Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 60. Breezy, with a north wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 80. Northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Tuesday Night: Clear, with a low around 51. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 84. South wind between 5 and 15 mph. Wednesday Night: Clear,

with a low around 54. Thursday: Sunny, with a high

Thursday Night: Clear, with a

low around 59. Friday: Sunny, with a high

Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 62.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 93

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high

Friday: High, 93; Low 56 Saturday: High, 94; Low 55 Sunday: High, 91; Low 58

Precip: Friday 0.00 inches Saturday 0.00 inches Sunday 0.00 inches Month: 2.51 inches 17.01 inches Year:

Normal: 16.41 inches (K-State Experiment Station) **Sunrise and Sunset** 7:05 a.m. 8:27 p.m. Wednesday 7:06 a.m. 8:26 p.m.

(U.S. Naval Observatory) Colby Water Use Friday — Sunday 2,546,000 gal. (average) (Colby Public Works)



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School board votes for tax

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According to the plan, 2011-2012 maintenance will cost the district about \$340,000. Harrison said this is about \$100,000 more than the district expects to be able to transfer into capital outlay for that year. By the fourth and fifth years of the play, Harrison said, the costs will be more than two mills can cover. The resolution gives the board the authority to levy five mills each year, but the board can set any amount under that as needed.

The second year of the plan includes air conditioning replacement at the middle school (\$120,000), replacing old computers (\$137,000) and a replacement Suburban (\$30,000). The third year includes an activity bus (\$150,000) and completion of heating and cooling replacements at all the schools (\$100,000) for a total of \$330,000.

The fourth year includes replacing teachers' laptop computers (\$210,000) and roof repairs on the grade and middle schools (\$380,000) for a total of

The fifth year includes replacing the roof at the high school (\$680,000), windows at the grade school and intermediate building (\$100,000) and two route buses (\$110,000) for a total of \$1,073,000.

The plan will be updated each year, Harrison to look at it, she said.

Harrison said many of the projects and equipment have been put on hold for several years. Some continuing projects such as landscaping and parking-lot repairs, are included in each year.

The resolution will have to be published in the Colby Free Press. It can be challenged by a petition signed by 10 percent of registered voters in the school district. If a challenge succeeds, the issue would be put on the ballot for either a general or special election.

County resident Lloyd Theimer, a Mingo-area farmer who has spoken out against any tax increases for capital outlay at previous meetings, was present at the meeting but did not speak.

The district has been working for months to streamline the plan. It had an "effectiveness and efficiency" review by the Center for Innovative School Leadership at Emporia State University and a building maintenance survey by Dr. Kent Stewart of Manhattan. Harrison said, with the help of district staff, she took the recommendations and spread them out over the five years.

Harrison said she wants to make sure to share the plan and the district's needs with citizens. The plan is available at the district office for anyone who wants

Committee offers free heritage badges

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Badge kits are available from Terri Crampton at the Farm Bureau office, the Prairie Museum of Art and History, the Colby/ Thomas County Chamber of Commerce, the Brewster Wa-Roast and the *Colby Free Press*. Frahm she hopes people will be interested in making their badges and wearing them to the 125th Celebration event on Oct.

Frahm said the committee excited about researching their family tees. Records are available at the museum and the historical society, she said, as well

The committee also continues to promote its Beard, Mustache and Bonnet Contests. Bob Renner, who is in charge of the beard and mustache contest, said there will be four categories each for mustaches and beards: longest, scraggliest, most distermelon Feed, the Gem Hog tinguished and most unique. Renner urged people to start growing now for the judging at the Oct. 9 celebration.

The bonnet contest will also have categories such as prettiest, craziest and most unique.

Winners will receive prize hopes the badges get people money in the form of Chamber Gift Certificates, which can be spent at any Chamber of Commerce business.

School funding a pivotal issue in race for Kansas governor

By John Milburn

Associated Press Writer

more about candidates' plans to the ability to raise up to 31 percent change Kansas school funding, more through local property taxes some of the proposals may sound to achieve district goals.

Innovation in the classroom, better test scores and stable budgets are ideas that echo through the Statehouse each session. It's true on the campaign trail for governor, where Republican Sam Brownback and Democrat Tom Holland speak of taking Kansas schools to new levels.

In recent years, it took a notso-gentle nudge from the Kansas Supreme Court to reshape the landscape.

"There is no question funding is important, but smart funding is crucial for it to increase the effectiveness of our education system," Brownback said. "For too long, litigation has defined the education funding for Kansas. This must change."

state senator from Baldwin City, in November. They seek to replace Democratic Gov. Mark Parkinson, who moved up to succeed Kathleen Sebelius in 2009, finishing munity has the resources to mainher second, four-year term.

The last significant school fiin the early 1990s. Faced with liti- and just invited more lawsuits. gation from mid-sized school disdent was established, along with said. a formula to respond to district needs, such as poverty and special cuts in school spending by doing

The result is the present formula, which gives each district a base TOPEKA – As Kansans hear in 2011 of \$4,012 per student, plus

> Lawsuits over the decades have challenged the constitutionality of such a system, and in each time it has been upheld by the Kansas Supreme Court.

> But in 2006, the court ruled that the system was out of whack and needed fixed, primarily to address the level of money districts got. Legislators responded by pumping more than \$1 billion into schools.

> Brownback wants a new finance formula, saying the state can fund schools to satisfy the courts, not increase the burden on the state budget and maintain educational excellence. He sees nothing wrong with letting district voters decide how much education they can afford.

"We need to ensure we are not supporting policies that strangle Brownback faces Holland, a a local community's ability to support their education goals," Brownback said. "It's important that with our diverse counties that we make certain that every comtain good-quality schools.'

Holland said that notion would nance formula revision happened not satisfy the Kansas Constitution

"Already he's suggested we go tricts, legislators scrapped the for- back to the finance formula from mula that put the financial burden the 1990s, which included signifion school districts and shifted it to cantly higher property taxes and the state. A base state aid per stu- guaranteed litigation," Holland

Holland wants to prevent further

a better job of managing state fi- organizations while our schools sponsibility and creates a climate nances and repealing tax exemp- are struggling," he said. tions that aren't working or aren't being utilized efficiently.

Tuesday Evening

Wednesday Evening

"There's no reason we should local taxes, but not to the extent ity and poor districts of southeast be giving tax breaks to out-of-state that it absolves the state of its re- Kansas have another.

where wealthy districts in the Holland supports raising the cap Kansas City suburbs of Johnson on how much districts can raise in County have one flavor of qual-

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