

Weather
Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: A slight chance of rain and snow showers after 1 a.m. Increasing clouds, with a low around 32. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Tuesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 59. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 34. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 78. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 41.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 64.

Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Friday: Partly sunny, with a high near 58.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy and breezy, with a high near 65.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy and breezy, with a low around 44.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny and breezy, with a high near 68.

Friday: High, 69; Low 23
Saturday: High, 58; Low 28
Sunday: High, 43; Low 18
Precip: Friday None
Saturday None
Sunday None
Month: 0.44 inches
Year: 0.87 inches
Normal: 2.11 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
Tuesday 7:56 a.m. 7:51 p.m.
Wednesday 7:54 a.m. 7:52 p.m.
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Ohio cops find
goosenappers
in traffic stop

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio (AP) – Police in central Ohio say they found a goose in a vehicle during a traffic stop and cited three people after discovering the animal had been captured from a park.

The *Chillicothe Gazette* reported last Monday that a police report says the goose was standing in a rear cargo area when the vehicle was stopped on March 5.

The report says the driver initially told police the goose was from the home of a passenger, and later said they had fed the bird in a city park and captured it with a net.

Witnesses told police that the two passengers used a fishing net to catch the bird while the driver watched.

The trio was cited under a law aimed at protecting non-game birds.

The goose was returned to the park.

Mixed martial arts event
coming to Colby this weekend

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said. A fight ends when one fighter gets the other in a joint lock or choke hold. Fighters can tap out or the referee can decide a winner.

There are six weight classes: lightweight, welterweight, middle, light heavy, heavy and super heavy.

Gaytan said there will be at least 20 fighters – and possibly as many as 24 – including Danny Mainus and Nick Kriss from Colby. The other fighters come from around the country.

The Community Building will be set up with a cage in the center, he said. It will have a blue corner and a red corner for the two opposing fighters. A ring announcer will introduce each fighter with music and a walk-in under a spotlight.

Gaytan, who is from Colorado, said promoter

Randy Lang asked him to help out, and when he came to Colby, he liked the community and he liked the Community Building as a fight venue.

“This venue is a promoter’s dream,” he said.

Gaytan said he needed a venue that could seat several thousand spectators and have a good place for the cage and other equipment. People will be coming in from around the area just for the event, he said.

Tickets, \$25 each or \$50 for VIP table seats, can be purchased at the Sports Shoppe or at www.cross-thelinemma.com.

Although the promoters made no official request for a beer license, the Colby City Council voted not to allow alcohol sales at the event. The promoters have hired two Colby police officers to help provide security.

Pension trade-off causes state education funding arguments

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changing annual pension contributions to spend tax money on infrastructure, social services and other immediate uses. .

Now, the yawning pension gap finally seems to be setting off alarms in state capitols. Officials confronting a broader state fiscal crisis are considering a wide range of action, led by newly-elected governors like Brownback who campaigned on putting their states on sound financial ground.

Despite strong resistance from public employee unions, many states are considering changing their retirement benefits. In New Jersey, Republican Gov. Chris Christie and legislative leaders are proposing to end automatic cost-of-living adjustments and roll back pension increases granted a decade ago.

Massachusetts is considering raising retirement ages. California Gov. Jerry Brown, among others, has proposed increasing workers’ contributions. A Kansas House committee this week endorsed cutting future benefits for current workers and raising the retirement age.

Few states have yet embraced the most drastic step – scrapping their traditional plans for a 401(k)-style program that would guarantee only a certain state contribution for employees, not a par-

ticular level of benefits when they retire. But it may be only a matter of time until that change comes, says Barry Poulson, a retired University of Colorado economist who advises conservative think tanks like the American Legislative Exchange Council, which have been promoting the change.

“You’re essentially at a point there where there’s no way you can sustain that kind of plan,” he said of states struggling with traditional defined-benefit pensions. Most private employers have already made the switch because they “quite simply decided they couldn’t afford them.”

In most cases, the changes states are exploring now would only prevent their funding problem from getting worse, not actually fix it. But Kansas, ranked as having the second-most underfunded pension system of all states, is one of the few that plans to actually start paying down the deficit now. That would bolster the pension fund faster but also worsening the battering schools, and other services will suffer this year as well. More spending cuts are planned to help the state address its projected \$493 million budget deficit.

The pension fund gap in Kansas is almost \$7.7 billion, and Brownback has ruled out tax increases or other revenue-raising answers.

His budget proposal includes an 11 percent increase in the state’s

annual contribution to teacher pensions, paid for by cutting base state aid to its 289 school districts by \$232 per student, dropping it to the same level as a decade ago.

In the view of many educators, a pension debt owed to them is being paid with money from their own pockets.

“The state has an obligation, in our opinion, to do both,” said Alan Cunningham, schools superintendent in Dodge City.

But Brownback and his aides

Man caught stealing
from collector’s show

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ficers and deputies caught the man who ran north and confiscated the Trailblazer, which was towed to the Law Enforcement Center.

Jones said a witness saw the other two men get picked up by a car, a dirty dark-colored Nissan passenger car, in front of Colby Implement, but police have not been able to find it.

Fingerprints from the arrested man identified him as John Fredy Prieto. Jones said he de-

clined to talk without a lawyer.

The police got a search warrant for the Trailblazer and found the stolen cases inside, along with items from other gun and coin shows around the country. Jones said the department believes nothing was taken from the cases before they were recovered, and the owner will help inventory the contents.

Jones said the department would like to thank the citizens and the other agencies that assisted. The investigation is continuing.

LOCAL TV LISTINGS

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Tuesday Evening							March 15, 2011				
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	No Ordinary Family		V		Detroit 1-8-7		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live		
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		NCIS: Los Angeles		The Good Wife		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late		
KSNK/NBC	The Biggest Loser				America's		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late		
KSAS/FOX	Glee		Raising	Traffic	Local						
Cable Channels											
A & E	The First 48		Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Breakout Kings		The First 48		
AMC	Hidalgo							Hidalgo			
ANIM	The Haunted		The Haunted		Fatal Attractions		The Haunted		The Haunted		
BRAVO	Housewives/OC		Million Dollar List.		Real Housewives		Happens	Real Housewives	Happens		
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard		Stroker Ace				Trick My Truck				
CNN	In the Arena		Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360			Piers Morgan Tonight			
COMEDY	Onion	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	The Comedy Central Roast			Sneak Pk.	Comedy	
DISC	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		American Auction		Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		
DISN	Charlie & Chocolate				Shake It	Shake It	Phineas	Phineas	Hannah	Hannah	
E!	Sex/City	Sex and t	After Lat	Holly's W	Kourtney	Kourtney	Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea	
ESPN	College Basketball			MLS Soccer							
ESPN2	College Basketball		College Basketball				College Basketball				
FAM	Funnist Home Videos		Funnist Home Videos		Funnist Home Videos		The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?	
FOOD	Cupcake Wars		Cupcake Wars		Chopped		Challenge		Cupcake Wars		
FX	Step Brothers				Lights Out		Lights Out		Justified		
HGTV	House	First	First	Selling	House	Hunters	Property	Property	First	Selling	
HIST	Larry the Cable Guy		Larry the Cable Guy		Top Shot		Modern Marvels		Larry the Cable Guy		
LIFE	American Pickers		American Pickers		One Born Ev.		Four	Four	Chris	How I Met	
MTV	Life, Liz	Life, Liz	Teen Mom 2		Teen Mom 2		Life, Liz	Skins	Teen Mom 2		
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	
SCI	Dinoshark		Mega Python				Chrono	Chrono	Gurren	Gurren	
SPIKE	Man on Fire		Ace Ventura				UFC 128 Countdown		UFC Fight Night		
TBS	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Conan		Lopez Tonight		
TCM	The Public Enemy			Bombshell				Libeled Lady			
TLC	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		
TNT	Bones		Get Married?				HawthoRNe		CSI: NY		
TOON	Hole/Wall	Adventure	King-Hill	King-Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen	
TRAV	Bizarre Foods		Bizarre Foods		Bizarre Foods		When Vacations		Bizarre Foods		
TV LAND	Sanford	Sanford	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Retired a Cleveland		Roseanne	Roseanne	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Fairly Legal		
VH1	Hip Hop	Fabulous	RuPaul's Drag Race		Basketball Wives		Basketball Wives		Fabulous	Hip Hop	
WGN	Chris	Chris	How I Met	How I Met	WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk	
Premium Channels											
HBO	The Blind Side		MacGruber			Mildred	Big Love		Gervais	Funny or	
MAX	Adaptation				Avatar						
SHOW	Crossing Over				Californ.	Californ.	Shameless		I Hope They		

Wednesday Evening											March 16, 2011			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30				
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Middle	Family	Sunshine	Off the Map		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
KBSL/CBS	Survivor: Redemption		Criminal Minds		C.M.: Suspect		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late					
KSNK/NBC	Minute to Win It		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late					
KSAS/FOX	American Idol				Local									
Cable Channels														
A & E	Dog	Dog	Dog Bounty Hunter		Storage		Storage	Storage	Dog	Dog				
AMC	Chronicles-Ridd				Demolition Man									
ANIM	River Monsters		River Monsters		I'm Alive		River Monsters		I'm Alive					
BRAVO	Bethenny Ever After		Top Chef		Top Chef		Top Chef		Top Chef					
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard		The Rookie						Smarter	Smarter				
CNN	In the Arena		Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360				Piers Morgan Tonight					
COMEDY	Chappelle	Chappelle	South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Tosh.0	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Futurama				
DISC	Sons	Sons	Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings		Sons	Sons	Sons	Sons				
DISN	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Suite	Shake It	Shake It	Phineas	Phineas	Hannah	Hannah				
E!	Sex and t	Sex and t	The Princess Diaries				Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea				
ESPN	NBA Basketball				NBA Basketball									
ESPN2	College Basketball		College Basketball				SportsCenter		Final	NFL Live				
FAM	BH Chihuahua		Beverly Hills				The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?				
FOOD	B. Flay	B. Flay	Chopped All-Stars		Restaurant: Im.		Diners	Diners	Chopped All-Stars					
FX	You Don't Mess				Justified		Justified		Lights Out					
HGTV	House	Property	House	First	Hunters	Holmes Inspection	Income	House	First					
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HIST	Ancient Aliens		Underwater Universe		Underwater Universe		UFO Files		Ancient Aliens					
LIFE	American Justice		Beyond the Headlines		Craigslit Killer		How I Met	How I Met	Chris	How I Met				
MTV	Skins	I Was 17	The Real World		The Real World		The Real World		The Woodies					
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny				
SCI	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Face Off		Ghost Hunters		Face Off					
SPIKE	1,000 Ways to Die		Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	3 Sheets	Auction	Auction	UFC Fight Night					
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Are We Th	Are We Th	Browns	Payne	Conan		Lopez Tonight					
TCM	Weddings and Babies		Bonjour Tristesse					The Projectionist						
TLC	Sister Wives		Hoard-Buried		Hoard-Buried		Hoard-Buried		Hoard-Buried					
TNT	Bones		Bones		Bones		CSI: NY		CSI: NY					
TOON	Dude	Destroy	King-Hill	King-Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen				
TRAV	Man, Food	Man, Food	Man, Food	Man, Food	Deathwish Movers		No Reservation		Man, Food	Man, Food				
TV LAND	Sanford	Sanford	Raymond	Raymond	Cleveland	Retired a	Cleveland	Retired a	Raymond	Raymond				
USA	NCIS		NCIS		NCIS		Fairly Legal		CSI: Crime Scene					
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HBO	Big Love		Big Love		Big Love		Real Time/Bill Maher		Runnin' Rebels					
MAX	Monster's Ball				Get Him to the Greek				Co-Ed-4	Last Hse				
SHOW	Transsiberian		Sports	Californ.	Shameless		Sports		Fist of the North Star					
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