

'Buy a sophomore for a day,' says Golden Plains Class of '15

By Taylor Todd
Golden Plains High School

Do you have any dreaded spring cleaning you've been putting off? Or maybe your yard could use a little sprucing up before summer. The Golden Plains High School sophomore class is offering a solution.

On Thursday the Class of 2015 will be auctioned off as workers at their annual ice cream social-worker auction. The ice cream social will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the spring music concert, and then the auction.

The worker auction has been a tradition at Golden Plains for as long as most alumni can remember. Doug Todd remembers being "auctioned off" as a sophomore in 1959.

Sophomore class members will be auctioned off by Gary Gillum, Golden Plains alumnus, and sold to the highest bidder. Each student will be sold individually, contracted to the buyer for eight hours of work. The class will then also be sold as a unit.

"Buying us as a group would be great for big jobs, such as building fence, working cattle or cleaning out tree rows," said class member Rachael Ritter. The buyer of the group will receive all 10 students from 1 to 6 p.m., on a Sunday afternoon.

Members of the Golden Plains class of 2015 and their special talents are:

Alexus Luna. Alexis is a polite and respectful young lady. She loves baking, so if you have an event or want to bake items and put them in the freezer for future use, she's your girl. She also likes children; she would love to give you a day off by watching your kids.

Ana Bermudez. Ana is a very sweet girl who would be a great babysitter but is willing to try any work you might have for her.

Benny Martinez. Benny is a strong, stout young man. He has experience in farm work, and is willing to work hard at whatever is thrown his way.

Braden Korte. Braden likes to work outside, he is experienced in farm work. However, the girls in his class recommend him for housework, especially dusting.

Domonic Luna. Domonic is experienced in painting; he's had a lot of practice helping his dad. He is willing to paint inside or out. Domonic also enjoys mowing and yard work.

Joseph Koerperich. Joseph is an energetic, witty young man. He is good with children and yard work. He will keep you laughing all day.

Rachael Ritter. Rachael loves farm work and can do anything the boys can do. She is willing to do house work, but would prefer to work outside; she especially likes working



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The Golden Plains sophomore class is looking forward to their annual ice cream social and worker auction Thursday along with the spring concert. Class members to be auctioned off include Domonic Luna (front left), Shania Finlay and Ana Bermudez; Braden Korte (middle left), Taylor Todd, Rachael Ritter and Rebecca Bange; and Joseph Koerperich (back left), Alexis Luna and Benny Martinez.

around cattle. **Rebecca Bange.** Rebecca is efficient and organized. She likes babysitting and housework. Her sister also says she is a good cook. **Shania Finlay.** Shania is a polite and quiet young lady. She enjoys watching children and would love to watch the kids while you enjoy a night on the town. **Taylor Todd.** Taylor is an all-around worker. She is excellent with horses and all farm animals. She can build fence, put up hay, gather cattle, watch children, clean, mow – you name it and she'll try it.

Deaths

Olive H. Bergling

Olive H. Bergling, 91, Quinter, formerly of Atwood, mother of Jeri Ann (Mac) McPheeters of Colby, died Saturday, April 20, 2013, at the Gove County Medical Center Long Term Care in Quinter.

She was born Jan. 15, 1922, to Millard and Margaret (Baird) Hurst on a farm north of Brewster. In 1940, she graduated from the Rawlins County High School.

On Oct. 26, 1941, she married Quentin Bergling in Oberlin.

Mrs. Bergling loved to sing. She sang in the church choir for many years. She also belonged to the Union Club and the Merry Twelve.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband, a broth-

er, Jerry Hurst, a sister, Lola Stoffer, and a grandson, Casey McPheeters.

Survivors include her daughter; two sons, David (Sherry) Bergling, Oberlin, and Richard (Susan) Bergling, Quinter; a sister, Mary Alice (Jack) Faber, Brewster; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 26, 2013, at the United Methodist Church in Atwood.



Olive Bergling

The family suggests memorials to the church, in care of the Schmitt Funeral Home, 901 S. Main, Quinter, Kan., 67752.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.schmittfuneral.com.

Earl Dean Highland

Earl Dean Highland, 73, Rocky Ford, Colo., brother of Floyd (Barbara) Highland of Colby, died Sunday, April 7, 2013, at the Crowley County Nursing Center in Ordway, Colo.

He was born March 7, 1940, to Fannie and Ernest Highland in Brewster. He attended school in Colby.

Retired from the Citizens Utilities of La Junta where he worked as a welder, he loved to restore cars, do projects and go to the coffee shop with his friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents; two brothers, Jay High-

land and Ted Highland; and a sister, Reva Smith.

Survivors include his wife of 43 years Connie Highland of Rocky Ford, two daughters, Angie (Scott) Gislar, Baldwin City, and Kimette Goch, Fort Collins, Colo.; two step-sons, Rick Lee Newlin, La Junta, Colo., and Tom Lee Newlin Jr. of St. Paul, Mo.; two other brothers, Lee Highland of Florida and Glen (Wanda) Highland, Wichita; and a sister, Ethel (Kelly) Gaskill of Idaho.

Private services will be held later.

Clarence P. Rudell

Clarence P. Rudell, 86, Oakley, died Monday, March 18, 2013, at his home in Oakley.

A graveside memorial service and inurnment will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 27, 2013, at the

Oakley Cemetery.

The family suggests memorials to Hospice Services Inc., in care of Garmand Funeral Home, 405 W. Grant Ave, Ulysses, Kan., 67880.

Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met Tuesday at Colby Community College with 33 members and guests Kevin Berens, Tracey Galli and Ron Griffin.

President Melany Wilks announced the Rotary district conference will be in Lyons May 4.

Connie Renner had the program. Her guest was Thomas County Attorney Kevin Berens. He was appointed as county attorney in March 2011 and is now serving a four-year term after being elected in November 2012.

Berens said his duties are to prosecute cases on behalf of the state and provide legal counsel to the commissioners and other elected county officials.

He has been appointed by Gov. Sam Brownback to the Kansas Sentencing Commission, which makes recommendations to shape state sentencing policies.

Berens said the commission is trying to implement programs to keep prisoners from becoming reoffenders. The Kansas prison system is at capacity at 10,000 inmates, expected to double in the next 10 years. He said 40 percent of current prisoners are serving

time for violent crimes.

Thomas County is part of the 15th Judicial District. Thomas County ranked 25th out of the 105 Kansas counties in criminal case filings in 2011, said Berens.

Berens said 360 cases, most including felony drug charges, were filed in Thomas County in 2012 and about 80 percent of these have been closed. So far in 2013, his office has filed 127 criminal cases, most of which are felonies.

The county attorney's office also oversees misdemeanors, child welfare, truancy and juvenile offender cases. They are working on forfeitures and prosecuting bad check charges. He has two full-time assistants besides Assistant County Attorney Craig Lowe. Berens will have several trials this year and said he spends an average of two days each week in court.

Marilyn Unger won Roto-Lotto.

Rotary meets at noon weekly in Room 106 of the Student Union.

-Relda Galli

On the Beat

COLBY POLICE

April 16

12:10 a.m. – Security check at Walmart.

4:02 a.m. – Security check to a residence.

8:32 a.m. – Subject came to station in reference to possible harassment, didn't want a report. Provided information about obtaining a protection from abuse order.

9 a.m. – Walk through at Colby Grade School.

10:20 a.m. – Helped Oakley Police look for vehicle.

11:28 a.m. – Provided security in parking lot for sheriff's office.

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2:21 p.m. – Delivered packets to Sacred Heart School.

2:31 p.m. – Delivered packets to Heartland Christian School.

4 p.m. – Battery report filed for incident.

4:10 p.m. – Report filed for bat-

tery on a law enforcement officer.

5:07 p.m. – Report of unlawful use of debit card.

7:37 p.m. – Sheriff's office vehicle struck light pole knocking off stop light at the southwest corner of Fourth and Range.

7:53 p.m. – Helped ambulance crew on call.

11:04 p.m. – Security check at the college.

Last Wednesday

6:13 a.m. – Caller reported the college radio playing the same song and was concerned for the subject's welfare. Spoke with janitor and told no one there till 7 a.m.

7:27 a.m. – Caller said juvenile walking in street. Not found.

Thursday

6:53 a.m. – Caller reported open door. All OK.

7:35 a.m. – Caller reported subject standing in his driveway this morning. Report filed.

9:05 a.m. – Collision at 1995 W.

Fourth.

12:57 p.m. – Walk through at Colby Grade School and Colby Middle School.

10:14 p.m. – Caller reported possible suicidal person.

11:23 p.m. – Report filed on hit and run collision.

Friday

5:08 a.m. – Caller requested welfare check on clerk. Everything OK.

10 a.m. – Provided tour of Law Enforcement Center for Puddle Duck Pre-School students.

11:06 a.m. – Criminal threat: subject called about incident, report filed.

2 p.m. – Collision in parking lot.

2:48 p.m. – Caller reported theft.

4:05 p.m. – Caller reported two dogs at large at Friendly Acres. Turned over to Colby Animal Clinic.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$6.97
Corn (bushel)	\$6.43
Milo (hundredweight)	\$10.95
Soybeans (bushel)	\$13.29

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.

Cutathon to help patient

Image Makers, a Colby beauty salon, plans a cutathon benefit Saturday.

All proceeds from haircuts given between noon and 5 p.m. will go to help Danielle Wolf and her family with expenses associated with her cancer treatments. Wolf

used to work at Image Makers, but has been diagnosed with inoperable cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy treatment.

Participants can make an appointment for a haircut by calling the salon at 460-4247 or by walking in on the day of the event.



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)

BETTE J. CLARK

Memorial services are scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2013, 10:30 a.m. Graveside service at Beulah Cemetery followed by a celebration of life luncheon and family visit at the Colby VFW, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Pride of the Prairie Orchestra



Sunday, April 28th
3:30 p.m.
Colby Community College,
CAC Frahm Theatre
Andrew Salvador,
Conductor

This concert is dedicated to our friend & fellow musician, Sharon Steele

Admissions Cost: by POP Patron Ticket or at the door - \$10/adults, \$5/seniors, \$3/students

Questions: Call Mary Shoaff 785-462-2159 or Janet Hopson 785-462-5102

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