

Family

Anytime is time for prayer

When is a good time for prayer? Always. The question could be twisted up a bit to ask "When isn't a good time for prayer?" Prayer is needed all the time. That prayer could be of praise, thanksgiving, or petition. One or more of those could be said at any given time. It doesn't matter if it is about your life, job, health, or family. Something good is happening. Something to be thankful for is happening. Something needed is happening.



Jarrod Spencer

• From the Pulpit

here in our own country. You may have family or friends in the military that are serving short or long commitments. As I am reminded of our country's freedom, I not only appreciate those who serve, but want to pray for them as well.

The media does a lot to make sure that the news is covered. It is not the easiest to keep people informed. The media does a lot to cover local and national news. Plus, there are a lot of people that work behind the scenes to help make the news, in any form, get to you.

Economy. Such a buzzword these days. The economy has taken a plunge and is trying to grasp at about anything to get back up. One positive point is that agriculture hasn't been too affected by this downturn. That is good news for us who live in an agricultural area. However, businesses themselves can come in and leave if we aren't able to support them. Let's try to support local when we can. This will help our own economy.

Kansas is not in great shape in its education arena. Some of the reason has to do with the business and economy part of the state. Locally, it has been hit hard. Loss of state aid has caused a loss of jobs and a loss of transportation within our school system. Trying to grasp at various areas of which to

save, many districts have cut raises, as well. This also has had an effect on the retired educators as well. Our local schools and administrators are needing your prayers on a constant basis to be able to have a quality education for our youth.

Churches are struggling as well. The smaller the church, the more difficult it is. Whether it is from an economic standpoint or a spiritual one, there is always an obstacle. Pray for your church, its leaders, and its mission.

Family has changed over the years. Unfortunately, the busier people get, the more difficult it becomes on their marriages and family. Hence, I believe, it takes even more work than it used to take to have a good marriage and a strong family. Kids are busy so evening meals are seldom. Parents are working odd hours, so their not home with their kids. Even when the family is at home, are they doing much together in quality time or are media devices (TV, cell phone, computer) taking precedence? Let's pray that a new trend will emerge where family time is a priority.

Be praying. Are you in a "time of trouble"? Be praying. Keep these areas in mind as you look to be taking praises and petitions to God over the next year because "such a time as this" that we need prayer!

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Online auction benefit goes through Monday

There is still time to bid on items in Smoky Hills Public Television's online Signature Auction which continues through Monday.

A painting by Hays artist Frank Nichols, travel deals to Hawaii and Ireland, a bowl by Hays artist, Linda Ganstrom, a limited edition framed photo of Dale Earnhardt and many more items "offer something for everyone," says Shelley Oden, Signature Auction Web Coordinator.

This is the third year Smoky Hills has offered an online portion as part of their annual Signature Auction. The on-air portion was broadcast last week.

To view and bid on items go to www.smokyhillstv.org. For questions, contact Shelley Oden, (800) 337-4788 or email at soden@shptv.org.

Smoky Hills Public Television is a non-profit organization that provides programming and services for 71 counties in central and western Kansas.

Rotary Club

The Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday at Colby Community College with 24 members and guest Phil Covington.

Glen Kersenbrock was congratulated on being named Business Person of the Year at the April 17 Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Leilani Thomas gave the program on Chautauqua, sponsored by the Kansas Humanities Council, which will be held June 2-6 at the Prairie Museum of Art and History. The theme is "Bright Dreams, Hard Times: America in the Thirties." Featured characters will be experts portraying President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Aimee Semple McPherson, Louisiana Gov. Huey Long, Zara Neale Hurston and entertainer Will Rogers. Thomas encouraged everyone to attend, as this will be the last Kansas Chautauqua program.

Dr. Paula Davis won Roto-Lotto.

The club meets at noon each Tuesday at the college.

— Relda Galli

Colby church members attend Lutheran missionary meeting

Several members of the Colby Trinity Lutheran Church attended the 34th Biennial Lutheran Women's Missionary League Convention held in Junction City last weekend.

District President Betty Kruse, David Kruse, Bev Biel, Anita Porter, Pat Parker, and Relda Galli, all of Colby, were among the 458 members and guests who attended the three-day event with the theme, "The Lord is My Strength and My Shield."

Highlights included a communion worship service, special music, and a large mass choir, as well as a mission walk.

Daily Bible studies were led by Pastor Mark Boxman. Mission speakers gave insight into all areas in which the League contrib-

utes "mites" as their service both locally and nationally. Speakers included Steve Cohen, The Apple of His Eye Mission Society; Dr. Johannes Mengsteab, Lutheran Church Missouri Synod World Mission; Chaplain Daniel Jones, currently assigned to Fort Riley; and Deacon Tom Eckard, Lutheran Urban Mission Agency.

Delegates selected projects for the next biennium and mission projects for God's Gracious Gifts.

"The Lutheran Women's Missionary League convention is always a time of inspiration and renewal for my faith. I continue to be amazed at how many mission projects are able to be funded just by "mites" (pocket change)," said Colby member Relda Galli.

Markets

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Schedule of church services

- GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP**, 2nd and Sunrise, Oakley. Pastor James Bloom, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:15 a.m., Wednesday evening Bible Study and Intercessory Prayer 6:30 p.m. 785-671-4020.
- COLBY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH**, 730 E. 3rd (former Jaycee's building), Pastor Bernard Heinz, 785-460-0313, 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., 785-462-3041, 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, 785-460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Mark Carlton, Senior Pastor and Pastor Jason Purdy, Youth Pastor. Middle School Group Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Attic and High School Youth Group Sunday 6 p.m. at the Attic. AWANA Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the church.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Dr. Joan Harrington, Interim Pastor, 615 W. Webster, 785-462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: Sundays at 7 p.m. RC Club 2nd and 4th Sundays at 2 p.m.
- COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH** (Affiliated with Southern Baptist), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 785-460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m. Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.
- PLEASANT HOME CHURCH**, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-890-3375, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
- WINONA METHODIST CHURCH**, 501 Bellview Ave. Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)
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- MINGO BIBLE CHURCH**, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Intern Pastor Tom Peyton. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Pastor 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**, 785-462-2179, 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, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website colbypress.org.
- WESLEYAN CHURCH**, 320 W. Pine - 785-462-8391, 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 - 785-460-6605, President Andy Rose, 785-460-6807; Erwin Mitchell, 1st counselor, 785-460-1952; Calvin Haverfield, 2nd counselor, 785-953-1043. 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, 7-9 p.m. Thursdays or by appointment. Call 785-462-3571.
- REDEEMING LOVE MINISTRIES, INC.**, 345 N. Franklin, Dr. W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Equipping Class, Sunday, 9 a.m., Sunday worship, 10 a.m., Wednesday, R.L.M Training Centers (Bible School), 6p.m. Shop online at: www.rlmregionalchurch.com.
- COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, Rev. James Mardock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 785-460-6521, 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
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**, Minister, Jarrod Spencer. 510 E. 4th, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Bible Study 7:00 p.m. www.colbychurch.com
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**, (Disciples of Christ), Pastor Lyle Knebel, 385 W. 3rd - 785-460-2718, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church at 10:00 a.m.
- OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Brewster, Sunday worship 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday of the month at 8:00 a.m.
- TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Rev. Don White and Rev. Tim Llewellyn, East 5th & Country Club, 785-462-3497, Services, Sat., 5:30 p.m., Sunday; Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m.; Services, 11:00 a.m. Visit us at www.trinitycolby.com.
- LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH**, 205 1st St., Pastor Charles Taff, 785-586-2376, Sunday School (classes for 3 years & up and 3 adult classes) 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.
- 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 Dingworth, Director, 785-687-2565.
- REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 785-687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
- BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 785-694-2720, 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 Ministries (Royal Rangers/Missionettes), Wed. 7:15 p.m. - Intercessory & Prayer, Tue. 5:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study.

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