

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 42. North wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Saturday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 65. North wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Saturday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 43. South wind around 5 mph becoming west.
Sunday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 60. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.
Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 43.
Monday: Partly sunny, with a high near 75.
Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 84.
Tuesday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 52. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.
Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 75.
Wednesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 49.
Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 74.
 Thursday: High, 80; Low 49
 Precip: Thursday 0.27 inches
 Month: 1.28 inches
 Year: 5.90 inches
 Normal: 7.24 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)

A drunk driver ruined something precious. Amber Apodaca.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.



U.S. Department of Transportation

Art show draws works

The fifth annual High Plains ArtFest April 24-26 in Oberlin featured more than 250 works by area artists on display. Kyla Witt of Colby won the jurors' merit award for mixed media. Two Colby High students, Samantha Schmidt and Krisstal Kriss, also won jurors' merit awards. A high school section, highlighting artwork from 11 schools, was featured alongside the adult show. Twenty-six pieces generated more than \$6,000 in sales for the artists. Jay and Barbara Neson, owners of the Streckler-Nelson Gallery of Manhattan, judged the show. They awarded nearly \$3,000 in cash awards and ribbons. At the Friday night reception opening of the show, patrons, artists, student artists, and guests came to view the display, and were entertained by the music of Willis Pracht and Diane Vap. Student results included:

- Colby High School:** Schmidt, Jurors' Merit Award, "Down the Road," pastel; Kriss, Jurors' Merit Award, untitled, acrylic.
- Wheatland High School (Grinnell):** Eddy Chavez, second, "Locked From the Inside Out," acrylic; Layne Ostmeier, second, "Facing the Hunter," ceramics/sculpture; Kaley Tuttle, first, "Twisted Faith," ceramics/sculpture.
- Adult show results:**
 - Watercolor** – first, Muschi Mues, Holbrook, Neb., "Franzi."
 - Acrylic** – first, Daniel Garringer, Kearney, Neb., "Bound."
 - Oil** – first, Don Demovich, "Back Water."
 - Pastel** – first, Justine, Richardson, Stratton, Neb., "Summer Pond II."
 - Photography** – first, Jeanie Loudon Unger, Oberlin, "Gus."
 - Mixed Media** – first, Victoria Franck Wetsch, Billings, Mont., "Place of Emergence."
 - Original Hand-formed Ceramics/Sculpture** – first, Shaw, "Exotic."
 - Drawing/Charcoal** – first, Garringer, "Hoop Dreams."
 - Other** – first, Julie Derby, Palisade, Neb., "Tumbling Tumbler" (computer graphics).

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Breaking with tradition



DEBBIE SCHWANKE/Colby Community College
 Physical Therapist Assistant student James Burke talked with a potential student during the Non-Traditional Career Fair hosted by Colby Community College on April 23. Representatives from 12 programs were available to talk about nontraditional occupations.

School works to shrink budget

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- Cut bussing for students living less than 2 1/2 miles from their school. Harrison said Colby was one of the only towns in the area that still busses students that close. The district currently busses around 300 in-town students, she said.
- Increase student enrollment fees by \$10 per student to \$48 per student.
- No student meals or overnight expenses paid for state athletic or activities competitions.
- Third-grade students moved to the Colby Middle School cafeteria for lunch. Harrison said this will reduce the kitchen staff at the grade school, as well as reduce staff hours.
- Cut MAPS testing, which had been administered to students in second through eighth grades. Harrison said the district has enough other assessments that the

MAPS testing is not required.

- No new textbook purchases.
- Reduction of the library budget.

Several more items will be discussed at the Monday board meeting, including revising the school calendar, cuts to administration and athletics and facility rental agreements. Harrison said after the next meeting, the district should have all the cuts needed to meet the expected \$500,000 shortfall.

"We know these decisions will not be popular," said board Vice President Janice Frahm, "but we know that we're being asked to make these decisions on behalf of the schools."



Brewster thriving as businesses open

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The Pro Shop is the newest door to open for business, and is at 112 Manchester Street. Owner, Sean McDonald has been an archery enthusiast since middle school. He grew up in Logan, and graduated from Northwest Kansas Vocational and Technical College. He is a wireless technician for Nex-Tech in Colby. McDonald said when he got his first bow, the sales shop couldn't set it for him, so he tinkered with it and got it set. Friends wanted him to set theirs, and he felt he needed more knowledge, so he went to Tucson, Ariz. to the George Chapman Archery school and got his certification as a bow technician. "I wasn't aware of how much I didn't know, before going to that school," he said. McDonald would like to see the sport grow in this area, and have a place for archery competition. In the meantime, he said, if anyone needs help with a bow, or has a need to have arrows shortened, or just needs help with any part of it, he will be glad to assist them. He sells and services the Hoyt line, and is open for business week days, from 6-9 p.m., on Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sundays by appointment. He can be contacted at (785) 694-3376.

Elvis impersonator to appear in Colby

Elvis impersonator, John Hall will appear in concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 21, at the Cultural Arts Center at Colby College. The 24-year-old singer is well known for his appearances on *America Has Talent*, an NBC television show, where he finished in the top 10 of 225,000 contestants. He also is a winner of the Ultimate Elvis contest sponsored by Graecland. Contestants came from five continents, and Hall placed in the top three. He has also performed with Legends in Concert, a Las Vegas-based show. "Ticket sales are by phone, right now," said Kyle Hall, the singer's father and manager, "and all seats are reserved, with the lesser tickets usually being the only ones left by show date." For tickets and information, call Kyle Hall at (402) 617-4477 or (712) 839-333.

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