

Family

Deaths

Mark A. Schuette

Mark A. Schuette, 46, of Levant, died Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2006, in Colby. Mr. Schuette was born July 9, 1960, in Marysville.

He was a service manager for Cummins Diesel.

Mr. Schuette is survived by his wife, Barbara J. Schuette of Levant; one daughter, Brittany J. Schuette of Levant; his mother, Phyllis M. Schuette of Washington, Kan.; a sister, Patricia Bekemeyer, also of Washington.

He was preceded in death by his father Edwin and brother Lyle E. Schuette in 1998.

A service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Colby United Method-

ist Church with Pastor Jerry Vincent officiating. A second service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the United Methodist Church in Washington with Rev. Phil Morris officiating.

Visitation will be from 1 to 8 p.m. Friday at Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby.

Burial will be at Washington City Cemetery in Washington.

Memorials are suggested to his daughter Brittany's education fund.

Donations may be sent in care of Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel, 745 S. Country Club Drive, Colby, Kan., 67701 or Ward Funeral Home in Washington.

Western range school scheduled this month

Marlene Moore, owner of Shamrock Ranch in Wallace, Neb., will discuss drought management at the western adult range school scheduled for Aug. 29-31 at Camp Lakeside, Scott Lake north of Scott City.

"Shamrock is a third generation ranch," said Duane Cheney, Western Prairie RC&D coordinator at Colby. "Consisting of 4,900 deeded acres and 2,500 acres of leased rangeland located in southwest Nebraska where the annual rainfall is 18 inches."

The Kansas Grazing Lands Coalition, Inc. (KGLC) and Western Prairie RC&D are hosting the adult range school with contributing sponsors including the Truax Company and the Kansas Chapter of the Society for Range Management. Drought Management Strategies is the theme and topics include technical, financial, landscape health issues as well as rancher perspective. Presentations include the benefits of well-managed ripar-

ian areas in reducing the impacts of drought conditions. Instruction will be presented on the indicators used to conduct a simple stream visual assessment to determine how healthy your stream and its watershed are currently.

Instructors include United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, Kansas State University range and grazing lands specialists and staff. Featured speakers will include several area ranchers including Carl Davis, Hill City area rancher, who will discuss the Conservation Security Program (CSP).

The registration includes two nights lodging, meals, and materials for \$200. Deadline for registration is Friday, Aug. 25. Space is limited to 30 participants. Scholarships of \$100 will be guaranteed to the first 15 registrants, said Cheney. For more information, contact Cheney at (785) 462-2602 or Sandy Rodgers (785) 889-3070 Ext. 35.

Clarification

In the front page article, "Commissioner loses close race," in Wednesday's *Free Press*, Thomas County Clerk Shelly Harms wanted to make sure voters understand that the totals from Tuesday's election are still unofficial.

The election results will be official when the commissioners meet at 9 a.m., Friday, and count provisional ballots and canvas the total

results. In other words, the outcome may or may not change depending on the final tally and completion of the canvas procedure.

The *Colby Free Press* wants to maintain an accurate record of our town.

Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY, AUG. 4

4-H Round robin, fairgrounds, 9 a.m.
Buyer's appreciation barbecue and 4-H livestock auction, 4 p.m.
Fair stock car races, Thomas County Speedway, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUG. 5

Fair parade, downtown Colby, 10 am.
Pioneer Day, 4-H Building, noon
Fair stock car races, Thomas County Speedway, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUG. 6

Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 2-8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 9

Colby High School freshman orientation
Blood drive, Colby Community Building, noon -6 p.m.

Senior center holding "Hippie Day"

By Emma Rogers

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"Hippie Day" will be held Wednesday at the Senior Progress Center, 165 Fike Park. Dress like a hippie and come have a good time. Let's see who can dress the part the best.

There are plenty of activities scheduled at the center for the week of Aug. 7-11, including Melon Day on Monday. Tuesday exercise is at 9:30 a.m. Don't forget "Hippie Day" on Wednesday. Exercise is at 9:30 a.m. Thursday. Friday exercise is at 9:30 a.m. and it's Denim Day, wear your denim duds.

The Thomas County Nutrition

Center in Colby wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests to attend daily luncheons in Colby Monday through Friday. Reservations may be made by calling (785) 460-2901 the day before. Home delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities. Those who work are also invited to come to pick up a meal. Those meals are available at noon to be picked up. For individuals 60 and over a contribution of \$2.50 per meal is requested. Anyone under 60 years of age is invited to attend or pick up a

meal at a cost of \$4.50 per meal.

The menu for the next week includes: Monday - barbecue meatballs, corn, buttered potatoes, bread, fruit mix with bananas. Tuesday - turkey rice casserole, Italian blend veggies, pears, bread, cherry crisp. Wednesday - smothered steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, bread, pineapple. Thursday - chef salad, cantaloupe, bread sticks, peach upside down cake with topping. Friday - ham and scalloped potato casserole, four seasons fruit cup, roll, cook's choice complement.

The building is also available for rental for events. For information or lunch reservations, call 460-2901.

The Thomas County Public Van is owned by the county but is scheduled and dispatched by the Senior Progress Center. The van is not a

taxi service. It will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

It must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance of its use and be ready at least 30 minutes in advance of appointment. Sometimes there are four to six calls per time frame.

Calls for the van need to be made between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday.

To contact the public transportation van after 12:30 p.m., call (785) 443-9208.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day
Hi-Plains Co-op

Wheat	\$4.42
Corn	\$2.24
Milo	\$3.26
Soybeans	No bid

Abilene Hustlers 4-H meets

4-Hers are finalizing all of their projects for the fair August 1-5. Members of the Abilene Hustlers shared there projects at the club tour for the August Meeting on July 23. In other business the club voted to make contributions to the Pete Morrison Memorial, Relay for Life, and The American Cancer Society. Host for the afternoon were the

Blackhearts and Jays.

Before the fair frenzy begins the group enjoyed an afternoon of bowl, pizza, and relaxation at the Colby Bowl and Arcade for the July Meeting on July 16.

Drug Awareness is always a concern of our community's youth. For the June Meeting held on May 23 guest speaker Randy Smith from Palace Drug spoke to the group about addiction to prescription drugs.

He also talked about the dangers of taking drugs in the wrong proportions.

The members then filled out a drug questionnaire to be included in drug awareness notebook to be entered at the Thomas County Fair. Host for the evening were Gerstners and Herrons.

Card Shower

Card shower for 80th birthday planned

The family of Jewel Shanks is having a card shower for her 80th birthday which is Sunday, Aug. 6. Cards can reach her at 402 S. 2nd, Atwood, Kan. 67730.

Thank You!

To my wonderful friends....I want to thank you so very much for the love and concern you gave to me in this sad time of my life. It was greatly appreciated.

Mary B. Grady

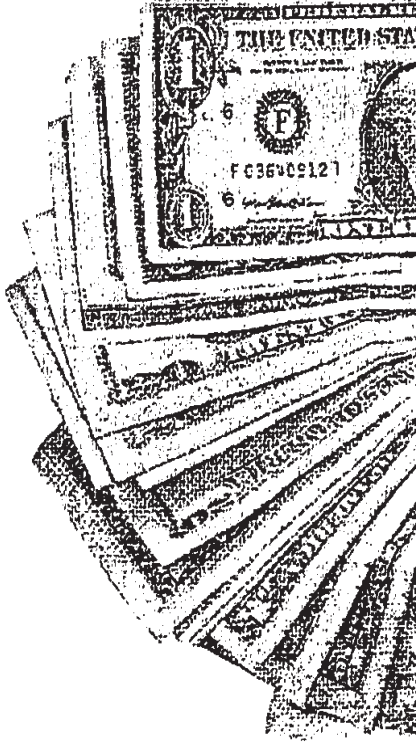
Thanks!!

A special thank you to our family and friends for the surprise reception, cards, and many other acts of kindness helping us celebrate our 40th Anniversary.

Thank you Jodi, Gloria, and Debbie, you did a great job!

Elaine & Bob Koerperich

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