

Weather Corner



Breezy weather continues

The forecast
Tonight — Partly cloudy with a low around 43. Windy with a north wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph. **Friday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 74. North wind between 5 and 10 mph. **Friday night** — Mostly clear with a low around 52. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. **Saturday** — Isolated showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy with a high near 87. South wind around 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent. **Saturday night** — A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy with a low around 59. **Sunday** — A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy with a high near 91. **Sunday night** — A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy with a low around 59. **Monday** — A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy with a high near 92. **Temperatures**
 Wednesday's high, 98
 Low this morning, 48
 Records for this date, 103 in 1969, 35 in 1916
 Precipitation last 24 hours, 0.00
 June's precipitation, 0.02
 A recorded forecast updated throughout the day is available by calling (785) 899-7119. Current temperatures are available by calling 460-8367.

Rod runs packed with events, happenings

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another band performed. Sunday topped off the event with a poker run and awards.
 And though the 25th rod run has passed, work on the 26th annual event already started.
 He said the ambassadors meet once a month, and are talking about next year.
 Jamie Bell, director of the Logan County Development Corporation, is also the acting chamber director. He helped organize the second Buffalo Bill Hot Rod Show in Oakley.
 "It started out last year as a Corvette rally," he said.
 This year, it was opened up to all classic cars and motorcycles, and had more than 20 entries than 2006. More than 50 vehicles and motorcycles were entered.

Colby water usage has not become a problem yet

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outdoor water use to before 10 a.m. and after 9 p.m.; charge for excess water usage and fine businesses or residents for wasting water.
 The highest stage is a water emergency when demand for three consecutive days reaches 4.5 million gallons per day.
 Should the city be forced to act on the water emergency, outdoor wa-

Picketing law questioned

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — A key senator questions the legal route the attorney general is taking in challenging a new state law restricting picketing at funerals.
 Senate Majority Leader Derek Schmidt said Tuesday that Attorney General Paul Morrison's strategy to challenge only one part of the law was "taking a gamble" that it will be upheld by the Kansas Supreme Court and not face further legal hurdles.
 "It's a bit more circuitous than what we had contemplated," said Schmidt, R-Independence, said.

Briefly

Donations sought for garage sale

Heartland Rural Counseling is holding its third annual garage sale June 22-23 and donations are being accepted. All proceeds from the garage sale will help Heartland Rural Counseling in assisting low income families and children with mental health services. All donations are tax deductible. Drop off times are 6:30 to 8 p.m., June 11, 14, 18 and 21 at 480 N. Franklin Ave. (formerly the Good Shepherd second-hand store)

Nationwide program to visit Colby

The Partnership for Prescription Assistance "Help is Here" Express will be in Colby from 9 to 11 a.m., Wednesday, at City Hall, 585 N. Franklin (near Fike Park). The "Help is Here Express" is equipped with computer terminals and mobile phones so people can find out if they are eligible for help paying for their medicines, officials said. Assistants will be available to make sure the application process is quick and easy."

By Michelle Myers

Free Press Intern

For the past nine years, almost 200 young people in Thomas County have taken advantage of a summer babysitting clinic, said Diann Gerstner, Thomas County Extension family and consumer sciences agent.

The program, sponsored by the Thomas County Health Department and extension office, was started for a variety of reasons to include addressing the shortage of daycares and the need for prepared, informed babysitters, she said.

"We feel it is successful because we attain our goal of preparing participants to be good sitters so they are prepared to do the job well.

"These are the traits that parents are looking for and helps the participant reach their goal of doing the job well and getting increased busi-

ness," said Gerstner.

Under the direction of Gerstner and Connie Walden, RN, the clinic is planned for June 27-28 at the Colby Community Building and registration is underway.

Some topics that will be discussed include infant care, emergency procedures, fun activities and nutrition. The Colby Police Department and Fire Department will cover 911 and fire safety with them, she said.

Keeping the clinic as "hands on" as possible by using real life examples and having a good amount of interaction are a few things that Gerstner and Walden do each year.



D. Gerstner

Trapshoot program planned

A free trap shooting event is open to all youth, women, and inexperienced shooters at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 17; Sunday, July 15 and Sunday, Aug. 19. The Colby Trap Club, Hunting Heritage Group, and the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks "Pass It On" program are sponsoring the free shoots. The shoots will be at the Colby Trap Club five miles west and one mile south of Colby on U.S. Highway 24. For more information contact: Benny Young at 462-7602; Chris Berens or Matt Bain at 462-3367.

Childbirth classes begin July 5

Citizens Medical Center, Inc. is holding its four week series of childbirth education classes from 7 to 10 p.m., Thursday, July 5, 12, 19, 26 and 26 at the hospital, 100 E. College Dr. Expectant mothers in their last trimester or are due to deliver before Nov. 1 are encouraged to attend. The labor support partner who will be with the mother in labor, is also encouraged to attend classes, said Jeanene Brown, RN, education director. For information or to reg-

"We try to keep it interactive and fun. We have a mother bring in her baby and demonstrate how to give a baby a bath," said Gerstner. "They bring a doll or stuffed animal and practice putting on a diaper and learn how to use gloves correctly," she said.

The clinic is offered to anyone who has completed the 5th grade or older.

Registration will be from 8:30 a.m.-9 a.m. with class lasting from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Deadline is Friday, June 22 and packets can be picked up at the Thomas County Health Department, 350 S. Range, Suite 2, in the Thomas County Office Complex.

Applications can also be downloaded from www.oznet.ksu.edu/thomas. The cost is \$25 for supplies and snacks.

Participants must bring a sack lunch for each day along with ques-

tions and an eagerness to learn, Gerstner said.

For any questions or additional information, call Walden, 460-4596, or Gerstner, 460-4582.

Former graduates give a review

Kayla Weber, 12 years old, said, "It was a lot of fun. We learned a lot like how to respect the kids, and that you have to be serious with them, also," said Weber.

In addition, changing diapers and correctly performing CPR are two things that Weber learned at the clinic last year.

Some of the things that Kaylee Keck, 13 years old, said she learned was, "Everything, like how to stay a little bit safer with the kids and how to talk to them easier."

According to Keck, it didn't necessarily help her get a job, but, "It helped me do my job better." She agreed that it also helped her confi-

ister, call Brown at (785) 460-4850.

Decorations need to be removed

Officials at Beulah Cemetery in Colby are asking that all Memorial Day decorations be removed by 5 p.m., Monday, June 11, so that caretakers can resume their mowing schedule.

Wesleyan Church has day camp

Colby Wesleyan Church is announcing a free summer day camp for children ages 4 to 12 called "Tuesdays at Ten" Every Tuesday from June 12 to July 24 (except July 3) from 10 a.m. to noon, children are invited to participate in the food and fun, games and God's love, clowns and crafts. The children will meet each Tuesday morning at the Playground at SouthPark Housing Authority, 700 S. Franklin. "Tuesdays at Ten" will also utilize the shelter house at the adjoining park and lunch will be served at Colby Wesleyan Church, 320 W. Pine. Contact the church office at 462-8391.

Clinic offers help to new, young babysitters

dence.

"I hope everyone can get as much out of it as I got out of it," said Keck.

Also, the babysitting clinic does not only attract girls, but boys, as well.

"I wanted to start babysitting to raise money," said Alex Diercks, 13 years old. While having a younger brother and two younger sisters, he said that the clinic was still helpful in dealing with younger children. He wants to encourage other boys to attend by saying it's more fun than it seems.

"If you want to make money, there's a way," said Diercks.

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE

7th & Franklin

Friday, June 8th: 12 - 8
 Saturday, June 9th: 8 - 6

New & nice condition furniture, brand name kids clothes size 0-6, misc. auto parts, antique sun machines.

NOW SHOWING June 1st - June 7th

SHREK THE THIRD

PG 1 hour, 35 min.
 Friday & Saturday 7:00 & 9:00
 Sunday 4:00 & 7:00
 Monday - Thursday 7:00

PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: AT WORLD'S END

PG-13 2 hours, 50 min.
 Friday & Saturday 7:00 & 10:20
 Sunday 4:00 & 7:20
 Monday - Thursday 7:00

FREE SUMMER MATINEE

Sponsors for this week's matinee were:
 Cornerstone Ag, Kersenbrock Funeral Chapel, Hi-Plains Co-op, Prairie Designs Landscape & Irrigation, Homeland Real Estate

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Sheridan County.

Road and Bridge Director Bob Schwarz said ads in local and area newspapers have not resulted in qualified applicants for his department.

"I called one guy's former employer and it ended up the employer was hunting him to turn him over to the police," Schwarz said.

Commissioner Doyle Kauk on Monday asked Schwarz what avenues he has taken to find people to employ. Schwarz said besides advertising, he has contacted a recruiting firm and has looked at hiring people from as far away as Australia.

"It sounds like it would be a pretty costly deal," Schwarz said. "They want \$10 an hour minimum, workman's compensation, plus lodging and food."

Kauk said he talked with the owner of a custom cutting operation who hires people from Germany. Kauk said the man told him hiring people from outside the country has been successful, but requires a tremendous amount of paperwork.

"He said it will take you a year to get some help," Kauk said. "You've got to go through the hoops and it will take you a year to get help."

Another topic of discussion pertaining to county road involved

temporary closure of County Road 70 West when the road is muddy. County Road 70 West runs south from Selden to Hoxie Feedyard, Inc. and mud makes it difficult to navigate.

The county's portion of County Road 70 West begins about one miles south of U.S. Highway 83 in Selden. Hoxie Feedyard is located 10 miles northwest of Hoxie on County Road 70 West.

A spokesman for the feed yard said 40 to 50 semi trucks travel the road on an average daily basis. At the commission meeting on May 21, Selden resident Harold Murphy met with the commissioners to talk about regulating traffic on County Road 40 West when road conditions are not favorable for semi trucks to be on it. Kauk, at that meeting, said he would talk with feed lot manager Scott Foote and get his input about Murphy's concerns.

On Monday, Kauk said he talked with Foote, and Foote would like the county to put a sign near Selden saying "Hoxie Feedyard, south." Kauk also said Foote would like an electronic sign saying the road is closed when muddy.

"He's willing to do whatever we want to do to keep the road in good condition," Kauk said.

Kauk and Schwarz, along with

Commissioners Keith Kennedy and Ron Schamberger, talked about who would be responsible for turning on an electric sign when the road needed to be temporarily closed. Kauk said Foote told him he would accept the responsibility of tuning on the sign and redirecting traffic through Hoxie or around through Rexford.

"Form what Scott and I talked about, we need to come up with something that fits us and fits (Hoxie Feedyard)," Kauk said.

Besides who would turn on a sign, Kauk said Foote was not opposed to sharing the cost of a sign to be placed in the Selden area.

The commissioners directed Schwarz to contact a sign company and determine which type sign could be used and its associated costs.

Schwarz is also to determine what, if any, right of way issues would have to be addressed with Selden and the state since the road is near a state highway.

Faced with a Drinking Problem?

Perhaps
Alcoholics Anonymous Can Help
 Meetings are Open to the Public
 City Hall Basement
 Mondays & Thursdays - 8:30 p.m.

PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION – For Cheryl Schwarz & Others

DATE: Saturday, June 16th, 2007

Time: 10 a.m. CT (doors open 8 a.m. day of sale) **Preview** sale items at 5-7 p.m. CT June 15 **Auction Location:** T-N-T & Jones Auction Facility 200 N. Franklin, Colby, Kan

VEHICLES • BOAT & FISHING EQUIPMENT • GUNS • COINS WILL SELL @ 1:30

VEHICLES: '99 Ninety – eight Regency Olds; 350 Honda Motorcycle
BOAT & FISHING EQUIPMENT: 8' x 20' (approx) Pontoon Boat with trailer, dual axle; 3 – antique motors; Fishing reel repairs; 200 plus new fishing poles; Knee Board; Wake Board (brand new) **GUNS:** Mossburg 22 Rifle; Remington Model 550-1 22 Rifle; Winchester 30-06 Model 770 w scope; Coast to Coast Master Mag 12 ga; FIE Corp – Miami Florida E-15 22 pistol; Germany Big Model E-15 22 pistol; Raven Arm Model MP-25 25 cal pistol; Star Eibar Made in Spain 9mm pistol; 2-Davis Ind. Model D-M 22/22 mag 2 shot Derringer; 2 cloth pistol cases; Leather holster and belt **COINS:** Several Silver Dollars 1800s – '20s

FURNITURE / HOUSEHOLD / ANTIQUES: Full size pillow top bed; Queen Hide-a-bed – Blue Plaid; Bunk bed; 2 twin bed w brass head board; Wicker baby cradle; 8 pc Bamboo living room set includes 2 chairs, 2 end tables w/ glass top, 1 rocker & round coffee table; 3 pc black vinyl sofa/loveseat and recliner set; 3 piece sectional sofa; Ottoman; Bakers cabinet; 4 chairs and round glass top table; Brass and glass coffee table and end table; Pine drop leaf table with 4 chairs – Like New; Iron and glass sofa table; 36" round Oak pedestal table; 7 ft tree, 6 ft tree – decorative; Christmas decorations; Kids tin kitchen furniture; White wicker w/ Night stand, Chiffrobe, Bookcase, Trunks; 2 pc Oak entertainment cabinets; Stereo cabinet; Music Boxes; Jewelry; Candle holders and globes; Kenmore

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Dishwasher; 4 Duncan Phife chairs; 18 piece Beer Barrel furniture w. Round table, 5 chairs, Sofa, 3 pc end tables, 2 lamps, Bar, 5 bar stools; 1930s Dining Room table, 6 chairs, 2 leafs, 1 buffet; 1930s Wicker desk; Kerosene heater; Trunks - Round top, Flat top, Actors; Antique princess dresser with beveled mirror; Fake fire place; Trundle bed; Sony 42" big screen television; Sears Kenmore gas stove - Used 1 year; Amana 20.5 cu refrigerator with ice maker - 5/6 yrs old; Rainbow vac sweeper with powered head; 2 - Budweiser millenniums; Dog kennel; Basketball goal; Shuffle board game table **COLLECTIBLES:** Cherished Teddies collection; Bear collection; Dolls; Hoxie Theater clock; Lamps; Records 33-78; Cake plates; Wedding dishes; Sandwich plates; Fire alarms; Office supplies; Beer steins (Bud) **TOYS:** Ertl Spreader; JD Model R tractor; JD Turbo combine; Ertl 4 bottom trailing plow; ubbley trailer and tractor; Ertl 5088 tractor and cableE; rtl axial flow combine; JD 1915 model R Waterloo Boy; JD 1923 model D tractor; Ertl Row crop tractor; Ertl mixer Mill; Ertl 7488 IH Tractor; Wizard of Oz dolls **OFFICE EQUIPMENT:** Walnut large office desk; Xerox copier #5011 R/E; Small Metal desk and chair; Computer desk – like new; Oak computer desk – like new **EQUIPMENT:** Roll of chain link fence; Step ladder; Assorted hand tools; Grain Tester

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