#### Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: Mostly clear, with a low around 66. Breezy, with a south wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 96. Breezy, with a southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 60. North northwest wind around 10 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 91. North wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east southeast. Friday Night: Partly cloudy,

with a low around 63. Saturday: Mostly sunny, with

a high near 93. Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Sunday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 95

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67.

Monday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 93

Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy, with a high near 91.

Monday: High, 72; Low 50 Tuesday: High, 85; Low 58 Precip: Monday Trace

Tuesday 0.00 inches Month: 2.73 inches 10.29 inches Year: 9.94 inches Normal: (K-State Experiment Station)

**Sunrise and Sunset** Thursday 6:14 a.m. 9:14 p.m. (U.S. Naval Observatory)

**Colby Water Use** 1,414,000 gal. Monday 1,497,000 gal.

(Colby Public Works)

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prepare for the worst and hope for the best to happen."

From "ACID," Page 1

have caused some structural damage to the building, she said, or a hazardous materials spill because of the mix of the chemicals stored in the two rooms where the picric acid was discovered.

to remove at least one container of crystallized picric acid and dispose of it at the Thomas County the lab." landfill, keeping in mind that there was a potential for other containers in the lab area and office area to go off. They made plans to secure the area prior to entry and during the trip to the landfill.

"This product in crystalized form emergency exercise at the college hazard. Responders need to take proper personal protection equip-At worst, the explosion could ment precautions, stay well hydrated and monitor vitals during response. The transport will take this product through populated areas to disposal site, so extra public protection measures will be taken. Because the product is in a chem-McMahan said their plan was istry lab, the potential of explosion could generate other hazardous products due to other chemicals in

> College officials said they didn't want to panic the students, or the town, so they did not announce the problem.

"To avoid panic among students and parents," Kaaz said, "the The planners issued a general college issued a press release on safety message for their team: Thursday that there would be an

## Seniority is key, says state legislator

From "MORRISON," Page 1

That tax, he said, is enough of an increase that area businesses are no longer competitive with Burlington, Colo., or McCook, Neb. He said he has already heard of people going across the border to supposed to work for his constitubuy high-priced items like recreational vehicles because the sales tax is less.

City," he said. "Missouri has very do that." low taxes.'

save a lot of money by decentralizing its agencies, placing more offices in towns around the state, the phone with his constituents. dismantling some of the Topeka offices and selling the buildings.

also sell off assets it uses little or maintains at a loss. For example, it could sell or lease the right-ofway around highway overpasses to farmers. The state could also sell the fiber optic cables that are he said. "I don't blame them."

way hazard signs to Internet pro-

Sometimes, he said, he votes the way his constituents want instead of how he himself wants. Morrison said he believes he is ents and do what the majority of

"The leadership doesn't like "It's even worse in Kansas that," he said, "but they know I'll

Morrsion said that while he Morrison said the state could doesn't come back to the district more than a few times during each session, he spends a lot of time on "People here have brilliant

ideas," he said, "and they work in Morrison said the state could most instances - with a little baling wire." Morrison said he gets quite a

few angry calls, but many are angry at the state rather than at him. "Most people dislike politics,"

## New voice needed, says the challenger

From "McCANTS," Page 1

very well," she said. "We need getting out and meeting people.

issue in the Legislature this year. more aware of where I stand on McCants said creating a budget is the issues.' a challenge and she would take a common-sense approach.

"What would I do if I was short

of money?" she asked. McCants said she would cut until only essential budget items were left. Beyond that, she said, she wants to find out what the needs of district are.

ask," she said. "It's easy to say what they need based on your perspective. We see that now in the up the phone and call your legislaeducation cuts."

McCants said she has enjoyed campaigning so far, especially

"It's a new journey for sure," The state budget was the big she said. "It's made me become

Those include abortion, which

she opposes. "I have two adopted children."

she said. "I'm so grateful to that mother who chose that option." She said she favors the death

decision made lightly. McCants said she is always

penalty, but that it should not be a

"I'm not afraid to go out and available to answer any questions her constituents have.

"It says a lot when you can pick tor," she said.

is an explosive and corrosive on Monday morning. The building itself was locked up.

State bomb squad blows up volatile acid

'However, custodial staff were told to not enter the area, and the keys were not in the hands of anyone else who had keys to the secured sites."

On Monday, McMahan told the county commissioners her office was issuing a press release that said: "On June 14, 2010, there will be numerous responding agencies at Colby Community College. The community college personnel found in their lab, in Thomas Hall, picric acid in an unstable dehydrated state which can be an explosive hazard. The amount of the product is small but requires the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Explosive Unit to remove and disposes of the product.

"Local emergency responders are supporting the removal and disposal operation and are also using this incident as an opportunity to train and test the county emergency operations plan and response procedures. The risk to the community is extremely low. Please respect the restricted area and emergency personnel working in the area."

Kaaz said on Monday, the college secured the administration building, Thomas Hall, the Health Sciences building and the A.F. Davis Library. Classes were moved to the Bedker Memorial building at the south end of the campus.

(Kaaz) went back into the room marked it with flags. and tagged the containers with orange stickers for quick identification by the state team.

He added that the state team praised the county personnel for their actions and said they were impressed with the plan they had formulated and with the way they had organized the removal of the

"We went to the college on said. "Barry unlocked the doors chemicals in three trips, with the white phosphorus coming out

Chief McLemore and McMahan said a county dump truck was sent to the college with about a half load of sand on it. The chemical was put in the sand to cushion and stabilize the picric acid on its way to the disposal site. The white phosphorus was transported in a there is an explosion, it would direct the force upward. The trailer college. was pulled to the landfill by a separate vehicle.

"We left the college at 11:45 a.m.," McLemore said.

Landfill Director Larry Jumper said his instructions were to clear a site that would leave 500 feet it. in all directions for a safety zone. Jumper said he measured the site all the work."

Kaaz said after he had talked in all directions and with a loader, with the chemistry instructor, he made a pad for the chemicals and

McLemore said the state bomb squad dug a shallow hole in the pad, then deposited the chemicals. They placed a explosive called PETN (an acronym for a \$700 word) around the chemicals, plus a detonation cord that was set off with an initiator device. The squad moved back to the safety zone and the countdown began.

After one loud boom, and a Monday morning," McLemore cloud of black smoke, and then a second bang, the crew waited for a and the bomb squad removed the few minutes and returned to check the site. All the chemicals had been destroyed, Jumper said, but the phosphorus continued to burn for just a little while. McMahan said the operation

involved nine members of the Colby Fire Department, two from the county road department, one from emergency management, three from the ambulance crew, four from the Colby Police, two special trailer with a cone shaped from the sheriff's office, one from compartment designed so that if the landfill, four from the state fire marshal's office and one from the

"This was a great exercise for everyone who works with emergencies," McMahan said. "The communications were excellent, and we had an action plan in place ... but luckily didn't have to use

"I make the plans, and they do

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