

Library puzzled over fads

Pioneer Memorial Library

As I puzzled over what to write about this week, suddenly the pieces just fell into place—puzzles!

Crossword puzzles, Cryptiquips, and word scrambles are just a few of the popular puzzles types in the newspapers. There are people that faithfully do their crossword every day. A relatively new phenomenon is the Sudoku puzzle, which became an international hit in 2005.

Sudoku is a logic-based number placement puzzle. Sudoku puzzles are a type of Latin square. A Latin square is a table filled with different symbols in such a way that each symbol occurs exactly once in each row and exactly once in each column. The modern puzzle was invented by an American architect, Howard Garns, in 1979 and published by Dell Magazines under the name "Number Place." The puzzles became popular in Japan in 1986. Sudoku is an abbreviation of the Japanese phrase "Suji wa dokushin ni kagiru," meaning "the numbers must be single," or "the numbers must occur only once." The name is a trademark of puzzle publisher Nikoli Co. Ltd. in Japan.

A popular series of books by

Parnell Hall are the Puzzle Lady Mysteries which began in 1999 with A Clue for the Puzzle Lady. The books contain crossword puzzles to fill in which help the reader solve the mystery. Cora Felton, a weekly syndicated crossword puzzle constructor, is a modern day Miss Marple, fumbling her way through various mysteries with the help of her niece. The latest book in the series, just published, is The Sudoku Puzzle Murders. This book promises to be another entertaining, puzzle packed mystery. Once again, it contains puzzles, both crossword and Sudoku, to solve throughout the book.

Of course we have many other "puzzle" books for your enjoyment. Another extremely popular series with young and old alike is the "I Spy" series. Intricately constructed settings are photographed and combined with rhymes containing clues of things to look for on each page. Even though these books are in the Children's Room, adults are equally fascinated by the detailed photographs and are just as eager to find all of the objects that are hidden in plain sight. If you enjoy the "I Spy" books, there are other books with games of concentration you would probably enjoy.

One of the forerunners of the "I

Spy" books is "Where's Waldo?" Each page in these books has drawings of hundreds of people milling around and the object is to spot Waldo on each page. In the series, Waldo has many adventures and acquires friends for you to also find. A recent addition to this genre is the newer series called "Spot 7". These books have two photos on facing pages that look alike, but there are seven things that are different. The challenge is to find all seven. It sounds simple, doesn't it? Some of the difference are very subtle and you might be surprised how difficult some of them are to pick out.

As always, if you are puzzled by something, you can always call the Library for help. We can't guarantee that we will have the answer to all of your questions, but we will certainly try to find it, or find someplace that you can go for help. If it's a simple as looking up a telephone number or as difficult as finding the parts number for the rear quarter window equalizer on a 1963 Falcon convertible, we are glad to be your answer source.

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Nitrogen timing key

MANHATTAN — With the wet spring in parts of the state, there are still some wheat fields that haven't been topdressed with nitrogen. Some of those fields are starting to turn yellow and appear to be nitrogen deficient, said Dave Mengel, K-State Research and Extension soil fertility specialist.

That may prompt the question, Mengel said, "How late can nitrogen be applied on wheat and still pay, particularly with the price of nitrogen so high?"

"Research from K-State and other universities has shown that nitrogen-deficient wheat will almost always respond to additional nitrogen fertilizer by increasing

yield and protein content — as long as the nitrogen is applied before flag leaf emergence," Mengel said. "But once the wheat heads, producers are unlikely to receive an economic yield benefit from applying nitrogen, even if the wheat is nitrogen deficient."

Markets

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

Wheat	\$7.85
Corn	\$5.32
Milo	\$8.94
Soybeans	\$11.88

Student News

Erica K. Molstad, a business education major at Fort Hays State University and Colby High School graduate, was one of 17 students at the university accepted into the Gold Cord chapter of Mortar Board National Senior Honor Society for the 2008-09 school year.

Erica is the daughter of Stan and Maradith Molstad of Colby.

Molstad and the other students were recognized during a special ceremony held recently on campus. Mortar Board members represent the top scholars and leaders on their campuses, a spokesperson for the chapter said. Selections, taken from the upper 35 percent

of the junior class, are based on scholarship, leadership and service.

Since its establishment in 1918, almost 250,000 members have been initiated at 223 chartered chapters across the nation.

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Bridge

Meadow Lake bridge winners were:

1. Margaret Denneler
2. Betty Sloan
3. David Ulmer
4. Thelma Shalz

Member attends seminar

Christopher Lewon representing the Colby congregation was one of 979 delegates at Jehovah's Witnesses Bible educational seminar April 13 at the Hastings, Neb., City Auditorium.

L.C. Cotton, a staff member of the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, was the featured speaker.

Information was also presented for parents and younger people as to how to face the challenges of life that threaten the family unit.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH



KELLY GERSTNER

Grade: Senior

Parents: Chris & Diann Gerstner

Kelly, a Senior at Colby High School, is the April Student of the Month.

Kelly has been involved in Cross Country, Basketball Trainer, Dance, Track & Field, Student Council, National Honor Society and 4-H.

Her honors have been Principal Honor Roll, Cross Country, Basketball & Track Letter Winner, Academic Team Recognition, 4-H achievement awards.

Her academic emphasis is in Health Occupations. After graduation, Kelly plans to attend the University of Kansas and study medicine.

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Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.



COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD, Pastor, Jeremy Gundling, 245 W. College Dr. - 462-8234, Early Service - 8:00 a.m.; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.

Schedule of church services

COLBY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH, 730 E. 3rd (former Jaycee's building), Pastor Bernard Heinz, 460-0313, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Evening Prayer, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May. Christian Education for Youth, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, September through May

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BEREAN CHURCH, 1000 S. Franklin, 460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Awana Clubs, Wednesday, 7 p.m., Middle & High School, Wednesday, 7 p.m. @ the Heartland Christian School Gym

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Carroll H. Morony, Pastor, 615 W. Webster, 462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening: 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study: 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.; RC Club: 2nd & 4th Sunday: 2:00 p.m.

COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH, Pastor Tom Huffman, 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m.

MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Intern Pastor Pat Colley. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Sunday Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Nights: 1st Sunday of the month: potluck following morning service - no evening service; 2nd Sunday: services at 6:30 PM; 3rd Sunday: informal fellowship - bring a snack to share! 4th and 5th Sunday: services at 6:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC, 462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 a.m. and 9:25-9:40 a.m. on Sunday.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Rev. Carol Rahn, 515 W. 4th, 462-6342, Worship, 9:00 a.m.; Adult Sunday school, following worship.; Sept. thru May: Kid's Club for kids age 3-5th grade meets first Wednesday of the month from 5:15-6:45 p.m.; Youth Group for 6th-9th grade meets the first Wednesday of the month 6:30-8:00 p.m., and the second Wednesday 7:00-8:00 p.m.

WESLEYAN CHURCH, 320 W. Pine - 462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 1145 S. Franklin - 460-6605, President Gary Slavens, 460-2656; Rocky Robbins, 1st counselor, 460-1101; Tim Wilson, 2nd counselor, 785-846-7796. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 p.m.; Family History Center open to public, 7-9 p.m. Thursdays or by appointment. Call 462-3571.

COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. James Mardock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 460-6521, Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., Fellowship coffee 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., KXXX broadcasts 11:00 worship. www.colbyumc.org

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7:00 p.m.
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, (Disciples of Christ), Pastor Pat Stuart and Pastor Lyle Knebel, 385 W. 3rd - 460-2718, Sunday Morning Worship at 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. E-mail: fccolby@st-tel.net

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Rev. John L. Schmidt, East 5th & Country Club, 462-3497, Services, Sat., 5:30 p.m., Sunday; Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:15 a.m.; Services, 10:30 a.m. Visit us at www.trinitycolby.com

OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH, Brewster, Sunday worship 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

PLEASANT HOME CHURCH, Pastor, Charlie Busch, 694-2242, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Evening service, 6:00 p.m.

LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH, 205 1st St., Pastor Jerry Vincent, 586-2376, Sunday School (classes for 3 years & up and 3 adult classes) 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)

BREWSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, PO Box 250, Brewster. Pastor Dorine Chambers, 785-462-6044, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD, Joan Dingwerth, Director, 687-2565

REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 694-2720, Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Wed. mornings 6:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m. - Children's Ministry on Royal

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