

Family

Library offers ‘eggcellent’ choices

This week, I am going to ask you to imagine I am filling an Easter basket with lots of titles that have a different subject matter or theme. Much like the varied colored eggs and candies that go to fill a basket, so is this week’s information about materials we have in the library.

A new item is “Fit To Be Tied,” by Robin Lee Hatcher. Hatcher has written another good western for her audience. As I began the book, I had to do a double take on just why I was drawn into an English aristocratic home and environment. The author is setting the stage to help us understand what cultural chaos that Sherwood Statham is about to be thrust into. American spirited and country gal, Cleo Arlington finds herself trying to mentor an English playboy into becoming a real live American cowboy. Their relationship builds in spite of their differences and struggles. You will enjoy this heart-warming book.

A second book, that I am almost finished with is “The Fourth Star: Four Generals and the Epic Struggle for the Future of the United States Army,” by David Cloud and Greg Jaffe. This book discusses how George W. Casey, John Abizaid, David Patraeus, and Peter Chiarelli Jr. all moved up the ranks to become four-star generals. What was really fascinating



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was learning how each chose different patterns of expertise and study to become capable to lead men in war and armed conflicts. Cloud and Jaffe do an excellent job helping the reader understand how schooled and educated they are in many area beyond war and guiding the military. The authors also show how the military has been led from the Vietnam War until now. You will come to appreciate accomplishments and yet within pages be frustrated by decisions made by others. The authors explain how leadership in the military has been trying to guide the process. This book will also help you understand where and what we are doing now in Iraq and Afghanistan. The book has end notes for verification of information in the book, as well as a wonderful index.

A third book is for the techies out there. “Twiterville: How Business Can Thrive in the New Global Neighborhoods,” by Shel Israel. This book discusses how and why Twitter came into being.

It then talks about what some of the big businesses are doing to use Twitter to benefit their businesses. Israel guides the reader to think about personal branding and braided journalism – strands of news that become intertwined together (p. 199). The last chapter provides tips and information on using Twitter. The end of the book has instructions for the new person learning to Tweet. It also has a glossary.

If you do not want to read a book on using Twitter, consider watching video instructions online at Mashable.com (mashable.com/guidebook/twitter/). Once you learn the basics of Tweeting, you can learn about the many different types of software that can help you enhance and make Twitter really useful. Take time and go to “Top 7 Twitter Tutorials on YouTube,” (mashable.com/2009/05/31/twitter-tutorials-youtube). If you scroll down to No. 4, you will find one that discusses free software to help you manage your Twitter experience. My favorite is Tweetdeck.com. It allows you to manage a number of resources from Twitter, Facebook, other IM’s, and e-mails on one page.

Getting away from the world of technology, let’s go to a new movie called, “Freedom Writers,” produced by Paramount Pictures. Hilary Swank plays a new teacher to

a newly integrated school system. She has been given the ethnically diverse and most challenging students of the high school. She and her class find themselves learning about each other and world events they think irrelevant. Soon they have achieved beyond their wildest dreams. This is a great movie for all ages to watch. It will both challenge and bring you to have higher expectations for our youth and society.

The first of April begins a special program for parents and caregivers of children between birth and 18 months. Each Thursday beginning April 1, a mom, dad or caregiver can bring their baby to the library and participate in Baby Lapsit. Here they will get to interact with their child using music, books, mirrors and more. Enrollments is limited, so call and sign up at 460-4470, or come in and get more information from our flyers.

Free tax help is still available through Alvin Volk each Thursday from 1:30 to 4 p.m. for those who are “low-and middle-income with special attention to those age 60 and older. If you have your census packet and have questions, we have a census representative here at the library on various days. See you in the library!

Babies

Lakin Danee Wark

Lakin Danee Wark, daughter of Chad and Desiree Wark of Rexford, was born Tuesday, March 16, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces and measured 21 inches.

Sisters Morgan and Hayden and brother Dylan welcomed the baby home, along with aunt Shaly Niemeyer and cousins Madison and Landon.

Grandparents are Dennis and Vicki Allison of Rexford, the late Dennis Wark of Rexford, and Don and Sam Lode of Colby.



Lakin Wark

Burning poses health problems

Mid-March through the end of April is the time of the year when large areas of Kansas’ Flint Hills rangeland are burned to provide better forage for cattle and help control invasive species such as eastern red cedar and sumac.

For burns to be safe and effective, weather and rangeland conditions must be right. When these conditions are rare, many landowners conduct burns at the same

time. Air pollutants from the burns can affect persons in the Flint Hills and can be carried long distances.

If you are healthy, you’re usually not at a major risk from short-term exposures to smoke. It can aggravate chronic heart and lung diseases.

Older adults and children are at highest risk. It is important to limit exposure to smoke.

Corrections

The caption for the “Flight of the Eagles” photo on Page 1 of the Friday, Mar. 19, *Colby Free Press*, incorrectly identified the event. It was Food For Thought. This was a reporting error.

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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.

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE Tuesday

12:44 a.m. – Scott City police requested assistance in locating a vehicle involved in a hit and run in their county. Unable to locate.

2:08 a.m. – Security check at Oasis.

3:10 a.m. – Security check at airport terminal.

4:41 a.m. – Civil standby.

8:22 a.m. – Possible impaired driver northbound on Franklin from Prairie Senior Living Complex, stationary at Citizens Medical Center. Made contact, all OK.

8:52 a.m. – Assisted motorist at Oasis.

9:21 a.m. – Subject wanted refund at motel due to problem with room. Spoke to subject on phone; civil matter.

9:38 a.m. – Spoke to subject at station about ongoing barking dog complaint.

11:23 a.m. – Spoke to subject at station about lost driver’s license.

11:29 a.m. – Semis parked too close to street at Fourth and Nashville. They were OK.

11:30 a.m. – Assisted Scott City locating vehicle and subject in reference to hit and run case.

3:37 p.m. – Road block for subjects towing vehicle at Franklin and Third.

9:26 p.m. – Manager at Super 8 reported burning smell from breaker room. Assisted Fire De-

partment.

11:52 p.m. – Security check at the ball diamonds.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF Tuesday

12:58 p.m. – Arrested Christopher Geissert on arrest and detain order from Court Services, turned over to court services officer.

2:56 p.m. – Warrant served on Miles Ackerman.

3:46 p.m. – Warrant served Michael Feger.

3:46 p.m. – Warrant served Damen Siruta.

4:42 p.m. – Warrant served Melanie Blevins.

9:13 p.m. – Call about vehicle in La Hacienda area throughout the week. Alarm salesman.

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$3.83
Corn (bushel)	\$3.10
Milo (hundredweight)	\$5.07
Soybeans (bushel)	\$8.43



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Mary Lee McKee

McKee, Mary Lee, 84, a phenomenal wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, civic volunteer, husband’s partner and best friend, was born July 16, 1925, to Thomas Lee Taylor and Neva (Pickrel) Taylor in Colby, KS. She died Tuesday, March 23, 2010, after a prolonged series of health problems. She was preceded by her parents, a grandson, Michael Barrett McKee, and sister, Julia Wandt. She is survived by her husband of almost 65 years, George M. McKee, Jr.; children, Mike (Judy) McKee, Tom (Joan) McKee, Kathy Raymond, Coleen (John) Dougherty, Charlotte (Don) Steffens; 16 wonderful grandchildren; 4 great-grandsons, and sister, Joanne Bretz. Mary Lee was the consummate grandmother and great-grandmother—particularly playing games with them. Outside of her loving, caring family relations, she was the ultimate volunteer. Mary Lee especially loved flowers and gardening, although she did participate in other volunteer activities. She was a former member of the Kansas State University Alumni Association Board of Directors; was instrumental in starting Botanica and a member of the first Board of Directors; was Past President of the Kansas State Garden Clubs; State President of the Kansas Council of Flower Show Judges; a Master Flower Show Judge and judged at the Kansas State Fair; a member of the Wichita Park Board and the Colby Tree Commission. She was a 57-year member of P.E.O., having served as President of both Chapter CE in Colby and Chapter CI in Wichita. Mary Lee was one of five leaders starting the Thomas County Day Care Center and its first Chairman. For many years she was Chairman of the State Wild Flower Committee, selecting and recommending to the Governor the Wild Flower of the year. The last Garden Club position which she held was as Rocky Mountain Regional Director of the National Garden Club including eight states—North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah, only resigning after a long illness. Visitation with the family, 6-8 p.m., Friday, March 26, Downing & Lahey West. Services, 2 p.m., Saturday, March 27, West Heights United Methodist Church, 745 N. Westlink. Viewing, 2-8 p.m. with family present from 4-6 p.m., Sunday, March 28, Harrison Chapel in Colby. Graveside service, 10:30 a.m., Monday, March 29, Beulah Cemetery. Memorials to Botanica., 701 Amidon, Wichita, KS 67203 and Thomas County Historical Society, 1905 S. Franklin, Colby, KS 67701. www.dlwichita.com

AG EQUIPMENT NO RESERVE INTERNET AUCTION

Bidding starts to close Wed., March 31 at 10 A.M.



Item #3440
'02 Gleaner R-62 combine



Item #3444
'07 Agco 5456A round baler

'07 Hesston 5556A, '07 Agco 5456A, '05 Hesston 956A, '05 Hesston 4910, '05 Case IH WDX1202, '02 Gleaner R-62, '02 Hesston 4790, '98 John Deere 1750 MaxEmergePlus, '98 DMI Tigermate II, '95 John Deere 8770 4WD , '93 Ag-Chem RoGator 664, '93 Ford 8830 MFWD, Krause 2408 double offset disc, Sunflower G4 four section tandem disc, and more

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KBSL/CBS	College Basketball		NCIS: Los Angeles		48 Hours Mystery		Local						
KSNK/NBC	Parenthood		Law & Order		Law & Order: SVU		Local	Saturday Night Live					
KSAS/FOX	Cops	Cops	Amer. Most Wanted		Local		The Wanda Sykes Show		Sit Down	Local			
Cable Channels													
A & E	The Andromeda Strain										The Andromeda Strain		
AMC	Jeremiah Johnson					Silverado							
ANIM	It's Me or the Dog		It's Me or the Dog		Dogs 101		It's Me or the Dog		Dogs 101				
BRAVO	House		House		House		House		House				
CMT	The Singing Bee		The Singing Bee		The Singing Bee		Melissa Peterman		The Singing Bee				
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live				
COMEDY	Ralphie May		Carlos Mencia		Joe Rogan Spcl		Artie Lange		Ralphie May				
DISC	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch				
DISN	Deck	Deck	Deck	Deck	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Phineas	Suite	So Raven			
E!	Bring It On				Pretty	Pretty	The Soup		Chelsea	Plastic Surgery			
ESPN	MLS Soccer		Wm. Basketball				SportsCenter		GameDay Scoreboard				
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FAM	Home 2	Independence Day						Overboard					
FOOD	Easter Unwrapped		Ace of Cakes		Cakes	Cakes	Iron Chef America		Ace of Cakes				
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LIFE	What She Knew			The Pregnancy Pact		The Pregnancy Pact							
MTV	S. Park		S. Park		MTV Special		House of Devil		House of Devil				
NICK	Kids' Choice Awards 2010			Victoriou		Kids' Choice Awards 2010		The Nanny		The Nanny			
SCI	Carny			Dark Relic				Monster Ark					
SPIKE	UFC Unleashed			UFC 111		Halloween				Blade			
TBS	Fam. Guy		Fam. Guy		Terminator 2				The Chronicles of Riddick				
TCM	Gigi					Letter From an Unknown Woman		Julie					
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TOON	Tn-Titans		Batman		Dude		King-Hill		Stroker		Boondocks		
TRAV	Caribbean Bch.		Beach Resorts		Calif./Beaches		Spr. Breaks		Fullmetal		Bleach		
TV LAND	Griffith		Griffith		Raymond		Raymond		Raymond		Raymond		
USA	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		Hall of Fame		Burn Notice				
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Premium Channels													
HBO	SpiderMan		Gran Torino				Boxing		Pacific				
MAX	Hellboy 2		What Happens in Vegas				X-Men Origins						
SHOW	Nurse		Tara		Saw V		Boxing						