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First-time Colby event raises \$18,000

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Five months ago, organizers of the first Cystic Fibrosis fund-raiser in northwest Kansas never dreamed they would reach their goal of \$13,000 - but not only did they reach that goal, they surpassed it by almost \$5,000.

Doris Reed of Colby, one of the coordinators, said this week that everyone was so surprised at the amount of contributions.

"Even our state representative for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Amy Samaripa, got a little choked up when she announced on walk day that we actually brought in almost \$18,000," Reed said.

The walking event, Great Strides, was held during the latter part of May at Fike Park with more than 100 walkers participating in one of the 23 teams formed for the Foundation fund-raiser.

Reed said when Samaripa suggested back in January that the goal, based on the size of Colby and surrounding areas, should be at least \$13,000, everyone on the committee was doubtful that could happen.

"It sounded like so much money," Reed said, "and we all knew what last year's drought had done to the economy in this area."

Being a newcomer to the area having just moved here from Dallas 18 months ago, she said, this event was the first experience she had working with people here.

"I have to say that I am so proud to be a part of it - the generosity of this community is inspiring," she said.

Reiterating the slow economy and drought conditions, Reed praised everyone for finding in their hearts to give what they could to the foundation.

"And when they couldn't give money," she said, "they offered their time, which is just as valuable."

Reed said the idea for the Great Strides walk here in Colby first



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Braden Sager, Trevor Strutt and Caleb Carter enjoyed some fun time before the Cystic Fibrosis Walk last Saturday. The boys were

started when the National Cystic Fibrosis Foundation contacted all the county health nurses in this area to ask if they would be interested in

organizing the event.

"Georgetta Shoenfeld, the Logan County Health nurse, is a long-time friend of Karen and Keith Reed, and

she knew they had a granddaughter with cystic fibrosis," she said.

"Shoenfeld then called Karen and Karen passed the information along

to her daughter, Lisa Delzeit and also to me, her daughter-in law.

"From there, Lisa, Karen, Keith and myself contacted friends and

family asking if they would be willing to help out."

The granddaughter, Emily Delzeit, 4, was diagnosed at birth and had her first surgery six hours after she was born to remove a portion of her intestine that was blocked.

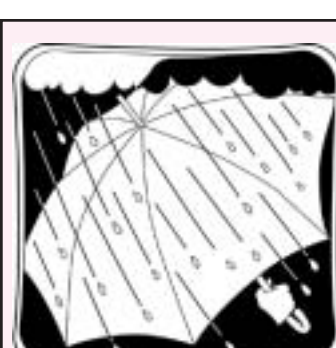
"Since then," Doris said, she has had several surgeries, but through daily breathing treatments, exercises to remove bacteria from her lungs and medications (about 30 pills a day), she has remained in general good health."

There are 30,000 adults and children in the United States with this disease, which causes the body to produce an abnormally thick, sticky mucus that leads to life-threatening lung infections and impairs digestion. Yet with all the breakthroughs and the discovery of the gene which causes the disease, there is no cure to date.

"Cystic Fibrosis Care Centers are located in Denver, Wichita and Kansas City and these places allow patients to get regular care, in addition to help from their general practitioners," she said.

Organizers also wanted to thank everyone who contributed time or money by participating on a team and to the many sponsors to include Transmissions-to-Go, Arnold, Mo., their start-line sponsor; KXXX-KQLS, media sponsor; Sandy Squibb, Northwest Kansas Hearing Services, half-way sponsor; Grinnell Locker, aid station sponsor; and Donna Bennett, Waddell and Reed, kid's corner sponsor.

Businesses helping as kilometer sponsors were: Colby His Shop, Colby Photo, Beringer Hardware, Dillons, Hi-Plains Co-op, Calvin Williams, attorney, First National Bank, Commercial Sign Company, Colby Medical and Surgical Center, Seward County Farm Bureau Association, Jeff and Marilyn Unger of Jim's Electric, Milde of Oakley and Larry and Dina Dinkel of Mitten Trucking.



Showers

Thomas, Logan Counties

Tonight...Showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 50. Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph becoming northeast early in the morning.

Chance of rain 80 percent.

Saturday...Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms.

Highs in the 60s. North wind 10 to 20 mph. Chance of rain 40 percent.

Saturday night...Mostly cloudy.

Lows in the mid 40s to around 50.

Sunday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 70s.

Sunday night...Mostly clear. Lows near 50.

Monday...Partly cloudy and warmer.

Highs in the lower 80s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s and highs in the upper 80s.

By the numbers

Thursday's high, 68
Low this morning, 44
Year ago today, 93 and 54
Records for the date, 100 in 1933, 36 in 1894
Soil temperature, 64
Precipitation up to 8 a.m. today, 0.02
June's precipitation to date, 0.82
Year's precipitation to date, 7.17
2002's precipitation to date, 3.32

Water Usage/Colby

June 5 = 1.429 million gallons

Challenges of two women Martha: caught in a big scandal

NEW YORK (AP)—Martha Stewart is accused of deliberately trying to inflate the stock of her own company — simply by declaring her innocence.

Inserting an unusual twist into their indictment of the domestic diva, prosecutors charge that she committed a crime when she stood up in public last summer and denied engaging in insider trading.

"I was a little surprised at that," said Richard A. Serafini, a former economic crimes prosecutor in New York.

"There's kind of a natural tendency when you're confronted with something to deny it. Now they're charging it as market manipulation."

Legal experts said the charge is a high-risk move designed to convince a jury that Stewart hurt thousands of ordinary stockholders in Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia by trying to cover up her legal problems.

Stewart was indicted Wednesday on five federal counts — including obstruction of justice, conspiracy and lying to investigators — tied to

her December 2001 sale of nearly 4,000 shares of ImClone Systems stock. She pleaded innocent to all charges, but could go to prison for several years if convicted. Her former stockbroker, Peter Bacanovic, was also indicted and pleaded innocent.

Stewart dumped her ImClone stock one day before the government issued discouraging news about an ImClone cancer drug. The government says Stewart had inside knowledge the stock was about to plummet.

Now the Americans say they are pulling back, and the withdrawal threatens to change the dynamic along the border. The Pentagon says it can better deter North Korea by moving U.S. troops farther south from the Demilitarized Zone separating the two Koreas.

"When people hear the news, their immediate reaction often is, 'What? Who's going to defend the border?'" said Song Young-sun, an analyst in Seoul's Korea Institute of Defense Analysis.

Elderly South Koreans have vivid memories of the 1950-53 Korean War, when communist invaders from the North swept over

most of the South within weeks. Eventually, the Northern forces were pushed back by American-led U.N. forces, but allied forces suffered heavy losses in the fighting, including 33,700 U.S. troops. North Korea keeps two-thirds of its military, near the border. In a moment's notice, its artillery and rocket

launchers can shower thousands of shells on Seoul, only 37 miles south. From a military standpoint, say experts, keeping so many American ground troops within the range of artillery doesn't make much sense. Large numbers of U.S. troops would likely die in the first hours of a North Korean attack.

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Briefly

Commissioners to meet on Monday

The Thomas County Commissioners will meet on Monday in the commissioners room of the Thomas County Courthouse. Larry Jumper, landfill supervisor will discuss the monthly landfill reports at 9 a.m. and Undersheriff Mike Baughn will discuss inmate medical issues at 9:30.

Share sign up next week

Heartland Share sign up will begin on Monday and continue through Friday, said Gene Griffin, coordinator. The sign up will be at the State Farm Insurance office, 905 E. 4th, Colby. Delivery is scheduled for Saturday, June 28, starting at 10 a.m. in the Colby Sacred Heart School gymnasium. As an added bonus this month, she said, those ordering Share and a special of the month will have an opportunity to win a barbecue grill. Questions to 460-3579.

La Leche League plans meetings

La Leche League of Northwest Kansas announces a summer series of informal meetings for women interested in finding out more about breast feeding. Meetings will be held Sunday, June 22 and Sunday, July 20, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church meeting room, 515 W. 4th St., Colby. A family potluck is also planned from 6 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17 at Fike Park. The events, said Connie Davis, with La Leche League, are for all interested mothers-to-be, mothers with nursing babies and their partners or support people. For information, to rent or buy a pump or questions about the meetings, call Davis at (785) 462-7188 or (785) 675-3501.

After 5 Club planned Tuesday

The High Plains Kansas After 5 Club, affiliated with the Christian Women's Club, is sponsoring a dinner/party from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, at the 4-H Building, 217 Kaler, Oakley. The meal will be catered and guest speaker is Larry Laas, Concordia, named outstanding high school teacher in 1985 by the Kansas Speech Communication Association. The topic of his presentation will be "Woodn't U Like to Know."

Spring horse show Monday

Thomas County will host a spring horse show beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Monday at the Thomas County Fairgrounds. The show will be open to area 4-H members involved in horse projects. Some of the entries include western pleasure, reining, poles, barrels, showmanship, equestrian, walking and trotting, officials at the Thomas County Extension office said. The show will be divided into three age classes: 7-9 year olds; 10-13 year olds; and 14 and older. The show is free of charge.

