## Weather Corner



National Weather Service

Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers before midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30. North wind between 5 and 15

Saturday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 47. North wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: A 40 percent chance of snow, mainly after midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 29. East wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Sunday: Snow likely. Cloudy, with a high near 35. North wind between 10 and 15 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Sunday Night: A 40 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 25.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 39.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 25.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a

high near 55. Wednesday Night: Partly

cloudy, with a low around 27. Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 55.

Thursday: High, 75; Low 40 Precip: Thursday 0.00 inches Month: 0.01 inches 25.20 inches Year: Normal: 19.95 inches (K-State Experiment Station)

### **Sunrise and Sunset**

Saturday 7:27 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:28 a.m. 5:29 p.m. Sunday 7:29 a.m. 5:28 p.m. (U.S. Naval Observatory)

# Exhibit to showcase environmentally friendly art

of Fine Arts Exhibit at Fort Hays State University will have an ecofriendly feel to it.

Ten canvas panels depicting the Smoky Hill and Big Creek watersheds will enhance the public's understanding of watershed pol-

The exhibit will open with a reception from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight in the Moss-Thorns Gallery of Art in Rarick Hall on the Fort Hays

The panels will eventually hang in the Watershed on Wheels, a trailer specially fitted to haul and showcase the artwork. Kansas State University Research and Extension watershed specialist Stacie Minson envisioned a mobile

Watershed on Wheels is the first

such project of its size. Minson enlisted help from Dr. Bob Stephenson, associate professor of agriculture at Fort Hays State. Stephenson, in turn, invited other departments to share in Minson's vision. Four - Agriculture, Technology Studies, Art and Design and Communication Studies – have been working since fall 2008 to make it a reality.

Amy Schmierbach, associate professor of art and design, asked drawing major Chris Thummel, a senior from Hoxie, to illustrate the panels using his narrative comic book style.

Thummel said that throughout display that could travel across his life and during his studies at following guidelines provided by the Drawing Students Group Ex-

the causes of water pollution. The est in the way mankind affects the environment.

'We need to protect our water supply because it is a basic necessity," he said. "The seemingly insignificant everyday choices we make can cause unforeseen problems down the road."

Thummel said he spent about half his time researching and the other half sketching. With water pollution expertise provided by the K-State Research and Extension Center in Hays, he worked to create a realistic view of pollution sources along Big Creek and the Smoky Hill. The streams join and eventually flow into Kanopolis Reservoir.

Thummel drew all the pictures,

HAYS - This year's Bachelor the state, educating the public on Fort Hays, he developed an inter- K-State experts, picked the colors hibition. He won the scholarship and made last-minute alterations award in the 2008 Student Art to the drawing. He also helped paint the panels with more than 75

> Conservation and the environment aren't foreign concepts to Thummel, who grew up on a farm. His interest in art began at age 5 while sitting in his father's lap watching him draw. Mad Magazine, comic books and the large murals painted during the 1930s inspired him to pursue a career in art, he said, and influenced his style.

Thummel's work has been showcased at several exhibits, including the Fort Hays Student Art Show 2008, the End Art Show/ Student Group Exhibition and Show and received a Fort Hays

mini-grant award in 2009. His wife is a photographer who helped him with the final panels. Thummel said he plans to both

The panels will be on display until Monday, Nov. 30.

teach art and exhibit his own

For information, call Minson at (785) 650-1282.

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# State workers may be forces into furloughs

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loughs earlier this year, Parkinson and fellow Democrats opposed the idea. Administration officials said decisions about reducing personnel costs should be left to agency heads.

Senate Minority Leader Anthony Hensley, a Topeka Democrat, said legislators are likely to discuss furloughs again next year, but expressed doubt that Parkinson would take that route.

Asked about furloughs, Parkin-

available" for a "responsible" budget plan. Bundy declined to discuss details.

The state has about 38,500 employees, including some 15,000 on college and university campuses. About 21,000 workers are covered by the state's civil service system.

Department of Administration spokesman Gavin Young said there are questions under federal law about how much unpaid leave the state can force on non-civil son spokesman Seth Bundy noted service employees. But Yoder said that the governor said last week Parkinson could consider closing

he is considering "all the options state offices early on Fridays.

The most serious discussion of furloughs has come in Kansas' court system. Salaries and employee benefits consume 98 percent of its \$97 million appropria-

Chief Justice Robert Davis said last week that the Kansas Supreme already are closing an hour early Court had drafted a plan to require each day.

court employees to take six weeks' worth of unpaid leave, starting in January. Parkinson and legislators have pledged that the courts will get enough money to prevent fur-

However, district court offices in 33 of the state's 105 counties

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## Sun allows farmers back into soggy fields From "HARVEST," Page 1 bushels an hour, and Sperber said

didn't get a chance to finish because of weather conditions.'

Some of the corn seems to be fairly wet, testing 18 and 19 percent moisture, but some is as low as 15 percent, which is good. For elevator can handle a thousand unusual fall harvest.

has been is no problem to keep

With more rain and maybe some snow in the forecast for this weekend, you can bet the combines will roll as long as they can before once again the moisture the wet corn, grain driers at the halts what has turned out to be an

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