


Weather  
Corner



Snow expected  
after midnight

**Tonight** — Breezy and other-  
wise cloudy with snow likely  
and isolated thunderstorms in  
the evening.  
Then mostly cloudy with a  
chance of snow after midnight.  
Snow accumulation expect is  
from two to four inches. Lows in  
the mid 20s.  
North winds 15 to 25 mph.  
Chance of precipitation 70 per-  
cent.  
**Thursday** — Mostly cloudy.  
Highs in the upper 30s. North-  
west winds 15 to 20 mph.  
**Thursday night** — Mostly  
cloudy. Lows around 16. North-  
west winds 10 to 15 mph. **Fri-  
day** — Mostly cloudy. Highs  
around 40. Northwest winds  
around 15 mph. **Friday night** —  
Partly cloudy. Lows around 18.  
**The extended forecast** for  
Saturday through Tuesday —  
Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower  
40s. Lows in the lower 20s on  
Saturday. Then on Sunday  
through Tuesday — Partly clou-  
dy. Highs in the upper 50s. Lows  
in the upper 20s.  
**Temperatures**  
Tuesday highs, 43, low, 22  
Monday’s high, 40, low 18  
Low this morning, 16  
Records for this date, 88 in  
1988, 0 in 1899  
Records for Tuesday, Feb. 27,  
82 in 1989, -1 in 1931  
Precipitation last 24 hours - 0  
February’s precipitation, 0.66  
A recorded forecast updated  
throughout the day is available  
by calling (785) 899-7119. Cur-  
rent temperatures are available  
by calling 460-8367.

Briefly

**Judging team plans fundraiser**  
The Colby Community College Livestock Judging Team is taking orders for homemade cinnamon rolls to raise money to attend the annual “Cow Palace” judging contest in San Francisco, Calif. Cost is \$10. To place an order, call McKenzie Chambers at (303) 775-9506.  
**Benefit soup supper planned**  
The Sheridan County Fair board is hosting a benefit soup supper for Cindy Mowry to help her with medical expenses. The supper is from 5 to 8 p.m., March 10, at the 4-H Building in Hoxie.  
A silent auction will also be held from 2 to 7 p.m. Donated items are welcome. For information, call (785) 675-2213.

**Complex presentation planned**  
Colby Community College President Lynn Kreider is the guest speaker at the Gem Lions Club meeting at 7:45 p.m., today, in the Gem Community Building.  
Kreider will present information and answer questions about the proposed Wellness Center and new dormitory on

the Colby College campus. Everyone is welcome.  
**Shepherd’s Staff golf tournament**  
Shepherd’s Staff Conference and Retreat Center in Rexford will sponsor its first Miracle Marathon Golf Tournament May 12 at Heritage Hills Golf Club in McCook, Neb. Golf fees and lunch cost are waived for the 40 players. Each player will be asked to play 50 holes of golf in support of Shepherd’s Staff. Securing pledges to support the non-profit organization, players can earn golf equipment and custom fitted Taylor clubs.  
For more information, contact Ron Boller, director of out-reach by e-mail at kola464bear@netscape.net or 785-687-2565. The Shepherd’s Staff Conference Center is in its 24th year of operation providing facilities to area churches and faith-based ministries.  
**Annual soup dinner Saturday**  
The Gem Lions Club is sponsoring its annual soup day from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday in the Gem Community Build-  
ing. Menu includes veggies, chili and potato soup.  
Free will donations are accepted and all proceeds will ben-

efit Gem projects.  
**Bluegrass festival Saturday**  
A mini-festival, sponsored by the Colby Bluegrass Com-  
mittee, will be held from 7-10 p.m., Saturday, at the City  
Limits Convention Center, Colby. Entertainment includes  
Sons and Brothers of Westcliffe, Colo. (7 and 9 p.m.);  
McLemore family of Colby, 8 p.m.; Chase McNich, 2006  
youth contest winner at 7:50 p.m.; and guest appearance by  
Marsahl Allen Bailey.  
Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling (800)  
611-8835. All proceeds will go toward the Pickin on the Plains  
Festival this summer.

**4-H County Club Days coming up**  
Thomas County youth aged 7 to 19 are encouraged to par-  
ticipate in County Club Days at 5 p.m. Friday, March 16 at  
Sacred Heart School in Colby. Youth can showcase their tal-  
ents in public speaking, presentations, dances, skits, piano,  
vocal, reading and more. To register call the Thomas County  
Extension Office at 460-4582. Registration deadline is Fri-  
day, March 9.

Sunflower insurance program up in the air

**By Associated Press**  
Sunflower farmers hope im-  
proved oilseed market conditions  
for the upcoming growing season  
will persuade the federal govern-  
ment to keep an insurance program  
with only a few changes.  
The Agriculture Department’s  
Risk Management Agency last  
year proposed doing away with  
“revenue assurance” coverage for  
sunflowers starting in 2009, as part  
of an effort to simplify the overall

crop insurance program.  
A public comment period ended  
last fall, but a final decision has not  
yet been made.  
Traditional crop insurance pro-  
tects against production problems.  
Revenue assurance policies differ  
in that they protect farmers from  
both low yields and low prices.  
The policies have been available  
since 2000 in North Dakota — the  
top sunflower-producing state —  
and since 2004 in South Dakota,

Kansas, Colorado, Minnesota and  
Montana.  
Only about 12 percent of crop  
insurance policies sold nationwide  
for sunflowers since 2004 have  
been revenue assurance, according  
to RMA data.  
The RMA and the National Sun-  
flower Association agree the pro-  
gram has not reflected what the

crop is actually worth.  
The RMA wants to eliminate  
what it says is a dysfunctional pro-  
gram. But the sunflower group be-  
lieves the formula used to calculate  
the base price can be improved,  
and has proposed two changes,  
said John Sandbakken, the asso-  
ciation’s international marketing  
director.

“We want to give people a  
choice, rather than be stuck with  
just one option,” he said.  
Brent Doane, an RMA spokes-  
man in Washington, D.C., said he  
was limited in discussing details,  
but that the “RMA is working hard  
to assess alternative methods.”  
On the Net: Risk Management  
Agency: www.rma.usda.gov

‘Enchanted Evening’ set for Colby

Western Plains Arts Association  
will present “Some Enchanted  
Evening” by Windwood Theatri-  
cals at 3 p.m., Sunday, March 11,  
in the Cultural Arts Center at Colby  
Community College  
The song and dance musical is a  
celebration of 46 of Rodgers and  
Hammerstein’s best songs from

“The Sound of Music,” “The King  
and I,” “Oklahoma,” “Carousel,”  
“South Pacific,” and “State Fair,”  
said Mary Beth Akers, media cor-  
respondent. Singers will spotlight  
many legendary moments of the  
world’s best-loved Broadway  
shows in an evening of elegance and  
class, she said.

Admission is with WPAA season  
ticket, or at the door: \$15 for adults,  
\$8 for children.  
This show is made possible in  
part by Kansas Arts Commission  
and National Endowment for the  
Arts, a federal agency. WPAA re-  
ceives private, state and federal  
funding.

Thursday Bingo

March 1st

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Colby Bluegrass

Mini-Festival

Saturday, March 3rd

City Limits Convention Center

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Featuring:

Sons & Brothers - Westcliffe, CO (7:00 & 9:00 PM)

McLemore Family - Colby (8:15 PM)

Chase McNinch (7:50 PM) Hammer Dulcimer, 2006 Youth Contest Winner

Guest Appearance by Marshal Allen Bailey, MC

Adults: \$10.00

Youth, 16 & under: \$5.00

SANDWICHES & APPETIZERS AVAILABLE DURING THE SHOW!

This will be your only opportunity to see Sons & Brothers this year!! They will not be at this year’s July festival!

More Info: 800-611-8835. Proceeds to “Pickin’ on the Plains Festival”

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