

Weather Corner



The forecast

Tonight — Partly cloudy with a low around 17. North wind between 5 and 15 mph. **Saturday** — Partly cloudy with a high near 27. North wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. **Saturday night** — Mostly cloudy with a low around 4. North wind between 10 and 15 mph. **Sunday** — Partly cloudy with a high near 26. Northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph. **Sunday night** — Mostly clear with a low around 10. **Monday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 29. **Monday night** — Mostly clear with a low around 12. **Tuesday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 31.

Temperatures
Thursday's high, 39
Low this morning, 18
Records for this date, 74 in 1920, -20 in 1950
Precipitation past 24 hours to 8 a.m. today, 0.00
January's precipitation, 0.63
A recorded forecast updated throughout the day is available by calling (785) 899-7119. Current temperatures are available by calling 460-8367.

Meth lab seizures down in Kansas

TOPEKA (AP) — The state saw a dramatic downturn in seizures of methamphetamine labs, supplies and equipment in 2006, the Kansas Bureau of Investigation said Thursday.

KBI Director Larry Welch credited the decline to a state law, passed in 2005 and named for a sheriff killed in a raid on a meth lab, which places restrictions on the sale of over-the-counter cold and allergy remedies that can be used to make meth.

There were 168 meth-related seizures in 2006, down from 390 the year before. The high was in 2001, with 860 seizures.

"We're not turning somersaults over the fact that there were 168 meth labs in Kansas," Welch said in a telephone interview. "That's still too many. But it's a heck of a lot better than it was."

Last year's figure represented 48 operational labs, 76 dump sites and 44 seizures of meth-making chemicals and equipment.

"Those three categories represent what we find that we know used to be a lab, what we find that we know was going to be a lab, and then the operational labs we find," Welch said.

There were 634 meth-related seizures in 2004, the last year before the passage of the Sheriff Matt Samuels Chemical Control Act. Samuels was shot to death Jan. 19, 2005, while serving a warrant on a rural Greenwood County home that — unbeknownst to the sheriff — contained a meth lab.

The law bearing his name restricts the sale of pseudoephedrine and ephedrine, placing medications containing them behind pharmacy counters rather than on store shelves. Buyers must also register and provide identification and may not buy large quantities of the non-prescription medications.

"There are hardly painful mandates in the law," Welch said. "It simply requires the cooperation of pharmacists and then the tremendous patience of consumers who have asthma, allergies, colds, things like that."

A reduction in the number of operational meth labs in Kansas will allow authorities to target shipments of the drug coming in from Mexico, Welch said. About 80 percent of meth supplies in Kansas are from outside the state, he said.

Some like it HOT... and some like to shop the COOL way!!



Briefly

Scouts to sponsor pancake feed

The Colby Boy Scouts are sponsoring a pancake feed from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, at the Colby Community Building, 285 E. Fifth St. The all-you-can-eat feed is free-will donation with proceeds going toward scout projects.

Archeology group to meet

The High Plains Chapter of the Kansas Anthropological Association will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4 at the Prairie Museum of Art and History. The public is invited. The program will feature Bob Blasing on "Prehistoric Use of Astronomy by the Pawnee." Nancy Arendt will also show video highlights of the 2006 KAA excavation near Council Grove. Information about upcoming archeology-related events, including the 2007 Kansas Archeology Training Program excavation in nearby Nicodemus, will be presented. A business meeting, including nomination and election of officers, will follow. For information, call Nancy Arendt at 460-6653 or Ann Miner at 462-6399.

Coalition meeting set

The Thomas County Coalition, an agency with the goal of assisting children in drug/alcohol prevention issues, will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27 at Pioneer Memorial Library. If interested in attending or questions, call the Regional Prevention Center at 460-8177.

Prairie Land Food delivery Saturday

Prairie Land Food delivery, formerly known as Share, starts at 10:30 a.m., Saturday in the Sacred Heart School gymnasium, 1150 W. Sixth St., Colby. For those interested in buying a food package, there are still a few left, said Gene Griffin, co-coordinator. The only other requirement to buying a package is two hours of volunteer service of the person's choice. For questions, call Griffin at 460-3579 or Marguerette Edmundson, also coordinator, 450-8640.

Homestead forms available

The Thomas County Clerk's office is reminding residents

eligible to submit claims on Homestead property tax refunds and food sales tax refunds, that forms are available. "The Kansas Homestead program provides a property tax refund for eligible homeowners and renters who were residents of Kanas all of 2006," said County Clerk Shelly Harms. As a Kansas resident the entire year, she said, persons are eligible if their total household income is \$28,000 or less and they were born before Jan. 1, 1951; were blind or totally and permanently disabled of all 2006 or have a dependent child who lived with them the entire year and was born before Jan. 1, 2006 and under the age of 18 throughout 2006.

Massage clinic set in February

A massage clinic, sponsored by students in the physical therapist assistant program at Colby College, is planned from 5 to 9 p.m., Feb. 5, 12, and 20, in the health sciences building on campus. All proceeds from the clinic go toward helping further the program. Cost for massages is \$12 per half hour. To make an appointment, call 460-4797, but walk-ins are welcome.

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's office

Saturday, Jan. 13

• **Battery, parole violation:** Patrick Michael Backus, 24, of Colby, was arrested at 3:28 p.m. in the 200 block of North Mission by Colby police. Charges pending included domestic battery and a parole violation with the Kansas Department of Corrections.

• **Driving while suspended, more:** Pablo Vargas-Meraz, 23, of Bixby, Okla., was arrested at 9:14 p.m. by the Kansas Highway Patrol on Interstate 70. Charges pending included driving while suspended/revoked and child restraint.

Sunday, Jan. 14

• **Driving under the influence, more:** Heath Christian Bieker, 19, of Colby was arrested at 12:56 a.m.

at Fourth Street and Chickamauga Avenue by the Kansas Highway Patrol. Charges pending with KHP include minor driving under the influence and minor in possession of alcohol/cereal malt beverage.

Colby Police Department

Thursday, Jan. 11

• **Suspicious incident:** A 911 call at 8:07 a.m. advised of a semi truck refrigeration unit running for three days at Wal-Mart.

• **Animal complaint:** Police were called at 9:35 a.m. about a dog at large at College Drive and Range Avenue.

• **Lost/mislaidd property:** An individual from Colby Elementary School, 710 West Third Street, advised police at 12:45 p.m. of a lost cell phone.

• **Animal complaint:** Police were advised of two dogs at large in the 1100 block of South Franklin.

• **Parking complaint:** An individual called police at 3:17 p.m. about an abandoned vehicle in Friendly Acres Mobile Home Park.

• **Service rendered:** A caller from Hays at 4:10 p.m. advised police she had been harassed over the telephone and through text mes-

sages. A police officer told the person to call the Hays Police Department.

• **Suspicious person:** A caller at 10:39 p.m. advised police someone had a gun at Quality Inn, 1940 S. Range.

Friday, Jan. 12

• **Harassment:** A resident called police at 1:02 a.m. advising of someone calling every two or three minutes from a cell phone. Police made contact and asked the person to stop calling.

• **Accident:** An individual called at 7:08 a.m. that his wife had slid into a parked car at Second Street and Garfield.

• **Animal complaints:** Police were called at 12:36 p.m. and 4:02 p.m. advising of a dog and horse. The first call said a dog was in the 800 block of Cherokee. The second incident involved a horse in the 100 block of East Eighth Street.

• **Accident:** An individual called police at 3:35 p.m. that his daughter was involved in a hit-and-run accident.

• **Accident:** A 911 call at 5:24 p.m. advised police of an accident at Dillons, 1605 S. Range Ave.

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AUCTION

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH • 10:00 A.M. CST

LOCATION: From Trenton, Nebraska: 8 mi. N. on Hwy 25 to Junction 6 & 25; 2 mi. West; 1 1/2 mi. South; 1 1/2 mi. West

Lunch by Trinity Lutheran Church! Storm Date Saturday, February 17th

Tractors:

• Ford 846 Versatile, 4WD, cab, air, heater, 18.4-42 tires, 3094 hours, one owner, new in 1993, SN-12958 • Ford TW15, FWD, 3pt, cab, air, heater, 16.9-28 fronts, 20.8-38 rears, 3 spool hyd, 2240 hrs, one owner, SN-A918328; with Dual 205 quick attach loader & quick attach hay sweep.

Antique IHC Tractors:

• F20, "Steel Wheel Skeleton Rims", rubber front, RESTORED, SN-18109 • F20, on new rubber, RESTORED, SN-81317 • F20, Parade Steel, RESTORED, SN-18649 • F30, new 13.6-38 tires, runs, SN-FB6517 • F30, for parts • F30, rear end - narrow • F20, 11-38 tires • F20, 11-36 tires.

Combine, Heads & Trailer:

• JD 9600, Bish bin extension, 30-5L-32 tires, 2856 engine hrs, 1978 separator hrs, SN-640595 • JD 930 - 30' header with pickup reel • JD 853A - 8-row row-crop head • Milo guards • Homemade header trailer.

Farm Machinery & Equipment:

• Quinstar 42' fallowmaster with hard surfaced pickers • Blu Jet 8-shank Sub Tiller II with coulters • Buffalo 8-row 30" planter with John Blue squeeze pump, monitor • Crust Buster 3200 drill, 41' x 12" spacing, trash shanks • Clark 19' chisel • Miller 40' rod with Degelman harrows • Wylie 1000 gal nurse tank with B&S Engine • 7 1/2 yard Soil mover • IHC 101 sickle mower, pull type • 5-section Harrow • (4) 2000 gal fuel tanks • (3) 300 gal fuel tanks • 400 gal propane tank • 250 gal propane tank • 125 gal propane tank • (4) 5 gal propane tanks • 20 gal propane tank • many more not listed

Truck, Pickups & Trailer:

• 1975 Ford Louisville 600, 331 motor, 5-2 spd, 18' steel box, Harsh lift-up tag, Shurlok tarp, 47,711 miles, blue • 1976 Ford Louisville 750, factory tag, new rebuilt heavy duty 361 motor, 5-2 spd, 18' steel box, new Omaha hoist, red • 1973 Ford 600, 16' box, 4-2 spd, 331 motor, red • 1997 Ford F250 XLT, 4x4 extended cab, short box, 5 spd, 63,000 miles, light blue • 1979 Ford F250, 400, 4 spd, 4x4, air, 85,500 miles • 16' x 7' homemade car trailer.

Antique Cars & Motors:

1954 Ford, 2 dr, 3 spd overdrive, 239 overhead valve engine, COMPLETELY RESTORED • 1962 Ford Fairlane, 260 V8, automatic, 4 dr, approximately 30,000 miles, ORIGINAL • 1966 Chrysler Newport, V8, automatic, ORIGINAL • 1950 Ford 2 dr, 3 spd, rebuilt motor, outside restored • 1947 Chevy Fleetline, 2 dr, 3 spd, 216 rebuilt motor • Flathead V8 ABA • Ford 292 manual transmission • Ford 302 manual transmission • Ford 400 motor • Pontiac Straight 8.

Antiques:

Horse drawn mowers: (1) IH-9 • (2) McCormick Big Six • One row corn binder • Deering hay rake • New Idea hay rake • Horse slip • Pedal Fire Chief fire truck • JD Pedal tractor • Xrrom x 15 Pedal tricycle • (15) Tackle boxes • Old fishing poles • 22' Shuffle board • Edison Blue Amber rolls • Baby stroller • High chair • Bottles • Miller Lite clock • Old party favors • Wood building blocks • Farm toys • Gas boy pump • many more not listed

Shop & Outdoor:

• Snap-On air conditioner vacuum pump • 20th Century 295 amp welder with Century high frequency • 30 Ton shop press • Walker air jack, Band saw, anvils, welding table, welding rod, Shop Smith drill press with lathe, Kew Power washer, (3) battery chargers, Log chains, cable, chain boomers, Sand blaster, Jack, bumper jacks, cistern pump • many more not listed

Livestock: (Buildings to be moved)

(2) 2000 bushel Wooden granaries.; (1) 1200 bushel Wooden granary; 16' x 10' Chicken house; 12' x 12' Tinned granary; Sioux 300 bushel bulk bin with auger, 16' steel creep feeder, hog tank; Vet syringes; Fence chargers, 2-wheel fencing trailer, fence stretchers, Wood panels, (12) 16' wire panels.

Guest Consignments:

22' Miller rod with harrows • 22' Miller disk, Series V with harrows. • '47 Chevy truck, runs, with hoist.

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