

Booked for Lunch nears end

The final session of Booked for Lunch before summer is noon, Wednesday, May 2.

JoAnne Sunderman will be at Pioneer Memorial Library to present two books by presidential hopeful Barack Obama: "The Audacity of Hope" and "Dreams from My Father." A light lunch will be provided. Hope to see you here.

In other news, the recent rainfall in Thomas County has finally brought a green tint to the land. The lawn is green enough now and the sun is in full bloom creating a perfect situation to read outside rather than in.

Below are three of the library's newest books that you might consider.

If you enjoy books with well-developed characters then novelist Peter Ho Davies latest book "The Welsh Girl" is worth a read. Prejudices live in the heart of every person but they are never as pronounced as when a war is taking place.

Esther is young and open-minded unlike her Welsh father who is deeply opinionated and set in his ways. Esther's greatest desire is to get away from the village where she has grown-up and see the world. As it turns out, the world has come to meet her.

The prejudices between the Brits and the Welsh, the Welsh and the Germans, the Germans and the Jews are all exposed, as if under a magnifying glass, due to the relocation of a German POW camp next to Esther's village in Wales. At the heart of the story is a budding relationship between a German corporal POW named Karsten - who can't forgive himself for surrendering rather than dying in war - and Esther who is learning to see the world through a new set of eyes.

But the world has always had problems and prejudices that, in many cases, have taken years to heal, or in some cases, might always remain. To find problems and prejudices, one need look no further than the Indian insurgency 150 years ago. Michael Blake, author of "Dances with Wolves," takes up this issue in his latest book Indian Yell.

The Indian "problem" in the 1800's was a matter dealt with in an uncompromising manner. "Indian Yell" examines 12 conflicts during the Indian insurgency that defined and shaped American policy on



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Western expansion. Today we are living the results of that policy, as are the Native Americans. Most of the traditions of Indians live on only in rituals; the lifestyle of Native Americans a remnant of the past.

An interesting twist however, is that Blake takes his assessments one step further and compares American policy regarding the Indian insurgency in the 1800s with American policy in Iraq today.

Finally, try the novel "Teahouse Fire" by Ellis Avery. The late 19th century was a period of dramatic change in Japan. The westernization of Japanese culture was imminent as Japan opened its doors to western civilization. Caught up in this widespread change is a girl named Aurelia Bernard, an American orphan brought to Japan by an abusive missionary uncle.

Unhappy with her circumstances, Aurelia runs away and is taken in by Shin Yukako, daughter of one of Kyoto's most important tea masters. With the onset of westernization, the "Way of Tea" a sacred Japanese ceremony - is slowly slipping out of favor with the Japanese people. To take up the cause and preserve this sacred ritual for tradition is Shin and her lifelong protégé Aurelia.

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Bestsellers

HARDCOVER FICTION
1. "The Road" by Cormac McCarthy (Vintage)
2. "The Memory Keeper's Daughter" by Kim Edwards (Penguin)
3. "The Measure of a Man" by Sidney Poitier

(HarperSanFrancisco)
4. "Blink" by Malcolm Gladwell (Back Bay Books)
5. "The Glass Castle: A Memoir" by Jeannette Walls (Scribner)
6. "Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for Everything Across Italy, India and Indonesia" by Elizabeth Gilbert (Penguin)

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Colbyite named to Water Authority

With water being critical to the continued growth and development of the state, Gov. Kathleen Sebelius recently announced her appointment of Lon Frahm of Colby to the Kansas Water Authority.

"Water is one of our most important natural resources, and it's vital to the continued growth of our state," said Sebelius.

"It's essential we have a strong water authority to help

guide water policy in our state."

The Kansas Water Authority reviews plans for the development, management and use of the water resources of the state by any state or local agency.

Frahm has an extensive background in ag-

ricultural production, irrigation, and energy.

He received a master's degree in agricultural business from Kansas State University after earlier earning a Bachelor of Science in both agricultural economics and business administration.

Sebelius also reappointed Karma Mason, Wichita, to the authority. Each will serve a four-year term.



Frahm

Schools ban digital devices

MERIDIAN, Idaho (AP) — Banning baseball caps during tests was obvious — students were writing the answers under the brim. Then, schools started banning cell phones, realizing students could text message the answers to each other. Now, schools across the country are targeting digital media players as a potential cheating device.

Devices including iPods and Zunes can be hidden under clothing, with just an earbud and a wire snaking behind an ear and into a shirt collar to give them away, school officials say.

"It doesn't take long to get out of the loop with teenagers," said Mountain View High School Principal Aaron Maybon. "They come up with new and creative ways to cheat pretty fast."

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5	9/4/2005	1.4	44	14	86	60	782	1447	540	KR
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8	9/8/2005	2.1	48	12	96	70	646	1113	441	KR
9	9/12/2005	3.4	59	17	100	80	789	1343	9026	G
10	9/13/2005	2.4	59	14	93	72	726	1259	241	FF
12	9/13/2005	2.0	62	14	101	79	731	1122	3203	G
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