Family

Eating for a cause



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press

Diners seemed to enjoy the company Tuesday at a potato-bar fund raiser at the Senior Progress Center. The event and a bake sale raised money for the center's utilities.

Deaths

Babies

Kenneth Bever

Kenneth Bever, 86, El Cajon, during World War II and earned the Calif., a former Colby resident, rank of lieutenant junior grade. died Oct. 1, 2008, after suffering

and was reared in Monument, penter and contractor. where his family farmed and raised wheat.

High School and attended Fort Hays State College before joining

He married Louise Chapel Aug. 10, 1947, in Monument, and He was born Aug. 18, 1922, in in 1953 they moved to Tucson, Colby to Stanley and Nita Bever where he worked as a finish car-

In 1979, they moved to Lakeside, Calif., where they lived until He graduated from Monument they moved in 2005 into a retirement facility in El Cajon.

He is survived by his wife, of the Navy. He served four years the home; three sons, Gary Bever,

Emelyn Catherine Cersovsky was born Oct. 12,

2008 at Washington Regional Medical Center in

Fayetteville, Ark., to Jacob and Alisha Cersovsky

of Fayetteville. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces

Grandparents are Joe and Cathy Broeckelman

of Selden and Lloyd Jr. and Cindy Cersovsky of

Colby. Great-grandparents are Jerry and Arvilla

Juenemann of Selden, Emelyn Broeckelman of

Oakley, Duane and Peggy Saddler of Colby and

Tempe, Ariz.; Daryl Bever, Jamul, Calif.; and Burt Bever, Vista, Calif; two daughters, Sharla Hulls, Fort Collins, Colo., and Cindi Greene, Poway, Calif.; a sister Patricia McKee, Topeka; and a cousin Edith Schaffer, Monument.

He was preceded in death by a son, Byron, and a sister Geneva Straver.

He was buried in El Cajon.

Corrections

A story on the sports page of the Monday, Oct. 20, edition of the Colby Free Press about the Colby High School cross country team incorrectly said that Kalen Rasmussen is a senior and Matt Kaus a junior. Rasmussen is a junior and Kaus a senior. Freshman Jared Nally finished fourth, not first, and junior Bob Schroeder finished seventh, not second, in the boy's race. These errors were due to incorrect information given to the newspaper.

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Lloyd Sr. and Eva Cersovsky of Colby.

Emelyn Catherine Cersovsky

and was 20 inches long.

Horinek of Goodland are the souri. parents of a daughter, Frantiska Marie Horinek, born Friday, Oct. 17, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

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Even the governor not exempt from being called for jury duty

By Kathleen Sebelius

Governor of Kansas

Recently, my week started a little differently than most, as I reported for jury duty in Shawnee County along with 148 other community members, first thing that Monday morning.

Here in Kansas, someone is eligible for jury duty by registering to vote. I was pleased at the possibility of being chosen to serve. I had only been called one other time, years ago, and was excused after being questioned because of my friendly relationship with lawyers involved with one side of the case.

When we reported, we watched a short film on the importance and value of jury duty, and were then split into different groups and sent to courtrooms for jury selection. In the case which my fellow potential jury members and I were involved, the lawyers began with a questionnaire for all to fill out, to be reviewed as part of the selection process. We were then dismissed and asked to report back in the afternoon.

So, we did. The first group of 18 names were randomly selected from our group, and asked to take a seat in the jury box, and the judge and attorneys began to ask questions about medical conditions and scheduling conflicts which would make it impossible to serve on a jury for a trial that was likely to last for the entire week. Then attention was turned to views of jurors on the various aspects of the case, to determine whether potential jurors had biased opinions which would make it difficult to start with an open mind and fairly

were asked to listen to the questions and the discussion, because as potential jurors were disqualified, others could be called from

Late in the day it was my turn to go to the jury box. I have to admit I was pleased that my name was finally called, and hoped I'd have a chance to serve. After a few questions from the judge, however, I was dismissed. Though I believe I could have remained impartial, I was removed because I knew the attorneys well who were working on the case and I am married to a federal magistrate judge. (I also appoint judges as part of my job as governor - though I did not appoint the judge on this case.)

While I'm disappointed I was not selected to serve, I'm glad I was given the opportunity to participate. I strongly support our and our country.

evaluate the facts. The rest of us three co-equal branches of government, and know that the jury system is a critical component of the justice system. It is the opportunity for all citizens to participate with an equal voice, regardless of economic status, education or

community connections. Each juror has the same vote and voice as everyone else, and while service may cause some minor inconveniences, participation is essential so that our fellow citizens have jurors of their peers to decide guilt or innocence in criminal cases, and give citizens an opportunity to seek remedies in civil cases.

I believe our democracy only works when all of us show up. Whether it's serving on a jury or voting on Election Day, democracy is not a spectator sport. It's up to each of us to take an active part in our community, our society

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