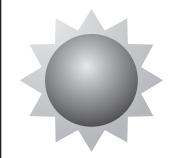
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Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: Clear, with a low around 65. South wind around 10 mph.

Tuesday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 98. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 67. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Partly cloudy, with a high near 95. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Thursday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 98. Thursday Night: Partly cloudy,

with a low around 68. Friday: Sunny and hot, with a

high near 98.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 65.

Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 94.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94.

Friday: High, 84; Low 61 Saturday: High, 70; Low 62 Sunday: High, 90; Low 60 Precip: Friday 0.00 inches Saturday 0.24 inches Sunday 0.00 inches 3.40 inches Month: Year: 13.55 inches Normal: 9.94 inches (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise Tuesday 6:18 a.m. Sunset Tuesday 9:15 p.m. Sunrise Wednesday 6:18 a.m. Sunset Wednesday 9:15 p.m. (U.S. Naval Observatory)

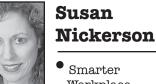
Labor Department inspections can prevent injuries

When was the last time you walked through your workplace with an eye on safety?

Are boxes precariously stacked? Are cleaners and chemical supplies sitting in random corners? Are cords across pathways that could be a tripping hazard?

Do your employees have protective gear for noise and flying debris or chemicals? Are they trained on how and when to use it?

The good news is that the Kansas Department of Labor's Health and Safety Division offers free safety walkthroughs for Kansas businesses. Ken Bieker, a Hays native, visits western Kansas regularly to help companies catch tornado. Proper exits, fire extinhazards before they become acci- guishers and employee training on special protection and safe storage



Smarter Workplace the walkthrough is that the federal Occupational Health and Safety

Administration is excluded from inspecting your facility if you are working with these state safety consultants.

Several safety areas are reviewed in these free walkthroughs.

The most common safety procedure for a business is evacuating people from a building in case of a fire or to a shelter in case of a dents. And the best part of having safely relocating to an approved methods. Make sure your employ-

be part of your emergency action plan.

Staying on top of your company's electrical components is another important area to review. Electrocution, electrical shock, burns and falls are all potential hazards in your business.

Walking and working surfaces can produce slipping, tripping or falling hazards. Protecting pathways is crucial to employee safety in the workplace.

Good communication with your employees regarding hazardous chemicals in your workplace is important to keep everyone informed and safe. Handling flammable chemicals also requires

area or leaving the building should ees are well versed on procedures ty program part of your company's if they handle these flammable or combustible liquids.

> Another area to consider is safe operation of equipment and the maintenance tools and techniques that keep it working. Machine guards should be in place. Training needs to be provided on safely servicing and maintaining the equipment to avoid unexpected startup or hazardous release of stored energy that could cause injury.

Personal protective equipment should be on hand for employees performing duties that could be hazardous. Eye protection, ear plugs, gloves, boots and shields are just a few examples of items you should have on hand if these director for Kansas Works, workforce hazards apply to the work you do. Finally, make a health and safe-

policy and philosophy. Good record keeping and reporting is part of an employer's responsibility in providing a safe workplace. And while you're at it, consider a wellness component that will work together with the safety program by keeping employees more nimble and responsive by encouraging exercise.

For information or to schedule a free safety and health consultation, contact the Kansas Department of Labor (785) 296-4386 or go to www.dol.ks.gov/safety/ html/workplacesafety.html.

Susan Nickerson is west regional development based in Hays.

Group designates Sunday for gun safety awareness

While thoughts of summer often lead to children play. playing in the pool or riding a bike, unintentional firearm injuries to children occur most frequently during the summer and during the holiday season, November to December.

Sunday was National ASK Day, run by the Asking Saves Kids campaign. Safe Kids Kansas joins this and other gun-safety advocates in urging parents to ask whether there are firearms in the homes where their

Roughly two out of five U.S. households with children have a gun, and many of those guns are left unlocked or loaded. Each year, about 68 children 14 and under are killed by an unintentional gun shoot. More than 880 go to the emergency room with injuries. In 2006, there were more than 8,400 injuries to children involving BB guns and pellet guns.

"More than half of the parents surveyed

who own guns, and have children ages 4 gun in the home," says Cherie Sage, state director for Safe Kids Kansas. "Kids should never have access to guns, period. It's too unpredictable and dangerous."

According to a 2006 survey by the ASK campaign, 97 percent of parents who owned a gun said they would not feel uncomfortable if asked about the presence of a gun in their home by another parent.

"Parents should talk to the adults in any to 12, said they keep a loaded or unlocked homes where their children visit," Sage said. "Make it a priority to ask whether there's a gun in the home, and whether it is locked up where children can't get to it."

"Teach kids not to touch a gun and to tell an adult if they find one. Most kids cannot tell the difference between a real handgun and a realistic-looking toy.'

For information, call (785) 296-1223 or go to www.usa.safekids.org.

Midwest banks say economy mending

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clined to 29 from May's 29.3.

"Over the past 12 months, rural areas of the region have lost who are seeking financing," Mcmore than 4.7 percent of their jobs while urban areas in the region have seen more than 3.1 percent of their jobs disappear over the past year," Goss said.

The June retail sales index decreased to 33.7 from May's 34.9. The rural home sales index also declined, to 45.9 from May's 48.7.

However, the bankers reported healthy numbers for their business.

The loan-volume index climbed to 56.1 in June from May's 46.7.

"We certainly have plenty of dollars to lend to qualified buyers Quillan said.

The indexes for checking deposits and certificates of deposits both fell but remained above 50. The checking index registered 54.2 in June, down from May's 68. The savings index dipped to 54.1 from 59.3.

represented in the survey, with the average population about 1,300.



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A & E	The First 48		The First 48		The Cleaner		The Cleaner				
AMC	Exorcist: Begin					Exorcist: Begin					
ANIM	Untamed and Uncut		More Headline		I Shouldn't Be Alive		Untamed and Uncut		More Headline		
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Coalition asks for liquor tax money From "COALITION," Page 1

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abuse. She said their goal is to reach every Thomas 2008," Evans said. "Binge drinking went from 78.6 County student in public and private schools seven times during the year with substance-abuse prevention education.

"The (survey) ... went from 61.3 percent who didn't use, in 2003, to 81.2 percent who didn't use in percent who didn't binge drink to 92.7 percent. And in nonuse of marijuana, the figures went from 89.6 percent who did not use it in 2003, to 96.2 percent in 2008.'

Almost 200 communities are

"Research shows that the brain isn't fully developed until the age of 24, and kids are finally learning that alcohol and drug use destroys brain cell development," she said.

The coalition conducts a survey every year in Thomas County schools, she said. The survey found an increase in the number of students who said they have not used alcohol or marijuana in the past 30 days.

A statewide survey shows the Thomas County Coalition as having greater than 80 percent success, she added.

"Over the past five years, the hard work of the coalition has paid off," Evans said, "and we have seen increases in the numbers of students who do not engage in those kinds of risky behaviors."

State warns of phony shopper scams

Attorney General Steve Six involving phony solicitations for employment as "secret shoppers," of investigative shoppers.

to provide additional income for people seeking part-time employment.

Some Kansas consumers have responded to employment advermailings stating they have been selected to participate in a paid Consumer Research Program in contacted by e-mail after posting their resumes online.

warns Kansans of a new scam to the offer, they often receive a "cashier's check" ranging from \$2,500 to \$4,000. The job assign-"mystery shoppers" or other types ment is to cash the check, pose as a customer and wire the money, The advertisements often claim often to a foreign address. Because the check is fake, it bounces after the consumer has wired the money, leaving the consumer liable for the fake check.

The Kansas Attorney General's tisements, others have received Office reminds consumers to be skeptical of any offer requesting them to wire money to a third party. The documents, includtheir area and still more have been ing the cashier's checks, used by scam artist can look legitimate. Consumers should thoroughly re-



When a consumer responds search all offers they receive prior to wiring money.

> If you believe you are the victim of a scam, contact the attorney general's Consumer Protection Division at (800) 432-2310.

> For tips on how avoid being scammed, visit: www.ksag.org.



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