

## Babies

### Alicia Sahad Vargas-Chavez

Alicia Sahad Vargas-Chavez, daughter of Gerardo and Carolina Vargas of Selden, was born Tuesday, July 5, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds 7 ounces and measured 20 inches. Grandparents are Alicia Vargas and Rafael Chavez.



Alicia V.



Nash Z.

### Nash Lee Ziegelmeier

Nash Lee Ziegelmeier, son of Pete and Rosanna Ziegelmeier of Gem, was born Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces and measured 19 inches. Grandparents of the baby are Pete and Phyllis Ziegelmeier of Gem and Lee and Pauline Lock of Wallace.

### Sophia Tarazon

Sophia Tarazon, daughter of Raymundo Tarazon and Cynthia Soriano of Colby, was born Tuesday, July 19, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Sister Janelly Alexandra Tarazon welcomed the baby home. Maria de la Cruz of Colby is the baby's grandmother.



Sophia T.

### Kenlee Rae Kats

Kenlee Rae Kats, daughter of Kyle and Tosha Kats of Colby, was born Wednesday, July 20, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and measured 19 3/4 inches.

Grandparents of the baby are Kevin and Kelly Lyon, Debra Anderson and Norman Kats, all of Norton.



Kenlee Kats

### Mickayla Aubrey Roberts

Mickayla Aubrey Roberts, daughter of Erik and Jennifer Roberts of Goodland, was born Thursday, July 21, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. Brother Michael welcomed the baby home. Grandparents are Richard and Marie Johnson of Goodland and Marlene and Rob Roberts of Las Vegas.

### Pierce Alton Lohr

Pierce Alton Lohr, son of Justin and Brooke Lohr of St. Francis, was born Monday, July 25, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Sister Breck Marie Lohr welcomed the baby home. Grandparents of the baby are Robert and Stella Draper of St. Francis, Perry and Jan Lohr of Goodland and Sam and Betty Rethmann of Goodland. Pierce is the great-grandson of Maria Finley of Colby.



Pierce Lohr

### Kameron Michael Collett

Kameron Michael Collett, son of Jonathan and Caitlan Collett of Levant, was born Friday, July 29, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches.

Brother Konner welcomed the baby home. Grandparents of the baby are Neal and Jolene Rush of Brewster and Scott and Alice Collett of Levant. Great-grandparents are Roland Rush of Levant, John and Marilyn Collett of Goodland, and Archie and Mae Palmer of Denver, N.C.



Kameron C.

### Haven Lee Hemmert

Haven Lee Hemmert, daughter of Sage and Sheena Hemmert of Colby, was born Saturday, July 30, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches.

Brother Mackoy Matthew Hemmert welcomed the baby home. Grandparents of the baby are Fred and Trudi Kuntzsch of Scott City and Kirk and Debbie Hemmert of Oakley.



Haven H.

### Emery Elaine Johnson

Emery Elaine Johnson, daughter of Kevin and Jenny Johnson of Colby, was born Saturday, July 30, 2011, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 9 pounds and measured 20 inches.

Sister Dayton welcomed the baby home. Grandparents of the baby are Vic and Jeane Johnson of Julesburg, Colo., Sheryl Davis of Goodland and Curtis and Beverly Hurd of Goodland.



Emery J.

## 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.

## Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$7.10
Corn (bushel)	\$7.08
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.93
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.21

# Tomato season here; so is tomato blight

The long awaited tomato harvest season is finally here, at least a week later than normal it seems. But who in the world is counting weeks? When the fresh garden tomato harvest begins, we count hours and minutes until we pick that first beautiful fruit!

No question about it, the tomato harvest is the most welcomed harvest of them all, cantaloupe notwithstanding, and we are finally being rewarded with Mother Nature's true delicacy. And we must enjoy the bounty quickly, because the first frost of the season is barely 60 days away.

While most gardeners are enjoying our first fruit of the season, many of us who plant or transplant some of the early varieties have been picking for a week or so longer. The earliest varieties are usually producing in about 65 days, but the actual "first picking" date in northwest Kansas is probably closer to 75 days. That's another reason most of us refuse to plant the old heirloom varieties - because it takes at least 85 days for harvest to begin.

As usual this year, I'm hearing a few bad stories about the tomato blights, just like I do every year about this time. The dreaded early blight or the equally fierce late blight seem to take their toll every summer, and there just isn't much we can do about it. You'll recognize it of course when the plant is stunted, and the leaves turn an ugly brownish gray.

I pulled my first blighted plant on Wednesday, and there may be others before the season is over. A friend of mine has now lost eight of the 12 tomato plants in his garden, several as early as a month ago. To say that it is discouraging is an understatement. The blights don't seem to choose certain varieties; all are fair game. Despite the efforts of the world's most dedicated horticulturists, very little progress has been made to stamp out tomato blight.

Until now. Please welcome Dr. Randy Gardner, a botanist from North Carolina State University, who has released a new tomato hybrid called Mountain Magic. This small two-ounce tomato is the result of crossing a full-size tomato, with early and late blight resistance, with a grape tomato, with early blight resistance.

Mountain Magic is said to be highly flavorful, highly productive, and with good combined resistance to both early and late blight. It marks the first blight breakthrough, ever.

Strangely enough, Mountain Magic seed was available in several mail-order garden catalogs this year, but I sure missed it. Gardner (that's his real name) has actually developed all the other "Mountain" named tomato varieties, including Mountain Fresh, Mountain Glory, and several others. As noted the fruit is small, but larger than most of the cherry varieties, including Fourth of July.

My guess is that we will now soon see a full-sized tomato with good blight resistance. Gardner retired from North Carolina State last spring, but continues to work privately to find greater blight resistance to everyone's favorite garden crop. Let's all put our hands together loudly for Randy Gardner, a true American hero.



Kay Melia

• The Gardener

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## Back-to-school checklist should include eye exam

HOUSTON - Preparing for the start of a new school year? Remember to get a new backpack, paper and pencils, and get your children's vision screened as part of their back-to-school checklist.

"Poor vision can interfere with learning, school performance, participation in sports and other activities, as well as self esteem," said Dr. Kimberly Yen, assistant professor of ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and an ophthalmologist at Texas Children's Hospital.

Yen said if parents know eye problems run in their family or suspect problems, it is especially important their child receive eye exams regularly. All children should have their eyes examined, as part of their well-child check ups and children who exhibit no signs of problems should have their vision screened by age 3.

Good eye care should also include wearing protective eyewear during sports activities. Children who play basketball, baseball and racquet sports are more susceptible to eye injuries. Sports goggles can significantly reduce the likelihood of potentially sight damaging injuries.

Good vision not only helps children develop in the classroom, but it teaches them the life-long value of regular vision screenings.

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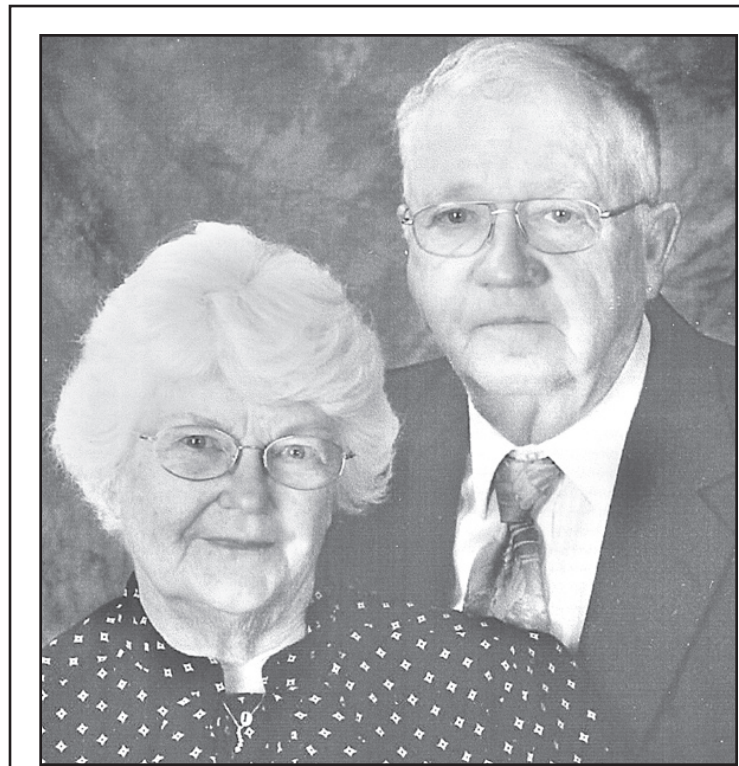
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Kathleen and Kenneth Crampton

## Open house, dance to celebrate 50 years

The children and grandchildren of Kenneth and Kathleen Crampton of Colby invite family and friends to join them in celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

An open house is planned from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011, followed by a dance from 7 to 11 p.m. at the City Limits Convention Center. Guests are asked to not bring gifts.

The couple has three married children and six grandchildren: Karmel (Michael) Carothers of Leawood and their children Kelsey and Nicholas; Kendra

(Craig) Bernard of Centennial, Colo., and their children Emily, Heather and Stuart; and the late Marty Crampton, his wife Terri of Colby and their children Shelby and Jenna.

The couple was married on Aug. 10, 1961, in Cambridge, Neb., until the early 1970s when they moved north of Levant to farm. They have lived in Colby since 1989.

For those unable to attend, cards may be mailed to 1025 Maize Road, Colby, Kan., 67701.

## Personal Property Auction

for Willie Engelhardt & others

**Saturday, August 20, 2011 @ 2 a.m. CT**  
(doors open at 8 a.m. day of sale)

T-N-T & Jones Auction Facility, 200 N. Franklin, Colby, KS  
Preview sale items between 5-7 p.m. CT Friday, August 19, 2011

Queen bed set - Nice; Canopy bed; 2 Couches; 2 Love seats; Wooden rockers - Adults and kids; Grandfather clock; Stackable book case; Desk & chair from Colorado Capitol Bldg. #2104; Office chairs; Glass top table and chairs; Table and chairs; Oak round table; Wooden stools; Park bench with 2 street lamps; Kids bench; Wicker; Rocking horse; Knives; German flag / 2 belt buckles; 40+ belt buckles - States / Advertising; Craftsman laser compound miter saw; McCulloch Woodmate; Toro leaf blower; Slalom ski - Like New; 2 - 1950s 3-piece bedroom sets; 1950s 2-piece couch set; 1950s corner coffee table; White Frigidaire refrigerator works; 300+ hat collection; 1950s dining room table w/hutch; 1970s Hooker dining room table w/hutch; Secretary; Misc. crystal stemware; 1960s beauty shop hair dryer with chair; 1960s wide band exercise machine; 4-piece Bedroom set; Asian furniture: 4-stack tables, entry way table w/mirror, mirror; Depression glass plates; Pink and blue depression glass vase; Depression glass pitchers - Green & some clear; Depression glass candle holder - chipped; Iron - steam and heater, stove type; Tupperware bottle (small glass) collection; Kal Equipment Company Tune up Service; Old steamer trunk with compartments; Old treadle machine cabinet; Treadle sewing machine in cabinet; Decorative East Asian; Sword on Stand; Old cigar boxes - lots (wooden & cardboard); 4 old gas cans (Standard, Mobile, Conoco); 3 Car banks; 2 lamp shades; 2 hand mirrors; Cloth brush; 2 shaving brushes; Milk jugs with lids; 2 old hair coolers; Double grit; Lots of old pipes; Clown pipe holder; Electric sprayer; Old popcorn popper; 3 tire pumps; Coca Cola carrier; Coke bowls; Coke tray; Tea pot; Jars of marbles; Jars of old jewelry; Small china doll; Misc. figurines; Jar of trinkets; Wooden bowl; Old camera; Old dishes; Old wash board; 2 crock bowls; 2 spittoons; Crock; Coffee table; Folding wood table; Entry way bench; RCA Stereo system; TV stand; Boxes of puzzles; Copy machine; Footlocker; Binoculars w/case; Record player in case; Movie camera w/box; Transcorder in box; End table; Metal table; 3 corner cabinets; Metal cart; Metal bread box; Metal hat box; Misc. living room chairs; Stanley electro defuser; Vandermint liqueur bottle; 3 Prince Albert cans; Large Prince Albert can; Diamond King Razor Hone in case; Gene Autry toy gun and holster; Old tin drummer boy toy; Pipe rack with tobacco jar in center; Wooden powder container; 3 metal picture frames; Wooden picture frame; Chalk board (double sided); China doll - set of china arms and legs; Wooden cigarette case; Set of wooden Scottish shoes; Large wooden barrel; 5-drawer filing cabinet; Brand new mop bucket; Antique typewriter w/case; Manual typewriter w/case; Small wooden folding table; Hand held blow-dryer w/box; Misc. records 33s, 45s, & 78s; Metal cherry pitter & meat grinder; Large pressure cooker; Box of old garden tools; Wood head and foot board; 3 old crock jugs (gallon); Old pictures and picture frames; Colby Monopoly game; Woodworking and carpentry books; 2 - 8mm movie projectors; 3 - Slide projectors; 2 ice cream makers (old) - one in pieces all there; 37 metal semi trucks (large); Box extension cords & light fixture; Box Tupperware lids and seals; Box Tupperware bowls and containers; Pot and pan lid rack; Box of knick knacks & plates; 12-piece China set; Misc. kitchen cookware; 2 Thermos jug sets in cases; Salt and pepper shakers; Bissell Carpet Shampooer; Sharp Carousel Microwave; 3 - Vacuum Cleaners; Mr. Coffee coffee maker; Large Electric Roaster; Assorted Weather Boots; Box craft stuff; Box of lace; Christmas tree; Pumpkin jar; Computer desk; Ink jars; Soup cups; Whiskey jugs; Old tractor seats; Tonka trucks & toys; Old lantern; Christmas lights; 3 dog carriers; Lawn Spreader; Leaf Blower; Hedge Trimmers; Hand sand blaster; Fertilizer Spreader; Garden Hose; Garden Hose Roller; Sewing Table; Floor Fan; Meat Thermometer; Fold up sewing box; Kitchen Table; Fan; Plastic Floor Mat; Bushel Baskets; Toaster; Can Opener; Large Painted Saws; Patio Chairs; Wooden bread box; Old radio in cabinet; Old portable radios; Glass battery box; 10 gal wooden barrel; Old bird cage; 10 gal crock; Old time pulley; 2 cream cans; Old kerosene can; Hand gas pump; Army cot; Fishing Equipment; Remington 12 Gauge; New Daisy BB Gun.

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