Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: A 30 percent chance of snow after midnight. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 24. Southeast wind around 5 mph becoming calm. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of snow before noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 43. Calm wind becoming west between 5 and 10 mph. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 23. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.

with a high near 56. West wind between 5 and 10 mph. Wednesday Night: Mostly

Wednesday: Mostly sunny,

cloudy, with a low around 30. Thursday: Mostly sunny and

breezy, with a high near 56. Thursday Night: Partly

cloudy, with a low around 27. Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 51.

Friday Night: A slight chance of rain and snow. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Saturday: Partly sunny and breezy, with a high near 46.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy and blustery, with a low around 19.

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 31.

Friday: High, 65; Low 23 Saturday: High, 35; Low 20 Sunday: High, 36; Low 9 0.00 inches Precip: Friday Saturday 0.00 inches Sunday 0.00 inches Month: 0.00 inches Year: 18.15 inches

(K-State Experiment Station) **Sunrise and Sunset** Tuesday 7:51 a.m. 5:21 p.m. Wednesday 7:52 a.m. 5:21 p.m.

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Normal:

of Embark items From "SALE," Page 1

and all items will be sold "as is" with no warranties.

Armstrong said the city will should fetch close to \$34,000. use most of the money to recover building as well as utility and legal auction in November.

costs. Armstrong said the Department of Commerce has approved the city keeping some of the proceeds. If everything sells, the sale

The city has been planning the expenses they paid while helping sale since Embark Health failed set up Embark, including a \$5,000 in the summer. It bought back the deductible for a new roof on the Embark building itself in public

Investigators probe task force spending

City plans sale

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meeting in speaking fees.

more than \$10,700 to put on a 3 Aug. 20, 2009, at the Ramada Expenses included 45 steak dina \$1,300 speaking fee for former Kansas City, Mo., council member Alvin Brooks.

the small staffs of the three groups of them will disappoint you," frequently traveled around the Parkinson said. "When they disstate and country. There wasn't appoint you, the right course of enough available information to action is to assemble the facts, esdocument all of their travels, but a tablish what's happened. If termitrip to Washington last year stood nation is justified, you terminate. out among the travel that could be
If a criminal investigation is justi-

Costs for that trip included to the criminal agencies."

Washington for a four-day conferpaid \$1,250 to \$1,500 each per ence of the Congressional Black Caucus, and \$3,558 for four days The state paid various vendors at the Grand Hyatt Washington.

Two of the officials paid \$625 1/2-hour town hall meeting on each for the "Ultimate" package of events at the conference, which Convention Center in Topeka. included a prayer breakfast and gala awards dinner headlined by ners at \$23.95 each, for a total of President Barack Obama, instead \$1,413, including gratuities, and of paying the standard \$75 fee that would have gotten them into all of the business sessions.

"When you have 20,000 em-The newspaper also found that ployees, from time to time, a few fied, you turn over what you found

County schools, college hold Christmas concerts

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bowl meet.

The concert features the Colby High School band, choir and The torium. Select Singers – a high school honor choir – along with the middle school choir. Director Joey Nichols said the concert will mainly school gym. The program will feaconsist of Christmas music. At the ture the second, third, fourth and end the high school band and choir fifth graders. The younger kids will join for a mass finale.

The Colby Middle School band fifth to eighth grades – will have a concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, in the grade school audi-

Sacred Heart Catholic School will have their Christmas program at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, in the hold a concert in the spring.

Kansas revenue secretary to retire

TOPEKA (AP) – Joan Wagnon, the secretary of the *Topeka Capital-Journal*. said she doesn't plan to start taking life easy.

20.34 inches

Wagnon, who was also mayor of Topeka and a Kansas House member, said Thursday that she was proud of the work she's done since being appointed to the state tax agency by Democratic Gov. Kath-Gov. Sam Brownback taking office next month, she is looking for something "interesting to do."

"I signed on for eight years, and that eight years ends on January 10th. I plan to work until the last tary by Sebelius, a colleague of hers in the Kansas day. I have loved it. Just loved it," Wagnon told *The*

Kansas Department of Revenue, plans to retire when When she was appointed to the revenue departa new administration takes office in January, but she ment, it "wasn't at the top of everyone's favorite list." In particular, the Kansas Society of Certified Public Accountants had the department on its "hit list," Wagnon said.

Wagnon served in the Kansas House from 1983 to 1994. She then became the first woman mayor of leen Sebelius in 2003. But she said with Republican Topeka and served from 1997 to 2001 before finishing third in the 2001 primary election.

After that, Wagnon was president of Central National Bank until she was appointed revenue secre-



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A conversation with Santa



DEBBIE SCHWANKE/Colby Community College

Colby Kriss and Santa (Chris Bailey, assistant registrar) discussed gift requests Saturday at the Colby Community College faculty and staff holiday party. Colby, son of Jill Kriss, who works in the Adult Education Department, turned 3 on Friday.

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