

Weather Corner



National Weather Service

Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 55. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 88. West wind between 5 and 10 mph becoming calm.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 57. South wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday: A slight chance of thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Sunday Night: A chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Monday: A chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 78. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Monday Night: A chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 50. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 71.

Tuesday Night: A slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 52. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 79.

Wednesday Night: A slight chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 54. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Thursday: A slight chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Thursday: High, 80; Low 49
Precip: Thursday 0.00 inches
Month: 5.44 inches
Year: 10.06 inches
Normal: 7.24 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise Saturday 6:20 a.m.
Sunset Saturday 9:04 p.m.
Sunrise Sunday 6:20 a.m.
Sunset Sunday 9:05 p.m.
Sunrise Monday 6:19 a.m.
Sunset Monday 9:05 p.m.
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

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Nine-county area sends e-waste to Colby



Lynette Koon, director of Northwest Kansas Regional Recycling Organization received assistance from her son Jory, on Thursday, to shrink wrap a pallet of "e-waste" to get it ready for shipping to a recycling facility. Colby is the collection point for nine northwest-Kansas counties, with more wanting to come on board.

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Swine flu cases increase in east Kansas

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mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing and throwing the tissue away after using it, following public health advice and finding healthy ways to deal with stress and anxiety.

William Schaffner, chairman of the department of preventive medicine at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, said people can get swine flu by being within three to six feet of a sick person. He said this usually means when infected persons are close to someone while in a confined space. In order to contract the disease there must be sustained contact between a person with someone who is infected.

The department is also warning parents to remain alert for possible virus transmission at summer camps, noting that illnesses travel faster among large, closely-packed groups of people.

"Many cases of the 2009 H1N1 virus have occurred in children, and we know that any flu virus can spread more easily in group settings," Eberhart-Phillips said. "If your children show signs of illness, contact your family doctor or a local clinic and keep them home from summer camps, day cares or other group activities."

National Tourism Week a success for Colby

May was a very busy and successful month for us as we celebrated National Tourism Week.

We thank all of you who attended the Chamber of Commerce Coffee which was held at the Colby Visitor Center. In the past five years, we have had the opportunity to visit with over 50,000 visitors who registered with us. Ralph Fischer, Visitor Center manager, reports that he is seeing repeat visitors which means that he and the volunteers are doing their job. The volunteers were treated to a luncheon during Tourism Week hosted by the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors. We thank them for the countless hours they spend visiting with travelers.

We were in Concordia for the Sampler Festival May 4 and 5. Northwest Kansas Travel Center



Leilani Thomas

• On the Road Again!

had our own tent with many brochures, musical entertainment, wheel of fortune game and free popcorn. We gave away 1,200 bags of popcorn; over 5,000 passed through the gates with 3,000 of those on Saturday. It was a very successful event.

Transient guest tax collection for the first three months was almost even with last year. This was good news in light of what many pundits were predicting for the travel industry. Numbers of travelers registering at the Colby Visitor

Center were up almost 100 over last year in April. Again we feel very fortunate with this statistic.

We are in the process of putting together the Community Calendar of Events for July, August and September. If you have an event that you would like included, please call 460-7643 or e-mail cvb@thomascounty.com with the information. We need the event, date, time and location. Our deadline is June 12.

Now we are truly into summer, in fact, first day of summer is the June 21, which is also Father's Day. School is out and the municipal swimming pool will be opening June 7. Summer reading

programs are underway at Pioneer Memorial Library. Picnic in the Park begins Wednesday at noon in Fike Park. Larry Booth and Friends will open the series. Rest of the line up includes Pieces of 8 on June 10, Shawna Kersenbrock on June 17 and the Bugbee Sisters - Karla and Monica on June 24. Bring your lunch, the family and enjoy great entertainment during June and July. This series is sponsored by the Colby/Thomas County Chamber of Commerce, Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Colby Free Press.

Races are scheduled at Thomas County Speedway on June 14 at 7 p.m. Colby Recreation Department has a full schedule of activities for youth of all ages. A three-day flea market is planned at TNT

Auction House June 19-21. Auction will open at 9 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Sunday hours are from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

As you make plans for summer, be sure to mark your calendars for the Pickin' on the Plains Bluegrass Festival which will be held July 17-19. Dates for the Fair are July 27-Aug. 1. Oak Ridge Boys will be in Concert on July 26 at the Thomas County Fairgrounds.

Leilani Thomas is director of the Colby Convention and Visitors Bureau, a long-time civic volunteer and a passionate observer of the tourism industry.



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Picnic In The Park
WEDNESDAYS AT NOON
In Fike Park
JUNE

- 3rd - Larry Booth and Friends
- 10th - Pieces of Eight
- 17th - Shawna Kersenbrock
- 24th - Bugbee Sisters

JULY

- 1st - Scott Cameron
- 8th - Lenay Marteney
- Sappa Strings (Wayne and Mille Lauritsen)
- 22nd - Dan Keller
- 29th - Larry and Taylor McLemore

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