Family

Halloween haunts the library shelves

Links

This week we have all the kids (and their moms) getting ready for Halloween and harvest parties.

Magazines, books, cookbooks, party-idea books and audio books with a Halloween theme have been flying off the shelves. I have read several fiction items these past weeks. Since we are coming into the season of Thanksgiving, family celebrations and such, I think these will begin to help us appreciate our families and their normalcy.

The first is "This Side of Heaven," by Karen Kingsbury. The cover – with a yellow background, green grass and a lovely young girl's picture made me sigh. I just had to read the book. (This time I did begin to judge the book by its cover!)

Josh Warren is a young adult who has just broken up with the love of his life. He decides to go to Las Vegas and take some time away from his home and life. He meets Maria Cameron, who thinks she has just met the man who will set her up for life. Unfortunately for her, Josh is a broken man.

They spend the week together and then part ways. Months later Josh finds he is a father, but the responsibility and joy of that relationship will be held from him unless he pays the big bucks Maria

Kingsbury knows how to pull creating intimate friends, persons with skepticism, and those relationships that are trying to bud into something beautiful. This story has an interesting twist at the end. It will bring you to tears of sorrow and joy all at the same

A second book is "Songs of places and circumstances in her



the Humpback Whale," by Jodi Picoult. Jane is a professional speech pathologist. She and Oliver, her husband, have been married for years. Rebecca, 15, their only child, is getting ready to have a birthday. Oliver has a doctorate

and is an oceanographer special-

izing in humpback whales. The two women are a bit jealous of the time Oliver spends away from the family. It is not another woman; Oliver lives and breathes for the humpbacks until Rebecca's birthday. From that day forward, we experience the thoughts, emotions and decisions of each, plus other intimate friends and relatives along the way.

The story will captivate you. The only real disappointment in this book for me was that the author never incorporated the songs and emotions of the whales into the learning and growth of the family. I was hoping for more insight and depth drawn from the book's name and the whales them-

The third book is "Ladies of the reader into the story through the Lake," by Haywood Smith. I loved Smith's dedication and reassurance to us and her family members that the book was not fodder from their personal lives. She writes that she thought her sisters and family too well adjusted to provide much for this book, though she acknowledges a few

growing-up environment contrib- her home, getting acquainted with uted to the story.

This can be a real sore spot for some in families. My husband's cousin wrote about his grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles and cousins in a book, "Spoonful of Olives," by Lynn L. Johns. Needless to say, some relatives were up in arms with the portrayal of themselves! My husband being a baby in the book, yet knowing the characters, wisely just smiled and gave some positive comments about the book.

Anyway, back to the book: Dahlia, the protagonist, is one of four daughters in a family that traditionally names girl children after flowers. Iris raises the ire in Dahlia. Rose is the one who tries to keep the peace, and Violet is not wilting, but thoughtful and helpful.

These sisters often spend summers around Lake Clare. Their parents have a cabin and their grandmother has 50 acres plus a large home. Cissy, the grandmother, loves Dahlia and ignores the rest of the girls. Over the years, Cissy becomes more and more eccentric; in spite of this all, the girls try to help her.

Cissy decides just prior to her death that she will leave all the land to her daughter and granddaughters. The hitch is they must take 90 days together enjoying

each other and learning about their grandmother's many adventures and experiences. Since these four girls can hardly spend an afternoon together, 90 days will be an eternity. The fun, insights and just plain roughing it out are quite enjoyable. Please also take the time to read the quotable quotes at the beginning of each chapter. Some

Don't forget to sign up for the Trivia Pursuit Night at the Pioneer Memorial Library, at 6:30 p.m. next Thursday. Get a team from your organization to compete. Teams would best have youths as well as adults so they can answer diverse questions.

are quite perceptive.

If you cannot come up with a team of six to eight, we have a signup sheet at the library for teams of random players. Each team will be asked to bring snack food for a potluck of chips, crackers, popcorn, veggies and the like to munch on while we play this high intensity and fun game. A prize will be given to the winning

The Pioneer Memorial Library opens at 9 a.m. and closes at 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 5 p.m. Friday and 4 p.m. Saturday. Sunday hours are 1 to 4 p.m.

See you in the library!

Thomas County Jail

Booked into the Thomas Coun-

Shasta Monet Bolin, 28, Colby, Oct. 7, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, Colby Police Department, released same day on recogni-

• Dan Gerald While, 30, Lafayette, Calif., Oct. 7, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released same day on recognizance.

• Shasta Monet Bolin, 28, Colby, Oct. 8, probation violation, Court Services, Sheridan County,

released Oct. 13 to other agency. • Luis Carrera Gonzales, 22,

Colby, Oct. 8, driving without a license, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to ap-

• Rodney James Cormier, 28, Rayne, Oct. 9, driving under the influence, Kansas Highway Patrol, released same day on notice

• Samuel J. Shuler, 29, Selden, Saturday, aggravated battery, disorderly conduct, Colby Police Department, released Monday on \$50,000 supervised bond.

On the Beat

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF Friday

11 a.m. – Provided information at Rexford City Building. 8:06 p.m. - Parking complaint

at 182 E. Hill.

Saturday

5:59 a.m. - Semi rollover on K-25 mile 204.5. Turned over to Highway Patrol.

5:22 p.m. - Hay bale in road at U.S. 24 one mile east of Colby. Debris removed.

7:12 p.m. - Fight at 317 Sixth St., Brewster.

Sunday 11:48 a.m. - Recovered bike at

the Thomas County Fairgrounds.

Monday

12:09 p.m. - Bull running loose in vicinity of County Rds. AA and 23. Contacted owner.

1:26 p.m. – Accident in the 3500 block of County Rd. H.

2:33 p.m. - Served arrest warrant on Samuel Shuler.

3 p.m. – Served arrest warrant on Carl Evans.

Corrections

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

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