

Deaths

Chris Bieker

Chris Bieker, 53, director of public works for the City of Colby since July 2006, died Saturday, April 14, 2012, at his home. He was born Dec. 16, 1958, to Theodore and Leona (Billinger) Bieker in Colby. In 1976, he graduated from Colby High School. On Sept. 23, 1978, he married Sharon Payne. He was the Thomas County road supervisor for more than 20 years before moving over to the city. Preceding him in death were his parents and four infant children. Survivors include his wife, of the home; two children, Heath Bieker, Manhattan, and Tisha Bieker and

fiancé Cade Carter, Colby; two brothers, Vernon (Carol) Bieker, Crowley, Texas, and Robert (Lori) Bieker, Hays; and three sisters, Ramona Stupka, Maybelle (Dick) Moore and Peggy (Ron) Young, all of Colby. Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 19, 2012, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Colby, with inurnment in Beulah Cemetery. No visitation. The family suggests memorials to the Northwest Kansas Foundation for Hope in care of Baalmann Mortuary, Box 391, Colby, Kan., 67701.

Maxine McNeely

Maxine McNeely, 90, Colby, died Sunday, April 15, 2012, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby.

Services are pending with the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby.

Harold Lefmann

Harold Lefmann, 92, Colby, died Friday, April 13, 2012.

Baalmann Mortuary of Colby is handling arrangements.

Larry Lee Jones

Larry Lee Jones, 68, Atwood, brother of Irmalee (Buckley) Fleckenstein and nephew of Maxine Jones of Colby, died Saturday, April 14, 2012, in Topeka, after being diagnosed with lung cancer in March 2012. He was born June 6, 1943, in Larned, the son of William I. and Josephine (Fulton) Jones. He graduated from Colby High School in 1961 and from Fort Hays State University in 1965. On July 3, 1970, he married S. Diane Greene in Fayetteville, Ark. They lived in Wichita, Houston and Rexford, but spent most of their lives in rural Rawlins County. Preceding him in death were his parents; a brother, Robert Buckley; a sister, Beverly (Buckley) Stover; and two infant siblings.

Survivors also include his wife, of the home; two sons, J.J. Jones and partner Kevin Briggs of Kansas City, and Jeff Jones, Topeka; a brother, Casey (Dianne) Jones, Bertrand, Neb.; a sister-in-law, Dana Skillen, Phoenix; a brother-in-law, Maj. Douglas (Linda) Greene, Brandon, Miss.; and a granddaughter, Alexandria Celeste Jones, Topeka. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 21, 2012, at the First Christian Church in Atwood. Masonic services will follow at Lake Atwood, weather permitting. No visitation. The family suggests memorials to the Atwood Masonic Lodge, Atwood First Christian Church or the Rawlins County Health Center.

Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday at Colby Community College with 34 members and guests Margaret Gabelmann from Sen. Jerry Moran's office in Hays, Amy Schroeder, Jacob Sweat, Erma Tubbs and Pat, Michael and Madison Tubbs. Michael Tubbs was recognized as the April Student of the Month. President Connie Renner presented him with a certificate and the Rotary Four-Way test. He spoke about the impact that newspaper, debate, wrestling and National Honor Society have had on his life and the lessons he has learned from his participation. Upon graduating from Colby High School, Tubbs said he plans to study economics and participate in debate at the University of Kansas. Marla Crumrine introduced Mi-

chael and Madison Tubbs, members of Colby High School Forensics, for the program. Michael has been a member of the debate and forensics teams all four years of high school, qualifying each year for the Class 4A State Speech and Drama Tournament and a two time state medalist in policy debate. He gave an original oration, "Government vs. Governance." Madison Tubbs is a sophomore at Colby High School and a state medalist in duet acting. She is double qualified for the 2012 Class 4A State Tournament and performed a humorous solo act, "Clementine." Nick Wells won Roto-Lotto. The club meets on Tuesdays at the college student union, room 106. — Relda Galli

Northwest Tech wins award

Dan Senstock, higher education account executive at Apple, presented Northwest Kansas Technical College President Ed Mills with the Apple Distinguished Program Award on March 15 in a ceremony at the Kansas Department of Commerce in Topeka. Northwest Tech is one of 49 educational institutions nationally and the first two-year college to receive this award for innovation, leadership and education excellence.

In the fall term of 2010, the college implemented a one-to-one iPad initiative. "We have to rethink what is happening in education because we have students that are the most mobile, collaborative learning students we have ever had in the history of education, but we are still teaching them the way that we did 20, 30, 40, 50 years ago," Senstock said. Northwest Tech is documenting the impact of the iPad integration to measure success in improving student learning outcomes. "The iPad has made a significant difference to us in teaching and in learning," Mills said. "Our faculty have embraced it; students are engaged."

Soldiers in Korea learned culture, including unique kimchee recipe



Kay Melia

The Gardener

In 1952 and most of 1953, I was a buck private in the U.S. Army. I trained as a Signal Corps cryptographer at Fort Gordon, Ga., and eventually deployed to the 25th Signal Company of the 25th Infantry Division in Korea. The 25th was known as the "Tropic Lightning" division and has served the nation from 1941 through its present assignment in Afghanistan. While in Korea, it was the most decorated division of them all with some 14 Medal of Honor winners. I was not one of them. I was in Korea for 14 months, mostly after the fighting had subsided. Our job then became one of alert, and training of Republic of Korea troops. As such, I became better acquainted with the Korean people and their culture. Most of the civilian population were small farmers, with rice as their domi-

nant crop. Just about every family in the land maintained a garden on the little piece of land they called home. We of course understand that every nation enjoys their own unique history, not only in how they live, but in what they eat. The Asian population has always thrived on rice, vegetables, and to a lesser extent on meat. Each family of Koreans grows most of what they eat, although in today's modern South Korea, large supermarkets are everywhere and fresh fruits and vegetables are offered to the public, as in other modern nations.

But when I was there 60 years ago, the people had to grow what they ate, and it didn't take long for me to realize that they grew lots of cabbage. But not the kind of cabbage we grow in our gardens for slaw or kraut. They grew scads of what we refer to as Chinese cabbage or Asian cabbage, or sometimes call pak choi or bok choi. We will occasionally use those types of cabbage in stir fries, or maybe to give a green salad a little more flavor. It has a much stronger taste than regular cabbage. But in Korea, much of the crop is sliced up and packed into large glass jars, highly seasoned, and allowed to ferment for a few days. The finished product is called kimchi, pronounced KIM-chee, and if South Korea has a national food, it is indeed kimchi. Everybody there loves it. Walk down the street of any town or city

and the aroma of kimchi will have your olfactory nerves working overtime. It permeates clothing, home furnishings and local stores. Among Republic of Korea mess halls, kimchi was always available, every day. I have a recipe for kimchi, but have never used it, and I don't intend to start now. Its ingredients include the Chinese cabbage, water, salt, fresh ginger, fish sauce, chile paste, green onions, daikon radish, and a bit of sugar. You are advised to eat it within 3 weeks or it can become overly fermented. I can only imagine. I firmly believe that kimchi should not be ingested. But then, that is my culture speaking. Koreans are probably not too keen on mashed potatoes and gravy. But if you would like to have my kimchi recipe, let me know. And then, you're on your own.

Property Transfers

Real Estate recorded March 19 to April 9

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

- March 19, quit claim deed, Geri Perrotta to Andrew Dee Yniguez and Geri Perrotta; west 8' of Lot 1 and Lots 2-5, Block 25, Original Brewster.
- March 21, Lawrence R. Wark Trust Fund B to Wark Properties LLC; Lots 31-32, Block 16, Original Rexford; Lots 1-3 and north 10' of Lot 4 and S/2 Colorado Ave., Block 17, Original Rexford; tract of NE/4 of Sec. 11, T7, R31.
- March 22, Walter B. and Nancy A. Kane to Kane Properties LLC; Lots 16-17, Block 87, Colby North Addition; Lot 8 and N/2 of Lot 9, Block 16, Colby South Park Addition; south 75' of Lots 1-2, south 75' of E/2 of Lot 3, south 30' of Lots 4-5 and south 30' of W/2 of Lot 3, Block 24, Colby Gilmore and Larson Subdivision; Lot 18 and S/2 of Lot 19, Block 11, Colby South Park Addition.
- March 22, Walter B. and Nancy A. Kane to Kane Properties LLC; Lots 13-15, Block 4, Colby South Park Addition; west 80' of Lots 19-20, Block 51, Colby East Addition; E/2 of Lots 3-5, Block 114, Colby North Addition.
- March 22, quit claim deed, Cecilia M. and Benjamin Rasmussen to Cecilia M. and Benjamin Rasmussen; Lot 6, Block 1, Colby

- Cherry Knolls Subdivision.
- March 22, Wark Properties LLC to William N. and Vickie M. Kane; Lots 25-28, Block 16, Original Rexford.
- March 23, Jolene Stephens and Brendan Carlin to Curtis G. Stephens; E/2 of Sec. 20, T10, R33.
- March 23, Daniel L. and Rita Stephens to Curtis G. Stephens; E/2 of Sec. 20, T10, R33.
- March 23, Daniel L. and Rita Stephens to Jolene Stephens Carlin; NE/4 of Sec. 19, T10, R34.
- March 23, Curtis G. Stephens to Jolene Stephens Carlin; NE/4 of Sec. 19, T10, R34.
- March 26, Charles R. Luckert Trust to Janet Ewing Trust; NE/4 of Sec. 9, T9, R36; NE/4 of Sec. 28, T9, R36.
- March 26, Charles R. Luckert to Wayne Luckert Trust; Sec. 11, T9, R36; W/2 of Sec. 15, T6, R36; Sec. 13, T9, R36.
- March 26, Theresa C. Luckert Trust to Janet Ewing Trust; SE/4 of Sec. 19, T8, R31; N/2 of Sec. 13, T8, R31; SW/4 of Sec. 20, T6, R36.
- Theresa C. Luckert Trust to Wayne Luckert Trust S/2 of Sec. 27, T6, R36.
- March 26, quit claim deed, Lester D. and Beverly D. Windholz to L & B Windholz Living Trust; Lot 4, Block 3, Colby Hillcrest Condos.
- March 26, quit claim deed, Ladonna Dempewolf to Steve A.

- Dempewolf; Lot 9 Block 5, Colby Eastern Heights Addition.
- March 28, Jeff and Karen S. Torluemke to Key Investments LP; tract of NE/4 of Sec. 13, T6, R31.
- March 29, James L. Jr. and Valerie A. Colgan to Adam J. Janousek; Lot 4, Block 2, Colby Mentlick Re-Subdivision.
- March 29, Adam J. Janousek to Lexi and Jordan Baker; Lots 14-16 and E/2 of Lot 17, Block 98, Colby North Addition.
- March 29, Woofter Construction and Irrigation Inc. to Crop Production Services Inc.; part of Lots 1-3, Block 2, Colby Cooper First Addition.
- March 30, John Ray Fehrenbach to Priscilla Basile; west 65' of Lots 7-10, Block 61, Colby West Addition.
- March 30, James L. and Terry L. Cousins to R.P. Consulting Inc.; tract of SW/4 of Sec. 11, T8, R31.
- March 30, Scott W. and Debbie Sigman to Jason and Tanya Gerstberger; W/2 of SW/4 of Sec. 20, T9, R34.
- March 30, Vicki L. Kelley to Jason and Tanya Gerstberger; W/2 of SW/4 of Sec. 20, T9, R34.
- March 30, Robert Alan Jones to Nittany Rentals LLC; Lots 35-36, Block 15, Original Rexford.
- March 30, Ryan and Brandi Wark to Robert Alan Jones; west 100' of Lots 1-3 and Lots 4-6, Block 16, Original Rexford.

- April 2, Genevieve M. Malory to Norman L. and Betty J. Behring; S/2 of Lots 8-10, Block 21, Colby South Park Addition.
- April 2, Wark Properties LLC to Roger Wark; Lots 1-3 and north 10' of Lot 4 and S2 of Colorado Ave. by Lot 1, Block 17, Original Rexford.
- April 2, Norman L. and Betty J. Behring to Mitchell G. Gatz; Lots 37-39 less west 22' of lots, Block 127, Colby North Addition.
- April 2, Charles E. and Lisa D. Krull to James L. Rehmer; Lot 21, Block 10, Colby Metzler Subdivision.
- April 3, quit claim deed, Melinda A. Moore to Glenn and Christine Griffin, Lucas Moore and Lacy Moore; Lots 3-4 and 8-10, Block 1, Eaton's Addition Gem.
- April 4, Raymond Leroy Moore to Raymond Leroy Moore Trust; N/2 of SW/4 of Sec. 9, T6, R35.
- April 5, quit claim deed, H4 Investments LLC to McKee Inc.; Lots 1-3, Block 30, Colby South View Addition; Lot 3, Block 29, Colby South View Addition.
- April 6, Rodney L. and Judith G. Taylor to City of Colby; tract of Lot 7, Colby Villa Vista Addition.
- April 9, sheriff's deed, Thomas County Sheriff Rod Taylor to Federal National Mortgage Association; south 20' of Lot 14 and Lot 15, Block 30, Original Colby.

Waitress reclaims \$12,000 tip after dispute

MOORHEAD, Minn. (AP) — Authorities decided April 5 to return a \$12,000 tip to a Minnesota waitress after concluding it wasn't drug money after all. Stacy Knutson of Moorhead had said that a customer told her she could keep a takeout container that she left behind at the Fryn' Pan restaurant. When she opened the box later, according to her attorney, she found three wads of bills — \$100s, \$50s, \$20s and \$10s — wrapped in rubber bands. Police initially told her she could keep the money if no one claimed it, but later said it was part of a drug investigation and seized it. They said a police dog detected the odor of drugs on the cash. After the case drew national attention, Assistant Clay County

Attorney Michelle Lawson told reporters the money could not be tied to a criminal investigation, and that Knutson would get a check for the \$12,000, *The Forum* of Fargo, N.D., reported (bit.ly/HlefWC). Knutson sued to get the money back, saying she believed the money was an anonymous gift left behind by someone who knew she, her husband and five children were struggling financially. The lawsuit said Knutson was working when a customer left a takeout box from another restau-

rant. She followed the diner to her car and tried to return the box but the woman said, "No, I am good, you keep it," the lawsuit said. Her attorney, Craig Richie, said she didn't know the box contained money until she went back to the kitchen and opened it. Even though Knutson needed the money, she decided to call police, he said. After no one claimed the money, that confirmed for her that the money was truly a gift, Richie said. Her lawsuit said she believed the windfall was God's way of answering her family's prayers.

Markets

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