

Weather Corner



Lows about 0, highs near 30

**Tonight** — Clear, with a low around 0. Wind chill values between -6 and -11. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Tuesday** — Sunny with a high near 28. Wind chill values between -1 and -11. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

**Tuesday night** — Clear with a low around 7. South wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Wednesday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 32. Breezy with a south wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**Wednesday night** — Mostly clear with a low around 10.

**Thursday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 33.

**Temperatures**  
Sunday's high,  
Low this morning,  
Records for this date, 70 in 1943, -15 in 1979  
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 temperatures are available by calling 460-8367.

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 Saturday, Dec. 30**

• **Battery:** Kelly Yvonne Duvall, 37, of Colby, was arrested at 5:53 p.m. by Colby police in the 700 block of Dylan Drive.

The charge pending was battery.

**Sunday, Dec. 31**

• **Service rendered:** Three people were transported to Oakley's Catholic School shelter at 11:10 p.m.

**Monday, Jan. 1**

• **Worthless checks:** Jack Lee Ploutz, Jr., 27, and Sara Lynn Ploutz, 25, both of Oakley, were arrested at about 4:30 p.m., in the 2200 block of Southwind Plaza.

The charges pending were three worthless checks each. An additional charge pending for Jack Ploutz was failure to appear on a child support issue.

• **Attempting to elude:** Jose Contreras Urgel, 34, was arrested at 10:32 a.m., in the 3200 block of County Road B in Gove County by Kansas Highway Patrol.

The charges pending were attempting to elude officers; leaving

Briefly

Colby blood drive Tuesday at college

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 classes set Tuesday

An orientation meeting for dog obedience training is 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. The classes are open to dogs 5 to 6 months or old 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. Current vaccination records are required for those planning to participate. For questions, call Carrie Bredemeier at 460-3816.

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.

Girl Scouts taking cookie orders

Colby Girl Scouts will be selling cookies starting Friday through Jan. 28.

Wichita Catholic schools offer model for tuition

WICHITA (AP) — A program offered by the Catholic Diocese of Wichita has become a national model in helping people send their children to private schools.

The diocese doesn't charge parents tuition for their children to attend any of its schools as long as they are active families in the church, said Bob Voboril, superintendent of schools for the diocese.

Voboril said active families attend church every Sunday, participate in parish ministries and the church's sacramental life and are frequent volunteers for their church. He said tithing isn't necessary but active families tend to donate to their church, providing the necessary funds to keep their parish's schools open.

"Our parishes make tremendous sacrifices," Voboril said. "They're committed to Catholic education. We've got most of our (Catholic) kids in our schools."

The Wichita diocese this year has 9,706 students, kindergarten through high school, at schools spread across 91 parishes in 25

southeastern Kansas counties. More than 7,200 of the students are enrolled in 20 Catholic schools in Sedgwick County.

Sister Dale McDonald, director of public policy and education research at the Washington, D.C.-based National Catholic Education Association, said Wichita has become a model for other dioceses trying to reverse declining enrollment.

During the past decade, about 15 percent of Catholic schools in inner-city areas have closed and schools that were vibrant 50 to 75 years ago are now in danger of closing, McDonald said.

She said demographic shifts are behind the closings, with most of the growth now occurring in the suburbs.

Some of the fastest-growing Catholic schools in Wichita area are in the far west part of the city, which Voboril said shows the schools give parents options.

"If we're growing, it's because we have something to offer that public schools don't," he said. "That's value-added education."

He was placed on six-month probation.

• **Worthless checks:** Floyd Clinton Chapman, Jr., 58, of Hoxie, was arrested at 12:25 p.m. in the law enforcement center by the Thomas County Sheriff's office. The charges pending were three worthless checks. Chapman plead guilty, was ordered to pay restitution, assessed court costs, probation fees on one of the cases and six-month probation.

• **Failure to appear:** John Samuel Kuder, Jr., 30, of Colby, was arrested at 10:01 p.m. in the 1100 block of South Franklin by the Thomas County Sheriff's office.

The charges pending were failure to appear on a contempt of court and aiding in execution.

**Friday, Jan. 5**

• **Service rendered:** Authorities were advised at 1:41 p.m. of a roof collapsing at the old Lynden Construction building at Redwood and Kansas Highway 25. The sheriff's office assisted in looking for occupants, but none were there. The owner was contacted.

Cancelled

The Sheriff's auction scheduled for February 3, 2007 has been canceled until further notice.

Cancer research fundraiser



TISHA COX/Colby Free Press

Bill Latimer, left, and Suzi Duncan, volunteers, served up spaghetti at a dinner Friday at the Colby Community Building. The dinner was to raise money for the annual Relay for Life. Organizers said more than 130 people were served.

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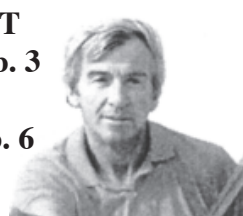
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