

Deaths

Nancy Louise Weese

Nancy Louise Weese, 65, Greeley, Colo., formerly of Colby, died Monday, April 1, 2013, at the Hospice of Northern Colorado in Greeley.

She was born March 25, 1948, in Colby, the daughter of Virgil and Rosalie (McBride) Carl. In 1965, she graduated from Colby High School, going on to attend the Northwest Kansas Vocational School in Goodland, where she earned a cosmetology certificate.

On July 14, 1974, she married Roger Weese in Colby. They lived in Wray, Colo. Following his death, she lived in several places including Colby before making Greeley her home.

She was a cosmetologist for over 40 years, as a hair stylist and part-owner of Salon at Tuscany in Greeley. In her spare time, she

enjoyed flower gardening, raising dogs and interior decorating.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband on Oct. 1, 1989, a brother, Gary Carl, and a sister, Rozanne Vohs.

Survivors include three sons, Brad (Carrie) Weese, Wray; Bryan Weese, Garden City; and Ryan Weese, Fort Collins, Colo.; two brothers, Donnie (Shirley) Carl, Johnstown, Colo., and Virgil Carl Jr., Manhattan, Mont.; and five grandchildren.

Memorial services were Friday, April 5, 2013, at Bittersweet Park in Greeley.

The family suggests memorials to a fund in her name in care of Adamson Funeral and Cremation Service, 2000 47th Ave., Greeley, Colo., 80634.

Lawrence E. Deaver

Lawrence E. Deaver, 89, Garden City, brother of Dale Deaver of Levant, died Monday, April 15, 2013, at the St. Catherine Hospital in Garden City.

He was born July 30, 1923, in Logan County, the son of Ed and Anna (Blau) Deaver.

He was a World War II Navy fighter pilot, after the service he owned and operated Deaver's Retail Liquor Store in Garden City for many years, recently transporting vehicles for local car dealers.

On Jan. 18, 1947, he married Eva P. Jennings in Oakley.

He was a member of the St. Mary Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Moose Lodge, Eagles Lodge and the Elks Lodge all of Garden City.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, on Feb. 18,

2006, a son, Jim Deaver; two brothers, Virgil Deaver and Gene Deaver; and four sisters, Martha Crouse, Doris Wright, Elizabeth David and Aleen Frazier.

Survivors also include a daughter, Sue Deaver, Lakin; two sons, Mike Deaver, Sherman, Texas, and Tim Deaver, Garden City; two more siblings, Effie Cleverger, WaKeeney, and Bernice Straub, Oakley; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 19, 2013, at the church in Garden City, with burial in the Valley View Cemetery in Garden City.

No visitation.

The family suggests memorials to the church in care of Price and Sons Funeral Home, 620 N. Main St., Garden City, Kan., 67846.

Daughters of Isabella

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Circle of the Daughter of Isabella met April 4 for a meal of lasagna, salad, breadsticks, bar cookies and chocolate layer cake. Hostesses were Laura Krejci, Charlene Barnett and Alex Williams.

Following the meal, Charlene Barnett called the meeting to order. Following opening activities, Donna Juenemann read a communication from Melissa Augustine who said she will be happy to join the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Wichita on Saturday, May 11. She will wear blue to designate she is a postulant. After six months, she can begin wearing a white veil as a novice for two years. It will take three years until she can say her final vows. The sisters now live in Wichita but have purchased 80 acres of land northwest of Wichita.

The group will have a special mass said on Saturday, May 11, in Augustine's honor. Donna and Kevin Juenemann are helping at the Max Jones Field House to help pack meals for Feed My Starving Children. The meals are rice, soy and vegetables and cost 22 cents each. They will feed 13,000 children each day in 67 countries around the world. Margaret Denneler suggested the group donate the money in their pennies from heaven can to this cause.

Joan Albers reported there were over 600 known babies saved at last count from 40 Days for Life.

Seven people ordered Daughters of Isabella shirts. Theresa Baker thanked the group for a card and candle given at the time of the death of her brother.

Jeannie Solko sent a letter about the parish's June golf tournament. The group voted to donate \$50 as a hole sponsor.

Barnett, Denneler, Nancy Barlow and Rosemary Bange plan to attend a conference in Russell. Barnett donated a basket to be taken to the auction at the conference. Rhonda Rogers donated a book and Pat Erickson and Barnett plan to donate other items along with \$25 in cash from the group.

—Margaret Denneler

Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$7.01
Corn (bushel)	\$6.68
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.39
Soybeans (bushel)	\$13.21

Master gardeners to offer spring tips

Spring has sprung — we hope — so the Thomas County master gardeners invite the public to informative horticulture sessions Tuesday at the Thomas County Office Complex.



Diann Gerstner

• Knowledge for Life

At 5:30 p.m., Julie Niehage, Golden Prairie Extension Agent will be giving tips and tricks for growing great tomatoes. At 6:15 p.m., Jim Strine, Northwest Area Extension Forester, will be doing a tree pruning and planting demonstration and talking about tree care. At 7:30 p.m., Julie will be speaking again, this time about the top 40 annuals. These varieties have been tested for our climate and are the best means to success.

A light meal will be provided, or feel free to bring your own brown bag. For information, contact the Thomas County Extension Office at 460-4582.

Speaking of horticulture, it's time to put down crabgrass preventer. That's another name for pre-emergence herbicides that prevent crabgrass seeds from developing into mature plants. They do not keep the seed from germinating but kill the young plant. Crabgrass preventers, with few exceptions, have no effect on existing crabgrass plants, so must be applied before germination. Additionally, preventers do not last forever once applied to the soil. Most, if applied too early, lose strength before they are needed.

Most crabgrass preventers are ineffective after 60 days, but there is considerable variation.

For most of Kansas, crabgrass begins to germinate around May 1; April 15 is a good target date for applying preventer because it has time to evenly disperse in the soil. For us in northwest Kansas, May 1 is best.

Since this year has been cooler than normal, germination will be later. For this reason it is better to base timing on the bloom of ornamental plants like the eastern redbud tree. When the trees approach full bloom, apply crabgrass preventer. A follow-up application will be needed in eight weeks unless you are using Dimension or Barricade.

Dimension and Barricade are the only products that give season-long control of crabgrass from a single application. They can be applied earlier than April 15 and still last the season.

Barricade can even be applied in the fall for crabgrass control the next season. Dimension can be ap-

plied as early as March 1. Because of the added flexibility in timing, these products are favorites of lawn care companies.

Though Dimension cannot be applied as early as Barricade, it is the best choice if it must be applied later than recommended. It can kill crabgrass as long as it is young (two- to three-leaf stage). Dimension is also the best choice to treat a lawn planted late last fall.

Normally a pre-emergence herbicide is not recommended unless the lawn has been mowed two to four times, but it is kind to young tall fescue, perennial ryegrass, and Kentucky bluegrass seedlings and can be applied as early as two weeks after germination. Lawns established in the fall can be safely treated with Dimension the following spring even if they have not been mowed.

Products containing Dimension and Barricade may use the common chemical names — for Dimension, dithiopyr, and for Barricade, prodiamine. Remember, read the label and follow instructions.

On another note, what a difference a year makes! Last year, many plants were in full bloom. This year, the only plant in full bloom on April 1 was winter honeysuckle.

Last year we were two to three weeks ahead of normal. Now we are behind.

Take forsythia, for example. An average date for full bloom has been about the third week in March. The earliest we have seen full bloom on forsythia since 2005 has been March 10, 2006, and the latest was April 5, 2008.

We are about two weeks behind normal and about a month behind last year. This does not mean we will stay two weeks behind. Below normal temperatures will cause plants to lag even further, while above normal temperatures may allow us to at least partially catch up. Regardless, it appears "normal" in Kansas is just an average of the extremes.

Diann Gerstner is the family and consumer sciences agent for the Thomas County Extension office.

Open house planned for 65th anniversary

The children of Alfred and Kathryn (Hammett) Gerstner plan an open house in honor of their 65th anniversary from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at 8 Ford Dr., Colby.



The Gerstners in 2013

The couple married April 20, 1948, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Salina. Alfred was the manager of Great Plains Electric and Kathryn was a housewife. They are now retired.

They have eight children: Linda (Garold) Stockman, Cindy Gerstner, Diane Gerstner, Ann (Cary) Siemsen, Chris (Diann) Gerstner, Rex Gerstner, Laura Mueller and Melissa (Robert) Haberkorn. They have 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family requests no gifts.



The Gerstners in 1948

Corrections

In the article "AlAnon family group to meet" on Page 3 of the Wednesday, April 10, Colby Free Press, Debbie Mariman's name was misspelled. This was a reporting error.

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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.

Thank You

everyone, who sent cards, attended my retirement reception, all the phone calls and everyone who I met around town, who greeted me with congratulations. All of this meant a great deal to me and my family.

Floyd Highland

Got news? Tell us! Call 462-3963

Peggy Saddler will celebrate her 80th Birthday on April 28th.

Her family invites you to send birthday wishes to:

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Colby, KS 67701

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CHS Forensics Team Presents:

COFFEE HOUSE NIGHT

A showcase of CHS Forensics performances combined with coffee, tea and many choices of homemade desserts.

Thursday, April 25th • 7:00 p.m.

Pioneer Memorial Library, Basement Meeting Area

Enjoy an evening of relaxation and entertainment. (free will donation)

MOONLIGHT GARDENS

Greenhouse will **OPEN FOR THE SEASON Saturday, April 20th**

Time to bring planters out for "re-pots"

Hours:
Monday - Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday - 12 - 4 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday open until 8 p.m.

Located:
From Colby Hwy 24/25 stop light: 3 miles North on Hwy 25, 1/2 mile West
785-462-6355

3rd Annual **Celebrity Waiter Dinner**

This is a benefit for the: Heartland Christian School (new fire alarm system) & Sacred Heart School (playground equipment and improvements)

April 25th, 2013 5:30 - 7:30 PM
MEAL TIMES: 5:30, 6:15 & 7:00
At the American Legion

Celebrity Waiter Teams

Heartland Christian School Paul and Jenny Niblock Michael Schriener and Nancy Ohlrogge Mark and Marilee Gundlach Stephen and Debra Bear	Sacred Heart School Megan Rietcheck and Michelle Quint Dave and Melanie Voss Christina Jaeger and Jennifer Thompson Wally Severson, Ariel Severson, Morgan Sanguinetti
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Whichever celebrity team makes the most tips, wins a prize

\$10 per plate
-Chicken Pesto Penne Pasta
-Served with green beans, garlic toast & dessert

This is a come & go event! Just pick your time and waiter and RSVP to the Chamber Office by April 19th at 460-3401!

For any questions or to RSVP, please call the Chamber office at 460-3401. Make checks to the school of your choice, and please write "donation" on the memo line.

Farmers & Merchants Bank of Colby

The Armouraires Quartet

IN CONCERT: Sunday, April 21 • 6:30 p.m.
Mingo Bible Church • 420 Main Street, Mingo, KS

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For Information: Pastor Tom Peyton - 785-462-2930