### Weather Corner



National Weather Service Tonight: Snow and areas of blowing snow. Low around -3. Wind chill values as low as -26. Blustery; north wind between 20 and 25 mph; gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent. New snow accumulation of 1 to 3 inches possible.

Tuesday: Areas of blowing snow and a chance of snow. Cloudy and cold; high near 6. Wind chill values as low as -27. Blustery, with a north wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50 percent. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

Tuesday Night: Areas of blowing snow and a slight chance of snow before midnight. Mostly cloudy: low around -12. Wind chill values as low as -34. Blustery, with a north wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny. with a high near 12. North wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around -3.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 14. Friday: Mostly sunny, with a

high near 41. Friday Night: Partly cloudy,

with a low around 23. Friday: High, 67; Low 26 Saturday: High, 63; Low 19 Sunday: High, 36; Low 16 Precip: Friday 0.00 inches 0.00 inches Saturday Sunday Trace 0.22 inches Year: 0.45 inches Normal: (K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset 7:52 a.m. 6:04 p.m. Wednesday 7:51 a.m. 6:06 p.m. (U.S. Naval Observatory)

## Interviews to begin Tuesday for Colby College president

dedicated to encouraging business relocation and expansion in the state.

The college has not had a permanent president since former president Lynn Kreider resigned at a closed-door special session meeting on Sept. 10. The board hired Dr. Max Heim to serve as interim president on Oct. 4. Heim works four days a week. He earns \$80 an hour and \$50 per hour for travel time.

Heim said he received 19 applications from potential candidates for the job before the search was

of Hutchinson Community College who has been interim president at four colleges, was hired by the board to help Heim go through the applications. He receives \$450 a day. After going through all the applications, Stringer and Heim gave the board their top four recommendations.

Heim also put Paula Davis, vice president of academic affairs at the college, on paid leave until her contract runs out on June 30. Heim said he had no comment on why he made this decision.

to this."

## Legislature divided over budget fixes

By John Milburn

The Associated Press

TOPEKA - Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback has rolled out his first roadmap for fixing state finances in the current year, but it's clear the two chambers of the Legisla-

ture are taking divergent paths. Three days after the Republican was sworn into office, his staff presented legislators with a bill that would freeze state spending through June 30. If followed to the letter, the measure would net Kansas some \$35 million to begin the next fiscal year.

"The savings are going to be needed for 2012," Brownback said. "That's what gets us to an ending balance. That's an absolute minimum.

"I hope people look at the total package. There really aren't a lot of options."

Senate budget committees took their first crack at Brownback's bill with different priorities in mind.

House members were in the mood to cut, taking the ending balance to more than \$45 million. Senators went the other direction, adding money for education and disaster relief and pushing the 2011 ending balance closer to

"The House is trying to do the governor one better in trying to bring spending in line with revenues. The Senate is spending the cushion," said House Speaker Mike O'Neal.

Getting to zero is a must. Kansas can't operate in a deficit, though in past years governors have pushed byists for the state employee

to balance the books. However, lic workers. 2012 doesn't get any easier with a projected \$550 million shortfall between anticipated revenue col-

lections and spending obligations.

The House Appropriations Committee, dominated by fiscally conservative Republicans, is proposing a 7.5 percent reduction in salary and wages for all state employees, including elected officials, judges and university presi-

Doing so would slash more than \$16 million in payrolls. The Board of Regents would apply its savings to deferred maintenance projects, such as leaky roofs and outdated infrastructure.

Rep. Pete DeGraaf, a Mulvane Republican, said his intent was to trim agency spending and not specifically target employees. Agencies could find the savings by delaying or cancelling purchases, not filling vacant positions or reducing other planned spending.

House Speaker Mike O'Neal said Friday the committee would be going back to revisit the bill this week to clean up the language to reflect DeGraaf's intent, not the interpretation.

O'Neal, a Hutchinson Republican, said agencies will have as much control as possible to decide where to find the savings. But salaries, including those of legislators and Brownback, could be part of the mix.

"I'm not into micromanaging that," O'Neal said. "The top tier ought to have skin in the game, and that includes me."

However, Democrats and lobspending into the next fiscal year union took the cut as a slap at pub-

"If we are going to make Kan-

sas a better place to live and work,

we should support the people who

work for us," said Senate Minor-

ity Leader Anthony Hensley, a To-

peka Democrat. "The Senate took

a much more reasoned approach

Senate Ways and Means Com-

mittee Chairwoman Carolyn

McGinn, a Sedgwick Republican,

says the panel isn't finished with

its work despite adding money to

the bill last week. She anticipated

changes would be made before it

# Pancakes highlight challenge kick-off

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of points when people complete the improvements recommended in the audit.

The second category is compact fluorescent light bulbs. The city gets points every time someone reports switching out a standard bulb for a fluorescent one between Jan. 1 and Oct. 31. To report a switch, go to takechargeks.org.

munity involvement" includes events like the kick-off and any time a committee member speaks to a civic organization. Armstrong said she's already spoken at a Kiwanis Club meet-

Coordinator Lane Patterson said if the contest comes down to a tie, the winner will be the city with the most "whole house" energy audits.

The challenge is sponsored The final category, "com- by the Kansas Energy Office

## Highway patrolman stable after shooting

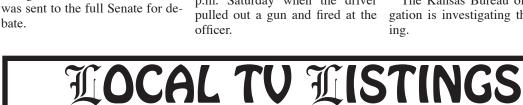
HAYS (AP) - A Kansas Highbeing shot in the shoulder during a routine traffic stop.

KAKE reports the trooper had pulled a vehicle over on the southeast edge of the city around 11:30 p.m. Saturday when the driver pulled out a gun and fired at the

Ellis County Attorney Tom way Patrol trooper was in stable Drees says a 45-year-old has been condition at a Hays hospital after arrested and was being held for probable cause on a charge of aggravated battery on a law enforcement officer.

> The man was being held without bond.

The Kansas Bureau of Investigation is investigating the shoot-







### **Tuesday Evening February 1, 2011** 10:30 11:00 11:30 8:30 9:00 9:30 Nightline Jimmy Kimmel Live KBSL/CBS NCIS KSNK/NBC The Biggest Lose Tonight Show w/Leno Late Million Dollar Cable Channels The First 48 Tombstone **Fombstone** Human Prey I, Predator Human Prey Maneaters I, Predator Real Housewives/Beverl Real Housewives Real Housewives The Dukes of Hazzard Dukes-Hazzard Dukes-Hazzard Piers Morgan Tonight Parker Spitzer Piers Morgan Tonight Anderson Cooper 360 Larry, Cable Tosh.0 Tosh.0 Onion Dirty Jobs Dirty Jobs Dirty Jobs Dirty Jobs 16 Wishes Wizards Kourtney ollege Basketball College Basketba SportsNation College Basketball Quarterback **Boston** The 700 Club Funniest Home Videos Funniest Home Videos Funniest Home Videos Whose? Whose? Private Chefs Cupcake Wars hopped Two Me Hunters Ax Men Ax Men Pawn Stan Lee's Ax Men Reba Kids One Born Ev How I Met How I Met Frasier True Life Teen Mom 2 Teen Mom 2 Teen Mom 2 I Used to Be Fat The Nanny The Nanny My Wife The Nanny The Nanny Star Trek: Next Star Trek: Next Star Trek: Next Requiem Requiem Gurren Ways Die Ways Die Ways Die Ways Die Ways Die MANswers MANswers UFC: Silva vs. Irvin Lopez Tonight Anne 1000 Private Life What Not to Wear What Not to Wear What Not to Wear What Not to Wear Fabulous Cakes Am Legend Southland Memphis Beat Southland Chicken Amer. Dad Amer. Dad Fam. Guy Fam. Guy Aqua Teen Open Seasor When Vacations Ghost Adventures Bizarre Foods Bizarre Foods Bizarre Foods Sanford Sanford Raymond Raymond Roseanne Raymond Raymond Law & Order: SVU Law & Order: SVU White Collar Fairly Legal How She Move RuPaul's Drag Race Basketball Wives How I Met How I Met WGN News at Nine South Pk South Pk Erotic Travele

Wednesday Evening **February 2, 2011** 10:30 | 11:00 | 11:30 Blue Bloods Criminal Minds ate Show Letterman \_ive to Dance Minute to Win It KSNK/NBC Minute to Win It Law & Order: SVU Tonight Show w/Leno KSAS/FOX American Idol Human Target Storage Demolition Man I Shouldn't Be Alive Animal Nightmares I Shouldn't Be Alive I Shouldn't Be Alive I Shouldn't Be Alive Top Chef An Officer and a Gentlemai Piers Morgan Tonigh Chappelle Chappelle Black Ops Brothers Holly's W Holly's W sex and t Sex and t College Basketball College Basketball ESPN2 College Basketbal College Basketbal College Basketbal Whose? Funniest Home Videos The 700 Club B. Flav B. Flay Worst Cooks Restaurant: Im. Fropic Thunder

We Celebrate Hometown Life Stories from hometowns just like yours. Look for us each week in this paper Bigfoot: The MonsterQuest How I Met How I Met Frasier Reviving Opheli I Used to Be Fat MTV True Life Teen Mom 2 Used to Be Fat Teen Mom 2 My Wife My Wife The Nanny The Nanny The Nanny The Nanny Lopez **Ghost Hunters** Ghost Hunters Inter Face Off Ghost Hunters Inter. Face Off MANswers JFC Unleashed MANswers MANswe MANswers MANswers TCM ive Easy Pieces Addiction Addiction Toddlers & Tiaras Southland Bones Bones Bones am. Guy Amer. Dad Amer. Dad TRAV Carnivore Man, Food Man, Food Man, Food Deep Fried Man, Food Carnivore Carnivore TV LAND Raymond Raymond Cleveland Retired a Sanford Cleveland Retired a Raymond Raymond USA **NCIS** NCIS NCIS Fairly Legal Roval Pains You're Cut Of You're Cut Off You're Cut Of BASEketball South Pk South Pk WGN How I Met How I Met WGN News at Nine Scrubs

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Colby High School, Brewster High School, Golden Plains











The Colby Free Press is now planning the Senior Graduation Tab and will be giving parents a chance to put a baby picture in along with a short message from the family for a small fee.



We will automatically feature your student's picture and information, but this will be your chance to put in a baby picture to show how much *your* senior has really changed over the years!

Call Andrea, Kathryn, or Tammy at 462-3963 for more information or stop by the office at 155 W. Fifth in Colby.



WHITNEY COLETTE ADAMS Small Sample I plan to attend Colby Community College and play softball PARENTS: Richard & Peggy Adams It's been a real hoot, Whit go get em girl, and Godspeed. Love, Mom & Dad

Big Love

Inside the NFL