



Theresa and Richard Ladenberger

## Colby grad marries in Salina ceremony

Theresa Schlomer of Windsor, Colo., and Richard "R.J." Ladenberger of Colby married Oct. 12, 2013, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Salina with a reception at the Salina Country Club. The Rev. Keith Weber officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Marlin and Peggy Schlomer of Windsor and the granddaughter of the late Gerhard Schlomer and Agnes Schlomer and the late Elmer and Elvera Seibel.

She graduated from Windsor High School in 2005 and Rocky Mountain College in 2010. She works for Watson Electric as an office assistant.

The groom is the son of Miles and Linda Ladenberger of Colby and the grandson of the late Leonard and Phyllis Reeh and the late Richard and Bernardine Ladenberger.

He graduated from Colby High

School in 2007 and from the Professional Golfers Career College in 2009. He is an assistant territorial manager for Solomon Corp. in Solomon.

Maid of honor was Erica Schlomer, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Ayla Fairchild; Kristen Grassa, cousin of the bride; Megan Ladenberger, sister-in-law of the groom; and Kelsey Stupka, cousin of the groom.

Best man was Mikel Ladenberger, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Mitchell Gatz, Jeremy Dietz, Josh Jimmerson and Josh Schlomer, cousin of the bride.

The flower girl was Alivia McKown, cousin of the bride. The ring bearer was Tayten Walker, cousin of the bride.

After a honeymoon in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, they live in Salina.

## Drug testing has no penalties

TOPEKA (AP) — A man chosen to administer a new drug testing program for state lawmakers said those who fail the tests won't be penalized and their names might not be made public.

The law allowing the drug testing for lawmakers also requires testing of some people who receive government benefits. If those people fail drug tests, they will have their welfare benefits frozen unless they complete a treatment program.

Jeff Russell, head of the Legislative Administrative Services, will run the program, a decision made by the Legislative Coordinating Council. He told *The Topeka Capital Journal* Thursday (bit.ly/1bVmrZt) that the bill does not give anyone authority to penalize lawmakers.

"None whatsoever," Russell said.

And he said he doesn't think he can disclose names of lawmakers who fail the tests.

## 'Tis time to be holy; it's always in season

*Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body (Colossians 3:12-15).*

'Tis another Christmas season. 'Tis another season of the atheists and the politically correct police trying to marginalize or minimize Jesus. The closest "they" come to Merry Christmas, or anything hinting at Christmas, is Happy Holidays.

It's upsetting enough for us to use the fruit cake as a projectile at our television sets and the newspapers as wrapping paper that will be ripped off the gifts and tossed into the recycle bin or in the fireplace.

But take heart! Holiday actually means holy day and holy means set apart. "They" may not know what they're babbling about, but you know what Christmas is all about.

So rather than get uptight about how people are "dissing" Christmas, live holy lives. God has set you apart and forgiven you through Christ. Be a Christmas light bulb that shines on the reason for every season of your life, including the fifth season, eternity.

Rather than get fighting mad at "they," you can make more of a difference in this world by living out the faith God has given you. You're passing through this world only once and God has brought you here for a purpose — a positive force in changing people and the world by making disciples for Christ (or at least planting a seed).



Robert Alexander

• From the Pulpit

Show Christ the Light of the World in your language, seasoned by the Good News that he is born and lives in your heart by faith. Show Christ the Light of the World in your behavior every day. Do this in season and out.

Know that every day is a holy day because it's a day made by God. Every day the Holy One loves you. It's why he was born holy and undefiled by sin. It's why he lived a holy life without sin. It's why he died a holy sacrifice for the sins of the world. It's why he rose from the dead and lives and reigns forever.

Where to start? Start at your home. Start in your church. Practice your faith with those who are already a part of your life in those settings. It will still be challenging. But Jesus is up to the challenge of giving you the strength. Forgive as he forgives you. Love as he loves you. Share the peace he won for you on the cross. 'Tis always the season to live as Christmas light bulbs, for Jesus always lives in your seasons and for generations of seasons.

Prayer: Lord, you passed through this world once, saving the world. Now it's my turn to do my small part to bring that message home to other hearts. Empower me through your Word and your presence to make such a difference, if only in a small way. Amen.

*The Rev. Bob Alexander is pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church at Fifth and Country Club in Colby. He may be reached at 462-3497.*

## Travel safely to Christmas holiday destination

To many with children, winter holidays mean traveling to see family and friends. Whether your trip is over the river and through the woods, or a plane trip, plan ahead to ensure safe travels.

"If your holiday travels include a stay at a relative or friend's be sure to talk to your host in advance about basic child proofing," says Cherie Sage, Safe Kids Kansas. Discuss installing age-appropriate safety devices such as cabinet locks or outlet covers to prevent injuries to your kids.

Be prepared to bring your own safety devices, if you can, especially if you are visiting people without children in the home.

"Remind everyone to keep pill minders and other medications out of sight and reach of children," adds Sage. "Keep purses and bag-

gage off the floor where curious children can get into items that may be toxic or cause injuries."

When traveling by car, always use a car seat or booster seat appropriate for your child. Babies should be kept rear-facing as long as the car seat allows, about age 2.

A forward-facing car seat can protect older toddlers and harnesses should be used to the weight and height limit indicated. Children who outgrow a harness seat should use a booster seat until they meet requirements of Kansas law or of the state you are visiting.

For information about the Kansas law, go to [www.kansasboosterseat.org](http://www.kansasboosterseat.org). Older children and adults also need to buckle up.

Visit a child passenger safety technician to ensure your child's seat is safe, appropriate for your

## Deaths

### Cleo C. Case

Cleo C. Case, 92, Colby, died Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2013, at the Hays Medical Center.

Memorial services will be announced later.

The family suggests memorials to Genesis-Thomas County, in care of the Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, 745 S. Country Club Dr., Colby, Kan., 67701.

## Colby Rotary Club

Colby Rotary Club met at Pioneer Memorial Library on Tuesday with 35 members and guests Sam Dieter, Janice Frahm, Melissa and Mia Schneider and Leroy and Joan Ziegler.

Members enjoyed a luncheon prepared by Gary Adrian, Nick Wells, Marilyn Unger and Melany Wilks.

Following lunch, the group

assembled food gift bags for Meals on Wheels recipients.

The new picnic area in front of the library, a club service project, was dedicated.

Gary Adrian won Roto-Lotto.

Colby Rotary Club will meet next on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at Colby Community College in Room 106 of the Student Union.

— Relda Galli

## Senior Progress Center

A Christmas brunch at 11 a.m. Tuesday rings in the holiday at the Senior Progress Center, which will be closed from noon Tuesday through Thursday. There will be no bus Tuesday or Wednesday.

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 10:30 a.m. Skip Bo. **Tuesday:** 11 a.m. Christmas brunch; noon — center closes. **Wednesday:** closed. **Thursday:** closed. **Friday:** 10 a.m. exercise; 10:30 a.m. pinochle.

Menus for the week: **Monday:** hamburger, potato salad, baked beans, fruit crisp. **Tuesday:** sausage gravy, tater tots, seasoned carrots, biscuit, citrus slices. **Friday:** smokies, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, bread-

stick, pears.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center invites anyone 60 and older and guests to lunch Monday through Friday at the senior center. Home delivery is available, as is pick-up service. A contribution of \$3.25 per meal is suggested for seniors, \$6 for others.

Make reservations at (785) 460-2901 by noon the day before.

## Red Barn

Activities for the week: **Monday:** 2 p.m. Barnswallows. **Wednesday:** Christmas. **Thursday:** 2 p.m. Come On Down. **Friday:** 9:30 a.m. Koffee Klatch; 2:30 p.m. Stitch and Chatter.

## Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day	
Hi-Plains Co-op	
Wheat (bushel)	\$6.45
Corn (bushel)	\$4.21
Milo (hundredweight)	\$7.18
Soybeans (bushel)	\$12.30

## 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.*

# Services Directory

Worship in the church of your choice this weekend.

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**FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**, Pastor Dan Keel, 815 W. 3rd. Sundays at 2 p.m. 785-462-0512.

**CELEBRATION COMMUNITY CHURCH**, 1890 S. Franklin Ave. - Colby Community Building. Kirby Benisch, Campus Pastor. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. [www.celebratejesus.org](http://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](mailto:cdag@st-tel.net).

**BEREAN BIBLE FELLOWSHIP**, 1000 S. Franklin, 785-460-2763, [www.colbyborean.com](http://www.colbyborean.com); Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:45 a.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) Pastor Paul Brigham, 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. 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**, Reverend Andrew Sonneborn, 515 W. 4th, 785-462-6342, Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. Podcasts of the worship services are available at the church website [colbypres.org](http://colbypres.org).

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

**Wesleyan Church**

**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. 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.colbychurch.com)

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

**155 W. Fifth St.**  
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