

Weather



National Weather Service

**Tonight:** Clear, with a low around 69. South wind 10 to 15 mph decreasing to 5 to 10 mph in the evening.

**Tuesday:** Sunny and hot, with a high near 105. South wind 5 to 10 mph.

**Tuesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 70. Breezy, with a south wind 10 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**Wednesday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 96. South wind 5 to 10 mph becoming north in the afternoon.

**Wednesday Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 94.

**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 70.

**Friday:** Sunny and hot, with a high near 97.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 72.

**Saturday:** Sunny and hot, with a high near 99.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 73.

**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 96.

Friday: High, 99; Low 64  
 Saturday: High, 99; Low 69  
 Sunday: High, 101; Low 65  
 Precip: Friday None  
 Saturday None  
 Sunday None  
 Month: 2.43 inches  
 Year: 8.50 inches  
 Normal: 13.61 inches  
 (K-State Experiment Station)

**Sunrise and Sunset**  
 Tuesday 6:37 a.m. 9:03 p.m.  
 Moon: waxing, 32 percent  
 Wednesday 6:38 a.m. 9:03 p.m.  
 Moon: waxing, 42 percent  
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)  
**Colby Water Use**  
 Friday to Sunday 3,389,000 gal.  
 (average)  
 (Colby Public Works)

# College plans to plant 20 acres of grass on land

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and Sturdy said the college had one rodeo claim toward the end of the year when a barrel racer twisted her ankle while walking to her car, but they're not sure if that was covered yet. He said there were also minor injury claims from a couple wrestlers.

• Approved the sale of 12 washers and 14 dryers from residence halls, and the money will go to the violence prevention committee. Nichols said new washers and dryers will be delivered next week, so they need to get rid of the old ones. She said they will first see if any other programs need them or want them, and then sell whatever is left. Chairman Arlen Leiker asked how old the machines are and she said anywhere from four to eight years.

• Approved with regrets the resignations of Pat Peterson, an

accountant, and Bev Anderson, administrative assistant in the president's office and contracts and benefits administrator.

• Heard the June financial report from Alan Waites, vice president of business affairs and chief financial officer. He started with the year-to-date budget summary, saying the results for June are preliminary because there is still considerable work and adjustments to finish the year-end results and prepare for the audit report. He said expenses were on track overall, but select line items and departments were still over budget. Waites said the college had \$61,100 in encumbrances at June 30. The annual spending forecast of \$13.120 million is the same as last month, and the cash balance on June 30 was \$990,000.

He said this cash balance was up \$420,000 from this time last year, which is good news.

He went through the cash flow analysis next, saying the college started the month with \$350,000. Waites said it brought in \$1.876 million, which includes money from county taxes, tuition and federal and state grants.

He said the college spent \$1.241 million, leaving the cash balance at \$990,000 by the end of June.

In other items, Waites said they are making progress toward closing the books for the year and turning them over to the auditors.

He said cash flow will be tight in July and again in November and December. Detailed line-item budget work for the 2012-13 school year is complete and was approved on July 9, he said, and they are preparing the state report for July 31.

It'll be critical to keep enrollment and student retention up to maintain cash flow, he said.

# Study says student loans parallel subprime practices

From "LOANS," Page 1

options are rare for private loans, the study said.

Students often did not understand the difference between federal and private loans, the study said. That caused many to take out costly student loans when they were eligible for cheaper, safer government loans.

The study highlights a unique feature of student debt: Unlike other credit card balances and most other debt, it is nearly impossible to cancel student debt by filing for bankruptcy. That leaves many borrowers trapped, behind on loans that lenders are unwilling to modify, the study said. There are more than 850,000 private loans in default, worth more than \$8.1 billion, it said.

"Too many student loan borrowers are struggling to pay off private student loans that they did not understand and cannot afford," said Richard Cordray, director of the bureau. The agency was

created in the wake of the financial crisis to protect people against unfair loans, unexpected fees and other financial threats.

Lending standards for private student loans were loose during the credit bubble of the mid-2000s, the report said. Because private lenders marketed directly to students, bypassing school financial aid officers, schools did not review borrowers' financial needs or enrollment status. As a result, many borrowed far more than they needed to pay for tuition. The loans went to people with increasingly weak credit scores, making repayment less likely, the study said.

The report is based on data from nine lenders on over more than 5 million loans made between 2005 and 2011, as well as data from five non-profit lenders. It was required under a sweeping overhaul of financial rules passed by Congress in 2010.

# City plans to replace street lights

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Challenge, and because we won, we were able to get the state money for the project," Jones, said. "We were in competition with the whole state of

Kansas."

Last year, Colby was one of four regional winners of the challenge. Towns were judged on measures they took to improve energy efficiency, including retrofits to both private and

public buildings. In all, 16 Kansas cities participated.

The city will take another \$1,938 out of its lighting budget to finish the project.

# Interstate 70 work begins Tuesday in Thomas County

Construction crews will begin resurfacing 10 miles of Interstate 70 between Levant and the Sherman County line near Brewster on Tuesday, with traffic routed on a single lane around the work crews.

Workers will place what's called an ultrathin bonded-asphalt surface on the driving

lanes, with a conventional chip seal along the shoulders, said Kristen Brands, northwest district manager of public affairs for the Kansas Department of Transportation. The west on and off ramps at Levant and all the I-70 ramps at Brewster also will be sealed.

Since traffic will be passing

right by the contractor crews, Brands said, drivers need to slow down and watch for workers and construction vehicles.

She said APAC Kansas of Hays has a \$2.26 million contract for the project. The maintenance job is part of T-Works, the transportation program approved by the Kansas Legislature in 2010.

Weather permitting, Brands added, the job should be done by mid-August.

For questions, contact Area 2 Engineer Eric Oelschlager at (785) 626-3258 or erico@ksdot.org in Atwood, or Brands at (785) 877-3315 or kristenb@ksdot.org in Norton.

Briefly

## Levant reunion planned here in August

Time is short to register for the Levant reunion from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 5, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall in Colby. Lunch will be served at noon for \$9. Make reservations by Wednesday by calling Erma Palmgren at (785) 694-2726 or Betty Schroeder at (785) 694-2255.

## Church offers a free lunch for everyone

Everyone is invited to the Fourth Saturday free meal from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, Webster and Grant in Colby. For information, call Norma Higerd at 462-7806.

## Group needs "bigs" to work with kids

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Thomas County is looking for people able to volunteer one to two hours a week as mentors for kids who need a "big." You could make a difference in a child's life, working with the largest mentoring organization in Kansas. For questions, call Orvella Romine at (785) 460-9125.

## Pets ready for adoption at Animal Clinic

Looking for a pet? Colby Animal Clinic has two 5-week-old male kittens, littermates. One is a Siamese silver point and the other is gray. Both are 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.

## Library plans big book sale for end of month

The Pioneer Memorial Library will have its annual Book Sale Blowout from next Monday to Sunday, Aug. 5. With lots of children's books, fiction and nonfiction items to choose from, prices go down as the week progresses. Sunday, all remaining books are free. Hours are 9 a.m. to a half hour before closing each day and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday. For information, call Debbie Tittel at 460-4470.

## Youth foundation plans barbecue, concert

The Todd Becker Foundation will have a free barbecue, concert and presentation beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday on Franklin Avenue between Fourth and Fifth streets. For information, contact Chris McClemens, events coordinator, at (800) 983-2644 or through www.toddbecker.org.

## Museum displays student art work

The Prairie Museum of Art and History has a free exhibit of art by students from kindergarten to high school from area schools through Sunday. The museum, 1905 S. Franklin Ave., is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday and 1 to 5 p.m. on weekends. Call Ann Miner at 460-4590 for information.

## Enrollment coming up at Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart School enrollment for preschool through fifth grade will be from 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Aug. 6. New students will need to bring a completed physical form, Social Security card, immunization records and a state-issued birth certificate. For information, call Laura Krejci at 443-3354.

## Free adult classes at college to start Aug. 6

Free adult education classes will begin Monday, Aug. 6, on the Colby Community College campus. Academic improvement, General Educational Development preparation, workforce preparation, money management, pre-health care preparation and basic technology classes are available. Call Nance Munderloh at (785) 460-4663 for information or to enroll.

## Registration next month for soccer league

Registration for American Youth Soccer Organization players will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, and from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11. Cost is \$45 until Aug. 11, \$50 after. Deadline to register is Friday, Aug. 17. Players must be at least 4 1/2 by Aug. 1. The season runs from Saturday, Sept. 8, to Saturday, Oct. 27. Call Emily Griffin at 460-0647 for questions or paperwork.

## Organization ordering fruit for delivery here

The Catholic Youth Organization at Sacred Heart Church is selling fruit for delivery in late August. Reserve your order of freestone peaches, Bartlett pears and Gala apples through Wednesday, Aug. 15. Contact any member or Megan Augustine at the Sacred Heart rectory, 462-2179. Pick-up is scheduled for 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, at the 4-H Building.

## College pool hours set after reopening

Hours for the newly renovated swimming pool at Colby Community College are 5 to 7 a.m. and 11:30 to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information, call manager Kipp Nelson at 460-5473.

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Tuesday Evening July 24, 2012										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Last Man	Trust Us	Trust Us	NY Med		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		NCIS: Los Angeles		Person of Interest		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson	
KSNK/NBC	America's Got Talent				Love in the Wild		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	Hell's Kitchen		MasterChef		Local					
<b>Cable Channels</b>										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	Mission to Mars						District 9			
ANIM	Wild Russia		Wild Russia		Wild Serengeti		Wild Russia		Wild Russia	
BRAVO	Orange County Social		Housewives/OC		Love Broker		Happens	Housewives/OC	Love	
CMT	Under Siege				Redneck Vacation		Redneck Vacation		Redneck	
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360	E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Tonight			
COMEDY	Work.	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Work.	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Work.		
DISC	Deadliest Catch				After the Catch		Deadliest Catch			
DISN	Good Luck   Gravity	The Suite Life Movie		Good Luck	Phineas	ANT Farm	Wizards	Vampire		
EI	Opening Act	15 Awesomest		Kardashian	Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea		
ESPN	SportsCenter Special	SportsNation		Baseball Tonight	SportsCenter		SportsCenter			
ESPN2	Strong	Strong	Strongest Man		NFL Yrbk.	NFL Yrbk.	NFL Live	Baseball Tonight		
FAM	Pretty Little Liars	Jane by Design		Pretty Little Liars	The 700 Club		Prince	Prince		
FOOD	Cupcake Wars		Chopped		Chopped		Food Network Star	Chopped		
FX	Avatar				Avatar					
HGTV	Property Brothers	Design Star		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Million	Million	Design Star		
HIST	Pawn	Pawn	The Godfather Legacy			Great Lake Warriors	Pawn	Pawn		
LIFE	Dance Moms		Dance Moms			Bristol	Bristol	Dance Moms		
MTV	True Life		Teen Mom		Teen Mom		Teen Mom	Baby High		
NICK	Victoriosa	Victoriosa	Hollywood Heights	George	George	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SCI	Serenity		Destination Truth		Haunted Highway		Destination Truth	Haunted Highway		
SPIKE	Repo	Repo	Tenants	Tenants	Tenants	Tenants	Repo	Repo	Repo	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan	The Office		
TCM	Pygmalion				Berkeley Square		Devotion			
TLC	What Not to Wear		What Not to Wear		Craft Wars		What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear		
TNT	Rizzoli & Isles		Rizzoli & Isles		Franklin & Bash		Rizzoli & Isles	Franklin & Bash		
TOON	Level Up	Adventure	King/Hill	King/Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Squid
TRAV	Mysteries-Museum		Mysteries-Museum		Raymond		King	King	Mysteries-Museum	
TV LAND	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond		King	King	King	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		White Collar		Covert Affairs		Political Animals	White Collar		
VH1	Single Ladies		Big Ang	Big Ang	Hollywood Exes		Love, Hip Hop	Mama Drama		
WGN	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	WGN News at Nine		Funniest Home Videos	Chris	Chris	
<b>Premium Channels</b>										
HBO	Sucker Punch		Contagion				The Newsroom	Birders: Central		
MAX	Harry Pot		Horrible Bosses				The Thing			
SHOW	Weeds	Web Ther.	The Switch				Episodes	Weeds		

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Wednesday Evening July 25, 2012										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Suburg.	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Final Witness		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KBSL/CBS	Big Brother		Criminal Minds		CSI: Crime Scene		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson	
KSNK/NBC	The CLIOS		America's Got Talent		Jimmy Fallon		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	So You Think				Local					
<b>Cable Channels</b>										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Barter	Barter	Barter	Barter	Storage	Storage
AMC	Thunderheart						Sahara			
ANIM	Handfishin'		Tanked: Unfiltered		Wildman	Wildman	Handfishin'		Tanked: Unfiltered	
BRAVO	Million Dollar LA		Million Dollar LA		Top Chef Masters		Happens	Top Chef Masters	Top Chef	
CMT	Any Given Sunday						Any Given Sunday			
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360	E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Tonight			
COMEDY	South Pk	South Pk	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	Futurama	South Pk
DISC	American Guns		American Guns		Sons of Guns		American Guns		Sons of Guns	
DISN	Good Luck   Shake It	Jessie	Gravity		ANT Farm	Shake It	Phineas	ANT Farm	Wizards	Vampire
EI	Kardashian		Kardashian		The Soup	The Soup	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	MLB Baseball				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	Soccer	MLS Soccer					NFL Live		Baseball Tonight	
FAM	Melissa	Daddy	Hill Nannies		Hill Nannies		The 700 Club	Prince	Prince	
FOOD	Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		Restaurant: Im.		Chopped		Restaurant: Im.	
FX	What Happens		What Happens		What Happens		Tomcats			
HGTV	Income	Kitchen	Property Brothers		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
<b>Premium Channels</b>										
HBO	The A-Team		True Blood		George Lopez		The Big Year			
MAX	Die Hard		Fast Times at Ridgemont High		Fast Five		Lingerie			
SHOW	Fright Night		Franchise	Weeds	Franchise	Episodes	D.L. Hughley: Reset			