

## Weather Corner



### National Weather Service

**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around -6. Wind chill values as low as -18. West wind around 5 mph.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 21. Wind chill values as low as -18. West wind around 5 mph.

**Thursday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around -3. Wind chill values as low as -13. West wind around 5 mph.

**Friday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 30. Southwest wind around 5 mph.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 9.

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 31.

**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 9.

**Sunday:** A 20 percent chance of snow. Partly cloudy, with a high near 32.

**Sunday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 8.

**Monday:** A 20 percent chance of snow. Partly cloudy, with a high near 34.

**Monday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 10.

**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 38.

Monday: High, 11; Low -1  
 Tuesday: High, 11; Low -5  
 Precip: Monday 0.11 inches  
 Tuesday 0.32 inches  
 Month: 0.45 inches  
 Year: 26.05 inches  
 Normal: 20.34 inches  
 (K-State Experiment Station)

### Sunrise and Sunset

Thursday 7:54 a.m. 5:21 p.m.  
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)

# County reverses course on medic education decision

From "COUNTY," Page 1

ent time, with the hope that after a year they will upgrade to the "I," or advanced designation.

Training the current personnel is not a problem and can be done in-house, and they can continue the same level of care during transfers, Gatlin said.

Umberger said as far as she knows there are currently three who would like to take the advanced training.

Gatlin told the commissioners that training is generally in-house, and when a training need arises they can call in a registered nurse, a physician's assistant or nurse practitioner, or someone from the Flight For Life service. It is customary to pay for expenses, but they often do not even ask for that. When they have, Umberger said, she has been paying for it out of her own pocket, such as a meal or gas money.

The commissioners told her that if there is an expense, she should have the trainer fill out an expense voucher and it should be turned in.

"I feel like we have stepped out of place by not knowing all of this," said commissioner Byron Sowers.

Commissioner Christiansen agreed with Sowers and said he thought the most exciting thing was that they could pursue the advanced training without making any changes.

Steele agreed to rescind the previous motion and to pursue the advanced training for the technicians in the service.

Bids were opened for the janitorial services at the courthouse, office complex and law enforcement building, with Rain or Shine Janitorial Services from Grainfield being awarded the bid. Their bid was \$48,000 for all three locations, including mowing and snow removal.

Other bidders were L&S Cleaning Services, Smith Cleaning Service, and Moonlight Maintenance, who bid on either the complex or the courthouse, but not all three buildings as a package.

In other business:

- After visiting again with people from various departments, the commissioners asked Manitron International of Hays, and Computer Information Services of Greeley, Colo., to be available by phone next Monday when they will make a decision on new software for the county.

- Told Lora Volk, the register of deeds to go ahead and order new record books for her office since there is money to do it on this year's budget.

- Discussed the upgrade for the maintenance agreement with the city on the E 911 equipment that will allow the sheriff to have access to the program. It is a long running cost share project between the city and county.

# State delays aid to districts again

From "AID," Page 1

The first half of state payments, some \$103 million, got to them five days late, on Nov. 6, and the second half on Dec. 2.

Dennis said he expects aid payments in January and February to be delayed as well; Goossen conceded that's possible. State school board Chairwoman Janet Waugh called the prospect "frightening."

"They don't have to pay a penalty, like I do if I don't make my payments on time," said Waugh, a Kansas City Democrat. "That's very frustrating."

But board member Walt Chappell, a Wichita Democrat, wasn't as alarmed. He noted that when the state's budget year started July 1, districts collectively had \$175 million in emergency reserves, as well as

tens of millions of dollars more in yet-to-be spent operating funds.

"That gives us some cushion," he said.

Dennis noted that state law limits how school districts can spend various funds — and requires them to keep a positive balance in each individual account. Some districts may violate those rules temporarily to make their December payrolls, he said.

But he said the situation is more dire in the few districts that didn't have enough total funds to cover their payrolls without their full state aid payments. Those districts will get their last general aid payments for the month earlier than others — about \$2 million in all, he said.

# Georgia elf causes bomb scare at suburban mall

MORROW, Ga. (AP) — A man dressed as an elf is jailed after police in Georgia say he told a mall Santa that he was carrying dynamite.

Police say Southlake Mall in suburban Atlanta was evacuated but no explosives were found. Morrow police arrested 45-year-old William C. Caldwell III, who was being held without bond Thursday in the Clayton County jail. He was not part of the mall's Christmas staff.

Police say Caldwell got in line Wednesday evening to have his picture taken with Santa Claus.

Police say when Caldwell reached the front of the line, he told Santa he had dynamite in his

bag. Santa called mall security and Caldwell was arrested.

# Snowstorm hits Colby

From "SNOW," Page 1

ern Utah were under blizzard warnings all Tuesday. However, no road closures were reported. Crested Butte, Colo., a mountain town north of Gunnison, got a total of 32 inches. The Front Range got anywhere from half and inch to 8.5 inches.

The snow caused many minor car accidents around the county. Sunday saw four accidents in town, including one that involved a semi-truck, but no injuries reported. There were three similar accidents Monday. The Colby Police Department reported a hit and run accident Tuesday morning on Hill Street. The Kansas Highway Patrol reported several slide-offs on I-70 in Thomas County, but no injuries.

After it dumped on Colby, the storm continued east and is expected to be over New England Thursday.

The National Weather Service posted another blizzard warning Tuesday morning for southern Minnesota, which grew to encompass all of Iowa as well as parts of Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois and Wisconsin.

## LOCAL TV LISTINGS

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Thursday Evening											December 10, 2009				
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30					
KAKE/ABC	FlashForward		Grey's Anatomy		Private Practice		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live						
KBSL/CBS	Survivor: Samoa		CSI: Crime Scene		The Mentalist		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late Late						
KSNK/NBC	Community Parks		Office	30 Rock	The Jay Leno 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	Terminator 2														
ANIM	Animal Mummies				Blue Planet				Animal Mummies						
BRAVO	Real Housewives OC				Real Housewives				Real Housewives						
CMT	Smarter	Smarter	Police Academy				Smarter		Smarter	PoliceAccd					
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live						
COMEDY	Ralphie May		Dunham	Dunham	Tosh.0	Dunham	Daily	Colbert	Tosh.0	Dunham					
DISC	Destroyed	Destroyed	Mob Kill JFK?		JFK Ruby Con.		Destroyed	Destroyed	Mob Kill JFK?						
DISN	Hoot				Phineas	Montana	Wizards	So Raven	Life With	Cory					
E!	Girls	Girls	Jenna Jameson				Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	Girls					
ESPN	Awards				College Basketball				SportsCenter		NFL Live	Baseball			
ESPN2	College B	College Basketball				Awards		Nation							
FAM	Holiday in Handcuffs				Flintstone Christmas				The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?			
FOOD	Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		Cakes	Cakes	Good Eats	Unwrapped	Iron Chef America						
FX	Spider-Man 3				Sunny	League	Sunny	League	Groundhog Day						
HGTV	My First	My First	House	House	House	Estate	Property	My First	House	House					
HIST	Gangland		Gangland		Pawn	Pawn	Weird Weapon		Gangland						
LIFE	Grey's Anatomy		Recipe for Christmas				Will	Will	Frasier	Medium					
MTV	S. Park	S. Park	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Real World-Rd							
NICK	Malcolm	Malcolm	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny					
SCI	Total Recall				Men in Black II				Identity						
SPIKE	UFC Unleashed				TNA Wrestling				Action	MANswers	Game Gods	Game			
TBS	Old School				Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Lopez Tonight	Funny	Seinfeld						
TCM	It Happened				Fitzwilly				Love-A. Hardy						
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	Man/Food	Man/Food	Man Food	Man/Food	Man Food	Man/Food	Best Pig Out	Man/Food			Man/Food				
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Married	Married	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne					
USA	House		House		House		Law & Order: Intent		White Collar						
VH1	Black to the Future		Black to the Future		Black to the Future		Work for Diddy		Sex-Dr. Drew						
WGN	WWE Superstars		Funnist Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars						
Premium Channels															
HBO	The Time Machine		Fool's Gold				Real Sex		Joe Buck Live						
MAX	Crimson Tide				Street Kings										
SHOW	Dexter		Expelled				3:10 to Yuma								

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30					
KAKE/ABC	Supernanny		Ugly Betty		20/20		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live						
KBSL/CBS	Virginia	Big Bang	Medium		NUMB3RS		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late Late						
KSNK/NBC	Law & Order		Dateline NBC		The Jay Leno Show		Local	Tonight Show	Late Nigh						
KSAS/FOX	Dollhouse														
Cable Channels															
A & E	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		CSI: Miami		Criminal Minds						
AMC	Prancer														
ANIM	The Haunted		The Haunted		The Haunted		The Haunted		The Haunted						
BRAVO	Brokeback Mountain														
CMT	Smarter	Smarter	The Singing Bee		The Singing Bee		Smarter		Smarter	Christmas Luau					
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live						
COMEDY	Presents	Presents	Comedy	Comedy	Comedy	Comedy	Live at Gotham	Dave Attell							
DISC	Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me						
DISN	Phineas and Ferb		Wizards-Waver				Phineas	So Raven	The Suite	Cory					
E!	The Sweetest Thing				The Soup		Girls	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	The Soup				
ESPN	NBA Basketball														
ESPN2	College Football														
FAM	The Santa Clause 2				Unaccompanied Minors				70s Show		70s Show				
FOOD	Guy's Disney Holiday		Diner, Drive-In		To Be Announced		Good Eats	Rachael	Diner, Drive-In						
FX	Deck the Halls				Deck the Halls				Austin Powers						
HGTV	Disney Holidays		House	Buck	House	House	The Unsel	My First	House	Buck					
Michael McDonald This Christmas															
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HIST	Hunt-Booth		Ancient Discoveries		Sex Civil War		Hunt-Booth								
LIFE	Grey's Anatomy		A Christmas Proposal		Will		Will		Frasier	Medium					
MTV	Bam	Bam	Bam	Bam	Bam Margera		Bam Margera								
NICK	The Troop	The Troop	TeenNick HALO Awards	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny						
SCI	Sanctuary		Sanctuary		Stargate Universe		Sanctuary								
SPIKE	DEA		DEA		DEA		DEA								
TBS	Blades of Glory				Blades of Glory				My Best Friend's						
TCM	Cry-Beloved				A World Apart				The Wilby Conspiracy						
TLC	Dress	Dress	Say Yes	Dress	Dress	Dress	Say Yes	Dress	Dress						
TNT	Bones														
TOON	Johnny T	Ben 10	Star Wars	Destroy	King-Hill	King-Hill	Chicken	Amer Dad	The Office						
TRAV	Man, Food	Man, Food	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures	World's Strangest		Man, Food		Man, Food						
TV LAND	Griffith	Griffith	Top Gun		Roseanne		Roseanne		Roseanne						
USA	NCIS		I Now Pronounce You				House		Law & Order: Intent						
VH1	Jacksons-Dr'm				WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	S. Park	South Pk					
Premium Channels															
HBO	Eagle Eye				The Strangers				George Lopez: Tall, Dark						
MAX	The Thing														
SHOW	Nurse	Weeds	Californ	Californ	Dexter		Inside the NFL		Shaq, O'Neal						

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