.

Girl Scouts celebrating 90th anniversary

The Girl Scouts are celebrating their 90th anniversary this year. The Girl Scouts of Sunflower Council will have their annual meeting April 13, from 8:45 a.m.-4 p.m. at Felton School in Hays. Sonya Norris, Fort Hays State University, will be the speaker. Election of officers will be held and issues discussed. The meeting is open to the public, but only delegates may vote. Girl Scout Leaders Day is April 22. This is the day to recognize the contributions of Girl Scout leaders. The West District Field Office infor-

mation center and satellite location of the council shop in Hays is located in the south end of 2270 Southwind Plaza in Colby. Rita Erickson is the district field executive. The center is open from 9 a.m.-noon on Monday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Thursday, and by appointment. Call her at 785-462-6006 or toll free 877-280-9836. The Cadettes and Senior Scouts are planning a trip to Savannah, Ga., and Florida in the summer of 2003. A planning meeting will be held March 17 in Colby. The girls are selling jar candles as a fundraiser. Contact a Cadette or

Senior Girl Scout to purchase the candles, or call the Sunflower Council, 888-811-8832, for the name of someone selling them. A Council Cadette/Senior trip to Denver to see *Lion King* production is set for April 28. Girl Scouts who are high school seniors and have earned the Gold Award are eligible to apply for an Elks National Foundation Annual Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship. This fund give a \$6,000 scholarship to one girl in each of the eight Girl Scout services. Interested girls need to apply through the Sunflower Council before April 1.

The Sunflower Council also awards a scholarship to one Gold Award recipient and those applications are due in September after they have graduated from high school. Contact Pat at 785-625-5671. A Sunflower Council Brownie trip to the Sternberg Museum is being planned for May 17-18. Applications must be postmarked before March 29. Outdoor Living Skills Training will be 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. April 27 at Grainfield for adults who take girls to camp. Call the Sunflower Council, 888-811-8832 for information.

Brownies, Senior Scouts list variety of activities

Brownie Troop 162 Troop 162 has been an active troop since 1998 when the girls were in Kindergarten. This, their last year as Brownies, has been an active one. In October, they attended the West District Museum Trek event at the Prairie Museum in Colby. The same day, they sold crafts at their table at the Annual Craft-A-Ganza. They also helped gather food for Genesis during the *Trick-or-Treat so Others can Eat*. The girls made decorations for Citizens Medical Center, Lantern Park Manor and Prairie Senior Living Center in November. The girls enjoy doing a variety of projects that earn Try-Its, a badge requiring four elements before it is earned. This year they have earned or are working on: *Citizens Near and Far*, *Math Fun*, *Numbers and Shapes*, *Me*

and My Shadow, *Science in Action*, *Eat Right Stay Healthy*, *Working it Out*, *Brownie Girl Scouts Around the World* and *Let's Pretend*. Some girls have earned extra Try-its by working on them at home. Currently, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade troops are working together on the *God and Me* award under the leadership of the Rev. Don Martin. This award takes about five additional meetings to earn and will be awarded in church. The West District Swim Meet was a lot of fun and well attended in spite of the blizzard conditions on Feb. 9. Parents, grandparents and special friends were guests of a Valentine party hosted by the girls on Feb. 11. The rest of this year will be packed with activities such as a troop sleepover in March and a trip to Hays for an overnight adventure at the Sternberg

Museum in May. We have sold calendars, magazines and, of course, Girl Scout cookies. Jan Barnum and Karen Raymond are leaders of the troop whose members are: Amanda Barnum, Kalyn Clark, Megan Dougherty, Macy Ellis, Kelsea Geschwentner, Grace Hankin, Kayla Hockersmith, Jessica Kennedy, Bailey Koerperich, Sara Martin, Sarah Oesterreich, Shelby Ohrman, Tera Raymond, Paige Thompson, Arianna Valdez and Kelsey Voss. **Senior Troop 168** Senior Troop 168, 11th Grade Girl Scouts Nicol Frahm, Chandi Reed, Heather Morgan and Tasha Diederich, are completing the paperwork for their final project for their Gold Award. The girls put on a Cookie Carnival on Jan. 13 at the National Guard Armory for their final project. The carni-

val was to promote Girl Scouts, cookies sales, family, community, and fun. The carnival was put on completely by donations both monetary and non-monetary and with workers from the community and Girl Scouts. Everything was free: food, games and prizes. The girls should be presented with their Gold Award in May pending approval. These girls have helped serve concessions at the Girl Scout Craft Sale in October, participated in *Trick or Treat So Others May Eat*, made table decorations for the hospital and nursing homes in December, and sold cookies. Leaders are Jo Frahm, Tina Hansen, and Kim Diederich.

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Youth dance scheduled at Sacred Heart gym

The CYO World Youth Day participants will be hosting a dance for 6th, 7th and 8th graders on Friday, March 15, from 7-10 p.m. at the Sacred Heart School gym, 1150 West 6th in Colby. Admission \$4 with a pizza and pop concession. Proceeds will go towards the trip expenses to attend World Youth Day in Canada July 2002. For information contact Angela Zimmerman, CYO sponsor, at work (462-7909) or home (462-7233). The family of Irene Kehlbeck is holding a celebration to help her celebrate her 85th birthday from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, at the Fairview Estates (behind Dillons) in Colby. You are welcome to stop in to wish her a happy birthday. Your presence is your gift. Irene's address is Apt. C-6, Fairview Estates, 1630 Sewell Ave., Colby, 67601.

Happenings

The annual "Bake and Take" Day will be March 23. The Kansas Wheathearts sponsored the first statewide "Kansas Bake and Take Day" in 1971. Twenty-nine years ago the Kansas Wheathearts initiated a National Bake and Take Day promotion and it has been a yearly event since 1973. Bake and Take Day is a unique project which shows concern and thoughtfulness for the elderly, shut-ins or special friends. Bake and Take Day is an excellent service project for church groups, civic organizations or 4-H clubs. It is the fourth Saturday of each year. The Coronado Area Council Boy Scouts of America is searching for all Eagle Scouts. On July 20, all Eagles and 'friends of Eagles' as well as Camp

Brown alumni are invited to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Camp Brown. There have been over 3,000 Eagles in the history of the council, but the whereabouts of many are not known to the council. Addresses of Eagles may be sent to mdevore@bsamail.org. The Bernard Haremza Memorial Camp Scholarship is available to encourage 4-H'ers to attend camp by providing financial assistance for one first time camper at each county camp. Applications are available at the Extension Office and are due back to the office by May 1. The Hog Scholarship is available to 4-H'ers who are enrolled in the market hog project for the first time. Applications are also available at the Extension Office and have a deadline of May 1.

The *Taste of Home Cooking School* will be Friday, April 12, at the Colby High School Auditorium. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with the program at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$6 and will be available March 19 at KXXX/KQLS radio station. To order by mail, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and a check for \$6 to KXXX, 1065 South Range, Colby 67701. RSVP volunteers need donations of baby yarn to make baby booties for new babies at the hospital. It can be left over or partial pieces of yarn. Leave it at the Senior Progress Center. This is an ongoing project. RSVP will be making booties as well as caps, which they have donated to new babies for many years.

Hospital

CITIZENS MEDICAL CENTER
Monday, March 11, 2002
Admissions
Cindy Dougherty and infant male, Rexford
Frances Harris, Brewster
Ramona Lyon, Colby
Marie Brenn, Colby
Clair Swank, Colby
Dismissals
Glovine Golemboski, Colby
Rita White, Colby
Gene Whittaker, Brewster
Lisa Bice, Rexford

Thanks

to all the caregivers, staff at Hays Medical Center and Lantern Park Manor, my doctors and many friends for all the cards, telephone calls, flowers and deeds of kindness shown to me during my stay since my surgery. May God bless all of you.
Deborah Stepper

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, MARCH 14
Blood pressures, Red Barn, Rexford, 9-10 a.m.
Preschool Storytime, Pioneer Memorial Library, 10:15 a.m. and 1:15 p.m.
Kiwanis, Student Union, noon
AARP income tax help, Pioneer Memorial Library, 1-3 p.m.
Family History Center, 1145 S. Franklin, 7-9 p.m.
Tumbleweed Chorus, United Methodist Church, 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. (non-smoking)

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Training set for young farm workers

Hazardous Occupational Training will be held on Saturday, March 23, starting at 8 a.m. at the Thomas County 4-H Building. The training is targeted at youth who are 14 and 15 years of age and plan to operate farm equipment on a farm other than their parents. The training will cover topics such as instruments and controls; maintenance and safety checks; starting and stopping tractors; tractor safety; tractor hitches, PTO and hydraulics; tractor safety on the road, and ATV safety. Youth who are interested in attending this training need to call the Logan County Extension Office at (785) 672-3245 or the Thomas County Extension Office 462-4582. Registration deadline is Monday, March 18, and the fee for the training is \$8. Thomas County Farm Bureau will provide lunch.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$2.60
Corn	\$1.92
Milo	\$3.04
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