

Weather



National Weather Service  
**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 29. East wind 10 to 15 mph.

**Thursday:** A 10 percent chance of showers after 5 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 55. East wind 5 to 10 mph.

**Thursday Night:** A chance of rain showers before 1 a.m., then a chance of snow showers. Cloudy, then gradually becoming partly cloudy, with a low around 28. East wind 5 to 15 mph becoming north after midnight. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent.

**Friday:** A 10 percent chance of showers after 5 p.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 47. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon.

**Friday Night:** A chance of rain before 11 p.m., then snow likely. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 28. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

**Saturday:** Snow likely with patchy blowing snow. Cloudy, with a high near 32. Breezy. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent.

**Saturday Night:** Patchy blowing snow and a chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 19. Blustery. Chance of precipitation is 50 percent.

**Sunday:** Patchy blowing snow and a slight chance of snow showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 32. Breezy. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

**Sunday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 15.

**Monday:** A slight chance of rain and snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 33. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

**Monday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 15.

**Tuesday:** A slight chance of rain and snow. Partly sunny, with a high near 34. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Monday: High, 54; Low 20  
 Tuesday: High, 52; Low 14  
 Precip: Monday None  
 Tuesday None  
 Month: 0.09 inches  
 Year: 0.89 inches  
 Normal: 2.11 inches  
 (K-State Experiment Station)  
**Sunrise and Sunset**  
 Thursday 7:46 a.m. 7:58 p.m.  
 Moon: waxing, 68 percent  
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)

# Opening statements made in Oberlin trial

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had in common: a relationship with Sara Campbell, who was seeing both.

Coryell, his friend Everett Urban and Cook began to exchange text messages that resulted in the three men agreeing to meet for a fight. When Cook didn't show, Romine said, the guys went back to their party, and back to sending texts.

Coryell, Urban and another friend, Killian Dellere, then took a 15-minute drive over to where Cook was to confront him, but everyone at the Richards house was asleep. The trio entered, found Campbell and Cook in bed together, then retreated to the kitchen to talk about what to do about it. They agreed to leave. Urban and Dellere walked toward the door, Romine said, but Coryell took a shotgun, which was standing against the wall when they first entered the house, and killed Cook while he slept.

"That shotgun was unloaded when they walked in," Romine said, "so it had to be loaded. No one threw the gun to him, and

this was no accident."

Romine said that the state would present photographs, the layout of the house where the shooting occurred, witnesses from that night, law-enforcement officers who responded and experts in criminal investigation.

Coryell is guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, said Romine, of burglary, for entering the home; of battery, for hurting Campbell when the shot was fired; and of murder, for firing that shot at Cook.

"Some of what the prosecution has told you is true," Barrett said in his statement. "There were two parties that day, one at Ryan McEvoy's (where Cook was) and one at Andrew Richards' (where Coryell was)."

Both groups began drinking early in the day, he said; McEvoy's party started around 3 p.m. and Richards' at noon.

Barrett said that while many of the witnesses would testify to drinking seven or eight beers, realistically, it was probably more, and they were also drinking Crown Royal whiskey and Jaegermeister liqueur.

Coryell knew he was the "other man" in his relationship with Campbell, the attorney said, he knew he couldn't claim her, and in a text, said he didn't care for her. Campbell said in another text, Barrett said, that she felt like she was being used by him.

But there was another triangle at play here, between Urban, his wife at the time, Jordan Urban, and Cook. It was Urban, he said, who wanted to fight Cook, and it was Urban who was most angry with him for continued contact he had with his wife after they were married.

There is reasonable doubt, Barrett said, that Coryell is guilty of these crimes. There are conflicting stories that either aren't remembered accurately or are willfully remembered inaccurately. Errors were made during the investigation by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation and the Decatur County Sheriff's Department, things that could have proved premeditation or disproved what Coryell has said, but they weren't done.

Cook's death was tragic, Barrett said, but that's not enough of a reason to find Coryell guilty.

# School hears about new model

From "SCHOOL," Page 1

bers need to be involved in the schools, and the students in extracurricular activities and early childhood programs. A safe, positive learning environment is part of the model.

Earlier in the meeting, Wieland reported that an "iConnect iLearn 'un' conference" has been scheduled in Colby for Thursday and Friday, June 6 and 7, or Monday and Tuesday, June 10 and 11.

She said representatives from area colleges and at least five people from the Southwest Plains Regional Service Center will come.

The purpose is to teach faculty about educational standards, technology in classrooms and creating a safe learning environment, which, she noted, covers parts of the accreditation model.

High school Principal Jeff Wallingford told the board the high school students are still taking state assessments this spring, but not to rate the school.

# County puts off employee raises

From "COUNTY," Page 1

county could allow Genesis to discontinue rent payments so the nonprofit could use the money for services.

Steele said the county is spending money to provide utilities, cleaning and maintenance services for the Genesis office, so he was not in favor of allowing the agency to occupy space rent-free. Genesis currently pays \$242 per month. Catholic Charities, in the same building, does not pay any rent.

Baughn and Steele told the Genesis members they appreciate what the group does, but Steele said the rent payments and annual increases will continue.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Voted to discontinue payments to Terry Ballard, the Sher-

man County appraiser, for services he performed for Thomas County. The county had been paying Ballard \$500 a month to help with appraisals, said Kathy Cunningham, but has not used his services at all this year.

- Approved a change to the transportation van driver's job description to include minor maintenance at the Senior Progress Center. The description already includes minor maintenance at the courthouse and office complex.

- Heard that Clair Schrock, county road supervisor, would need to hire an engineer at a cost of \$4,500 to develop a spill prevention plan unless the county could reduce its oil storage to less than 10,000 gallons. He proposed buying a used fuel tanker instead. Steele asked Schrock get price estimates on a new storage tank or used tanker.

- Gave Schrock the OK for his employees to help with concrete work at the fairgrounds.

- Expressed surprise at the cost of the county's dues for the Northwest Kansas Planning and Development Commission, but voted to approve the \$9,591 payment.

- Took no action on property the county currently owns in Halford and Menlo. Baughn suggested selling these properties if the county is not planning to use them, but Steele said selling them could be difficult.

- Opened sealed bids from McKee Inc. and CB Heating and Air Conditioning for new heating and air conditioning units at the Health Department office. The commissioners put off deciding which one to accept until the health administrator reviews the bids and makes a recommendation.

# Briefly

## City working on mapping electric, water

The City of Colby would like to inform the public that Midland GIS is continuing to do mapping for the electric and water departments. They will be in some alleyways and yards and will be working seven days a week. The project will take approximately three more weeks to complete. If you have questions, please call the department of public works at 460-4420.

## Master Gardeners will hold sessions

K-State Research and Extension will be at the Colby Home and Better Living show on Saturday upstairs in the Community Building. The Thomas County Master Gardeners will be holding the following educational sessions: 10 a.m. "Can you Grow Tomatoes?"; 11 a.m. "Tree Establishment and Care"; noon "Top 40 Annuals for Western Kansas"; 1 p.m. "Tree Establishment and Care." At 5 p.m., the program will be "Beef Done Right," focusing on beef cuts and grilling.

## Assembly of God to hold Easter egg hunt

College Drive Assembly of God will hold their annual Easter egg hunt from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday. Doors will open at 12:45. Children 5 years and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Michelle Hillery at 443-1395.

## Sacred Heart accepting pre-enrollments

Sacred Heart School is accepting pre-enrollments for 3-year-old pre-school and 4-year-old pre-kindergarten for the 2013-14 school year. Classes have begun to fill up, but there are still openings available. There is no deadline to sign up. Contact Principal Laura Krejci at 460-2813.

## Insurance company to hold open house

Strutt Insurance Services, formerly F&M Insurance Store and Cersovsky Insurance, will be holding an open house at its new location, 1675 W. Fourth St., from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and Thursday. The business will also hold Business After Five beginning at 5 p.m. Thursday. For information, call Darvin Strutt at 462-6779.

## Colby High dance tryouts set for next week

Colby High School dance team tryouts will be at 6:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in the high school gym. Tryout packets are available in the Colby Middle School and High School offices. Call Coach Denita Rodgers at 269-7908 with any questions.

## Museum to hold last Food for Thought

The Prairie Museum of Art and History will hold its final free *Food for Thought* program of the season during the noon hour Thursday in the Garvey Educational Room at 1905 S. Franklin. Joan Nothorn, president of the Solomon Valley-Highway 24-Heritage Alliance, will talk about "Converting Pasture Paths to Public Roads." The museum will provide a light lunch. For information, call Director Sue Taylor at 460-4590.

## Commodities to be given out here next week

U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities will be distributed from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program office in the Senior Progress Center at Fike Park. This is a second distribution for March. It is first come, first-served, but you may send a signed permission slip with someone else. Bring a sack or box. Commodities may include corn, orange juice, mixed fruit, grapefruit juice, potatoes and applesauce. For questions, call the office at 462-6744.

## 'Kids a Cookin' classes continue in March

Spring sessions of Kids-a-Cookin', a hands-on food preparation and nutrition class for third through fifth graders, continue Thursdays this week and April 11. Sessions start right after school, about 3:45 p.m., at the Colby Community Building, sponsored by Thomas County Extension. Classes are taught by Extension agents Karen Jones and Diann Gerstner. Sign up by calling the Colby Recreation Department, 460-4440.

## Retirement party set for county van driver

There will be a retirement party for Thomas County transportation van driver Inez Overton from 2 to 4 p.m. Friday in the county clerk's office. For information, call Shelly Harms at 460-4500.

## Bowling day to raise money for Big Brothers

Come and join the fun at the 2013 "Bowl for Kids Sake" from 1 to 6 p.m. Saturday at the Colby Bowl and Fun Center. Teams will collect pledges for Big Brothers Big Sisters. For information or to make a pledge, call Orvella Romine at 460-9125.

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Thursday Evening March 21, 2013										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Wife Swap		Grey's Anatomy	Scandal			Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline	
KBSL/CBS	2013 NCAA Tournament		2013 NCAA Tournament				Local	Letterman		
KSNK/NBC	Community	1600 Penn	Office	1600 Penn	Law & Order: SVU		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	American Idol		Glee		Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	After the First 48	Bates Motel			The First 48		
AMC	The Walking Dead	Comic Men	Freakshow	Immortal	Comic Men			Comic Men	Freakshow	Immortal
ANIM	Battleground	Battleground	Battleground	North Woods Law	Battleground			North Woods Law		
BRAVO	Housewives/Atl.	Housewives/Atl.	Housewives/Atl.	Happens	Kathy			Atlanta		
CMT	Reba	Reba	Salute to the Troops 2013	Ron White's Comedy Salute to t				True Blue: Ten Years		
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	Piers Morgan Live	Anderson Cooper 360	E. B. OutFront	Piers Morgan Live					
COMEDY	Sunny	Sunny	Work.	Tosh.0	Ben Show	Nathan	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Tosh.0
DISC	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Property	Property	Auction	Auction	Property	Property
DISN	Camp Rock 2				Austin	Good Luck	ANT Farm	Austin	Wizards	Wizards
E!	The Soup	Burning L	Playing With Fire		After Lat	After Lat	Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea
ESPN	Winter X Games						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	Cheerleading	Cheerleading		Baseball Tonight			NFL Live	NASCAR	SportCtr	
FAM	Happy Gilmore	Happy Gilmore			The 700 Club		Prince		Prince	
FOOD	Chopped	Chopped		Anne Burrell			Worst Cooks		Chopped	
FX	Anger	Anger	Anger	Anger	Archer	Legit	BrandX With		Archer	Legit
HGTV	Income Property	Rehab	Rehab	Hunters	Hunt Intl		Hawaii	Hawaii	Rehab	Rehab
HIST	Swamp People	Swamp People		Big Rig Bounty			Larry the Cable Guy		Swamp People	
LIFE	Project Runway	Project Runway		Preachers'	Daughters	TBA			Project Runway	
MTV	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Failosoph	Ridic.	Failosoph	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.
NICK	See Dad	See Dad	Full H'se	Full H'se	The Nanny	The Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Warehouse 13	Warehouse 13			Warehouse 13		Warehouse 13		Warehouse 13	
SPIKE	iMPACT Wrestling				Bellator MMA Live				Bellator MMA Live	
TBS	2013 NCAA Tournament				2013 NCAA Tournament				Conan	
TCM	Compulsion			Down to Sea					Kim	
TLC	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	What Not to Wear		Say Yes	Say Yes	What Not to Wear	
TNT	2013 NCAA Tournament				2013 NCAA Tournament				Monday Mornings	
TOON	Incredibl	Regular	King/Hill	King/Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Newsread	Aqua Unit
TRAV	Mysteries-Museum	Mysteries-Museum	Mysteries-Museum	Mysteries-Museum	Mysteries-Museum		Mysteries-Museum		Mysteries-Museum	
TV LAND	Golden	Golden	Golden	Golden	Cleveland	Cleveland	King	King	The King of Queens	
USA	NCIS	NCIS			NCIS		Psych		Law & Order: SVU	
VH1	Dirty Dancing				Wicked Single		Dirty Dancing			
WGN	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	How I Met	News/Nine	Videos	Funniest Home Videos		Rules	Rules
Premium Channels										
HBO	Fight	This Means War			Girls		Taxicab Confessions		Game Change	
MAX	Long Kiss Gdnt				Contraband					
SHOW	Why We Laugh: Funny Women		Sexy Baby		Gigolos	Gigolos	Lies		Bellamy	

**Friday Evening March 22, 2013**

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Last Man	Malibu	Shark Tank		20/20		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline	
KBSL/CBS	2013 NCAA Tournament				2013 NCAA Tournament			Local	Letterman	
KSNK/NBC	Fashion Star		Grimm		Rock Center		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	Kitchen Nightmares		Touch		Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	Underworld				The Walking Dead		Comic Men	Freakshow	Immortal	Underworld
ANIM	Tanked		Tanked		Tanked: Unfiltered		Tanked		Tanked: Unfiltered	
BRAVO	To Be Announced				To Be Announced				The Princess Bride	
CMT	Reba	Reba	Blue Collar						Salute to the Troops 2013	
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		Anderson Cooper 360		E. B. OutFront		Piers Morgan Live	
COMEDY	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Work.	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Harold & Kumar				
DISC	Yukon Men: Revealed		Yukon Men		Bering Sea Gold		Yukon Men		Bering Sea Gold	
DISN	Up				Dog	Good Luck	Jessie	ANT Farm	Austin	ANT Farm
E!	Playing With Fire		Fashion Police		Fashion Police		Chelsea	Fashion Police	Just Not	
ESPN	Winter X Games				Soccer				SportsCenter	
ESPN2	30 for 30				Boxing				NFL Live	
FAM	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club		Prince	Prince
FOOD	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
FX	Megamind		Megamind				Night-Smithsonian			
HGTV	You Live in What?	Flea Mark	Flea Mark	Hunters	Hunt Intl		Hunt Intl		Flea Mark	Flea Mark

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HIST	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	1880's	1880's	American Pickers										
LIFE	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Hoarders	Project Runway											
MTV	The Real World	Real...	Real...	Real...	Real...	Real...	Real...									
NICK	Turtles	Turtles	Full H'se	Full H'se	The Nanny	The Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends						
SCI	WWE SmackDown!				Robot Combat League		Being Human		Robot Combat League							
SPIKE	Scarface				Bellator MMA Live				Bellator MMA Live							
TBS	2013 NCAA Tournament				2013 NCAA Tournament				Are We Th	Are We Th			</			