

Weather Corner



Rain, snow in forecast

**Tonight** — Areas of freezing drizzle before midnight, then areas of snow and freezing drizzle between midnight and 3 a.m., then a chance of snow after 3 a.m. Areas of freezing fog. Cloudy, with a low around 9. Northeast wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

**Friday** — The forecast calls for a 40 percent chance of snow. Cloudy and cold, with a high near 10. North wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph possible. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

**Friday night** — Snow likely. Cloudy, with a low around 6. East wind around 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

**Saturday** — Snow likely. Cloudy and cold with a high near 10. East wind around 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent.

**Saturday night** — Snow likely. Cloudy with a low around 6. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent.

**Sunday** — Snow likely with widespread blowing snow. Cloudy with a high near 15. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

**Sunday night** — A 30 percent chance of snow. Areas of blowing snow before midnight. Mostly cloudy with a low around -4.

**Martin Luther King Day** — Scattered flurries. Partly cloudy with a high near 12.

**Temperatures**  
Wednesday's high, 41  
Low this morning, 12  
Records for this date, 70 in 1953, -22 in 1918  
Precipitation past 24 hours to 8 a.m. today, 0.00  
January's precipitation, 0.01  
A recorded forecast updated throughout the day is available by calling (785) 899-7119. Current temps, call 460-8367.

**Military**

**Atwood graduate completes training**  
Army National Guard Pfc. Jesse D. Gosnell has graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Knox, Ken. During the nine-week training period, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons, rifle marksmanship and bayonet training, chemical warfare, field training and tactical exercises, armed and unarmed combat, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, traditions, and core values. Gosnell is a 2002 graduate of Atwood High School.

Briefly

Square dance Saturday

The Golden Buckle Square Dance Club will meet at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Colby Community Building, 285 E. Fifth St.

Spaghetti supper Friday

The Thomas County Relay for Life committee is hosting a spaghetti supper fundraiser starting at 5 p.m., Friday, at the Colby Community Building, 285 E. Fifth St. The event is in conjunction with the Eagle basketball game against Hoxie and is free-will donation. All proceeds go toward fighting cancer in 2007, said Diane Stithem, committee member.

Digital scrapbooking class Saturday

Heartland Christian School, 1995 W. Fourth St., Colby, is hosting a community scrapbooking class from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday, in the school's commons area. A special class featuring how to make scrapbooks digitally using the new free Storybook software from Creative Memories will be taught by consultants Julie Maurath and Kim Redick. It is optional, but not mandatory, for those interested in this class to bring their laptop computers. Traditional scrapbooking demonstrations and workshop time will also be part of this event. For costs and registration, call 462-3677.

Cookie orders start Friday

Colby Girl Scouts will be selling cookies starting Friday and through Jan. 28. This is the scouts biggest fundraising event of the year and if residents are not contacted by Jan. 26, either call Penny Cline, 460-2929 after 6 p.m. or Mint Culver, 460-6005, cookie coordinators, to place an order.

Chamber luncheon Friday

The Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce lun-

cheon is noon, Friday, at the Colby Country Club. The guest speaker is Diane Stithem, director of Big Brothers Big Sisters. The menu is spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, salad bar and brownies, said Holly Stephens, Chamber executive director.

All chamber member and guests are encouraged to attend. For questions, call 460-3401.

Dog ready for adoption

The Colby Animal Clinic has an eight-month-old male Collie, male, brown and white, named "Lucky," ready for adoption. Clinic officials said Lucky would be perfect in a farm setting or where there's lots of room for him to roam. The only cost for adoption is his immunization shots. For questions, call 460-8621, or stop by the clinic, 810 E. Fourth St.

Colby blood drive Tuesday

A blood drive is scheduled from noon to 6 p.m., Tuesday, at the Colby Community Building, 285 E. Fifth St. Walk-ins are welcome or participants can call toll-free 1-800-448-3543 for appointments.

Dog obedience training to begin

An orientation meeting for dog obedience training is planned at 7 p.m., Tuesday, at the 4-H Building on the Thomas County fairgrounds.

The training is open to 4-H members and the public, said Carrie Bredemeier, trainer. The classes are open to dogs five to six months or older with the main emphasis in helping owners with socializing their dog and behavioral control. The 4-H classes will work on obedience, showmanship and agility.

This first meeting is without dogs, but current vaccination records are required for those planning to participate. For questions, call Bredemeier at 460-3816.

College meets Monday

The Colby College board of trustees will meet at 5 p.m., Monday, in room 410 of Thomas Hall.

Agenda items include approving employment contracts, audit and minutes. In addition, a presentation on wellness/activities complex is scheduled along with two executives sessions for negotiations and personnel issue.

Food sign-up continues

Prairie Land Food sign up, formerly known as Share, continues through Friday at the State Farm Insurance office, 905 E. Fourth St., Colby. Delivery is at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Colby Sacred Heart School gymnasium, 1150 W. Sixth St.

This month's food package contains six meats and six or eight fruits and vegetables for \$20.50 plus two hours of volunteer time of a person's choice. Meats included this month are smoked pork chops, pizza bites, fully-cooked shrimp, sliced roast beef, backon and steak burgers. For questions, call Gene Griffin, one of the coordinators, 460-3579.

Grade cards to be released

Colby Public Schools is sending grade cards home with students in K-12 by Thursday, Jan. 18. Parents not receiving a grade card after that date are asked to call the specific building principal.

For grade school requests, call 460-5100; middle school, 460-5200 and high school, 460-5300.

Library storytimes resume

Storytimes at the Pioneer Memorial Library are starting up again this week, said children's librarian Judy Kleinsorge, and will run through the first week in May. Fliers and sign-up sheets are available at the library at 375 W. Fourth. Call the library at 460-4470 for more information.

For the Record

The following arrests or incidents have been provided by either the Thomas County Sheriff's office or the Colby Police Department. All suspects were booked into the county jail and are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

The Thomas County Jail is used by the towns of Colby and Oakley and Logan and Thomas counties.

Thomas County Sheriff Thursday, Dec. 14

• **Traffic complaint:** A motorist advised authorities at 11:32 p.m. of a vehicle all over the road northbound on Kansas Highway 25 from the Logan/Thomas county line.

Friday, Dec. 15

• **DUI:** Brenda Sue Burkhead, 44, of Park, was arrested at 12:15 a.m. by the Kansas Highway patrol for driving under the influence and refusing to take breathalyzer test.

Saturday, Dec. 16

• **Alarm:** The sheriff's office responded to an alarm at Colby Wrecking Yard at 2:32 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 17

• **Suspicious incident:** A911 call at 11:58 a.m. advised of a man laying in the eastbound ditch of Interstate 70. It turned out to be a sleeping bag only.

• **Service rendered:** A call at 6:22 p.m. advised of a vehicle in a ditch at U.S. Highway 24 east of Colby.

Monday, Dec. 18

• **Service rendered:** A911 call at 11:57 p.m. advised authorities of a woman's infant waking up crying with unknown problem. The woman, traveling on I-70, was escorted by officials to Citizens Medical Center.

Tuesday, Dec. 19

• **Criminal threat:** A resident advised officials at 5:33 p.m. of being threatened over the telephone by someone owing him money.

• **Suspicious incident:** A sheriff's deputy advised at 11:15 p.m. of doors locked and lights on at a 24/7 business.

Wednesday, Dec. 20

• **Service rendered:** A sheriff's deputy assisted Kansas Highway

patrol, EMS and fire department at 2:43 a.m. with traffic control for an injury accident on I-70.

Thursday, Dec. 21

• **Giving worthless check:** William Dean Boehme Jr., 31, of Levant, was arrested at 12:57 p.m. by the Thomas County Sheriff's office for giving a worthless check.

Friday, Dec. 22

• **Slide-off:** The sheriff's office assisted Kansas Highway patrol at 10:45 a.m. with a vehicle slide-off on I-70 near Brewster.

• **Service rendered:** A911 call at 1:30 p.m. advised of a flat tire in the rest area east of Colby.

• **Service rendered:** A911 call at 4:34 p.m. advised of a vehicle slide-off on County Road Q. Deputy provided traffic control.

• **Stranded motorist:** A911 call at 5:32 p.m. advised of a stranded motorist on I-70. Vehicle was towed.

Saturday, Dec. 23

• **DUI:** Shannon Del Luke, 42, of Scott City, was arrested at 1:09 a.m. on U.S. Highway 24 by Kansas Highway Patrol. The charges pending include driving under the influence and transporting an open container.

• **Battery:** Audrielle Ceciel Martinez, 18, of Colby, was arrested at 4:33 a.m. by Colby police in the 400 block of South Mission. The charge pending was domestic battery.

• **Disorderly, obstruction:** Mitchell John Welsh, 19, of Colby, was arrested at 4:46 a.m. by Colby police in the 400 block of South Mission. The charges pending included obstruction of official duty and disorderly conduct.

• **DUI, possession:** Donald Craig Collins, 51, of Westminster, Colo., was arrested at 6:11 p.m. on I-70 by Kansas Highway Patrol. The charges pending included driving under the influence, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sunday, Dec. 24

• **No driver's license, more:** Rene Lopez-Camacho, 21, of To-

peka, was arrested at 7:55 p.m. on I-70 by Kansas Highway Patrol. The charges pending were no driver's license, open container, possession of marijuana, and failing to maintain single lane.

Monday, Dec. 25

• **Possession:** Jaime Javier Gonzalez-Barraza, 22, of Topeka, was arrested at 7:55 p.m. on I-70 by Kansas Highway Patrol. Charges pending were possession of marijuana and transporting open container.

Tuesday, Dec. 26

• **Service rendered:** A911 call at 12:40 p.m. advised authorities of a stranded motorists on I-70 near Brewster. A deputy assisted highway patrol.

• **Suspicious persons:** Authorities were advised at 9:13 p.m. of two people throwing rocks at the caller's home in Levant. No damage reported.

• **Civil:** A public service call at 11:56 p.m. advised of a soon-to-be ex-wife having a party and wanting guest removed from home in Brewster.

Wednesday, Dec. 27

• **Civil process:** Sheriff deputies served 12 people with legal papers between 8:30 a.m. and 2:08 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 28

• **Service rendered:** Several 911 calls at 9:06 p.m. advised sheriff's

office of a person walking on I-70. When approached, the person said they needed a room for the night.

Friday, Dec. 29

• **Failure to comply:** Kevin Paul Hatfield, 30, of Levant, was arrested at 11:05 a.m. in the 1100 block of South Franklin by Colby police. Charge pending was failure

to comply with Goodland police department.

• **Criminal trespass:** Casey Eldon Hatfield, 18, of Colby, was arrested at 11:27 a.m. by Colby police in the 1100 block of South Franklin. The charge pending was criminal trespass.

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