

Family

Deaths

Funeral services rescheduled for Thursday

Services for Erik P. Erickson, 95, of Colby, have been rescheduled due to the weather. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Pauls Funeral Home, 121 N. Penn in Oberlin. Mr. Erickson died Friday, Dec. 15, 2006, in Colby. He was born Nov. 8, 1911, in Herndon. He was a farmer and welder and worked for Anderson Implement. Mr. Erickson is survived by his wife, Jean Erickson of Colby; son Alan Erickson and wife Pat of

Colby; daughter Sharon Lohoefer and husband Bill of North Platte, Neb.; sister Mildred Lang of San Leandro, Calif.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers and three sisters. Burial will be at Oberlin Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Erik Erickson Memorial Scholarship for a Decatur County High School wrestler to attend college.

Babies

Josiah David Busch

Charlie and Sarah Busch of Brewster announce the birth of their son, Josiah David Busch, Saturday, Dec. 16, 2006, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Josiah weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce and was 19 1/4

inches long. Grandparents are Don and Linda Busch of Omaha, Neb., and Loren and Peggy Berger of North Platte, Neb. Josiah was welcomed home by sister Charissa Busch.

Dakotah Rhea Farr

Jerry and Nicole Farr of Herndon announce the birth of their daughter, Dakotah Rhea Farr, Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2006, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Dakotah weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Glenda Horacek of Colby; Frank Horacek of Philomath, Ore.; Thelma and Kenneth Farr and Gwendolyn Farr of Oberlin. Dakotah was welcomed home by brother Tanner Dean Farr.

Veterans auxiliary holds December gathering

By Hazel Duffey
VFW Auxiliary

Ladies Auxiliary to VFW 6882 met Dec. 12 at the Post Home with Senior Vice President Elva Livingston presiding. Roll call of officers was read. Opening prayer and POW-MIA prayer was offered with lit candles. Patriotic instructions were read, followed by flag salute. Treasurer's report was given and bills presented and approved for payment. Correspondence read was general orders, president's message, thank you notes for donation to Santa City, veteran's home in Fort Dodge and from Colby school for child's coat. A resignation for health reasons from President Florine Hurst was read. Hospital chairman reported 36 felt money holders, 20 bags of clothing, two lap robes made and sent to veterans at Fort Dodge home along with 20 dozen cookies made.

Club News

National home chairman reported birthday card sent to home. Americanism reported 100 copies of coloring sheet taken to local schools to promote Americanism and patriotism for children's learning the flag salute. VFW Post kids Christmas was Dec. 18 at post home. Auxiliary made cookies for the party. Motion duly made and seconded from the floor allowed for purchase for a child's gift for the angel tree. Members please note 2007 dues are due by Dec. 31 to keep your membership in good standing. Please remit dues of \$20 to Rosalie Seemann, treasurer, 426 Hale St., Levant, Kan., 67743. Closing prayer was offered and meeting adjourned. Next meeting will Jan. 9 at 2 p.m. at the Post home. Help! We need attendance and participation at the meetings to keep the organization going.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, DEC. 21
Colby Community College Fall semester finals
Santa City open at Fike Park, 6-8 p.m.
Downtown Alcoholics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8:30 p.m.
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 22
Colby Community College Semester Break begins
Colby School District students dismissed at 1:30 p.m. for winter break
Santa City open at Fike Park, 6-8 p.m.
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 5-8 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 23
Santa City open at Fike Park, 1-5 p.m.
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 1-5 p.m.
Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous, 1275 W. Sixth St., 8:30 p.m.

You

Can Make A Difference

Couple marries in Colorado

Ryan Hale of Estes Park, Colo., and Paula Waldau of Lafayette, Colo., were married June 25, 2006, in an outdoor ceremony at the Moraine Park museum amphitheater in Rocky Mountain National Park. Alexandra Schoenburger, of Lafayette, Colo., daughter of the bride, was the flower girl. Bridesmaid was Paula Levitch of Lafayette, Colo., friend of the bride. Best man was Dave Anderson, a friend of Hale. Larry Wexler of Estes Park conducted the ceremony. Special speakers were Roger Hale of Colby, father of the groom; Larry Waldau, of Lafayette, Colo., father of the bride; and Dana Hale of Scottsdale, Ariz., sister of the groom. Music was provided by Ryan and Corinne Waldau of Lafayette, brother and sister-in-law of the bride. Photographers were John and Kathy Gregory of Assaria, cousins of the groom.

An open house, lunch and reception were held in Lafayette, Colo. at Waldau's parents' home. The couples' honeymoon was spent in the week-long Bike Across Kansas event. Waldau has a bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She works for Lakeshore Athletic Club, Flatiron, as a group fitness instructor, as a preschool teacher in Lafayette and at a daycare in Estes Park. Hale has degrees from Colby Community College, a bachelor's degree in kinesiology from Kansas State University and a master's de-

Wedding scheduled for May

Ron and Rhonda Hurtt announce the engagement of their daughter, Tiffany Lynne Hurtt, to Cade Michael Moses, son of Mike and Cindy Moses, all of Colby. Both are 2002 graduates of Colby High School. Hurtt graduated from Kansas State University in December with a bachelor's degree in biology. Moses will graduate in May from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in biology. Hurtt is the granddaughter of Thomas and Mary Hurtt and the late

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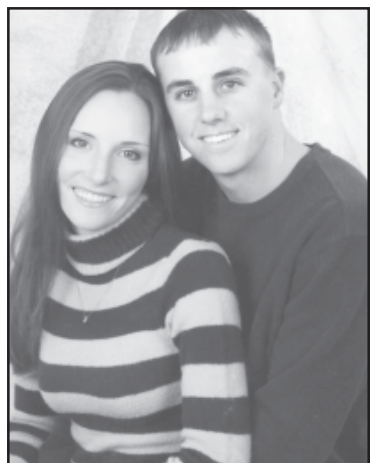
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Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Hale

gree in sports psychology from the University of Northern Colorado at Greeley, Colo. He works for the Boulder Center for Sports Medicine in Boulder, Colo., as an athletic trainer at Nederland High School. He also works part-time as an emergency medical technician for the Estes Park ambulance service and gives seminars on sports psychology for area schools. Parents of the couple are Larry and Elaine Waldau of Lafayette, Colo.; Linda Hale of Phillipsburg and Roger Hale of Colby. Hale's grandparents are Junia

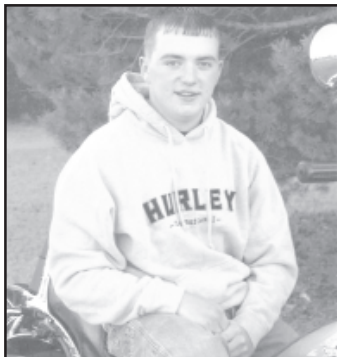
Hale of Stockton and the deceased Willard Hale and the deceased Al and Lulu Stahnke of Phillipsburg. Waldau's grandparents are Iola Waldau Wilson and Harold Wilson of Atlantic, Iowa; Delbert Pierson of Lafayette, Colo., and the deceased Mary Pierson and Mary Rose Pierson, both of Lafayette, Colo.; Vivienne Adams of Lafayette, Colo.; and the deceased Don Adams of Lafayette, Colo. Waldau's god-mother is DeeAnn Adams of Lafayette, Colo. The family is at home in Estes Park, Colo.



Tiffany Hurtt and Cade Moses

Violet Hurtt and the late Victor and Marilyn Rall. Sandra Rall is her stepgrandmother. Moses is the grandson of Leta Moses and the late Emery Moses and the late Phyllis and Warren Hills. A May 26 wedding is planned in Colby.

Lee Lynn Hensley 1986-2006



Merry Christmas from Heaven

*I still hear the songs
I still see the lights
I still feel your love
On cold wintry nights
I still share your hopes & all
Of your cares
I'll even Remind you to please
Say your prayers
I just want to tell you
You still make me proud
You stand head & shoulders
Above all the crowd
Keep trying each moment to
Stay in His grace
I cam here before you
To help set your place
You don't have to be perfect
All of the time
He forgives the slip if
You continue the climb
To my family & friends
Please be thankful today
I'm still close beside you
In a new special way
I love you all dearly now
Don't shed a tear Cause
I'm spending my Christmas
With Jesus this year.*
**You are greatly missed.
Love always & forever your
Mom, Dad, and sister.**

GATHER 'ROUND FOR CHRISTMAS

Let all creatures great and small rejoice in the holiday spirit.
Merry Christmas!

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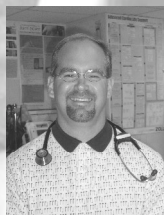
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Christmas Open House

December 20th - 22nd

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- F&M 2007 Calendars
- Cookies, Donuts, Hot Cider, and more!
- Candy Canes for the Kids