

Weather
Corner



Cooler temps
on the way

Tonight — Mostly clear with a low around 70. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph. **Thursday** — Partly cloudy and hot, with a high near 99. North wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east. **Thursday night** — A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. East wind between 10 and 15 mph. **Friday** — A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 p.m. Partly cloudy with a high near 88. Northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph. **Friday night** — A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Partly cloudy with a low around 62. **Saturday** — Partly cloudy with a high near 88. **Saturday night** — Mostly clear with a low around 60. **Sunday** — Mostly sunny with a high near 93.

Temperatures
Tuesday's high, 101
Low this morning, 68
Records for this date, 107 in 1926, 50 in 1902
Precipitation past 24 hours to 8 a.m. today, 0.00
July's precipitation, 1.35

Water Use Report
Tuesday, July 18
• 3.666,400 gallons
3.5 million = 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. Current temperatures are available by calling 460-TEMP.

Briefly

Story time at library Thursday

"PJs and Bedtime Tails," a program for children of pre-school or grade school age, starts at 7 p.m. Thursday at Pioneer Memorial Library, 375 W. Fourth St. Children are invited to wear their pajamas and bring a favorite stuffed pet to this special story session, said Judy Kleinsorge, children's librarian. For questions, call 460-4470.

Extension office closes during fair

The Thomas County Extension Office, 350 S. Range Ave., will be closed from Monday, July 31 through Friday, Aug. 4, so staff can be on the fairgrounds during the fair, said Jan Poore, office manager.

Queen, princess deadline Tuesday

The Thomas County Rodeo Queen and Princess Pageant is looking for contestants for the 2006 contest, said Marie Skolout, coordinator. Girls ages 8-11 are eligible for the junior princess; 12-15 for princess and 16-23 for the queen contest. Contestants are judged on horsemanship, interview, speech and modeling. This year's contest will be on Friday,

July 28, with entries due Tuesday. For questions, call (785) 586-2228.

Window painting contest to begin

The Thomas County Fair Board is sponsoring a window painting contest as part of this year's activities for the fair. Registration forms can be mailed or dropped off at the Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce, 350 S. Range. Windows will be judged Monday, July 31. First prize will be \$150; second, \$100; third, \$75; fourth, \$50; fifth, \$25. Registration forms must be turned in by Tuesday and anyone is eligible to participate. For questions, call 460-4582.

Scholarship available; deadline near

Colby's branch of the American Association of University Women is offering a scholarship to a Thomas County high school girl who will be a junior or senior in college this fall. Interested girls are asked to pick up applications at Pioneer Memorial Library, 375 W. Fourth St., Colby. The deadline for application is Tuesday, Aug. 1. For questions call members Joyce Mahin, 462-6134 or Bev Eicher, 462-2400.

CPR classes begin July 26

The Thomas County Red Cross will be teaching First Aid and adult CPR from 6 to 10 p.m., Wednesday, July 26. In addition, infant and child CPR will be taught at the same time Thursday, July 27. Both will be held at the Thomas County Red Cross office, 350 S. Range Ave., Colby. For reservations or questions, call 462-7161.

Demolition derby forms available

Entries are being taken for the Roofmasters Demolition Derby scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 3. Entry forms are available at the Thomas County Extension office, or by calling fair board member Nancy Rundel at 586-2210.

Car wash planned Saturday

The Thomas County Relay for Life committee is planning a car wash from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday in the Citizens Medical Center parking lot, 100 College Dr., Colby. Proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

Sheridan County Library to host magic man

By Jan Katz Ackerman
Colby Free Press

Children enrolled in the Sheridan County Public Library Summer Reading program will be treated to

animals and magic during a show next week.

"Dan Dan the Magic Man will bring his unique blend of comedy and magic to the annual summer reading program at 3 p.m. on July

26," Cindy Eller, library director, said. The 40 minute show will be at the high school auditorium, 1625 Queen Ave., in Hoxie.

"The program is based on this year's summer reading theme -

Claws, Paws, Scales, and Tales," Eller said.

"Through audience participation, Dan Dan the Magic Man uses his 25 plus years of magical experience to bring to life the joys of reading and

the fun of learning at your local library."

Eller said the show will conclude the summer reading program. The program provides local children the opportunity to develop reading skills, share fun activities, and experience the benefits of the local public library.

"Even though the formal program is concluding, we hope to see the children and their families continue to enjoy the benefits of the public library throughout their lives" Eller said.

Admission to the magic show is free and the public is invited.

For questions, call Eller or the library at (785) 675-3102.

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
Wednesday, July 12

• **Parole violation:** Jeffrey Wayne Murphy, 28, of Healy, was arrested at the law enforcement center at noon by Thomas County Court Service officer on a parole violation. Details of the violation were unavailable; however Murphy is expected to remain in custody until Aug. 3.

Friday, July 14

• **Failure to pay:** Kenneth Lee Barrera, 30, of Stratton, Colo., was arrested at 3:20 p.m. on Interstate 70 at the Brewster exit by the Thomas

County Sheriff's office. The charge was failure to pay child support. He was released from custody at 4 p.m. on \$8,444.64 bond. A court date was scheduled for Aug. 21.

• **Failure to comply:** Wesley Louis Phillips, 22, of Colby, was arrested at 6:33 p.m. by the Goodland Police Department for failure to comply for speeding. He was taken to the Thomas County Law Enforcement Center where he was

booked and later released after paying a \$158 cash bond. A court date was set for July 26.

Saturday, July 15

• **Criminal threat:** Dustin Blake Rumbach, 34, of Colby, was arrested at 7:42 p.m., by Colby police in the 600 block of Range Avenue for disorderly conduct and criminal threat.

He was released at 1:49 p.m., Monday, July 17, with charges

pending.

• **Criminal trespassing:** Authorities were advised by a resident about an individual trespassing on his property in the 1400 block of Pioneer Drive at 2:55 p.m.

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GOLF

Tournament

JULY 21, 2006

COLBY COUNTRY CLUB

Please help support CCC Wrestling Program!

Something for everyone!! We will play 9 holes of 4 person scramble golf, then 9 holes of fun golf with lots of gimmicks and surprises.

11:00 a.m. registration, 12:00 p.m. Shotgun Start

Cost: \$50 without a cart or \$55 with a cart

Picnic

In The Park

Bring your lunch and lawn chair and enjoy the musical talent of...

Bill Summers

and

Friends

Thursday, July 20th

12:00 noon

Fike Park

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