

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 47. South wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 79. East wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50. Southeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.
Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 81. Breezy, with a southeast wind between 10 and 20 mph.
Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers after 1 a.m. Partly cloudy and breezy, with a low around 54.
Sunday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 77.
Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 49.
Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 75.
Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46.
Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 73.
Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 43.

Tuesday: High, 82; Low 41
Wednesday: High 79, Low 40
Precip: Wednesday, 0.00
Month: 0.00 in.
Year: 16.3 in.
Normal: 17.71 in.

Wind power blows through town



STEVE HAYNES/Colby Free Press

Flag cars escorted this wind-tower base through town. Wide loads move every day, heralded by flashing lights and waving flags. Some days, wind-generator pieces move both north and south, passing each other on the highway.

Fossett searchers see plane

MAMMOTH LAKES, Calif. (AP) — Searchers found the wreckage of Steve Fossett's plane in California's rugged Sierra Nevada just over a year after the millionaire adventurer vanished on a solo flight, and the craft appears to have hit the mountainside head-on, authorities said today.
Crews conducting an aerial search late Wednesday spotted what turned out to be the wreckage in the Inyo National Forest near the town of Mammoth Lakes, Sheriff John Anderson said. They confirmed around 11 p.m. that the tail number found matched Fossett's single-engine Bellanca plane, he said.
Anderson said no human remains were found in the wreckage.
"It's quite often if you don't find remains within a few days, because of animals, you'll find nothing at all," Anderson said.
Teams led by the sheriff's department would continue the search for remains Thursday, while the National today Safety Board was en route to probe the cause of the crash, he said.
Most of the plane's fuselage disintegrated on impact.

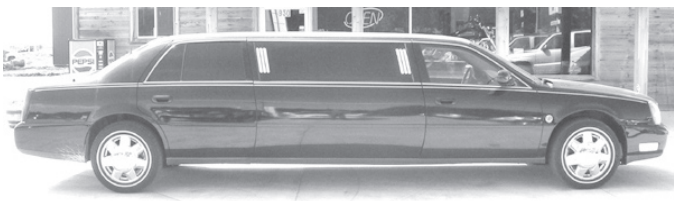
Ministers need books to send

The Thomas County Ministerial Association is working with the Edwin Hodge Ministry to send Christian literature to South Africa.
If you have old Bibles, hymnals or other Christian books, drop them off at the First Presbyterian Church in Colby by Monday.

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Rivals debate need to stay or campaign

TOPEKA (AP) — Democratic Rep. Nancy Boyda and Republican challenger Lynn Jenkins sparred Wednesday night over economic issues and even whether Boyda should have returned to Kansas for their televised debate while Congress considers a bailout of the financial industry.
Jenkins, the two-term state treasurer, argued that residents of eastern Kansas' 2nd Congressional District have received no real benefits from Boyda's two years in the House. She also suggested that Boyda was neglecting important work by leaving Washington.
Boyda said she and a bipartisan group of lawmakers are working on bailout proposals, and she accused Jenkins of ducking questions about how she would deal with the federal budget deficit.
After the debate, she called some of Jenkins' comments "tacky."

The two candidates also had sharp exchanges about energy, taxes, spending and increases in the federal minimum wage.
Their debate from the studios of KTWU, Topeka's public television station, took place as the Senate was passing a \$700 billion rescue package for the financial industry.

Senators vote 'no' on big bailout bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Both of Kansas' Republican senators on Wednesday voted against a revised plan to rescue the nation's financial industry, saying the bailout package was not the right solution.
Sen. Pat Roberts said his decision reflects the will of thousands of Kansas voters who have contacted his office to say the \$700 billion measure is unacceptable.
"Kansans who have worked hard and lived within their means

should not have their hard-earned dollars used to bail out financial firms that made risky financial decisions," Roberts said.
Sen. Sam Brownback said the nation is entering a recession and called on Congress to pass a bill that works to restore "the broader economy" instead of "just bailing out a few bad actors and hoping it helps everyone else."
The Senate passed the measure 74-25, and the House could vote on it by the end of the week.
Roberts' and Brownback's opposition put them at odds with Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius, a Democrat who endorsed the Senate plan.

Governor wants to reopen tracks

TOPEKA (AP) — Gov. Kathleen Sebelius said Wednesday the state should search for new operators for closed dog and horse tracks before giving up some of its potential slot machine revenues to the current owners.
Sebelius reacted cautiously to a proposal to reduce the state's take — now 40 percent — in hopes of getting the owners of The Woodlands in Kansas City, Kan., and Camptown Greyhound Park near Pittsburg to reopen.
A 2007 law allowing slot machines at the two parks was designed to boost their business while providing revenues to the state. But the owners said turning over 40 percent of their slots revenue to the state would make the business unprofitable.
"What we don't know is if that's the opinion of just these two individuals who own the tracks, or if there are others out there," Sebelius said at a brief news conference. "I'm told that there may well be others who say, 'Give me a shot. I'll make it work.'"

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