

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 11. North wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Thursday: Partly sunny, with a high near 27. North wind around 10 mph.
Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 9. Northwest wind around 10 mph.
Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 34. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 14.
Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 40.
Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 20.
Sunday: Scattered flurries. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 29.
Sunday Night: Scattered flurries. Cloudy, with a low around 17.
Monday: Cloudy, with a high near 24.
Monday Night: Cloudy, with a low around 17.
Tuesday: Cloudy, with a high near 33.
 Monday: High, 60; Low 21
 Tuesday: High, 56; Low 22
 Precip: Monday 0.00 inches
 Tuesday 0.00 inches
 Month: 0.00 inches
 Year: 25.60 inches
 Normal: 20.34 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
 Thursday 7:47 a.m. 5:21 p.m.
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Harvest delayed by moisture levels

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seen anything like it since – until now.”
 Deibert said he believes most of the milo is already cut, and his part of the harvest season is probably three-fourths done. He said there is probably at least a third to half of the dry land corn still in the field in Thomas County, and at least a third of the irrigated corn.
 “The elevators can’t handle the volume of wet corn, so we’re really looking forward to some cold weather,” he said. “We’ve had a lot of challenges this year, but we’ve met them and just keep going. Some days are good and some aren’t so good. This year has been what my wife calls ‘the harvest

from hell.”
 Drew Barnes, who farms northwest of Colby, said out of 28 fields of fall crop, he has seven left, and estimates he’s about 70 percent done. He said he will probably take the grain from one more field to the elevator. The moisture is at 18 percent, he said, and if the test would drop another 1 1/2 points, it could go to farm storage using blowers to keep the grain from spoiling.
 “We really need for the ground to freeze in order to do that,” he added.
 Barnes, who does all his own harvesting with one combine, said he finished harvest last year on Dec. 5, and expects to be done this year by the Dec. 10.

Young hunter finds age-old friend ship

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The surgery to remove the growth was successful, and the veterinarian encouraged the family to consider chemo, saying that since the dog was so strong otherwise, his chances of being healthy again would be very good.
 “It was amazing,” said Kirsten. “He didn’t ever get sick from it. Before the surgery, when Willie ate, many times the food would come back up because of old scar tissue in his stomach. The IV chemo treatments meant the recovering Willie needed to take steroids to ward off any nausea, and the steroids took care of the

scar tissue, so he’s actually in very good health.”
 Diana said Willie loves to play catch with anyone who will play with him. She said it makes no difference how hard you throw the ball, because he’ll catch it, and he just never gets tired.
 Willie is graying around the muzzle now, his eyes aren’t as clear as a new puppy’s, his coat is a little rough, and he’s been mauled, climbed over and wrestled with for a lot of years, but you can bet when Braden is old enough to take up a real gun and go to the fields to hunt, although Willie may not be able to navigate the fields, he’ll always be there in Braden’s heart.

Farmers look forward to cold

From "COLD," Page 1

The five-year average is 97 percent for harvested corn, 92 percent for milo, and 93 percent for soybeans.
 Then it snowed. Some areas in Thomas County measured six inches on Nov. 22, Washington County in north central Kansas topped the chart at 12 inches. It took farmers more than a week to get back into the fields and cut more corn and milo.
 Wheat has benefited from all the fall moisture and will go into the winter in good shape where there is adequate growth, the state service said.
 Brian Olson, crop specialist at the Kansas State University Research Center here, said as long

as there is no dramatic drop in temperatures, the wheat will gradually acclimate to the cold. He said the crop is mostly behind the usual expected growth this year, and that is some cause for concern.
 The smaller wheat plants will grow until it freezes hard, he said, and farmers need as much growth as possible before it goes dormant. If it goes into the winter without covering the ground, and we have high winds, it will have the potential to blow.
 The forecast for this week includes lows near 10 for the next three nights, with wind chills around zero degrees.

Troops react to new Afghanistan plan

From "PLAN," Page 1

echoed by a number of Afghan officials who believed the timeline was too short. Asked about the 18-month timeframe, Spano asked: “What does it really mean?”
 Capt. Mark Reel from Norfolk, Va., a civil affairs officer, said more troops mean nothing unless they can give local Afghans a sense of perceived security.
 “They have to believe they are more secure. You get thousands of troops on some of these bases here, but what are they really doing? The troops just have to get out there.”

The reason the surge worked in Iraq, he said, is because troops were able to get into the field and make Iraqis feel safer.
 “The additional forces will allow us to partner with even more units of the Afghan army and police and deliver even more relationships with those local influential leaders who may be sitting on the fence,” said Col. David Haight, commander of Task Force Spartan, which has about 4,000 troops in Wardak and Logar provinces.
 In the United States, battle-weary troops and their families braced for a wrenching round of

new deployments to Afghanistan, but many said they support the surge as long as it helps to end the 8-year-old conflict.
 Theresa McCleod said she worries what Obama’s plans might mean for her husband, a soldier in the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum. She said he’s already done a long combat tour in Afghanistan and Iraq, leaving her to care for their three children.
 “First he was supposed to be pulling everyone out, and now all the sudden he’s throwing everybody back into Afghanistan and it’s like nobody can really make up their minds,” McCleod said.

LOCAL TV LISTINGS

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Thursday Evening												December 3, 2009			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30					
KAKE/ABC	FlashForward	Private Practice	Private Practice	Private Practice	Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live								
KBSL/CBS	Survivor: Samoa	CSI: Crime Scn	The Mentalist	Local	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late									
KSNK/NBC	Community Parks	Office	30 Rock	The Jay Len Show	Local	Tonight Show	Late Nigh								
KSAS/FOX	Bones	Fringe		Local											
Cable Channels															
A & E	The First 48	The First 48	The First 48	Seagal	Seagal	The First 48									
AMC	Nat'l-Christmas	Nat'l-Christmas	Nat'l-Christmas	Rookie											
ANIM	Echo-Elphants	Blue Planet	Echo-Elphants												
BRAVO	Real Housewives OC	Real Housewives OC	Real Housewives OC	Happens	Launch										
CMT	Clash of the Choirs	Smarter	Smarter	Smarter	Cable Guy's Christmas	Luau	Cable Guy								
CNN	Campbell Brown	Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360	Larry King Live											
COMEDY	Scrubs	Dunham	Dunham	Bill Engvall	Dunham	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Dunham						
DISC	Destroyed	Destroyed	Jack the Ripper	Interrogation	Destroyed	Destroyed	Jack the Ripper								
DISN	Ice Princess	Phineas	Montana	Wizards	So Raven	Life With	Cory								
E!	Last Days-Jackson	Fatal Beauty	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	Keep Up									
ESPN	Football Live	College Football	SportsCenter												
ESPN2	College Basketball	College Basketball	SportsCtr	Baseball	NFL Live	Baseball									
FAM	Polar	The Polar Express	The 700 Club	Whose?	Whose?										
FOOD	Iron Chef America	Iron Chef America	Cakes	Cakes	Good Eats	Unwrapped	Iron Chef America								
FX	Deck the Halls	Sunny	League	Sunny	League	Sons of Anarchy									
HGTV	My First	My First	House	House	Estate	Property	My First	House	House						
HIST	Gangland	Gangland	Pawn	Pawn	Modern Marvels	Gangland									
LIFE	Grey's Anatomy	Single Santa	Will	Will	Frasier	Medium									
MTV	S. Park	S. Park	Real World-Rd	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore										
NICK	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny					
SCI	Pirates-Dead	The Crow													
SPIKE	The Ultimate Fighter	TNA Wrestling	Ways Die	Ways Die	MANswers	Game									
TBS	Rush Hour 2	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Lopez Tonight	Funny	Seinfeld									
TCM	A Christmas Carol	Little Women	Tenth Avenue Angel												
TLC	American Chopper	American Chopper	BBQ Pitmasters	American Chopper	BBQ Pitmasters										
TNT	NBA Basketball	NBA Basketball													
TOON	Chowder	Flapjack	Total	Johnny T	King-Hill	King-Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen					
TRAV	Breakfast Paradise	Sandwich Paradise	Steak Paradise	Deep Fried Paradise	Breakfast Paradise										
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Married	Married	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne						
USA	House	House	House	White Collar	Monk										
VH1	Hip Hop Songs	Hip Hop Songs	The Temptations												
WGN	WWE Superstars	Funniest Home Videos	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars									
Premium Channels															
HBO	Jurassic Park	The 25th Anniversary	Downtown Girl	Mirrors											
MAX	Notorious	Wanted													
SHOW	Dexter	Elegy	All Star Comedy Jam	Killing											

Friday Evening												December 4, 2009			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30					
KAKE/ABC	Dreams Come	Ugly Betty	20/20	Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live									
KBSL/CBS	Ghost Whisperer	Medium	NUMB3RS	Local	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late									
KSNK/NBC	A Muppets Christmas	Dateline NBC	The Jay Len Show	Local	Tonight Show	Late Nigh									
KSAS/FOX	Dollhouse	Local													
Cable Channels															
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds	CSI: Miami	Criminal Minds										
AMC	Nat'l-Christmas	Nat'l-Christmas	Nat'l-Christmas	Ghost II											
ANIM	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I'm Alive	Pit Bulls-Parole	I'm Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive										
BRAVO	Top Chef: Las Vegas	The Replacements	The Replacements												
CMT	Smarter	Smarter	O Brother, Where Art	Smarter	Smarter	O Brother									
CNN	Campbell Brown	Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360	Larry King Live											
COMEDY	Iglesias: Fluffy	Gabriel Iglesias	Presents	Presents	Live at Gotham	Pete Correale									
DISC	Monsters Inside Me	Monsters Inside Me	Monsters Inside Me	Monsters Inside Me	Monsters Inside Me										
DISN	Wizards	The Suite	Phineas	Phineas	Wizards	Montana	Phineas	So Raven	The Suite	Cory					
E!	Football Wives: THS	Girls	Soup	The Soup	Soup	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	The Soup						
ESPN	NBA Basketball	NBA Basketball													
ESPN2	College Football	SportsCenter	NFL Live	Rodeo											
FAM	Harry Potter	The 700 Club	'70s Show	'70s Show											
FOOD	5th Christmas	Diners	Diners	Unwrapped	Good Eats	Rachael	Diners	Diners							
FX	Home Alone	Christmas-Krank	Sons of Anarchy	'70s Show											
HGTV	Holiday Ideas	House	Buck	House	House	The Unsel	My First	House	Buck						

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LIFE	Army Wives	Army Wives	Will	Will
MTV	S. Park	S. Park	MTV Special	mtvU Woodie Awards 2009
NICK	Merry Christmas	George	Lopez	The Nanny
SCI	Stargate Universe	Stargate Universe	Sanctuary	Stargate Universe
SPIKE	UFC Unleashed	UFC Unleashed	UFC Unleashed	UFC Unleashed
TBS	Dan in Real Life	4 Weddings	4 Weddings	4 Weddings
TCM	Enchanted April	4 Weddings	Amazing Grace	
TLC	Dress	Dress	Dress	Dress
TNT	War of the Worlds	Happily	Happily	Dress
TOON	Agent Cdy	Ben 10	Star Wars	Destroy
TRAV	Man Food	Man/Food	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	The Pelican Brief	Bigfootville
USA	Monk	Monk	White Collar	Monk
VH1	Jury Duty	Larry the Cable Guy	Wayne's World	
WGN	Big Trouble	WGN News at Nine	Scrubs	Scrubs
Premium Channels				
HBO	Mamma Mia!	The 25th Anniversary	The Incredible Hulk	
MAX	Forget Sarah	Planet of the Apes	Life Top	Cougar
SHOW	Nurse	Weeds	Californ	Californ

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