

# Summer readers wind up season with big wins along with dreams

This last week we had the joy of giving out 21 prizes from our Adult and Teen Summer Reading, "Dream Big, Read."

The biggest prize drawn for was a \$40 gift certificate to City Limits, along with a \$10 gift certificate to Udderly Delicious, two tickets to the movies, popcorn and drinks.

The second-best prize, three Pizza Hut gift cards for \$10 each (Pizza Hut donated two of the cards), a \$10 gift certificate to Udderly Delicious and five coupons to Redbox.

Ten people won a cloth bag and a mug that read "Between the Covers" and nine won just a mug.

We hope to continue this summer reading activity next year for adults and teens. Maybe you'll win next year.

This week we are adding a slew of new audiobooks.

If you are new to the world of library materials, an audiobook is a book read and recorded by an author or actor on a compact disc that can be played in a computer, a stereo, a car CD player, etc. We check these out just like regular print books for two weeks at a time. We like to purchase the most popular books and *New York Times* Bestsellers and bestselling



**Melany Wilks**

## •Library Links

authors.

One we added this week is "You Don't Want To Know," by Lisa Jackson. This suspense book may be fun to listen to.

Ava is married and was planning to restore her family's estate, Neptune's Gate, prior to the disappearance of her 2-year-old son, Noah. It has been two years since this dreadful event. Now she is at Neptune's Gate after numerous stays at mental health facilities, finally getting her equilibrium back – that is, until she begins to hear his voice again. Ava knows this time she is not hearing things; she is certain it is up to her to solve her son's disappearance. Her husband and family members are wary of helping, so she seeks other help.

The second audiobook is "The Sandcastle Girls: A Novel," by Chris Bohjalian. This book covers a few generations.

Elizabeth Endicott, living in 1915 during the Armenian geno-

cide, has arrived in Aleppo to serve during this crisis. She intends to help serve food, help with basic nursing with the Friends of Armenia from Boston. She meets an Armenian engineer who recently experienced the death of his baby daughter and wife. He is part of the British Army and is sent to Egypt.

Fast forward to a novelist living in modern suburban New York, Laura Petrosian. Laura learns that her grandmother is promoting an exhibit in Boston's Museum. This tickles her fancy and she decides she must discover her heritage. The pieces prove to be meaningful, dramatic and earth shattering for Laura.

A third book is "Stand by Me," by Neta Jackson. This is Book One of the *SouledOut Sisters* series.

Protagonist Kathryn Davies has just made the most important decision in her life. She moves from Phoenix to Chicago where she intends to belong to the Souled-Out Community Church. She has stepped on the toes of Avis Douglas, principal at the local elementary school. Avis and Kat are worlds apart but find they must lean on each other to walk through the difficulties that have come into their lives.

A fourth item is a nonfiction audiobook called "Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption," by Laura Hillenbrand. Louis Zamperin has joined the Air Force and become a plane's bombardier. One fateful day his plane crashes and he finds himself on a raft in the middle of the ocean. This is man must face many challenges harder than anything that his experience has prepared him for. His story is one of immense fortitude.

Other books we are adding are: "Another Piece of My Heart," by Jane Green; "Wicked Business: A Lizzy and Diesel Novel," by Janet Evanovich; "Where We Belong," by Emily Giffin; "Turn of Mind," by Alice LaPlante; "Black List: A Thriller," by Brad Thor; "Line of Fire," by Stephen White; "Summer House: A Novel," by Nancy Thayer. and a nonfiction work, "Drift: The Unmooring of American Military Power," by Rachel Maddow.

We are still on summer hours until after Labor Day, Sept. 3. Opening at 9 a.m., we close at 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, at 8 p.m. Thursday, at 5 p.m. Friday and at 4 p.m. Saturday. Sunday hours are 1 to 4 p.m. See you in the library!

## Nursing students receive scholarships

Twenty nursing students have been chosen to receive Neville Nursing Scholarships for the 2012-13 school year.

The Maxine Neville Endowment Fund of \$1.4 million was bequeathed to the college foundation in 2010 to support scholarships for top candidates in the college nursing programs, said foundation Director Nick Wells.

Neville, who was born and lived her entire life in Thomas County, graduated from the Gem Consolidated School in 1932. She was a pioneer among women farmers and understood the hard work involved in making a living on the farm. She worked hard herself and was frugal in all of her business and management decisions. Even at the age of 94, she enjoyed a ride into the country to look at her wheat crop. Neville died in September 2008 at the age of 94.

Students who will receive \$3,900 each for the 2012-13 school year include:

Jessica Haase, Kimberly Rohr, Tiffany Focke, Colby; Sarah Harrison, Oakley; Whitney Schultz, Brewster; Amber Simmens, Leann Henderson, Amanda Majors, Kynzie Stevens, Norton; Sandra Bradshaw, Hill City; Dana Pierce, Ransom; Bridget Corcoran, Oberlin; Nicole Mattheyer, WaKeeney; Shannon Herl, Grainfield; Rachael Summers, Ellis; and Rachel Snyder, Stockton; Patricia Loing, Denver; Stephanie Tauchen, Stratton, Colo.; Victoria Herrera, Burlington, Colo.; and Gina Dvorak, Loveland, Colo.

The college offers practical nursing classes in Norton, Colby, Goodland and WaKeeney. Associate degree programs are offered in Norton, Colby and WaKeeney. Several programs are offered during the evening hours. For information, contact Director of Nursing Ruth Wolfram at (785) 460-5444. For information about the Endowment Foundation, call Wells at 460-4684.

## Oakley woman's quilts go to Madison, Wis., quilt expo

Gail Eberle of Oakley had quilts titled "In the LimeLight" and "Something's Fishy" accepted in the 2012 Quilt Expo contest, part of the eighth annual Quilt Expo on Thursday to Saturday, Sept. 6 to 8, in the Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison, Wis.

Quilts accepted in the 10-cate-

gory contest are judged on visual impact and stitching technique. Awards are given for best of show, and first, second and third-place in each category. One quilt is selected for a viewers' choice award.

The expo also includes hundreds of quilts on exhibit, a vendor mall, stage presentations and workshops.

## Three rescued owls released

HUTCHINSON (AP) – Three snowy white baby owls rescued and raised at the Hutchinson Zoo are back in the wild.

A Reno County resident found the owls three months ago when cutting down a tree. At the time, they were so small that zoo staff didn't know what kind of owls they were.

After being raised at the zoo's rehabilitation center, the last of the three owls was released Wednesday.

Zoo director Jana Durham says the three were among 10 owls rehabilitated at the zoo this year. She says she's not sure why the zoo rehabilitated so many owls this year.

## Parade to honor Butterfield's 125th

Sunday, Sept. 2, hitch up the team, load the family and head to Russell Springs for Old Settler's Day.

The Butterfield Trail Association and the City of Russell Springs are planning a special program in recognition of Russell Springs' 125th anniversary.

Everyone is encouraged to enter floats, antique cars, horse-drawn conveyances, horses, bicycles or anything else that would contribute to a grand 125th Anniversary Parade. The parade will begin at 10 a.m., followed by a Cow-Chip Throw.

The day will begin at 8 a.m. with a nondenominational church service at St. Francis Chapel. Old Settlers (70 and older) should after the service at the stage coach building on the museum grounds.

At noon, hamburgers will be

provided by the association. Bring a side dish, lawn chairs and an appetite.

At 1 p.m., Old Settlers will be recognized and the memorial list read. A program, "Orphan Trains in Kansas," presented by Marilyn Holt, Abilene, follows, sponsored by the Kansas Humanities Council. Other activities are being planned.

Russell Springs began in 1865 as Eaton, a stage station on Butterfield's Overland Despatch, a freight and stage service that ran from Atchison to Denver on the Smoky Hill Trail. In 1866, Butterfield sold to "Stage Coach King" Ben Holladay, who in turn sold the operation to Wells Fargo. In 1887, Russell Springs was organized as a city and designated the county seat of Logan County, which it remained until 1963.

## Colby College art department to add new evening craft class

Rebel Jay, Colby Community College art instructor, will offer a craft class on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. beginning this fall.

The class will devote four weeks to stained glass, four weeks with batik taught by Donna Roberts, four weeks on clay techniques and four weeks doing leather tooling and creation of an object.

## Clarification

The article "Council OKs \$20.4 million budget" on Page 1 of the Friday, Aug. 10, *Colby Free Press* reported that the city considered a cost-of-living increase of 3.6 percent for the city's lowest-paid employees, who make \$10.31 an hour. The city is actually considering a cost-of-living for all entry-level positions, regardless of their pay. This was a misunderstanding

during the interview. "We'll be using four different mediums taught by four instructors," said Jay. "I am asking that anyone who is interested in this class contact me as soon as possible. The class size will be limited to 10 to 12."

Contact Jay at (785) 269-7065, 460-5459 or by e-mail at rebel.jay@colbycc.edu.

## Deaths

### Landan James Fringer

Landan James Fringer, 3 months, 14 days old, died Thursday, Aug. 9, 2012, at the Via Christi St. Francis Hospital in Wichita.

He was born April 26, 2012, in Colby, to Ameree (Fringer) Greene of Grinnell, and Terry Lance Hays of Colby.

Survivors include his parents, two sisters, Kaylie Greene and Kellie Greene, of the home; his maternal grandparents, Kim Fringer, Palco, and Dan Fringer, Colby; paternal grandparents, Terry Foster, Natoma, and Tammy Foster, Zurich; maternal great-grandmothers Kathy Fringer, Mitchell, Neb., and Linda Tanner, Loveland, Colo.; maternal

great-great-grandmother Dorothy Richards, Hoxie; and four aunts, Justine Fringer, Kylee Fringer, Tori Fringer and Brittany Fringer, and an uncle, Braydan Fringer, all of Colby.

Graveside services are planned for 10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 17, 2012, at the Oberlin Cemetery. There will be no visitation; cremation.

The family suggests contributions to the Landan Fringer Memorial Fund, in care of the Mickey-Leopold Funeral Home, Box 987, Hoxie, Kan., 67740.

Condolences may be sent at www.mickeyleopoldfuneral.com.

## Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday at Colby Community College with 25 members and guests Jory and Lynette Koon attending.

Wayne Horlacher had the program. His guest was Jory Koon speaking on the Thomas County 4-H shooting sports program and his trip to nationals. Koon is a 10-year member of the Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club and a nine-year participant in the shooting sports project. There are approximately 20 Thomas County 4-Hers involved. They practice once a week with instructors Chad Zimmerman, Ross Sloan and Mike Wetter. Koon is a junior instructor.

He said the goals of the project are to teach fundamentals about guns, including marksmanship,

sportsmanship and safe, responsible gun-handling skills. Participants practice from November to March. Koon qualified for state competition in air rifle and air pistol; he was the top qualifier in air pistol for national competition at state.

The national competition this spring was in Grand Island, Neb. Koon showed a video of competition highlights; 33 states were represented with a total of 536 participants. Kansas had 35 participants. Koon placed 20th out of 45 in his competition and Kansas placed third overall.

Ron Evans won Roto-Lotto.

Rotary meets weekly in Room 106 of the Student Union.

- Relda Galli

## Logan's Labor Day has something for all

The 36th annual Logan Labor Day celebration, sponsored by the Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum and Dane G. Hansen Foundation, will feature a full day of free activities Sunday, Sept. 2, at the Logan Golf Course on highway K-9 north of town.

The celebration begins with an ecumenical church service sponsored by the Logan Chamber, a remote fly-in, and at 9 a.m., a sand volleyball tournament. The Chamber food booth will open at 8 a.m. and the Sno-Cone Shack will begin serving at 10. Main Street Pizza will be serving slices.

Vehicles will roll in for the Dane G. Bales Jr. Memorial Car Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A shuttle will be running back and forth to the museum downtown for the exhibit, "Eat Well, Play Well." The Siruta Pedal Pullers' state-sanctioned Kid's Tractor Pull starts at 2. Children's entertainment during the day includes King of the Mountain 18-foot slide and castle bouncer from 9:30 to 5:30) and the RTS Express train from 2 to 4.

Scout groups will have activities throughout the day for all children.

The Prairie Dusters Mounted Drill Team from the Logan area plans to offer horse rides beginning at 3 p.m., and at 4:30 p.m. members will demonstrate their precision drill routines featuring costumes, horses and flag ceremonies.

Appearing on stage at 5:30 will be the "Dueling Pianos," two musicians from Denver. You can request your favorite song, but the crowd determines what's played. Caz Bzdek and Geoffrey Celluer perform the entire show on portable baby grand piano replicas.

At 7:30 p.m., "Black Diamond," one of the premiere bands in Midwest country music will perform. The group has shared the stage with countless country stars and racked up 10 years of continuous performances at the Iowa State Fair.

Following the evening entertainment, Rainbow Fireworks of Inman will light up the sky with a display which can be seen for miles around. There are no admission fees.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day

Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$7.89
Corn (bushel)	\$7.99
Milo (hundredweight)	\$13.52
Soybeans (bushel)	\$15.49

**THANK YOU**  
to all the generous pet lovers who helped make our 4th Annual Lemonade Stand a big success! All donations will benefit the Northwest Kansas Animal Shelter. Your support is greatly appreciated!  
- April Swartz

**English as a Second Language Class Information Meeting**

Wednesday  
August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m.  
at the  
Thomas County Learning Center  
485 N. Chickamauga  
Colby, KS 67701

For more information call 785-465-7900

## Public Notice

### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of **Smith Township, Thomas County**

will meet on August 29, 2012 at 7:00 PM at Rexford City Building for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax. Detailed budget information is available at 1959 County Road 36, Rexford and will be available at this hearing.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2013 Expenditures and Amount of 2012 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2013 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2011		Current Year Estimate 2012		Proposed Budget 2013		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate*	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2012 Ad Valorem Tax	Est. Tax Rate*
General	3,228	2.517	21,487	2.521	23,865	6,000	1.917
Road	10,432	15.560	30,803	15.604	74,751	30,680	12.723
Totals	13,660	18.077	52,290	18.125	98,616	36,680	14.640
Less: Transfers	0		0		0		
Net Expenditure	13,660		52,290		98,616		
Total Tax Levied	33,406		36,198		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
Total Assessed Valuation	2,443,586		2,613,902		3,129,901		
Township Assessed Valuation Only					2,411,364		

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills.

Mark Anderson  
Treasurer

**You're Invited to a Welcome Reception**

**Dr. John Dygert and Family**

Please come and help us welcome Dr. Dygert and his family to Colby and the Family Center for Health Care.

**Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> • 5 - 7 p.m.**  
Meadowlake Golf Course • 1085 E. Golf Club Rd.

To Schedule an appointment with Dr. Dygert - 785.462.6184 or 1.800.453.6751

