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## Student News

### Brewster

Activities: Monday: 2:30 p.m. scholars bowl, Wheatland; 7 p.m. Western Kansas Liberty League all-league selection, Oakley. Wednesday through Friday: Thanksgiving vacation no school. Menus: Monday: breakfast: pancakes and sausage; lunch: hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, peas, baby carrots, fruit, biscuits. Tuesday: breakfast: blueberry muffin; lunch: pepperoni or sausage pizza, seven-layer salad, corn, fruit, rolls.

### **Colby Public Schools**

Activities: Monday: 4 p.m. girls basketball, Holcomb. Tuesday: high school eligibility for activities determined; 7:30 p.m. basketball area supervisors meeting. Wednesday through Friday: Thanksgiving vacation no school. Saturday: state football; 6 p.m. basketball alumni video scrimmage, high school.

Menus: Monday: breakfast: cinnamon tastrie, chilled apple; lunch: crispy taco, corn, pumpkin chocolate chip muffin square, sliced pineapple. Tuesday: breakfast: donut, grape juice; lunch: wafered ham, bun, crispy fries, broccoli with cheese, applesauce.

**Colby Community College** Activities: Sunday: 6 p.m. Foundation Scholarship Phonathon, student union; 2, 3, 4:30, 6 p.m. volleyball all star game, community building. Monday: 6 p.m. phonathon, student union. Tuesday: 6 p.m. phonathon, student union; 6 p.m. women's basketball vs. McCook, community building; 8 p.m. mens basketball vs. McCook, community building. Wednesday and Thursday: Thanksgiving break, campus closed. **Friday**: Thanksgiving break, campus closed; 3:30 p.m. mens basketball, Garden City Thanksgiving Classic vs. Frank Thanksgiving break, campus 67701.

closed; 3:30 p.m. mens basketball. Garden City Thanksgiving Classic vs. North Platte Community College, Garden City. Sunday: Thanksgiving break.

## **Golden Plains**

Activities: Monday: 2:30 p.m. high school scholar's bowl, Grainfield. Tuesday: middle school basketball vs. Dighton, Rexford. Wednesday through Friday: Thanksgiving vacation no school. Menus: <u>Rexford</u>: Monday: breakfast burrito; breakfast: lunch: pinwheel. Tuesday: breakfast: hash browns; lunch: chicken tender.

Selden: Monday: breakfast: breakfast burrito; lunch: chicken noodles. Tuesday: breakfast: donuts; lunch: taco salad.

#### Heartland

Activities: Tuesday: mid-term reports sent home.

Wednesday through Friday: Thanksgiving vacation no school. **Sacred Heart** 

Activities: Wednesday - Friday: Thanksgiving vacation no school.

Menus: Monday: spaghetti, green beans, tossed salad, fruit cup, French bread. Tuesday: hamburgers, French fries, veggie, fruit.

#### Triplains

Activities: Monday: high school basketball practice, Brewster; 2:30 p.m. high school scholars bowl; 7 p.m. Western Kansas Liberty League all league selection football and volleyball, Oakley. Tuesday: high school basketball practice, Winona. Wednesday through Friday: Thanksgiving vacation no school.

Is your school missing from this list? Send us your calendar and menus. E-mail: colby.society@nwkansas.com (text files are appreciated) Mail: Colby Free Phillips, Garden City. Saturday: Press, 155 W. Fifth, Colby, Kan.,

# Sprint for Girl Scout council

Registration for the second annual Thin Mint Sprint is now open.

The Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland will hold the 5K run or walk and the one-mile "fun run" Saturday, Dec. 4. Proceeds go to the Scout council.

Late registration will be from 9 to 9:45 a.m. the day of the race at Fort Hays State University's Gross Memorial Coliseum, Gate 2, and the race begins at 10.

A "Sleep In" option is available for those who would like to show support from home. Participants will receive a Thin Mint Sprint T-

shirt. Registration \$15 dollars if received by Tuesday, Nov. 30. Registration the day of the race will is time for annual notification on be \$5 more. The sleep-in option is \$20.

To register, log on to www.

# Look around town, take photos and win

ment, Farmers and Merchants Bank is holding a "take a look around – we have a lot to be proud of" photo contest.

The photos must be of local scenery, landmarks, businesses, er, gift certificates, movie tickets, life-on-the-job, sports, events, a Howard Miller Clock, car detail, etc.

Only photos taken for the contest are allowed. They must be taken between October 1 and Nov. 30, 2010.

They must be submitted in jpg format by email to info@fmbcolby.com and must include the name of who took the picture and the location of the photo,

Ashley Moser, bank informations officer said the bank will announce winners either Monday or Tuesday, Dec. 6 or 7.

"We already have some really good photos and encourage many

# Crop revenue program begins to pay farmers

tive director of the Farm Service farm basis. The 2008 Farm Bill re-Agency in Kansas announced that the agency has issued 2009 crop Average Crop Revenue Election payments to producers enrolled in the program for wheat, oats and barley in Kansas.

"These payments are an important part of the farm safety net because they help protect the farmers ... by buffering them from the effects of revenue declines," Polansky said. Kansas issued 451 payments for \$301,205 to enrolled farmers. The per acre payment rates for Kansas are wheat \$7.56,

oats \$17.79, and barley \$8.78. In order to receive payments, revenue triggers for a commodity

Foreign investors must report

the laws dealing with foreign investors in U.S. agricultural land.

He said his office sends the inkansasgirlscouts.org or go to the formation to real estate offices and office at (785) 462-7671 or go to Hays office at 2707 Vine, Suite 8. lenders to remind them of the law. www.fsa.usda.gov.

To create community involve- more people to submit photos they've taken."

> Everyone who submits a photo will be put into a drawing for prizes from local businesses.

> Prizes include a Dell color printcaps and tool kits.

All pictures will be combined into a slide show and can be viewed at the bank's holiday open house during regular banking hours Wednesday through Friday, Dec. 8-10.

The slide show is available to other businesses on request, so that it can be viewed throughout the community.

Contestants are reminded to submit all photos to info@fmbcolby.com. For questions, please call (785) 460-3321.

# Adrian J. Polansky, execu- must be met on both a state and

quires 2009 payments to be made as soon as practicable following the end of the marketing year, but no earlier than Oct. 1, 2010.

Congress established average crop revenue payments as part of the 2008 Farm Bill to protect producers from farm market revenue declines. A list of state payment rates for the 2009 crops of barley, corn, dry peas, lentils, oats, peanuts, grain sorghum, soybeans, upland cotton and wheat is available at go.usa.gov/CCS.

For information on the program visit the local agency office or the website at www.fsa.usda.gov/dcp.

Ross Sloan, county executive Federal law requires any foreign director of U.S. Farm Service investor with an interest in agri-Agency in Thomas County, says it cultural land in the United States to report their holdings and any transactions to the Secretary of Agriculture.

For information, call the county

## Senior Progress Center

There will be a Thanksgiving Tuesday: turkey, mashed potatoes brunch at the Senior Progress Center at 11 a.m. on Wednesday. The center will close at noon and will be closed Thursday and Friday. There will be no meals or bus service Thursday and Friday.

Activities for the week: Monday: 10:30 a.m. Skip-Bo. Tuesday: 10 a.m. exercise; cookie and hot drink day. Wednesday: 11 a.m. Thanksgiving brunch; center closes at noon. Thursday and **Friday**: center closed; no meals or bus.

Menus for the week: Monday: cook's choice entree, winter mix 2901 by noon the day before. vegetables, beets, bread, pears.

## On the Beat

**COLBY POLICE** Wednesday

9:42 a.m. - Taylor Brown arrested on warrant.

11:46 a.m. – Items stolen from vehicle at 1275 W. Second. Subject at work, unable to file report at this time.

12:53 p.m. - Hit-and-run ac- over to Fire Department. 24/7 cident: vehicle struck building at Colby Free Press; no report at this time.

2:24 p.m. - Farm truck obstructing driveway and other vehicle parked for months in the 500 block of S. Garfield. Both vehicles legally parked; will try to contact owners to make access to drive- elty. Everything OK.

## THOMAS COUNTY SHERIFF Tuesday

Franklin. Report filed.

12:10 a.m. - Vehicle fire turned towed vehicle; no report.

with gravy, cranberry pineapple

salad, dressing, pumpkin bars.

Wednesday: sausage gravy, tater

triangles, green beans, biscuit,

Center invites anyone 60 and

older and guests to lunch Monday

through Friday at the senior cen-

ter. Home delivery is available, as

is pick-up service. A contribution

of \$3 per meal is suggested for se-

niors, \$5.25 for others. For anyone

under 60, home delivery is \$5.75.

Make reservations at (784) 460-

5:26 p.m. - Subject dancing in

front of vehicles at Fourth and

The Thomas County Nutrition

4:54 p.m. - Criminal damage to residence. Report filed.

6:22 p.m. - Report filed on incident Monday involving damage to vehicle.

#### Wednesday

4:20 p.m. - Possible animal cru-

## Not all snow boards offer good glide, says climatologist

from the Rockies, inspiring Plains weather observers to start dusting off their snow boards.

have bright, graphic designs or attachments to keep them tethered in place. In fact, I suspect only the most desperate sport fans would consider using them to glide down on wood. a snow-covered slope," said Mary Knapp, State of Kansas climatologist.

The snow boards that weather observers use are thin, flat pieces of wood, Knapp explained. They're about 2 feet square and painted white.

"You use them as a base for measuring snow depth," she said. "Each one is a uniform surface frequently updated website of use-- no snowflakes will get lost in ful information at www.ksre.ksu. rocks or patches of grass. Plus, edu/wdl/. the thin body and white surface

Reports of snow are drifting in prevent the board from heating up too much, melting some snow and skewing your reading."

Knapp also appreciates that "Now, these snow boards don't when she "officially" inserts a measuring stick into an accumulation of snow, she immediately knows when she's reached bottom. After all, the snow has fallen

> Part of her job as the state climatologist is maintaining a network of weather stations across Kansas. Knapp also is in charge of the Kansas Weather Data Library, which is based with Kansas State University Research and Extension and includes records that extend back into the 1800s. In addition, she maintains the library's

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