

## Weather Corner



**National Weather Service**  
**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 19. North wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south.

**Saturday:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 37. Southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph.

**Saturday Night:** A 30 percent chance of snow, mainly after midnight. Cloudy, with a low around 21. East wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Sunday:** Snow likely, mainly after noon. Cloudy, with a high near 27. Southeast wind between 5 and 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

**Sunday Night:** Snow and areas of blowing snow. Low around 10. Blustery. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent.

**Monday:** Snow and areas of blowing snow before noon, then snow likely and areas of blowing snow after noon. High near 12. Blustery. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent.

**Monday Night:** Areas of blowing snow and a slight chance of snow. Mostly cloudy and blustery, with a low around -3. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny and cold, with a high near 5.

**Tuesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around -8.

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 15.

**Wednesday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 3.

**Thursday:** Partly sunny, with a high near 25.

**Thursday:** High, 55; Low 21  
 Precip: Thursday 0.00 inches  
 Month: 0.00 inches  
 Year: 0.00 inches  
 Normal: 0.45 inches  
 (K-State Experiment Station)

**Sunrise and Sunset**  
 Saturday 8:04 a.m. 5:38 p.m.  
 Sunday 8:04 a.m. 5:39 p.m.  
 Monday 8:04 a.m. 5:40 p.m.  
 (U.S. Naval Observatory)

## Firms interested in wind farm

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owned by western Kansas rural electric co-ops, while Power and Light is a private, investor-owned utility serving greater Kansas City.

Susan McMahan, who supervises emergency management, safety and communications for the county, requested a change in her official title of Emergency Management Director/Work Safety Advisor/911 Coordinator, to comply with federal and state requirements for simplicity when she applies for grants. The commissioners approved the request to change her title to just Emergency Management Director.

County Attorney Bruce Flipse told commissioners that 30 to 33 parcels on the list for the coming delinquent tax sale are fractional mineral interests. Most of the money owed, \$350,000 to \$400,000, has been paid since the county began preparations and advertising for the sale last year.

He said an instruction sheet stapled to the front of the sales lists detailing the procedures the county will take to make the sale final. As far as he can determine right now, he said, the abstracting cost of \$125 per parcel, deed and title filing fees of \$8 each and all of the 2010 taxes will be added to the bidding

price of parcels being sold.

Flipse said he will meet with the commissioners on Monday to get approval for the procedure before the sale next Friday. He said he had hired Steve Bugbee to be the auctioneer.

Road and Bridge Supervisor Clair Schrock discussed bids for mowing 2,760 "swath miles" of county roads with the commissioners. He said there has been some interest but only one person has actually picked up the bid form. Others have indicated an interest, he said. Bid opening will be on Monday, Feb. 7, during the commissioners' regular meeting.

In other business, the commissioners

- Reported they had sold the old boilers from the courthouse to Leo Stephens for \$379.
- Approved a 3 percent raise in rent for outside agencies at the Thomas County Office Complex.
- Read and accepted a letter of resignation from Martin Rinehart, assistant emergency medical services director, who is retiring after 18 years.
- Tabled discussion on a bid for heating and air conditioning the 4-H building until Monday.
- Approved December's bills from the general fund for \$168,988; noxious weed for \$3,231 and road and bridge for \$12,080, for a total of \$184,301.

## New lawmaker given a send-off

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said he especially would like to see more in northwest Kansas.

Many Goodland city employees came to the reception and many thanked Billinger for his many years with the city. Several said they felt he had been a good commissioner and they would miss his leadership.

One of those who attended was Ron Barkley, a retired teacher and part-time radio personality, who said he had a suggestion for Billinger when he got to Topeka: "I think we need term limits," Barkley told Billinger. "I think some of those people have served long enough they think they own the seat. I think we need to have term limits like we do for governor all the way down the line."

Barkley added that he knew

Billinger would do a good job in Topeka representing the area.

Former state Representative (1961-1964) and Senator (1964-1966) John Golden congratulated Billinger on his selection by the Republican District Committee - he was chosen to replace Rep. Jim Morrison of Colby, who was re-elected in November but died later than month - and said he is glad to see someone from Sherman County as the representative.

Golden and Billinger talked about the Capitol and Golden talked about how things have changed since he served.

"I have one piece of advice," Golden said. "Once you make up your mind on an issue, stick with it and don't change."

After the reception, Billinger attended his final city commission meeting. Under state law he can-

not serve as state representative and city commissioner at the same time. His commission seat will become vacant when Billinger is sworn in at Topeka on Monday.

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9	10 Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab	11	12 Dr. Frankum Surgery DEXA Bone Density Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab Diabetic Clinic	13 MRI's	14 Cardiac Rehab	15
16	17 Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab	18	19 Dr. Curtis Cardiology	20 Dr. Saba Orthopedics	21 Cardiac Rehab	22
23	24 Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab	25 Dr. Frederick C. Miller Cardiology	26 Ultrasounds Cardiac Rehab Diabetic Clinic	27 MRI'S	28 Cardiac Rehab	29
30	31 Dr. Rubowitz Oncology	TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A VISITING PHYSICIAN, PLEASE CALL (785) 626-3211 Cheryll Banister, RN Specialty Clinic Director				

## State bailouts unlikely

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financial shape itself."

McCarthy said the GOP would be focused on cutting federal "mandates," programs the government requires but does not necessarily pay for, and giving states more flexibility on how they spend federal money.

The \$814 billion stimulus program, passed by a Democratic Congress and championed by President Barack Obama, was de-

signed to help states provide essential services and give a boost to the economy. Most of the money will run out this year.

States spent the bulk of it on public schools, higher education and health care, so those programs likely will take a hit this year. Transportation, prisons and services such as early education will not be spared the budget ax, said Todd Haggerty, a policy analyst with the National Conference of State Legislatures.



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**Monday Evening January 10, 2011**

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	The Bachelor				Castle		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Final
KBSL/CBS	How I Met Rules	Two Men Mike		Hawaii Five-0			Local	Late Show Letterman	Late	
KSNK/NBC	Chuck		The Cape				Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late	
KSAS/FOX	Lie to Me				Local					

**Cable Channels**

Channel	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
A & E	Intervention	Intervention			Hoarders	Hoarders			Intervention	
AMC	Exit Wounds				Exit Wounds				Bowfinger	
ANIM	Dogs 101				Dogs 101			Dogs 101	Dogs 101	
BRAVO	Actor's Studio	Housewives/Atl.			Tabatha's Salon Take	Tabatha's Salon Take			Housewives/Atl.	
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard	Broken Bridges						Cribs	Smarter Smarter	
CNN	Parker Spitzer	Larry King Live			Anderson Cooper 360				Larry King Live	
COMEDY	Balls of Fury	Sunny Sunny			Sunny Sunny	Daily	Colbert		Sunny Sunny	
DISC	American Chopper	American Chopper			Gold Rush: Alaska	American Chopper			Get Out Alive	
DISN	Ratatouille				Phineas Phineas	Good Luck Good Luck			Hannah Hannah	
E!	Sex and t	Sex/City	Kendra Kendra		Fashion The Soup	Chelsea		E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	Pregame	College Football							Postgame SportsCtr	
ESPN2	College Basketball	2010 Poker					SportsCtr	Nation	NFL Live	Final
FAM	Pretty Little Liars	Greek			Pretty Little Liars		The 700 Club		Whose? Whose?	
FOOD	Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Diners Diners		The Best The Best		Good Eats Good Eats		Diners Diners	
FX	X-Men: Last								Coach Carter	
HGTV	Property Property	House Hunters	Cash & Ca		Hunters	First First		House Hunters	Hunters	
HIST	Pawn Pawn	American Pickers	Pawn Pawn				American Pickers		Pawn Pawn	
LIFE	Reba Reba	Dan in Real Life					How I Met How I Met		Frasier Frasier	
MTV	MTV Special	MTV Special			MTV Special	MTV Special			MTV Special	
NICK	My Wife My Wife	Chris Chris	George George		My Wife My Wife	My Wife My Wife			My Wife My Wife	
SCI	Star Trek: Nemesis	Star Trk: Cntct							Star Trek: Next	Star Trek
SPIKE	UFC Fight Night	The Longest Yard					Jail Jail		Walker, Texas Ranger	
TBS	Office Office	Fam. Guy Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy Fam. Guy				Conan		Lopez Tonight	
TCM	Man in Gray						Patterns		The Rabbi	
TLC	Cake Boss:Next	Cake Boss:Next			The Opener		Cake Boss:Next		The Opener	
TNT	The Closer				Men of a Certain Age		CSI: NY		Men of a Certain Age	
TOON	Adventure MAD	King/Hill King/Hill			Amer. Dad Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy Fam. Guy		Chicken Aqua Teen		
TRAV	The Wild Within	No Reservation			No Reservation	No Reservation			No Reservation	
TV LAND	Sanford Sanford	Buddy Holly					Roseanne		Roseanne Roseanne	
USA	NCIS	WWV Monday Night RAW					Royal Pains		Royal Pains	
VH1	Celebrity Rehab	You're Cut Off			The X Life		You're Cut Off		The X Life	
WGN	Chris Chris	Funniest Home Videos			WGN News at Nine		Scrubs Scrubs		South Pk South Pk	

**Premium Channels**

Channel	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
HBO	Tooth Fairy				Good Hair				Bette Midler: Showgirl Must	
MAX	Mystery Men				Cop Out					
SHOW	Twilight: New Moon	Shameless			Californ. Episodes	Californ. Episodes			Shameless	