Area/State

Weather County discusses dispatch service

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prohibit local governments from providing services out of their area. He sent an e-mail to state representative Ward Cassidy about the bill.

Cassidy said he gave written and oral testimony against the bill on Tuesday.

"There are several proponents, but my guess is that it won't go forward," he said, "but I've been there long enough to know that it's never over 'til it's over."

In other business:

• The commissioners signed off on two one-year contracts for computer services. Manatron Inc., a Portage, Mich., software company, will rent AS400 software to the county treasurer's and appraiser's offices for \$1,745. County Clerk Shelly Harms asked if the money should come out of the general fund or the treasurer's and appraiser's budgets, and Commissioner Byron Sowers said it should come out of the budgets for those departments.

Digital Services of Great Bend. Harms said the jail getting \$225,926 this year. Steele's that Cathy Cunningham, who is working at notes show the sheriff getting \$602,273 and the appraiser's office, agreed to work with the company as project administrator.

• The City of Colby was paid \$500 rent tween years. for the Law Enforcement Training Center, \$20,000 for the Emergency Management and road and bridge departments were re-Hazmat Contract, \$135,684 for the 2013 communications contract, which is split between the city and county, and \$1,300 for the lease fee on a tower west of town.

• The accounts-payable warrant register, which came to a total of \$43,940, was approved.

· Shirley Weber, a program director for the Northwest Local Environmental Protection Group, sent an invitation to the county to continue to participate. Sowers, the county's representative to the group, agreed to keep participating. He said he knew of several counties that dropped out for budget reasons. The group handles water and related environmental issues.

• The commissioners heard budget re-The other contract was for help with geo- ports for the sheriff and jail, with the sher- Legislature, for the county's donation of graphic information software from R&S iff getting a 2013 budget of \$555,272 and \$250.

the jail getting \$276,076 last year. He said that those budgets do not carry over be-

· Work reports for the noxious weed viewed. Work at the weed department included preparing an all-terrain vehicle for trade, helping the road department return a drill rig, sending a member to a meeting in Garden City and completing a management plan and road spraying contract for the state. The road department moved snow, cutting up trees and made signs, along with other work.

Steele added the department did a lot of work at the 4-H building, including adding insulation and sheetrock to save on heating and cooling bills.

"We've got a totally 'green' building now, commissioner," he told Sowers.

• The commissioners received a "Thank You" letter from the Kansas Silver Haired

Briefly

Colby High senior night moved to Tuesday

Colby High has moved its Winter Sports Senior Recognition Night from Friday to the last home basketball game on Tuesday. (The wrestling team has its senior night on Friday.) For information, call Brandi Wark at the high school, 460-5300.

Library plans Valentine's Day event

The Pioneer Memorial Library will feature "Chocolate and All That Jazz" at 7 p.m. tonight for Valentine's Day. The Colby Community College Jazz band and Sunflower Singers will perform while their audience snacks on desserts and such. The event is free and no tickets are required. For information, call Librarian Melany Wilks at 460-4470.

Acts of Kindness Week halfway over

The Thomas County Community Foundation invites you to participate in Random Acts of Kindness Week this week. For ideas on ways to make someone's day a little brighter, go to www.randomactsofkindness.org. For information on Colby activities, call Executive Director Melinda Olson at 460-9152.

College will hold tryouts for musical this week

Tryouts for the Colby Community College musical, "Paint Your Wagon," will be held through Friday. Auditions are open to community members and students. Contact Vocal Music Director Randy Berls at his office in the Cultural Arts Center information. The musical will be held in April.

Group to have soup supper for Puddle Duck

Kappa Upsilon will hold its annual soup supper to raise money for the Puddle Duck Preschool from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Community Building during the Colby-Scott City basketball games. Enjoy chili, chicken noodle or vegetable beef soup and dessert. Donations will be accepted. For information, call Amy Jennings at 460-2603.

Workshop about genealogy planned

A free workshop on "Beginning Genealogy: With or Without a Computer' will be held from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Pioneer Memorial Library. Bring a pencil with a good eraser. For information, call Maxine Nelson at 462-3571 or e-mail mmnelson@st-tel.net.

Speaker to visit Mingo Bible Church, school

Brian Young from Creation Instruc-

Music group wins two Grammy awards

From "GROUP," Page 1

mer. He joined too late to be part of the recording, which was chorale is planning another one.

He described a chorale as a smaller singing group than a level," he said. chorus, meant for a more intimate setting. He added that versity of Missouri-Kansas too far off track.

ways stops us and says it mat- education. ters if we get too far out of line."

ment when decided to pursue and "fine tuning" to prepare for and has been a music teacher in music, but instead, "it just kind an audition, adding that he was many places. of evolved that way."

done two years ago, but said the always loved and have always wanted to pursue, and now I'm able to do music at its highest

He graduated from the Uni-Charles Bruffy, artistic director City Conservatory of Music for the group, constantly stops and Dance with a Bachelor of to correct the singers if they get Arts degree in music last spring, shortly before auditioning for "Our director holds us to a the chorale. He graduated in standard that no other choir 2008 from Butler Community holds, that not many other College in El Dorado with an groups hold," he said. "He al- Associate Degree in physical

exposed to music at an early age "It's something that I have because of his mother's career as a music teacher.

"My mother has always been (involved in music)," he said, 'so it's always been a big part of my life."

Stoppel's grandmother, Fran Smith, who lives in Colby, agreed that music has always been a part of the family's lives. "He is just very engaging, grandson, "but sometime or oth-

er he would tell me, 'I just have to sing."

He said it took years of mu- ee was born in here, moved to training and wellness in com-He said there was no one mo- sic classes, voice history lessons attend Kansas State University, munity college.

Stoppel said Nickolas' father is from Scott City, and he moved from there to Osage City in 1996. Although he did not grow up here, Nickolas Stoppel has been to Colby.

"My mom was born and raised in Colby, and we make it back every now and again," Stoppel said. "It's always worth it."

Stoppel said he also sings for Kantorei, another chorale likes people," Smith said of her group based in Kansas City. He is a personal trainer and a high school track and field coach, played several sports in high Smith said her daughter Sher- school and studied personal

Playwright, former manager gets probation

From "PLAYWRIGHT," Page 1

said Robert worked for him for five years. Bhakta said that he promoted him from night auditor to manager in early 2011, letting him take money from the Inn to the bank.

"A lot of the time he didn't to it," Bhakta said, "I have no clue what he did with it (the money)."

He added that he eventually found so many discrepancies that he fired Robert in November of that year.

Inn who worked there at the same time as ter the plea agreement "He's a good friend and written plays that he directed.

Robert, said she did not want to comment.

May 19, 2010, which Robert said was his back of the hotel and was put out quickly, with no one injured.

Shortly before pleading guilty, he sent an announcement that his newest play, "The Absolutely True Story of Tom Sawyer as Told by Becky Thatcher," had been published by Heartland Plays Inc. He said the play was performed in Hill City in July 2011.

"He's fantastic," Bill Goodwin, an Eng-Jodi Kobza, the only one at the Quality lish teacher at Fowler High School, said af-

of mine and a very good playwright."

Goodwin said, that he did not ask for desecond day as manager, a fire started at the tails at first after learning that Robert had been fired and did not know the full story until after his friend was arrested. His understanding was that Robert had wanted to pay Quality Inn restitution to make up for the thefts, and he said Robert was surprised when police showed up to arrest him.

Robert was a student at Colby Community College when they met about 18 years ago, Goodwin said. He added that they have been "writing buddies" ever since and that Robert has both performed in plays he wrote

creasing to 5 to 15 mph after Friday: A 20 percent chance of snow after noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 37. West wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north in the afternoon.

National Weather Service

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with

Friday Night: A slight chance

of flurries before 9 p.m. Mostly

cloudy, then gradually becoming

mostly clear, with a low around

16. North wind 5 to 15 mph be-

Saturday: Sunny, with a high

Saturday Night: Mostly clear,

Sunday: Sunny, with a high

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy,

Mostly sunny, with a high near

Monday Night: Mostly clear,

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy,

Wednesday: Mostly sunny,

with a high near 48. Breezy.

Precip: Wednesday None

Month:

Normal:

Year:

Wednesday: High, 46; Low 19

(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset

Moon: waxing, 30 percent

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Birthday:

0.26 inches

0.42 inches

0.51 inches

7:36 a.m. 6:21 p.m

near 53. West wind 5 to 15 mph.

coming west after midnight.

with a low around 23.

with a low around 26.

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with a low around 20.

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Senate's top Democrat upset about Republican block

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SHOW History, the Eagles

Twilight-Dawn

tell them whether Obama spoke in the raid last September. Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., to any Libyan government offisaid he'll vote against ending cial about getting assistance dur- whether he would try to delay delayed; the Senate Intelligence Chairwoman Dianne Feinstein debate on Hagel's nomination, ing the assault on the American Hagel's confirmation if Obama Committee is pushing off a vote of California said a vote likely and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., diplomatic mission in Benghazi. did not provide an answer. "My amid demands that the White will be postponed till late Febru-

and other Republicans may join U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens position right now is I want an House turn over more details ary.

him, if the White House doesn't and three other Americans died answer to the question," he said. about drone strikes against terror The nomination of John Bren- suspects and about the Benghazi McCain declined to say nan as CIA director is also being attacks. Intelligence Committee

tion Associates will speak at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at the Mingo Bible Church, and from 2 to 5 p.m. and 6:30 to 9 p.m. that day at Heartland Christian School. A light supper will be served during the break at the school. An assembly for students, homeschoolers and parents will be from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Monday. For information, call Pastor Tom Peyton at 462-2930.

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