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Booked into the Thomas County jail:

- Michael Sheldon Yervey, 20, Colby, Dec. 9, aggravated battery, battery, disorderly conduct, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Dec. 10 on signature bond.
- Charise Marie Casper, 38, Brewster, Thursday, driving under the influence, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released same day with charges pending.
- James Lee Cameron Jr., 19, Wichita, Friday, possession of marijuana, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released same day to responsible person.
- Kenneth Roland Weber, 29, Colby, Saturday, driving under the influence, Thomas County Sheriff's Office, released Sunday on notice to appear.
- Cassandra Leann Gonzalez, 27, Colby, Sunday, domestic battery, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.
- Jesus Cornelio Sepulveda Jr., 29, Colby, Sunday, domestic battery, Colby Police Department, released same day on notice to appear.



Nine members of Tammy Higer's government class from Heartland Christian School attended the Thomas County Commission meeting Monday.

The students were there to learn how county government works.

The class listened as Emergency Management Director Susan McMahan presented a proposal to the commissioners on how to handle suspicious mail.

McMahan explained that Gov. Kathleen Sebelius' office had received suspicious mail, with

a white powder leaking out, last week. The package made its way through many hands and landed on the governor's desk without being detected, she said.

The incident prompted state emergency management officials to ask that county and city office personnel be trained on how to treat any suspicious-looking mail, McMahan said.

McMahan said that although many times a threat is not the real thing, every threat should be treated seriously.

She suggested that all county

employees be required to be certified to identify and properly handle suspicious mail by March.

"It takes about 30 minutes to read, take the test and become certified, through the state emergency management office," she said.

The commissioners agreed to table a vote on the request until the Dec. 22 meeting to give commissioner Byron Sowers time to read over the materials.

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