

**Weather Corner**



**Warm, sunny highs near 55, lows in the 20s**

**Tonight** — Mostly clear with a low around 21. West wind between 5 and 15 mph.

**Tuesday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 55. Northwest wind around 10 mph.

**Tuesday night** — Partly cloudy with a low around 21. North wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Wednesday** — Partly cloudy with a high near 42. North wind between 5 and 15 mph.

**Wednesday night** — Partly cloudy with a low around 16.

**Thursday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 44.

**Temperatures**

Sunday's high, 39

Low this morning, 11

Records for this date, 74 in 1946, -4 in 1902

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

December's precipitation, 0.00

A recorded forecast updated throughout the day is available by calling (785) 899-7119. Current temperatures are available by calling 460-8367.

**Briefly**

**'Diamonds' to perform in Colby**

The Western Plains Arts Association will present the Diamonds at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 14 in the Colby High School auditorium. The group performs timeless hits from the 50s and 60s, and its vocal quartet describes itself as "classic rock and roll with today's attitude." They are known for their ability to delight audiences of all ages, said Mary Beth Akers, media correspondent. Their first major hit recording, *Little Darlin'*, is sometimes referred to as "the National Anthem of Rock and Roll". Admission is with season pass or at the door: \$15 adults; \$8 children. This program is presented in part by Kansas Arts Commission, a state agency, and National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

**College vocal concert Thursday**

Colby Community College is sponsoring its Winter Vocal Concert at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, in Frahm Theater of the Cultural Arts Center. The vocalists are under the direction of Dr. Phillip Shuman, director of choral activities. The event is free. For questions, call 462-3984.

**Medical fund established in Oakley**

A fund was established at Farmers State Bank of Oakley, 100 Center Ave., to benefit Richard and Gloria Pabst of Colby. All donations will be used to help with medical expenses while Richard receives help from the Mao Clinic in Rochester, Minn., and at Hays. For questions, call Megan Stephenson, handling the fund at Farmers State Bank, (785) 672-4400.

**Sorority cookie sale Dec. 17**

Kappa Upsilon is sponsoring a holiday cookie sale from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17 at Puddle Duck Preschool. Proceeds will go to community projects.

**Car race event continues**

The RC Club, Racing for Christ, is sponsoring a second remote control car races from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church of Colby, 615 W. Webster. The races will be held in the basement of the church and all middle and high school-age students are welcome to attend. Students may

bring their own car or race one of the church's.

**School warns of advertising promos**

Colby school officials are reminding businesses to beware of out-of-town companies, groups or individuals soliciting advertisements using Colby High School, Colby Middle School or Colby Grade School and their athletic/activities programs to make sports calendars, seat cushions, foam fingers and other items. For questions, call Gabel at 460-5300.

**Contest entries due Friday**

The Colby Promotions committee is sponsoring a Christmas decorating contest, which will include business and residential categories. Nominations for each category will be accepted at drop boxes located at Dillon's and Wal-Mart. Prizes will be awarded for each category. Residential first place is \$100; second place is \$75. Business first place is \$75 and second place is \$50. Nominations will be judged Saturday night. Organizers said this is different than in years past because residents will cast votes for their favorite locations.

*Turkey trot*



TISHA COX/Colby Free Press

No one warned these four wild turkeys it is dangerous to play on the railroad tracks as they browsed for dinner just west of Franklin Avenue Saturday. A flock of 30 to 40 of the wild birds was later spotted near the tracks on Kansas Highway 25 the same day.

**Winona man charged in stalking incident**

By Jan Katz Ackerman  
Colby Free Press

A Winona man charged with stalking a child will have a preliminary hearing in his case at 9 a.m. on Dec. 18 in Logan County District Court in Oakley.

According to documents filed in Logan County District Court, James E. Colling is alleged to have intentionally, feloniously, maliciously and repeatedly followed or harassed of a female minor.

Named in court documents as Jane Doe, the child whose age is not listed, was alleged to have been in "reasonable fear" of her safety.

The allegations against Colling took place started in April and continued until reported to law enforcement and school officials on Sept. 19.

Stalking is a level 10 felony punishable by a prison term between five and 13 months and a fine up to \$100,000.

During his first appearance in court Tuesday, Magistrate Judge Mark Temaat advised Colling of his rights in the court system and acknowledged his retained counsel, Colby attorney Todd Stramel.

Colling did not enter a plea during the hearing.

Temaat released him on his own recognizance at least until his preliminary hearing.

A janitor for the Oakley school system at the time of his arrest, Colling resigned from his job and

his resignation was unanimously accepted at the Oct. 9 school board meetings.

Colling had worked for the Oakley school district since December 2005.

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*Celebrate With Friends...*

Start the holiday season at the

**10th Annual**

**Colby Women's League**

**Holiday Brunch**

*Feel free to invite a Friend!*

**Thursday - Dec. 7, 2006**

Come and Go

**10:00 am to 12:30 pm**

Colby Country Club

*Free will donations will be accepted to benefit the Prairie Museum of Art and History.*

<i>Pat Criss</i>	<i>Sandy Kriss</i>	<i>Carol Sweet</i>
<i>Sandy Harper</i>	<i>Nancy Saddler</i>	<i>Esther Woofner</i>
<i>Anita Hills</i>	<i>Judith Sears</i>	<i>Melany Shalz</i>
	<i>Sidney Strait</i>	

**Colby's Holiday Home Tour set for Saturday**

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring the annual Christmas home tour. This year's event is from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday and will include visits to the home of Charles Davis, 1765 Dylan and Neil and Sherri White at 1140

LaHacienda and the Methodist parsonage at 460 N. Grant. The tour will also include cookies and cider at the Methodist Fellowship Hall. Tickets are available at Horlacher Jewelers, the church at 950 S. Franklin, from church members or

at the door of the homes, or by calling Anna Dean Rodenbeck at 462-2605. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$2 for children 2 to 10 years old.

Proceeds will benefit Methodist missions.

**Completion expected in May**

From "GOALS," page 1

In May, the board will determine whether or not all five goals were met.

The goals had to be something measurable and important to the college.

Kreider said no matter his position, goals have always been a part of his career, including his time in the military. A future goal is to include the faculty and staff in his evaluation — to get their input on how he and the college are doing.

"I'm working for the organization," Kreider said.

"I'm working for the board. I'm going to do what they want me to do."

Kreider is in his first year as Colby College president. He took over July 1, replacing Dr. Mikel Ary who resigned in October 2005. Kreider was CEO of Louisiana Delta Community College in Monroe, La.

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