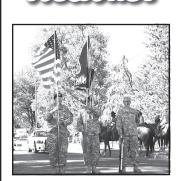
Area/State

Weather



National Weather Service Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 2 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 99. South wind around 5 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. South wind 5 to 15 mph becoming west after midnight.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 2 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. North wind around 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 57.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high

Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 68.

Monday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 99.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 70.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 98.

Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a

low around 69. Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94.

Wednesday: High, 101; Low 67 Precip: Wednesday 0.08 inches Month: 0.08 inches Year: 8.93 inches 16.36 inches Normal: (K-State Experiment Station) **Sunrise and Sunset**

6:46 a.m. 8:54 p.m. Moon: waning, 97 percent (U.S. Naval Observatory) Colby Water Use Wednesday 2,883,000 gal.

(Colby Public Works)

Gov. Brownback declares Kansas Firefighter Day

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gional fire school in Tribune on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 11 and 12, where the Greeley County Fire Department will be the host. The next celebration will be on Dec. 8 and 9, when the Minneapolis Fire Department will hold a fire school in their community, bringing the association back to its roots. Then in April, the association's 125thyear celebration will move to Topeka for the annual conference of firefighters.

Gov. Sam Brownback signed the resolution last Thursday with several members of the executive board of the association in attendance. In the resolution, he urged that all Kansans join in the observation of Kansas Firefighter Day, recognizing 1310 or jlellis@st-tel.net.

the rich and proud heritage of the association and recognizing it as the "... pre-eminent fire service organization in the state of Kansas....'

"This year has been a rough one for firefighters across the state with the severe lack of rain," said Ellis, "but firefighting is similar in many ways today as it was in 1887. The fires are hotter, due to the increase use of synthetic materials, but our equipment has improved so much that we are able to protect our firefighters better.

"Nevertheless, the camaraderie that those pioneers wanted to encourage at Minneapolis 125 years ago is very much alive in the Kansas fire service of the 21st century."

For information, contact Ellis at (785) 443-

Drought conditions intensify in Plains states, most of U.S.

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University of Nebraska in Lincoln, where the weekly drought report is released.

'There are rain events that did take place, but we didn't see any widespread improvement to the core drought areas," Fuchs said. Such precipitation "probably held off the intensification for a week or so. But the heat is going kick back in, and we're going be in the same situation.

"The heat kicks in and the dryness returns. To say that we've seen good widespread rain throughout the drought regions of the county, we just haven't. It's beneficial in some aspects, but in agricultural aspects it's

On Wednesday, the U.S. Agriculture Department added 218 counties from 12 droughtstricken states to its list of natu-32 states. That's more than half of all U.S. counties, and the vast majority of them received the designation because of drought that's considered the worst in decades in many prime farming

The USDA uses the weekly Drought Monitor to help decide which counties to deem disaster areas, with the distinction making farmers and ranchers eligible for federal aid that includes lowinterest emergency loans.

of the nation's corn crop was report.

rated poor to very poor, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. About 37 percent of the U.S. ral disaster areas, bringing the soybeans were lumped into that overall total to 1,584 counties in category, while nearly threequarters of U.S. cattle acreage is in drought-affected areas, the survey showed.

The potential financial fallout in the nation's midsection appears to be intensifying.

The latest weekly Mid-America Business Conditions Index, released Wednesday, showed that the ongoing drought and global economic turmoil is hurting business in nine Midwest and Plains states, boosting worries about the prospect of an-As of this week, nearly half other recession, according to the

College trustees review state forms

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published in the *Colby Free Press* to give notice of the public hearing.

The board also approved the resignation of Allison Reopel, Colorado admissions counselor, with Black seconded it, carrying it unanimously.

and trustee Dale Herschberger seconded it, passing it unanimously.

The board then approved a new contract for Yes-The state budget form was approved and will be enia Talavera as Colorado admissions counselor, and a one-month contract for Ron Walz, General Educational Development examiner, as presented. Trustee Kenton Krehbiel made the motion and

regret. Vice Chair Cindy Black made the motion Immigrants create money for prison companies

From "PRISON," Page 1

While Congress' unsuccessful efforts to overhaul immigration laws drew headlines and sparked massive demonstrations, lawmakers' negotiations to boost detention dollars received far less attention.

rections Corporation of America, been legal.

Music Moments

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Marley

Strike Back

The GEO Group, and Manage-This seismic shift toward a spent at least \$45 million comlegations. and lobbyists at the state and the AP found.

CCA and GEO, who manage interview requests. most private detention centers, insist they aren't trying to influence immigration policy to make more money, and their lobbying policy. The industry's giants - Cor- and campaign donations have

Advocates for immigrants are skeptical of claims that the lobbying is not meant to influence

The detention centers are located in cities and remote areas also there.

Behind the Music

WGN News at Nine

Music

Funniest Home Videos

Episodes L Word

Strike Back

The company has a website alike, often in low-slung buildment and Training Corp. - have dedicated to debunking such al- ings surrounded by chain-link fences and razor wire. U.S. Imprivatized system happened qui-bined on campaign donations GEO, which was part of The migrations and Customs En-Wackenhut Corp. security firm forcement agents detain men, federal level in the last decade, until 2003, and Management and women and children suspected Training Corp. declined repeated of violating civil immigration laws at these facilities.

> Most of those held at the 250 sites nationwide are illegal immigrants awaiting deportation, but some green card holders, asylum seekers and others are

Clerk's office open for early voters

The Thomas County Clerk's office is open for early voters from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Friday and from 7 a.m. to noon Monday. Tell your coworkers, family and friends. If anyone is ready to vote and doesn't want to wait until Tuesday, they can get it out of the way now. For information, call County Clerk Shelly Harms at 460-4500.

Group plans dance at Meadow Lake

A singles and couples dance is planned for 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday at the Meadow Lake Golf Clubhouse. Ray Gerver will provide music. Everyone welcome. For information, call Lue Duffey at (785) 269-7057.

Carnival crew needs help to run games at fair

Help! The Thomas County Amusement Association needs volunteers to help run games during the fair this week. Call the Chamber of Commerce office at 460-3401 and sign up for a shift.

Library plans big book sale this week

The Pioneer Memorial Library's annual Book Sale Blowout runs through Sunday. 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

Jean Hutton Memorial to be unveiled Sunday The Jean Hutton Memorial provided by the Hutton Family Fund at the

Dallas Women's Foundation will be unveiled at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Pioneer Memorial Library. The Hutton family of Brewster will attend, and refreshments will be provided. For information, call Librarian Melany Wilks at 460-4470.

Football team to meet Monday for info

The Colby High football team will hold an informational meeting for prospective players and their parents at 7 p.m. Monday in the high school auditorium. For information, contact Coach Chris Gardner at (785) 443-

Colby High yearbooks to be given out

The 2012 Colby High School yearbooks will be distributed during enrollment Wednesday at the high school. Additional yearbooks can be purchased for \$55. If 2012 graduates' yearbooks are not picked up on enrollment day, they will be left in the high school office for pick up during regular office hours. For information, call Donna Henry at 460-6363.

Registration open for kids' football season

Colby Little League Football is accepting registrations for a camp from Wednesday to Friday, Aug. 10, and for the fall season. If you have a child in third through sixth grades, stop by the Sports Shoppe to register. A physical form must be completed prior to participation. Camp registration is \$50 and includes a T-shirt. Camp and registration for the season is \$100. For information, see Travis at the Sports Shoppe or call Amy Wildeman at 460-7815.

Registration coming up for soccer league

Registration for American Youth Soccer Organization players will be from 6 to 8 p.m. next Thursday 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.

Brewster church plans vacation Bible school

Kids in kindergarten to sixth grade will get a chance to learn about the Good Book while they're out of school this summer. Brewster Community Church plans a vacation Bible school from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 14. The theme is the 23rd Psalm. Call pastor Mike Pinkleman at (785) 694-2720 to register.

Organization ordering fruit for delivery

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. Pickup is scheduled for 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, at the 4-H Building.

Saturdav Evening August 4, 2012 7:30 10:00 10:30 11:00 11:30 Local KBSL/CBS NYC 22 48 Hours Mystery Local KSNK/NBC XXX Summer Olympics Olympics KSAS/FOX UFC: Shogun vs. Vera Touch 30S Local Local Cable Channels A & E Storage Storage Storage Storage Storage Barter Storage Storage Scarface Scarface Bad Dog My Cat From Hell Bad Dog Tanked Tanked Housewives/NJ The Wedding Planne The Wedding Planner National Lamp Redneck Vacation Redneck Island Redneck Island Redneck Island CNN Presents CNN Presents Piers Morgan Tonight CNN Newsroom Piers Morgan Tonight Semi-Pro Wedding Crashers Office Space l, Caveman I, Caveman World End I, Caveman Caveman ANT Farm Jessie Phineas Good Luck Code 9 Gravity Good Luck Unfaithful Chelsea The Soup Foot. Induction SportsCente ESPN2 NASCAR Racino NHRA Drag Racing Baseball Tonight Mean Girls Mean Girls Mean Girls 2 FOOD Chopped Chopped Chopped Iron Chef America Chopped The Hurt Locker Wilfred BrandX Louie Shop Room Shop Room Love It or List It Hunt Intl Hunters Love It or List It Hunters Hunt Intl We Celebrate Hometown Life Stories from hometowns just like yours. Look for us each week in this paper. HIST Pawn Pawn Pawn Pawn Pawn Pawn Pawn Pawn Spanglish Drop Dead Diva Spanglish MTV Cribs Priciest Pads Ridic Notorious Ridic Victoriou Rock Big Time iCarly Yes, Dear Yes, Dear Friends Friends Friends Friends Malibu Shark Attack Shark Week Mega Shark SPIKE Rat Bast. Repo Auction Auction Auction Auction Auction Big Bang Big Bang The House Bunny Just Married Some Like It Hot Bus Stop How to Marry 20/20 on TLC 20/20 on TLC 20/20 on TLC 20/20 on TLC Inglourious Basterds Inglourious Basterds Boondocks Bleach Home Mov. King/Hill Percy Jackson Ghost- Moment Ghost Adventures **Ghost Adventures** Ghost Adventures Raymond Raymond TV LAND Griffith Griffith Raymond Raymond Raymond King King INCIS White Collar G.I. Joe: Cobra

Answers to Nothing

Kevin Nealon



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