

Busy library's got books for boys

Tonight is a quiet Thursday at the library. But don't be fooled by a quiet day; we have had lots of activities this week.

Monday night we met with various artists interested in being part of creating art work for the Jean Hutton Memorial. Story Time for Preschoolers and Toddlers was on Tuesday and Wednesday morning, as well as Family Night Story Time on Tuesday evening.

We also had Nick Larmer discuss the book "Peak," by author Ron Smith, at *Booked for Lunch* Wednesday. He used this book to segue into talking about the special project called "guysread.com."

He explained that many boys, young men or guys struggle with reading because the topics do not interest them or the books are too long for them. Hence, authors like James Patterson, John Grisham, Gordon Korman, Rick Riordan and others are writing just to catch the interest of guys.

He confessed that recently he has not been able to get interested in a book until he read "The Peak." Because he is captivated by the topic of mountain climbing this book held his interest. Nick wants to encourage all of us to let guys know there are lots of good books out there besides just these authors who are writing for the guys. He also told us that these junior fictions are also holding the attention of adults as well.

In honor of Nick's great talk, let me tell you about a few good new junior fiction books. The first is "The Grave Robbers of Genghis Khan," by P.B. Kerr. This is book seven of the *Children of the Lamp* series.

Uncle Nimrod has invited twins John and Philippa to Italy for the summer. Though they often get bored without their constant cable TV and never ending Internet access in England, they acquiesced



Melany Wilks

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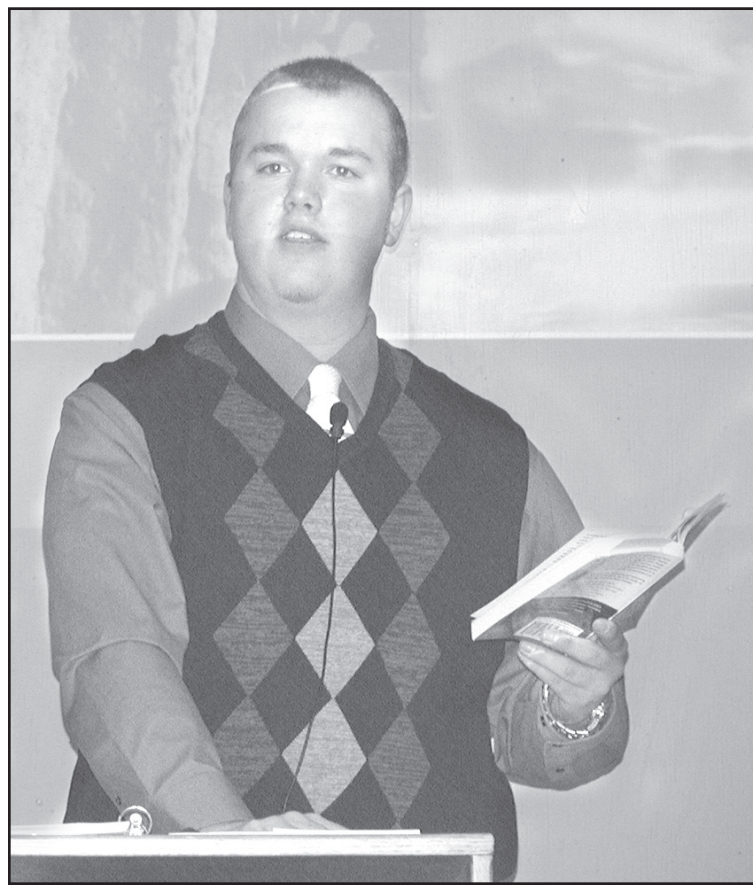
to visit again. Mr. Groanin, Nimrod's butler, has also traveled with the twins. He comes to Italy to serve his boss, but also to enjoy the ambiance of the exclusive hotel, Excelsior Vittoria, where the elites stay in Italy.

Together, Nimrod and the twins find themselves discussing the surroundings and that this place feels very familiar. While the twins sense this, they have no memory of traveling through space in a wormhole - they don't know they had another adventure here. Soon they will discover they have been drawn to this location to find out why Mt. Vesuvius has erupted. They must discover who and what is causing this deadly activity that is threatening the planet.

The second junior fiction book is "Scorpio Races," by Maggie Stiefvater. Puck Connolly and Sean Kendrick are both enrolled to compete in the water horse races in November. Puck happens to be the first girl to participate. Sean competed and became the grand champion the previous year.

The water horse race is difficult and riders often find themselves stretched to their limit. Puck has no idea what she is getting into, but it matters not, her back is against the wall and there is no choice for her. Find out how Sean and Puck meet the challenges with relationships and the many events within the race.

Other junior fiction books we have added are: "Frost Wolf," by Kathryn Lasky, No. 4 of *Wolves of the Beyond*; "City of Lies," No.



Nick Larmer had a good audience Wednesday for his review of "Peak" at Booked for Lunch. He also showed a clip of the movie Everest: Beyond the Limit.

2 of the *Keepers*; and "Museum of Thieves" No. 1 of the *Keepers*, both by Lian Tanner; "The Dragon's Tooth," by N.D. Wilson, No. 1 of *Ashtown Burials*; "Fire," by Kristin Cashore; "Brilliant," by Rachel Vail; "Keepers of the School," by Andrew Clements; "Courting," by Yasmine Galenorn; "Torn," by Margaret Peterson Haddix; and "Tiger's Voyage," by Colleen Houck.

We want you to mark your calendar for the Second Annual Chocolate And All That Jazz event at the library. On Tuesday, Feb. 14, bring a friend, loved one, family member or just yourself to

enjoy the jazz music played by the Colby Community College Jazz band, while we snack on lots of desserts. The desserts won't be just chocolate, so if you do not like chocolate, you may find something to your liking. Also mark your calendar for the Book Lovers Book Sale scheduled Thursday to Saturday, Feb. 23 to 25.

The library's normal winter hours are: 9 a.m. Monday through Saturday, closing at 8 p.m. weeknights, at 5 p.m. Friday, and at 4 p.m. Saturday. Sunday hours are 1 to 4 p.m.

See you in the library!

Deaths

Nathan E. Barnhart

Nathan E. Barnhart, 19, Hoxie, a welder for Bainter Construction, died Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2012, in a one-vehicle accident near Grainfield.

He was born Jan. 7, 1993, in Goodland, the son of Wesley Flinn and Dee Anna Barnhart. He attended school in Goodland, Oakley, Hoxie and McCook, Neb. In school he belonged to FFA. He enjoyed video games, the Dallas Cowboys and the Texas Longhorns, as well as his dogs Hooch and Duchess.

Preceding him in death were his great-grandparents, Ed and Nina Brewer, Purl and Lydia Blue, J.E. and Viola Flinn and Irene McLemore; an uncle, John Mosier; and a great-great-aunt and uncle, Faye and Floyd Blue.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Dee Anna and Brad

Yowel, Marquette; his father and stepmother, Wesley and Rhonda Flinn, Oakley; two brothers, Rickie and Joel Bose, both of McCook; two stepbrothers, Wesley and Anthony Gilliland, both of Oakley; a sister, Bridgitte Schlereth, Dodge City; a stepsister, Trista Gilliland, Oakley; and grandparents Shirley Barnhart, Goodland; Maurice and Janice Barnhart, Colby; and Arnold and Belva Flinn of Halford.

Services will be at noon (Central Time) Saturday, Feb. 4, 2012, at the Bateman Funeral Home, 211 E. 11th in Goodland, with Judge John Cahoj officiating and burial in the Goodland Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 6 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to be designated by the family, in care of the funeral home, Box 278, Goodland, Kan., 67735.

Colby Rotary Club

The Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday with 42 members and guests Joe Hickert, Brady Jasper, Stacy Lee and members of the Colby Community College women's basketball team.

Jeff Horlacher had the program. His guests were Coach Jasper, Assistant Coach Lee and members of the team. Coach Jasper spoke about the team's season and invited Rotary members to attend the home games. He introduced

the team and told where they were from. Each player shared their course of study.

Marla Crumrine and Patrick Toth had a Kansas Trivia Quiz in honor of Kansas's 151st birthday on Jan. 29. Mark Winger won the quiz.

Brady Jasper won Roto-Lotto.

Colby Rotary meets Tuesdays in Room 106 of the college Student Union.

Ship reunion planned

The USS Maddox Destroyer Association (DD731, DD622 and DD 168) is planning a reunion for Thursday through Sunday, Aug. 16 to 19, in Reno, Nev., and needs help locating former shipmates.

Contact Dennis Stokhaug at 571 W. 14562 Hidden Creek Ct., Muskego, Wis., 53150. He may be reached at (262) 679-9409 or maddox64@aol.com.

Pratt names honor roll

Eric Luedke of Colby has been named to the President's Honor Roll at Pratt Community College for the 2011 fall semester.

To earn a place on the honor roll, students must earn 12 or more credit hours and must have a perfect 4.0 average.

Luedke is a 2003 graduate of Colby High School.

No joke: 3-inch nail removed from man's brain

By Don Babwin

Associated Press

OAK LAWN, Ill. (AP) - Dante Autullo was sure he'd merely cut himself with a nail gun while building a shed, and thought doctors were joking when they told him what an X-ray revealed: A 3 1/4-inch nail was lodged in the middle of his brain.

Autullo was recovering after undergoing surgery at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn, where doctors removed the nail that came within millimeters of the part of the brain controlling motor function.

"When they brought in the picture, I said to the doctor 'Is this a joke? Did you get that out of the

doctors joke file?'" the 32-year-old recalled. "The doctor said 'No man, that's in your head.'"

As he was rushed by ambulance to another hospital for surgery, he posted a picture of the X-ray on Facebook.

Autullo, who lives in Orland Park, said he was building a shed Tuesday and using the nail gun above his head when he fired it. With nothing to indicate that a nail hadn't simply whizzed by his head, his long-time companion, Gail Glaenger, cleaned the wound with peroxide.

"It really felt like I got punched on the side of the head," he said, adding that he continued working. "I thought it went past my ear."

While there are pain-sensitive nerves on a person's skull, there aren't any within the brain itself. That's why he would have felt the nail strike the skull, but wouldn't have felt it penetrate the brain.

Neither he nor Glaenger thought much about it, and Autullo went on with his day, even plowing a bit of snow. But the next day when he awoke from a nap, feeling nauseated, Glaenger sensed something was wrong and suggested they go to the hospital.

At first Autullo refused, but he relented after the two picked up their son at school Wednesday

evening.

An X-ray was taken a couple hours later. And there, seeming to float in the middle of his head, was a nail.

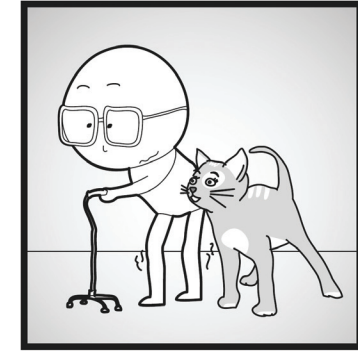
Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$6.77
Corn (bushel)	\$6.26
Milo (hundredweight)	\$10.71
Soybeans (bushel)	\$10.72

it's not a cat's fault

by TheShelterPetProject.org



Corrections

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Colby American Legion Post 363

Game Day Bowl Party

Doors open at 2 p.m.

Chili & Sloppy Joes • \$5 donation

Bring your favorite finger foods to add to the buffet.

Full bar service available.

Come watch the game on our 55" HDTV

(Members & Guests Welcome) 1850 W. 4th St., Colby

Super Game Day Sale - a - bration!!

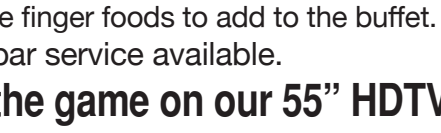
Three Days:

Feb. 3 & 4 • 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Feb. 5 • 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

30 to 50% OFF

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Fax: 460-2729

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February 14
Publishes Monday, February 13, 2012

1x3 BOX ad (includes photo/special message...)
Choose from 4 styles...PRICE \$23.85

Ad #1: Retro Heart

Ad #2: Simple Heart

Ad #3: Heart Cluster

Ad #4: Pet Paws

Basic Ad 1x2: Option 1
XOXOXO Graphic and text

A.R.
You are the light of my life.
Love, R.R.
PRICE: \$15.90

Basic Ad 1x1: Option 2
Choice of 1 graphic and text

To my true love,
Amy...Happy Valentines Day!
Love, A.B.

Choice of 1 Artwork:

PRICE: \$7.95

1x3 BOX AD: \$23.85

Select style Ad 1 Retro Heart Ad 2 Simple Heart Ad 3 Heart Cluster Ad 4 Pet Paws

Basic ad 1x2 (Option 1): XOXOXO Graphic & text...\$15.90

Basic ad 1x1 (Option 2): 1 Graphic & text...\$7.95

Select graphic Teddy Bear Love heart Lips

Deadline February 9 at 3 p.m.

155 W. 5th St., Colby, KS 67701

Photo, message and payment must be received at our office by Thursday, February 9, 2012. Ads must be pre-paid. For good reproduction, photos must be clear. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope for return of photo.