

Sweet Adelines to perform concert Sunday; 'Shee Haw' included

By Patty Decker

Free Press Editor

The Hi-Plains Harmony Chorus of Sweet Adelines International is planning a "Shee Haww" show at 3 p.m., Sunday, in the Colby High School auditorium.

In addition to the chorus, said Sheila Krehbiel, publicity chair, a guest quartet, Very Light Opera Company of Colorado Springs will



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perform, along with a grade school

honor chorus.

"The Very Light Opera Company is hilarious and lively, made up of outstanding singers who are sensational performers and entertain with a good four-part harmony," Krehbiel said.

One of the members of the quartet, Pat Walz, tenor, grew up in Colby and is the daughter of Don and Jo Kready.

Also appearing is the Soaring Singers, an honor chorus from

Colby Elementary School and under the direction of Jennifer Koel.

Walz said the quartet has entertained in Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota, Montana, Nebraska, Texas, Utah and Kansas.

"We perform for civic and church organizations, neighborhood groups, local businesses, private parties, holiday events and barber-shop shows," Walz said.

The group, she said, is best known for the flamboyant costuming and presenting a variety of performance packages.

"If we make your day just a little

bit more enjoyable," Walz said, "then our performance will have been a success."

Don Kready directs the Sweet Adelines with Marge Miller assisting. Members rehearse at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, at the Colby United Methodist Church, 950 S. Franklin Ave.

"Guests are always welcome to attend the rehearsals," Krehbiel said.

Discounted tickets for the Sunday performance are available by calling (785) 460-2183 or tickets at full price can be purchased at the door.

Thomas County resident active in senior legislature

A Thomas County delegate to the Kansas Silver Haired Legislature recently participated in the 24th annual session held in Topeka.

Rosalie Seemann of Levant said three bills were considered and recommended during the session.

Those bills included volunteer ombudsman recruiting and training; dedication of additional tobacco litigation settlement proceeds for health care of senior Kansans; and sales or compensating use tax proceeds from ECommerce for

health care for seniors fund.

If approved, the volunteer ombudsman bill would mean more officials would be recruited and trained to assist seniors with questions or concerns across the state. The tobacco litigation bill would require all money received under the tobacco litigation settlement agreement be deposited to the credit of Health Care for Seniors Fund, which is administered by the Department of Aging.

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volving proceeds from E-Commerce, if approved the bill would provide for 5 percent of the proceeds of the sale or compensating use tax imposed by the state on sales transactions conducted by Kansas residents through the Internet, telephone or other electronic means of communication.

Any money collected would be then credited to the Health Care for Seniors Fund.

The Silver Haired Legislature, which was established by the Kan-

sas Legislature, consists of people aged 60 and older, elected to develop bills and resolutions that are of interest to seniors and their families.

"The activities of the Kansas Silver Haired Legislature have evolved into an important senior advocacy force," said Irv Hoffmann, Johnson County delegate and president of the group's legislative board. "We strive to speak for Kansas seniors of all needs and purposes."

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