

# Family

## Deaths

### Dr. Kenneth W. Ellis

Dr. Kenneth W. Ellis, 80, of Colby, died Saturday, April 28, 2007, in Colby. Dr. Ellis was born Dec. 11, 1926, in Lane to Floyd and Elma Mae (Bartlett) Ellis.

He was a chiropractor in Colby 22 years.

He married Nadine Ingram Dec. 16, 1949.

He served in the merchant marines and also served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. He later worked for Santa Fe Railroad 21 years.

In 1968, he enrolled in the Cleveland School of Chiropractic in Kansas City, Mo. He practiced in Kansas City and Kinsley before moving his practice to Colby in 1979. He retired in 2002.

He married Merle Fleming Unruh in 1993 at Great Bend.

He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Dr. Ellis is survived by his wife, Merle; children Dr. Robert Ellis, Dr. Terry Drew and Larry Ellis, all of the

Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, area; stepson Laramie Unruh of Wichita; brothers Dr. Eldon Ellis of Spring Hill, Glen Ellis of Ventura, Calif.; sister Margaret Glenn of Lenexa; three grandchildren and three stepgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Nadine; daughter Kelley; sister Clea Rose; brothers Floyd, Jr., Merle and Lyle and his parents.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby with Pastors John Schmidt and Carroll Morony officiating. Burial will be at Beulah Cemetery in Colby.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and from 9 a.m. to service time Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Memorials are suggested to Hospice Services, Inc., and L&C Home Health Care of Colby, donations may be sent in care of the funeral chapel, 745 S. Country Club Drive, Colby, Kan., 67701.

### Lloyd G. Lunsway

Lloyd G. Lunsway, 87, of Colby, died Sunday, April 29, 2007, in Colby. Mr. Lunsway was born April 12, 1920, in Oakley.

He was a retired sheriff's officer and a member of High Plains Shrine Club, Masonic Lodge #306 and the Kansas Sheriff Association.

Mr. Lunsway is survived by his companion of 33 years, Sharon Brian of Colby; by sons, Leon Lunsway of Sedona, Ariz., Lile Lunsway of Rexford and Leland Lunsway of San Diego, Calif.; 12 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife Louise Lunsway in 1963;

daughter Loretta Henley in 2006; grandson Lonny Lunsway in 1970 and grandson Layne Lunsway in 2003.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Harrison Chapel in Colby. Burial will be at Beulah Cemetery in Colby with Masonic Lodge #306 providing graveside service and there will also be a sheriff's honor guard escort.

Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Harrison Chapel.

Memorials are suggested to the Thomas County Sheriff's Benevolent Fund and may be left at any Colby bank or Harrison Chapel.

## Businesses taking part in 'June Art Jubilee'

Thirteen downtown Colby businesses will feature the artwork of the High Plains Art Club in their stores during the entire month of June. The exhibits will be changed every Friday when new paintings will be displayed.

In addition to the exhibits, a giant basket filled with gifts made and signed by the art club ladies and gifts from the participating businesses will be given away on June 30 at the Prairie Museum of Art and History. The basket will be on display at the museum and visitors can register to win there or at any of these participating businesses: The Sports Shop; Horlacher Jewelry; Pioneer Memorial Library; Inlow Interiors; Donelan Jewelry; Farmers and Merchants Bank; Sunflower Bank; Personal Touch Salon; Someplace Special; Colby Photo; Wark Embroidery & Gifts, and Plum Creek Ltd. Visitors can register each time they come into the participating businesses.

Also, as part of the celebration, Marj Brown, assisted by High Plains Art Club members, will hold a free watercolor workshop for children 10 through 14 at the museum on June 9 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.. There will be room for only 20 students. Those who wish to attend can sign up by calling the museum at 460-4590. Other art club members are: Jan Andregg, Shirley Baker, Jo Bricker, Marlene Carpenter, Mar-

garet Denneker, Lee Fleckenstein, Ruth Hughes, Bev Kern, Mary McNutt and Fritz Ostemeyer.

The museum will feature a display of artwork by Colby school students.

On two mornings during June, the ladies of the art club will be painting, "en plein air" (meaning painting in the open air directly from their subjects), at Fike Park. All area artist are invited to join them and the public is invited to come and view their work in progress. These dates will depend on the weather and will be announced at a later time.

Jubilee chairman, Brown, says, "All of us in art club hope that everyone will visit the businesses showing our paintings every day during the month of June. We also hope that other artists in the community will join us when we get together every second Tuesday of each month at the Methodist Church for our meetings. For times of meetings, any art club member can be called."

## Art class planned

The Dane G. Hansen Museum in Logan is offering an art class in June.

The first class will be from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 2. The class will be painting "Wheelbarrow with Flowers." The second class will be "Landing Duck" Sunday, June 3.

The hours will be the same as the Saturday class.

Participants may enroll for one or both days.

For information or to register by phone, call (785) 689-4846.

Participants need to bring only a roll of paper towels, other supplies are provided.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat	\$4.69
Corn	\$3.52
Milo	\$5.78
Soybeans	\$6.25

# Colby gearing up for summer events

By Leilani Thomas  
Tourism director

May 12-20 is National Tourism Week. This is a time to appreciate all of those who travel and come to Colby...the Oasis on the Plains. It is also a time to thank all of our volunteers who work at the Colby Visitor Center welcoming them, answering their questions and giving them a break in their travels. The Convention and Visitors Bureau will be honoring those volunteers at a luncheon May 16 at City Limits Convention Center as a small thank you for their service.

Sampler Festival will be held May 5 and 6 in Garden City Kansas at the Lee Richardson Zoo. We will be there in the Northwest Kansas tent talking about Colby and Northwest Kansas.

There will be popcorn, entertainers and demonstrations in the tent as well as in the other tents and on the grounds. The festival will open Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. with an international parade featuring the Vietnamese Dragon Dancers and other groups in ethnic costumes. The tents and all vendors will open at 10 a.m.

It is a sight to behold. It is a great event...this is the last year it will be held in western Kansas. Don't miss it!

Leadership Thomas County met for their final session and celebra-

## On the Road

tion on April 11. Five teams of class members participated in a "teach back" using the leadership capacities they learned throughout the year. We thank Police Chief Randy Jones for allowing us to use the Law Enforcement Training Center for this final class.

The celebration was held at Colby Community College in the Fireside Lounge the evening of April 11. Class members and guests were treated to a dinner sponsored by the Leadership Thomas County Board. Dennis Mesa, Regional Administrative Assistant for Senator Sam Brownback from Garden City was the speaker. Receiving their plaques were CHS students Emily Terrell, Cole Finley and Matthew Kaus. Adult class members were Don Allen, Joan Dingwerth, Eric Eicher, Tom Moorhous, Ben Schroeder, Denise Stupka-Schieferecke and Holly Stephens. The class is working on the Kansas Kids Corner at the Prairie Museum of Art and History for their project.

We thank Deanna Pabst and Tim Moeder who served on the LTC Board for three years. We truly appreciate their years of service. 2006-2007 class representatives to the Board are Denise Stupka-Schieferecke and Holly Stephens. Donna Finley will also be serving

as a board member. Officers elected for the new year are Sean Hankin who was elected as chairman of the board, Vice-chair is Cathy Harrison and Roger Herren is Secretary.

Colby events include Colby Community College commencement at 2 p.m., May 12 at the Community Building. High school baccalaureate and Commencement will be held May 20 at the Community Building with Prom on May 12. Several concerts are on the calendar including the middle school vocal "pops" concert at the grade school May 10, high school vocal "pops" concert at the high school on May 15, middle school band concert at 6:30 p.m. on May 21 in the grade school auditorium and the high school spring band concert which will be held in Fike park at 6:30 p.m.

The bluegrass committee is sponsoring a dinner/concert package May 21 at City Limits Convention Center. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and concert with guitar virtuoso Michael Chapdelaine will be at 7 p.m. You are more than welcome to come to just the concert. Tickets will be available at the door. John Reuben and Rock Bands Concert (postponed from New Year's Eve) will be held at Thomas County Fairgrounds May 27. Watch for more information about this one.

Car races will be held at the Thomas County Speedway on May 6 and May 20 at 7 p.m. Summer and all of the outdoor activities we enjoy is about here. Take advantage of as many of the scheduled events as possible. We have much to enjoy...if we just do it.

## Pinochle tournament held

The American Legion Pinochle Tournament was held Saturday evening, April 21. Jeannie Spresser and Shirley Emigh took first place, Junior Albers and Dallas Koerperich placed second and Dick and Ken Sanford placed third.

Happy Birthday to Dennis Spresser, April 30, and Jordan Christensen, May 2.

The news column is very short this week because I have been vis-



**Vicki Allison**

• Rexford Correspondent

iting the state of Texas and have missed out on what is going on in Rexford.

Until next time, make your week a memorable one.

We want your local news e-mail to pdecker@nwkansas.com

## Babies

### Ryllie Marie Lippelmann

Milo and Melissa Lippelmann of Oberlin announce the birth of their daughter, Ryllie Marie Lippelmann, Thursday, April 26, 2007, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. Ryllie weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 1/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Greg Close of Oakley, Penny and Jeff VonLehe of Russell and Don and Vickie Lippelmann of Oberlin.

Great-grandparents are Glen Close of Oakley, Ron and Nila Boese of Monument, Milared Lippelmann of Oberlin and Fern Anderson of Oberlin.

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