

Weather Corner



National Weather Service
Tonight: A chance of freezing drizzle. Areas of freezing fog after midnight. Cloudy, with a low around 10. East wind between 10 and 15 mph.
Saturday: A chance of freezing drizzle before noon. Areas of freezing fog before noon. Cloudy, with a high near 37. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east.
Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 24. East wind between 5 and 15 mph.
Sunday: A slight chance of rain and snow after noon. Partly sunny, with a high near 46. East wind 5 to 15 mph becoming north. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.
Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy and blustery, with a low around 21.
Monday: Sunny, with a high near 53.
Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 27.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 56.
Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 25.
Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 55.
Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 30.
Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 63.
Thursday: High, 25; Low 10
Precip: Thursday Trace
Month: 0.19 inches
Year: 0.41 inches
Normal: 0.45 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)
Sunrise and Sunset
Saturday 7:22 a.m. 6:33 p.m.
Sunday 7:20 a.m. 6:34 p.m.
Monday 7:19 a.m. 6:35 p.m.
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

Member running for seat

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of the college and the community in mind.

"When the board makes decisions, the better judgement of the staff is always considered, because they are the ones who are there all the time."

Herschberger said he believes that whether the school's finished product is a dental hygienist, a nurse, a veterinary tech or a diesel mechanic, all students need the basics of English, math and science.

Asked what the college's best recruitment tool is, he said he believes a good recruitment tool lies with the teachers.

"The board can recruit, as well as the entire community," he added.

"What is the future 10 or 20 years from now, and what occupation skills will we need to prepare students for?" he asked. "Basics can always point students to a four-year university, and we need to give them good basics."

He said as a board member his hope was that the college would not have to be faced with money problems, but the current financial crunch makes for tough decisions, and that's the way it has to be.

Herschberger said Colby's ability to thrive in difficult times isn't due just to the fact we have an Interstate highway. It's because of the kind of community we have, he said, that he definitely sees a bright future for the school.

He emphasized that the college board members will do their best to give the new president a good chance, and he believes the people will do the same. That will let the new man become the kind of a president the college and the community need.

Herschberger's wife Suzanne is postmistress at Edson. They have a son, Dustin (Christy), who lives in Gardner, and a daughter Crystal (Zach) Luedke, Park City.

He has owned his business, ZEZ Commodities, 1135 S. Range, since 2002.

International senior



ANDY HEINTZ/Colby Free Press

Colby High senior band member Yabing Chen, an exchange student from China, walked out to the court on senior night with host parent Sandy Wilks between basketball games against Norton on Tuesday.

Story of 4-H days wins second in contest

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ized no one had topped her bid. It was then it dawned on her that through her diligent practice to become a bidder, she had the winning bid on a prize pig!

Not to be discouraged, she took the suggestion of friends and bred the gilt, raised the piglets and sold them to save for the purchase of the sewing machine. She was a junior at Kansas State University before she had enough money saved to buy the Pfaff electric sewing machine. She said it was a demonstration model, about 10 years old, but she still uses it today, and says it's the best machine she has ever used.

She said her daughter Wendy

wanted to take it to college, but instead, Brenn bought her an electric Singer. Mom's hanging on to the "dream machine" she couldn't bear to part with.

College raises students' tuition, hikes food service

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March. Waites said the board would have to resolve some financial issues and address problems over the next two months, adding that it may have to hold some special meetings focused on the budget.

In other business, the board:

• Approved giving Chartwell's, the college's food provider, a contract increase of 3.5 percent. Nichols said the dining service wanted the raise because of increasing health-care and gas costs.

• Listened to Bryan Staats of the accounting firm Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball discuss the results of the audit he conducted of the 2009-2010 school budget. Staats told the board the college's reserves are dangerously low. He said the college should have \$3.5 million in reserves, but has about \$1 million. Staats recommended the board bring in more money, spend less or a little bit of both.

Staats told the board that net

revenue requirements of the 2007 revenue bonds are not being met. The bond issue was used to construct the new dorm. Waites said the board will have to review its options to address the situation.

He said failure to meet the requirements is related to lack of occupancy in the residence hall. Waites said the college is in compliance with debt-service reserve requirement of \$340,000 and above.

• Heard Waites say the college has \$5.7 million left in the current budget, or about about 42 percent, with five months left to go.

• Listened to Waites say the colleges cash balance at the end of December was \$330,000. The college brought in about \$3 million that month, spending almost \$1.4 million on payroll, bills and debt service.

Waites said the cash balance at the end of January was \$2 million. The bulk of this money - \$1.76 million - was in Sunflower Bank.

Groceries may sell alcohol

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liquor, along with full-strength beer and wine. The number of such licenses, now 762, couldn't increase statewide through Dec. 31, 2016.

But if a liquor store gave up its license, a grocery or convenience store could try to obtain it from the state.

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