

Weather



National Weather Service
Tonight: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 65. South wind between 10 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. Breezy, with a north wind 10 to 15 mph increasing to between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.
Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. East wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 83. East wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 55.
Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 77.
Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 54.
Labor Day: Sunny, with a high near 83.
Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 56.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 84.
Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 56.
Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 80.
Wednesday: High, 99; Low 61
Precip: Wednesday None
August: 3.14 inches
Year: 16.05 inches
Normal: 16.36 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
Friday 7:13 a.m. 8:14 p.m.
Moon: waxing, crescent 28 percent
(U.S. Naval Observatory)
Colby Water Use
Wednesday 2,215,000 gal.
(Colby Public Works)

Senator talks regulations here

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Economic Development Alliance Director Rick Patrick told Roberts he had experienced the EPA’s clampdown on the steel industry in the 1970s. Businesses back then weren’t given enough time to comply with new regulations, he said, and industry in many areas deteriorated.
Roberts said that businesses now spend an estimated 50.1 million hours dealing with permits and regulations. He agreed that a step-by-step process is needed to help comply with new regulations.
When asked about immigration, Rob-

erts said that during his time as a senator, Dodge City went from 8 percent Hispanic to 62 percent, and other cities like Garden City and Liberal have experienced similar increases.
“It’s a big problem for law enforcement,” he said.
The government should start by securing the border, he said, so that more dangerous immigrants, not necessarily those from Central or South America, can’t get through. Roberts also spoke about a guest worker program that Congress had discussed in the 1990s, but said that likely no real progress would be made on the issue during the elec-

tion cycle.
Colby Free Press Publisher Sharon Friedlander asked Roberts how the country can get politicians to set party politics aside in favor of cooperation.
“Like it or not, Congress is an accurate reflection of the vulcanization of the country,” Roberts said. “This is nothing new. “What’s different now is that the country hangs in the balance from an economic standpoint. We’re in a war of ideas.”
Roberts said he gets more coverage if he makes an impassioned, partisan speech than if he lectures on the farm bill.

Power plant regs may cost \$600,000

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Office Building, Washington D.C. 20510. Huelskamp’s address is 126 Cannon House Office Building, Washington D.C., 20515.
The power plant recently celebrated its centennial anniversary. It supplied all the cities power for decades when there were no private companies operating in the area. The current generators are not state-of-the-art, Armstrong said, but they work and they are well-maintained. There are six generators, the newest was installed in 1970 and the oldest in 1952.
Armstrong said she knew of at least 55 other Kansas cities that would be affected by this rule.

ated at \$744 million.
In the mean time, Armstrong encouraged Colby citizens to write to Sens. Roberts and Moran and Rep. Tim Huelskamp about the issue. Any effort to get the rule changed would have to take place on the federal level, she said, because Kansas agencies can’t overrule the EPA.
“The mayor and I are going to write the president,” she said. “I don’t know if he’ll ever see it, but it’s worth a try.”
Roberts’ address is 109 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington D.C., 20510. Moran’s address is 354 Russell Senate

Road crew heads to retire this month

Kirk Coulter, Colby Sub-Area supervisor with the Kansas Department of Transportation, will retire on Oct. 1, after more than 27 years of state service.
Coulter began his career with the department in 1983 as an equipment operator on the Colby crew. He lives in Colby with his wife LuEllen.
Coulter’s retirement party will be from 1 to 3 p.m. next Thursday at the Atwood Sub-Area shop, 801 Grant Street/East Highway 36 in Atwood. The public is invited.
His retirement plans include team roping, farming, and

spending time with family, especially his grand-daughter.
Robert Weiss, the Area Four engineer, also retired effective today. He had more than 22 years of state service to his credit. He began his career in 1989 as the area engineer in the Oakley office.
Throughout his career, Weiss oversaw many construction and maintenance projects for his area, which includes Wallace, Logan and Gove counties and a portion of Sheridan and Thomas counties.
Weiss has moved to New Jersey to care for his parents.

Highway rumble strips could save lives

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swipe collisions on the rural two-lane roads.
And he, too, thinks the rumble strips might have helped Mickael.
“There’s no doubt the data tells us rumble strips save lives,” he said, “and this would be your classic type of accident (they might prevent).
“Drowsy driving is really an issue. It’s one of those things that’s very hard to measure.”
There are other factors in rural fatalities, he added, including drunk driving and speeding.

“But there’s no doubt that centerline rumble strips target that concern.”
Kansas policy is to apply the centerline strips to all new asphalt pavement on major highways, but only as roads are built or repaved, Mr. Buckley said.
For now, at least, concrete pavement doesn’t get the centerline strips because engineers fear it might allow water to damage pavement along the center joint. The state is experimenting with ways to put the rumble strips on concrete roads, he noted.
Another experiment aims to solve the problem for bike rid-

ers on narrow asphalt roads, the most common type in Kansas, where the standard two-lane includes 12-foot driving lanes and three-foot paved shoulders, a total of 30 feet of asphalt.
Bicyclists complain that regular 18-inch rumble strips take up most of the shoulder, leaving them no place to ride.
One solution, Mr. Buckley said, is a sideline rumble strip, milled right under the white lane line. Missouri uses these even on its Interstate highways, he said.
“It’s something I’d like to see us experiment with,” he added.
As the state safety engineer,

he noted, he has some ambitious goals. The new state safety plan aims to cut fatalities and disabling injuries in half within 20 years.
It may be too late for Mickael Quakenbush, but soon a rumble strip will cover the old yellow line his Jeep wandered over. When it’s done, nearly the entire road from the Nebraska line down to Colby will have the noisemaking strips.
And maybe the next drowsy driver will hear them.

Court says no to new Native American casino on Kansas land

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) – A federal appeals court has ruled that the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma doesn’t have the right to use a tract of land in eastern Kansas that it abandoned more than 130 years ago for a casino.
The tribe began trying to get approval to build a casino near La Cygne Lake in Miami County more than a decade ago. A tribal member had tried to donate a 35-

acre tract for the proposed casino.
In 1998 and 1999, the Miami Tribe won Interior Department rulings declaring the 35-acre tract of former tribal land eligible for casino gambling under the 1988 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act — even though the tribe formally relinquished the land when it migrated to Oklahoma. Department officials said at the time that the land qualified for gambling after the tribe

in 1996 “adopted” about 20 non-Indian owners as tribal members, leased the land back from them, and exercised tribal government control there.
But in 2002, Interior Department solicitor William G. Myers III reversed that decision and said the Oklahoma tribe had no lawful claim to the tract.
The tribe appealed and initially prevailed. But the Denver-based 10th U.S.

Circuit Court wrote in a ruling issued Tuesday that the Bureau of Indian Affairs, which is part of the Interior Department, was right when it determined that the land couldn’t be donated.
The tribe is based in Miami, Okla., in the northeastern corner of the state near the Kansas border. A phone message left for Miami Chief Thomas Gamble wasn’t immediately returned.

Briefly

Pets available at clinic for adoption

Looking for a pet? Colby Animal Clinic has 4- to 5-year-old tan and white female corgi available for adoption. Lost or strayed animals are often brought to the clinic. Call or stop by 810 E. Fourth St. All animals have current shots, and costs are minimal. For questions, call 460-8621.

City will get rid of broken branches

The City of Colby will be picking up tree branches brought down from the storm through Friday. Stack branches at the curb for city crews to pick up. For information, call Public Works at 460-4420.

Landfill to close Monday for holiday

For the Labor Day weekend the Thomas County Landfill will close at noon Saturday. It will re-open at 9 a.m. Tuesday. For information call 462-8139.

Trash trucks to be off for Labor Day holiday

Colby sanitation trucks will not be operating on Labor Day next Monday. Monday’s sanitation route will be picked up Tuesday. Have tipper cans to the curb by 8 a.m. For information, call the Public Works Department at 460-4420.

Coalition to meet for lunch next week

The Thomas County Coalition will have its monthly meeting at noon next Thursday at El Dos de Oros. Coalition members will discuss the community garden, walking trail and other projects. First-time visitors eat free. For information, call Sue Evans at 460-8177 or Jarrod Spencer at 443-2403.

Rec department plans golf tournament

The Colby Recreation Department will hold its first golf tournament at 10 a.m. next Thursday at Meadow Lake Golf Course. The tournament will be a four-person scramble. A \$240 per team entry fee covers 18 holes and a prize drawing. Proceeds will go to the new wireless scoring units for the ball fields and other equipment. For information or to sign up, call Stacy Lee at 460-4440.

Agriculture department has food to give out

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will distribute commodities to eligible people from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at the Retired Senior Volunteer Program office in the Senior Progress Center. Commodities are distributed based on income guidelines. Those eligible should bring a sack or box. Commodities include spaghetti, corn, spaghetti sauce, applesauce, salmon, grapefruit juice and pinto beans. For information, call 462-6744.

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HIST	Secret Access: UFOs		Bigfoot: The		Secret Access: UFOs
LIFE	Abandoned	Committed		Within	
MTV	Video Awards		Awkward.	Awkward.	Jersey Shore
NICK	Big Time	Victorior	iCarly	iCarly	George
SCI	The Road Warrior	Mad Max-Thunderdome			Serenity
SPIKE	Star Wars: Ep. III			Star Wars-Phantom	
TBS	Madea Goes to Jail		Madea Goes to Jail		Madea
TCM	Sunset Boulevard		Force of Arms		Young and Willing
TLC	Extreme C	Extreme C	Extreme Couponing	High Stakes Sweepers	Extreme C
TNT	Gran Torino		Valkyrie		
TOON	Scoboy	Gumball	Oblongs	King-Hill	Fam. Guy
TRAV	Ghost- Moment		Ghost Adventures	King-Hill	Fam. Guy
TV LAND	All in the Family	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Pirates-Worlds			The Patriot	
VH1	Johnson Fam.			Basketball Wives LA	La La
WGN	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met
Premium Channels					
HBO	Megamind		24/7	Boxing	24/7
MAX	Couples Retreat	Strike Back		Knight and Day	
SHOW	Scream 2		Piranha		Fubar: Balls to the Wall

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Sunday Evening											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	Extreme Makeover	20/20					Local				
KBSL/CBS	Big Brother	Mike	Good Wife	The Good Wife			Local				
KSNK/NBC	Dateline	Indiana Jones					Local		Dateline NBC		
KSAS/FOX	Simpsons	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Crockett	Local						
Cable Channels											
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	The Glades	The Glades	Criminal Minds						
AMC	No Country		Breaking Bad	Breaking Bad	The Killing						
ANIM	Tanked	Tanked	Hand Fishin'	Hand Fishin'	Tanked						
BRAVO	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ	Housewives/NJ	Most Eligible Dallas						
CMT	Batman Forever				CMT Made	CMT Made					
CNN	CNN Presents	Piers Morgan Tonight	CNN Newsroom	CNN Newsroom	Piers Morgan Tonight	Piers Morgan Tonight					
COMEDY	Talladega Nights:		Work.	Work.	Work.	Work.					
DISC	Curiosity	Dinosaur Revolution	Dinosaur Revolution	Dinosaur Revolution	Curiosity	Dinosaur Revolution					
DISN	Phineas and Ferb: The Movie	ANT Farm	Good Luck	Good Luck	Random	Random					
E!	Kardash	Kardash	Kardashian	Kardashian	Fashion	Chelsea	Kardashian				
ESPN	NASCAR Racing				SportsCenter	SportsCenter					
ESPN2	MLB Baseball				SportsCtr	World, Poker	NASCAR				
FAM	Sweet Home Alabama	Overboard			J. Osteen	Ed Young					
FOOD	Challenge	Food Truck Race	Iron Chef America	Chopped	Food Truck Race						
FX	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Big Daddy				
HGTV	Holmes on Homes	Handyman		Hunters	Design Star	Handyman					
HIST	Ice Road Truckers	Ice Road Truckers	Top Gear	Ancient Aliens	Ice Road Truckers						
LIFE	Enough	Drop Dead Diva	Against the Wall	Against the Wall	Drop Dead Diva						
MTV	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Ridic.	Death	Cuff'd	Jersey Shore	Jersey				
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	Nick News	George	70s Show	70s Show	Married	Married	Married		
SCI	Blade Runner	The Fifth Element			Children of Men						
SPIKE	Star Wars IV		Star Wars V								
TBS	Shrek		Shrek 2								
TCM	The Miracle Worker		Two for the Seesaw				Vanishing				
TLC	Flight-Watched	9/11: Heroes			9/11: Heroes						
TNT	Gran Torino	A Time to Kill			A Time to Kill						
TOON	Gumball	Looney	Delocated	Childrens	King-Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Robot Chicken			
TRAV	Truck Stp	Truck Stp	The Jersey Show	Ult Travel: Glamping	Hawaii Donts		The Jersey Show				
TV LAND	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	3's Co.		
USA	The Bourne Ultimatum	Fast & Furious			The Bourne Ultimatum						
VH1	Celebrity Rehab	Celebrity Rehab	Behind the Music		Basketball Wives LA						
WGN	MDA-Telethon										
Premium Channels											
HBO	Boardwalk Empire	True Blood	Curb	Entourage	True Blood	Entourage	Curb				
MAX	Knight and Day		Men in Black		Coed Confidential						
SHOW	Dexter	Weeds	The Big C	Push			Weeds	The Big C			