

Weather Corner



More rain possible today

**Tonight** — There is a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy with a low around 66. Breezy with a south wind between 15 and 20 mph. **Tuesday** — Mostly sunny with a high around 95. North wind around 15 mph with gusts as high as 30 mph. **Tuesday night** — A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 4 a.m. Partly cloudy with a low near 63. East wind between 10 and 15 mph with gusts as high as 30 mph. **Wednesday** — Partly cloudy with a high near 91. East wind between 5 and 10 mph. **Wednesday night** — A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 4 a.m. Some of the storms could produce heavy rain. Partly cloudy with a low around 63. **Thursday** — Partly cloudy with a high around 68. **Temperatures** Sunday's high, 93 Low this morning, 60 Records for this date, 105 in 1988, 39 in 1985 Precipitation past 24 hours to 8 a.m. today, 0.86 June's precipitation, 1.62 **Water Use Report Average Friday, Saturday and Sunday** • 1,639,200 gallons This issues a Water Watch. 4 million = Water Warning 4.5 million = Water Emergency A recorded forecast updated throughout the day is available by calling (785) 899-7119.

Briefly

Mosquito fogging begins today

City of Colby crews will begin fogging for mosquitoes the remainder of the summer. Starting today and continuous Mondays and Tuesdays, fogging will take place on the south side of town from Webster south. Fogging on Thursdays and Fridays will include the north side of town from Webster north. The city urges residents to check yards and empty anything that is holding stagnant water, such as cans, swimming pools, and tires to help keep the mosquito population at a minimum. For questions, call 460-4420.

Colby part of Interstate celebration

Colby is invited to join in the Interstate-70 anniversary celebration at 3 p.m., Wednesday, at the exit 54 overpass. As part of the festivities, the 50th anniversary event commemorating the Federal Aid Highway Act, which created the interstate system, will offer a re-enactment of the 1919 Transcontinental Convoy, which was a military convoy that traveled from Washington, D.C. to San Francisco, Calif. Dwight D. Eisenhower's great-grandson will be part of the convoy. For questions, call the Convention and Visitors Bureau at 460-7643.

Amusement group meets today

The Thomas County Amusement Association will meet at 8 p.m., today, at the Thomas County Office Complex meeting room, 350 S. Range Ave., Colby. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Boxer available at clinic

The Colby Animal Clinic has one animal still searching for his owners or for a new home. The dog was found Thursday and is a fawn-colored Boxer, male, wearing a blue collar. The only cost for adoption is the price of immunization shots. For questions, call 460-8621 or stop by the facility, 810 E. Fourth St.

Picnic in the Park Thursday

The Wagoner Family will provide entertainment for this week's *Picnic in the Park* starting at noon, Thursday, in Fike Park. Chamber officials are encouraging everyone to bring a lawn chair, a sack lunch and enjoy the festivities. The concert series will run at noon each Thursday through July 27.

Heartland Share delivery Saturday

Heartland Share delivery is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Sacred Heart School gym, 1150 W. Sixth St. There are a few shares left. For those unfamiliar with the concept, the program is designed to bring people together based on a common need. People volunteer two hours a month and are eligible to purchase a food package each month. For questions, call 460-3579 or 460-8640. Everyone is eligible and there are no income requirements.

Waste site collection Saturday

The Thomas County Household Hazardous Waste Site, 190 W. Fourth St., Colby, will be collecting old paints, cleaning products, lawn and garden chemicals and more from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday. "Don't throw those items in the trash," said Sandy Swob, director. Using the household hazardous waste site is a good, safe alternative to disposing of this items in the landfill. The service is free and open to all county residents. For questions, call Swob at 460-4526.

Voter registration reminder

The Thomas County Clerk is reminding residents that if they move within the county or out of the county, they need to re-register to vote at their local clerk's office. For questions, call 460-4500.

Public transit van available

Thomas County has available to its residents a public transit van. The van is available by calling the Senior Progress Center at (785) 460-2901. To schedule the van after 12:30 p.m., call (785) 443-9208.

Music Boosters continue fundraiser

The Colby Music Boosters are continuing to sell "Colby Eagle" sunglasses to benefit the music program at Colby Schools. They are available at Jamu Books or CK Lumber.

Last of three break-in suspects sentenced in Colby

By Jan Katz Ackerman  
Colby Free Press

The third of three defendants in the Nov. 23 break-in at Murray Enterprises, Murray Roofing, JM Tree and Lawn Service and Sundance Spas on East Fourth in Colby was sentenced in court Wednesday. District Judge Glenn Schiffner sentenced Lewis Michael George,

24, to 14 months in prison for felony theft and another six months for conspiracy to commit burglary. Besides George, Eric Schiltz, 24, and Goldie Moore, 22, were charged as accomplices. Schiffner, earlier this year, ordered Schiltz to serve 21 months in prison for the break-in and 14 months in prison for the forgery charge.

Moore, who is pregnant, was sentenced to an underlying prison sentence of seven months and placed on probation for 12 months. She must also serve a 12 month post-release probation period. Both Schiltz and Moore were ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$3,814, plus court costs and attorney fees. Schiffner ordered George's sen-

tence run concurrent to each other and ordered restitution in the amount of \$1,037.76. George, like Schiltz and Moore, has also been charged in Ellis County for having written checks allegedly stolen during the break-in from one or more of the businesses in Colby. Assistant Ellis County Attorney Brenda Basgall filed paperwork in

Hays charging George with two counts of felony forgery and two counts of aiding and abetting in a crime. He faces seven to 23 months in prison and a fine of up to \$100,000 for the forgery charges and a year in Ellis County Jail and a fine up to \$2,500 for the aiding and abetting charge.

Academic Year in America group searches for host families

STAMFORD, CT — This month, Germany plays host to the World Cup. In August, Academic Year in America is looking for Colby area families to play host to Germany. This year, the organization is bringing hundreds of German high school students to the U.S. to learn about American culture while living with volunteer host families and studying at high schools across the nation, said Kelly Quigley, with the

group. "Colby area families have the unique opportunity to learn about the German culture during this mutually rewarding exchange," she said. With many students available as well as an enhanced online matching system, the group can help families find the ideal student for their home. Students are ages 15 to 18 1/2 and arrive with full medical insurance,

spending money, and the hopes of experiencing life in America through the eyes of a caring host family, Quigley said. The students stay with their host for five or 10 months and attend the local high school. As for who can host a German student through the Academic Year in America, Program Development Director Kim Van Cleave, said many types of people who can host. "Just as there is no typical Ameri-

can family, there is no typical host family," Van Cleave said. "Retirees, single parents and young couples are all able to give an international student a good home. "Some host families may not even have children of their own. Bringing a German student into your home can mean giving the gift of culture to yourself, your family, or your community." Anyone could benefit from exposure to a new culture, Quigley

said. Academic Year in America is sponsored by the American Institute For Foreign Study Foundation, established in 1967 with the assistance of the late Sen. Robert Kennedy. The mission of the foundation is to help young people from many nations and diverse cultures to understand each other better, Van Cleave said. "The Foundation's high school division, Academic Year in America, has been in operation since 1981 and has enabled more than 20,000 students from over 40 countries to live with host families in the United States while attending high school," Van Cleave said. To learn more about hosting a German exchange student or about the organization, call Kelley Quigley at (800) 322-4678, ext. 5164. Quigley call also be reached via e-mail: kquigley@aifs.org.

For the Record

The following arrests or incidents have been provided by either the Thomas County Sheriff's office or the Colby Police Department. All suspects were booked into the county jail and are presumed innocent until proven guilty. The Thomas County Jail is used by Colby, Oakley, Logan and Thomas counties. **Thomas County Sheriff's Office Thursday, June 15** • **Missing:** A juvenile was reported missing at 12:01 a.m. and entered into the National Crime Information Center. • **Child In Need of Care:** An individual spoke with police at 1:17 a.m. about having problems with their daughter at a Colby residence. • **Traffic Complaint:** Sherman County advised dispatch at 3:32 a.m. of a semi near milemarker 22 on Interstate-70 eastbound losing part of its tire. The semi was located by the sheriff's department between the exits and escorted back to Oasis Travel Center. • **Burglary/Theft:** Bartlett Grain in Levant was burglarized and theft committed at 7:35 a.m. Sheriff's

office investigating. • **Phone Harassment:** An individual advised authorities of harassing telephone calls at 5:59 p.m. in the 2100 block of East Fourth Street. • **Criminal Damage:** A basement window was broken out in the 300 block of Sixth Street in Gem. The damage was reported to authorities at 6:53 p.m. • **Service Rendered:** The sheriff's office was advised of an RV blown off the road west of Oakley on I-70. The Kansas Highway Patrol located the vehicle at milepost 60 at 9:57 p.m. **Wednesday, June 14** • **Traffic Complaint:** An individual reported at 6:03 a.m. about a dead deer in the road on Kansas Highway 25 and County Road J. The deer carcass was removed. **Colby Police Department Thursday, June 15** • **Suspicious Incident:** Police were advised of a problem at 3:32 a.m. involving the Greyhound Bus at McDonald's. The officer stayed until the bus was loaded and back on I-70. • **Suspicious Person:** The clerk

at Super 8 advised police of someone out front of the motel at 5:45 a.m. wanting assistance. They wanted the person to leave. Authorities asked the person to move on. • **Recovered Property:** An individual told authorities at 9:05 a.m., he had found clothing and key cards at Fike Park. The owner was called to pick up the items. • **Animal Complaints:** Three dogs were running loose at 9:32 a.m. in the 1000 block of West Fourth Street. At 2:55 a second animal complaint prompted police to take another dog to the clinic and at 3:32 p.m., a third dog was getting wet from the rain and police were asked to assist at the 200 block of Webster. All officers were busy and could not respond. • **Phone Harassment:** An individual reported a phone scam at 3:32 p.m., but could not come in at that time saying they would call back to finish the report. Person never called back. • **Suspicious Incident:** Police were advised at 5:02 p.m. of a child crying for more than an hour in the 600 block of South Mission. Au-

thorities said everything was OK, baby was teething. • **Child In Need of Care:** A police officer was called to 750 S. Range Ave. at 5:22 p.m. to assist with a distraught parent at 5:22 p.m. • **Criminal Trespass:** One or more individuals attempted to kick in a door in the 1100 block of South Franklin Avenue at 8:52 p.m. • **Service Rendered:** Police also assisted in the search for an RV blown off I-70 at about 9:57 p.m. **Wednesday, June 14** • **Traffic Complaint:** Police were advised of speeding vehicles in the 1200 block of West Second Street at 5:51 a.m. No contact made. • **Theft:** An all-terrain vehicle was stolen at 9:41 a.m. in the 100 block of North Franklin Avenue. The theft is under investigation. • **Animal Complaint:** A dead cat was removed from the area of First

Street Annex and Schiefen at 12:48 p.m. and a second dead animal was removed by police at 9:13 p.m. in front of the Colby Community Building. • **Criminal Damage:** A car window was broken out at 10:35 p.m. in the 700 block of S. Franklin.

Wichita challenges profiling law

WICHITA (AP) — The city is challenging a law that prohibits police from engaging in racial profiling and allows the Kansas Human Rights Commission to investigate complaints. The city's challenge is part of an appeal of a commission ruling that found a black man was the victim of racial profiling when a white Wichita police officer pulled him over last year. City Attorney Gary Rebenstorf said the law includes no way to appeal a ruling from the commission and does not state penalties for violations. The city's challenge was filed in Shawnee County District Court. The law, passed by the Legislature in 2005, says a victim of profiling "shall have a civil cause of action ... against the law enforcement officer ... and shall be entitled to recover damages if it is determined by the court that such persons or agency engaged in racial profiling." Otherwise, Rebenstorf said,

he had a brief conversation because he knew the man's brother. Patterson was searched and ticketed for failure to use a turn signal. Police have denied race was a factor in the traffic stop, but the ticket was later thrown out. **MOVIE PASSES** Watch for your name in the Wednesday movie listings for 2 free passes. (Passes must be used within 7 days.) Pick up your passes at your: **COLBY FREE PRESS**

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**EAT HEARTY.....**  
**STEAK FRY**  
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.  
Your choice of Potato and Salad  
**COLBY VFW** MEMBERS & GUESTS WELCOME!

**Mike's Famous Rib-eye Steak**  
Includes choice of side, salad, and fresh-baked roll.  
**\$1249** 12 oz **\$1399** 16 oz  
All day, every day during the month of June.  
**MONTANA MIRE'S STEAKHOUSE**  
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**Faced with a Drinking Problem?** Perhaps **Alcoholics Anonymous Can Help** Meetings are Open to the Public City Hall Basement Mondays & Thursdays - 8:30 p.m.

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**COLBY CINEMA & ARCADE**  
JUNE 16 - JUNE 22  
**CARS**  
Fri. & Sat. : 7:00 & 9:15 (PG) 2:00  
Sun. - Thurs.: 7:00

**COLBY THEATRE**  
JUNE 16 - JUNE 22  
**FAST & FURIOUS 3**  
Fri. & Sat. : 7:00 & 9:00 (PG-13) 1:50  
Sun. - Thurs.: 7:00  
**GARFIELD**  
Fri. & Sat. : 7:15 & 9:15 (PG) 1:30  
Sun. - Thurs.: 7:15

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Tuesday, June 20th @ 1:00 p.m.  
@ Colby Cinema. **DREAMER**  
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