

Family

Expand horizons at the library

Welcome to Colby to all new college students. Please know the public library is here to serve you. We have computer access on weekends and until 8 p.m. each night after Labor Day if you need a library to complete your work. Wi-Fi is also available. There are many Kansas databases that you can access for the library.

Recently, I have finished the book "Three Cups of Tea," by Greg Mortinson. I had started it, but was slow finishing it. It's one of those books that really cause a person to delve into one's own values and beliefs.

If you want to understand what is and has been happening in Pakistan and Afghanistan, read the whole book. After reading it, I wonder if our allies and commitments are a bit mixed up. However, I also think that in dealing with Middle East processes there is no easy answer, and a general platitude is not acceptable.

Mortinson has been asked by General Pettreau to advise on relationships in Pakistan and Afghanistan. What is also important to realize is that Mortinson's non-profit group is still trying to work in that part of the world. He has much wisdom to offer.

He has had to defend against critics saying he is selling out to the U.S. government. Mortinson believes he has insights to help the military on the ground since he has been in the military and served overseas.

A fiction book on the difficulty of Muslim life for a woman is called "Beauty," by Raphael Selbourne. It has lots of drama about a young Bangladeshi wife whose marriage was arranged and is living in Britain. The protagonist, Beauty, lives with the horror of daily abuse. Unable to endure, she decides to run away and seek refuge in the city streets. Her brother tells her that even though she is 19, no one would want to marry



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her. He considers her blemished dark skin, poor looks and no education or intelligence a handicap. Beauty's indomitable spirit will not allow her to believe these things.

She decides to leave. Her adventures start in a job center, where she attends a seminar and barely is able to put her name and the date on the application forms. At this job center Mark, a criminal car thief and pit bull raiser, encounters Beauty. He introduces her to Paul who shocks her religious beliefs and makes her question the benefits of such friendships. This book about culture and the world's values is hard to put it down.

A third book is by Michael Landon Jr., entitled "The Silent Gift." Jack, a deaf and mute child, uses the Bible to tell people impressions and prophecies he has. This gets him into trouble. His father takes him away from his mother, then develops a danger-

ous new relationship. The woman snatches Jack but he gets away. Next, he finds himself in the Rock River Poor House for Children until Felix Stanhope rescues him from this abusive home. He and Felix land in a circus. The book takes a wonderful turn when mother and son are reunited. The end is quite touching.

A fourth book is "Watchlist," based on an idea by Jeffery Deaver and fellow members of the International Thriller Writers Group. Jeffrey and 21 others piece this very intense book together. Deaver begins and ends the book and writes some chapters but such writers as Ralph Pezzullo, Lisa Scottoline, Jim Fusilli, Lee Child and David Corbett have also made contributions.

"Watchlist" is about Harold Middleton, who has spent his life investigating war crimes. He or-

ganizes and helps direct an underground vigilante group called The Volunteers. Their mission is to hunt down those who have committed war crimes and to prevent such crimes. In the midst of this, an unknown Chopin score is found amidst murder and intrigue.

Part two is "The Copper Bracelet." The group is hunting down those planning to assassinate the U.S. Secretary of State. The writing of the various authors brings excitement and surprises as the plot turns and twists with each writer's flair brought to the page.

We are still on summer hours until after Labor Day: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, and 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday

Remember, if you need to renew an item, call us at (785) 460-4470, we'd love to help you.

Former Titans work toward Marine status

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Though football season is just around the corner, two former members of the Tri-Plains-Brewster Titans football team have their focus outside the high school arena.

Clay Rogge and Spencer Holm are at the Marine Corps Recruiting Depot in San Diego, on their way to becoming part of the few, the proud... Both graduated in May and left for boot camp on June 14. They pre-enlisted in May 2009, and took part in monthly training exercises for over a year before heading west.

Rogge, from Winona, has earned the title of squad leader

for their platoon. He scored excellent marksman in the rifle qualification. Holm, a Brewster graduate, also earned the excellent marksman title in rifle, as well as first class in his physical-fitness test. Both qualified in swimming, field week and firing week.

The last test will be the Crucible, a 54-hour event that includes 48 miles of marching, field training, simulated combat situations and deprivation of food and sleep. On successful completion of this test, they will be awarded the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor symbol and the title of U.S. Marine.

Rogge and Holm are scheduled to graduate from basic training on Friday, Sept. 10.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$5.35
Corn (bushel)	\$3.64
Milo (hundredweight)	\$5.89
Soybeans (bushel)	\$9.40

Corrections

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.

Colby Housing Authority GARAGE SALE

- Windows
- Snapper power rake
- Freon Kit
- Microwave shelves
- Office chairs
- Leaf blower

600 S. Mission Ridge
Friday, Aug. 20th
8:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Thank You

Gerald Tubbs Sr. and family would like to thank all the volunteers who graciously gave of their time and effort to help right the terrible wrong done at Beulah Cemetery. The young volunteers deserve special recognition. We have a great community. Thank you, thank you.

Annual Sheridan County

HOBO DEMOLITION DERBY

August 21, 5 P.M.
Hoxie Fairgrounds

PIT GATES OPEN 3 P.M.

Large Cars

- 1st • \$800
- 2nd • \$500
- 3rd • \$300

Small Cars

- 1st • \$700
- 2nd • \$350
- 3rd • \$200

Contact Brendon Gourley for more information:
785-675-8537

For Rules: www.sheridan.ksu.edu (click on fair-board activities)

Gem Lions Club ANNUAL HOG ROAST

Coming Soon!!!

August 25, 2010

Gem Community Building

Entertainment:

Blue Grass, Folk & Country Music

A special thank you and recognition to the following businesses and individuals for donation hogs:

- Frontier Ag.,
- Hi Plains COOP,
- Colby Implement,
- Ziegelmeier Farms,
- Farm Implement & Supply.

NORTHWEST TECH

NORTHWEST KANSAS TECHNICAL COLLEGE

EVENING & ON-LINE CLASSES

Northwest Tech's evening and on-line class listing as follows.

For more information or to register:

Call 1-800-316-4127 or go to www.nwktc.edu.

Register for classes soon!

Evening and Online Class Schedule August 2010

Class Title	Credits	Start Date & Time	Days
PE 120-1 Aerobics	1	August 24th 5:45-6:45am	T/TH
PE 105-1 Weight Lifting	1	August 26th 6:00-7:30pm	TH
HUM 110-1 Stained Glass	3	August 25th 6:00-9:00	W
AL 150-1 Certified Nurses Aid	6	Sept 8th 6:00-10:00pm	M/W
BA 100-1 Intro to Business	3	August 12th 8:00-9:00am	M/W/F
CF 101- Computer Fundamentals	3	August 23rd 7:05-8:25am or 9:05-10:25am or 10:35-11:55am	M/W
ENGL 105- Technical Writing	3	August 23rd 7:05-8:25am or 1:05-2:25pm	M/W
MATH 105- Tech Math	3	August 24th 9:05-10:25am or 10:35-11:55am	T/Th
PSY 176-1 Psychology	3	August 25th 12:00-3:00pm	W
HUM 105- Ethics	3	August 24th 9:05-10:25am or 1:05-2:25pm	T/Th
MATH 70-4 Prep Math	3	August 24th 9:05-10:25am	T/Th
BEH 105-1 Human Relations	3	August 24th 7:05-8:25am	T/Th
BA 120-1 Accounting I	3	10:00-11:30am	T/Th
BA 130-1 Leadership	3	8:00-9:30am	T/Th
MATH 100-1 Beginning Algebra	3	2:30-4:00pm	M/W
MATH 100-2 Beginning Algebra	3	1:05-2:25pm	M/W
BA 110-1 PC Software	3	11:00-12:00pm	M/W/F
ENGL 110-2 English Comp I	3	9:05-10:25am	M/W
COMM 140-1 Social Networking	1		T/Th
AL 212-1 & 213-1 Emergency Medical Technician	12	Oct 18th 6-10 pm	M/W
ENGL 110-1 English Comp I	3	Aug 26th 5-8 pm	Th
SCI 150-1 Earth Science	5	August 23rd 6:00-9:00pm	M/W
COMM 130-1 American Sign Language	3	August 23rd 4:00-5:00pm	M/W/F
MATH 115-10 College Algebra	3	August 23rd	Online
PSY 150-1 Psychology	3	August 23rd	Online
COMM 135-1 Conversational Spanish	3	August 23rd	Online
CF 101-10 Computer Fundamentals	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 106B-3 Intro to Transmissions in Telecommunications	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 156-3 Data Communications & LANs	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 232-3 Voice Communications, A Technical Introduction	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 162B-3 VoIP	4	August 23rd	Online
TNA 216B-3 SONET	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 226-3 Code Division Multiple Access 2nd Generation	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 260-3 IP Networking & VPN's	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 265-3 CDMA 2000 & High Speed Mobile Internet 3rd Generation	4	August 23rd	Online
TNA 222B-3 Basics of Wireless Communication	4	August 23rd	Online
TNA 235-3 Fundamentals of Network Security	5	August 23rd	Online
TNA 220-4 Cisco Networking Academy I & II	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 270-3 Cisco Networking Academy III & IV	3	August 23rd	Online
CNT 147B-3 Basics of Telecommunications	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 280-3 Wireless LAN's	3	August 23rd	Online
CNT 131B-3 Digital Carrier, DSL, ADSL	3	August 23rd	Online
TNA 263-3 GSM	3	August 23rd	Online