

Family

Local student interviews president

Andrew Toth, a sophomore at Kansas University majoring in Civil Engineering, was one of the five KU students who asked former President George H.W. Bush questions at a ceremony on November 16 when Bush received

the Dole Institute of Politics 2008 Leadership Prize.

One of the questions Toth asked Bush was, "Will there ever be another Bush in the White House?" Toth said the former president said he had no way of knowing that.

Toth wasn't sure of the questions asked by the other students.

Toth is the son of Patrick and Sally Toth of Colby and a graduate of Colby High School class of 2007 and a member of the Dole Institute Student Advisory Board.

Each fall semester, the Dole Institute of Politics honors an indi-

vidual or group whose leadership through honorable service in our democracy has served to inspire others. KU students and the community are invited to an event, usually at KU's Lied Center of Kansas, for a lecture by or "conversation with" the recipient of the Dole Leadership Prize.

Deaths

Lela May Farmer

Lela May (Kester) Farmer, 100, died Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2009, at the Logan County Hospital, Oakley.

She was born Nov. 8, 1908 at Ava, Mo., the daughter of George E. Kester and Elizabeth (Gentry) Kester.

She graduated from Pratt High School in 1927, and married Richard (Dick) B. Farmer of Liberal on August 13, 1928. They were married for 52 years, until his death in 1980, working together in the family grocery business.

After living several years in Garden City, they moved to Oakley and were owners and managers of Traders Super market until retiring in 1969.

She owned and managed the Fashion Shop in Oakley before taking over as bookkeeper for the grocery business.

Mrs. Farmer loved people, travel, and being involved. She was an active participant and leader in the United Methodist Church she served as president of the local and district United Methodist Women. She was a member of Oakley's Afternoon Club, a 50-year member and past president of P.E.O., and a 50-year member, past Worthy matron and District Aide of Eastern Star.

Her travels took her to all 50 states, Canada, Cuba, and Europe, including attendance at interna-

tional mission assemblies. She was strong in her faith and was devoted to Bible studies, and a graduate of the four-year Menninger Bible course.

She worked with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and Meals on Wheels.

Along with her husband, she was a member of the Oakley Range Riders, an equestrian drill team that performed at the National Western Stock Show in Denver and the American Royal in Kansas City.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and three brothers.

Survivors include her son Larry (Jan) Farmer of Oakley, Daughter Suzanne (Jim) Craig of Derby, Sister Marybell (Dave) Pennock of Canon City, Colo., Brother Kenneth Kester of Las Animas, Colo., sister-in-law Marie Kester of Ellsworth, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1 p.m., Saturday, January 31, 2009, at the United Methodist Church, Oakley.

Visitation will be at the church on Friday from 2-7 p.m.

The family suggests memorial contributions in lieu of flowers to the church or Logan County Health Care, in care of Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

Shakespeare Club

Members of Shakespeare Club told their favorite thing about winter when they met at the home of Diann Gerstner Jan. 23.

President Kathy Calliham will inform the state highway department of the club's decision to no

longer participate in the roadway clean up project.

Diann Gerstner gave an informative program about sleep being the fundamental component of good health over a lifetime. She said it is both restorative and protective, and that achieving adequate sleep could result from simple changes in a person's routine, environment, diet and other factors. Her information included facts that a persons ability to function depends on total sleep time.

The club will meet again Feb. 27 at the home of Amie Kendrick when they host the Three of Clubs. Kathy Calliham will be hostess.

Booking Log

Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Jordan Michael Lamb, 25, Colby, Jan. 17, possession of marijuana, Colby Police Department, released Thursday on signature bond.

- Sharon Lee Howard, 49, New Orleans, Jan 18, theft of services, Colby Police Department, released Monday on notice to appear.

- Bronwyn Ann King, 31, Colby, Jan. 18, domestic battery, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.

- Scott Eugene King, 39, Colby, Jan. 18, domestic battery, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.

- Owen Odell Brinkley, 25, State Line Nev., Jan. 20, possession of marijuana with intent, unlawful use of a communication device, no drug tax stamp, Kansas Highway Patrol, released Friday on signature bond.

- Bradley Christopher Schibbelhut, 24, Quinter, Jan. 20, domestic battery, Gove County Sheriff's Office, released Thursday on cash/surety bond.

- Michael Joe Hillis, 37, Colby, Jan. 21, battery against a law enforcement officer, disorderly conduct, Colby Police Department, released Monday on signature bond.

Jeffery Grauerholz

Jeffery Grauerholz, 49, Kensington, registered nurse, died Jan. 28, 2009, at Smith County Hospital in Smith Center. He was born Aug. 16, 1959, in Smith Center.

Mr. Grauerholz lived in Colby from 2004 to 2007, working at the Citizens Medical Center.

He is survived by his parents, Howard and Barbara (Holthus) Grauerholz of Kensington; a brother, Bruce Grauerholz of Hildreth, Neb., and a sister, Amy Bienenhoff of Kensington.

Funeral services will be held at

11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 31, 2009, in the First St. John's Lutheran Church, Kensington, with Pastor Dave Hutson officiating. Burial will be at the Fairview Cemetery in Smith Center.

Visitation will be today from 5 to 9 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Olliff-Boeve Memorial Chapel in Phillipsburg.

The family suggests, in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to the church organ fund, in care of the funeral home, Box 563, Phillipsburg, Kan., 67661.

A treat for breakfast



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press
Knights of Columbus in Colby provided donuts for Sacred Heart Catholic School students like first graders Cade Lanning (far left), Dominic Cassaw (middle left) and Shayleigh Bland today in the grade school gymnasium as part of National Catholic School Week.

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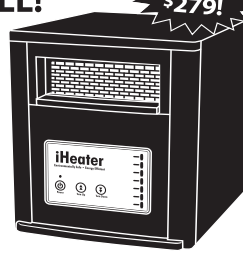
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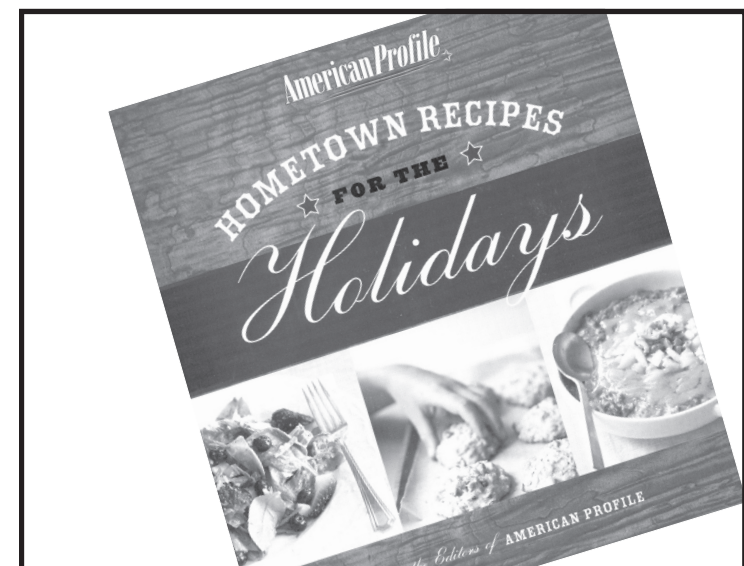
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