

Museum holds session for Colby High juniors

We had a great time with the Colby High School juniors a couple of weeks ago. They have been studying westward expansion and immigration, and we designed a two-hour session here at the museum in which they could explore that period as it played out locally.



Ann Miner
 • Around the Museum

Prior to their visit, each of the students was assigned one of 18 identities of actual Thomas County settlers. Among these settlers were Civil War veterans, women and immigrants from other countries. We provided information about each person's claim location, where they came from, when they came here, family members, what they brought with them, copies of homestead patents, naturalization papers and other documents if available, and an account of their experience in northwest Kansas.

students: "It was also pretty interesting to go out and actually find where our section would be. I learned Colby is in the very middle of Thomas County, and I'm never going to forget that."

The class was broken down into five groups and, with the help of Mark Berry and David Pabst, we arranged for 20-minute sessions on five topics.

No doubt this student had seen where Colby is located on a map many times – but it was the experience of having to physically go out and stake his flag in the ground on his claim near Colby that fixed it forever in his mind.

Mark did a great job acquainting the students with the topic of settler-era patent medicines and food preservation. David brought out his chuck wagon, made a campfire and cooked beans and a cobbler for the students while discussing his own experience traveling the Western Cattle Trail.

Our first *Food for Thought* program will be at noon on Thursday, Nov. 17. Eunice Petramala will be here from the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site to give a talk on "The Settlement Period from a Native American Perspective." As always, a light lunch will be served, and there is no charge to attend. We hope you will come and join us for what promises to be a very interesting program.

Sue explained the township and range survey system and helped the students locate their claim on a Thomas County "map" Larry had laid out on the grass – thanks to the American Youth Soccer Organization for the use of their field strip!

On Saturday, Nov. 19, we will hold our second annual Writers' Roundup and Holiday Fair. Several regional authors will be on hand to sign and talk about their books, and the Museum Mart will have several items on special for your holiday shopping. Refreshments will be available for snacking while you visit.

Chris talked about immigration and had the students try to answer questions that candidates for U.S. citizenship might be asked today; and I photographed the students at the sod house as they reenacted scenes from the lives of Thomas County settlers.

New additions to the Roundup this year: Bonnie Stasser, a Goodland artist whose exhibit of photography and paintings will be on display through December, will also be joining us. She will give a short talk on fine arts and her work beginning at 2:30, and will be here all afternoon to visit with you. We will also be having some musical entertainment during the afternoon.

There is something about learning by doing that helps impress an idea more readily into the memory. Most of the activities of this day were designed with that in mind, and the success of this approach appears to be borne out in comments like this from one of the

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Property Transfers

Real Estate recorded Oct. 17 to Oct. 31

The following real estate transactions have been reported by the Thomas County register of deeds:

- Sept. 9, David N. and Jan M. Vanderbilt to David N. Vanderbilt Trust and Jan M. Vanderbilt Trust; Lot 2, Block 1, Colby Walmart Plaza Subdivision.
- Oct. 5, quit claim deed, Will P. Clark to Bob J. Clark and Edith L. Clark; W/2 of Sec. 26, T10, R32; SE/4 of Sec. 33, T10, R33.
- Oct. 12, quit claim deed; Bob J. and Edith L. Clark to Ruth Clark; W/2 of Sec. 26, T10, R32; SE/4 of Sec. 33, T10, R33.
- Oct. 12, quit claim deed, Charlotte G. Tessaro to Michelle Lynn Tessaro; NW/4 of Sec. 14, T10, R35.
- Oct. 17, James W. Houston to James W. Houston Trust, SW/4, SE/4 of Sec. 17, T8, R31.
- Dec. 18, 2008, Dale and Jane C. Hudson to Ron Jr. and Tina Roeder; Lots 9-12 less north 50', Block 14, Original Brewster.
- Oct. 15, quit claim deed, Jane Lehman to Michael D. and Nicole P. Kreighshauer; Lots 1-2, Block 1, Lehman Brewster Subdivision.
- Oct. 18, Charles A. Williams Jr. Trust to Lynn W. Jorgensen, John C. Williams and Emily R. Larson; W/2 of Sec. 32, T10, R32.
- Oct. 24, Gary and Linda J. Garrett to Gary A. Garrett Trust;

N/2 of Sec. 31, T7, R34; SW/4 of Sec. 31, T7, R34; SE/4 of Sec. 36, T7, R35.

- Oct. 24, Gary and Linda J. Garrett to Linda J. Garrett Trust; N/2, SW/4 of Sec. 11, T7, R32; N/2 of SE/4 of Sec. 12, T7, R34; 54.91-acre tract of NE/4 of Sec. 12, T7, R34; NW/4 of Sec. 36, T7, R35; SE/4 of Sec. 34, T6, R35; NW/4 of Sec. 30, T7, R34.
- Oct. 20, Sharon F. Steele Trust to Jerrilee and Philip L. Shuman; W/2 of Sec. 24, T10, R36.
- Oct. 20, Sharon F. Steele Trust to Jo Ellen and Dana Kraus; W/2 of Sec. 24, T10, R36.
- Sept. 30, quit claim deed, Jerome L. and Darla A. Luebbers to Jerome and Darla Luebbers Trust; NW/4 of Sec. 19, T9, R34.

- Oct. 26, Connie and John D. Shea to David L. Keck; E/2 of Lots 16-20, Block 65, Colby West Addition.

- Oct. 26, Bonnie Siruta to David L. Keck; E/2 of Lots 16-20, Block 65, Colby West Addition.

- Oct. 21, Dan S. Schroeder to Mike J. and Kathryn M. Schroeder; NE/4 of Sec. 8, T7, R33.

- Oct. 2, Janet K. Schroeder to D. Kriss and Lisa D. Schroeder; NW/4 of Sec. 8, T10, R34.

- Oct. 21, Janet K. Schroeder to Mark A. and Danita K. Schroeder; SE/4 of Sec. 34, T6, R33.

- Oct. 21, John Joe Garcia and Rachel Lynn Garcia to George F. and F. Roberta Luckert; S/2 of Lot 2 and Lot 3, Block 2, Depe Addition Brewster.

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GWEN GRIFFITHS
 Natasha Griffiths (left) and Darla Dible began to stack wrapped boxes at the Rexford Community Church as they were prepared to ship for Operation Christmas Child Sunday. From Rexford, the boxes go to Denver with a group of people from the church who will spend the day working in the processing center. From Denver, they go to children in Mexico and Central America.

College recognizes physical therapy

National Physical Therapy Month is a celebration held every October by the American Physical Therapy Association to recognize the important roles that physical therapists and physical therapist assistants play in helping people maintain, improve and restore the mobility necessary to stay fit, active, and independent.

The physical therapist assistant students at Colby Community College participated in several events during the month as part of the annual recognition of practitioners.

"The students held massage clinics five times during October,"

said Program Director Pat Erickson. "They also assisted with the Sheridan County Health Fair on Oct. 5 and the Thomas County Health Fair on Oct. 8."

Students attended a talk given by a speaker with a traumatic brain injury on Oct. 24, and participated in a webinar on Documentation Essentials in Rehabilitation on Oct. 27.

The students also participated in the town meeting for the Kansas Physical Therapy Association on Thursday.

The physical therapist assistant program at the college is planned in accordance with the established

standards of the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education. Upon satisfactory completion of this program, the student receives an associate of applied science degree and qualifies to take a state certification examination.

Erickson, who has a doctoral degree in physical therapy, has been the director of the program since 1989. Licensed physical therapist assistant Kathy Robert, a graduate of the Colby program, has been an instructor in the program since 1994.

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