

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55. East northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south southeast.
Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 83. South southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Tuesday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy; low around 61. South wind around 15 mph.
Wednesday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. Breezy, with a south wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts up to 30 mph.
Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy and breezy; low of 66.
Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93.
Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 57.
Friday: Sunny; high near 86.
Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 59.
Saturday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 90.
 Friday: High, 90; Low 60
 Saturday: High, 67; Low 58
 Sunday: High, 77; Low 51
 Precip: Friday 0.16 inches
 Saturday 1.30 inches
 Sunday 0.02 inches
 Month: 2.73 inches
 Year: 10.29 inches
 Normal: 9.94 inches
 (K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
 Tuesday 6:17 a.m. 9:13 p.m.
 Wednesday 6:17 a.m. 9:13 p.m.
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)
Colby Water Use
 Weekend average 1,653,000 gal.
 (Colby Public Works)

Secretary race may be most interesting

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He also wants to rewrite election laws to put in tougher procedures for, first, verifying U.S. citizenship of Kansans registering to vote and then requiring a photo identification when all ballots are cast, not just first-time voters.

"I think this is the civil rights issue of our time," Kobach said last week during a campaign appearance with his mentor former U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft. "We need to take steps to stop it."

Not so fast, says Secretary of State Chris Biggs.

"Voter fraud in this state is not a major problem," Biggs said.

The Democrat incumbent was appointed to the post after the resignation of Republican Ron Thornburgh, who held the seat since 1994. Biggs was the Geary County prosecutor who lost a bid for attorney general in 2002 against Phill Kline, but was later appointed securities commissioner.

Biggs says he and Thornburgh before him haven't found widespread fraud, but that's not to say cases aren't investigated.

"When you talk about voter fraud, you have to be careful, because that's a real catchall," Biggs said. "We've got a lot of crimes associated with voting, and some of them are more technical in nature and different intents are required."

Kansas law defines 41 types of election crimes, ranging from voting in place of another person, registering to vote for another person,

intimidation of voters or election workers, to voting without being qualified.

Kobach's comments would suggest that many of those statutes are being violated intentionally across Kansas and that elections being compromised.

"It shows there is a structural problem," Kobach said at a news conference attended by about a dozen supporters. "The laws are not being prosecuted. It is the civil rights violation of our time."

The record shows that there have been allegations of vote fraud statewide over the past decade, with few resulting in prosecutions or convictions.

In 2004, three voters pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges of double voting in Kansas and Missouri.

There are numerous other cases where voter fraud was alleged when nursing home staff or family members completed ballots for residents. Those cases were investigated by the secretary of state's office and referred to either county or federal attorneys for further investigation, but did not result in prosecutions.

"I believe it's fear based and perhaps a concern about losing power or control," Biggs said. "But there is no suggestion in the evidence that we have a major voter fraud problem, and certainly not one connected to illegal immigration."

Biggs is preparing to conduct an internal review to gauge the extent of voter fraud this summer to get a better fix on the issue.

Colby artist shows in Hays

From "ARTIST," Page 1

"They have beautiful landscapes there," she added.

After a year and a half in Africa, Higerd said she came back to Colby and worked for three years at several different places. In her spare time, she took ceramics classes at Colby Community College, but she longed to return to school to do undergraduate work in graphics design.

"After a year at grad school, I decided my real interest was in ceramics," she said, "and that is what I pursued. However, at this point, I'm not sure where I'll end up. There is a shop in Kansas City that will carry my work, and I'm working on a network of market outlets.

"I think the key to marketing art is that when it

is a hand crafted, homemade one-of-a-kind piece, it is easier to market than something that's mass produced in China."

She said she glazes about half of her art, but really likes the raw earthy colors after it has been fired in the kiln.

Higerd said she has a special interest in botany and plant parts at the microscopic level. She has done pieces with a microscopic view of a plant stem, with one work having as many as 20 little parts to it.

Higerd's unique art style carried over into her invitations to the art exhibit and reception; the invitations are on a microscope slide.

The reception will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at Raric Hall on the Ft. Hays campus on Friday. Visit her website at www.jennhig.com.

Oil spill reaches Louisiana wetlands

By Brian Skoloff and Cain Burdeau
 Associated Press Writers

BARATARIA BAY, La. — The sand dunes and islands of Barataria Bay, a huge expanse of water and marsh on Louisiana's coast, have become the latest casualty of the environmental disaster spewing from BP's offshore well. And fishermen are bitter.

Oil-soaked birds, stranded sea turtles, globs of goeey brown crude on beaches, coated crabs and mats of tar have been found through-

out the inlets and mangroves that dot the bay. The oil has coated the water with a rainbow sheen and is threatening the complex web of wetlands, marshes and bayous that make up this ecological and historic treasure.

Everything from crabbing to bait fishing is shutting down, and the anger on the bayou is palpable.

"It's scary, you know, man," marine mechanic Jimmy Howard said from his hurricane-battered fishing shack, a cigar stub stuffed in his mouth. "I see them doing

what they can, you know. All the boats going out, all the boom. I'm hoping they can contain it."

Barataria teems with wildlife, including alligators, bullfrogs, bald eagles and migratory birds from the Caribbean and South America. There are even Louisiana black bears in the upper basin's hardwood forests.

"The whole place is full of oil," said fishing guide Dave Marino. "This is some of the best fishing in the whole region, and the oil's coming in just wave after wave. It's hard to stomach, it really is."

Dems plan open primary

TOPEKA (AP) — Kansas Democrats are once again opening their primary elections to unaffiliated voters.

But the state GOP will continue limiting its primary to registered Republicans.

This year's Kansas primaries will be held Aug. 3.

The two parties have used different rules since 2004, when a federal court invalidated a long-standing Kansas law directing them to have closed primaries.

Kansas Democratic Party chairman Larry Gates says letting unaffiliated voters cast primary ballots will strengthen the party's nominees. He also says it shows Democrats are more inclusive.

But state GOP executive director Ashley McMillan says the truly inclusive primary is the one with more voters and more candidates on the ballot. Both of those are true on the Republican side in GOP-leaning Kansas.

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Tuesday Evening June 15, 2010

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	J. Kimmel	NBA	NBA Basketball					Local	Nightline	J. Kimmel
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		NCIS: Los Angeles		The Good Wife		Local	Late Show Letterman		Late
KSNK/NBC	America's Got Talent		America's Got Talent		Losing It-Jillian		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno		Late
KSAS/FOX	Hell's Kitchen				Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48	
AMC	Outbreak				Rubicon: Pre		The Terminator			
ANIM	Maneaters		Killer Aliens		Maneaters		Killer Aliens			
BRAVO	Housewives/NYC		Griffin: My Life		Double Exposure		Griffin: My Life		Housewives/NJ	
CMT	Extreme-Home		CMT Music Awards		CMT Music Awards 2010					
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360		Larry King Live			
COMEDY	Tosh.0		Futurama		South Pk		Daily		Colbert	
DISC	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch			
DISN	Princess Diaries 2		Phineas		Hannah		Wizards		Deck	
E!	Evan Almighty		Kardash		Miami		Chelsea		E! News	
ESPN	SportsCtr		NFL Live		SportsNation		Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	World Cup Primetime		World Cup Soccer		World Cup Soccer		Baseball		NFL Live	
FAM	Pretty Little Liars		Legally Blonde 2		The 700 Club		Whose?		Whose?	
FOOD	Cakes		Cakes		Cupcake Wars		Chopped		Good Eats	
FX	Grandma's Boy		Grandma's Boy		Epic Movie		Epic Movie			
HGTV	First		First		House		House		For Rent	
HIST	Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Top Shot		Weird Weapons		Ancient Aliens	
LIFE	Reba		Reba		Grey's Anatomy		Will		Will	
MTV	16 and Pregnant		The City		The Hills		The Hills		The City	
NICK	Fam. Mat.		Fam. Mat.		Natal		Chris		Lopez	
SCI	Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Next		WWE NXT		Dinocroc			
SPIKE	Deadliest Warrior		Deadliest Warrior		Deadliest Warrior		BlueMount		BlueMount	
TBS	Fam. Guy		Office		Office		Office		Lopez Tonight	
TCM	Will Penny		Monte Walsh		Ride-High Ctry		Ride-High Ctry			
TLC	Cake Boss		Cake Boss		Family		Family		Family	
TNT	Bones		Bones		CSI: NY		CSI: NY			
TOON	Garfield		Chowder		Codename		Codename		King/Hill	
TRAV	Man, Food		Man, Food		Carnivore		Carnivore		Man, Food	
TV LAND	Cosby		Cosby		Raymond		Raymond		Roseanne	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI		Psych	
VH1	Behind the Music		Brandy & Ray J		Brandy & Ray J		Dad Camp		Purple Rain	
WGN	Calendar Girls		WGN News at Nine		Scrub		Scrub		S. Park	
Premium Channels										
HBO	The Express		X-Men Origins		True Blood		Treme			
MAX	Kindergar		Married to the Mob		Drag Me to Hell					
SHOW	Transporter 3		Valkyrie		The Tudors		Nurse Betty			

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Wednesday Evening June 16, 2010

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Middle	Family	Cougar	Happy Town		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live		
KBSL/CBS	TV's Greatest Surprises		Rules		Criminal Minds		Local	Late Show Letterman		Late	
KSNK/NBC	America's Got Talent		America's Got Talent		Law & Order: SVU		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno		Late	
KSAS/FOX	So You Think		Local								
Cable Channels											
A & E	Dog	Dog	Dog Bounty Hunter	Billy	Billy	Billy	Billy	Dog	Dog	Dog	
AMC	Superman II				Superman Returns						
ANIM	I Shouldn't Be Alive		Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me		Monsters Inside Me		I Shouldn't Be Alive		
BRAVO	Top Chef: Las Vegas		Top Chef		Work of Art		Top Chef		Top Chef		
CMT	Extreme Makeover		Coal-Daughter								
CNN	Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360		Larry King Live				
COMEDY	Chappelle		Chappelle		Futurama		South Pk		S. Park		
DISC	MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters				
DISN	Princess Protection Program		Phineas		Phineas		Hannah		Wizards		
E!	Holly's W		Miami		Teenage Trafficking		Little Girl Gone		Chelsea		
ESPN	MLB Baseball		30 for 30		SportsCenter		Baseball		NFL Live		
ESPN2	World Cup Primetime		World Cup Soccer		World Cup Soccer		World Cup Soccer		World Cup Soccer		
FAM	Freaky Friday		Funnist Home Videos		The 700 Club		Whose?		Whose?		
FOOD	Food Network Star		B. Flay		B. Flay		Dinner: Impossible		Good Eats		
FX	There Will Be Blood		There Will Be Blood								
HGTV	Property		Property		Holmes on Homes		House		Ren.		

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	HIST	LIFE	MTV	NICK	SCI	SPIKE	TBS	TCM	TLC	TNT	TOON	TRAV	TV LAND	USA	VH1	WGN
HIST	Modern Marvels	Ice Road Truckers	American Pickers	MonsterQuest	Modern Marvels											
LIFE	Reba	Reba	What a Girl Wants	Will	Will											
MTV	True Life	The Hills	The Hills	Berger	Berger	Warren th	Pranked	Pranked	Pranked							
NICK	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	Malcolm	Malcolm	The Nanny	The Nanny						
SCI	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters Acad.	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters	Ghost Hunters Acad.	Scare	Scare									
SPIKE	The Ultimate Fighter	Ultimate-Finale	Half Pint	Half Pint	Ultimate-Finale											
TBS	Payne	Payne	Are We Th	Are We Th	Browns	Lopez Tonight	Name Earl	Name Earl								
TCM	In Cold Blood	10 Rillington Place														
TLC	Extreme Poodles	Pregnant	Pregnant	Toddlers & Tiaras	Pregnant	Pregnant	Toddlers & Tiaras									
TNT	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	CSI: NY	CSI: NY											
TOON	Dude	Destroy	Unnatural History	King/Hill	King/Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen							
TRAV	Man v. Food	Man, Food	Man, Food	Conqueror	Conqueror	Man, Food	Conqueror	Man v. Food								
TV LAND	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Cleveland	Cleveland	Got Look	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne							
USA	NCIS	NCIS	In Plain Sight	Law & Order: SVU	NCIS											
VH1	You're Cut Off	You're Cut Off	Bridal	You're Cut Off	Bridal											
WGN	MLB Baseball	News/Nine	Scrub	S. Park	South Pk											
Premium Channels																
HBO	Special	Four Christmases	True Blood	Real Time/Bill Maher	Robert Klein: Unfair											
MAX	I Love	The Happening	The Happening	Sex Games Cancun 2												
SHOW	Teller	Green	The Tudors	Inside NASCAR	Strikeforce Live											

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