# **Area/State**

### Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 26. South wind around 10 mph becoming west.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 57. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 25. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming west

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 59. North wind around 5 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 26. Thanksgiving Day: Mostly

cloudy, with a high near 49.

Thursday Night: A chance of rain and snow. Cloudy, with a low around 26. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Friday: A slight chance of rain and snow. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 39. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 22

Saturday: Partly sunny, with a high near 42.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 21. Sunday: Mostly sunny, Friday: High, 45; Low 19 Saturday: High 60, Low 20 Sunday: High 57, Low 25 Precip: weekend, 0:00 inches Month: 0.74 inch Year: 20.62 inches Normal: 19.95 inches (K-State Experiment Station)



BETHANY COLLEGE

Two area students were among members of the Bethany College Choir who participated in a volunteer effort to help clear tornado debris from the field of a farmer near Greensburg.

## Choir clears tornado debris

Two area students, Katie Manneback, of Oakley needed.

and Gabe Moore of Oberlin, both members of the Bethany College Choir, participated in a volunteer effort to help clear tornado debris from the field of a with tornado recovery efforts. farmer near Greensburg.

They also helped finish the Methodist pastor's basement, scraped and painted and helped where

Manneback and Moore were a part of the group on Bethany's second volunteer trip this year to help

The choir later performed at the church's 9:30 a.m. service as part of its "Sing and Serve" mission.

### Reporters share society editor's job

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doing feature stories for James at The Drummer.

A need for help on the farm interrupted the writing. Driving a tractor, irrigating and feeding cattle were among her favorite things to do after her children were raised, she said.

Sloan said she has always had an interest in county government. She was appointed as commissioner in August 1980 by Gov.

John Carlin and later ran for two more terms.

She and her husband moved to Fort Worth, in 1987, where she attended the Real Estate Institute and became a broker associate for Century 21 in Azle, Texas. She also attended Parker County Cosmetology school in Weatherford and earned a diploma to become a are cooking and Bible study.

nail technician.

The Sloans returned to Colby to be with Vera's terminally ill mother. She opened a business, the Polished Nail, in August 1994, and retired from that in 2006.

tirement, she trained to be a call agent for a telemarketing agency,

Among her favorite things to do

Wanting to stay busy after re-

taking calls for infomercials.

Sandy Praeger • Kansas Ins. Commissioner

• When driving at night, use high-beam headlights when there is no opposing traffic. The high beams will illuminate the eyes of deer on or near a roadway.

• Brake firmly when you notice a deer, but stay in your lane. Many accidents occur when drivers swerve to avoid a deer and hit other vehicles or lose control of their cars. You risk less injury by hitting the deer than by losing control.

• If deer stay on the road, stop on the shoulder, put on your hazard flashers and wait for the deer to leave. Do not try to go around the deer while they are on the road.

• If you do hit a deer and are uncertain whether the animal is dead, keep your distance. You are dealing with an injured wild animal with sharp hooves that can inflict serious injury.

• If the deer is blocking the roadway and poses a danger to other motorists, you should call 911. If there is damage to your car, you must report the accident.

"These tips show defensive driving at its best," Commissioner Praeger said.

### Markets

Quotes as of close of previous business day **Hi-Plains Co-op** Wheat (bushel) \$4.68 Corn (bushel) \$3.02 Milo (hundredweight) \$4.33 \$7.10 Soybeans (bushel)



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## Watch out for deer on state's highways

Rising numbers of Kansas vehicle accidents involving deer show the need for defensive driving, says Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger. More than 200 more deer-vehicle accidents

occurred on Kansas roads last year than in 2006, the

Kansas Department of Transportation says. The total for all deer accidents was 9,417, compared to 9,197 the year before.

Those 2007 accidents resulted in five deaths and injuries to 298 people, also higher numbers than the year before.

"A frightening reality of driving .. this time of year is the possibility of an unexpected encounter with a deer," Praeger said. "I urge Kansans to drive cautiously, especially around sunrise and sunset."

One in every 100 drivers nationally is likely to have a colli-

sion with a deer in their lifetime. Mid-fall and mid-spring are likely times of the year for deer to be on roadways, because of breeding habits during the fall and growth of vegetation during the spring.

Praeger advises motorists that if a deer accident occurs, a policyholder should contact his insurance carrier quickly to begin the claims process.

To help avoid deer-vehicle collisions, she suggests:

• Stay alert, always wear your seat belt and drive at a safe, sensible speed for conditions.

• Watch for the reflection of deer's eyes and, deer silhouettes on the shoulder of the road or something between you and distant roadside reflectors.

• Do not rely exclusively on deer whistles, deer fences and reflectors to deter deer.



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