

Weather
Corner

National Weather Service
Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 60. Northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. South wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 92. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 95.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, low around 63.

Friday: Sunny, high near 95.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, low around 64.

Friday: High, 97; Low 67
Saturday: High, 88; Low 66
Sunday: High, 86; Low 58
Precip: Friday 0.00 inches
Saturday 0.00 inches
Sunday 0.52 inches
Month: 0.52 inches
Year: 17.36 inches
Normal: 16.41 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset
Tuesday 6:53 a.m. 8:45 p.m.
Wednesday 6:54 a.m. 8:43 p.m.
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Colby Daily Average Water Use
Friday – Sunday 2,751,000 gal.
(Colby Public Works)

Colby grad visits Bangladesh on Christian mission

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She said there are many villages, with lots of beggars, but Dhaka is known for its beautiful pearls.

Cox also said it is against the law to say "Bible" in the Muslim country, and worker had to refer to it as a "Holy Book." Most of the time, she said, the group would say they were from Kansas instead of America, because of bad feelings among the Muslims for America.

She said she was warned to never call herself a missionary, and could only say she was a student. The older ones in the group, who were pastors and church leaders, had to call themselves teachers.

The country is full of illnesses, and if one of the Americans was to get an illness, Cox said, they might get much sicker.

She said the students all felt deeply sorry for her because she wasn't married, and asked her if something was wrong or if she was ill. Most of the girls are promised to someone by their parents when they are very young, she said. The people have few rights, and the women have almost none, she said. Women must not look directly into a man's face. There are no women out on the streets, and men and women don't eat together.

Cox and the other women in the group were not allowed to wear western clothing. Instead, they wore the traditional sari, which is six yards of fabric, no matter what size you are. On occasion, they were expected to wear a shawar kamez and orna, which she called her "Alladin pants."

With whatever they wore, she said, they had to wear the orna, a scarf-like garment worn over the chest and draped back over both shoulders. To go without an orna would be looked upon as a female in America going without a shirt, she said.

One interesting thing about the part of the country she was in was that there was no rock. She said they had to import rock.

The single most important product of the country is rice, Cox said. Artisan work such as sewing for the clothing industry is also important.

Overall, she said, the country is poor, overpopulated and has an inefficient government. Another thing that is inefficient, Cox said, was the power supply. She said the electricity goes off every two to three hours.

The climate was very hot, with the temperature reaching 117 degrees, and with no fans, the heat was awful.

The young people, she said, are the future of Bangladesh. The students in the school learn Christian values and life skills. It will take them a long time to infiltrate the population, she said, but the students will leave the school knowing they have to change their country's traditions and culture.

Right now, they are shunned because they are Christian, but they have skills, like truth, which overrides a lot, Cox said. She talked about of 4-year-old who told her that Bangladesh must be saved. Many are leading young lives with adult problems, she said.

She said one of the girls prayed that someone would come who would be young enough to be her sister. She said the students, most of them girls, were all happy when she said they could call her their sister.

"We are perceived to be what our media tells and shows," Cox said, "and they told me how sorry they were that our idol, Michael Jackson, had died. They also asked me if I was Brittany Spears. They are so influenced by our media that they think we are all like the celebrities they see and hear about."

She said a 14-year-old boy at the school had cancer, but his fear was not of the cancer, but that no one would remember to pray for him.

Cox said she has been going on missions trips since she was 16, and had thought this would be a summer she would spend at home, but said this was an "awesome opportunity" for her.

She said, however, that she is taking a vacation from eating curry. The diet in Bangladesh consisted mostly of chicken curry and rice, she said, and the cooks had to tone down the curry just a little, because it a little too spicy for her taste. She said the fruit was good, and they seemed to know what fruit to eat if you were having a health issue. She said the chicken was mostly boiled, and she is not eating chicken or curry or rice since she got home last month.

She will be attending Sterling College this fall, and in the spring hopes to study overseas, hopefully in Egypt. She said she thought the history would be interesting. She wants to study history and Christian ministries, with an emphasis on missions.

Colby School Board appoints new member

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vacancy.

"It was opened up to anyone," Rogers said. "Everyone had an equal shot."

They gave each of the candidates a questionnaire that asked questions such as what they feel the role of the school board is and what things each person would like to accomplish if appointed.

Besides Geihlsler, five candidates applied: Stan Strange, Brice Barton, Patrick Toth, Amanda Lange and Dr. Gary Slavens. Rogers said Slavens had submitted his name in case no one else did, but withdrew it when he knew there were enough other people.

"He felt there were some good candidates," the board member said, adding that he also felt the post attracted strong candidates.

"I was real pleased with the number of applicants we got," Rogers said. "It takes volunteers to make these things run. Without them, they just fall apart."

Sunflower association to hold field day in Colby

From "SUNFLOWER," Page 1

8 to 11 a.m. – Plot tours at K-State Experiment Station, speakers on agronomic issues and seed varieties. Topics include: sunflower hybrids in the marketplace, dry land sunflower planting rates and planting dates, sunflower herbicides, spraying desiccants on sunflowers to hasten harvest, sunflower disease and fungicide treatments and how to scout for head moth and other insects.

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – free lunch, 4-H building.

12:30 to 3 p.m. – afternoon speakers, 4-H building.

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