# Family

#### Death

#### **Dale Arthur Barnett**

Dale Arthur Barnett, 73, of Good-ter, Carmen (Roger) Studer; son, land died Wednesday Dec. 26, 2007,

at WaKeeney. Mr. Barnett was born Jan. 2, 1934, in Rawlins County to Harry and

Anna Barnett. He attended school in Rexford and later married Betty Seeburger. Mr. Barnett was a farmer and oil field worker.

He was preceded in death by his

parents and infant sister. He is survived by his daugh- Goodland, Kan. 67735.

#### **Luciel Taylor**

Luciel Taylor, 86, died Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2008, at Greeley, Colo. She was born Feb. 1, 1921, at Mildred,

Mrs. Taylor was retired Thomas County Treasurer.

She was preceded in death by husband Leslie R. Taylor in 1989.

She is survived by sons, Virgil Taylor of Ft. Collins, Colo. and Robert Taylor of Paulden, Colo.

#### **Douglas P. Lemman**

Cemetery.

Douglas P. Lemman, 53, died Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2008, at his brock Funeral Chapel in Colby. residence in Colby.

Services are pending with Kersen-

Frank Barnett of Loveland, Colo.;

brother, Harold Barnett from Nev.;

sister, Ethal Smith of Ensign and

Harriet Jeffries of Bayfield, Colo.;

six grandchildren and three great-

services later. There will be no visi-

There will be private family

Memorials may be sent to Bateman Funeral Home, P.O. Box 278,

Services will be at 10:30 a.m.

Visitation is from 1-8 p.m. Friday

Memorials may be made in her

at Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel

in Colby. Burial will be at Beulah

name to be designated at a later date

in care of the funeral chapel.

Saturday at Colby United Method-

ist Church in Colby. Rev. James Mardock will be officiating.

grandchildren.

### **Babies**

#### Erika Jo Koehn

Devin and Tanya Koehn of Colby in Colby.

She weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches in

Grandparents are Randy and announce the birth of their daugh- Shelley Barton of Colby, Sandi ter Erika Jo on Sunday, Dec. 30, and Bruce Irwin of Cape Fair, Mo., 2007, at Citizens Medical Center Peggy Duphorne Warren of Goodland and Stan and Trudy Koehn of Springfield, Colo.

Erika is welcomed home by brothers Caleb and Dylan.

# Colby plan for 2008 sporting, musical, special and new events

**Leilani Thomas** 

Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau

We are now in the New Year of 2008 anticipating another twelve months of sporting, musical, special and new events. We will do our very best to keep you informed of them as we move through the year. First of all, the Quarterly Calendar of Events covering the months of January, February and March is completed. It can be found in your newsletter as well as at the motels, Chamber office, many of the banks, City Building, Library, Courthouse, newspaper and Museum. We encourage you to use

the calendar. There are several large sporting events which will be bringing visitors to our community. The first will be the CCC National Wrestling Tournament of Champions to be held Friday and Saturday at the Community Building. Matches begin at 10 AM. If you want to see top national wrestlers, this tournament is for you.

One of our premiere annual sporting events is the Orange and Black Classic which will be held January 17-19, with both boys and girls basketball games being played at the Community Building and High School. FCA sponsors a motivational and inspirational breakfast speaker on Saturday the 19th. The Super Shot contest follows at 10:30 AM with games beginning at noon on Saturday. Games will begin at 3 p.m. on Thursday and Friday. The Liberty League is also holding their tournament at the Community building with games scheduled for the 11th and 12th.

We will be hosting the Kiwanis Conference in mid-January. The MidAmerican Lumbermen's Association will be with us January 17th and 18th. We are always delighted to have visitors in our community at meetings such as this. If you have a family reunion, group, or gathering for a meeting, please contact us. We will be happy to help facilitate you at no charge. We will also be attending and working the Sports and travel show in Denver the last weekend in January. A team from **NWKS** Travel Council covers this show each year talking about attractions and recreational opportunities in NWKS. It is also a great

### **Markets**

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

Wheat \$4.19 Corn \$7.25 Milo \$11.02 Soybeans

We are pleased to announce that we have a couple of very special events coming to Colby. The first will be the 80th Anniversary Celebration of the "All Kansas Air Tour". In 1928 the Governor of Kansas launched a seven day "all Kansas AirTour". 25 Airplanes left Wichita and stopped in 21 Kansas communities. On April 3rd of this year, the recreation of this tour will be coming to Colby. Aircraft will begin arriving about 10:30 in the morning, lunch will be at the Prairie Museum and last of the planes will leave about 2:50 p.m. There should be antique, experimental and new aircraft to view. You will be hearing much more about this special event.

opportunity to talk about Colby.

The second event which we will be working towards will be the Kansas Chautauqua with the theme "Bright Dreams, Hard Times: America in the Thirties". The dates will be June 2-6 of 2010 which is the 125th Birthday of Thomas County. Five historical figures coming for this event will be President Franklin D Roosevelt, Louisiana Governor and Senator Huey Long, Pentecostal leader Aimee Semple McPherson, Harlem Renaissance writer and folklorist Zora Neale Hurston, and humorist Will Rogers. You will be hearing much more about this event over the next couple of years.

Let us anticipate the excitement of this new year and pledge to become supporters of our community by our attendance at many of the events, volunteering when help is needed and doing our share to truly make Colby...the Oasis on the Plains. Happy New Year!!

### Correction

In the Monday, Dec. 31 edition of the Colby Free Press, Thomas County Undersheriff Allen Marcum's name was misspelled in an article regarding the commissioner's meeting.

In Wednesday's edition of the Colby Free Press, a front page article regarding Chautauqua coming to Thomas County in 2010 was in error about the theme of the event in the mid-1980s. It was reported the theme was the Lincoln-Douglas debates. After checking with JoAnne Sunderman, who helped coordinate the Chautauqua that year, the correct theme was "Pen and Plough: Writers on the High Plains.

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

# Senor Center plan board member election

There are plenty of activities to attend daily luncheons in Colby scheduled at the Senior Progress Monday through Friday. Reserva-Center for the week of Jan. 7-11. The election of new Board members will be on Tuesday. Board meeting will follow the election.

Monday, is wear your blue. Tuesday, is election and board

meeting. Wednesday, is hot drink day.

Thursday, 10 a.m. exercise and whopper day.

Friday, 10 a.m. exercise, 10:30 a.m. pool game and orange and black day.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center in Colby wishes to invite those 60 and older and their guests

tions may be made by calling (785) 460-2901 the day before by noon. Home delivery is also available for those unable to attend due to social or physical disabilities.

Those who work are also invited to come to pick up a meal. Those meals are available at noon to be picked up. For individuals 60 and over a contribution of \$2.50 per meal is requested. Anyone under 60 years of age is invited to attend or pick up a meal at a cost of \$4.75

The menu for the next week includes:

oven browned potatoes, creamed peas, bread, apricots.

Tuesday - hamburger stew, jello with carrots and crushed pineapple, biscuit or bread, cherry crisp.

Wednesday - ham, apple sassy sweet potatoes, wax beans, bread, cook's choice fruit.

Thursday - bierock casserole, cheesy cauliflower, strawberries and bananas, cook's choice comple-

Friday - Swiss steak, baked potato, corn, bread, peaches.

The building is also available for rental for events. For information or lunch reservations, call 460-2901. 443-9208.

Monday - cook's choice entrée, The Thomas County Public Van is owned by the county but is scheduled and dispatched by the Senior Progress Center. The van is not a taxi service.

It will be scheduled on a firstcome, first-served basis. It must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance of its use and be ready at least 30 minutes in advance of appointment. Sometimes there are four to six calls per time frame. Calls for the van need to be made between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday. To contact the public transportation van after 12:30 p.m., call (785)

# Vinegar for cleaning

By Heloise

Hints from Heloise

Dear Heloise: When I had ceramic tile installed in my kitchen, I noticed that the installer rinsed his hands in apple-cider vinegar when he finished working. He said the vinegar seemed to neutralize the abrasive effect of the alkaline mortar, leaving his hands feeling good. Since then, I started rinsing with vinegar after using harsh cleaners or after a day of yard work. It really makes a difference.

- Ginny, Spring Branch, Texas That's right, Ginny, vinegar works wonders on overworked hands and is also great on your hair. Soap film and hair-product residue can linger on hair and make it dull and lifeless, but rinsing with a tablespoon of white vinegar added to 1 cup of warm water can make it fluffy and shiny again. Vinegar will help clean hairbrushes by simply soaking them (not wooden) overnight in a 50/50 mixture of household vinegar and water. Plus, remember vinegar is cheap, safe and environmentally friendly, so you should always have some on hand.

Heloise

Heloise Hint IQ Dear Readers: What else besides vinegar can be used to clean smelly hands of onion, fish or other odor?

b. sugar and a drop of detergent c. baking soda

d. all of the above

Well, what do you think? If you said"d," then you know your scents. Cut a lemon in half and rub it on your hands, followed by soap and water. Or pour some sugar in the palm of your hand, add a drop or two of liquid detergent and wash those odors away. You can also put a sprinkle of baking soda in your wet hands, scrub vigorously and rinse. Clean and fresh!

- Heloise

Shopping help Dear Heloise: I keep a rectangular wash basket in the back of my car. When I go shopping, I put my packages in it. No more shopping bags all over the trunk and out of reach.

> Maryann from Florida Reuse tissue paper

Dear Heloise: Since gift bags are used so much instead of regular gift wrap, a lot of tissue paper is also used. I came up with the idea of ironing the tissue with my steam iron. It comes out like new, thus I can recycle the gift bags and also the tissue paper that comes with them.

 Leona Petcavage, Massillon, Ohio

Handy cleaner instructions Dear Heloise: When you mention the instructions/recipe for a cleaner, I always write it on a piece of paper and tape it to a spray bottle right after I have made the cleaner. I know what is in the bottle when I label it with the ingredients and portions, and also what it is to be used on.

- Nancy, Lexington, Ky.

### **ALEXINE M. SPRESSER**

Alexine M. Spresser passed away December 24, 2007 at the age of 81 years after battling cancer for over 10 long years. She was born October 22, 1926 in Selden, Kansas, the daughter of Anthony and Helen (Sulzman) Zodrow.

Alexine and her six siblings were raised on the Zodrow family farm Southwest of Leoville, Kansas. The farm was homesteaded by her father's parents, immigrants from Germany. She attended Leoville Grade School, graduated from Leoville High School as Valedictorian and continued her education at Marymount College in Salina where she earned her teaching certificate. She then taught first thru eighth grade at Cresco and Green Valley Schools from 1944 and 1948.

May 11, 1948 Alexine was married to Norman Spresser at the Immaculate Conception Church in Leoville after which they resided in Selden. One daughter and three sons were born to their union.

Faith and family were priorities in Alexine's life. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Selden where she taught CCD classes for 15 years, and a member of the Condolence Committee for 20 years. She kept books for the family business, Spresser Truck Line and operated her own business, Spresser Kennels, as a breeder of Purebred Dogs for over 30 years and it was considered one of the best in the state. The kennel was her true love, with Yorkshire Terriers being her favorite breed. She also cared for her mother Helen from 1989 until her death in 1997

Alexine moved to Atwood, Kansas in 2006 where she made numerous friends and loved her new life at the Prairie Plaza. She was the

Alexine is preceded in death by her husband Norman, June 30, 1989, her father Anthony, mother Helen, four brothers, Ralph, Seraphine, John and Conrad Zodrow.

Survivors include her daughter Mary Milligan of Phoenix, Arizona, her son Tony Spresser of Thedford, Nebraska, son Robert Spresser of Atwood, Kansas, and son Edward Spresser of Keil, Wisconsin. She also has two sisters, Irma Warren of Sharon Springs, Kansas and Audrey Zimmerman of Newton, Kansas. Alexine has nine grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A funeral mass was held at the Sacred Heart Church in Atwood, Kansas followed by dinner for family and friends on December 28, 2007 at 11:00 am. Alexine will be laid to rest next to her husband in the Selden Cemetery.

The family requests that any memorial gifts be to the Prairie Plaza, Rawlins County Health Center, for the purpose of purchasing a cook stove for the Prairie Plaza Club House. Harrison Chapel, Colby, Kansas handled arrangements.

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