

Babies

Isaac James Samuelson

Isaac James Samuelson, son of Barry and Sarah Samuelson of Oakley, was born Tuesday, April 23, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, and measured 20 inches.

Brothers Aaron and Eli welcomed him home. Grandparents are Dan and Carol Rietcheck of Grinnell and Dale and Lorraine Samuelson of Oakley. Great-grandparents are Jeanie Rietcheck of Grinnell, Bessie Allen of Lebanon and Pearl Samuelson of Oakley.



Isaac S.

Aria Shyann Schmucker



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Aria Shyann Schmucker, daughter of Nicholas Schmucker and April Chessmore of Colby, was born Tuesday, April 30, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 20.5 inches.

Grandparents are Steve Chessmore of Atwood, Sandra Chessmore of Brighton, Colo., and Julie Veach of Newton.

Cheyenne Marie Jacob

Cheyenne Marie Jacob, daughter of Clayton and Nicole Jacob of Colby, was born Monday, April 29, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Brother Dalton welcomed her home. Grandparents are Karen Tasler of Churdan, Iowa; Dean Jacob of Panama City, Fla.; and Ed and Jolene Deges of Wakeeney.

Great-grandparents are Marvin and Jana Coon of Farnhamville, Iowa; Velma Jacob of Rockwell City, Iowa; Glen and Twila Bliss of WaKeeney; Darrell and Elsie Karlin of Hays; and Charlene Friedel of Grainfield. Great-great-grandmother is Katie Eberle of WaKeeney.



Cheyenne J.

RayAnna Marie Hill

RayAnna Marie Hill, daughter of Lisa Varney and Raymond Hill of Goodland, was born Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 19 3/4 inches.

Siblings Blaine and Shaina Varney, Goodland, and Ethan Hill,

Allison and Shelby Hill of Eldorado welcomed her home.

Grandparents are Sue and Welton Phillips of Cartersville, Ga., and Marie and James White of Concordia. Great-grandmothers are Arlene Walter of Goodland and Sally West of Concordia.

Eason Daniel Harris



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Eason Daniel Harris, son of Shannon Vanessa Harris, was born Thursday, May 2, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Sister Sophia welcomed her home. Grandmother is Carolyn Shirley of Oberlin.

Esteban Raul Tarazon

Esteban Raul Tarazon, son of Raul Tarazon and Johana Medina of Colby, was born Thursday, April 11, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center.

Brother Angel and sister Delsy

welcomed him home.

Grandparents are Raul Tarazon and Guadalupe Delgadillo of California and Noe Medina and Guadalupe Chinchilla of Honduras.

Junior Jackson VanEaton

Junior Jackson VanEaton, son of Brian VanEaton and Aimee Burris of Oakley, was born Sunday, April 28, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. He weighed 7

pounds, 9 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches.

Grandparents are Jerry and Mary Lou VanEaton and Butch and Paula Burris, all of Oakley.

Cotton Mason Stover

Cotton Mason Stover, son of Landon and Elizabeth Stover of Colby, was born Thursday, April 25, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and measured 20.5 inches.

Sister Hazel Stover welcomed him home. Grandparents are Lynn and Lori Stover of Colby, Antoinette Lambert of Nashville, Tenn., and Haskel Lambert of Batesville, Miss.



Cotton Stover

Kampbell Rush Cox

Kampbell Rush Cox, daughter of Joseph and Dianna Cox of Topeka, was born Friday, April 26, 2013, at St. Francis Hospital in Topeka. She weighed 5 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Brother Kord McKennon wel-

comed her home.

Grandparents are Greg and Carla Waller of Manhattan, Cheryl Cox of Colby and Larry Cox of Missouri. Great-grandparents are A.J. and Marjorie Horinek of Atwood and Margie Honik of Okmulgee, Okla.

Weston Robert Hamilton

Weston Robert Hamilton, son of Jared and Whitney Hamilton of Colby, was born Monday, April 22, 2013, at Citizens Medi-

cal Center. He weighed 9 pounds, 3 ounces and measured 21 1/2 inches.

Sophia Penka

Sophia Penka, daughter of Steven and Connie Penka of Wallace, was born Wednesday, May 1, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Brothers Dominic and Ezekiel and sister Isabel welcomed her home.

Grandparents are Eugene Penka of Healy and Deanna Bussen of Wallace.

Ranae Lee Nichols

Ranae Lee Nichols, daughter of Dathan and Sarena Nichols of Winona, was born Tuesday, May 7, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches.

Brother Nathaniel and sisters

Joslyn and Chandra Nichols welcomed her home.

Grandparents are Jerry and Rhonda Nichols of Winona and Dave and Colleen Tarmen of Tribune.

Jump on board with gardening

Diann Gerstner

• Knowledge for Life



With food prices rising, it's a great time to grow your own. There has been a boom in gardening.

Cultivating even a 20 x 30 foot plot can save about \$600 a year, according to the National Gardening Association. No yard? No problem. Most veggies and some fruits can be grown in containers. Follow these easy steps for tasty, fresh produce and big savings, all summer long.

Step one: Start with healthy soil. If your soil is slightly crumbly and holds together when gently squeezed and released, it's good for gardening. That indicates the soil will retain moisture but still provide drainage. To get the dirt in top growing shape, composting is key. Buy organic compost or make your own by tossing leaves (green and dried ones) and fruit and vegetable scraps into a compost pile and waiting. It can take weeks or even months to become the rich "black gold" soil you want.

Step two: Get the best seeds. Seeds and seedlings are sold everywhere, and seeds are seeds, right? Not really. Some stores sell seeds and plants which may not be ideal for your zone. Seedlings may be force-fed fertilizer to make them tall in the store but weak in the long run. Seeds aren't always fresh, either. Shop at a nursery where you can get guidance.

Step three: Use the right tools. Buy a basic hand-tool set — trowel, transplanter (a sharp, skinny shovel for weeding), and cultivator. But to save your back, speed up weeding and water better, experts recommend additional tools including a long-handled cultivator, a soaker hose, a hoe, a mini tiller, a watering wand, a watering can or soaker hoses. Hit garage sales where you'll often find a variety of garden tools, hoses and other equipment pretty cheap. Downsizers are eager to get rid of their lawn and garden stuff.

Another great idea for gardening is to get kids involved. Creating a garden with children or grandchildren can be a fun, educational and healthy experience for everyone. Follow these 10 tips from the American Community Garden Association to make the most of the experience.

1) Make the garden kid based. Let kids help decide what will be included, construction and planting, and the maintenance. Grown-ups need to facilitate and show how, but not do everything.

2) If possible, let the kids help choose so they understand the importance of light, soil, drainage and other environmental factors. Make sure the plant choices are adapted to local conditions so you are most successful.

3) Design the garden for what children want to be doing and

learn, and don't worry about aesthetics. A child's sense of what is pretty may not be yours, but that's OK.

4) All kids are washable, so let them get dirty. Set up a hand-washing and shoe-scraping station before they go back inside.

5) Children aren't automatically afraid of things which crawl and creep. Those add curiosity, amazement, and learning.

6) Avoid using chemicals in the garden.

7) Children are likely to try things they never have eaten before because they have helped plant, care for and harvest it.

8) Prepare the kids for their gardening experience by asking questions about what they have learned. They can take pictures and keep a scrapbook during the summer.

9) Have enough equipment and tasks to keep kids entertained, but be open for the "teachable moments" which come along.

10) Gardening is a powerful experience for children. Being responsible for tending a garden fosters their sense of nurturing and helps them learn to care for other living things.

The City of Colby will be giving away 20-25 old power poles on a first-come, first-serve basis. Each individual must sign a release form before pick-up of the poles. For more information or to schedule a pick-up time, please contact the City of Colby Public Works office at 460-4420.

The City of COLBY

Colby FFA Fun Night!

PORK DINNER, MEMBER AUCTION AND DANCE WITH LIVE MUSIC!

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Friday, May 17, 2013 • 4-H Building
Pork Dinner Starts at 7:00 p.m.
Member Auction at 8:00 p.m.
Dance at 9:00 - 11:30 p.m.

FREE WILL DONATION

Colby Junior Golf

Sign up at Meadow Lake Golf Course
Thursday, May 30 • 9:00 a.m.



The first practice will follow sign up.

Practice every Thursday starting May 30 - July 25 from 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 7-17 • Members: \$15 • Non-Members: \$65

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Posted pics bust tagger

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Utah tagger who was so proud of his graffiti that he posted photos of his artwork on Facebook has been arrested after police sent him a friend request through a fake online profile.

Police say 20-year-old Matthew Todakonzie of North Salt Lake posted more than 150 photos on a private Facebook page titled "graffiti." He agreed to share them online with undercover detective who tracked down dozens that carried the unique tag, "HOKES." North Salt Lake Police Sgt. Mitch Gwilliam told the *Deseret News* (tinyurl.com/bnbuc26) most taggers are very proud of what they do and want to be recognized for their work to a certain extent.

Todakonzie's recognition landed him in the Davis County Jail on Thursday for investigation of several counts of criminal mischief graffiti and criminal trespass.

Markets

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

Wheat (bushel)	\$7.32
Corn (bushel)	\$6.72
Milo (hundredweight)	\$11.38
Soybeans (bushel)	\$13.64

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Bridge Club

Meadow Lake bridge winners for May 7 were: first, Alvin Koenig; second, Billie Keck; and third, Elaine Pteack.

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.