# Area/State

### Weather Corner



### Sunny, highs 60s, lows 20s

#### The forecast

Tonight — Clear with a low around 29. South southwest wind between 5 and 8 mph. **Tuesday** — Sunny with a high around 63. Calm wind becoming south southeast around 6 mph. Tuesday night --- Mostly clear with a low around 31. South wind between 6 and 9 mph. Wednesday — Mostly sunny with a high near 63. South southwest wind around 6 mph becoming calm. Wednesday night — Mostly clear with a low around 36.

Thursday — Mostly sunny with a high around 62. Thursday night — Partly cloudy with a low around 33. Friday — Partly cloudy with a high near 63.

**Temperatures** Sunday's high, 47

Low this morning, 22 Records for this date, 86 in 1921, 19 in 1980

Precipitation past 24 hours to 8 a.m. today, 0.00

October's precipitation, 2.35 A recorded forecast updated throughout the day is available by calling (785) 899-7119.

Current temperatures are available by calling 460-TEMP.

### **Topeka talks** about firing police chief

TOPEKA (AP) — The Topeka City Council took no action during a four-hour meeting Saturday over whether to fire Police Chief Ed Klumpp.

Klumpp has announced plans to retire Dec. 16.

On Thursday, two days after Klumpp's announcement, District Attorney Robert Hecht issued a 125-page report that said top Topeka police officials, including Klumpp, knew about problems in the narcotics unit by 2003, yet no officers were disciplined. Hecht's report said drug evidence was taken for personal use, officers gambled and drank alcohol while they were on duty, they falsified records about their activities and the department failed to properly oversee the use of money for drug buys. On Saturday, Klumpp — who has served 33 years with the department – provided a detailed account of his response to the allegations. Klumpp said that, rather than fire officers who were under suspicion, it was often necessary to move them to other jobs while evidence against them was gathered.

## Briefly

#### Jazz band to perform Sunday

Queen City Jazz Band will be performing at the Cheyenne Theatre in St. Francis, Sunday, at 3 p.m. (2 p.m. MST), sponsored by Western Plains Arts Association. The band plays authentic New Orleans-style traditional jazz from the 1920s and 30s. With a spirit of fun and exuberance, they recreate the memorable Dixieland sounds, said association officials. Admission is by association season pass or at the door: adults, \$10, and children, \$5. This show is presented in part by the Kansas Arts Commission and the National Endowment of the Arts.

#### Lions plan pancake feed in Winona

The Lions Club is planning a pancake feed from 6 to 10 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Winona Methodist Church. The event will include all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage and eggs, and coffee and juice. In addition, a special prize of a guided hunting trip will be given away. For questions, call Winona Feed and Grain, (800) 203-8158 or Winona Lumber and Supply, (785) 846-7893.

#### Hoedown planned Friday

#### western entertainment is planned Friday from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. at City Limits Convention Center. For questions, call the Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau, (785) 460-7643 or toll-free, (800) 611-8835. All proceeds from the admission charge will go toward funding next summer's Pickin' On the Plains Bluegrass Festival.

#### Transit van for Colby residents only

The Thomas County transit van is available to all people in Colby, said Shelly Harms, county clerk. Operating from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, Colby residents needing to use this service can call 460-2901. Harms said the transit van is not available to make emergency runs to the hospital. "If you are in need of an ambulance," she said, "you need to call 911." The transit van driver, Ed Dean, is not qualified to transport patients to Citizens Medical Center or any other hospital facility. For questions about the transit van, either call the service number or the county clerk's office, 460-4500.

#### Christian School banquet Nov. 10

The Heartland Christian School, Colby, is planning its "Partners for the Future Endowment" banquet, starting at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 10, at the school, 1995 W. 4th. The A "Harvest Hoedown" featuring lots of bluegrass and deadline for buying tickets is Monday, Nov. 7, said Kim

Schriner, secretary. For questions, call 460-6419.

#### Music booster meet Tuesday

The Colby Music Boosters will meet Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Colby High School Workroom. The group plans on discussing music booster card sales and the courtesy table at the "Battle of the Bands," Thursday. Anyone with a student in band or vocal is encouraged to attend the meeting.

#### Offices to open for trick or treaters

Children in grades kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to stop by three different locations as part of their Halloween trick or treating agenda, Monday, Oct. 31. Any youth in costume can stop by the Thomas County Courthouse, 300 N. Court; the Thomas County Office Complex, 350 S. Range; and/or the Colby Visitor's Center (west of Taco John's) between 3:30 to 5 p.m. for "treats." The Law Enforcement Center will not be included in this event, officials said.

#### Essay contest available online

The Goodland Daughters of the American Revolution Chapter are encourage students to participate in the American History Essay Contest and the DAR Good Citizenship Award contest. Visit: www.dar.org and find "scholarships."

# 'Spook-tacular' **book sale Saturday**

Pioneer Memorial Library's annual "Spook-tacular" book sale will take place Saturday in the basement of the library. Once again, there has been a complete turnover of books since our last book sale during the summer.

So count on seeing a whole new selection of books.

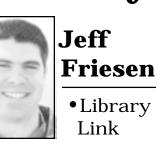
a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Be there early!

book sale this year is "Chick lit" books.

Chick lit is now all the rage. According to Wikipedia at http:// www.wikipedia.com, chick lit is "is a term used to denote a genre of popular fiction written for and marketed to young women, especially single, working women in their 20s. The genre's creation was spurred on, if not exactly created, in the mid-1990s with the appearance of Helen Fielding's Bridget Jones's Diary and similar works; it continued to sell well in the 2000s, with chickthe creation of imprints devoted entirely to chick-lit."

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towards middle and high school them a perfect script. aged students known as "Lad lit."



Chick lit #2—The Other Woman by Jane Green: For some of you, the plot of this book might strike too close to home. The "other woman" as the title proclaims, is the infamous mother-in-law. Ellie has found the man of her dreams — or

She could handle the meddlesome mother-in-law creating havoc during her wedding, but things haven't changed much since the wedding.

Worse yet, her first baby boy has basically erased her from the fam-

Lad lit — *Plan B* by Jonathan This new genre of literature Tropper: Ben and his 3 pals are all feeling somewhat purposeless in life as they are approaching 30. There is however, another less Turns out that their friend and popular genre of literature geared movie star Jack Shaw has given

Jack is heavy into drugs and Ben

# World's greatest pancakes?



PATTY DECKER/Free Press Editor

Left to right: Tom Waldschmidt, Marvin Bickner, Chuck Moore and Skip Sharp, Kiwanis Club members, kept the pancakes and sausages coming during their annual pancake feed, Saturday, at the VFW building, 220 Lake. Kenton Krebiel, one of the event coordinators, said the group served between 650-700 people and by 1 p.m., they were out of sausage, pancake batter and orange juice. When asked why he thought the Kiwanis feed did so well, Krehbiel responded by saying, "We serve the world's greatest pancakes that's why." All proceeds from the feed go toward community projects.

The book sale will run from 9 Something you won't see at the

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species.

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ily picture. Is it possible for Ellie to bridge the gap with her mother-inlet nature run its course?

### Lindsborg artist displays work at Logan

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum, Logan, will have works made by Lester Raymer, Lindsborg, on display until Nov. 13.

The Red Barn Studio, Lindsborg, was the working studio of professional artist and craftsman Lester Raymer (1907-1991), a spokesperson from the Hansen Museum said.

The Red Barn Studio was restored and opened as a museum to the public in September 1997.

The Studio is filled with Ramer's handiwork, from paintings and prints to ceramics and metalwork, from woodcarving and stitchery to furniture and jewelry.

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum, 110 W. Main, Logan, Kansas, is proud to present "Inspirations: The Art of Lester Raymer". This exhibit is running now and will continue through Sunday, Nov. 13, at the Hansen Museum Gallery.

For questions, call the Hansen Museum at 785-689-4846 or stop by the facility in Logan during regular hours.

(evidently lad lit is not popular (narrator and novelist wanna-be), enough to warrant an official defi- Lindsey (former teacher), Chuck nition by Wikipedia)

Following are a couple of chick lit books and a lad lit title available at the library.

Chicklit#1—*LipstickJungle* by Candace Bushnell: Nico O'Neilly is the editor of a trendy New York magazine with a seemingly perfect life. Victory Ford is an acclaimed fashion designer but her latest fashion designs have tanked. Wendy Healy is an executive at Picador Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. Pictures.

All three of these women have accomplished more than most men day, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. For information ever will but enough is not enough for any of them.

Nico is looking to upend her current boss to improve her position with the magazine she is working for. Victory has plenty of ideas but not enough time, yet she has managed to keep her single status. Wendy has a dead-end husband which has made her even more ambitious to climb the corporate ladder. In short-three high falutin' high maintenance women = plenty of drama.

(soon-to-be surgeon), and Allison (lawyer) have hatched a plan to intervene. The plan is to take Jack to the Catskills and force him into withdrawal. As the title suggests, plan A fails quickly thereafter and the rest of the story is about plan B.

Pioneer Memorial Library is located at 375 West 4th and open seven days a week.

Winter hours will be as follows: to 8 p.m; Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; and Suncall the library at 460-4470. As always, we are here to serve you.

Faced with a Drinking Problem?

Perhaps

Alcoholics Anonymous Can Help

Meetings are Open to the Public City Hall Basement Mondays & Thursdays - 8:30 p.m A Please Recycle

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