

Precip: Friday 0.00 inches
 Saturday 0.00 inches
 Sunday 0.00 inches
 Month: 0.00 inches
 Year: 00.00 inches
 Normal: 0.45 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset
 Tuesday 8:01 a.m. 5:50 p.m.
 Wednesday 8:00 a.m. 5:51 p.m.
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)

From “FIRE,” Page 1

McCarty, her husband Tom and two of their sons, Clay and Ken, run the Rexford dairy. Ken is getting married Saturday. Their son Mike runs a similar operation owned by the family near Bird City and son David manages a dairy in Hamilton County, near Syracuse.

The family said they wanted to thank the Menlo and Colby fire crews, who covered the front of the building, and all who came to help.

Ken McCarty said as it got nearer to feeding time, and there was no equipment to feed with, they started making phone calls to Cappell Sales in McCook to see if they had any equipment they

Two area dis

"In the mean time," Ken said, "we learned that the cell phone number we had been calling for at least 25 times, was a wrong number, because some guy called us back and said, 'Hey, your message isn't getting through to the right place, but it sounds like you guys are having one helluva bad night..."

The family said as yet they have no dollar estimate for the loss. They've been told they can't move anything or begin clean up until an insurance adjuster has been there to make an estimate. The adjuster was supposed to arrive on Sunday.

Tom McCarty said he just wanted to get it all cleaned up quick so they can move on.

TOPEKA (AP) — Two north-west Kansas school districts are beginning the work of merging their operations.

This past week, the state Board of Education approved a merger request from the Norton Community and West Solomon Valley districts. Both districts are in Norton County near the Nebraska border.

West Solomon Valley in Lenora has fewer than 20 students, while

Norton Community has more than 700.

Issues left to resolve include where grade school students will attend classes. West Solomon Valley already had been sending its seventh- through 12th-grade students to Norton under a contract.

All the merger decisions must be made by July 1, when the West Solomon Valley district dissolves.

From "TOURNEY," Page 1

They will play against Ulysses at 8:15 p.m. Thursday at the Community Building. They will

play again on Friday against the winner or loser of a game between Wichita West and Scott City. If they win, they will play at the Community Building; if they lose, they'll be at the high school.

The girls championship game will be at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Community Building and the boys game will start at 8:15 p.m.

From "BUDGET," Page 1

families and businesses.

"It's an allocation of pain, no matter how you look at it," said House Appropriations Committee Chairman Kevin Yoder, an Overland Park Republican. "The best thing we could do is try to figure out how we can spend taxpayer dollars more efficiently."

Parkinson wants to increase the sales tax from 5.3 percent to 6.3 percent for three years, starting in July. The cigarette tax would jump 55 cents a pack, to \$1.34; the tax on other tobacco projects would quadruple, to 40 percent.

Those changes would allow Kansas to spend \$5.8 billion in general tax revenues on its state government in fiscal year 2011, which begins July 1.

The state spent \$6.06 billion in

general revenues in fiscal 2009, only to see the expected amount decline to \$5.45 billion for the current budget. Parkinson's figure for 2011 is 7 percent above that 2010 low point.

But state government must boost revenues just to keep programs where they bottomed out in 2010.

Kansas offset some revenue losses in 2010 with federal stimulus dollars — most of it money from Washington that doesn't come again in 2011. The state also skipped bond payments and pension costs in 2010 that it legally can't avoid in 2011. Federally mandated social services will cost more.

Those items create a projected gap between anticipated revenues and the state's existing budget obligations for fiscal 2011.

Tuesday Evening							January 19, 2010				
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	Scrubs	Better	Scrubs	Better	the forgotten		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live		
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		NCIS: Los Angeles		The Good Wife		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late Late		
KSNK/NBC	The Biggest Loser				The Jay Leno Show		Local	Tonight Show	Late		
KSAS/FOX	American Idol		Human Target		Local						
Cable Channels											
A & E	Criminal Minds		Psychic Kids		Paranorma	Paranormal Cops		Paranorma	Criminal Minds		
AMC	The Matrix						Terminator 2				
ANIM	Weird	Weird	Wild Recon		Maneaters		Wild Recon		Weird	Weird	
BRAVO	Matchmaker		Mill. Matchmaker		Mill. Matchmaker		Mill. Matchmaker				
CMT	Police Academy					Police Academy				Videos	
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live		
COMEDY	Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	S. Park	S. Park	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	S. Park	S. Park	
DISC	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Howe & Howe Tech		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		
DISN	Catch That Kid				Phineas & Montana		Wizards		Deck	Suite	
EI	Office Space				Holly		Kardas	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	College Basketball		College Basketball						SportsCenter	NFL Live	Fastbreak
ESPN2	College Basketball		Tennis								
FAM	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos						The 700 Club		Secret-Teen
FOOD	Cakes	Cakes	Unwrapped	Best	Chopped		Good Eats		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	
FX	Fun With Dick & Jane				Just Married				Just Married		
HGTV	First	My First	House	Buck	House	House	Property	My First	House	Buck	
HIST	How the Earth		How the Earth		Life After People		Apocalypse Man		How the Earth		
LIFE	Grey's Anatomy		Speak				Will	Will	Frasier	Medium	
MTV	S. Park	S. Park	Teen Mom		Teen Mom		Teen Mom		Buried	Life, Liz	
NICK	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	
SCI	Star Trek Gen.		Star Trek Gen.		ECW		Mass Eff.		Battlestar Galactica: The Plan		
SPIKE	UFC Unleashed		Entourage		BlueMount		BlueMount		Entourage		
TBS	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Lopez Tonight	Name Earl		Name Earl	
TCM	Inherit the Wind						Block-Heads		Sunset Boulevard		
TLC	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	20 Years, 20 Duggars		Little		Cake Boss	Cake Boss	20 Years, 20 Duggars		
TNT	Bones		Bones		Southland		CSI: NY		CSI: NY		
TOON	Ed, Edd	Ed, Edd	Tn-Titans	Tn-Titans	King/Hill	King-Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen	
TRAV	101 Chowdown		101 Chowdown		Man, Food		101 Chowdown		101 Chowdown		
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Married	Married	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	
USA	The Bourne Ultimatum				White Collar		Law & Order: SVU		Psych		
VH1	Fantasia	Pep	Tough Love		Frank Enter.		Aspen	For, Love of	Ray J	Ray J	
WGN	Untamed Heart				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	S. Park	
Premium Channels											
HBO	Yes Man				REAL Sports Gumbel		Big Love		What Happens		
MAX	Dreamcatcher				The Rocker						
SHOW	Zoolander			Disaster Movie		Beverly Hills Ninja			Ladies		
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KSNK/NBC	Mercy		Law & Order: SVU		The Jay Leno Show		Local	Tonight Show		Late
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Cable Channels									
A & E	Dog	Bounty Hunter	Bounty	Seagal	Seagal	Seagal	Dog	Dog	
AMC	Behind Enemy Lines				True Lies				

ANIM	Wild Reconn	I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive		Wild Reconn		I Shouldn't Be Alive		
BRAVO	Launch My Line	Launch My Line		Launch My Line		Launch My Line		Mill. Matchmaker		
CMT	Smarter	Smarter	Rudy	Rudy						
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live	
COMEDY	Chappelle	Chappelle	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	Tosh.0	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	South Pk
DISC	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild		Solv.History		Man vs. Wild		Solv.History		
DISN	Dadnapped		Phineas	Phineas	Montana	Wizards	Deck	Suite	So Raven	
E!	Child Vanishes		Little Girl Gone		Jaycee Dugard	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	Girls	
ESPN	College Basketball		NBA Basketball						SportsCenter	
ESPN2	College Basketball		College Basketball		Tennis					
FAM	Pixar Short Films			Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?	
FOOD	Challenge		B. Play	Play	Worst Cooks		Good Eats	Unwrapped	B. Play	Play
FX	Mr. & Mrs. Smith				Nip/Tuck		Nip/Tuck		Cruel Intentions	
HGTV	Property	Property	House	Income	House Hun	Holmes on	Holmes	My First	House	Income

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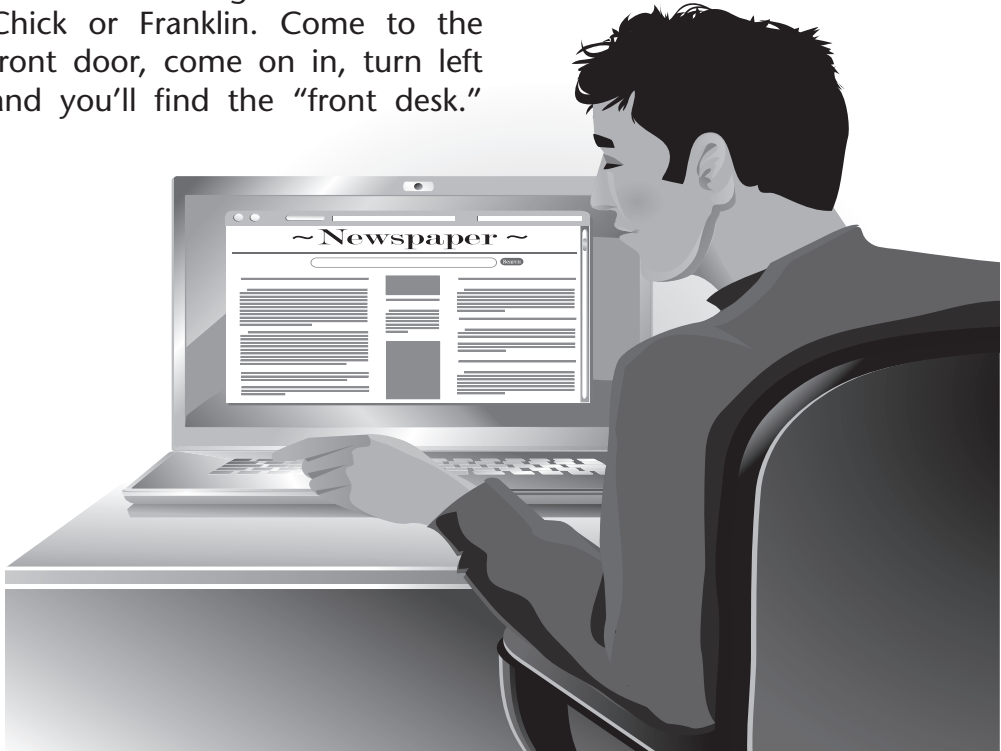
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MTV	S. Park	S. Park	The Real World	The Real World	The Real World	Jersey Shore	
NICK	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris Chris	Lopez Lopez	The Nanny The Nanny	The Nanny The Nanny	The Nanny
SCI	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters Inter.	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters Inter.	Scariest Places	
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TLC	TV Murders		Hoarders: Buried	Toddlers & Tiaras	TV Murders	Hoarders: Buried	
TNT	Bones		Bones	Leverage	CSI: NY	CSI: NY	
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WGN	Spies Like Us		WGN News/America's	Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	S. Park
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MAX	Baby Boy			I Love You, Man			
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