Weather Corner



Tonight: Clear, with a low around 45. West wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 84. West wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south.

Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 44. South wind around 5 mph becoming west.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 74. North wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 40.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 75. Sunday Night: Partly cloudy,

with a low around 44. Monday: A 30 percent chance of showers. Cloudy and breezy,

with a high near 63. Monday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Cloudy, with

a low around 37. Tuesday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 54.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 34.

Wednesday: High, 70; Low 29 Precip: Wed. 0.00 inches Month: 0.16 inches 17.86 inches Normal: 19.19 inches (K-State Experiment Station) Sunrise and Sunset

7:54 a.m. 7:05 p.m. (U.S. Naval Observatory)

Officials talk snow plowing

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In snow storms, all through lanes on Class I roads will have four passes by road clearing in a 12 hour shift; Class II will receive three cycles and Class III

Terry said the state is still short of employees and is trying to fill critical positions. He said they had a \$5 million budget cut for personal protective equipment and other equipment.

Snow gates, he said, are in place in Goodland, Colby, Oakley, WaKeeney, Hays and Russell on I-70 for when the road needs to be closed. Cameras and message boards are up in some places, but they need more, and would like to have them on K-27 in Sherman and Wallace counties and U.S. 40 in Wallace County. He said people tend to pay attention to the message boards.

"Travelers in Kansas don't have to worry about not having snow plows on the roads between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. like in neighboring states," Terry said, "because Kansas is still performing on roadways, and around the clock in most areas.'

He told his audience that last year's Christmas storm cost the state \$2.3 million; \$1 million in equip-

ment time. \$600.000 in labor and \$700,000 in material, and that the crews were out day and night over the holiday to make Kansas highways safe for trav-

He said the department is working towards winter speed limits. It just works better if all traffic is going the same speed, he said, and winter speed limits decrease the number of accidents.

"The extra numbers of motel rooms in Colby will have an impact on how we close down the Interstate," he said. "When there are an extra 100 rooms, we let the traffic come on through unless the roads aren't passable."

He also said they try to stay in touch with Colorado officials because travelers will by-pass the Interstate when it's closed and go to a two-lane road, such as U.S. 36, going into Colorado. Plus, he said, they are working on getting snow gates for two-lane roads.

For road information, he said the 511 road condition number received over 30,000 hits, which proves the public is using the service.

For construction projects, travelers can go to www. KDOT.org; for weather information, www.weather. gov/goodland; and for road conditions, call 511 or go to www.KanDrive.org.

Budget worries not over for schools

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1980. The association's report attributes this to the influx of immigrants, mostly from Mexico, who are less likely to have a high school diploma.

Tallman said the "stimulus" money schools received through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act premake cuts in programs such as billingual special education. He praised Gov. Mark Parkinson and the Legislature for deciding to support a \$300 million, 1-cent sales tax increase that passed this summer because it kept schools from making deeper cuts in their budgets.

The association executives comparison between the two is clines.

not fair because charter schools have a less challenging group of kids to teach. He said the fact that a student attends a charter school is proof that the parents are active in their child's education, which isn't always the case in public schools.

Tallman said rural colleges such as Colby Community College are facing problems similar vented schools from having to to the problems facing the entire state. He said these schools facing rising expectations with shrinking resources. The money the college has received from the state has shrunk over the

The state formula for providing money to community colleges is based on enrollment growth. This has been a chalalso delved into the debate over lenge for Colby College, which charter schools versus pub- is expected to grow its enrolllic schools that has been a hot ment while the population in topic lately. Tallman said any northwest Kansas steadily de-

October 16, 2010

Strong earthquake shakes Oklahoma

Associated Press Writer

NORMAN - One of the strongest earthquakes recorded in Oklahoma rattled parts of five states Wednesday and left two people with minor injuries.

a.m. about six miles east of Norman in Cleveland County, sharply shaking portions of the Oklahoma City metropolitan area. The U.S. Geological Survey estimated the off the wall here at the police demagnitude to be 4.3, but research seismologist Austin Holland said the Oklahoma Geological Survey measured it at 5.1. The higher figure would make Wednesday's temblor the second-strongest here since records began.

Don Blakeman, a geophysicist off shelves.

with National Earthquake Information Center, said the quake was felt up to 170 miles away, at Bartlesville in northeastern Oklahoma and Wichita in southern Kansas. Reports also came in from Arkansas, Missouri and Texas.

The Oklahoma Department of The earthquake struck at 9:06 Emergency Management said it had received reports of minor damage, primarily to windows and due to items falling from shelves.

"We had a couple things fall partment. We all ran outside to see if something hit the station or something like that," Norman police Capt. Leonard Judy said. Only minor damage had been reported through the city, mainly porches cracking or items falling

The shaking rattled buildings at the University of Oklahoma in central Norman, sending students, faculty and staff members outside. President David Boren said in a statement that survey teams were dispatched around campus but no structural damage had been found and no injuries were reported.

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Saturday Evening

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Saturday morning followed by a business meeting, block drawing, and a time for show and tell.

Caffrey will have a lecture/trunk show around 10:30 a.m. on Saturday about "Finding and Unleashing the Creativity Within You."

Caffrey will present a second

urday on "How to have It All, How to Move It, Use It and Never Lose It." Shopping with vendors will be about "Perfect and Painless Half open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

She will conduct a mystery table runner workshop from 7 p.m. age out-of-towners to visit the to 10 p.m. on Saturday for a class of 25 quilters.

Those who have been selected

lecture/trunk show 1 p.m. on Sat- for the Quilting Fellowship, will spend from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday with Caffrey to learn Square Triangles."

Members of the Guild encour-Prairie Museum of Art and History to take in the quilt show there.

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