Family

Concert to benefit community college

Community College is holding a are so pleased they have agreed live concert by The Mama's Boys to perform. Members of the group Aug. 27, in the college's Student Union Multi-Purpose Room.

Members of the group are Brock Wagoner, Brandon McLemore, Blake McLemore, Jordan Sharp and Rusty Helin.

"The group volunteered to do this concert to benefit the music department," said instrumental music director Tony Schroer.

The Music Department at Colby "They are very talented and we from 9 to 11 p.m. on Saturday, are well known in the area and it will be a fun evening for everyone."

> Cost is \$20 per person, and \$10 for college students with an ID. All proceeds will benefit the music department. Refreshments will be provided.

For information, contact Schroer at 460-5519.



Marilyn and Ron Walz in 1961

Ron and Marilyn Walz now

Dinner celebrates 50 years of marriage

Ron and Marilyn Walz of Colby Christi (Jason) Gordon of Parker, celebrated their 50th wedding an- Colo., and their children Courtney niversary with a dinner for fam- and Jet; and Bryan Walz and his ily and friends on July 24 at the children Morgan and Maddy Walz College Drive Assembly of God Church in Colby.

children and families: Beth (Tony) Church in El Dorado. They lived Snodgrass of Colorado Springs in Beloit and Westmoreland beand their children Tyler and Allison; Marcy (Rod) DeKoning been residents in the area for 24 of Andover and their children Matthew, Adam and Benjamin;

of Colby and Rexford. The couple was married on July

The dinner was hosted by their 30, 1961, at the First Christian fore moving to Colby and have years.

Immunization protects all, says state health department

In its work to help Kansans pro- nizations as children head back to tect themselves from serious diseases, the Kansas Department of fluenza (flu) season. Contact your Health and Environment is partic- health provider or local health deipating in National Immunization Awareness Month.

Immunizations can prevent infectious diseases like chickenpox, whooping cough and meningitis. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, each year immunizations save thousands of lives and billions of dollars throughout the United States.

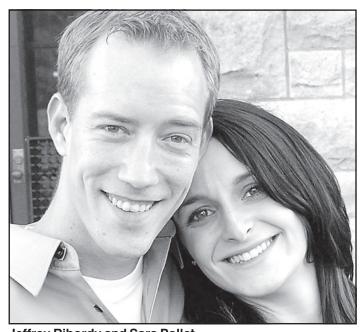
Immunizations work, but in orto know which immunizations or to get them.

school and we enter into the inpartment to see what immuniza-

tions you may need today." Everyone over age 6 months needs to be vaccinated against seasonal flu every year. Other vaccinations work best when they are given at certain ages. Here are some general guidelines:

· Children need a series of vaccinations from birth to age 6.

• Pre-teens need recommended der to work correctly it's important vaccinations at age 11 or 12, as well as teenagers as they enter into vaccinations you need and when high school and college, vaccinate before you graduate. • All adults need a variety of vaccinations to prevent diseases such as whooping cough, pneumonia, influenza, shingles and more.



Jeffrey Ribordy and Sara Pollet

Couple to marry in Elm Mills Saturday

Sara Pollet of Tonkawa, Elementary School. Okla., and Jeffrey Ribordy of Colby plan to marry Saturday, alongside Pollet's children, Jesse and Allison Pollet.

The bride is the daughter of Ken and Dianne Smith and the late John Strecker, all of Tonkawa. She is the granddaughter of the late Otto and Maxine Strecker and the late Bob and Joan Hodges.

Pollet is a graduate of Tonkawa High School and received a bachelor's degree in 2009 from Park University in social psychology. She works at Tonkawa

The groom is the son of Jenny Ladenburger of Colby and Bob Aug. 13, 2011, in a private and Vivian Ribordy of Topeka. lakeside ceremony in Elm Mills He is the grandson of Loretta

and the late Elmer Weeks Jr. of Colby. Ribordy is a graduate of Oakley High School and received a bachelor's degree in accounting

from DeVry University online in 2008. He is currently working towards his master's degree and is an account controller at Pioneer Equipment Rental in Ponca City, Okla.

The couple plans to live in Tonkawa.

More counties added to list for drought irrigation permits

The Kansas Department of Agriculture Division of Water Resources has expanded the opportunity to apply for a 2011 Drought Term Permit to include water right holders in Marion and McPherson counties. The one-time, droughtfocused term permit allows holders of existing water rights the flexibility to borrow a portion of next year's authorized quantity in order to complete the 2011 growing season.

"We are committed to serving our customers and are particularly concerned about the severe drought that is taking a toll on many Kansas farmers and ranchers," Kansas Secretary of Agriculture Dale Rodman said. "By being eligible for term permits we hope

to improve Kansas agricultures

The term permit allocation will

ability to adapt and recover."

participants will agree to deduct their 2011 overage from what they are permitted to pump in 2012. Drought Term Permit Applications must be filed on or before Dec. 31. Due to continuing dry conditions in much of Kansas, strong interest has been shown in the emergency term permits.

The option was first introduced June 30 for the counties in Kansas that had received a U.S. Department of Agriculture emergency drought declaration for 2011.

Qualifying counties include Ellis, Gove, Logan, Ness, Norton, Sheridan, Sherman, Thomas, Trego and Wallace counties, among others.

Details of these options, apwith a fee schedule are available

Division's field offices. For infor-

mation, contact Water Appropria-

tions Program Manager Lane Le-

ks.gov or (785) 296-3710. Infor-

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Summer's end still holds some fun

The fair is over and school will start before we know it. Here are some ideas for how to fill the last summer weekdays, or weekends, with fun for your family.

• Attend classes being held in the community.

I'm working with the community garden to have a Kidsa-Cookin' class for kids in third newsprint and soft pencils, chalk through fifth grades from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Aug. 18, at the Community Building. We will be learning about peppers and making pepper jelly.

Sign up by calling the City Recreation Department at 460-4440 by Tuesday. There's a minimum of five and a maximum of 20 participants. After hours, call the official time of sunrise or moon-Extension Office at 460-4582 we have an answering machine. to roll out of bed at least a half Please give us the name of child and a contact number.

• Make balloon critters or crowns. A trip to the library for can find some constellations. You a how-to book and a stop at the store for some skinny balloons and you're ready to turn plastic into poodles, swords or headgear.

• Walk around the Northwest Kansas Research and Extension Center (also known as the Experiment Station) gardens, including name of your street, county or city. the community garden that is out there.

You can smell the roses, touch the lamb's ears, look at the different size and shape of leaves, colors of flowers and talk about what it takes to make plants grow. By the way, Horticulture Night, when you can learn all kinds of horticulture information, will be Wednesday, Aug. 31.

or more parks. You could walk to them all on different days. Walking is a lifelong healthy habit to encourage. Be sure to talk about walking and traffic safety and observe nature along the way. A picnic lunch is always a good idea.

• Dress yourselves up. Use what's in your dress-up and costume box to transform yourselves into clowns, monsters or cartoon characters, or get formal and hold a tea party.

• Cook dessert in a cardboard box oven or in your fire pit. You'll find lots of how-to's when you type "cardboard box oven" in an ward to: school starting, state fair, Internet search engine.

• Decorate edible mud pies with days, Halloween, Columbus Day, flexible and adding to the areas plication forms and instructions worms. "Dish" into a different Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving, the dessert when you crumble chocowinter solstice – maybe even Leif on the department's web page at Erikson Day! late wafers for a layer of "dirt" 2011 Drought Options or from the atop chocolate pudding. Even bet-Enjoy the last days of summer! ter if your dishes look like flower pots. Pop in a sprig of mint for a Diann Gerstner is the family 'seedling" and then add your faand consumer sciences agent for tourneau at lane.letourneau@kda. vorite flavor of gummy worm. the Thomas County Extension of-• Pitch a tent in your backyard. fice. The Family of Clara M. Richers would like to extend our sincere thanks for the care she recieved at Prairie Senior Living Complex. Also for all the cards, visits, phone calls, and memorials. We thank Pastor Chris Farmer for his message. The Rebeka Lodge for their heartfelt graveside services. The Knodel Funeral Home for all their help. The ladies at the Peace Lutheran Church for the wonderful lunch. Your thoughts and prayers, and concerns made this difficult time easier to get through. We will all miss her very much. Kenneth Richers & family ~ Ruth Gotchall & family Mary Hanna & family ~ Linda Orth & family

Diann Gerstner

• Knowledge for Life

Play "camp" during the day and cuddle up in sleeping bags when it's time for lights out.

· Create rubbings. Tuck a pad of or art charcoal in your backpack when you go for a walk and rub the patterns and type from manhole covers, bricks, plaques, tree bark and wood fences.

 Watch a sunrise or moonrise. Check an online site such as the U.S. Navy's Astronomical Applications Department page for the rise. For sunrise you will need hour earlier so you can see dawn break.

• Look at the stars and see if you may look online or check out a book from the library to get started. When my children were really small, we enjoyed just looking at the stars and singing "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star."

· Research the history of the Chickamauga Street is a block west of Franklin. Do you know where that word came from?

· Organize a water balloon battle. Boys against girls? Kids against parents? West side of the street vs. the east side? Designate a line that can't be crossed by either team and get out the balloons or super squirt guns.

· Build a volcano. A little vin-• Walk to a park. Colby has five egar, a little baking soda - and the how-tos from an Internet site like About.com.

• Write a "chain" letter. Cut a couple of sheets of notebook paper into strips, using the lines as guides, and then write each sentence of your greeting on a different slip of paper. Fasten them together as a chain, and deliver in a box. What a special way to create a birthday message.

• Draw a calendar. Map the time from the current date to New Year's with a continuous calendar decorated with drawings or stickers for all the events you look forharvest festivals, family birth-

"We all need a variety of immunizations to not only help protect us throughout our lifetime, but to also help protect those around us," said Mike Parsons, immunization outreach coordinator with the Department of Health's Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention. munize/index.html. "August is a busy time for immu-

Babies

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. She weighed 9 pounds and measured 20 inches.

Sister Dayton welcomed the baby home.

Grandparents of the baby are Vic and Jeana Johnson of Julesburg, Colo., Sheryl Davis of Goodland and Curtis and Beverly Hurd of Goodland.

Corrections

In the baby announcement for Emery Elaine Johnson on Page 3 of Monday, Aug. 8, Colby Free Press, the paternal grandmother of the baby was incorrectly spelled. Her grandmother is Jeana Johnson. This was a transcribing error

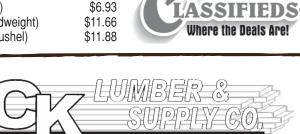
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For information on immunizations, visit www.kdheks.gov/im-

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