

Family

Moving can parallel 'faith journey'

My wife and I moved here to Colby in April. And coming from the hills and valleys of West Virginia, it has been quite an adjustment! I have always been fascinated in talking with someone who has lived their entire life in one place. Believe it or not, the move to Colby was my 49th, and I truly hope I only have one left, the move from this world to the next.

People often ask me what it is like, moving so much and so often. And all I can tell them is that each move is a little different, and each place we have moved to is different as well. Then some of them just shake their head as if the very idea of moving this much is beyond understanding.

But what I have found is that moving all those times meant that I had to hold my possessions a bit looser than if I had stayed in one place. And that meant I had to find the worth in people and places, not in my possessions.

I have often read the story of Abram and Sarai (also known as Abraham and Sarah) in the



Craig Crossman

From the Pulpit

book of Genesis.

In Genesis 12 we read:

"Now the Lord had said to Abram: Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you."

Stop and think for a moment, how would you have reacted if God told you to not only leave your home, but also your family, and to move somewhere, you don't know where, but will be shown to you on the way.

I can just imagine it: the U-Haul all loaded, the house empty and cleaned, and there you go

down Range until you get to I-70. But which way do you turn, east or west? Or do you go some other direction?

I don't imagine many of us would care to do such a thing. I know that every time I have moved, I at least knew where I was supposed to be going.

But in truth, all of us are on a journey somewhat like that. On our "faith journey," we don't usually have a road map all laid out. We can't go to AAA or MapQuest to get the route.

What we do have is faith in the One who has sent us on this trip. And in the journey of faith, we find something even better than Colby. We'll find our home with our Father. And we'll never move again.

Anyone need some packing boxes?

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Babies

Karime Amaris Montoya

Karime Amaris Montoya, daughter of Dolores Montoya of Goodland, was born Thursday, Sept. 23, 2010, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. Grandparents are Jessie and Esther Montoya of Goodland.



Karime M.



Landrie M.

Landrie Lynn McKee

Landrie Lynn McKee, daughter of Parker and Whitney (Adams) McKee of Colby, was born Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010, at Hays Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches.

Grandparents are Richard and Peggy Adams and Tim and Pam McKee, all of Colby.

Conference for '140 Characters' comes to Kansas

The first ever Small Town 140 Characters Conference will be held on Monday, Nov. 1, at the Historic Fox Theatre in Hutchinson. The focus of the conference is how real-time technology, such as Twitter and Facebook, is changing business, agriculture, media, education, sports and celebrity. A \$40 discount is available to Kansas residents by using the promotional code 140disc. College students can register for free.

The event will also be streamed live on the internet. Jeff Pulver, the founder, says, "The take-aways from this event will provide the attending delegates knowledge, perspectives and insights to the next wave of effects Twitter will have on business."

Pulver started the 140 Character Conferences in June of 2009 with an event in New York. This is the first one in a smaller community. He says this conference, "will be a ground breaking opportunity to look at the effects of the real-time web on the people and the busi-

nesses inside of and around small towns."

Becky McCray, a small-town entrepreneur from Alva, Okla., was instrumental in encouraging development of the conference. McCray says "Small town people and rural people are a lot more technologically savvy than anyone gives us credit for. We use the same tools and technology available to everybody else. ... It's reshaping small towns just as much as it's reshaping big cities."

Pulver says there is no dividing line of population. "We want to include small towns and rural areas, outlying suburbs and exurbs. Plus, plenty of people who live in a big city have some important small

town connection...."

McCray suggested Hutchinson as a result of her visit in 2009 when a group of bloggers were invited to visit and write about their experiences.

Speakers will come from all over the world. Speakers present in 10 or 15 minute segments. The day moves quickly and many voices are heard.

People will be sharing what's

heard at the conference on Twitter, using what's called a "hashtag" of "#140conf." Twitter users will be able to search for #140conf and see everything being written from Hutchinson in real time.

For information or to register, go to smalltown.140conf.com.

Markets

| Quotes as of close of previous business day Hi-Plains Co-op | |
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| Wheat (bushel) | \$6.00 |
| Corn (bushel) | \$4.99 |
| Milo (hundredweight) | \$8.39 |
| Soybeans (bushel) | \$10.58 |

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CELEBRATE!

Please Join Us In Celebrating
Dorothy Sloan's
90th Birthday
Saturday, October 23, 2010
3:00 - 5:00 pm
Senior Progress Center



No Gifts Please, but if you would like to honor Dorothy with a non-perishable item for Genesis, it would be greatly appreciated. We will be matching each donation to Genesis. Thank you for sharing in Dorothy's special day and for helping us restock Genesis food pantry.

Cards may be mailed to Dorothy Sloan 1065 Brookside Dr. Colby, KS 67701



KIWANIS PANCAKE FEED

"Batter made from scratch"

Saturday, October 16th
7 a.m. - 2 p.m. • VFW
220 N. Lake, Colby

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Tickets available from any Kiwanis member.

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Sacred Heart Parish 13th Annual Auction

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City Limits Convention Center, Colby

Tickets \$30
Call or send request
585 N. French Ave. Colby
785.462.2179

E-mail: parish@sacredheartcolby.com

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Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.



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.

Schedule of church services

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| <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 245 W. College Dr., Colby. Pastor Steve Todd. Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 9 a.m. for all ages. Wednesday Youth at The Rock 3:30 and 7 p.m. Sunday evening services at 6:30 p.m. on all Sundays except the 5th Sunday of every month. 785-462-8234. cdag@st-tel.net.</p> <p>BEREAN CHURCH, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. and Saturday, 5:30 p.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.</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Rev. Craig Crossman, 615 W. Webster, 785-462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.; RC Club 2nd and 4th Sundays at 2 p.m.</p> <p>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 Wednesday's.</p> <p>PLEASANT HOME CHURCH, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-890-3375, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m.</p> <p>WINONA METHODIST CHURCH, 501 Bellview Ave. Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)</p> | <p>MINGO BIBLE CHURCH, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Tom Peyton. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Worship Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Evenings 6:30. 3rd Sunday informal fellowship - bring a snack to share! First Sunday of month - carry-in dinner following morning worship.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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 colbypres.org.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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), 6 p.m. Shop online at: www.rlmregionalchurch.com.</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p> | <p>OASIS WORSHIP CENTER, Colby, Pastor J. Curry, 785-462-0913. Sunday Service at 2 p.m.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH, Brewster, Sunday worship 9:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday of the month at 8:00 a.m.</p> <p>TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Rev. Robert Alexander. East 5th & Country Club, 785-462-3497, Services, Sat., 5:30 p.m., Sunday; Sunday School and Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m.; Services, 10:30 a.m. Visit us at www.trinitycolby.com.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD, Joan Dingwerth, Director, 785-687-2565.</p> <p>REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 785-687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>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.</p> |
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