

Babies

Kayla Nicole Paz Barraza

Kayla Nicole Paz Barraza, daughter of Teresa Barraza and Jose Paz of Atwood, was born Friday, March 1, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She

weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and measured 21 inches.

Brothers Alexander, Jose and Dominik Paz welcomed her home.

Hayden Scott Sutherland

Hayden Scott Sutherland, son of Chantelle Beneda and Josh Sutherland of Oberlin, was born Thursday, Feb. 28, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and measured 18 1/4 inches.

Brothers Peyton and Bentley welcomed him home.

Grandparents are Ron Beneda and Greg and Terese Vontz, all of Oberlin, and Dennis and Debi Sutherland of Salem, Ark.

Charlee Paige Louderback

Charlee Paige Louderback, daughter of Alex and Dawn Louderback of Oberlin, was born Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches.

Sister Elleigh Walker and brother Brennen Louderback welcomed her home.

Grandparents are Dean and Ardiith Louderback of Oberlin, Bill Walker of Kearney, Neb., and Rae Walker of Oberlin.

Change your batteries, says state fire marshal

State Fire Marshal Doug Jorgensen and his staff remind all Kansans this weekend is time to "Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries."

By routinely changing the batteries in smoke detectors at the same time they adjust their clocks for Daylight Saving Time, Kansans can safeguard the lives of their loved ones.

"Your risk of dying in a fire is greatly reduced when your home is equipped with working smoke alarms," said Jorgensen. "Having smoke detectors with dead batteries is no different than having no smoke detectors at all. When you turn back your clocks, take the time to protect your family by changing the batteries on your smoke detectors and testing them to make sure they are in proper working order."

According to the National Fire Protection Association, almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in properties without working smoke alarms. A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.

To protect your home, follow these smoke alarm safety tips:

- Install smoke alarms in every

bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of your home, including in the basement.

- Smoke alarms with non-replaceable (long-life) batteries are designed to remain effective for up to 10 years. If the alarm chirps, warning that the battery is low, replace the entire smoke alarm right away.

- For smoke alarms with any other type of battery, replace batteries at least once a year. If that alarm chirps, replace only the battery. Date each unit when they are installed and replace them after 10 years, or sooner if they don't successfully pass the test by sounding the alarm when the test button is pressed.

In addition to changing smoke alarm batteries, it is also a good idea to practice a family escape plan:

- Plan and practice two escape routes out of every room in your house.
- Designate an outside meeting place.
- In case of fire, call 911 once you are safely outside your home.
- Once outside, stay outside and don't return for anything – not even a pet.

On God's team, everyone's a winner

Are you on a team? Have you ever been on a team?

From my experiences of being on a team, playing was much more fun than watching. Getting to be "in on the action" seemed to be more rewarding. Having the pressure on myself to do well for the team was what I wanted. Even to this day, I like to be involved in any team I'm on, versus watching others participate.

Unfortunately, when I played some sports in middle school, I sarcastically say that I was a "participant" rather than a "competitor." I was not anything near being the star of the team, though I greatly enjoyed my time playing and being involved. As I became an adult, I grew more talented in various sports, though I found my niche in other areas, still greatly involved with the team.

With that desire to be involved in any team I'm on, one of the greater teams I enjoy being involved with is God's team. His always wins and anyone who plays on a team enjoys winning.

With that, I take great joy in participating in God's team and his game plan to save man! It makes me look forward to each encounter I have with people.

"How am I going to take this person one step closer to Jesus?" That is a thought I have most of the time. Sometimes, my human weakness gets in the way and I don't always see what I probably need to see in an encounter. However, it does make me look back and ask, "What part did I play with them?"

We have such a great opportunity to go in and be a hero to people by giving them the best thing they



Jarrod Spencer

From the Pulpit

could ever want – Jesus! I don't care if they already know Jesus, give 'em more. No one ever had too much Jesus.

When I read this verse, I like to read it over and over – panning for a little more gold each time – and each time, I always find gold.

"There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men" (1 Corinthians 12:6).

I love asking God to "surprise me" on a regular basis. And, I am amazed what it does for me. I am surprised almost every day. I never know what is going to be around the corner waiting for me to participate in.

I hope you will take time to think about what part you play on God's team and put your self in the game and go look for the many opportunities that will come your way.

The best part about all of the times I ask God to surprise me – I have the opportunity to play on his team. I am never the star – that will always be him, but I played a part and it is awesome.

What will the weekend hold? What did your week or weekend entail?

*Jarrod Spencer, former minister at Colby Church of Christ, has recently moved from Colby to take a position as the wellness coordinator for Finney County employees in Garden City. He can be reached by e-mail at jarrods@att.net.*

Colby student honored

Mortar Board at the University of Nebraska at Kearney recently held its second annual freshman and sophomore recognition night to honor students who have achieved a 3.7 grade average or higher.

Laura Juenemann, a sophomore from Colby was among those recognized.

The university's Senior Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Charles Bicak was the keynote speaker at the event, which approximately 100 students and more than 15 faculty members attended.

Mortar Board is a national honor society for college seniors.

Corrections

The story "Legislators talk to voter about issues" on Page 1 of the Wednesday, March 6, issue of the *Colby Free Press*, gave the number of a bill incorrectly.

County Commissioner Mike Baughn said he was talking about House Bill 2285, which deals with property taxes on commercial fixtures, and not labor negotiations.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$6.88
Corn (bushel)	\$7.03
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.93
Soybeans (bushel)	\$13.83

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Deaths

Maria A. Diaz

Maria A. Diaz, 79, Colby, died Thursday, March 7, 2013, at the Hays Medical Center.

Services are pending with Kersensbrock Funeral Chapel in Colby, 462-7979.

High Plains Art Club

President Marlene Carpenter led the High Plains Art Club meeting on Feb. 12 at the Colby United Methodist Church with 12 members present.

Marge Brown reported the club got a Thomas County Community Foundation Grant. The check was presented during the afternoon session of the meeting.

The library chairs that were painted by art club members were on display in the window at Plum Creek. Bids are being accepted at the library and the winners will be announced Tuesday.

Brown asked that members look at the pictures in the historian's book and make sure they were correctly identified.

Carpenter reported she sent e-mails to several people at clubs in McCook and Quinter about the Pastel workshop to be Saturday, and others were sent to Palco. There will be soup served so attendees don't have to leave for lunch.

Alice Wolf had the program, the first half of a DVD on painting with pastels. Carpenter will show the rest in March. The DVD is "A Practical Guide to Materials and Techniques," by Gregory Bionchini, Pastel Society of America.

The next meeting will be Tuesday. Mary McNutt provided refreshments.

– Alice Wolf, Secretary

Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club

The Abilene Hustlers 4-H Club gathered Monday for its regular monthly meeting at the Thomas County 4-H building. Vice President Brooke Ziegelmeier called the meeting to order and Halle Vaughn led the flag salute.

Cassie Wells called roll which was answered by the name of a crop. Josh Koon gave the parliamentary tip on reciting the American flag salute. Reports were given by club officers Cassie Wells, reporter, Josh Koon, council representative and Brandy Todd, community leader.

The March meeting is always

"Mini Club Day" and is used for preparation for the County Club Day coming up Friday, March 22. Project talks and demonstrations were given by Aliza Bartlett, Lakin Denny, Jake Koon, Josh Koon, Lewis Haines, Mac Haines, Kailey Shields, Tylor Todd, Hallie Vaughn, Hunter Vaughn, Cassie Wells, Brooke Ziegelmeier and Kinley Ziegelmeier.

Josh Koon read the program for April and Lewis and Mac Haines lead recreation. Shields lead the 4-H Pledge and the meeting was adjourned.

– Cassie Wells, reporter

Anthropological Association

The High Plains Chapter of the Kansas Anthropological Association met Jan. 20 at the Prairie Museum of Art and History.

Linda Davis-Stephens showed a film of a 1967 archaeological excavation conducted in the foothills of the Brooks Range in Alaska.

A business meeting followed, with officers elected: president, Rob Aiken; vice president, Rich Hawkins; historian and recorder, Linda Davis-Stephens; secretary-treasurer, Ann Miner.

The club discussed plans for an Archeology Day event at the museum during Archeology Month in April, similar to that held so successfully last year. This year will focus on tool-making and usage,

with several stations demonstrating different activities like flint-knapping, arrow-making, etc.

The Kansas Archeology Training Program field school will be just south of Hays at the site of the Billie Dixon Trading Post established around 1869. It will run from Saturday, June 1, to Sunday, June 16, and anyone above age 10 can participate.

The chapter meets quarterly and is open to all. Members are available to give education programs, help identify artifacts, record archaeological sites and answer questions.

Contact Ann Miner at 462-6399 for information.

– Ann Miner, secretary

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

Wednesday

7:30 a.m. – Participated in Walk/Bike to School Day.

10:54 a.m. – Caller reported dog at large. Dog taken to Colby Animal Clinic.

6 p.m. – Provided civil stand by.

8:29 p.m. – Report filed for battery.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Wednesday

8:41 a.m. – Brought prisoner from Rawlins County to Colby.

9:45 a.m. – Served arrest war-

rant on Jarrod Kenneth Ferguson.

10:17 a.m. – Released Tyler Garrett Heskett.

11:04 a.m. – Released Oscar Bridges III.

11:43 a.m. – Booked Ferguson.

1:56 p.m. – Released Charles Laroy McQueen.

3:01 p.m. – Released Brandon James Tittel.

5:25 p.m. – Report filed for violation of protection from abuse order in Brewster.

5:57 p.m. – Booked Spring Plummer.

Services Directory

Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.



**FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**, Pastor Dan Keel, 815 W. 3rd. Sundays at 2 p.m. 337-401-7207 (temp)

**CELEBRATION COMMUNITY CHURCH**, 1890 S. Franklin Ave. - Colby Community Building. Pastor Dave Funk. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. www.celebratejesus.org

**GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP**, 2nd and Sunrise, Oakley, Pastor James Bloom, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church 10:15 a.m., Wednesday evening Bible Study and Intercessory Prayer 6:30 p.m. 785-671-4020.

**COLBY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH**, 730 E. 3rd (former Jaycee's building), Pastor Bernard Heinz, 785-460-0313, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

**ASCENSION-ON-THE-PRAIRIE EPISCOPAL**, Rev. Don Martin, College Drive & Wheatridge Rd., 785-462-3041, Holy Eucharist, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday. Evening Prayer, 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, September through May.

**COLLEGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD**, 245 W. College Dr., Colby. Pastor Steve Todd. Sunday School 9 a.m. for all ages. Worship 10:15 a.m. Kid's Church for Kindergarten-5th grade during Worship Service. Nursery available for kids birth - 5 yrs old. Wednesday night: Family night September - May. Meal served 6 - 6:30 p.m. CD Kidz for kids birth - 5th grade, Youth Group for 6th - 12th graders and Adult Bible Study at 7 p.m. 785-462-8234. cdag@st-tel.net.

**BEREAN CHURCH**, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, www.colbyborean.com; Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. and Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Pastor Mark Carlton, Youth Pastor Ben Phillips. Middle School Group Wednesday 7 p.m. at the Attic and High School Youth Group Sunday 6 p.m. at the Attic. AWANA Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at the church.

**WINONA METHODIST CHURCH**, 501 Bellview Ave. Rev. Sheryl Johnson, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Morning Worship 9:15 a.m. (CDT)

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**, (Affiliated with American Baptist Churches USA) Rev. James Bridges, 615 W. Webster, 785-462-2867. Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.; Family Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

**COLLEGE VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH** (Affiliated with Southern Baptist), 1185 Wheatridge Rd. at College Drive, 785-460-7144, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship services, 10:45 a.m. Prayer Service at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday's. Contemporary Evening Service at 4 p.m. through the semester.

**PLEASANT HOME CHURCH**, Pastor, Perry Baird, 785-728-7380, 3190 Road 70, Edson, Worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (MST)

**MINGO BIBLE CHURCH**, 420 Main Mingo, 785-462-2992: An independent community church served by Village Missions Pastor Tom Peyton. Sunday School: 9:30AM - all ages. Worship Services: 10:45AM. Sunday Evenings 6:30. 3rd Sunday informal fellowship - bring a snack to share! First Sunday of month - carry-in dinner following morning worship.

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC**, 785-462-2179, Father Dana Clark, Pastor, Saturday Eve. Mass 5:30 p.m., Sunday Masses 8:00 & 10:00 a.m., Confessions will be heard Saturday 4:30-5:05 p.m. and from 7:30-7:45 a.m. and 9:25-9:40 a.m. on Sunday.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, Rev. Carol Rahn, 515 W. 4th, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website colbypres.org.

**THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF, REXFORD**, Joan Dingwerth, Director, 785-687-2565.

**WESLEYAN CHURCH**, 320 W. Pine - 785-462-8391, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:40 a.m., Sunday Evening Cell groups at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Youth Ministries, Kids Clubhouse 7 p.m.

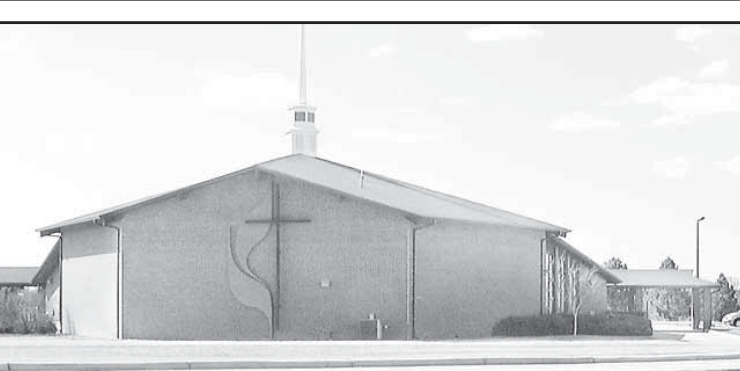
**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**, 1145 S. Franklin - 785-460-6605, President Andy Rose, 785-460-6807. Sacrament meeting 10 a.m., Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m., Priesthood, Relief Society, YM/YW, 12:10 p.m.; Family History Center open by appointment. Call 785-462-3571.

**REDEEMING LOVE MINISTRIES, INC.**, 345 N. Franklin, Dr. W.G. and Rev. Orvella Romine, Equipping Class, Sunday, 9 a.m., Sunday worship, 10 a.m., Wednesday, R.L.M Training Centers (Bible School), 6 p.m. Shop online at: www.rlmregionalchurch.com.

**COLBY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, Rev. James Markdock, pastor, 950 S. Franklin, 785-460-6521, Sunday Worship Services at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m., Fellowship coffee 9:30 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., KXXX broadcasts 11:00 worship. www.colbyumc.org

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**, 510 E. 4th, Sunday Bible Study 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Bible Study 7:00 p.m. www.colbychurch.com

**OUR SAVIORS LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 217 Main St., Brewster, 785-694-2751. Sunday worship 10:00 a.m.



Colby United Methodist Church

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**, (Disciples of Christ), 385 W. 3rd - 785-460-2718, Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church at 10:00 a.m.

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Rev. Robert Alexander, East 5th & Country Club, 785-462-3497, Services, Sat., 5:30 p.m., Beginning Sept. 2 - Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Adult Bible Class & Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Visit us at www.trinitycolby.com.

**LEVANT COMMUNITY CHURCH**, 205 1st St., Pastor Charles Taff, 785-586-2376, Sunday School (classes for 3 years & up and 3 adult classes) 9:30 a.m., Morning worship 10:30 a.m.

**BREWSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, PO Box 250, Brewster. Pastor Mike Baughn, 785-694-2278, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.

**REXFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Rexford, Pastor Lane Purcell, 785-687-3305, Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

**BREWSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH**, Mike Pinkelman, Pastor, Brewster - 785-694-2720, Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Bible Study 7:00 p.m., Wed. mornings 6:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Wed. 7:00 p.m. - Children's Ministries (Royal Rangers/Missionettes), Wed. 7:15 p.m. - Intercessory & Prayer, Tue. 5:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study.

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