

## Weather Corner



National Weather Service  
Tonight: Clear, with a low around 19. West wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 54. Southwest wind around 10 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 29. South wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 61. Breezy, with a south wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy and blustery, with a low around 26.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 53.

Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 27.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 54.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 28.

Monday: Sunny, with a high near 58.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 33.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 63.

Monday: High, 24; Low 18  
Tuesday: High, 29; Low 9

Precip: Monday 0.28 inches  
Tuesday 0.08 inches

Month: 0.44 inches  
Year: 0.87 inches

Normal: 2.11 inches  
(K-State Experiment Station)

Sunrise and Sunset  
Thursday 7:04 a.m. 6:46 p.m.  
(U.S. Naval Observatory)

## Senate backs education cuts

From "CUTS," Page 1

Senators offered a new proposal to end that impasse while still meeting Brownback's goal of reducing overall spending.

The U.S. Department of Education is demanding that Kansas increase its current spending by \$26 million or face losing the same amount of money each year, starting with the fiscal year that begins July 1. Brownback and legislators want to prevent the loss of federal funds, but the governor also is keen to reduce the current budget.

House members had pushed a plan to divert the money to special education from schools' base state aid per student, a move senators opposed because the base aid already would be cut under Brownback's recommendations. Senators instead proposed an accounting move — delaying a state contribution to the pension fund for teachers and government workers — to push the burden into the next fiscal year.

Senators still want to delay the pension payment, but, to deal with House members' insistence on a reduction in overall spending, they proposed a series of new cuts to both the current and next fiscal year's budgets. The biggest cut would be the elimination of \$10 million in longevity bonuses for

state employees in the next fiscal year.

Senate Ways and Means Committee Chairwoman Carolyn McGinn, a Sedgewick Republican and her chamber's lead negotiator, said she's hoping lawmakers can send the budget bill to Brownback this week. The governor had wanted lawmakers to send him the bill before February.

"We heard a lot of people say that they didn't want new spending," she said. "We went and found the money, so I'm hoping that we're going to have some forward progress."

But House Appropriations Committee Chairman Marc Rhoades, a Newton Republican who is his chamber's lead negotiator, remained skeptical because senators still want to push part of the special education funding burden into the next fiscal year.

"They made us an offer, which is great," he said.

Brownback had endorsed the House's proposal for resolving the special education funding issue in the current budget, and his aides hadn't seen the latest Senate proposal.

The governor wanted to trim about \$38 million from the current state budget, leaving cash reserves of about \$35 million at the end of June. The state could then roll the

savings and the cash reserves into the next fiscal year, helping to reduce its projected \$493 million budget shortfall.

But special education funding has complicated the debate. The House didn't originally include any extra special education dollars in its version of the budget bill, which met Brownback's target for spending cuts. The Senate included the money, but its version of the bill would have left cash reserves of less than \$3 million.

The senators' plan to delay a \$69 million pension payment from mid-April until after July 1 would have freed up funds to add money for special education while leaving cash reserves of \$83 million at the end of June — though the reserves would have immediately disappeared once the new fiscal year began.

But the House members' plan would have cut base state aid \$40 per student, on top of the \$232 per student that Brownback already has proposed — making the total decline almost 7 percent and dropping the figure from \$4,012 per student to \$3,740. School districts are already worried about having to lay off personnel this spring.

## Foundation purchases mammogram machine

From "HOSPITAL," Page 1

Tama Unger, director of the foundation said the idea for the digital machine began with Jenny Niblock, an advanced registered nurse practitioner at Family Center for Health Care.

"She was concerned that the old machine was out of date and didn't meet the standards of screening necessary to ensure breast health for our popula-

tion," Unger said.

She said the Citizens Foundation Board understands the importance of digital mammography and was able to provide the quarter-million dollar machine to add to the other high tech equipment at the hospital.

The hospital will be ready to take screening appointments Monday. For questions, Weigel can be reached at (785) 460-1250.

## Wheat in poor shape, says new ag stats report

WICHITA (AP) — A new report shows much of the Kansas winter wheat crop in poor shape as it breaks dormancy.

Kansas Agricultural Statistics Service reported Monday that wheat farmers in western counties are worried about lack of moisture, but those in eastern Kansas are optimistic for their crop.

The latest report rates 40 percent of the winter wheat in poor to very poor condition. About 35 percent is in fair shape, with 23 percent rated good and 2 percent rated excellent.

The agency also says more than three-quarters of the wheat is showing no damage from freeze or wind.

## Deines Cultural Center looking for windmill art

The Deines Cultural Center in Russell is calling all wind artists for a show called "Windmills to Wind Power," which will be up during Prairiasta in June.

Any artist with "wind" in their subject matter may submit their work. The work might depict the power or effect of wind such laundry blowing or wheat waving in the wind, wind power equipment, windmill patterns used in textiles, etc. Artists are encouraged to be creative in their interpretation. Outsider artists are welcome.

Works may be in traditional media such as paint, clay, metal or photography. Media may also be wind related such as original de-

sign kites or kite decoration, small scale planes, sail boats, weather vanes or wind chimes.

All work must be original, not crafted from a pattern.

For information or to submit a piece call Nancy Selbe at the center before May 15 at (785) 483-3742 or e-mail deinescenter@ruscellcity.org.

The Deines Cultural Center is also accepting works by former students of Trudy Furney for "Phase II - Tribute to Trudy." If you have work of Furney's not shown before, or if you exhibited your work in the first tribute show and have additional work, consider submitting it.

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**Thursday Evening March 10, 2011**

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Wipeout				Grey's Anatomy		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KBSL/CBS	Big Bang	Rules	CSI: Crime Scene	Parks	The Mentalist		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late	
KSNK/NBC	Community	Couples	Office	30 Rock	Outsource		Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late	
KSAS/FOX	American Idol	Bones			Local					
Cable Channels										
A & E	The First 48	The First 48			Beyond Scared Straig		Breakout Kings		The First 48	
AMC	Thomas Crown				Executive Decision					
ANIM	Alaska Dogs	Alaska Wildlife		Polar Bear			Alaska Dogs		Alaska Wildlife	
BRAVO	Top Chef	Million Dollar List.		Housewives/OC			Real Housewives		Bethenny Ever After	
CMT	The Dukes of Hazzard	My, Redneck Wedding		True Blue: Ten Years			Blue Collar Comedy		Smarter	Smarter
CNN	In the Arena	Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360					Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Futurama	Futurama	South Pk	South Pk	Daily		Colbert		Tosh.0	South Pk
DISC	Man vs. Wild	Man vs. Wild		Wild: Venezuela			Man vs. Wild		Man vs. Wild	
DISN	Finding Nemo				Wizards	Wizards	Sonny	Sonny	Hannah	Hannah
E!	Something's						Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	College Basketball	College Basketball						SportsCenter		
ESPN2	College Basketball	Score.	College Basketball					Final	MMA Live	NFL Live
FAM	Titanic						The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?
FOOD	Iron Chef America	Outrageous Food		Ice Briga	Cakes		Chopped		Outrageous Food	
FX	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Archer	Archer		Archer	27 Dresses		
HGTV	House	First	Selling	Selling	House	Hunters	House	Hunters	Selling	Selling
HIST	Modern Marvels	Swamp People		Ax Men			MonsterQuest		Modern Marvels	
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	How I Met	How I Met	Chris	Chris
MTV	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore	Jersey Shore		Jersey Shore		The Real World	
NICK	My Wife	My Wife	George	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	George	Lopez
SCI	Star Trek II	Star Trek Gen							Star Trek III: Search-Spock	
SPIKE	Hangland	TNA Wrestling					MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers
TBS	Men in Black				Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Conan		Lopez Tonight	
TCM	The Searchers					A Taste of Honey			Cabin in the Sky	
TLC	Extreme Couponing	Cake Boss			Heavily	Heavily	Cake Boss		Heavily	Heavily
TNT	NBA Basketball								Inside the NBA	
TOON	Regular	MAD	King-Hill	King-Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Eaglehear	Chicken
TRAV	Carnivore	Carnivore	Man, Food	Man, Food	Bizarre Foods		Pasta Paradise		Man, Food	Man, Food
TV LAND	AllFamily	AllFamily	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Roseanne	Roseanne	
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Fairly Legal		White Collar		Royal Pains	
VH1	Saturday Night Live				Saturday Night Live		Saturday Night Live		Saturday Night Live	
WGN	WWE Superstars	How I Met	How I Met		WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	WWE Superstars	
Premium Channels										
HBO	Big Love		The Blind Side				Real Sex	Funny or	Watchmen	
MAX	Edge	Beverly Hills Cop			Beverly Hills Cop II					
SHOW	Transsibe	Fierce Funny Women	The Girlfriend Experience				Call Girl	Call Girl	Californ.	Shameless

**Friday Evening March 11, 2011**

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KAKE/ABC	Supernanny		Primetime: What		20/20		Local	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	
KBSL/CBS	The Defenders		CSI: NY		Blue Bloods		Local	Late Show Letterman	Late	
KSNK/NBC	Who Do You		Dateline NBC				Local	Tonight Show w/Leno	Late	
KSAS/FOX	Kitchen Nightmares		Fringe				Local			
Cable Channels										
A & E	Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds		Breakout Kings		Criminal Minds	
AMC	From Dusk Till Dawn				From Dusk Till Dawn				Graveyard Shift	
ANIM	Fatal Attractions	Fatal Attractions			Taking on Tyson		Fatal Attractions		Taking on Tyson	
BRAVO	Ocean's Twelve				Ocean's Twelve					
CMT	Working	Wedding	Ron White: Fix		Wedding	My, Redneck Wedding	Ron White: Fix		Comedy	
CNN	In the Arena	Piers Morgan Tonight			Anderson Cooper 360				Piers Morgan Tonight	
COMEDY	Tosh.0	Tosh.0	Comedy	Comedy	Daniel Tosh: Happy		Comedy	Comedy	Mash-Up	
DISC	Flying Wild Alaska	Flying Wild Alaska			American Loggers		Flying Wild Alaska		Flying Wild Alaska	
DISN	Wizards	Fish Hook	Phineas	Good Luck	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards	Wizards
E!	Sex/City	Sex/City	Sex/City	Sex and t	The Soup	Fashion	Chelsea	E! News	Chelsea	
ESPN	College Basketball	College Basketball						SportsCenter		
ESPN2	College Basketball	College Basketball						Score.	College Basketball	
FAM	Funniest Home Videos	Funniest Home Videos					The 700 Club		Whose?	Whose?
FOOD	Chopped	Diners	Diners		Food	The Best	Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Diners	Diners
FX	Madagascar 2				Madagascar 2				Justified	
HGTV	House	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters
American Profile										
HIST	Modern Marvels	Pawn	Pawn	Pickers	Pickers		Brad Meltzer's Dec.		Modern Marvels	
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	How I Met	How I Met	Chris	Chris
MTV	Jersey Shore	Teen Mom 2			Legally Blonde				Jersey Shore	
NICK	Big Time	Victorou	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez	Lopez
SCI	WWE SmackDown!				Merlin		Being Human		Merlin	
SPIKE	1,000 Ways to Die	Ways Die	Ways Die		Ways Die		CSI: Crime Scene			
TBS	The School of Rock						The School of Rock			
TCM	All Quiet-Front						A Walk in the Sun		Pork Chop	
TLC	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Cupcake	Cupcake	Say Yes	Say Yes	Cupcake	Cupcake
TNT	Bones		I Am Legend				I Am Legend			
TOON	Generator	Star Wars	King-Hill	King-Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy	Fam. Guy	Chicken	Aqua Teen
TRAV	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures			Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures	
TV LAND	AllFamily	AllFamily	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Hot in Cleveland		Ghost Adventures	
USA	NCIS		NCIS		CSI: Crime Scene		CSI: Crime Scene		NCIS	
VH1	Best, I Love	Pretty in Pink					Sixteen Candles			
WGN	Chris	Chris	How I Met	How I Met	WGN News at Nine		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Pk	South Pk
Premium Channels										
HBO	Ocean 11	Mildred	Gervais	Eastbound	Real Time/Bill Maher		Real Time/Bill Maher		Funny or	Gervais
MAX	A Perfect	Dragonball: Evolution			Coming to America				Bev. Hills Cp 3	
SHOW	Sling Blade		Leaves of Grass				Extreme Movie		Charlie V	

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