

Students get busy recycling

This week I found a group of third and fourth graders working hard to make our school a great place. Mary Schmidt and her students take time each week to empty the recycle containers around the school and take the items to the community recycle trailer. The school has bins throughout the school for paper, plastic bottles, magazines and cardboard. The students gather and sort the items into bags according to labels on the recycle trailer bins and then take it all to the trailer. Thanks for your work, kids.

Don't forget these upcoming Brewster events:

- The Beta Federated Women's Club of Brewster will honor the fine art students of Brewster High School at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Brewster Methodist Church. They will be serving homemade ice cream and cookies. Entertainment will be provided by the Brewster music students, directed by Alice Collett. The art students will display the artwork they have completed this year under the instruction of Michele Werth. Look for further information on flyers around Brewster. Everyone is invited free of charge.
- The Brewster Lions Club



Teacher Mary Schmidt held the door of the recycling trailer in Brewster open as third and fourth graders Dominic Nichols, Kacey Felzein and Jade Hansen put in bags of bottles.

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Brewster Correspondent

grade school basketball will be Thursday. Supper will be served at 5:30 p.m. Games will begin at 6:30. There will be a drawing for a meat bundle. Tickets for the drawing can be purchased at the door or from any Lions member.

• Saturday is the annual Brewster Grocery fish fry. This year it

is from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the school lunchroom. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids ages 6 to 11. For tickets or information, stop by the store or contact any board member.

• As part of the Brewster beautification projects, the master gardeners of Brewster – Colleen Rall, Leisha Carpenter, LeAnne Carney and Lesa Juenemann – are asking for donations for the flower pots on the four corners of Main Street and Kansas Avenue. Last year was quite a challenge with the heat and wind, so plans are un-

derway to plant hardier varieties which will need to be purchased. Donation containers can be found at Brewster Grocery, the Co-Op, the Senior Center and the Craft Peddler. For information, contact one of the gardeners.

If you have Brewster news or upcoming events you would like to share please let me know. E-mail angiem@st-tel.net, call 694-3008 or drop information off at the Prairie Land Insurance office.

Anxious gardener, wait till it dries out

You know the routine. If you're a wild-eyed, avid gardener, you spend the winter months trying to decide what to plant, when to plant it and where to plant it. You buy your seed, check out the worthiness of the gardening equipment you will be using and then you pester the life out of family members and friends, complaining about how cold it is and how slowly the winter days go by.

Then, when you reach that magical moment when you determine it's time to plant onions and radishes, you look outside and there's 15 inches of snow on your garden plot and the soil temperature is 38 degrees at the four-inch depth under buffalo sod.

You begin to panic. You suddenly realize it's going to be almost two weeks before you can realistically plant anything out there, and only if it doesn't rain or snow anymore – which it surely will. So you begin again to pester family members and friends and try to convince them that there just might not be a garden this year.

Not to worry. Change your plans. And then offer up a prayer of thanks for the abundant moisture we have received at a time of the year when we need it the most.

The radishes and onions will happily wait, and so will the peas, the spinach, the lettuce and the potatoes. The spuds may grow long sprouts before you can plant them, but that's all right. Gives them a head start when you do plant them.

If you have onion plants ready to go, just leave them in a cool, airy place. Do not put them in water or wet garden soil. They are in dormancy, and will stay in that state safely for at least a month.

All the aforementioned veg-



Kay Melia

The Gardener

etables are considered to be "early season" crops and can be planted in late March when soil temperatures are approaching 45 degrees. Now, because of the great moisture, we must delay our plantings. Don't even think about planting when it's muddy out there, or even wet. We have a growing season of about 150 days or more in the High Plains, so there is plenty of time to plant when the soil is ready.

There is a downside. Because of late planting, you may get only one "picking" of peas before June heat comes in and causes them to quit blooming. Spinach and lettuce may offer up a shorter period of harvest before they begin to bolt in the heat. In the case of potatoes, most varieties we plant will produce good crops even in warmer soils. I seldom plant spuds before April 15, and I know of a couple of gardeners who never plant them until around July 1. They claim that warmer soils enhance tuber size.

So, relax a little. Sharpen your hoe. Again. Review your planting location plan. If you decide not to plant peas and spinach because you feel it's too late, decide now what you will plant in their space.

Quit pestering family members and friends about the lateness of the season, unless we get a big snowstorm in mid-April. If that happens then I'll pester your family members and friends!

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

Tuesday

- 12:06 a.m. – Caller reported subjects being loud.
- 12:28 a.m. – Caller reported an unauthorized vehicle parked in her stall.
- 1:15 a.m. – Caller reported loud music being played. Subjects spoken to.
- 4:56 a.m. – Caller reported a semi in the ditch and blocking lanes in the 3400 block of W. Fourth.
- 10:54 a.m. – Walk-through at Sacred Heart School.
- 11:52 a.m. – Assisted Community Corrections.
- 2:05 p.m. – Walk-through at Colby Animal Clinic.
- 3:44 p.m. – Landlord called about possible drug smell. Not found.
- 4:07 p.m. – Caller requested officer for assault. No report.
- 4:20 p.m. – Caller advised of damage to property. Report filed.
- 11:19 p.m. – Caller reported having items taken. Spoke with subject, no report.

THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF

March 22

- 12:09 a.m. – Report filed on traffic stop.
- 11:57 a.m. – Assisted Emergency Medical Services, rescue squad and Highway Patrol on auto accident with injury on eastbound I-70.
- 12:46 p.m. – Assisted Colby Police on juvenile call at Colby High School.
- 3:30 p.m. – Warrant served on Teri John.
- 3:30 p.m. – Warrant served on Edrei McCabe.
- 5:40 p.m. – Released McCabe.
- 5:49 p.m. – Released John.

March 23

- 4:57 p.m. – Caller reported cattle on U.S. 83. Owners removed cattle from roadway.
- 6:31 p.m. – Booked Urberto Dotson.

March 24

- 12:07 a.m. – Received 911 call from a subject that was stuck in a snowdrift. Vehicle pulled out, escorted to Budget Inn.
- 12:33 a.m. – Subject walking on W. Fourth St. No report.
- 10:13 a.m. – Subject called in reference to call at 12:07 a.m. looking for her adult son in vehicle last heard from at location. Advised OK.
- 11:44 a.m. – Vehicle stalled

Corrections

The Colby Free Press wants to maintain an accurate record of our town. Please report any error or lack of clarity in a news story to us at 462-3963.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$6.83
Corn (bushel)	\$6.97
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.96
Soybeans (bushel)	\$13.14

in roadway in Rexford, no one around. Contacted owner who had help coming.

2:17 p.m. – Caller was stuck in mud in reference to call at 12:07 a.m. At 2:34 p.m., reporting party advised he had a tractor coming for him; all OK.

7:21 p.m. – Booked Lucas Turner.

7:54 p.m. – Released Turner.

Last Monday

12:58 a.m. – Traveler's assistance given.

10:08 a.m. – Karlee Wilson arrested in Goodland.

12:38 p.m. – Semi blocking road on Willow. Driver had help coming.

12:39 p.m. – Subject advised of assault. Report filed. Police assisted.

1:19 p.m. – Booked Evan Mainus.

2:56 p.m. – Booked Patrick Burton.

4:14 p.m. – Report filed for animal complaint.

4:38 p.m. – Booked Duane Brown.

1:01 p.m. – Booked Scott M. Stevens.

11:24 p.m. – Released Stevens.

Tuesday

4:56 a.m. – Caller reported a semi in the ditch and blocking a lane on W. Fourth. Report filed for driving under the influence. Butch's towed vehicle.

7:21 a.m. – Booked Philip Dean

Schmidt.

8:32 a.m. – Abandoned vehicle. Owner arrived to pull vehicle out of ditch.

8:38 a.m. – Superintendent at Golden Plains School requested welfare check on student.

10:02 a.m. – Assisted Highway Patrol at I-70 exit 53.

10:15 a.m. – Assisted Highway Patrol on I-70.

10:54 a.m. – Took prisoners to Rawlins County.

12:01 p.m. – Released Schmidt.

12:13 p.m. – Assisted Highway Patrol on I-70.

2:08 p.m. – Took prisoners to Rawlins County.

1:31 p.m. – Released Burton.

1:42 p.m. – Booked Jimmy Thomas Stevenson.

2:41 p.m. – Booked Christian Kaiser.

3:19 p.m. – Released Kaiser.

3:33 p.m. – Booked Jenna Randall.

3:52 p.m. – Released Randall.

4:05 p.m. – Booked Monica Sayarath.

4:05 p.m. – Booked Alvaro A. Rivera.

5:14 p.m. – Booked Isaiah A. Castillo.

5:07 p.m. – Shawn West arrested on warrant.

6:38 p.m. – Booked Daniel Osola.

7:15 p.m. – Booked Joshua Barrett.

7:35 p.m. – Narcotics violation

In Memory of Betty



Please do a random act of kindness for a stranger today.

Betty Woerpel

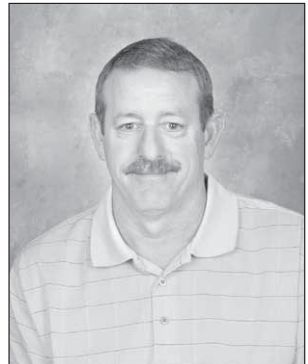
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We miss you!

Claude, Todd, Troy, Jeryleen, Julie, Tatum, Jessie, Eli & Greyson

ELECT

Edward "Bill" Mariman
CITY COUNCIL - WARD 2



"Count on me to listen"

I would appreciate your vote on April 2nd.

Paid for by Edward "Bill" Mariman, Candidate
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report filed on traffic stop on I-70.

7:39 p.m. – Booked Aaron Nichols.

8:02 p.m. – Booked West.

8:34 p.m. – Booked Dylan Pittman.

8:41 p.m. – Released Pittman.

9:23 p.m. – Released West.

Customer Appreciation

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, April 4th

11:00am - 3:00pm

Implement Tires
\$77
9.5L-15 8 Ply

\$15 OFF
Alignment
with this ad

Enjoy a sloppy joe lunch with sides and desert on Thursday and take advantage of tire and service specials all month long!

Tire Specials Service Specials Door Prizes

MICHELIN
\$70 BACK*
With the purchase of an set of four Michelin brand passenger or light truck tires.

Firestone
\$100 BACK*
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