

# Family

## Deaths

### Stanley Eugene Beckner

Stanley Eugene Beckner, 61, of Salina, died Monday, Jan. 15, 2007. Mr. Beckner was born Feb. 13, 1945, in Colby.

He was a salvage yard manager. Mr. Beckner is survived by two sons, Stanley Eugene Bulinski of Goodland and Sean E. Bulinski of Emporia; three daughters, Sheila Brown of Glendale, Paula Jean Smith of Salina and Elizabeth Anderson of Oakley; three brothers, Robert "Bob" Beckner of Goodland, Jerry C. Beckner of

Bakersfield, Calif., and David R. Beckner of Kanorado; one sister, Virginia L. Ballentine of Wallace and 11 grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. today at Ryan Mortuary in Salina.

A graveside inurnment will be held at 1 p.m. Central Time Saturday, Jan. 27 in Brewster.

There was no visitation. Memorials are can be sent to the family for the grandchildren's education.

## Couple weathers storm away from their home

One couple who didn't have to "rough it" when the rest of us were using candles for light and melting snow for water was Kenneth and Louise Smith.

They spent Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Bernard and Mary Smith, and family in Hutchinson.

After Christmas they went to Abilene and were guests of Kenneth's niece, Rose Anne Cox, and her husband Roger Cox. Saturday they came to Salina and were guests of Kenneth's nephew, Kenneth Veltman, and his wife Jodi. Then, back to Hutchinson to wait out the road closures, where they spent the time with Bernard and Mary Smith. When they returned to Winona their drive-way was cleared and they had a path to their door.

Judy Gfeller spent from Thursday to Monday in Marion with Stacie, Kirsten, and Kourtney Hansen while Andy Hansen was away on business. Judy enjoyed watching Kirsten play basketball Saturday.

Jason and Trudi Gager and Brookelyn of Olathe, Troy and Brandy Wright, Dalton and Tierney of Gordon, Neb., and T.J. and Lindsey Wright and Caden of Quinter came home for a post-Christmas celebration. They were house guests of Wes and Debbie Mather.



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Paul and Susan Casper and Dalton of Swink, Colo., were Friday through Sunday guests of Steve and Dianne Schertz. Scott and Cristi Schertz and boys were frequent visitors. Fred and Jess had fun getting acquainted with their new cousin.

"Tis the Season," the Triplains K-12 Christmas program which was to have been performed Dec. 19, was no less enjoyable due to the weather-related lapse of time. The intensity of emotion was distended because of the outdoor winter wonderland mode and the high school choir's rendition of the popular song "White Christmas." Mrs. Glenda Graham directed the all school program Wednesday, Jan. 10.

Oh, baby, it was cold outside Thursday but the junior high basketball teams kept it hot inside. The junior varsity girls played an overtime game and the junior varsity boys kept up the momentum so vigorously it turned the clock off.

The junior high games were anything but a dull ending to an otherwise quiet news week.

## Cub Scout training set

Cub Scout Basic Adult Leader Orientation will be offered next month. The training will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 in Hays or Saturday, Feb. 24 at Camp Brown near Salina.

Any Cub Scout pack that enjoys camping is required to have at least one leader who has completed the training to plan and coordinate the overnight activity.

The sessions are an entry-level introduction to outdoor training offered by the Boy Scouts of America. Learning objectives include: understanding the focus of the Cub Scout level of the Boy Scouts program; acquire the skills and confidence

necessary to plan and carry out a successful Cub Scout-level overnight activity and increase their knowledge of the resource available from the Boy Scouts and Coronado Area Council in carrying out this activity.

Cost for the course is \$7 for lunch and materials. Registration is from 8:30 to 8:50 a.m.

For information or to register, call the Scout Service Center at (785) 827-4461 or 1-866-950-7750. Registration can also be done online at [www.coronadoscout.org/training](http://www.coronadoscout.org/training).

All packs should make plans to have at least one leader attend the training.

## Babies

### Allen D. Davis

Joshua and Regan Davis of Colby announce the birth of their son, Allen D. Davis, Sunday, Jan. 14, 2007, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Allen weighed 6 pounds,

10.9 ounces and was 10 3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Darrell Davis of Jennings and Jason and Lori Unruh of Sharon Springs.

## Community Calendar

### SATURDAY, JAN. 20

Fellowship of Christian Athletes breakfast and speaker, Colby Community Building, 9 a.m.  
Super Shot Contest, Colby Community Building, 10:30 a.m.  
Wings Upon the Prairie drop-in center, 485 N. Franklin, 1-5 p.m.

### SUNDAY, JAN. 21

WPAA presents Nashville Mandolin Ensemble, Atwood High School, 3 p.m.  
Sunday Morning Sixth Street Alcoholics Anonymous, 1275 W. Sixth St., 9:30 a.m.  
Narcotics Anonymous, City Hall basement, 8 p.m.

### MONDAY, JAN. 22

Seventh and eighth grade scholar's bowl at Hays Kennedy, 4 p.m.  
High school scholar's bowl at Quinter, 4 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JAN. 23

Brain Blitz by Thomas County Extension, Thomas County Office Complex, noon  
Music Booster meeting, Colby High School workroom, 5:30 p.m.

## Card Shower

The children of Margaret Perkins of Colby is requesting a card shower in honor of her 80th birthday Sunday.

Cards and greetings may be sent to: Margaret Perkins, 1775 W. Fifth, Colby, Kan. 67701.

## Markets

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

Wheat	\$4.35
Corn	\$3.97
Milo	\$6.58
Soybeans	\$6.31

# Library offers up new books, useful tips



## Jeff Friesen, library link

Pioneer Memorial Library director

### New Fiction

Duke University grabbed the headlines last year when three members of the Duke Lacrosse team were accused of assaulting the hired "entertainer" at a party. The plotline of Scott Turow's latest book titled "Limitations" is eerily reminiscent of the Duke Lacrosse scandal. In this case however, the crime was videotaped and the accused were four white hockey players. The victim was a 15 year old black girl.

The crime is horrific enough, but matters are complicated by the fact that George Mason — the judge in the case — was himself involved in a similar "incident" many years ago. George has a heavy enough burden with his conscience, but the anonymous and threatening e-mails he is receiving are making matters worse.

### New Non-fiction

What is the smartest way to treat your body? Modern science has taken medicine into increasingly complex scientific areas. Some "alternative" medicines are gaining traction as viable substitutes, with less consequence, to conventional medicines. But is it optimal to stay the course with one method over the other or can conventional and alternative medicines be mixed with positive results? The link to that information is your physician. However communicating clearly

with so much information can be difficult. To help establish a clear line of communication is one of the library's newest books "How to Talk with Your Doctor: The Guide for Patients and Their Physicians Who Want to Reconcile and Use the Best of Conventional and Alternative Medicine" by Ronald Hoffman.

### Before I die I should read...

Although medical conditions have dramatically changed over the last century, the motives of men have not. So it was with the life of Dr. Andrew Manson in "The Citadel" by A.J. Cronin. The Citadel is a story set in the 1920s about the complex life of an English doctor named Andrew Manson. His idealistic goals early in his career give him the motivation to focus on his career as it relates to his patients. In a career change that leads to a private practice in London however, Dr. Manson gradually shifts his focus and integrity towards his own personal wealth. Unfortunately it takes a botched surgery by an incompetent surgeon to lead him back

to the realization that principles are worth more than "pounds." A renewed vision for the future gives Dr. Manson hope but some things are beyond change and it is on a bit-sweet note that this story ends.

### Tip of the week

Giving credit where credit is due has never been easier. When citing sources for a research paper, [http://](http://citationmachine.net)

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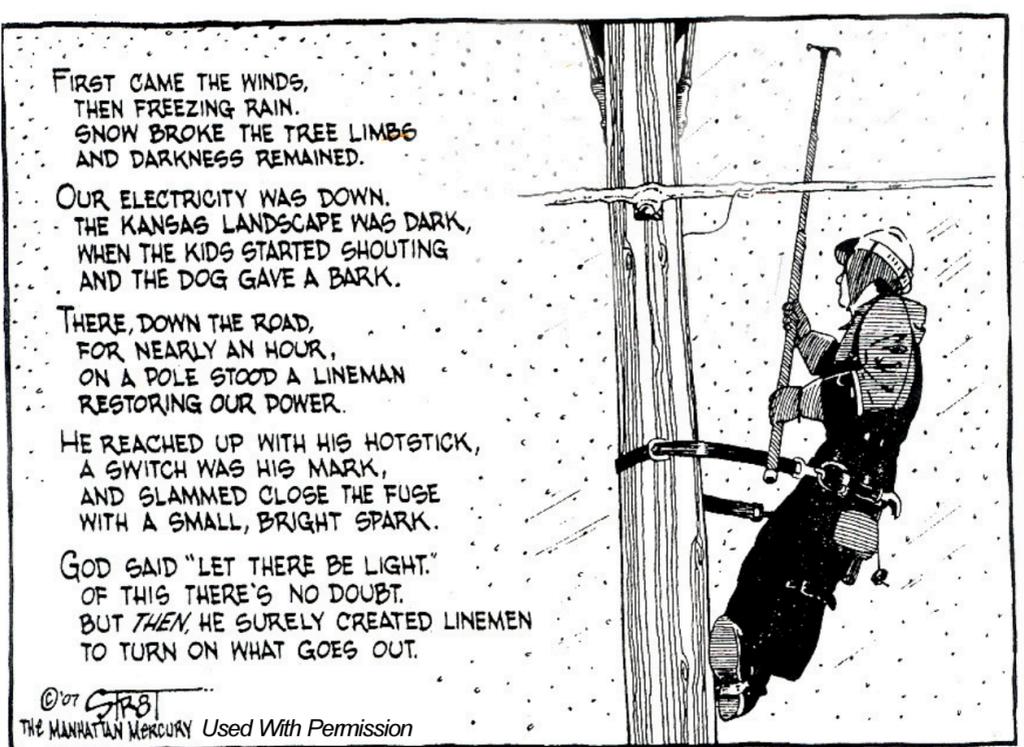
## Student News

### Student earns degree from Hays university

Miranda Mollendor graduated from Fort Hays State University in December with a degree in psychology.

She is the daughter of Tracy and Becky Kizer of Julesburg, Colo. She is also the granddaughter of Don and Jackie Kizer of Julesburg and Erwin and Wilma Thiele of Colby.

THANK YOU!



Recently, western Kansas experienced one of the most extensive and costly winter storms in recent memory. Over 6,000 Midwest Energy customers were without electricity, some for a week or more. Damage is estimated in the tens of millions of dollars. However, we managed to safely work through the problems and restore electricity to our customers within ten days. So many times, those who work long hours day after day in these horrible conditions do not get the recognition they deserve. Likewise, those customers who persevered through the wet and cold weather do not get the thanks they deserve for their patience.

We would first like to thank all those customers who "made do" while our crews worked to restore service. We appreciate their patience and confidence in our abilities. Secondly, we would like to thank the more than three hundred employees and contractors who worked so diligently to restore service. With their excellent work ethic, we were able to return customers to service as quickly as possible. We admire their dedication. Finally, thank you to all the local businesses who helped the crews with food and supplies.



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