

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 27. Northwest wind around 10 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 55. West wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 30. Blustery, with a southwest wind 10 to 20 mph becoming northwest. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 44. Breezy, with a north wind 20 to 25 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 21.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 57.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 60.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 27.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 52.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 25.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50.

Friday: High, 39; Low 18

Saturday: High, 49; Low 26

Sunday: High, 49; Low 19

Precip: Friday 0.01 inches

Saturday 0.00 inches

Sunday 0.00 inches

Month: 0.19 inches

Year: 18.13 inches

Normal: 19.95 inches

(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset

Tuesday 7:29 a.m. 5:29 p.m.

Wednesday 7:30 a.m. 5:28 p.m.

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Right flank may cause trouble for Brownback

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won, and they want results and have set the bar pretty high."

Brownback himself concedes that he's the most conservative governor at least since Democrat Robert Docking, who unseated Republican Gov. Bill Avery in 1966. Avery had established an income tax withholding system and boosted taxes to help public schools.

The new governor is a sharp break with those who've held office over the past 15 years, Republican Bill Graves and Democrats Kathleen Sebelius and Mark Parkinson. They vetoed anti-abortion bills; Graves

and Parkinson pushed through tax increases to deal with budget problems.

Brownback talked frequently during his successful campaign about keeping taxes and government spending in check. He said recently that he'd like to cut individual income taxes to spur economic growth.

He's also gained some national attention on social issues. He's a strong opponent of abortion and gay marriage and, as a U.S. senator, pursued issues such as an allegedly "activist" judiciary and the perceived need for a new "family hour" for television.

But a few Kansas conservatives have privately doubted Brownback at least since 2006, when he supported bipartisan legis-

lation creating a path to citizenship for illegal immigrants. Others were upset last year when he voted to confirm Sebelius, an abortion rights supporter, as U.S. secretary of health and human services.

Brownback's transition team includes some moderates, most notably former state Rep. Kenny Wilk of Lansing, and Senate Ways and Means Committee Chairman Jay Emler, a Lindsborg Republican who supported this year's tax increase.

Brownback isn't backing repeal of the sales tax increase next year because it would make budgeting a lot more difficult.

In its current budget, the state is sustaining aid to public schools and spending on

social services with federal stimulus dollars. Officials don't expect additional stimulus money, leaving a \$492 million gap in the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Subtracting an additional \$370 million in sales tax revenues would require deep cuts — and 88 percent of the state's revenues go to education and social services.

The governor-elect said Kansas can't grow its economy if it's perceived as a high-tax state.

But he added, "Having said that, we've got to balance our budget."

Beekeeper generates a buzz

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he said, because they help pollinate food plants like melons, vining crops, green beans, soy beans and many fruit and nut trees, plus alfalfa and other food plants, both for humans and animals.

Wood says he has 12 hives scattered around town in the summer, with a peak population of 60,000 bees to a hive. The population may go down to 10,000 in the winter, though.

He said the queen bee lays eggs from February through Memorial Day to prepare for summer, when the hive needs at least 50,000 bees. A good queen bee can lay 1,500 eggs a day, he added, but not all will hatch and when they do, not all will survive.

Bees go through difficult life cycles, he explained. Nurse bees feed the larvae and house bees transfer nectar from worker bee larvae to the comb.

When it gets extremely hot, there are bees whose only purpose is to fan their wings to cool the hive. The forage bee is the last cycle of the bees, he said, and their mortality rate is higher. Many meet their death on a car's windshield on their way back to the hive with nectar.

"Bees make the wax cells for storing their honey by mixing nectar and an enzyme secreted by a gland near their jaws, and it's interesting to know that the nectar needed to make eight pounds of honey will make only one pound of wax," Woods said, "so wax is the most expensive product for a bee to make. Wax is their home; honey is their food source."

The bees' goal in life is to store up enough honey to keep the hive alive in winter. Honey is their carbohydrate, and pollen is their protein.

"When a bee enters a flower, pollen gets on their body fuzz," Woods said. "They comb themselves with their legs to gather up the pollen, and store it in little pouches on their back legs. Then they fly back to the hive with their legs pouches full and go into the wax cells, and tamp it down with their head."

He said that when man decided to bottle bee pollen for health reasons, they made pollen traps from screen for the bees to crawl through. The pollen brushes off

onto the screen and man collects it, being careful to not take too much of it so that the bees will have enough left to raise their young.

Wood said when the worker bees decide to replace their queen, they select about 10 freshly laid eggs to raise a new queen. It takes 14 days for a queen to hatch, but 21 days for a worker bee to hatch.

The first queen to hatch will make a sound and others, still in their wax cell will answer. The first to hatch will then tear open the wax cells to kill the competitors who answered, and will fight to the death to keep her status.

Bees are known to have caught a ride on sailing ships from Europe and migrated to the Midwest before the white man came. They can travel on semitrailer trucks, railroad cars and barges. The European bee is the most common honey bee. All bees have a defensive instinct if their home or self is threatened, Wood said, but normally bees don't go looking for trouble.

Their normal foraging range is about a two-mile radius from the hive, but bees can cover an entire town to get good pollen and nectar. The main plant sources in this area, Wood said, are clover, alfalfa and Russian sage with its purple bloom, which is plentiful all summer, plus summer flowers grown in yards around town.

He said as fall gets here, the floral food source thins and the bees need to be fed sugar water at the hives.

Winter is hard on the bees, he said, adding that he believes he should be able to save 10 out of his 12 hives. Bees have a great way of keeping warm, Wood said. The bees will ball up into a cluster, and the colder it is, the tighter the ball.

They provide their own insulation by making the cluster, and then flexing their muscles to keep warm. They appear to be shivering, but they are actually flexing their muscles. The center of the ball will be 55 degrees when it is zero outside. The bees consume the stored honey to fuel their shivering to keep the hive warm.

Bees need around 80 to 90 pounds of honey in a hive to survive the winter, he added, and it takes them until around Memorial Day to store up that amount. Most of the honey made after that is sur-

Fund raiser gets big turnout Saturday

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lunch of hotdogs and chips and culinary arts students at Colby Community College provided snacks.

The event doesn't end with Saturday's driving, however. Colby High student Audra Fleming is creating a video, some of which she shot Saturday. If the video is chosen out of 50 entries, Ford will donate another \$6,000 to the schools.

The Midwest Ford Dealers Advertising Association is offering yet another \$6,000 if there are lots of hits on the event's Facebook page, facebook.com/driveone4school.

The event took a lot of work, Tubbs said, but the dealership would probably participate if selected again. Tubbs and Sons was one of 400 out of 6,000 Ford dealers nationwide to have the promotion. She said there weren't many others in Kansas.

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Tuesday Evening											November 16, 2010			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30				
KAKE/ABC	No Ordinary Family		Dancing With Stars		Detroit 1-8-7		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
KBSL/CBS	NCIS		NCIS: Los Angeles		The Good Wife		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late					
KSNK/NBC	The Biggest Loser				Parenthood		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late					
KSAS/FOX	Glee		Raising	Raising	Local									
Cable Channels														
A & E	Billy	Billy	Billy	Billy	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Billy	Billy				
AMC	A Few Good Men							The Sum of All Fears						
ANIM	Weird	Freak	Lost Tape	Lost Tape	Freak	Freak	Lost Tape	Lost Tape	Freak	Freak				
BRAVO	Matchmaker		Matchmaker		The Fashion Show				Matchmaker					
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard		Rocky II											
CNN	Parker Spitzer		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360								Larry King Live	
COMEDY	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Swardson	South Pk	Daily	Colbert	Swardson	South Pk				
DISC	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Auction	Auction			Dirty Jobs				Dirty Jobs	
DISN	Good Luck Wizards		Sky High						Phineas	Phineas	Hannah	Hannah		
E!	Plastic Surgery				Kendra	Kendra	Chelsea	E! News			Chelsea			
ESPN	College Basketball				College Basketball						SportsCenter			
ESPN2	College Football						College Basketball							
FAM	Miss Congeniality				Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club		My Wife	My Wife				
FOOD	Challenge		Private Chefs		Chopped		Cakes	Cakes	Private Chefs					
FX	The Italian Job				Sons of Anarchy		Sons of Anarchy		Terriers					
HGTV	First	First	House	Estate	House	Hunters	For Rent	For Rent	House	Estate				
HIST	IRT Deadliest Roads		IRT Deadliest Roads		Apoc- PA.	Apoc- PA.	Marked		IRT Deadliest Roads					
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Wife Swap		Wife Swap		How I Met	How I Met	Frasier	Frasier				
MTV	16 and Pregnant		16 and Pregnant		16 and Pregnant		16 and Pregnant		True Life					
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny				
SCI	Star Trek: Next		Stargate Universe		Fact or Faked		Stargate Universe		Stargate SG-1					
SPIKE	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Ways Die	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Prisoners/Control					
TBS	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Glory Daze		Conan		Lopez Tonight					
TCM	Ghost-Chicken				Apple Dmpling				Incred.-Limpet					
TLC	19 Kids and Counting		19 Kids	19 Kids	Couple	Couple	19 Kids and Counting		19 Kids	19 Kids				
TNT	Bones		Law & Order		Law & Order		CSI: NY		CSI: NY					
TOON	Son of the Mask		Tower Prep		King-Hill	King-Hill	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Boondocks				
TRAV	Mysteries-Museum		Mysteries-Museum		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Mysteries-Museum					
TV LAND	Sanford	Sanford	Raymond	Raymond	Everybody-Raymond		Raymond	Roseanne						
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Psych		Burn Notice					
VH1	Football	Fantasia	Fantasia	ATL					Real and Chance					
WGN	Chris	Chris	How I Met	How I Met	WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk				
Premium Channels														
HBO	Treatment	Treatment	Treatment	Treatment	Tracy Morgan		Bored	Boardwalk Empire	24/7					
MAX	Final	Brüno			Sniper 2			Lingerie	Zane's Sex Chron.					
SHOW	Next Day Air		Weeds	The Big C	Dexter		Weeds	The Big C	Quantum of Solace					

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Wednesday Evening											November 17, 2010			
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30				
KAKE/ABC	Middle	Better	Family	Cougar	25 Year of		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live					
KBSL/CBS	Survivor: Nicaragua		Criminal Minds		The Defenders		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late					
KSNK/NBC	Undercovers		Law & Order: SVU		Law-Order L.A.		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late					
KSAS/FOX	Human Target		Hell's Kitchen		Local									
Cable Channels														
A & E	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Finding Hulk Hogan		Seagal	Seagal	Dog	Dog				
AMC	Aliens						Alien 3							
ANIM	I'm Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive		I Shouldn't Be Alive					
BRAVO	Top Chef Dsr		Top Chef Dsr		Top Chef Dsr		Top Chef Dsr		Top Chef Dsr					
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard		Rocky III					Kid Rock	Smarter	Smarter				
CNN	Parker Spitzer		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live					
COMEDY	Chappelle	Chappelle	Swardson	Futurama	South Pk	Ugly Amer	Daily	Colbert	South Pk	Ugly Amer				
DISC	MythBusters		MythBusters		Storm Chasers		MythBusters		MythBusters					
DISN	Avalon High				Deck	Deck	Phineas	Phineas	Hannah	Hannah				
E!	What's Eating You		What's Eating You		What's Eating You		Chelsea	E! News		Chelsea				
ESPN	NBA Basketball				NBA Basketball						SportsCenter			
ESPN2	College Football						SportsCtr	NFL Live	SportsNation					
FAM	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club		My Wife	My Wife				
FOOD	The Next Iron Chef		Thanksgiving Feast		Thanksgiving F.		Diners	Diners	Thanksgiving Feast					
FX	You Don't Mess				Terriers		Terriers		Two Men	Two Men				
HGTV	Property	Property	Income	Disaster	House	Hunters	Property	Property	Income	Disaster				
American Profile														
We Celebrate Hometown Life														
Stories from hometowns just like yours. Look for us each week in this paper.														
HIST	Nostradamus Effect		Apocalypse Island				Apocalypse Man		Nostradamus Effect					
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Sleep-Enemy				How I Met	How I Met	Frasier	Frasier				
MTV	True Life		16 and Pregnant		The Challenge: Cutth		The Challenge: Cutth		Pranked	Megadrive				
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Lopez	Lopez	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny				
SCI	Ghost Hunters		Ghost Hunters		Hollywood	Hollywood	Ghost Hunters		Hollywood	Hollywood				
SPIKE	UFC Unleashed		UFC Unleashed		The Ultimate Fighter		BlueMount	BlueMount	The Ultimate Fighter					
TBS	Payne	Payne	Browns	Browns	Browns									