

# Family

## Happenings

# Former Brewster Grocery owners bow out, new ones in

### Caregiver Support Group

The next meeting of the Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging's Caregiver Support Group is from 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, March 5, in the student union at Colby Community College.

The group meets the first Wednesday of each month for those who provide care to the elderly. The caregiver coordinator, Jennifer Anderson, said that this free support group can be a benefit when coping with the stress associated with helping older people.

Services offered through the Caregiver Support Program include training on various topics important to caregivers, respite care, supplemental services, chore services, homemaker, nutrition counseling, and repair, maintenance and renovations.

For questions about the program, call Anderson at (785) 628-1164 or toll-free (800) 432-7422.

### EquiFest of Kansas 2003

There will be an equine exposition, Friday, Feb. 28, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Kansas Coliseum in Wichita. The three-day horse fair and exposition is open to all horse owners and horse lovers, said Carol Wilson, media relations coordinator. General admission tickets, including parking, will cost \$10 for adults, \$5.50 for children, ages 6 to 12, and children under 5 are free.

Tickets are available online at: [www.selectseat.com](http://www.selectseat.com) or can be purchased at the door.

First off, whenever I get a special request for this column, experience tells me to do that first, or it might get forgotten. Marilyn and Arnold Schindler want everyone to know they appreciated being able to do business with them, during the past 12 years, while they owned Brewster Grocery, and, I will reverse that appreciation, and let them know that their customers appreciate the fact that they remained open many months after they had decided to close, rather than let Brewster go without a grocery store. So, we wish



Sally Michael

• Brewster Correspondent

Marilyn and Arnold the best, in their retirement or whatever they plan to do, now.

We also wish the very best to Shane and Bonnie Holm, as the new owners of Brewster Grocery. They tell me they plan an 'Open House'

in a few weeks, and we will get the particulars on that to you, as soon as possible. It will be a few weeks before they have their stock up to date, and they want folks to let them know what they would like to have them handle.

Friday, we were blessed to receive a shower, and it freshened the air up and gave us hope that moisture will soon be less scarce.

Lots of folks are taking mid-winter trips, now, and just like last year, sometimes the weather here is nicer than the places they have decided to

go to. We really haven't had too much cold weather, and as I reported earlier, we had a little rain, on Friday. It seems amazing to get a rain, in February, that doesn't turn into a snow or ice, but it didn't even freeze during the night, then. One can say we only have six weeks of winter left, but sometimes the coldest part of winter is in March or April.

There is lots of flu and other ailments making the rounds, and seems like the bugs are getting harder to get rid of than they used

to be. Some of the young folks have been laid low for several days, but that might be because their defenses are a little down during basketball season. There are lots of games and late nights, when we get to this stage of the season, and everyone pushes a little harder than usual. But, when a good game is played, all the aches and pains are forgotten.

Hope you all have a great week, and I'll see you next time. Don't forget to smile, because there are lots of folks that need to see a friendly face.

# Rotarians learn more about Ace Services Superfund cleanup

## Clubs

In 1992 they removed gross contamination from the building and top soil. In 1994 they started to make plans for a major clean-up project.

In 1999 they removed a lot of clay soil, and the existing building and were hoping this would remedy the contamination problem. They learned that the contamination was much deeper than first thought.

Due to the death of the responsible party for Ace Services, the state had to take the project on and are using the Super Fund Trust Fund for this clean-up project.

In 2001 they did a Records of Discussion Amendment due to the extent of contamination.

The ground contamination was thought about at 25 cubic yards

originally but in reality it was more like 1000 cubic yards. So the project housing plans had to be moved to the old Ace Services site instead of on the Country Club Drive site.

Mr. Stewart had slides of the Recycle Center Plant. He explained in detail how it filters out the chrome, making it safe for the city to use. The city will be able to use this water if they want or it will be let out into the Prairie Dog Creek.

Training city employees is the next step, the city takes over at the

end of March and will be in charge of the project.

In about 10 years, the state will take over the property and decide what happens to the plant and land. Rotarians then had a question and answer session.

Secretary Scott Gawith reported that the club had 67 percent attendance last week. Treasurer Nancy LePell gave the treasury report.

It was noted that last weeks report on Rotarian Bill Biel had a mistake. Biel works for Colby Implement

(John Deere) not High Plains Implement. Scott Gawith spoke on the Community Service project, about the bleacher shade covers. Brian Sturdy told Scott that Colby Canvas will be making them and there are two options on the material they could use. The club tabled any action until the next meeting.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$3.43
Corn	\$2.39
Milo	\$3.89
Soybeans	\$5.29

## Community Calendar

### FRIDAY, Feb. 28

KMEA All-State Choir/Band Orchestra @ Wichita  
Colby High School State Wrestling @ Wichita  
Kindergarten pre-enrollment at Colby Elementary School, 9 a.m.  
SAT Registration deadline at Colby High School  
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.  
New Hope Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall Basement, 8 p.m.

### SATURDAY, March 1

Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.  
Bingo, Jaycees Center, 7 p.m.  
Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous, 1275 West 6th, 8:30 p.m.

# Eastern Star Chapter initiates new candidates

Colby Chapter #442 order of the Eastern Star held a special meeting Friday evening, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Hall.

Mary Molstad, Worthy Matron, and Roy Searls, Worth Patron, presided in the East.

The meeting was called for the purpose of initiating two candidates.

In attendance was the Worthy Grand Matron of Nebraska, Donna

Carmichael and Past Grand Patron of Nebraska, Lester Webb, both from McCook, Nebraska. Also, Karen Lyons, Grand Supervisor of Nebraska.

There were other visitors from McCook, Nebraska and from Atwood.

Pictures were taken following the meeting.

All retired to the dining room for refreshments of tea sandwiches,

cookies, mints and nuts, coffee and punch.

The next regular meeting will be March 3 at 7:30 p.m. It will also be election of officers. All members are urged to attend.

## Midwest Pain Management Center of Hays



Dr. John Knudsen

Dr. John Knudsen of Midwest Pain Management Center located in Hutchinson is now providing a weekly clinic at 1904 E. 29th Street in Hays.

Dr. Knudsen directed the Pain Management Clinic at Temple University and is certified in pain management by the American Board of Anesthesiology and the American Board of Pain Medicine.

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