

Weather



**National Weather Service**  
**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. East wind 5 to 10 mph.  
**Saturday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 100. South wind 5 to 10 mph.  
**Saturday Night:** A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 64. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable.  
**Sunday:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 p.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 88. Northeast wind 10 to 15 mph.  
**Sunday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 58.  
**Labor Day:** Sunny, with a high near 89.  
**Monday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 66.  
**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 94.  
**Tuesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 66.  
**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 95.  
**Wednesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 66.  
**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 94.

Thursday: High, 101; Low 60  
 Precip: Thursday None  
 Month: 0.87 inches  
 Year: 9.36 inches  
 Normal: 16.36 inches  
 (K-State Experiment Station)  
**Sunrise and Sunset**  
 Saturday 7:12 a.m. 8:16 p.m.  
 Moon: waning, 21 percent  
 Sunday 7:13 a.m. 8:15 p.m.  
 Moon: waning, 14 percent  
 Monday 7:14 a.m. 8:13 p.m.  
 Moon: waning, 8 percent  
 Tuesday 7:15 a.m. 8:11 p.m.  
 Moon: waning, 3 percent  
 Wednesday 7:16 a.m. 8:10 p.m.  
 Moon: waning, 1 percent  
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)  
**Colby Water Use**  
 Thursday 3,479,000 gal.  
 (Colby Public Works)

# Doctor duo joins the team at Colby clinic and hospital

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The Family Center for Healthcare has two new providers working there, a husband and wife who both come from northwest Kansas. They both start seeing patients Wednesday.

Sarah Gabel is from Hays and will work as a family practitioner. One of her areas of expertise is obstetrics. Kelley Gabel will work at the center as a general surgeon.

The son of Larry and Beth Gabel of Colby, Kelley Gabel grew up in St. Francis. His sister Brandi Jones, a teacher at the Colby Public Schools, recently moved here with her husband John Jones, a pharmacist at Dillons.

The couple was considering working in about 10 different places in Kansas, Kelley Gabel said.

"It was pretty evident to both of us that this was not only where we wanted to go, but it was where God was leading us," he said.

Sarah Gabel decided she wanted to be a doctor when she was a sophomore in high school. In college she shadowed Dr. Rich Rajewski, who works in family practice.

"That's kind of where I saw what full scope family medicine was," she said.

She grew to like the idea of working in obstetrics, pediatrics and taking care of an entire family. She said her passion was to work in family medicine in a small town.

When Kelley Gabel worked as an emergency medical technician in high school, he was struck by the relative lack of medical resources in rural areas. He had to go to Denver to have knee surgery, for instance, and wanted to be able to improve the medical care available here.

"It was something that I wanted to do, that I wanted to help out," he said. "I just remember feeling I wanted to know more. I wanted to be able to help out."

He met his wife at Fort Hays State University.

"She was my chemistry lab teacher's assistant," he said, "apparently I needed help."

"He needed a lot of help," his wife added.

They graduated in 2004, got engaged before they started medical school in Kansas City, and married in the summer of 2005. The couple said they pushed each other during medical school. They were both thinking about going into family medicine and studied together for their first two years, before Kelley Gabel started thinking about surgery.

They moved to the Detroit area, where Kelley Gabel worked on his five-year surgery residency at Botsford Hospital. His wife worked at



Drs. Kelley and Sarah Gabel

Beaumont Hospital, did a one-year fellowship at Oakwood Hospital, and worked at VanBuren Urgent Care while he was finishing the residency, which she pointed out was a lot harder than medical school. Kelley Gabel worked a lot of 100-hour weeks and sometimes put in 130 hours a week. At one point, he worked for 86 straight hours.

"I really was a resident at the hospital," he said.

"It wasn't uncommon for him to not come home at night, because it was no longer night," Sarah Gabel said.

Kelley Gabel said he was one of a few people to enjoyed working on the residency. But seeing the effect the heavy work load had on their lives and how it affected others, the Gabels decided to spent as much quality time as they could when they were together. They joined a church and went to the museum and zoo. On their free weekends, they took trips: to the beach, to go camping, or to Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

"We did what we could when he had the time," Sarah Gabel said.

Kelley Gabel said he had always thought of coming back to northwest Kansas. The Gabels said they had been talking about working here with Scott Focke, manager for the center, since 2008, and they signed a contract about two years ago. The couple took a vacation, and then moved here in early July, they said, adding that they are enjoying life in Colby.

"It feels like we're home, like we were always going to coming back," Kelley Gabel said.

"And now we're finally home," he wife added.

# Convoy billed as World's Largest

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will present the show. A Truck and Light Show, consisting of truckers' lights, will follow the fireworks.

"We're hoping to start it off with a bang this year," Menlick said.

The eastern leg of the convoy with gather at 8:30 a.m. at Mitten TA Travel Plaza in Oakley for registration and leave for Colby at 10. Registration starts for the western leg at 8:45 a.m. (Central Time) at Wilken's Truck and Trailer in Goodland, and leaves at 10 a.m. (Central).

The two legs of the convoy

join together in Colby along Horton Avenue, and the parade through town starts at 11 a.m. The vehicles will go north on Range Avenue, east on Fourth Street, south on Franklin Avenue, east on Willow Avenue to exit 54, then across the highway and west on Horton Avenue, stopping in the Oasis parking lot.

Mentlick said there were 58 entries in the convoy last year, and he is expecting 75 to 80 this year.

The vehicles will end up at the Petro Travel Center parking lot, where the truck and bike show will be held. Categories for

touring/dresser, cruiser, custom, three-wheelers, scooters, sport, best of show and athlete's choice will be judged at the show.

Lunch will be served at the same time as the show under a tent in the parking lot. Truck and household items will be auctioned off at 1 p.m. The convoy will come to a close with an awards presentation at 3 p.m.

"We've got a lot more interest and we've got a lot more sponsorships," he said.

The convoy currently has 85 sponsors. Group and corporate sponsorships are available for \$150 to \$5,000.

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# Briefly

The deadline for Briefly is noon the day before. Items submitted in the morning will be set up for the following day, space available. The deadline for Monday's paper is noon Friday.

## County Landfill to close for weekend

For the Labor Day weekend, the Thomas County Landfill will close at noon Saturday and remain closed until Tuesday. Call the landfill at 462-8139 if you have questions.

## Sanitation trucks won't run on Labor Day

City of Colby sanitation trucks will not run on Monday, in observance of Labor Day. Monday's sanitation route will be picked up Tuesday. Please have your tipper cans to the curb by 8 a.m. For more information, contact Omar Weber at the Public Works Department at 460-4420.

## Orchestra to start new season's rehearsals

The Pride of the Prairie Orchestra will begin rehearsals on Monday, Sept. 9, at the Band Room in the Cultural Arts Center at Colby Community College. There will be a Meet and Greet at 7 p.m.; rehearsal will follow at 7:30 p.m. New musicians are welcome. For information, go to the website at www.prairieorchestra.com, or the Facebook page "Pride of the Prairie Orchestra." For questions, call Mary Shoaff at 462-2159 or Janet Hopson at 462-5102.

## Pets ready for adoption at Animal Clinic

Looking for a pet? Colby Animal Clinic has a female blue and cream 4-year-old Himalayan cat and two dogs, lab mixes, 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.

## Ex-gun lobbyist to give 'Max' lecture

Former gun lobbyist Richard Feldman will speak at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, at the Northwest Kansas Cultural Arts Center near the southeast corner of the Colby Community College campus. The free lecture is part of the Dr. Max Pickerill series. For information, contact Dr. Linda Davis-Stephens at 460-5528.

## Largest Convoy to help Special Olympics

The World's Largest Truck Convoy, open to the public, will be next Friday and Saturday, Sept. 7, in Colby. Beginning at 5 p.m. Friday, there will be a tailgate barbecue party at Oasis-Petro, a car and motorcycle cruise-in and fireworks. Saturday, convoys from Oakley and Goodland will merge at 11 a.m. on Horton Avenue for a parade down Range to Fourth and back south on Franklin. All events, including a truck and bike show and lunch are open to the public. Donations go to Special Olympics. For information call Joe Mentlick at 443-1682.

## Donations needed to pay for county's map

The Kansas Association of Counties is seeking donations for Thomas County's share of a marble map to be placed on the floor of the new visitors' center at the Kansas statehouse. To donate, contact County Commissioner Mike Baughn at (785) 694-2278, 460-9061 or prairie.lawman@yahoo.com or send donations to Box 159, Brewster, Kan., 67732. Checks should be made payable to the Thomas County Community Foundation with a memo for the Kansas Statehouse Thomas County Map Fund.

## Women's Bible study to begin

The Wesleyan Church will begin a six-week Bible study for women Wednesday on "Secrets Jesus Shared," by Jennifer Kennedy Dean, to help believers better understand the kingdom of God. Each week there will be sessions from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the church, 320 W. Pine, and from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. at the Pioneer Memorial Library. To register contact Joy Rothfuss at wesleyan@st-tel.net or at 462-8391.

## Church starts kid's program for the fall

Kids Klubhouse, for children age 4 through fifth grade, begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Colby Wesleyan Church, 320 W Pine. Bible stories, games, snacks, music and fun fill the evening. Just for Girls, for girls in second through fifth grades will begin Monday, Sept. 16. church's bus will pick girls up at 3:40 p.m. in front of the Colby Grade School gym. Parents may pick girls up at 5 p.m. at the church. To register or for information about either program, contact Rothfuss at the church office, 462-8391.

## Senior center needs drivers for meals

The Senior Progress Center needs a volunteer to deliver meals from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays. For information, call Director Kaila DeBoer at 460-2901.

**RAWLINS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

707 Grant  
 Atwood, KS 67730  
 (785) 626-3211

Bringing Specialized Healthcare To Your Community

**September 2013**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab		Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab Diabetic Clinic		Cardiac Rehab MRI's	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab		Dr. Frankum Surgery Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab Diabetic Clinic		Nuclear Medicine Cardiac Rehab MRI's	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab	Dr. Frederick C. Miller Cardiology	High Plains Cardiologist Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab Diabetic Clinic	Dr. Reeves Podiatry Kirsten Angel Dietitian	Dr. Reeves Podiatry	Cardiac Rehab MRI's
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab	Dr. Frederick C. Miller Cardiology Mammograms	Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab Diabetic Clinic		Nuclear Medicine Cardiac Rehab MRI'S	
29	30	<p><b>HAPPY LABOR DAY</b></p> <p>To schedule an appointment with a visiting physician, PLEASE CALL (785) 626-3211  <b>Cheryl Banister, RN                      Specialty Clinic Director</b></p>				

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Monday Evening	September 2, 2013									
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Shark Tank		Mistresses		Castle		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline	
KBSL/CBS	How I Met Mike		2 Broke G Mike		Under the Dome		Local	Late Show Letterman	Ferguson	
KSNK/NBC	Ninja Warrior				Siberia		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	J. Fallon	
KSAS/FOX	Raising	Raising	New Girl	Mindy	Local					
<b>Cable Channels</b>										
A & E	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Bad Ink	Dads	Dads	Bad Ink	Bad Ink
AMC	Hard to Kill				Exit Wounds				Above the Law	
ANIM	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Call-Wildman		Wildman	Wildman	Wildman	Wildman
BRAVO	Tamra's O.C. Wedding	Real Housewives			Below Deck		Housewives/OC		Below Deck	
CMT	Twister						Cops Rel.	Cops Rel.	Most Amazing Videos	
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360	The Cheshire Murders					Anderson Cooper 360	The Cheshire Murders		
COMEDY	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	The Comedy Central Roast		The Comedy Central Roast			
DISC	Fast N' Loud	Fast N' Loud			Turn & Burn		Fast N' Loud		Turn & Burn	
DISN	Teen Beach Movie				Austin	Jessie	ANT Farm	Austin	Good Luck	Good Luck
E!	Kardashian	Kardashian	Kardashian				Chelsea	The Dilemma		
ESPN	College Football						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	U.S. Open Ten.						Olberrmann		Olberrmann	
FAM	The Breakfast Club	Sixteen Candles					The 700 Club	Prince	Prince	
FOOD	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	The Shed	Bubba-Q	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
FX	Grown Ups				Grown Ups				Bringing Down	
HGTV	Beach	Beach	Love It or List It		Hunters	Hunt Intl	Love It or List It		Love It or List It	
HIST	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars	God, Guns	God, Guns	God, Guns	God, Guns	Cnt. Cars	Cnt. Cars
LIFE	Madea Goes to Jail				Madea's Family				Madea Goes to Jail	
MTV	Teen Mom 3				Teen Mom 3		True Life		True Life	
NICK	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SCI	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis	Stargate Atlantis
SPIKE	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Broken Arrow	
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan		Office	Conan
TCM	An Edison Album		Lumiere		The Story of Film: An Odyssey		Falling Leaves			
TLC	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss
TNT	Castle	Rizzoli & Isles	Castle		Castle		Castle		CSI: NY	
TOON	Regular	MAD	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen
TRAV	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Bizarre Foods	Hotel Impossible		Bizarre Foods		Bizarre Foods	
TV LAND	Cleveland	Cleveland	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King	King
USA	WWE Monday Night RAW						Summer Camp		Royal Pains	
VH1	Basketball Wives	T.I.-Tiny	Marry		Basketball Wives		T.I.-Tiny	Marry	Basketball Wives	
WGN	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos	WGN News at Nine		Funniest Home Videos		Rules	
<b>Premium Channels</b>										
HBO	Horrible Bosses				In Time		Hard Knocks		Sessions	
MAX	Con Air	The Lucky One			Jawbreaker		Strike Back		Life-Top	
SHOW	Twilight-Dawn				Lawless		Access		Saw	