

Weather

Flu clinic prepares for seasonal ills

Briefly

The Thomas County Health Department's Colby flu clinic will be open late tonight for anyone who wants a flu vaccination.

"We're opening earlier and later, so hopefully we can get more people before and after work," said Administrator Kasiah Rothchild.

The clinic will be open in the Thomas County Office Complex until 6 p.m.

This year, Rothchild said, the department staged larger remote clinics at locations outside Colby to practice for a possible disease outbreak.

"It was testing our ability to come set up a clinic quickly and dispense medication," Rothchild said.

This meant giving up smaller clinics that used to be held in the Red Barn in Rexford and



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Brant Brower rolled up his sleeves for a shot Thursday at the Thomas County Health Department's flu clinic at Brewster Elementary School.

the Brewster Senior Center, she said. The larger clinics were set up in the Brewster and Golden

Plains schools. Volunteers wore neon vests with their job titles written on them. Colby Com-

munity College nursing students and instructors helped dispense the shots,

People from other agencies helped, including Thomas County Emergency Management, the Thomas County Road Department (which helped set up the trailer), the Brewster and Golden Plains school districts, Options and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Rothchild said flu shots were a good way to practice for a disease outbreak. Patients paid or used their insurance cards, and the rest of the cost was paid out of Health Department preparedness funds.

Nursing program needs some change

Colby Community College trustees heard about issues brought up after an inspection of the college nursing program during its meeting earlier this month.

Ruth Wolfram, outgoing director of nursing education, said the program had been visited by representatives of the state Board of Nursing and the National League of Nursing Accreditation Commission earlier.

In the area of faculty, the league said the college needs all its nursing faculty to have master's degrees; the program needs to be subdivided into day and evening classes, and between classes in Colby, WaKeeney and Norton for the "outcome" category because the curriculum assessment had been reported as one group; and finally, the curriculum assessment needs to be changed to ask specific ques-

tions: what the assessment is and what was assessed, how it was assessed and how it affects the program.

Wolfram said at the meeting Sept. 16 that the faculty are doing what they can to improve the program, but are a little short staffed. Assistant Director Rebecca Johnson has had to take over the duties of an instructor who resigned, she noted.

In other business, the board: • Approved contracts for Sarah Borneman, new financial services specialist; Robbyn Lamb, an English instructor; Lorna Pelton, new beef production director; and Anthony Schroer, instrumental music instructor. Also approved were eight paid part-time contracts and 24 part-time contracts with no pay listed, including 22 for community education coordinators in towns across northwest Kansas.

• Approved the resignations of Wolfram, Information Technology Coordinator Brooks Wederski and assistant wrestling coach Tyler Gonzales.



Monica, Wyatt and Joe Schlut

Flood damages home

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were scattered everywhere, with dumpsters in the open "like train cars." Before the flood waters hit the town, she said, they passed through a canyon in the mountains and were already filled with debris that clogged the city's drains.

"When you go into Boulder," Wingard said, "there are areas where you'd think there wasn't any flood."

But in other parts of town, she added, furniture and debris

were scattered everywhere, with dumpsters in the open "like train cars." Before the flood waters hit the town, she said, they passed through a canyon in the mountains and were already filled with debris that clogged the city's drains.

"It's an inconvenience and it's awful," she said, "but, you know, like anything, you're just glad you have your lives and you go on and you rebuild."

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.

Deadline near for Colby Art Show

Artists and photographers who have not yet registered for the High Plains Art Club's juried show Friday to Sunday, Oct. 18 to 20, have only until Tuesday to submit forms and fees. There is no charge for college and high school students to enter. Bring at work and photos in the first day of the show.

Economic development board to meet

The Thomas County Economic Development Alliance board will meet at 8 a.m. Friday at the county office complex, 350 S. Range, Suite 12. For information call Christy Rocca at 460-4511.

Groundwater office to show off new digs

The Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4 will have an open house from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday at its new office, 1290 W. Fourth St., to celebrate the move and to honor the retirement of manager Wayne Bossert.

'Party for the Potties' dance tickets available

Tickets are on sale now for the Prairie Museum of Art and History's "Party for the Potties" barn dance and barbecue fund raiser Saturday at the museum, 1905 S. Franklin, Colby. Admission for the dance and dinner is \$20 per person, at the door or in advance from the museum.

Baptist Church invites everyone to free lunch

Come and bring a friend to a free "Joyful Blessings" meal from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, Webster and Grant. Everyone is welcome. For information, call Radonda Buford at 462-2804.

Illusionist to perform at Wesleyan Church

Illusionist Mel LaMar will give a free show at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Colby Wesleyan Church while sharing a message. For questions, contact Joy Rothfuss at 462-8391.

School to hold barbecue Sunday

Heartland Christian School plans a barbecue fund raiser from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at the school. Contact Kim Schriner at 460-6419 for information.

National Weather Service Tonight: Clear, with a low around 57. Breezy, with a south wind 15 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 91. Southwest wind 5 to 15 mph. Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 4 a.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. Breezy, with a south wind 10 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Friday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 8 a.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 76. South wind 10 to 15 mph. Friday Night: Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm before 9 p.m., then a chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 47. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent. Saturday: A slight chance of showers before 7 a.m. Mostly sunny, with a high near 69. Chance of precipitation is 10 percent. Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 44. Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 77. Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48. Monday: Sunny, with a high near 81. Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 51. Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 80.

Eagle takes some teamwork

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ect. Woofter Construction and Irrigation, which also donated its services, fabricated the base.

Jeremy Quint, who works at Farmers and Merchants, formed the concrete for the base.

Commercial Sign had the base painted and set in its current location, then installed the eagle on top.

The firm donated part of its services.

The beautification fund, along with donations from Farmers and Merchants Bank, the Class of 1982 and a fund set up in memory of Teryn Haremza, paid for other costs.

Haremza, son of Ronald and Kim Haremza, died in a farming accident in 2008 when he was 12. He would have graduated this year.

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Friday Evening September 27, 2013

Table listing TV programs for Friday Evening, September 27, 2013, with columns for time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and program titles.

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